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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 and answer the questions choosing the correct option number.

Classical Indian dances are among the most graceful and beautiful in the world. Dancers use their eyes, hands, arms, legs, hips, knees, waist and feet to express various emotions like love, anger, hatred and amazement. They dance to vocal and instrumental accompaniment.

1. Which are the most graceful dances in the world ?

- (1) Western dances                      (2) Tribal dances  
(3) Folk dances                          (4)  Classical Indian dances

2. What do dancers use their eyes and hands for ?

- (1) To scold                              (2) To sing  
(3)  To express their emotions      (4) To laugh

3. Which sounds do they dance to ?

- (1) Clapping                              (2)  Vocal and instrumental  
(3) Tapping                                (4) Shouting

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

Be kind and tender to the Frog,

And do not call him names,

As 'Slimy skin', or 'Polly-wog',

Or likewise 'Ugly James',

Or 'Gape-a-grin', or 'Toad-gone-wrong'

Or 'Billy Bandy-knees' :

The Frog is justly sensitive

To epithets like these.

No animal will more repay

A treatment kind and fair;

At least so lonely people say

Who keep a frog (and, by the way,

They are extremely rare).

4. How do we have to behave with the frog ?

(1) Ugly

(2) Colourful

(3) Kind and tender

(4) Sensitive

5. What should we not call the frog ?

(1) Frog

(2) By names

(3) Animal

(4) Toad

6. What kind of treatment the frog repays ?

(1) Rare

(2) Kind and tender

(3) Lonely

(4) Kind and fair

7. Which adjective should not be used for describing the noun 'paper' ?

(1) Colourful

(2) Square shaped

(3) Wise

(4) Soft

8. 'Yesterday my friend, my sister, mother and myself, we went for a movie.' How many pronouns are there in this sentence ?

(1) Five

(2) Two

(3) Four

(4) Three

9. From the following sentences, which is the sentence in a future tense ?

(1) Dilip is reading a story.

(2) Dilip reads the story.

(3) Dilip will read a story. ✓

(4) Dilip has read the story.

10. Identify the word with a singular form of noun :

(1) leaves

(2) song

(3) trees

(4) ornaments

11. Pick out the subject from the following sentence :

'Saint Gadgebaba gave the message of cleanliness.'

(1) cleanliness

(2) message

(3) Saint Gadgebaba

(4) gave

12. Pick out the correct word :

- (1) Sitaefvl (2) Estfival  
(3) Festival (4) Tivalfes

13. Pick out the correct sentence :

- (1) In the courtyard were playing children.  
(2) Playing children were in the courtyard.  
(3) Children were playing in the courtyard.  
(4) Were playing in the courtyard children.

14. Identify the meaning of a phrase given below :

'Went over his head'

- (1) Did not understand (2) Could not hear  
(3) Gave way (4) In a hurry

15. Choose the appropriate word to complete the proverb :

'No gains without..... .'

- (1) mens (2) pains  
(3) tense (4) dense

**Q. 16 to 18 :** Read the following conversation and answer the questions choosing right option :

"What's your name ?"

"Anny"

"Father's name?"

"Johny"

“Surname ?”

“Skinny.”

“Anny Johnny Skinny” Can’t you tell the full name ?”

“Sir, you haven’t asked me the full name even.”

The flood-stricken camp burst out laughing.

16. How many people were present at the time of conversation ?

- (1) Two (2) Three  
(3) Four (4) Can’t say

17. Where did this conversation take place ?

- (1) Earthquake-stricken camp  
(2) Famine-stricken camp  
(3) Flood-stricken camp  
(4) Drought-stricken camp

18. Which are the two letters common in all three names ?

- (1) n, y (2) j, o  
(3) a, n (4) s, i

19. While writing a letter to a friend how would you address him ?

- (1) Dear Friend (2) Respected Friend  
(3) Faithful Friend (4) Lovable Friend

**Q. 20 to 22 :** Fill in the blanks and form a meaningful paragraph.

20. It was a.....day.

- (1) market (2) republic  
(3) Diwali (4) teachers

21. Many sellers were selling..... .

- (1) Crackers (2) Sweets  
(3) Vegetables (4) Idols of Ganesha

22. Due to summer season the rates of the vegetables..... .

- (1) decreased (2) increased  
(3) reduced (4) drowned

23. Find the synonym for the word 'King'.

- (1) Senapati (2) Sardar  
(3) Emperor (4) Jahagirdar

24. Find the opposite word for 'Profit'.

- (1) Loss (2) Benefit  
(3) Advantage (4) Gain

25. Fill in the missing letters to make a meaningful word :

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S M E L L

- (1) M, E (2) E, M  
(3) S, E (4) I, S

26. Pick out the word which is the combination of two independent words :

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| (1) movement    | (2) excitement |
| (3) independent | (4) bookshelf  |

27. Pick out the suitable group of words which means 'Omnivores'.

- (1) Animals eating only plants
- (2) Animals eating only grass
- (3) Animals eating flesh and plants
- (4) Animals eating only flesh

28. Give one word for the following group of words :

'One who journeys on foot' :

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| (1) Pedestrian | (2) Walkman |
| (3) Policeman  | (4) Milkman |

29. Choose the incorrect pair :

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| (1) Owl—hoots   | (2) Duck—mews    |
| (3) Frog—croaks | (4) Sheep—bleats |

30. Form a meaningful word from the letters given below and identify the last letter.

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| (1) m | (2) o |
| (3) i | (4) r |



31. How many three letter words can be formed using the letters of the word 'teacher' ?

- (1) two (2) five  
(3) three (4) one

32. Pick out the *incorrect* pair :

- (1) Bee—hive (2) Tiger—den  
(3) Spider—web (4) Hen—nest

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

(fruit, flower, fever, failure)

- (1) flower (2) fever  
(3) failure (4) fruit

34. 'Birbal was a chief adviser of Akbar.' What is the meaning of the underlined word ?

- (1) One who sings (2) One who judges  
(3) One who dances (4) One who guides

35. Who was called as 'Rani of Jhansi' ?

- (1) Rani Victoria (2) Rani Laxmibai  
(3) Rani Jijabai (4) Rani Saibai

## SECTION II

### SOCIAL SCIENCES (History, Civics, Geography)

36. Which of the following activities did Shivaji Maharaj not carry out in Maharashtra ?
- (1) He took charge of the Jahagirdars
  - (2) He respected the saints from all religions
  - (3) He established Hindavi Swaraj based on justice
  - (4) He established Swaraj oppressing the people
37. Shivaji Maharaj's royal seal was in.....language.
- (1) Marathi
  - (2) Persian
  - (3) Sanskrit
  - (4) Hindi
38. "Maharaj has reached 'Vishalgad'. I have done my duty. Now I can die in peace." Who said this ?
- (1) Baji Prabhu
  - (2) Murarbaji
  - (3) Tanaji Malusare
  - (4) Firangoji Narsala
39. ".....slept in place of Shivaji Maharaj while escaping from Agra.
- (1) Madari
  - (2) Hiroji
  - (3) Sambhaji
  - (4) Ram Singh
40. ....was the chief priest of Shivaji Maharaj's coronation.
- (1) Aryabhatt
  - (2) Gangabhatt
  - (3) Gagabhatt
  - (4) Moreshwar Pandit
41. Shivaji Maharaj built up a navy because.....
- (1) He wished to build a navy
  - (2) Swaraj was in danger from the enemies like the Siddi, the Portuguese, and the English
  - (3) He built strong forts like Sindhudurg and Vijaydurg
  - (4) He could fight using Guerilla tactics

42. ....means government by the people.

- (1) Majesty (2) Constituent Assembly  
(3) Democracy (4) Lok Sabha

43. Which of the following is *not* our duty ?

- (1) To behave with affection and brotherhood with everyone  
(2) To preserve historical monuments  
(3) To obey laws  
(4) Refuse to pay government taxes

44. Which of the following is *not* our National Symbol ?

- (1) National Language (2) National Flag  
(3) National Song (4) National Emblem

45. Kalsubai is the highest peak in.....mountains.

- (1) Satpuda (2) Sahyadri  
(3) Himalaya (4) Ajanta

46. ....is used in the production of cement.

- (1) Bauxite (2) Silica  
(3) Rock (4) Limestone

47. ....is grown on a large scale in Maharashtra.

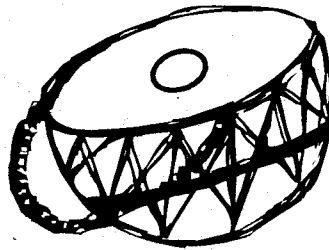
- (1) Jowar (2) Wheat  
(3) Bajra (4) Rice

48. The following are the pairs of Thermal power plants and their districts.

Pick out the suitable pair :

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| (1) Paras—Chandrapur | (2) Khaparkheda—Nagpur |
| (3) Durgapur—Akola   | (4) Chola—Nasik        |

49. Identify the musical instrument in the picture :



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| (1) Dholak | (2) Nagara |
| (3) Dhol   | (4) Sambal |

50. The Sun is a .....

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| (1) Planet | (2) Satellite |
| (3) Star   | (4) System    |