

# Jharkhand Council of Educational Research and Training, Ranchi

## ANNUAL EXAMINATION

Session : 2024-2025

Model Question Paper

CLASS-8	SUBJECT- ENGLISH	TIME- 1 HOUR	F.M.- 50
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**I. Read the Unseen Passage given below and answer the questions that follow: - (Q.no.1-10)**

In the heart of a bustling city, there existed a small, neglected park that had long been forgotten by its residents. Once a vibrant space filled with laughter and the sounds of children playing, it had transformed into a shadow of its former self. Weeds grew rampant, and the playground equipment lay rusted and broken. Despite its dilapidated state, the park still held an undeniable charm. Tall trees provided shade, and wildflowers bloomed in unexpected places, adding splashes of color to the otherwise dreary surroundings.

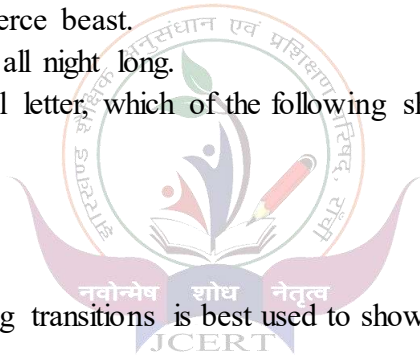
One day, a group of enthusiastic volunteers decided to revive the park. Armed with gardening tools, paintbrushes, and an unwavering spirit, they arrived early in the morning. Their laughter echoed through the empty space as they worked tirelessly to clear away the weeds and repair the playground. As the days turned into weeks, the park began to transform. Children returned to play, families gathered for picnics, and the air was filled with joy once more. The volunteers not only restored the park but also rekindled a sense of community among the residents. They realized that sometimes all it takes is a little effort and determination to bring life back to a place that once thrived.

1. What can be inferred about the park before the volunteers arrived?
  - A. It was well-maintained and popular.
  - B. It was completely abandoned.
  - C. It was used for community events regularly.
  - D. It had lost its appeal but still held some beauty.
2. Which word best describes the initial condition of the park?
  - A. Vibrant
  - B. Neglected
  - C. Inviting
  - D. Enchanting
3. What motivated the volunteers to restore the park?
  - A. A desire for personal recognition
  - B. A wish to improve their community
  - C. Pressure from local authorities

- D. A competition among friends
4. What does "rekindled" in the second paragraph suggest about community spirit?
- A. It was lost forever.
  - B. It was temporarily strong.
  - C. It was revived after being diminished.
  - D. It never existed before.
5. Which of the following phrases indicates that the volunteers were committed to their task?
- A. "Armed with gardening tools"
  - B. "Their laughter echoed"
  - C. "Worked tirelessly"
  - D. "The air was filled with joy"
6. What grammatical error is present in this sentence from the passage: "The playground equipment lay rusted and broken"?
- A. Incorrect verb tense
  - B. Misplaced modifier
  - C. Subject-verb agreement error
  - D. No error
7. Which of these is an example of imagery from the passage?
- A. "Tall trees provided shade"
  - B. "The park began to transform"
  - C. "Families gathered for picnics"
  - D. "Weeds grew rampant"
8. How did the transformation of the park affect local families?
- A. They became more isolated.
  - B. They started avoiding outdoor activities.
  - C. They began to engage in community activities again.
  - D. They moved away from the area.
9. What does "dilapidated" mean in the context of this passage?
- A. Newly built
  - B. In good condition
  - C. Falling apart or in disrepair
  - D. Brightly colored
10. Which sentence best summarizes the main idea of this passage?
- A. Parks are important for children's play.
  - B. Community efforts can restore neglected spaces and revive spirits.
  - C. Volunteers are always needed in cities.
  - D. Nature can thrive without human intervention.

**II. Read the questions given below and answer the questions that follow by choosing the correct option for each: - (Q.no.11-25)**

11. Which of the following sentences is grammatically correct?  
A. The teacher, along with her students, were excited about the trip.  
B. Each of the students have completed their homework.  
C. Neither the cat nor the dogs are playing outside.  
D. Everyone in the class have submitted their projects.
12. What is the purpose of a topic sentence in a paragraph  
A. To provide a conclusion  
B. To introduce the main idea of the paragraph  
C. To add unnecessary details  
D. To summarize the entire essay
13. Which of the following is an example of a simile?  
A. The wind howled like a wolf.  
B. The wind howled fiercely.  
C. The wind was a fierce beast.  
D. The wind howled all night long.
14. When writing a formal letter, which of the following should be included in the closing?  
A. Yours truly,  
B. Best wishes,  
C. See you soon,  
D. Cheers,
15. Which of the following transitions is best used to show contrast between two ideas?  
A. Furthermore,  
B. Similarly,  
C. However,  
D. In addition,
16. Which of the following sentences is in the active voice?  
A. The book was read by Maria.  
B. The cake was baked by my mother.  
C. Maria reads the book.  
D. The homework was completed by the students.
17. Identify the part of speech for the underlined word in the sentence: "She quickly ran to catch the bus."  
A. Noun  
B. Adverb  
C. Adjective  
D. Verb
18. Which of the following sentences is in the past perfect tense?



- A. She has finished her homework.  
B. They had left before I arrived.  
C. He is playing football.  
D. I will go to the store.
19. What type of clause is underlined in the sentence: "The book that you lent me was fascinating"?
- A. Independent clause  
B. Dependent clause  
C. Main clause  
D. Relative clause
20. Which of the following sentences contains an infinitive?
- A. She loves to dance.  
B. He runs every morning.  
C. They are studying for exams.  
D. The dog barked loudly.
21. In indirect speech, which of the following changes would be correct?
- A. "I am going," he said → He said that he was going.  
B. "She will come," he said → He said that she would come.  
C. "They are playing," she said → She said that they were playing.  
D. All of the above are correct.
22. Which of the following sentences correctly uses a conjunction?
- A. I wanted to go for a walk but it started raining.  
B. She likes tea, she doesn't like coffee.  
C. He is tall and he plays basketball.  
D. Neither John or Sarah attended the meeting.
23. What is the correct form of the verb in this sentence: "If I \_\_\_\_\_ (be) you, I would study harder"?
- A. Was  
B. Were  
C. Am  
D. be
24. Which sentence correctly uses a semicolon?
- A. I have a big test tomorrow; I can't go out tonight.  
B. She loves reading; and writing stories.  
C. It's raining; however, we will go for a walk.  
D. My brother is studying; he wants to pass his exams.
25. Identify the type of sentence: "Although it was raining, we decided to go hiking."
- A. Simple sentence  
B. Compound sentence  
C. Complex sentence

D. Compound-complex sentence

**III. Read the questions below and answer the questions that follow by choosing the correct option for each: - (Q.no.26-50)**

26. What was wrapped around a palmyra beam on the roof?

- A. Cat
- B. Rat
- C. Snake
- D. Leopard

27. One who sells sweets, toffees etc is known as

- A. Florist
- B. grocer
- C. lawyer
- D. confectioner

28. An organized journey with a particular purpose is known as

- A. blizzards
- B. avalanches
- C. expedition
- D. passes

29. The woods are lovely, .....and deep.

- A. dense
- B. bushy
- C. green
- D. dark

30. Who caught the snake?

- A. teacher
- B. Kali
- C. students
- D. principal

31. Who was Lance Naik Hanamanthappa Koppad?

- A. A soldier who survived massive avalanche.
- B. A soldier who fled the massive avalanche.
- C. A soldier who died in the avalanche.
- D. A soldier who got lost in the avalanche.

32. What is meant by 'miniature'?

- A. Big
- B. small
- C. short
- D. long

33. Why does the Shepherd wear the Abbot's gown and cap?

- A. To disguise himself as the Abbot



- B. He doesn't have clothes.  
C. He likes his gown and cap.  
D. He wanted to become an abbot
34. What did Severn Suzuki start at the age of nine?  
A. UN Earth Summit  
B. The Environmental Children's Organisation  
C. Animal's farm  
D. Wildlife Sanctuary
35. "Hari recalls the restaurants of his village Thul and compares them with the Sri Krishna Eating House..."  
What does Hari's comparison of the Sri Krishna Eating House to the restaurants in Thul reveal about his character?  
A. He is indifferent to his surroundings.  
B. He has a romanticized view of his past.  
C. He is critical of the poor conditions.  
D. He feels ashamed of his background.
36. "I have no money to pay for this food you are giving me... will you please let me work here?"  
Why did Hari choose to work at the Sri Krishna Eating House instead of seeking another job?  
A. He was forced by circumstances.  
B. He wanted to earn money for food and shelter.  
C. He had no other options available.  
D. He felt a connection with the owner.
37. What did the baby eat?  
A. Chips  
B. Driver  
C. Microchip  
D. Bug
38. "Rupesh interrupted his father, 'No, papa! I don't waste my time; I use Google to find answers quickly.'"  
How does Rupesh's attitude towards technology reflect the generational divide in the chapter?  
A. He believes technology is a distraction from learning.  
B. He embraces technology as a tool for knowledge.  
C. He feels overwhelmed by the amount of information available.  
D. He thinks technology should be used sparingly.
39. "His father worries that relying on Google might hinder Rupesh's ability to think independently."  
What concern does Rupesh's father express about the use of Google for information?  
A. It promotes laziness among students.  
B. It provides incorrect information frequently.  
C. It limits critical thinking skills.

- D. It is too time-consuming to use.
40. "The poet emphasizes the cruel damage cast by deforestation at the hands of man, suggesting that trees are our heritage."  
What does the poet imply about the relationship between humans and trees in the poem?
- A. Humans have always protected trees.
  - B. Trees are merely resources for human use.
  - C. Humans have a responsibility to care for trees.
  - D. Trees are irrelevant to human existence.
41. "Words and phrases like mutilated, lacerated, and their scabs and scars defy repair convey the pain inflicted on trees."  
How does the poet's use of vivid imagery enhance the theme of the poem?
- A. It distracts from the main message.
  - B. It creates a sense of beauty in destruction.
  - C. It simplifies complex ideas about nature.
  - D. It evokes empathy for the suffering trees.
42. "Sneha's rules for a new religion include the belief that the sun gives us energy and the earth sustains us."  
What does Sneha propose as a fundamental belief in her new religion?
- A. The importance of technology in daily life.
  - B. The sun is our father and the earth is our mother.
  - C. All religions should be merged into one.
  - D. Wealth is the measure of a person's worth.
43. "Preksha admired how Sneha's thoughts linked spirituality with the natural world around them."  
How does Preksha's perspective on Sneha's ideas reflect her own beliefs?
- A. She completely disagrees with Sneha's views.
  - B. She believes that Sneha's ideas are too simplistic.
  - C. She finds inspiration in Sneha's connection to nature.
  - D. She thinks that religion should focus on rituals.
44. "He crawls behind the sofa and imagines the place to be a hunter's camp."  
What does the child imagine while crawling behind the sofa?
- A. A magical castle filled with treasures.
  - B. A hunter's camp in the wilderness.
  - C. A bustling city with people.
  - D. A quiet library full of books.
45. "He imagines hills and woods and roaring lions that come to the river bank to drink water."  
How does the child feel about the stories he reads?
- A. Indifferent and uninterested.
  - B. Frightened and anxious.
  - C. Excited and adventurous.
  - D. Confused and overwhelmed.

46. "The Emperor believes that one man's death is better than a million people potentially dying as a result of his invention."  
What moral dilemma does the story present regarding innovation and safety?
- A. Innovation should always be encouraged regardless of consequences.
  - B. Safety must sometimes come at the cost of creativity.
  - C. All inventions are inherently dangerous and should be banned.
  - D. People should not fear progress but embrace it fully.
47. "Who is to say that someday just such a man, in just such an apparatus... might not fly in the sky and drop huge stones upon the Great Wall of China?"  
Why does the Emperor decide to execute the flying man?
- A. He believes the flying machine is too beautiful to exist.
  - B. He fears the potential destruction it could cause.
  - C. He is jealous of the man's invention.
  - D. He thinks it will bring shame to his empire.
48. "What have I done?" cried the flier, bewildered."  
How does the flying man feel about his invention when confronted by the Emperor?
- A. Proud and confident in its potential.
  - B. Fearful of what might happen to him.
  - C. Indifferent to its significance.
  - D. Confused and bewildered.
49. What does the poem "Bharat Our Land" primarily celebrate?
- A. The technological advancements of India.
  - B. The cultural diversity and beauty of India.
  - C. The historical events in Indian history.
  - D. The economic development of the country.
50. How does the poet describe the natural beauty of India in the poem?
- A. As diverse and vibrant.
  - B. As harsh and unforgiving.
  - C. As monotonous and dull.
  - D. As chaotic and unorganized.



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Answer Key of Model Question Paper

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