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QUESTION BANK

Answer the following questions in a sentence or two.

1. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles

(a) She was — determined lady

(b) What's on — radio tonight?

2. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions

1. — the summer holidays, we go

— my grandmother's place

2. Vimal did not attend the class

— Monday.

3. Fill in the blanks with suitable tense form of the verbs given in brackets.

(a) They — (come) to collect garbage everyday.

(b) I have — (buy) a new sari,
Do you like it?

4. choose the correct form of the
verb from those given in brackets

(a) The team — (has/have) won five
matches this year.

(b) The government — (is/are) cutting
its expenses.

5. Fill in the blanks with present
continuous tense of the verbs
given in brackets.

(a) Ramya — (write) a letter at present.

(b) They — (play) tennis now.

6. Fill in the blanks with the
correct form of the present tense

(a) The meeting — (postpone) due to
lack of quorum.

(b) The bread man — (come) to our
housing estate every evening.

7. put the verbs into correct ³tense

(a) I think I — (start) my lesson tomorrow.

(b) she — (correct) it by the end of next month.

8. Supply the appropriate question tag

(a) I am your friend — ?

(b) you will help me — ?

9. Fill in the blanks with suitable words

(a) The priest wanted to — the —
(altar / altar)

(b) There are some — tree along the
— (beach / beech)

10. Add suitable question tags

(a) she had gone there? —

(b) she sang beautifully? —

11. Frame two different sentences using the following words

(a) New (b) knew.

12. Tick the correct words in the following sentences.

(a) She is going to — (adopt/adapt)⁴
a motherless child.

(b) The bank is on the first floor
of a seven — (story/storey)

13. Frame a sentence using the
following idiom 'Dog's life'.

14. Guess the meaning of the
following idioms

(a) It's midnight - Time to hit the sack

(b) I haven't seen Sam for ages.
we only get together once in a

blue moon

15. Make sentences using the following
idiomatic expression.

(a) Man of Letters

(b) On the silver platter

16. Frame a sentence using the
phrasal verb "Cut off".

17. Which idiom would you use for
the following

(a) A person who is strange

(b) The person who is the teacher's
favourite.

18. Write a one word substitution for the following.

- (a) Compulsive desire for sleeping
- (b) Soldiers on foot

19. Choose the correct Answer.

- (a) One who eats human flesh
 - (i) Cannibal (ii) beast (iii) Carnivorous

(b) A public building where people gamble for money

- (i) A hotel (b) Casino (c) theatre.

20. What is meant by comprehension?

21. Give some guidelines for effective Comprehension.

22. Correct the following sentences

(a) Bread and butter are his food for breakfast

(b) I prefer coffee than tea.

23. Fill in the blanks with suitable words

(a) writing — daily is a very good habit.

(b) She has a great — for life (zest, jest)

24. What is meant by Formal Letters?

25. Explain "Note Making"

26. what are the guidelines we should follow in expanding Proverbs.

27. what is meant by essay?

28. what are the different type of essays?

29. Define 'The Thematic Essays'.

30. write a short note on critical reading.

Answer the following questions in about 150 words

31. Fill in the blanks using suitable Prepositions

1. He was arrested — the police and charged — theft.

2. usually, I will go — bed — ten o'clock.

3. I am waiting — a message — my sister.

4. I want — read the book you had told me —

5. He looked — when he heard the noise — him.

32 Fill in the blanks with suitable articles

- (i) — Ganga is — holy river
- (ii) Mr. Ganesan is — M.P
- (iii) There are some dark clouds in — sky
- (iv) — Moon is — satellite of — earth.
- (v) I want — pen and — paper.

33 choose the correct form of the verb

- (i) No news (is/are) good news.
- (ii) Every tree and every plant (need/needs) water.
- (iii) Neither his friend, nor his brother (agree/agrees) with him.
- (iv) Somebody (have/has) the winning lottery ticket.
- (v) The number of students — (is/are/am) increasing every year.

34. Add suitable question tags to the following sentences

- (i) I shall meet him
- (ii) You enjoyed the party
- (iii) They are still here

(iv) I am late

(v) You will come tomorrow

25. choose the correct answer from the brackets

(i) The message was (born, borne) to her

(ii) Can you (cite, sight) an example -

(iii) They wrote several (remainders/reminders)

(iv) What is the (cast/cast) of this book?

(v) Her feet were (bare/bear)

26. Give the meaning for the following idioms

(i) Between the lines

(ii) cloud nine

(iii) cry wolf

(iv) Smell a rat

(v) Turn tables

27. write one word substitution for the following

(i) Belonging to an early stage of social development.

(ii) A government that honours all religions

(iii) definite and clear.

(iv) abnormal interest in books.

(v) Extreme fear of darkness.

38. Read the following passage and answer the questions.

Johnsy was sleeping when they went upstairs. Sue pulled the shade down to the window-sill, and motioned Behrman into the other room. In there they peered out the window fearfully at the ivy vine. Then they looked at each other for a moment without speaking. A persistent, cold rain was falling, mingled with snow. Behrman, in his old blue shirt, took his seat as the hermit miner on an upturned kettle for a rock. When Sue awoke from an hour's sleep the next morning she found Johnsy with dull, wide open eyes staring at the drawn green shade.

Questions

(i) What was Johnsy doing when they went upstairs?

(ii) Why did they look each other without speaking?

(iii) What colour shirt did Behrman wear?

when he posed as a hermit miner,¹⁰

(iv) How did Sue find Johnny?

(v) How was the climate outside the room?

39. Spot the errors and correct them

(i) The pair of scissors belong to me.

(ii) what are the latest news?

(iii) wheat and rice is cereals

(iv) Australia is an European country

(v) Many of the eggs is stolen

40. Write a letter to your friend congratulating him on winning a prize in a cricket match.

41. Make notes of the following
English is used by over 350 million people across the globe. One person out of every four persons in the world can be reached through English. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru described English as 'our major window on the modern world'. English is important because it is the major window on the modern world. We think of our five year plans, industrialization, scientific development and technology.

But every door of modern knowledge will be closed if we do not have one or more foreign language.

42. Expand the idea contained in the following proverb in a paragraph.

As you sow, so you shall reap.

43. write a short story essay on the following topic

Action speaks louder than words.

44. Spot the errors and correct them.

(i) Rahul made an universal appeal

(ii) A honest man is always respected.

(iii) The guest entered into the room

(iv) One of the boys have got the first prize

(v) Maths are my favourite subject.

45. Write a letter to a Sport company ordering some sports goods.

46. write a letter to the Principal of a school to preside over a meeting in your college.

47. Expand the following in 100 words

- (i) Not have all marbles
- (ii) Well begun is half done

48. Bring out the qualities of a good essay.

49. Name some different type of essays

50. Fill in the blanks with correct homophones.

- (i) He played an important — to run a hospital (role/roll)
- (ii) I bought a — of — fruit (pair/pear)
- (iii) The — fellow got a — from the bank (lone/loan)
- (iv) The — is pleasant today (whether/weather)
- (v) Hungry lions went in search of it — (pray/prey)

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Answer the following questions
in about 300 words

21. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles

(i) Gold is — precious metal

(ii) He had — experience of a lifetime behind him.

(iii) — Youth of today have too much freedom

(iv) We drink tea out of — cup.

(v) Seven days make — week

(vi) This is — book I want

(vii) Cricket is — interesting game

(viii) Ravi is — doctor

(ix) Let us go to — hotel

(x) Teaching is — noble profession

22. Fill in the blanks with correct form of verbs.

(i) Tourists — to Madurai to see

Meenakshi temple (go)

(ii) Many children — milk with their meals.
(drink)

(iii) The train _____ (leave) in ¹⁴ ten minutes

(iv) The dog _____ (chase) some hens

(v) My sister _____ (hurt) her leg

(vi) A thief _____ (break) into my house
Yesterday

(vii) Now a new problem has _____ (arise)

(viii) Aravind _____ (play) Tennis since
Primary School

(ix) My Mother _____ (arrive) by the morning
flight tomorrow

(x) When I _____ home my friends _____ for me
(reach / wait)

53. Choose the following words

(i) Bread and butter _____ wholesome
food (are / is)

(ii) Not one of you _____ done his work
properly (have / has)

(iii) Death or disgrace _____ before him
(awaits, await)

(iv) A good man and useful citizen
_____ passed away (has / have)

(V) Neither his father nor his mother
— alive (are/is)

Fill in the blanks with
suitable prepositions

(vi) I go to college — bus

(vii) He bought a big bungalow — a new
car.

(viii) Ram exchanged — Suresh his watch
— a calculator.

(ix) — the hostel, the warden looks — the
children

(x) She has been looking — the mirror
— an hour.

54. Read the following passage and
answer the questions.

Forests are very important for
our survival. The trees bind the soil
and preserve it. They bring about rain
filling up lakes, ponds and rivers. You
cut down trees mindlessly to meet your
immediate needs. The act of deforestation
has reduced the forest area to a

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considerable extent. The animals which inhabited these forests have been rendered homeless

Questions

- (i) what is very important?
- (ii) How do the forest help us?
- (iii) Who help us to get rain fall?
- (iv) what did man do to forest?
- (v) what will the condition of animals if we cut trees?

55. Spot the errors and correct them.

- (i) My father gave me a lot of advices
- (ii) Radha is junior than Vimala in her office
- (iii) children prefer sweets than fruits
- (iv) He never plays football, doesn't he?
- (v) No one visits this place, don't they?
- (vi) He is my cousin brother
- (vii) He came into my room while I read
- (viii) I knew that she is not at home.

(ix) The principal with the teachers are present.

(x) None of you know the answer.

56. write a letter to a publisher placing an order for some books.

57. write a letter to the Municipal Commissioner of your City drawing his attention to the bad condition of the roads in your area.

58. Read the following passage and make notes

Satyagraha differs from passive Resistance as the North Pole from the South. The latter has been conceived as a weapon of the weak and does not exclude the use of physical force or violence for the purpose of gaining one's end where as the former has been conceived as a weapon of the strongest and excludes the use of violence in

any shape or form.

59. Read the following proverbs, and write a paragraph on each, expanding the idea.

- (i) charity begins at home
- (ii) Slow and steady wins the race

60. write an essay on the following topic

The turning point in your life