

Paper-II
GENERAL ENGLISH

Time Allowed : 3 Hours

(Objective)

Maximum Marks : 100

Read the following instructions carefully before you begin to answer the questions.

Important Instruction

1. The Questions Booklet contains 100 questions in all.
2. All questions carry equal marks.
3. Attempt all questions.
4. Immediately after commencement of the examination, you should check up your Question Booklet and ensure that the Question Booklet Series is printed on the top right hand corner of the booklet. The booklet contains 12 printed pages and no page or question is missing or unprinted or torn or repeated. If you find any defect in this booklet, get it replaced immediately by a complete booklet of the same series.
5. You must write your Roll Number in the space provided on the top of this page. Do not write anything else on the Question Booklet.
6. An Answer Sheet will be supplied to you separately by the Invigilator to mark the answers. You must write your Name, Roll No. and other particulars on the first page of the Answer Sheet provided, failing which your Answer Sheet will not be evaluated.
7. You will encode your Roll Number and the Question Booklet Series a, b, c or d as it is printed on the top right hand corner of this Question Booklet with HB Pencil in the space provided on the Page - 2 of your Answer Sheet. If you do not encode or fail to encode the correct series of your Question Booklet, your answer sheet will not be evaluated correctly.
8. Questions and their responses are printed in English only in the booklet. Each question comprises four responses -(a), (b) or (c) and (d). You are to select ONLY ONE correct response and mark in your Answer Sheet. In case you feel that there are more than one correct response, mark the response which you consider the best. In any case choose ONLY ONE response for each question. Your total marks will depend on the number of correct responses marked by you in the Answer Sheet.
9. In the Answer Sheet there are four brackets (a), (b), (c) and (d) against each question. To answer the questions you are to mark with HB Pencil ONLY ONE bracket of your choice for each question. Select one response for each question in the Question Booklet and mark in the Answer Sheet. If you mark more than one answer for one question, the answer will be treated as wrong. In case, you want to change any answer in the Answer sheet, you should first erase the pencil mark clearly, thereafter mark the answer of your choice. **Use HB Pencil only to mark the answering the Answer Sheet.**
10. You should not remove or tear off any sheet from the Question Booklet. You are not allowed to take this Question Booklet and the Answer Sheet out of the Examination Hall during the examination. **After the examination has concluded, you must hand over your Answer Sheet to the invigilator.** Thereafter, you are permitted to take away the Question Booklet with you.
11. Failure to comply with any of the above instructions will render you liable to such action or penalty as the Commission may decide at their discretion.

SPOTTING ERRORS :

Directions (Q. No. 1-20) Read each sentence to find out whether there is an error in any underline part No sentence has more than one error. If you feel there is no error in a sentence, signify a 'No Error' response:

1. How long you have been
(A) (B)
in this city No error
(C) (D)
2. Like all the women she loves tea parties
(A) (B)
and gossip No error
(C) (D)
3. She has slept for eight hours
(A) (B)
last night No error
(C) (D)
4. Have you finished to read
(A) (B)
the novel No error
(C) (D)
5. The officer advised me to meet
(A) (B)
the concerned clerk No error
(C) (D)
6. The test of a great book is
(A)
that whether we want to read it
(B)
Only once or more than once No error
(C) (D)
7. He made proposals with a view
(A)
to bringing the conflicting parties
(B)
to common platform no error
(C) (D)
8. His brother neither has
(A)
the personality nor the ability
(B)
to become an executive No error
9. No sooner he appeared
(A)
on the stage than the people began
(B)
to cheer him loudly NO error
(C) (D)
10. The driver has mistook the road he
(A) (B)
took the wrong turn No error
(C) (D)
11. I as well as my parents, sister and brother
(A) (B)
are going to Calcutta No error
(C) (D)
12. You as well as he are expected to chalk out
(A) (B)
programme for the future No error
(C) (D)
13. The news were received
(A)
that the eminent educationist and author
(B)
has passed away No error
(C) (D)
14. Mathematics is not a subject I am interested
(A) (B)
with No error
(C) (D)
15. The hall was packed to an almost
(A) (B)
maximum capacity No error
(C) (D)
16. Gangas a sacred river of
(A) (B)
the Hindus No error
(C) (D)
17. My friend-told me that he will visit me yesterday
(A) (B)
But he did not come No error
(C) (D)
18. His finger began to bleed
(A) (B)
as soon as he cut himself No error
(C) (D)
19. It is true that God helps those
(A) (B)
who helps themselves No error
(C) (D)
20. Being a rainy day we did not

(A)

go out

(C)

(B)

No error

(D)

SENTENCE IMPROVEMENT:

Directions (Q. No, 21-40) : Below each sentence three possible substitutes are given for the italicized part. If one of them is better than the italicized part, indicate your response on the answer-sheet against the corresponding letter 'a', 'b' or 'c', if none of the substitutes improves the sentence indicate 'd' as you response on the answer-sheet.

21. The police seized the truck carrying smuggled opium

(A) caught

(B) arrested

(C) ceased

(D) No improvement

22. You have had to suffer for no fault of you.

(A) in you

(B) of yours

(C) by you

(D) No improvement

23. That coffee smells strongly.

(A) smells strong

(B) is smelling strong

(C) has smelled strongly

(D) No improvement

24. It is no used going to him again.

(A) to go

(B) to have gone

(C) to be going

(D) No improvement

25. I have told you times and again that you should not disturb me in my work.

(A) time and again

(B) time and time

(C) time to time

(D) No improvement

26. I ought be working but I like relaxing in the company of friends

(A) ought working

(B) ought to be working

(C) should ought to work

(D) No improvement

27. I did not recognize him although he said we had met before

(A) however

(B) since

(C) I spoke about

(D) No improvement

28. The man about whom I spoke of is waiting outside

(A) I spoke about him

(B) who I spoke about

(C) I spoke about

(D) No improvement

29. "How I wish I am a man", said the girl

(A) I was

(B) I are

(C) I were

(D) No improvement

(C) should listen to

(D) No improvement

31. We blamed politicians for inspiring students against the authorities.

(A) expiring

(B) inciting

(C) executing

(D) No improvement

32. If only we came two minutes earlier, we should have caught the train.

(A) we have come

(B) we had come

(C) we should come

(D) No improvement

33. Dr. Johnson spent often the evening at a toffee house

(A) spent the evenings often

(B) often spent the evenings

(C) often spent evening

(D) No improvement

34. Some of the houses are not fit to live

(A) to live in

(B) for living

(C) for to love

(D) No improvement

35. The stranger's movements aroused suspicion and the police arrested him

(A) raised

(B) arose

(C) arise

(D) No improvement

36. War, by who it may be started, must be condemned

(A) whom

(B) whoever

(C) whom so ever

(D) No improvement

37. Who works hard succeeds in life.

(A) those working

(B) He works

(C) whoever works

(D) No improvement

38. I am writing this essay for the last two days and it is not yet complete.

(A) was writing

(B) had been writing

(C) have been writing

(D) No improvement

39. Nature has blessed our country with all her bounty.

(A) the bounty

(B) his bounty

(C) their bounty

(D) No improvement

40. The Janata Express, who should arrive at 15-45 hours, is late.

(A) which

(B) whom

(C) it

(D) No improvement

Directions (Q/s No. 41-50): Choose the word nearest in meaning and indicate your response on the answer-sheet :

41. Perfunctory-
 (A) half hearted (B) listless
 (C) complete (D) thorough
42. Alacrity-
 (A) briskness (B) frankness
 (C) fear (D) alarm
43. Prededection-
 (A) antagonism (B) aversion
 (C) disapproval (D) preference
44. Frivolous-
 (A) unfriendly (B) serious
 (C) playful (D) untidy
45. Immaculate-
 (A) neat (B) orderly (C) untidy (D) neglect
46. Audacity-
 (A) arrogance (B) bravery
 (C) ferocious (D) simplicity
47. Flout -
 (A) respect (B) disregard
 (C) antagonistic (D) comprehend
48. Compatible -
 (A) competitor (B) harmonious
 (C) appropriate (D) amiable
49. Pancy -
 (A) slackness (B) abundance
 (C) publicity (D) shortage
50. Disent -
 (A) ascent (B) disagreement
 (C) tolerance (D) convergence

Direction (Q/s no. 51-60) : Pick out the word that is most nearly opposite in meaning to the word given in bold letters and indicate your response on the answer sheet

51. Punctilious -
 (A) late (B) scrupulous
 (C) disorganised (D) apathetic
52. Discrete -
 (A) orderly (B) antisocial (C) cruded (D) grouped

- (A) reticent (B) vehement (C) laconic (D) foisterous
54. Acquit -
 (A) restrain (B) convict (C) exonerate (D) entrap
55. Sporadic -
 (A) scattered (B) concentrated
 (C) prejudiced (D) assembled
56. Blunt -
 (A) bold (B) intelligent
 (C) crude (D) sharp
57. Censure -
 (A) praise (B) criticise
 (C) flatter (D) hate
58. Amicable -
 (A) avoidable (B) tough
 (C) unaccountable (D) unagreeable
59. Omnipotent -
 (A) omnipresent (B) powerless
 (C) omniscient (D) prominent
60. Docile -
 (A) vague (B) vagabond
 (C) stubborn (D) gentle

SELECTING WORDS :

Directions (Q/s No. 61-80) : Sentence are given with blanks to be filled with appropriate word. Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Choose the correct alternative

61. It's nine O' clock and I am still at breakfast
 (A) so (B) yet (C) already (D) till
62. The meaning was presided by the Prime Minister
 (A) upon (B) over (C) at (D) as
63. Mary is polite that everyone likes her
 (A) much (B) so (C) very (D) on
64. The man is so ill that he can walk.
 (A) little (B) rarely (C) nearly (D) hardly
65. The committee would submit its report six months.
 (A) within (B) about (C) during (D) until
66. They want to expel him for his anti-party activities ... the recent by elections in the state.
 (A) during (B) while (C) inside (D) through
67. "Can your lend me a pencil, please ?" " "
 (A) yes, here you are ! (B) yes, here

- (C) yes, here you ! (D) yes, you can
68. A show down ... the ruling Akali dal and its breakaway faction appeared imminent.
(A) over, (B) among (C) of (D) between
69. Have you finished my book yet ? No, I'm in the middle fit.
(A) already (B) till (C) yet (D) still
70. Computers ... devoid of emotions, though they seem to be able to think.
(A) have (B) being (C) are (D) are being
71. large city Bangalore has become in Twenty Years.
(A) what a (B) what (C) How a (D) How
72. Children always enjoy at the sea-side
(A) theirs (B) them (C) their self (D) themselves
73. The leaders hoped that the two countries could profit ... each other's experience.
(A) between (B) from (C) by (D) on
74. There is a disturbing nexus politics and sports in India.
(A) with (B) among (C) around (D) between
75. I wanted to join their club: for a long time I didn't qualify for membership until the spring of this year.
(A) but (B) since (C) while (D) and
76. will you take, madam, the blue or the red one ?
(A) which (B) who (C) what (D) whatever
77. This sort of situation will be allowed to last long.
(A) till (B) for (C) up (D) until
78. I like to sit in a park all by sometimes.
(A) self (B) me
(C) myself (D) oneself
79. It too cold to go out last night, so we stayed at home.
(A) had been (B) has been
(C) used to be (D) was
80. I missed the train this morning as I got up late.
(A) nearly (B) scarcely
(C) hardly (D) quite
- (C) pleasure (D) grace
82. Pet Aversion -
(A) an object of taunting (B) a fond of gift
(C) bet noise (D) on object of love
83. Above Ground -
(A) proud (B) untrustworthy
(C) alive (D) trustworthy
84. Give a wide berth to -
(A) to give a lift (B) to offer a seat
(C) to welcome (D) to avoid
85. Blow hot and blow cold-
(A) To be in consistent
(B) changing weather
(C) to play a game
(D) to be rich and poor frequently
86. Break New Ground-
(A) to till the ground (B) begin something new
(C) to occupy new site (D) to work as a farmer
87. In clover -
(A) in suspense (B) in league with
(C) in difficulties (D) in luxury
88. Unlicked cub-
(A) young one of a lioness
(B) an ill-mannered person
(C) a dirty plant
(D) a young wolf
89. To the end of one's Tether-
(A) the last scene of a drama
(B) the end of one's enjoyment
(C) the end of one's ambition
(D) the limit of one's patience
90. Halcyon Days-
(A) days of discoveries (B) holidays
(C) sad days
(D) a time of happiness and prosperity

Directions (Q/s No. 81-90) : From the four words/group of words (a), (b), (c) and (d) select the one which is most nearly the same to the given idiom/phrase :

81. Adam's Ale -

(A) wine

(B) water

Directions (Q/s No. 91-100) out of the four alternatives, (a), (b), (c) and (d), choose the correct word which may closely fits each definition

91. An unmarried Man-

(A) bachelor (B) master (C) miser (D) messrs

92. Animal that can live on land and water -
(A) amphibious (B) abstemious
(C) aquatic (D) aquarion
93. One who eats human flesh-
(A) cannibal (B) furious
(C) carnivorous (D) beast
94. A thing which easily catches fire -
(A) effrorescent (B) callous
(C) impatient (D) inflammable
95. A person who hates women -
(A) misogemist (B) misogynist
(C) merochirt (D) misauthropist
96. Walking in sleep-
(A) somnambulism (B) somniloquism
- (C) hallucination (D) obsession
97. Study of insects-
(A) etymology (B) entomology
(C) zoology (D) biology
98. Disbeliever in God-
(A) agnostic (B) theist
(C) theologist (D) I trust
99. Speaking too much of oneself-
(A) equivocal (B) hypocrite
(C) egoism (D) egotism
100. A person who is hard to please-
(A) fastidious (B) contagious
(C) contiguous (D) neurotic