

CBSE Sample Paper

English Set – B

Class 8

Total marks: 90

Important Instructions:

Questions 1 to 25 are of 2 marks each.

Questions 26 to 35 are of 2 marks each.

Question 36 to 40 are of 4 marks each.

All Questions are compulsory.

There is no overall choice in this paper.

Time allotted: 3 hours

Maximum Marks: 90

Section - A

1. Convert the following active voice sentence into passive voice.

The boys are flying kites.

2. The specific adjective kind of “rough, his, another, that” is

(A) quantity, possessive, descriptive, demonstrative.

(B) descriptive, quantity, interrogative, possessive.

(C) quantity, descriptive, demonstrative, possessive.

(D) descriptive, possessive, quantity, demonstrative.

3. The correct adjective order is

- (A) a hardworking forty-year-old Punjabi short driver.
- (B) a hardworking short forty-year-old Punjabi driver.
- (C) a short forty-year-old Punjabi hardworking driver.
- (D) a short Punjabi forty-year-old hardworking driver.

4. name the Adverb of certainty.

5. The adverb of place in the sentence: A huge crowd gathered is

- (A) now.
- (B) there.
- (C) immediately.
- (D) faster.

6. What is the meaning of the adverb 'indispensably'?

7. Fill in the blanks with articles.

- a. I am attending special classes to learn _____
- b. You must have heard that _____ camel can survive without water for many days.
- c. Take your shoes off as _____ floor is wet.

8. Fill in the blank with correct auxiliaries

You can't use these tablets as they _____(have/am/are/do)expired.

9. . Give an example of past real conditional sentences.

10. Fill in the blanks with the options given below:

- 1. I don't _____ go to school on Sunday.
- 2. The building looked beautiful as it _____ renovated.
- 3. Ravi _____ leave by 5 p.m.
- 4. When you enter the office, you _____ show your identity card.

5. Meenu _____ scored good marks.

Options: was, had to, has, have to, have to

11. Fill in the blanks with correct conjunction:

a. I will go to office _____ (even if/ unless) it is late.

b. give me a call _____ (since / incase) you find him.

12. a) He has thrown _____ water on the floor.

b) Mr. Prakash did not take _____ photos when he went on a holiday.

c) _____ educated person should have the courage to stand against the wrong.

13. 1. a) Two hours is a long time to wait for the doctor.

b) Twice hours are a long time to wait for the doctor.

2. a) I speak few German.

b) I speak little German.

14. Rearrange the following words in the correct order to form meaningful sentences.

(a) Naked eye / studied / the earliest / the stars / people / with their

(b) To understand / works / astronomers / how / the universe / try

15. The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction in your answer sheet against the correct question number.

Nalanda was the large centre of a) _____

learning a world had ever known. b) _____

The Chinese traveller but scholar, c) _____

Hieun-Tsang stays here and has d) _____

give a detailed description of the e) _____

conditions prevailing in that time. f) _____

Today, it was in ruins but it still g) _____

imparting the scholarly look. h) _____

16. Don't lick my feet. The interjection that can be used in this sentence is_____.

17. Find the participle in the following sentence:

The car standing at the gate needs to be moved from there.

18. What is the antonym of the abstract noun 'laziness'?

19. I saw this very girl in the market. Here 'very' is a/an

(A) Adverb.

(B) Preposition.

(C) Adjective.

(D) Pronoun.

20. Fill in the following blanks with correct preposition:

a. She wore a veil _____ her face.

b. He cut the apple _____ the knife

c. I shall return _____ an hour.

21. Fill in the blank with correct pronoun:

As we were carrying umbrellas, we were able to protect _____ from rain.

22. The correct punctuation is

(A) The largest single english population live in England.

(B) the largest single English population live in England.

(C) The largest single English population live in England.

(D) The largest Single English Population live in England.

23. The following dialogue is incomplete. Complete the dialogue by choosing the correct option:

Sunny: Do you (a) _____?

Farhan: Yes, I do.

Sunny: Do your parents (b) _____? Farhan: They do not (c) _____ on time. What about you?

Sunny: I am allowed to view (d) _____ on TV.

Farhan: That's alright.

(a) (i) watched reality shows

(ii) watch reality shows

(iii) watches reality shows

(iv) watching reality shows

(b) (i) have not objected to it

(ii) not object to them

(iii) not objected to it

(iv) not object to it

(c) (i) unless I completed my work

(ii) if I complete my work

(iii) unless I have complete my work

(iv) lest I complete my work

(d) (i) other than limited programmes

(ii) hardly limited programmes

(iii) limited programmes only

(iv) except limited programmes

24. Replace the wrongly used Interrogative pronoun with the correct one:

1. For whose did mom prepare these cookies?
2. Who car is parked in front of my house?
3. Whom is the name of the team in blue?
4. Which would like to play basketball?
5. Who of the boys saw him running away?

25. Rearrange the following words in the correct order to form meaningful sentences.

- (a) festival / is / a / Bihu / of / Assam
- (b) marks / it / the advent / season / spring / of
- (c) reflects / festival / the Assamese / culture / of / this / the rich
- (d) celebrated / gaiety / every / with / it / year / is

Section - B: Reading:

A. Read the passage carefully:

There has been a lot of craze among children for video games. The most widely considered positive impact of video games is that they may improve a player's manual dexterity and computer literacy. Ever-improving technology also provides players with better graphics that give a more "realistic" virtual playing experience. This quality makes the video game industry a powerful force in the lives of many adolescents. However, numerous studies show that video games, especially ones with violent content, make teens more aggressive. The reason for an increase in aggressive behavior is linked to the amount of time children are allowed to play video games. In one study by Walsh (2000), a majority of teens admitted that their parents do not impose a time limit on the number of hours they are allowed to play video games. In another study conducted by Gentile, Lynch, Linder & Walsh "adolescent girls played video games for an average of 5 hours a week, whereas boys averaged 13 hours a week". The study also stated that teens that play violent video games for extended periods of time are also more

prone to confrontation with their teachers and perform badly at school. Video games also encourage players to identify with and role play their favourite characters.

Answer the following questions by choosing an appropriate option from those given below:

26. It is wrong to say that the impact of video games on the children is

- (a) only negative.
- (b) not negative at all.
- (c) positive.
- (d) very harmful.

27. Due to increasing technological advances, the playing experience is

- (a) artificial.
- (b) more realistic.
- (c) very strenuous.
- (d) time consuming.

28. Among children, the violent video games increase

- (a) strength.
- (b) knowledge.
- (c) stress.
- (d) violence/aggression.

29. The aggressive behavior can be checked if the children are allowed

- (a) not allowed to play.
- (b) to play for long hours.
- (c) to play for a limited time.

(d) video games are banned.

30. 'Confrontation' in the passage means

(a) 'Agreement'.

(b) 'Comfort'.

(c) 'Disagreement'.

(d) 'Enjoyment'.

B.

Read the given poem carefully:

HOW THE LITTLE KITE LEARNED TO FLY?

"I never can do it," the little kite said,
As he looked at the others high over his head.
"I know I should fall if I tried to fly."
"Try," said the big kite, only try!
Or I fear you never will learn at all."
But the little kite said: "I'm afraid I'll fall."
The big kite nodded: "Ah, well, good-by;
I am off." And he rose toward the tranquil sky.
Then the little kite's paper stirred at the sight.
And trembling he shook himself free for flight.
First whirling and frightened, then braver grown,
Up, up he rose through the air alone,
Till the big kite looking down could see
The little one rising steadily.
Then how the little kite thrilled with pride,
As he sailed with the big kite, side by side!
While far below he could see the ground,
And the boys like small spots moving round.
They rested high in the quiet air,
And only the birds and clouds were there.
"Oh, how happy I am" the little kite cried.

And all because I was brave and tried.

- Katherine Pyle

On the basis of your reading the poem, answer the following questions in appropriate words, phrases or sentence:

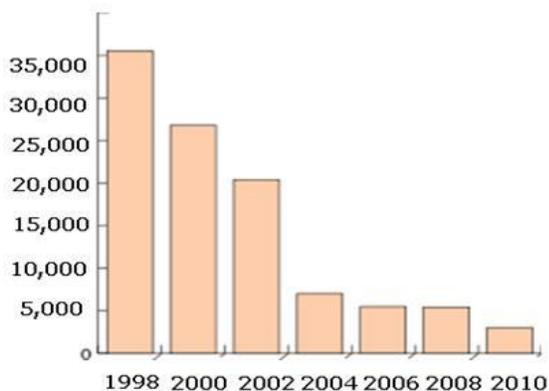
31. Why did the little kite lack confidence to fly?
32. What did the little kite do after the initial trembling and whirling?
33. What was little kite's feeling when it was sailing with the big kite side by side?
34. The pronoun 'he' has been used for the little kite. What is the figure of speech it shows?
35. Which is the word used in the poem with the meaning 'gradually'?

Section - C : Writing:

36. Using the notes given below, write a brief biographical sketch of Kalpana Chawla in about 80 words.

- Born: 1961, Karnal Haryana
- Education: Aeronautical Engineering at Punjab Engineering College, went to U.S. A., M.S. Degree in aerospace engineering from University of Texas
- First space mission-1997, Space Shuttle Columbia flight STS-87
- Flight engineer and mission specialist
- Died on February 1, 2003, Columbian space shuttle exploded entering earth's atmosphere.

37. The bar graph below shows the decline in the number of migratory birds in India in the last few years. With the help of the data, write a paragraph in about 80 words.



38. Write a debate on:

“Children become more disciplined in a boarding school”.

39. Given below is the beginning of a story. Begin it suitably and connect it with its ending. Complete the story in about 150 words.

Vipul was very fond of eating fast foods. He liked eating pizzas, burgers, chips, chocolates very much.

40. Write a speech on the following topic – "If you were an animal, what would you be?"