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**MAJOR TEST # 20** 

MAX. MARKS : 80

#### ENGLISH (CLASS-X) (GSEB)

#### TIME : 3 Hrs.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- $\Rightarrow$  All questions are compulsory.
- $\Rightarrow$  The question paper comprises of five Sections A, B, C, D & E.
- $\Rightarrow$  Distribution of marks are mentioned in each section along with the question.
- $\Rightarrow$  You have to write the answers in the answer sheet provided to you.

# SOLUTION

### SECTION-A

Read the following passage and select the appropriate answer from the options given below.[4]OBJECTIVE: To test local and global understanding of the literary extract.[4]

- **1.** (2) Nelson Mandela
- **2.** (4) Music & Dance
- **3.** (3) Mirage
- **4.** (1) The writer advocates slavery.

Fill in the blanks choosing the correct words given in the bracket and write the answers only. [4] (Q.5 to Q.8)

**OBJECTIVE:** To test the vocabulary and word knowledge.

- 5. Polish-American
- 6. Suburbs
- 7. Second largest
- 8. Warsaw

#### Answer the Questions in five to six sentences each.

**OBJECTIVE:** To test local and global comprehension, themes and ideas of the text.

- **9.** Maddie didn't ask peggy to stop teasing Wanda because Peggy was the most popular girl in the School. She was a nice girl but when it came to Wanda she behaved differently, otherwise she helped everyone in trouble. Though, she wants peggy to stop teasing Wanda. She didn't ask her to do so as she was afraid of being the next target of such taunts and teasings.
- **10.** Marriage gifts were considered meaningless without the sweet bread known as the 'bol'. A party or a feast loses its charm withut bread. It is a must for the lady of the house to prepare Sandwiches on the occasion of her daughter's engagement, cakes and 'bolinas' are a must for Christmas as well as other festivals. Thus, the presence of the baker's furnace in the village is absolutely necessary.
- **11.** Kodava people are possibly Greek or Arabic descent. According to legend, Alexander's army moved South along the coast and settled there only when they were unable to return to their country. These people married among the locals and their culture can be witnessed by their martial traditions.
- **12.** A large part of Iraq's land area is desert, so it has cool winters and dry, hot and cloudless summers. The mountain areas near Iran and Turkey have cold winters.

#### **SECTION-B**

# Read the following verse and answer the Questions given below.[2]13. The tiger attacks its prey very silently and grasps it with his terrifying teeth, so poet calls the tiger a noble animal.

**14.** The undertone of the poem is 'humour'.

#### Select the correct figures of speech from the options given.

15. (4)Personification

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**16.** (1)Simile

#### Answer the questions in five to six sentences each.

**OBJECTIVE:** To test local and global comprehension, themes and ideas of the text.

- **17.** This poem explodes the myth of physical beauty as God does not love human beings for their physical beauty. Physical beauty may be important for young men or human beings.
- **18.** Custard looked really dangerous with spikes on his top and scales underneath. His mouth was like a fireplace and nose like a Chimney. His toes looked like daggers.
- **19.** The word 'fire' stands for desire. In the poem, it indicates all types of greed and lust. In today's world, mankind's greed is endangering the very existence of the planet Earth. The word 'ice' in the poem indicates hatred and indifference which is as cold as 'ice'.

#### OR

The poet thinks that the tiger should have been in the Jungle, lurking in the Shadow of long grass to prey on the deer near the water hole. He should also be on the outskirts of the jungle snarling around houses and terrifying houses.

#### Answer the following questions in five to six sentences each.

- **20.** Anil was a young writer. He was writing for the magazines and earning the money to run his life. Thus, writing for the magazines was source of Income for Anil.
- **21.** Griffin was lawless person because we can see his robberies at shops and later when he encountered the landlady of the inn, he encountered the landlady of the inn, he threw a chair at her and her husband.
- **22.** Sulekha was called Bholi because she was considered to be a Simpleton or a foolish girl. Thus the name Bholi symbolizes her lack of confidence and wisdom.

#### OR

Yes, I think books are being replaced by the electronic media. E-books and e-notebooks are being used in higher and technical education and in other fields too.

## **SECTION-C**

Rectify the errors in the given passage.
<b>OBJECTIVE:</b> To use grammatical – 4 marks
1 mark for each correct answer

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Error	Correction
<b>23.</b> is	was
<b>24.</b> painting	painted
<b>25.</b> on	with
<b>26.</b> a	the
27. overdown	overhead
28. shining	shone

Fill in the blanks using article(s), conjunction(s) and preposition(s) at the correct place. Write the answers only. (Q.29 to Q.34) [3]

(was, to, at, with, of, and)					
<b>29.</b> was	<b>30.</b> of	<b>31.</b> and	<b>32.</b> to		
<b>33.</b> with	<b>34.</b> at				
Punctuate the	e following passage. (35 to	38)			

#### Answers :

"Attention class. Everyone back to their seat." When the shuffling of feet had stopped and the room was still and Quiet, Miss Mason said, "I have a letter from Wanda's father that I want to read to you."



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<b>39.</b> Convert the following into Indirect speech.	[3]
Indirect speech	
She'd say, giving one of her friend a nudge, to tell them how many dresses she had said	she had hanging
up in hur closet. Wanda would say that she had said hundred dresses she was said	
Do as directed [Transportation of sentence]	[5]
<b>40.</b> A deep silence met the reading of this letter, didn't it ?	
<b>41.</b> Wasn't the first period study period ?	
<b>42.</b> There was hardly any sign of life about the house.	
<b>43.</b> Though the eaters of loaves have vanished, but the makers are there.	
<b>44.</b> On my reformation there was an appalling spectacles.	
SECTION-D	
Comprehend the passage and answer the given questions.	[4]
<b>45.</b> The king stumbled in pain because a stone struck his head.	
<b>46.</b> A poor old woman was 'Miscreant' ?	
47. The king should have punished her but instead he was rewarding the old woman.	
48. The king was very kind to even those people who hurt him unknowingly.	
Read the passage and answer the questions given below it.	[4]
<b>49.</b> The writer scrubs, bakes and sweeps after lighting the fire.	
<b>50.</b> The young girls dream of the matching of ribbons for bossom and head.	
51. We know that the speaker mentions only daughters because the word 'ribbons' is related	l to them.
<b>52.</b> The words like kneel, blow, scrub, bake and sweep indicate the hard life of the woman.	
53. Diary entry. (Writing Part)	[4]
OR	
Dialogue writing. (conversation between two persons)	
54. Your school is on a campaign to spread awareness of 'No Pollution'. Design a poster	with a title and a
slogan for it.	[4]
OR	
You are the Head Boy or Head Girl of the school. Write a notice to be displayed on the l	Notice Board
about the elocution competition to be held.	
SECTION –E	
55. Report on the "Cricket Word cup 2019". (125 words)	[4]
56. Letter writing	[5]
<b>OBJECTIVE:</b> To use an appropriate style and format to write formal/informal letter.	
<u>Marks – format -1 mark, content – 2 marks, expression – 2 marks.</u>	
OR	
56. E-mail writing	
<b>57.</b> Essay writing	[7]
OR	
<b>57.</b> Story writing	
<b>OBJECTIVE:</b> To plan, organize and present ideas coherently in a story using the child'	's imagination
and creativity based on the given inputs.	
Format and title – 1 mark	
Content – 3 marks	
Expression – 3 marks	

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