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TEST BOOKLET NO-25006

PAPER-I

GENERAL ENGLISH & GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

Time : 3:00 hrs

Maximum
Marks: 100

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PART – I

MULTIPLE CHOICE BASED QUESTIONS

Instructions for Questions 1 to 80:

- Choose the correct answer for the following questions
- Each question carries 1 marks (80 x 1 = 80 marks)

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- 1) 'ULLAS' initiative is related to which one of the following?
 - A) Education Sector
 - B) Health sector
 - C) Agriculture Sector
 - D) Finance Sector
- 2) 'Idukki Wildlife Sanctuary' is located in which Indian state?
 - A) Tamil Nadu
 - B) Odisha
 - C) Kerala
 - D) Karnataka
- 3) Which Ministry has launched the 'One Nation-One Port Process (ONOP)?'
 - A) Ministry of Defence
 - B) Ministry of Commerce
 - C) Ministry of Finance
 - D) Ministry of Ports, Shipping and waterways
- 4) Which among the following states is the largest producer of salt in India?
 - A) Rajasthan
 - B) Gujarat
 - C) Odisha
 - D) Maharashtra
- 5) Consider the list of crops and the states which are the largest producers of those crops.

	<u>States</u>	<u>Crops</u>
(i)	Kerala	Sugarcane
(ii)	Maharashtra	Wheat
(iii)	West Bengal	Jute
(iv)	Gujarat	Groundnut

Which of the above pair/pairs is/are correctly matched? Choose the correct code from below:

- A) Only (ii)
- B) Only (i) and (ii)
- C) Only (ii), (iii) and (iv)
- D) Only (iii) and (iv)

6) 'Gulal Gota' is a unique Holi tradition of which city in India?

- A) Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh
- B) Jaipur, Rajasthan
- C) Mathura, Uttar Pradesh
- D) Surat, Gujarat

7) Who became 'Man of the Tournament' in ICC Championship Trophy 2025?

- A) Rachin Ravindra
- B) Ravindra Jadeja
- C) Rohit Sharma
- D) Virat Kohli

8) 'Pattachitra' Paintings are associated with which Indian states?

- A) Bihar and Jharkhand
- B) Madhya Pradesh and West Bengal
- C) Odisha and West Bengal
- D) Karnataka and Kerala

9) Who was honoured as 'Best Journalist of Sikkim' at 19th Media Excellence Awards in New Delhi?

- A) Amit Patro
- B) Arun Sharma
- C) Karma Palzor
- D) Nitesh Pradhan

10) 'Bhumchu' festival is held in which monastery of Sikkim?

- A) Rumtek Monastery
- B) Kartok Monastery
- C) Tashiding Monastery
- D) Dubdi Monastery

11) For how many times a person can become President of India?

- A) Once
- B) Twice
- C) Thrice
- D) No limit

12) Which state was the first to adopt 'The three tier system of Panchayati Raj'?

- A) Andhra Pradesh
- B) Bihar
- C) Karnataka
- D) Rajasthan

13) Which of the following states are not covered by Panchayati Raj?

- A) Assam and West Bengal
- B) Meghalaya and Mizoram
- C) Manipur and Assam
- D) Tripura and Sikkim

14) Consider the following:

- (i) Bitcoin
- (ii) Ethereum
- (iii) XRP

Which of the above is/are classified as crypto currencies? Choose the correct code from below:

- A) Only (i) and (ii)
- B) Only (ii)
- C) (i), (ii) and (iii)
- D) None of the above

15) Consider the following about Kanchenjunga National Park in Sikkim:

- (i) It came under UNESCO World Heritage in July 2016
- (ii) It became India's first 'Mixed Heritage Site'
- (iii) It was established in 1971
- (iv) Mt Kanchenjunga stands at the western border of the National park

Which of the above statements are correct? Choose the correct code from below:

- A) Only (i), (iii) and (iv)
- B) Only (ii) and (iii)
- C) Only (i), (ii) and (iv)
- D) All of the above are correct

16) 'Gorkha Fort' is located in which Indian state?

- A) Himachal Pradesh
- B) Uttar Pradesh
- C) Andhra Pradesh
- D) West Bengal

17) The 'Mahila Samridhi Yojana' has been launched by which state/UT government in India?

- A) Uttarakhand
- B) Delhi
- C) Jammu and Kashmir
- D) Bihar

18) Due to which glacial lake outburst, the deadly flood happened in 2023 in Sikkim?

- A) Tsomgo lake
- B) Cholamu Lake
- C) Lhonak lake
- D) Green Lake

19) India's first 'Organic Fisheries Cluster' was launched in which district of Sikkim?

- A) Namchi
- B) Soreng
- C) Gyalshing
- D) Mangan

20) What was the mascot for the 'Tsomgo Ultra 4.0 Marathon' 2025?

- A) Red Panda
- B) Rhododendron
- C) Blood Pheasant
- D) Snow Lion

21) Which two districts were formed in 2021 in Sikkim?

- A) Gyalshing and Pakyong
- B) Soreng and Pakyong
- C) Rabong and Pakyong
- D) Jorethang and Soreng

22) According to SIPRI report which country became the largest arms importer in the world during 2020-24?

- A) Ukraine
- B) China
- C) Japan
- D) India

23) Consider the following about the producers of minerals:

- (i) Odisha is the highest producer of Bauxite
- (ii) Madhya Pradesh is the highest producer of Tin
- (iii) Rajasthan is the highest producer of Silver
- (iv) Andhra Pradesh is the highest producer of Mica

Which of the above statements are correct? Choose the correct code from below:

- A) Only (i)
- B) Only (i) and (iv)
- C) Only (i), (ii) and (iv)
- D) Only (i), (iii) and (iv)

24) Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C) is operated under which ministry?

- A) Ministry of Defence
- B) Ministry of Power
- C) Ministry of Home Affairs
- D) Ministry of Urban Development

25) Which city of Kerala was officially declared as India's first 'UNESCO City of Literature' in 2023?

- A) Kochi
- B) Kozhikode
- C) Kollam
- D) Palghat

26) Seaweeds are an important source of which of the following?

- A) Iron
- B) Chlorine
- C) Bromine
- D) Iodine

27) Which company helped in bringing back astronaut Sunita Williams to earth from International Space Station (ISS)?

- A) Space X
- B) Blue Origin
- C) ISRO
- D) Space Forge

28) Consider the following:

<u>Monasteries</u>	<u>States/UT</u>
(i) Shankar Monastery	Ladakh
(ii) Nako Monastery	Himachal Pradesh
(iii) Lingdum Monastery	Sikkim
(iv) Namdroling Monastery	Himachal Pradesh

Which of the above are correctly matched? Choose the correct code from below:

- A) Only (i) and (ii)
- B) Only (i), (ii) and (iii)
- C) Only (iv)
- D) All are correct

29) Which technique is used in Prayagraj to create dense forests for Mahakumbh 2025?

- A) Miyawaki Technique
- B) Hydroponics
- C) Permaculture
- D) Agroforestry

30) Consider the following:

- (i) SPHERE x telescope
- (ii) James Webb space telescope
- (iii) Hubble

Which of the above is/are for studying the whole sky? Choose the correct code from below:

- A) Only (i)
- B) Only (ii) and (iii)
- C) Only (i) and (iii)
- D) Only (iii)

31) In which of the following countries the first ever 'Yoga festival' was held in January 2022?

- A) Saudi Arabia
- B) Iran
- C) Spain
- D) Yemen

32) 'Fair Share for Health and Care' report is launched by which organization?

- A) UNEP
- B) WHO
- C) UNICEF
- D) UNDP

33) Who is the head coach of Indian cricket team at present?

- A) MS Dhoni
- B) Rohit Sharma
- C) Gautam Gambhir
- D) Rahul Dravid

34) At which place did Alara Kalama met Gautama Buddha?

- A) Vaishali
- B) Rajgriha
- C) Saranath
- D) Shravasti

35) Prairies are the grasslands found in?

- A) North America
- B) South America
- C) Africa
- D) Asia

36) The 'Ranching' term is associated with?

- A) Shifting cultivation
- B) Forest farming
- C) Livestock grazing
- D) Fishing

37) 'Point Nemo' is located in which ocean?

- A) Atlantic Ocean
- B) Arctic Ocean
- C) Indian Ocean
- D) Pacific Ocean

38) Which country became the first country to adopt the India's 'Jan Aushadhi Scheme'?

- A) Maldives
- B) Bhutan
- C) Mauritius
- D) Nepal

39) Which of the following statement is NOT CORRECT about the Rajya Sabha?

- A) Rajya Sabha is a permanent body
- B) It was duly constituted for the first time on April 3, 1952
- C) Twelve of Rajya Sabha members are nominated by the President
- D) One-third of its members retire every year

40) Border Roads Organization (BRO) functions under which ministry?

- A) Ministry of Home Affairs
- B) Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
- C) Ministry of Tourism
- D) Ministry of Defence

41) What was the name of the operation launched by India to evacuate Indian nationals from Haiti?

- A) Operation Meghdoot
- B) Operation Indravati
- C) Operation Raahat
- D) Operation Shakti

42) The 'Shompen' tribe resides in which region?

- A) Diu Island
- B) Netrani Island
- C) Great Nicobar Island
- D) Lakshadweep Island

43) Prime Minister's Internship Scheme 2025 is launched by which ministry?

- A) Ministry of Corporate Affairs
- B) Ministry of Commerce and Industry
- C) Ministry of Law and Justice
- D) Ministry of Home Affairs

44) Which organization developed the Bramhastra Missile (Long Range Anti-Ship Missile)?

- A) Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO)
- B) Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL)
- C) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)
- D) Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO)

45) According to United Nations what was the theme of International Women's day 2025?

- A) Inspire Inclusion
- B) DigitALL: Innovation and Technology for Gender Equality
- C) For All women and girls; Rights. Equality. Empowerment
- D) I am Generation Equality: Realizing women's rights

46) Which of the following is depicted in the Ajanta paintings?

- A) Ramayana
- B) Jatakas
- C) Mahabharata
- D) Panchatantra

47) Kawal Tiger Reserve is located in which state?

- A) Telangana
- B) Madhya Pradesh
- C) Jharkhand
- D) Odisha

48) Which city became the first city in India to install 210 artificial reefs?

- A) Chennai
- B) Mumbai
- C) Kolkata
- D) Hyderabad

49) Which Indian state became the first state to buy land in Kashmir for tourism?

- A) Gujarat
- B) Andhra Pradesh
- C) Maharashtra
- D) Karnataka

50) 'Phanigiri' Buddhist site is located in which Indian state?

- A) Telangana
- B) Karnataka
- C) Bihar
- D) Kerala

GENERAL ENGLISH

Read the following passage carefully and answer the given questions by choosing the options given below:

Language is a wonderful gift given to man. No animal possesses the gift but they have their own ways of expressing themselves. When a rabbit sees an enemy, it runs away into its hole. Its tail, which is white, bobs up and down as it runs. The other rabbits see it and they run too. They know that there is a danger. When a cobra is angry, it raises its hood and makes itself look fierce. This warns other animals. When a bee has found some food, it goes back to the hive. It can't tell the other bees where the food is by speaking to them, but it does a kind of dance in the air. Some animals say things by making sounds. A dog barks when a stranger comes near.

51. Why does the author say that language is a gift given to man?

- A) Because one can express themselves in many ways
- B) Because no other animal possesses the gift
- C) Because man can speak
- D) Because man can shout when in danger

52. What does it signify when a rabbit bobs its tail up and down while running?

- A) It signifies that there is a danger
- B) It shows that the rabbit is cheerful
- C) It signifies that its hole is nearby
- D) It shows that rabbit has found food

53. A cobra raises its hood and makes itself fierce when it is.....?

- A) Happy
- B) Sad
- C) Angry
- D) Fearful

54. What does a bee do to tell other bees where the food is?

- A) It goes back to the hive
- B) It makes a buzzing sound
- C) It comes back to where the food was
- D) It does a kind of dance in the air

55. Which word from the passage is synonym of 'Menacing'?

- A) Bobs
- B) Angry
- C) Danger
- D) Fierce

Read the following passage carefully and answer the given questions by choosing from the options given below:

A weak old man went to live with his son, daughter-in-law and a four year old grandson. The family ate together at the table. But the elderly grandfather's shaky hands and failing sight made eating difficult. Peas rolled off his spoon on to the floor. When he grasped the glass of milk, the milk spilled on the tablecloth. The son and daughter-in-law became angry. "Something must be done about father", said the son. So the husband and wife set a small table in the corner. There, grandfather ate his dinner alone. Since he had broken a dish or two, his food was served in a wooden bowl. He had a tear or two in his eyes as he sat alone seeing the family glancing at him occasionally. The four year old watched it all in silence. One evening before supper the couple noticed their son working with wooden scraps on the floor. The father asked the child, "What are you making?" Innocently the boy responded, "Oh, I am making a little bowl for you and mamma to eat your food in when you grow old." The parents were speechless. They did not utter a word. But that evening, the husband took his father's hand and gently led him back to the family table.

56. Why did the old man come to live with his son?

- A) His hands were shaky
- B) He could not hold glasses
- C) He felt lonely
- D) He was weak and old

57. The husband and wife set a small table aside for the old man to eat because:

- A) The old man could relish more
- B) The old man did not feel comfortable to sit with them
- C) The husband and wife could not tolerate it more
- D) The old man was happy to sit alone

58. Why the old man's food was served in a wooden bowl?

- A) The old man had broken a dish or two
- B) He spilled his milk
- C) He could not grasp the glass
- D) He liked to have food in a wooden bowl

59. Why do you think the boy was making little wooden bowls for his father and mother?

- A) Because he saw his grandfather breaking bowls
- B) Because he saw his parents doing the same for their father
- C) Because he loved his parents
- D) Because he loved making wooden things

60. What message does the author convey from the passage?

- A) We should not give food in a wooden bowl to our parents
- B) We should not discard our parents but respect and take care
- C) We should make an extra table for them to have their food comfortably
- D) We should not live with our parents after marriage

Pick out the most effective word(s) from the options to fill in the blanks to make the sentences meaningfully complete:

61. Fate smiles _____ those who untiringly grapple with stark realities.

- A) with
- B) over
- C) on
- D) round

62. The miser gazed _____ at the pile of gold coins in front of him.

- A) avidly
- B) politely
- C) thoughtfully
- D) earnestly

63. The papaya is now _____ enough to be picked.

- A) ready
- B) mature
- C) advanced
- D) ripe

64. In making others happy he will _____ real and lasting happiness.

- A) appreciate
- B) taste
- C) endure
- D) serve

65. Man does not live _____ food alone.

- A) by
- B) with
- C) about
- D) only

Choose the correct word which can be substituted for the given sentences from the options given below:

66. One who looks at the brighter side of things

- A) Optimist
- B) Dreamer
- C) Pessimist
- D) Crazy

67. Extreme old age accompanied by mental decline

- A) Imbecility
- B) Dotage
- C) Superannuation
- D) Senility

68. The study of ancient societies

- A) Anthropology
- B) History
- C) Archaeology
- D) Ethnology

69. Words inscribed on a tomb

- A) Epitome
- B) Epitaph
- C) Epilogue
- D) Epistle

70. A person interested in collecting, studying and selling old things

- A) Antiquarian
- B) Junk-dealer
- C) Crank
- D) Librarian

Choose the word from the options given below which best expresses the meaning of the given word:

71. Canny

- A) Obstinate
- B) Handsome
- C) Clever
- D) Helpless

72. Adversity

- A) Failure
- B) Misfortune
- C) Stability
- D) Helplessness

73. Stringent

- A) Rigorous
- B) Shrill
- C) Strained
- D) Stained

74. Reckless

- A) Courageous
- B) Rustic
- C) Rash
- D) Daring

75. Abject

- A) Miserable
- B) Challenge
- C) Deny
- D) Disobey

Find the correctly spelled words:

76. A) Affedevit B) Afidevit C) Affidevit D) Affidavit

77. A) Abeyense B) Abeyance C) Abeyence D) Abayance

78. A) Cacophony B) Cacophone C) cacophoney D) Cacophoni

79. A) Defference B) Deferance C) Deference D) defferance
80. A) Desiccate B) Desicate C) Descicate D) Deccicate

PART – II

CONVENTIONAL ENGLISH

81. Write a short essay on any one of the following topics: (10 MARKS)

A) Role of Kindness in today's Competitive World

OR

B) Importance of Mental Health in today's World

82. Write a précis of the following passage: (10 MARKS)

Handicrafts are an indispensable representation of Indian tradition and culture. The picturesque state of Sikkim is hailed not just for its natural beauty but also for its exotic handicraft and handloom artistry. The carpets of Sikkim in particular are an ode to the cultural richness and dazzling beauty of the state. The art of carpet weaving is considered to be an integral part of the family heritage and is passed down from generation to generation. Interestingly, the home also doubles up as the production unit.

Sikkim practices what is believed to be one of the oldest forms of carpet weaving in the world. Hand knotted woollen carpets locally known as *Den*, are the specialty of the state. The women of the Bhutia community of Sikkim proudly claim to be the ambassadors of this artwork and are labelled as 'expert carpet weavers'. They use a unique method of weaving known as 'frame-loom weaving'. Though the underlying theme incorporates colour schemes and decorative motifs inspired by Buddhist iconography and Tibetan designs, the style of dyeing and weaving varies from region to region throughout the state. The skill and technique applied in weaving carpets in Sikkim reflects the traditions, customs and beliefs of the people. Today, the Sikkim carpet industry plays a huge role in the economic growth of the country and is in huge demand overseas.

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