

Government of Puducherry  
Directorate of School Education  
Competitive Examination for Empanelment of Guest Lecturers-2019

**QUESTION BOOKLET**

**SUBJECT: ENGLISH**

**ROLL NO: .....**

---

**Time: 2:00 Hours**

**Total Marks: 90**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- 1) Write Roll Number in the space provided in this Question Booklet above.
- 2) The Candidate should check the question paper that question paper consists of all the pages and that it is not torn.
- 3) Please write the Roll No. etc., on the OMR sheet using Black Ball point pen only.
- 4) The candidate shall use only "**BLACK BALL POINT PEN**" for marking the answers.
- 5) There are **90 questions**. For every correct answer 1 (One) mark will be awarded and for each wrong answer 0.25 mark will be deducted.
- 6) Use of eraser/ whitener/ correction fluid is prohibited on OMR answer sheets.
- 7) Use of calculators, cell phones, logarithmic table, electronic gadgets etc., is strictly prohibited.
- 8) For any rough work, use the rough page given at the end of the Question Booklet.
- 9) The candidate has to deposit the original copy of OMR sheet along with the Hall Ticket after the completion of examination and may carry the duplicate OMR (impression) sheet for reference.
- 10) No candidate is allowed to leave the examination centre premises till the completion of the entire examination process.
- 11) Please avoid marking of answers on Question Booklet.
- 12) The questions in English version alone will be taken as authentic though questions are given in other languages for the convenience of the candidates.

\*\*\*\*\*

**ENGLISH**

1. The secondary stress falls on the ----- syllable of the word 'academic'.  
 a. first                      b. second                      c. third                      d. fourth
2. *My friend let me drive his new car.* In this sentence the tense form of the verb is  
 a. present simple      b. past simple      c. present perfect      d. past perfect
3. *Fortune smiles on me.* The figure of speech involved here is  
 a. transferred epithet    b. hyperbole      c. metaphor      d. personification
4. The expression 'the otherwise-abled' is ----- for 'the physically challenged'.  
 a. a substitution      b. a replacement      c. a euphemism      d. an euphemism
5. TG Grammar was introduced by  
 a. Bloomfield      b. Noam Chomsky      c. Michael Halliday      d. J. R. Firth
6. Emerson is mainly associated with the philosophy known as  
 a. romanticism      b. transcendentalism      c. naturalism      d. existentialism
7. The captain referred to in the poem "O Captain! My Captain!" is  
 a. Emerson      b. Thoreau      c. Abraham Lincoln      d. Whitman
8. For how many days did Santiago spend at sea continuously in *The Old Man and the Sea*?  
 a. 84      b. 81      c. 87      d. 80
9. The main literary device used in the poem "Success is counted sweetest" by Dickinson is  
 a. synecdoche      b. metonymy      c. personification      d. paradox
10. The judge gave him ----- . Choose the best phrase to complete the sentence.  
 a. the benefit of doubt      b. benefit of doubt  
 c. a benefit of doubt      d. the benefit of the doubt
11. The idiom 'with one's tail between one's legs' means  
 a. completely defeated      b. shamelessly slavish  
 c. very humble      d. secretive and dishonest
12. Spot the error in the following sentence if any, otherwise mark 'd'.  
 In these days (a)/ violence is (b)/ on the increase (c)/ No error (d).

13. Reaction against the indecency of dialogue in the Restoration comedy resulted in
- the Comedy of Manners
  - the Comedy of Humours
  - the anti-Romantic comedy
  - the Sentimental comedy
14. One of the following does not belong to the Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood
- Rossetti
  - W. H. Hunt
  - John Millais
  - Tennyson
15. One of the following does not come under the term 'Dystopia'.
- Huxley's *Brave New World*
  - Orwell's *1984*
  - Butler's *Erewhon*
  - Atwood's *The Handmaid's Tale*
16. One of the following is not a literary ballad composed in the Romantic Age.
- "Proud Maisie"
  - "Le Belle Dame Sans Merci"
  - "Maude Clare"
  - "Rime of the Ancient Mariner"
17. 'Interludes' are a type of little plays frequently performed in
- the late fifteenth century
  - the early fourteenth century
  - the late sixteenth century
  - the early seventeenth century
18. Dr. Johnson attacks the three Unities in one of the following works. Choose it.
- The Life of Milton*
  - Irene*
  - The Vanity of Human Wishes*
  - "Preface to Shakespeare"
19. Aristotle ranks Epic as second only to
- Tragedy
  - Comedy
  - History
  - Poetry
20. The Archetypal Criticism derives its strength mainly from the works of
- J. C. Frazer and C. G. Jung
  - Maud Bodkin
  - Northrop Frye and Joseph Campbell
  - G. Wilson Knight and Richard Chase
21. I. A. Richards says the meaning of words depends on four factors: they are
- sense, feeling, tone and intention
  - sense, context, emotion and imagination
  - sense, tone, attitude and perception
  - context, intelligence, insight and emotion
22. Arnold's Touchstone Method was greatly inspired by the classical critic
- Horace
  - Longinus
  - Aristotle
  - Plato



23. Edward Said in his postcolonial theory encapsulated in *Orientalism* rejects mainly
- a. imperialism      b. Eurocentricity      c. Marxism      d. deconstruction
24. The theme of the poem "This is a Photograph of Me" by Atwood mainly deals with
- a. her identity crisis      b. her lost beauty      c. her sorrows      d. her egoist nature
25. The narrator in the novel *Purple Hibiscus* by Chimamanda Adichie is
- a. Beatrice      b. Jaja      c. Kambili      d. Father Amadi
26. The house referred to in the poem "House and Land" by Allen Curnow is in
- a. England      b. New Zealand      c. Australia      d. Italy
27. Which of the following is not a soft skill?
- a. IQ      b. Adaptability      c. Leadership      d. Teamwork
28. The tone of the poem "Australia" by A. D. Hope is
- a. sarcastic      b. eulogizing      c. didactic      d. apologetic
29. Who is the author of *On Translating Homer* in the Victorian Age?
- a. Tennyson      b. Carlyle      c. Walter Pater      d. Arnold
30. Writing a good headline is generally the job of the
- a. Editor      b. Reporter      c. Sub-editor      d. News Agency
31. "Ode to Hope" by Pablo Neruda is a
- a. war poem      b. Nature poem      c. love poem      d. metaphysical poem
32. One of the following is closely associated with Marxism. He is
- a. Terry Eagleton      b. Roland Barthes      c. Linda Hutcheon      d. Derrida
33. Structuralism emerged mostly from the type of linguistics developed by
- a. Levi-Strauss      b. Saussure      c. Victor Shklovsky      d. Vladimir Propp
34. Which critical theory opposes 'logocentrism' straightaway?
- a. Feminism      b. Formalism      c. Deconstruction      d. Structuralism
35. Reader-Response theory arose as a vehement reaction to
- a. New Criticism      b. Marxism      c. Psychoanalysis      d. Myth Criticism
36. One of the following is not a New Critic. Who is he?

- a. J. C. Ransom      b. Allen Tate      c. Cleanth Brooks      d. Jacques Lacan
37. In "The Snow Man" Wallace Stevens seems to do the following except one. What is it?  
 a. to project human feeling onto Nature      b. to simply let things be as they are  
 c. to experience the bare cold as nothing      d. to relate Nature to the imagination
38. Chekov's principle that every single item put into a play should have relevance is called  
 a. Chekhov's bullet      b. Chekhov's gun      c. Chekhov's menu      d. Chekhov's shot
39. "I went to the woods because I wished to live deliberately." Who says so?  
 a. Robert Frost      b. Emerson      c. Thoreau      d. Tagore
40. IndraSinha won the Commonwealth Writers' Prize for her novel *Animal's People* in  
 a. 2006      b. 2008      c. 2011      d. 2014
41. Sri Aurobindo's "The Renaissance in India" first appeared in the journal  
 a. *Arya*      b. *The Advent*      c. *Mother India*      d. *Yogi*
42. "Hark! Lakshman! Hark, again that cry." Who actually cries in this context?  
 a. a deer      b. Rama      c. Sita      d. Maricha
43. The play *Nagamandala* does not have one of the following as its major theme for discussion.  
 a. patriarchal oppression      b. extra-marital relationship  
 c. sexuality and fulfillment      d. transmigration
44. We watch the progress of the action in the novel *Generations* through the eyes of  
 a. Diravi      b. Nagu      c. Kuttralam      d. UnnamalaiAachi
45. Along with writing, DevduttPattanaik, the author of *Indian Mythology*, worked as a  
 a. doctor      b. pharmacist      c. reporter      d. painter
46. A. K. Ramanujan obtained his PhD in  
 a. Phonetics      b. British poetry      c. Linguistics      d. Translation Studies
47. Macbeth suffers later in the play from  
 a. insomnia      b. paranoia      c. kleptomania      d. xenophobia
48. "Look like the innocent flower, but be the serpent behind 't." Who says this in *Macbeth*?  
 a. Macbeth      b. Lady Macbeth      c. Malcolm      d. Macduff



49. Who are poised to inherit the throne after Macbeth's death according to the prophecy?
- a. Banquo's offspring   b. Macduff   c. Donalbain   d. Macbeth's son
50. "We that are true lovers run into strange capers." These words are uttered by
- a. Touchstone   b. Rosalind   c. Orlando   d. Celia
51. How many marriages are likely to take place in the end in *As You Like It*?
- a. one   b. two   c. three   d. four
52. *The Tempest* is classified as a
- a. comedy   b. romance   c. pastoral comedy   d. masque
53. Choose the correct option regarding Caliban in *The Tempest*.
- a. He had been living on the island even before Prospero arrived.
- b. He came along with Prospero.
- c. He was brought by Ariel to serve Prospero.
- d. He came with Alonso to the island after the shipwreck.
54. "Misery acquaints a man with strange bedfellows." Who says this in *The Tempest*?
- a. Trinculo   b. Caliban   c. Stephano   d. Ariel
55. "Cowards die many times before their deaths." Caesar says this to
- a. Calpurnia   b. Antony   c. Brutus   d. Cassius
56. The play *Julius Caesar* is set in Rome in
- a. 44 BC   b. 44 AD   c. 32 BC   d. 24 AD
57. In *Measure for Measure* there is talk that the Duke goes away to meet the king of
- a. Hungary   b. Sweden   c. Denmark   d. Norway
58. In *Measure for Measure* Juliet becomes pregnant even before marriage because
- a. Claudio assaulted her sexually   b. Juliet was drugged before the act
- c. of her consensual sex   d. Claudio avenged her insult to his sister
59. The Duke in *Measure for Measure* says the laws have been flagrantly disobeyed for the past
- a. 12 years   b. 14 years   c. 20 years   d. one year
60. Shakespeare is popularly known as the Bard of

- a. London                      b. England                      c. Stratford                      d. Avon
61. In London, initially Shakespeare was a founding member of the company of actors called
- a. The King's Men                      b. The Lord Chamberlain's Men  
c. The Lord Pembroke's Company      d. The Queen's Performers
62. To compose his plays, Shakespeare primarily used a metrical pattern called
- a. unrhymed iambic pentameter                      b. rhymed iambic pentameter  
c. rhyming or heroic couplets                      d. free verse
63. Shakespeare wrote all the four major tragedies during
- a. the early 1590s      b. 1600-1604                      c. the late 1590s                      d. 1601-1606
64. The bride in "Palanquin Bearers" is in tears mainly because
- a. she is being abducted.                      b. she is separating from her family.  
c. she is facing the dowry problem.      d. the bearers are rude to her.
65. "The Old Playhouse" by Kamala Das includes all these aspects except one. Identify it.
- a. The wife protests against patriarchy.      b. The poem is a confessional statement.  
c. The wife is emotionally satisfied      d. She wants to be an untamed swallow.
66. Sri Aurobindo's tone in "The Tiger and the Deer" is basically
- a. didactic                      b. satirical                      c. ironic                      d. mocking
67. "We are all beggars. Whatever we do, we want a return." Where does this passage occur?
- a. "Work and its Secret"                      b. "My Visions for India"  
c. "An Autobiography"                      c. "Hind Swaraj"
68. Dr. Kalam has 3 visions: 1. true freedom, 2. India as a developed nation and the third is
- a. propagation of Indian culture                      b. powerful Indian economy  
c. population control in India                      d. Indian economic and military power
69. Tughlaq's policies are
- a. Utopian                      b. partisan                      c. idiotic                      d. religion-based
70. R. K. Narayan's Astrologer is in fact
- a. a palm-reader                      b. a devotee of Kali      c. an offender                      d. a holy saint



71. Francis Bacon belongs to the ----- Age. Complete with the most apt choice.
- a. Renaissance      b. Restoration      c. Neo-classical      d. Romantic
72. Oliver Goldsmith is ----- writer. Fill in the blank.
- a. a Scottish      b. an Irish      c. a British      d. a Welsh
73. "Dream Children" describes Lamb's relationship in detail with his grandmother and -----
- a. his sister      b. his spouse      c. his daughter      d. his brother
74. One of the following does not go with the personality of Russell. Choose the option,
- a. a pacifist      b. a physician      c. a liberal      d. a socialist
75. Apart from the gold-coloured notebook, how many notebooks are there in Lessing's novel?
- a. two      b. three      c. four      d. just one
76. "It is the star to every wand'ring bark." Here the word "bark" in Sonnet 116 refers to
- a. ship      b. cloud      c. mariner      d. sailor
77. Which comparison is wrong among the following regarding Donne's "Canonization."
- a. The lovers are like flies.      b. They are like tapers.  
c. They are like the Phoenix      d. They are like a dove and a sparrow
78. Blake's "Chimney Sweeper" criticizes mainly
- a. child labour      b. religious fraud      c. parental apathy      d. social inequity
79. Wordsworth first visited Tintern Abbey in
- a. 1798      b. 1793      c. 1785      d. 1790
80. "Sweetest songs are those that tell of saddest thought." Who says this?
- a. Keats      b. Shelley      c. Byron      d. Wordsworth
81. In "Ode on a Grecian Urn" Keats calls the urn a/an
- a. teacher      b. architect      c. historian      d. musician
82. The mariners in "Lotus Eaters" dream of their homes in
- a. Athens      b. Ithaca      c. Thebes      d. Sparta
83. W. B. Yeats wrote "The Second Coming" in 1921 when he witnessed turmoil in
- a. the world      b. England      c. Ireland      d. Scotland



84. "The Thought Fox" by Ted Hughes basically deals with  
a. loneliness      b. nightmare      c. hard-thinking      d. writing process
85. *Mansfield Park* is Austen's -----published novel in 1814. Fill in the blank.  
a. first      b. second      c. third      d. last
86. Which of the following is not true regarding *Jane Eyre*?  
a. Bronte wrote it under a pen name.  
b. Eyre is an orphan girl.  
c. Rochester is unmarried.  
d. Eyre marries Rochester and settles in life at last.
87. Ebenezer Scrooge in *A Christmas Carol* is initially  
a. a ghost lover      b. an old miser      c. a sorcerer      d. a storyteller
88. What exactly inspired Dickens to write *A Christmas Carol*?  
a. his visit to an orphanage      b. his love for the poor  
c. his business partner Jacob Marley's love      d. his visit to a Ragged School
89. Which is not one of the themes of Dickens' novel *Great Expectations*?  
a. wealth and poverty      b. love and rejection      c. fantasy and reality      d. the good vs the evil
90. *To the Light House* is divided into three sections: 'The Window', 'Time Passes' and  
a. 'The Light House'      b. 'The Hebrides'      c. 'The Waves'      d. 'The Sea'

\*\*\*\*\*