

SSC PUBLIC EXAMS – TELANGANA STATE 2019-20

MODEL PAPER-2

SUB : English,

Clas: X

Paper-II

Time : 2 hours 45 min

Max. Marks : 40

Instructions:

- i) This question paper contains three sections (section A, B and C) with questions from 1-29
- ii) Out of the allotted time of 2 hours 45 minutes, the first 15 minutes of time is allotted exclusively for reading the question paper and 2 hours 30 minutes for answering the questions.
- iii) Write all the answers in the separate answer booklet given to you.
- iv) Use capital letters while answering the multiple choice questions, Marks will not be allotted in case of any overwriting.
- v) Make use of the last page(s) of the answer booklet for rough work, if necessary, while answering the questions under section-C

Section-A Reading Comprehension

Questions (1-5) : Read the following Passage carefully”.

Chocolate is liked by all irrespective of a child or an adult. Nowadays, different types of edible products mixed with chocolate powder are available in the market. Some of them are chocolate ice-creams, chocolate coffee, chocolate tea and chocolate milk.

A chocolate tree may sound like something made up in a book or film, but chocolate really does come from trees. A tree called 'Cocoa' is the source of all cocoa powder and chocolate.

Cocoa trees grow only in warm areas that get a lot of rain. Long fruits called 'pods' grow on these trees. Pods range in colour from bright yellow to deep purple. Inside the pods are rows of seeds called cocoa beans. Each is about the size and shape of a big fingernail. It is from these cocoa beans that we get one of the world's favourite foods, i.e. chocolate.

A lot of things have to be done to the beans before they are formed into chocolates. The beans turn into a rich colour and begin to smell like chocolate after being left in a damp place for a few days. They are roasted and ground into a paste in a factory. A fatty yellow liquid 'cocoa butter' has to be removed from the paste to make dry cocoa powder. The paste in fact is very bitter. So, a lot of sugar is mixed in it. The chocolate is then poured into moulds to harden into chocolate bars.

Q. (1-3) Now, answer the following questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet. (3x1=3marks)

- 1) According to the passage, chocolate is
 - A) world's tasty food.
 - B) world's popular food.
 - C) world's favourite food.
 - D) world's expensive food.

- 2) Climate most suitable for cocoa trees to grow is
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| A) dry without rains. | B) slightly wet in monsoon. |
| C) warm with heavy rains. | D) arid with no rainfall. |
- 3) 'Cocoa butter' is removed from paste to
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| A) make dry cocoa powder. | B) get bitterness. |
| C) make pods. | D) to add sugar. |

Q. (4-5) Answer the following question in two or three sentences each **(2x1=2 Marks)**

4. 4) How are pods described ?
5. Write the names of chocolate products available in your area

Q. (6-10) Read the following poem.

I'm an angel disguise with dimpled cheeks and laughing eyes.
 Don't you want me ? I am your baby.
 I have come as a gift from heaven's hall in your heart.
 Oh, hear my call Mother keep me I am your baby,
 Oh Mother, let me live, don't take away my life. Mother let me live.
 You know it isn't right to stop me being born, I want to be yours
 Oh Mother, let me live, don't take away my life. Mother let me live.
 I want to live my life.
 Mother, you will see when you look at me and hold me in your arms.
 You'll fall in love with me,
 Like a flower in your care, I am a gift so pure and fair
 Don't you want me ? I am your baby.
 My little life please don't abort, let me live, don't cut me short.
 Mother, keep me I am your baby.

Q. (6-7) Now, answer the following questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet. **(2x1=2marks)**

6. The poem is a cry of
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| A) a girl child. | B) an angel. |
| C) an unborn baby girl. | D) a daughter. |
7. The word 'abort' in the poem means
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| A) to kill a baby. | B) to stop the development of an unborn baby. |
| c) to operate on the baby. | C) to operate on the mother |

Q. (8-10) Answer the following questions in one or two sentences each. **(3x1=3 Marks)**

8. Why is the speaker in danger?
- 9) When will the mother fall in love?
- 10) Do you like the poem? Give reasons.

Q. (11-15) Read the following passage carefully.

Long ago in Mongolia there lived an emperor who feared growing old. One day, he saw an old man in the street. Upset at being reminded that some day, he too, would age, he ordered all the old people to leave his land.

One day, a violent storm swept the kingdom. Nothing was safe from its fury. It roared into the palace and blew away the emperor's belongings, including his priceless golden pitcher. When the storm ended, the emperor ordered that the pitcher be found and brought back to him.

People went in search of the pitcher. They saw it in a lake nearby. But no matter who tried, no one could get a grip on the pitcher. All they got was a handful of water. Yet it could be plainly seen, glittering and just below the water's surface.

Q.No. (11-13) Now, answer the following questions. Each question has four choices. Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet. (3x1=3 Marks)

- 11) The emperor's orders were that all the
A) old men should leave his land. B) the children should leave his land.
C) young men should leave his land. D) old men should live in his land.
- 12) The emperor feared of getting
A) young. B) ill. C) weak. D) old.
- 13) On seeing the old man he reminded that he also would be
A) getting old. B) dying soon. C) becoming strong. D) defeated.

Q.No. (14-15) Answer the following questions in one or two sentences each. (2x1=2 Marks)

- 14) What happened when the storm attacked the kingdom?
- 15) Do you support the emperor's decision? Why?

Section-B Vocabulary and Grammar

Questions (16-18) : Read the following passage focusing on the parts that are underlined and numbered. (3x1=3 Marks)

One day Kakasaheb found Gandhiji anxiously searching for something on his desk.

- 16) “What are you looking for?” Kakasaheb asked.
- 17) “I’ve lost my pencil,” Gandhiji answered. (18) “ It was, a very small pencil.”

Now, complete the following and write them in your answer booklet.

- 16) Kakasaheb asked what.....
- 17) My pencil
- 18) It was a small pencil.....? (Add a question tag)

Questions (19-22) :

Complete the passage choosing the right words from those given below. Each blank is numbered and has four choices (A), (B), (C) and (D). Choose the correct answer and write (A), (B), (C) or (D) in your answer booklet. (4x1/2=2 Marks)

Plants grow almost everywhere on our planet. Plants need the same things _____ (19) live. The four things plants need are light, water, air and soil. The roots are underground. This is the part of the plant that takes in water _____ (20) nutrients from the soil. The stem _____ (21) the roots with leaves. The trunk of a tree is a good example of this part of a plant. This part carries water and nutrients from the roots to other parts of the plant. _____ (22) leaves are the parts of the plant that out of the stem. They take in nutrients and light.

- 19) A) in B) to C) on D) of
- 20) A) so B) as C) but D) and

- 21) A) connect B) connecting C) connects D) connected
22) A) A B) An C) The D) A little

Questions (23-28) :

Read the following passage and fill in the blanks choosing the correct words given in brackets. Write the answers in your answer booklet. (6x¹/2 =3 Marks)

The solar system has been a complicated wonder for the astronomers. This is a question to which we may _____ (23) (ever / never) have the exact answer. Man has wonder about the age of the Earth _____ (24) (since / for) ancient times. There were all kinds of stories that seemed to have answer. But man could not begin to _____ (25) (think / thought) about the question _____ (26) (scientific / scientifically) until _____ (27) (around/about 400 years ago. When it was proved that the Earth revolved surround) the Sun and the Earth was a part of solar system, then scientists _____ (28) (knew / new) where to begin.

Questions (29-32) :

Complete the following passage with the right forms of words given in the brackets. Write the answers in your answer booklet. (4x1/2=2 Marks)

My visit to a slum area after the _____ (29) (rain) reason was a sad affair. The pits were still full of rain water. There was fnud all around. The polluted water had _____ (30) (cause) various diseases. There was no home without a sick person. Small _____ (31) (child) suffered from stomach troubles. The government should _____ (32) (immediate) rush to the help of the sufferers in the slum areas

(Section-C ; Creative Expression (Discourses))

Questions (33) :

Read the following information about Rabindranth Tagore

Full Name	:	Rabindranath Tagore
Occupation	:	Writer, song composer, painter, playwright, essayist
Born	:	7 th May, 1861
Birth Place	:	Calcutta, India
Nationality	:	Indian
Notable works	:	Gitanjali, Gora, Jana Gana Mana
Spouse	:	Mrinalini Devi
Awards	:	Nobel Prize in literature in 1913
Died	:	7 th August, 1941

Now Write a biographical sketch of Rabindranath Tagore by using the given information in three of four paragraphs.

(OR)

The local authorities decided to conduct an elocution competition on the topic, 'Company of bad friends leads to bad habits' on ANTI-DRUGS DAY. The youth is going on wrong path.

Prepare a SPEECH SCRIPT on the topic.

You can include the following ideas :

- Importance of the day
- Age group addicted
- Present status
- Harmful effects
- Remedies.....etc.

Questions (34)

(5 Marks)

The Government had initiated Measles and Rubella Vaccination Campaign in our state. As you know we can beat two diseases with one vaccine. Measles is a deadly disease, which can lead to Pneumonia, Diarrhoea, Rubella infection leads to children born with blindness, deafness and mental retardation.

Use details like :

- Occasion
- Venue
- Date and time
- Issuing authority
- Children of 9 months to 15 years, etc.