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VSA (English Medium)

Paper No. I **Language (English) and** **Time : 11 A.M. to 12 Noon**
Pages : 12 **Social Sciences** **Total Marks : 100**
(History, Civics, Geography)

Instructions :—

- (1) This question paper has **50** questions. Each question carries **2** marks.
- (2) *All* questions are compulsory.
- (3) There is a separate answer-sheet to write the answers. Each answer consists of four options. Options are 1, 2, 3, 4. Out of the four, any one of the options is the correct answer. The correct option is to be written in the box provided, only in English. e.g.,

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- (4) The option number written in the box should be in English or else the answer would be invalid.
- (5) Cancellations should be avoided as far as possible. Even over-writing of the answers are not acceptable.
- (6) Answers should be written using a fountain-pen or a ball-pen of black or blue ink. Answers in pencil or in any other coloured ink will not be assessed.
- (7) In case to change the answer, three horizontal lines should be drawn across the box as

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. Then the changed option number should be written on the right hand side of the box as

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- (8) The changed answer for each question will be accepted only **once**.
- (9) Maximum **five** changed answers are acceptable in each subject. More than **five** changed answers would not be considered.
- (10) This question paper consists of Section I—**35** questions based on Language and Section II—**15** questions based on Social Sciences (History, Civics, Geography).

SECTION I

LANGUAGE (English)

Q. 1 to 3 : Read the following passage carefully. Write the correct option numbers of the questions given below :

Irrigation has made it possible to farm even in the driest areas. We have now been able to raise food production by using tractors, better seeds and fertilizers. Some special kinds of wheat give five times as much grain as the ordinary variety. There are kinds of rice that grow so quickly that several crops can be raised where only one grew in the past.

1. In which areas has irrigation made it possible to farm ?

- (1) Windy areas (2) Driest areas
(3) Wet areas (4) Muddy areas

2. How have we been able to raise food production ?

- (1) Using stones (2) Using tractors
(3) Using air (4) Using leaves

3. How better is the grain given by a special kind of wheat ?

- (1) Five times (2) Several times
(3) More times (4) Less times

Q. 4 to 6 : Read the following poem and answer the questions choosing the right option number :

Hippopotamuses never

Put on boots in rainy weather.

To slosh in mud up to the ears

Brings them great joy and merry tears.

Their pleasure lies in being messed up

They just won't play at being dressed up.

In fact a swamp is heaven plus

If you're a hippopotamus.

4. What do Hippopotamuses do in rainy season ?

- (1) Play all the time ~~(2)~~ Put on boots
(3) Be pleasant (4) Be joyful

5. What brings him joy and tears ?

- ~~(1)~~ Slosh in mud (2) Joy and merry tears
(3) Play on boots (4) Be happy

6. What do their pleasure lie in ?

- (1) Being dressed up ~~(2)~~ Being messed up
(3) In merry tears (4) In heaven plus

7. How many nouns are there in the following sentence ?

“After a few days, the saints went to the jungle.”

(1) Five

(2) One

(3) Four

(4) Three

8. Pick out the adjective from the given sentence :

“I like colourful birds.”

(1) Colourful

(2) I

(3) Bird

(4) Like

9. By which part of speech do we identify ‘the tense’ ?

(1) Noun

(2) Pronoun

(3) Verb

(4) Adjective

10. Identify the plural form of Noun :

(1) Children

(2) Garden

(3) Nail

(4) Sickle

11. Complete the given sentence by adding a predicate to it :

“Raw mangoes”

(1) are very salty

(2) should not be eaten

(3) are very bitter

(4) are sour to taste

12. Pick out the correct word :

(1) LIEF

(2) EXMINATION

(3) GOGRAPHY

(4) REST

13. Identify the correct sentence :

(1) Man perfect makes practise.

(2) Practice makes man perfect.

(3) Makes perfect man practise.

(4) Perfect man practise makes.

14. Fill in the blank with a suitable phrase from the given list :

“The sun rises”

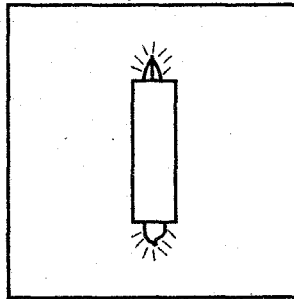
(1) in the park

(2) in the east

(3) in the garden

(4) on the road

15. Identify the proverb that matches to the picture :



(1) The more, the merrier

(2) Do not burn the candle at both the ends

(3) Well begun is half done

(4) Union is strength

Q. 16 to 18 : Read the following conversation and answer the questions by choosing the correct option.

“Grandpa, what is the name of this zoo ?”

“Dear Raju, this is Pratapsinha Zoo.”

“Hey Grandpa, look at that lion !”

“Rani, don’t go too close to the cage.”

“Grandpa, what is there on the lion’s neck ?”

“Dear, it is called as manes. And Rani,

Lion is the king of the forest.”

“Rani, look at the peacock. The crest on his head looks so beautiful,” Raju.

“Wow ! That’s beautiful !”

16. How many people are participating in the conversation ?

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| (1) Two | (2) Three |
| (3) Four | ✓(4) Five |

17. Who is ‘the king of the forest’ ?

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| (1) Peacock | (2) Tiger |
| (3) Eagle | ✓(4) Lion |

18. Where has the conversation taken place ?

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| (1) Forest | (2) Jungle |
| ✓(3) Zoo | (4) Museum |

19. 'Respected Sir,' whom do we address the given words while writing a letter ?

- (1) The headmaster ✓(2) Mother
(3) Friend (4) Father

Q. 20 to 22 : Fill in the blanks with suitable options and form a meaningful paragraph.

20. The is a planet.

- (1) Sun ✓(2) Earth
(3) Star (4) Moon

21. It is the planet from the Sun.

- (1) second (2) fourth
(3) first ✓(4) third

22. It is the only planet having on it.

- (1) stars ✓(2) life
(3) planets (4) toys

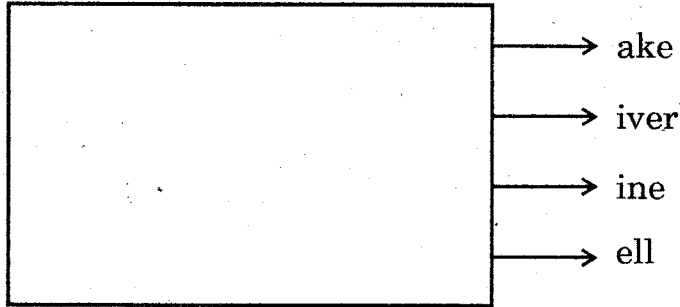
23. Give a synonym for 'Obedient'.

- (1) Old (2) Careless
(3) Lazy ✓(4) Respectful

24. Give an antonym for 'lend'.

- (1) Worse (2) Low
✓(3) Borrow (4) Narrow

25. Which letters can be filled in the empty box given so that the four words on the right side are meaningful ?



- (1) th (2) ch
 (3) sh (4) st
26. Which of the following group of letters can be added at the end of the given word to form a new word :

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- (1) less (2) ness
 (3) ful (4) some
27. Give a word for the given group of words 'A house for a horse'.

- (1) Shade (2) Kennel
(3) Burrow (4) Stable

28. Given below are the pairs of a group of words and its meaning. Which is the *incorrect* pair ?

- (1) One who performs dance—Dancer
(2) One who makes pots—Potter
 (3) One who mends shoes—Pedlar
(4) One who writes poetry—Poet

29. As ducks : quack, then frogs :?.....

(1) bleat

(2) roar

(3) croak

(4) howl

30. The place where we keep our cattle is

(1) shed

(2) forest

(3) nest

(4) house

31. Which letter can be filled in the empty box to form a meaningful word ?

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(1) R

(2) V

(3) U

(4) M

32. Using the letters from the word 'tame', how many two letter words can be formed ?

(1) One

(2) Two

(3) Four

(4) Three

33. If the following words are arranged alphabetically, which is the third word in sequence ?

(Jacket, Shoes, Gloves, Shirt)

(1) Shoes

(2) Gloves

(3) Jacket

(4) Shirt

34. What is the meaning of the underlined word ?

"Akbar was a brave king."

(1) clear

(2) courageous

(3) naughty

(4) large

35. What was the full name of Gandhiji ?

(1) Mahatma Gandhi

(2) Mahatma

(3) Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi

(4) Bapu

SECTION II

SOCIAL SCIENCES (History, Civics, Geography)

36. Following are the pairs of the saints and their teachings. Which is the *incorrect* pair ?
- (1) God dwells with the weak and downtrodden—Sant Namdeo
 (2) To look to the welfare of the world—Sant Muktabai
(3) Message of equality—Sant Eknath
(4) Organise themselves and fight against injustice—Samartha Ramdas
37. Who was the incharge of Shivaneri fort ?
- (1) Vijayraj (2) Firangoji Narsala
(3) Udaybhan (4) Murarbaji
38. Whose 'darshan' did Chh. Shivaji do before going to meet the Khan ?
- (1) Goddess Bhavani (2) Goddess Lakshmi
(3) Ambabai (4) Shivai Devi
39. was Tanaji's younger brother.
- (1) Suryaji (2) Manaji
(3) Yesaji (4) Baji
40. Chh. Shivaji divided his administration in departments.
- (1) nine (2) eight
 (3) seven (4) ten

41. Who was the 'Vakil' of Chh. Shivaji ?

(1) Krishnaji Bhaskar

(2) Kazi Haider

(3) Jiva Mahala

(4) Firangoji Narsala

42. We celebrate 15th August as

(1) Maharashtra Day

(2) Children's Day

(3) Independence Day

(4) Republic Day

43. Our Constitution has forbidden untouchability. Which right says this ?

(1) Right to freedom

(2) Right to vote

(3) Right to equality

(4) Right against exploitation

44. 'Jana Gana Mana' is our

(1) Group Song

(2) National Anthem

(3) Maharashtra Song

(4) Samar Geet

45. Which of the following is not a 'Hill-station' ?

(1) Chandrapur

(2) Matheran

(3) Chikhaldara

(4) Mahabaleshwar

46. What is the name of the rig erected in the sea to draw petroleum from 'Bombay High' ?

(1) Sagar Veer

(2) Sagar Samrat

(3) Sagar King

(4) Wasai High

47. The crops which are produced and marketed on a large scale are called as

- (1) Cash crops
- (2) Kharif crops
- (3) Rabi crops
- (4) Rainy crops

48. Which is the largest industry in Maharashtra ?

- (1) Sugar
- (2) Textile
- (3) Oil mills
- (4) Medicines and chemicals

49. The Adivasi settlements are called as :

- (1) village
- (2) city
- (3) region
- (4) tola

50. are the result of the Annual motion of the earth.

- (1) Seasons
- (2) Day
- (3) Night
- (4) Day and night