

## KARNATAKA SCHOOL EXAMINATION AND ASSESSMENT BOARD KSQAAC, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560003. <br>  <br> Assessment - March 2024 Model Question Paper

Marks: 100

## Class : 9 <br> Subject : First Language English

Time : 3 Hrs. 15 Min.
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I. Four alternatives are given for each of the following questions / incomplete statements. Only one of them is correct or most appropriate. Choose the correct alternative and write the complete answer along with its letter of alphabet.

1. 'Means are as important as the end'

The appropriate question tag to be added is
A. Are they?
B. Aren't they?
C. Is they?
D. Isn't they?

Answer: $\square$
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2. The grass is really like me.

The figure of speech used here is
A. Metaphor
B. Simile
C. Personification
D. Alliteration

Answer: $\square$ $\underline{\square}$
3. The suitable prefix to be added to the word 'responsible' is
A. Ill
B. Non
C. Ir
D. Dis

Answer:

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4. He works hard that he may become rich.

Identify the clause of the underlined words
A. Main clause
B. Adverb clause
C. Adjective clause
D. Noun clause

Answer: $\square$ $\underline{\square}$
5. If I $\qquad$ faster, I would have won the race.

The appropriate past perfect form of the verb to be filled in.
A. had walked
B. has walked
C. had been walked
D. have walked

Answer:
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6. $\qquad$ doctor is $\qquad$ employee at California.

Choose the correct articles.
A. The, the
B. The, an
C. $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{a}$
D. The, a

Answer:
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II. Observe the relationship in the first pair of words and complete the second pair accordingly in the following;
7. Courtesy : Good manners : : Gesture : $\qquad$
8. Realise : Realisation : : Enjoy : $\qquad$
9. Meat : Meet : : Knead : $\qquad$
10. Civility : Civilities : : Policy : $\qquad$
III. Rewrite as directed; $3 \times 1=3$
11. Change the voice of the sentence.

They gave the money.
12. Frame a question to get the underlined words as answer:

The Indian ambassador visited the western countries.
13. Use the words provided and write a sentence using "if" clause (Second conditionals): money / Reshma / buy / car.
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IV. Answer the following: $4 \times 1=4$
14. Combine the following pair of sentences by changing the adjective underlined to noun form. James was silent during enquiry. It did not help the police in bringing the culprit to book.
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15. Use the given phrasal verb in a sentence :
a) come across
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16. Write the meaning of the given idiom :
a chance in a million
17. Identify the error and rewrite the sentence correctly.

The Vidhan Soudha is most prominent building in Bengaluru.

## V.

18. Read the lines and pick out any four adverbs:

He put his pack all on his back, And so merrily trudged over the sea
A Pedlar, Pedlar, what is in the pack?
Come speedily and tell to me.
Then Robin hood he was standing by,
And he did laugh most heartily.
Go you try, master, says Little John.
Go you try, master, most speedily.
They sheathed their swords with friendly words.
19. In the poem given below pick out the lines that speak about the humiliation suffered by the women.

The grass is also like me
it has to unfurl underfoot to fulfill itself
but what does its wetness manifest
a scorching sense of shame
or the heat of emotion?
20. Identify the main clause and subordinate clause in the given sentence.

The exercise is so easy that I can do it.
21. Read the information and complete the sentences using more, most, least, fewer or fewest.
a) No other state of the US has as much rain as Louisiana.

Louisiana has the $\qquad$ rain of all the other states of the US.
b) The Green Party candidate didn't get many votes. All the other candidates got more.

The Green Party candidate has the $\qquad$ votes of all the other candidates.
22. Following are a few signals. What do they indicate?

23. His skin is hanging on a wall;

His bones are packed in plastic white
And shipped out. A gecko on the wall
Is hunting insects on his hide.
Read the above lines of the poem and explain the extinction of tigers.
24. Here is a schedule of Renu. It talks about what Renu did in a week in August 2023. Read carefully and complete the following sentence with correct preposition.

a) Renu went to the library $\qquad$ Wednesday.
b) Renu went to the music class $\qquad$ 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday.
VI.
25. Change the following sentence into reported speech.

He said to the lady, "Give me a glass of water."
26. Change the following sentences into complex and compound sentences.

It was raining. We stayed indoors.
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27. Change the given sentence into other degrees of comparison.

Iron is the most useful of all metals.

## VII.

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6 \times 3=18
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28. The chart below shows information on the expenses incurred in conducting Annual Sports Meet in a school. Study the chart carefully and answer the questions given below.

a) What is the percentage of expenditure on cultural program in the above given chart?
b) Which has the least expenditure in the above chart?
c) List out the items that were needed to prepare the budget for the Annual Sports Meet?

## 29. Below is the story of Anansi. Rearrange the story in the correct sequence.

a) "My price is three things" the sky God said. "I must first have Mmoboro, the hornets. I must then have Onini, the great Python. I must then have, the leopard. For these things I will sell you the right to tell all stories.
b) Anansi replied to the Sky God: "I can do it. What is the price?"
c) He walked towards the house of Onini, the python. He said "my wife is stupid. I say he is longer and shorter. My wife says he is shorter and weaker. ,"The Python heard Anansi talking to himself, he said: " Why are you arguing this way with yourself?"
d) So Anansi laid the pole on the ground, and the python came and stretched himself out beside it.
e) Anansi carried the Python to Nyame, the sky God who said: "There in and more thing to do?"
f) "Onini," Anansi said, "it turns out that my wife was right and I was wrong. You are shorter than the pole and weaker wasn't as good as my wife's. But you were even more foolish than I, and you are my prisoner."
30. Fill in the blanks with suitable forms of the verbs given in the brackets.

I am Shankar. I am an English teacher. I $\qquad$ (work) in Sarvodaya High School in Jayanagar. Every day, I $\qquad$ (go) to Bengaluru by train. The train is at 6 o'clock. So,
$\qquad$ (get) up at 4:30 and leave home around 5:30. My friend, Suresh $\qquad$
$\qquad$ (join) me on the way to the railway station. He is also a teacher he $\qquad$
(teach) Biology. The train reaches Bengaluru around 8:30.
31. Find out any 6 words related to airplane from the grid given below.

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32. Change the following into passive voice
a) Kusuma sings classical songs.
b) The teacher is giving the questions.
c) The minister has honoured all the teachers.
33. Write a brief summary with the clues provided for the poem "Geography Lesson" Florence Hoatson, Jet sprang, haphazard, ten thousand feet, logic, six miles high, hate.
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VIII. Read the extracts and explain :
$5 \times 3=15$
34. "Must you inflict further injury in yourself"
35. "Tuitions for medical entrances are not just tutions".
36. "You look so care worn"
37. "New geckos nibble on his ear"
38. "I always make my mark"

## 39. Read the given lines of the poem and explain it briefly.

Africa my Africa
Africa of proud warriors in ancestral savannahs
Africa of whom my grandmother sings
On the banks of the distant river
I have never known you
But your blood flows in my veins
Your beautiful black blood that irrigates the fields
The blood of your sweat

## 40. Read the poem and answer the questions.

I am a little pencil, and my name is H and B ,
I lie upon the mantlepiece for everyone to see:
I'm handled forty times a day, it is a weary life,
And when my wits are rather dull I'm sharpened with a knife!
I scrawl when Tommy has me, and I draw all sorts of things,
From submarines and aeroplanes to cabbages and kings;
I write a lovely letter when Miss Phyllis is about,
And if by chance I make mistakes Miss Phyllis rubs them out.
a) What is the name of the pencils?
b) Where is the pencil kept?
c) How many times a day it is handled?
d) Why is the pencil sharpened?
41. The same atmosphere of friendliness prevails even in Port Louis, the seat of Government. The Cabinet Ministers and others in high positions do not act as if they were born to the grace. They are just like ordinary people one bumps into in an airport lounge or in a hotel lobby. They are unassuming, accessible, communicative and above all, go about without a protective shield of hangers on and security men to repel casual approaches. I am shown a modest looking flat in a busy street lined with shops and crawling traffic. It is the residence of the Prime Minister of Mauritius. Port Louis brings to my mind Joseph Conrad and Maugham. This little port-town seems as if it were built at the suggestion of these writers to suit their novels and short stories. Merchant ships, trawlers, dinghies stand anchored in the harbour with cobwebs of ropes and festoons of flags hanging from their masts. Grimy sailors and dock-hands in seamen's caps lounge on oil drums and packing cases or lean against bleak warehouse walls, smoking pipes. Sugarcane fields like a carpet of green, cover the island on all sides as far as the eye can see up to the foot of the distant blue mountains that ring the island - a volcanic happening of geological ages. These mountains do not have the traditional monotonous pyramidal shapes. Their outlines are freakish and whimsical with unexpected sweeps and perpendicular drops and pin-pointed peaks precariously doing a balancing act with boulders as big as a skyscraper.

## Explain the absence of protocol among the government officials and ministers in Mauritius.

## OR

In the evening a change came over her. She did not pray. She collected the women of the neighbourhood, got an old drum and started to sing. For several hours she thumped the sagging skins of the dilapidated drum and sang of the home-coming of the warrior. We had to persuade her to stop to avoid overstraining. That was the first time since I had known her that she did not pray.

## 'She thumped the sagging skins of the dilapidated drum'. How is it related with the grand mother?

42. A few days after, my most sensitive toe was trampled on rather heavily as I sat reading on the top of a bus. I looked up with countenance. 'Sorry, sir', he said. I know these are heavy boots. Got'em because my own feet get trod on so much, and now I'm treading on other people's. Hope I didn't hurt you, sir.' He had hurt me but he was so nice about it that I assured him he id hadn't. After this I began to observe him whenever I boarded his bus, and found a curious pleasure in the constant good nature of his bearing. He seemed to have an inexhaustible fund I of patience and a gift for making his passengers comfortable. I y noticed that if it was raining he would run up the stairs to give o someone the tip that there was 'room inside'. With old people e he was as considerate as a son, and with children as solicitous as a father. He had evidently a peculiarly warm place in his heart for young people, and always indulged in some merry jest with them. If he had a blind man on board it wasn't enough to set him down safely on the pavement. He would call to Bill in front to wait while he took him across the road or round the corner, or otherwise safely on his way. In short, I found that he irradiated such an atmosphere of good temper and kindliness that a journey with him was a lesson in natural courtesy and good manners.

## List out the instances where the polite conductor showed his civil behavior.

## OR

Punctually at midday he opened his bag and spread out his professional equipment, which consisted of a dozen cowry shells, a square piece of cloth with obscure mystic charts on it, a notebook, and a bundle of palmyra writing. His forehead was resplendent with sacred ash and vermilion, and his eyes sparkled with a sharp, abnormal gleam which was really an outcome of a continual searching look for customers, but which his simple clients took to be a prophetic light and felt comforted. The power of his eyes was considerably enhanced by their position - placed as they were between the painted forehead and the dark whiskers which streamed down his cheeks: even a half-wit's eyes would sparkle in such a setting. To crown the effect he wound a saffron- coloured turban round his head. This colour scheme never failed. People were attracted to him as bees are attracted to cosmos or dahlia stalks. He sat under the boughs of a spreading tamarind tree which flanked a path running through the town hall park.

## How has the author R.K. Narayan portrayed the attractive appearance of the astrologer?

XI.
43. Read the following passage and answer the questions given below : $1 \times 4=4(2 \times 2)$

Some people think that the aim of education is merely to give knowledge. These people want students to read books and do nothing else but add to their knowledge alone is not enough, only that which enables a man to earn his living can be called education. Such people think that bread is more important than anything else. Still others, believe that education should aim solely at making good citizens and good patriots. All these people see only one of the several purposes of education. As a matter of fact education should aim at all these three things together. It should give men knowledge make them self reliant and able to serve others.

## Questions

a) What do some people think about the aim of education?
b) Which are the things that education should aim at?
XII. Write an essay of about 18-20 sentences on any one of the following topics.

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1 \times 5=5
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44. a) Air pollution
b) National festivals

## XIII.

## 45. Imagine you are Rakshit/ Rakshitha of Government High school, Mandya;

Write a letter to your friend describing a book you have recently read and recommending it to him/her.

OR
Imagine you are Bhargav/Bhargavi of Government High school, Kalaburagi.
Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper protesting against street noises.
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