Karnataka Board

2nd PUC

Question Paper

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Register Number :

Subject Code : 02 (NS)

ENGLISH

Time : 3 Hours 15 Minutes] [Total No. of questions : 35] [Max. Marks : 100

Instructions : *1. Follow the prescribed limit while answering the questions.*

2. Write the correct question number as it appears on the question paper.

3. For multiple choice questions, choose the correct answer and rewrite it.

4. Answers to question number 28 (a-j) and 29 (i-iii) should be in sequence and at one place.

I. Answer the following questions by choosing the right option : **(12 × 1 = 12)**

1) Juliet expects Romeo to come at ————————.

a) Night b) Day

c) Dawn d) Dusk

2) The special revenue in Monaco comes from ————————.

a) Tobacco

b) Poll tax

c) Gaming house

d) Taxes on wine and spirits

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3) Navadanya Farm was started by Vandana Shiva in ————————.

a) Ecuador
b) Adwani
c) South Africa
d) Doon Valley

4) The native city of Gonzalo in 'Sunny Morning' is ————————.

a) Seville
b) Madrid
c) Valencia
d) Spain

5) In 'When you Are Old' the word 'book' refers to ————————.

a) memories
b) book of poems
c) an album
d) a diary

6) The death of ———————— made Tammanna forget all his ballads.

a) Basavaiah
b) Old man
c) The owner
d) Owner's wife

7) Borges believes that ———————— is the most astounding inventions of man.

a) Telephone
b) Plough
c) Book
d) Microscope

8) The tender sunshine in 'Heaven, If You Are Not Here on Earth', leans on ————————.

a) Stream
b) Surf
c) Earth
d) Verdant Gardens

9) In Japan ———————— is infectious.

a) shaking hands
b) bowing
c) kissing cheeks
d) hugging

10) A man of high traditional title in 'The Voter' is ————————.

a) Ogbuefi Ezenwa
b) Marcus Ibe
c) Roof
d) Maduka

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11) UNICEF sanctioned ———— mopeds for Arivoli women activists in 'Where There Is A Wheel'.

a) twenty b) fifty

c) twenty five d) fifteen

12) The Village which was burnt to ashes in water was ————.

a) Chadar b) Wada

c) Malapalle d) Karamachedu

13) Complete the following by filling in the blanks using the right forms of verb given in the brackets : **(3 × 1 = 3)**

Roof ———— [know] to everyone in Umuofia. The campaigner of POP party visited him. No words ———— [waste] between them. Roof ———— [give] five pounds to cast his vote for Maduka.

14) Fill in the blanks by choosing appropriate expressions given in the brackets : **(2 × 1 = 2)**

The Women of Adwani resisted the felling of trees. Besides, they decided to teach forestry to the forest officials. They ———— lighted lanterns although it was ————.

[broad daylight, held up, put behind].

15) Fill in the blanks with right linker given in the brackets : **(4 × 1 = 4)**

[but, after, as though, as]

The gardener started narrating the story of Tammanna and Basavaiah to the owner's wife, ———— proceeding with the story, he started fumbling for words ———— he had made a mistake. The owner's wife was not interested in the story. She felt like going away ———— stayed back ———— she did not want to hurt the old man.

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16) Rearrange the jumbled segments to form a meaningful sentence. **(1 × 1 = 1)**

In / popular / man / his village / Roof / a very / was

II. Answer **any EIGHT** of the following choosing atleast two from the poems in a paragraph of **80-100** words each : **(8 × 4 = 32)**

17) How does Romeo glorify the beauty of Juliet?

18) Why was the criminal reluctant to go out of Monaco in 'Too Dear!'?

19) 'On Children' refers to Children as arrows and parents as bows. Explain.

20) Write a note on Earth University, with reference to the essay 'Everything I Need To Know I Learned In The Forest'.

21) What fictitious story does Gonzalo spin about himself in the name of his cousin in 'Sunny Morning'?

22) Bring out the changes in the lifestyle of the owner after the arrival of the old man in 'The Gardener'.

23) How does Neruda describe the busy life of the individual as represented by the foot in the poem 'To the Foot from its Child'?

24) According to George Mikes, the people of Brazil are more leisurely and speed loving. Explain.

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25) Trace the reasons behind the radical change that had come into the thinking of Umuofia in 'The Voter'.

26) What are the economic implications of cycling according to P. Sainath in 'Where There Is A Wheel'?

III. Answer the following in about **200** words : **(1 × 6 = 6)**

27) a) Both Romeo and Juliet employ contrasting images in their expression of appreciation and admiration for each other. Elaborate.

OR

b) The function of books is irreplaceable. Explain with reference to 'I Believe that Books will Never Disappear'.

OR

c) "Wheel brings Freedom and Progress". Explain this statement with reference to 'Where There Is A Wheel'.

IV. Read the following passage and answer the questions on it : **(10 × 1 = 10)**

Rabindranath Tagore was a legendary Indian poet. He was a polymath poet, philosopher, musician, composer, writer, painter, social reformer and an educationist. He became the first Asian to win the Nobel Prize in 1913 for his Collection of Poems – 'Gitanjali'. He wrote our national anthem and is the world's only poet whose songs are the anthem of two free nations.

Rabindranath Tagore was born on 7th May 1861 in Calcutta now Kolkatta to Debendranath Tagore and Sarada Devi. He was the fourteenth child of his parents. He lost his mother at an early age hence, was brought up by his servants. His early education began at home. At the age of eight he wrote his first verse in Bengali. Later he went to London for his higher studies in late 1870s. He returned to India, published several books of poetry starting in 1880s. He has written fifty and Odd Volumes of poetry. Some of the famous Volumes of poetry are 'Manasi' [1890], 'Sonar Tari' [1894], 'Gitanjali' [1910] and 'Gitimalya' [1914].

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In 1901 Tagore founded an experimental school, Shantiniketan where he sought to blend the best of Indian and Western learning traditions. He felt that childhood ought to be a time of self-learning outside the rigid and restricting discipline of the formal schooling system. He believed that only education can give us real freedom and the teachers have to be imaginative, should understand the child and help him / her to develop curiosity. The four fundamental principles in Tagore's educational philosophy are naturalism, humanism, internationalism and idealism. Shanthiniketan is based on these principles. He insisted that education should be imparted in natural surroundings.

Rabindranath Tagore reshaped Bengali literature and music as well as Indian art with contextual modernism in late 19th and 20th centuries. He was highly influential in introducing Indian Culture to the West and Vice Versa. As a painter he painted 2000 images between 1928 and 1940.

Rabindranath Tagore was called 'Gurudev', 'Kavi Guru' and 'Biswa Kavi'. His songs are popularly known as 'Rabindra Sangeeth'. His famous slogan is "You Cannot Cross the sea merely by standing and staring at the Water". He died on 7th Aug 1941 in Calcutta.

28) a) When was Rabindranath Tagore born?

b) Rabindranath Tagore won Nobel Prize for _____.

1) Manasi 2) Gitimalya

3) Gitanjali 4) Sonar Tari

c) Who were Rabindranath Tagore's parents?

d) In which language did Rabindranath Tagore write his first verse?

e) Which is the experimental school founded by Rabindranath Tagore?

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f) The teachers have to be _____ [imaginative/imagination].

g) Name one of the fundamental principles of Tagore.

h) Add prefix to the word 'natural' to form its antonym.

i) How many images did Tagore paint?

j) Quote the famous slogan of Rabindranath Tagore.

29) Read the following lines and answer the questions set on it : **(3 × 1 = 3)**

A free bird leaps on the back of the wind
and floats downstream till the current ends
and dips his wings in the orange sun rays
and dares to claim the sky.

i) Who leaps on the back of the wind?

ii) Where does the bird float?

iii) What does the bird claim to?

V. 30) Report the following conversation : **(5 × 1 = 5)**

Petra : The guard is waiting for me.

Dona Laura : Do you like to chat with your guard?

Petra : He is not mine

Dona Laura : Wait a moment

Petra : What does the Senora Wish?

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31) Complete the following dialogue : (4 × 1 = 4)

[Conversation between a stranger and a lady]

Stranger : Excuse me, _____ (Asking for direction)

Lady : _____ (Giving direction)

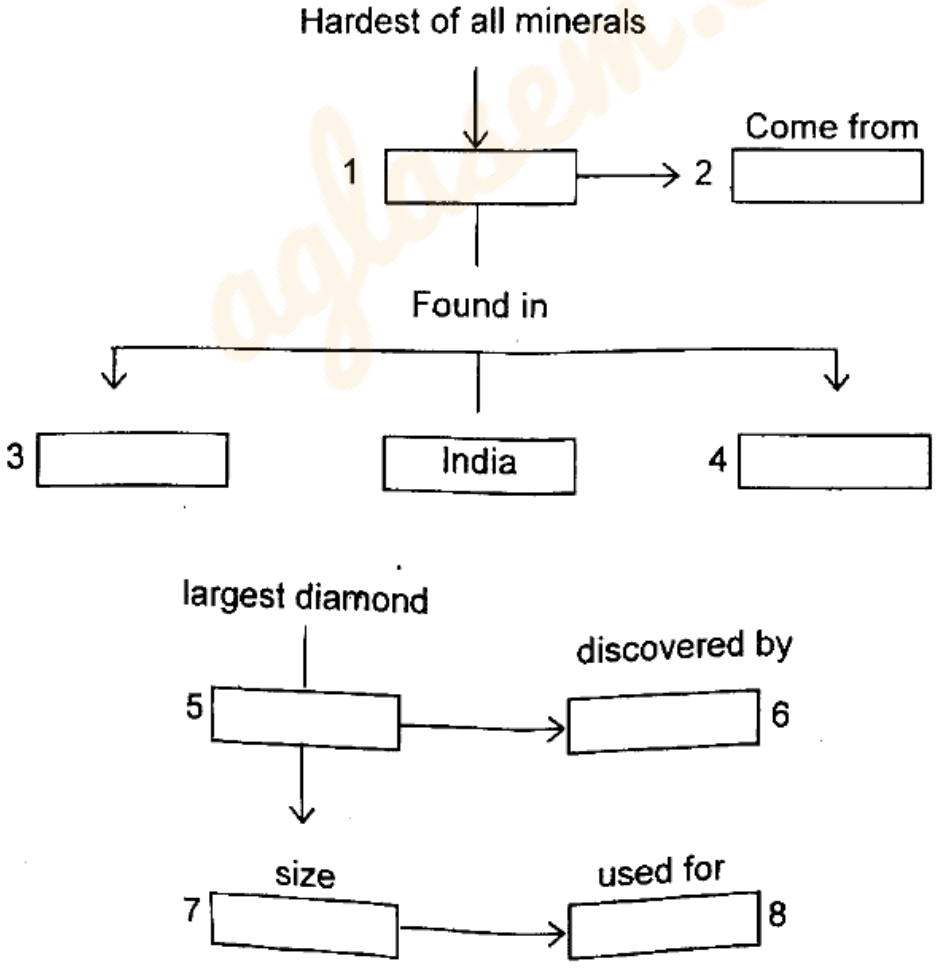
Stranger : Is it far?

Lady : _____ (Approximate distance)

Stranger : _____ (Expresses gratitude)

VI. 32) Read the following passage and make notes by drawing and filling the boxes given below : (8 × $\frac{1}{2}$ = 4)

Diamonds are the hardest of all minerals. Most diamonds come from Africa. Diamond mines are found in South America, India and USA. Cullinan, the largest diamond was accidentally discovered by a farmer in South America. It was about the size of a man's fist. Today diamonds are expensive and used for ornaments.



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33) Write a letter of application in response to the following advertisement which appeared in 'The Hindu' dated 26th Feb. 2023. **(5 × 1 = 5)**

WANTED

Receptionist

Qualification : Any degree with first class and above
Knowledge of computer required
Fluency in English, Kannada and Hindi

Apply within a week to :

The Manager,
Global Solutions,
K.R. Road,
Srinagar,
Bengaluru – 70.

[Write XXX for your name, YYY for your address]

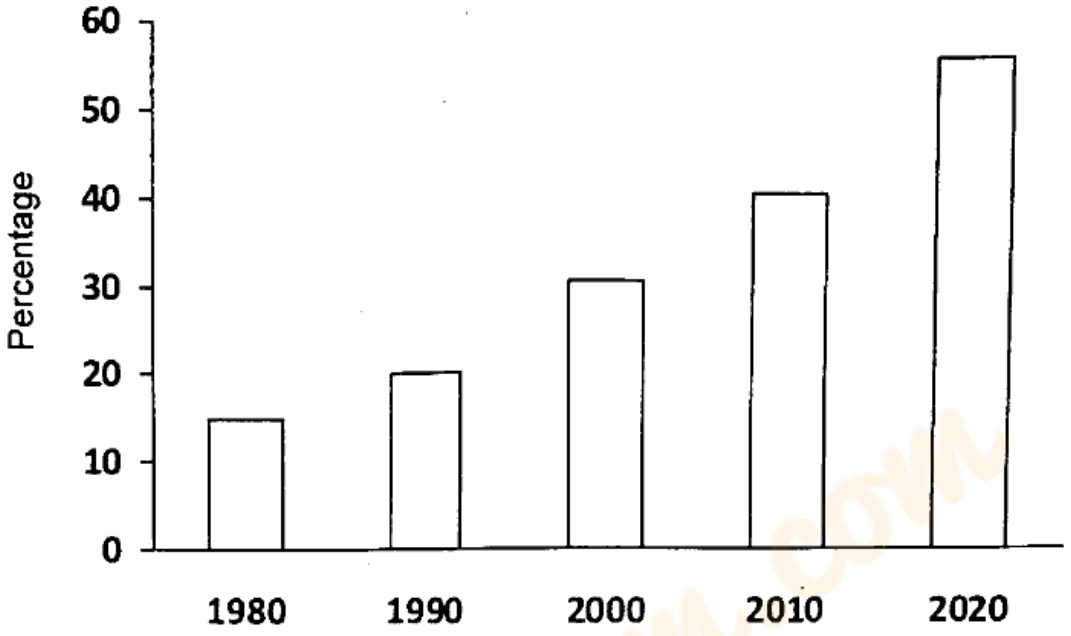
34) a) Imagine that you are the Secretary of your College union on the occasion of the college day, you are given the responsibility of presenting the welcome address and introducing the chief guest. Based on the following details, write a speech in about 120 words. **(5 × 1 = 5)**

Name	:	Dr. Prasad Sharma
Native	:	Bengaluru [Karnataka]
Education	:	Primary and Secondary Education, Bengaluru.
		M.A in English, Ph.D. from University of Mysore.
		IAS – 2nd rank 2009
Profile	:	Worked as lecturer for 2 years.
Present Post	:	Commissioner, Mysore.

OR

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b) The following bar graph represents the number of people from Villages migrating to cities in the past few decades. Using this information write a report in about 120 words :



VII. 35) What do the underlined words in the following paragraph refer to? **(4 × 1 = 4)**

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i) He _____

ii) which _____

iii) where _____

iv) His _____

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