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MODEL QUESTION PAPER

CLASS-XI	SUBJECT-English Core	TIME- 1 HOUR	F M -40
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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- Total number of questions is 40.
- Each question carries 1 mark.
- Four options are given.
- Students are expected to select the most appropriate answer.
- All the questions are compulsory.
- No marks will be deducted for wrong answer.

Read the following passage carefully and answer question nos. 1-5.

The Amazon Rainforest, often referred to as the "lungs of the Earth," is one of the largest and most biodiverse ecosystems in the world. Spanning across nine countries in South America, it covers an area of approximately 5.5 million square kilometers, making it the largest rainforest on the planet. This vast forest is home to an incredible variety of wildlife, including jaguars, sloths, and more than 400 billion trees. The Amazon plays a vital role in regulating the Earth's climate, absorbing carbon dioxide and producing oxygen, which helps mitigate the effects of global warming. The forest also regulates rainfall patterns, contributing to the water cycle and providing essential resources for agriculture and freshwater. However, the Amazon faces significant threats, mainly due to human activities such as deforestation, illegal logging, and mining. As large areas are cleared for farming and cattle ranching, not only is biodiversity threatened, but the forest's ability to absorb carbon dioxide is weakened, accelerating climate change. Conservation efforts are crucial in protecting this delicate ecosystem. If deforestation continues at the current rate, the Amazon could reach a tipping point, where it may no longer be able to sustain its vital role in the global environment. Protecting the Amazon is not just about saving trees—it's about safeguarding the future of the planet.

1. What is the primary role of the Amazon Rainforest in regulating the Earth's climate?

- A) It helps maintain the global water cycle
- B) It absorbs carbon dioxide and produces oxygen
- C) It regulates rainfall patterns globally
- D) It prevents the occurrence of wildfires

2. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a threat to the Amazon Rainforest?

- A) Illegal logging
- B) Mining
- C) Overpopulation of wildlife
- D) Deforestation for farming and cattle ranching

3. How much area does the Amazon Rainforest cover?

- A) 2.5 million square kilometers
- B) 3.5 million square kilometers
- C) 5.5 million square kilometers
- D) 7 million square kilometers

4. What is a consequence of deforestation in the Amazon?

- A) It helps to maintain the water cycle

- B) It strengthens the forest's ability to absorb carbon dioxide
 - C) It weakens the forest's ability to absorb carbon dioxide
 - D) It increases the number of species in the ecosystem
5. Why is it important to protect the Amazon Rainforest?
- A) To prevent the growth of illegal industries
 - B) To maintain biodiversity and combat climate change
 - C) To help local farmers grow crops more easily
 - D) To preserve the Amazon's indigenous populations
6. What is the primary advantage of using abbreviations in note-making?
- A) It helps to make the notes longer
 - B) It reduces the time taken to write the notes
 - C) It increases the complexity of the notes
 - D) It makes the notes harder to understand
7. When writing a summary, which of the following should be avoided?
- A) Using your own words
 - B) Paraphrasing the original content
 - C) Including unnecessary details
 - D) Writing concisely

Read the following lines from a poem carefully and answer question nos. 8-10

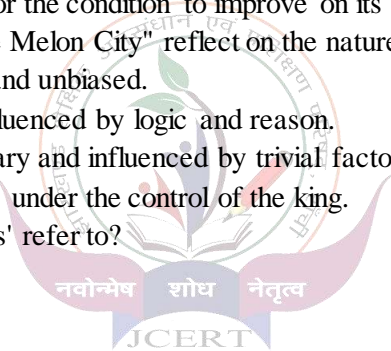
"The laburnum top is blooming, its tassels Yellow, and its long small branches Softly swaying.
The bird's voice is heard In the hollow of the tree, singing its song.
At the same time, the laburnum's golden glow Fills the air, and in its shade,
the bird Sings its golden tune to the wind's breeze."

8. What is the primary image described in the poem "The Laburnum Top"?
- A) A golden oriole flying above the tree
 - B) The laburnum tree blooming with yellow flowers
 - C) The wind blowing through the branches
 - D) A quiet, still garden at sunset
9. What effect does the bird have on the laburnum tree in the poem?
- A) It makes the tree sway violently
 - B) It adds life to the stillness of the tree
 - C) It disturbs the calm of the garden
 - D) It brings rain to the tree
10. What word in the poem suggests the soft movement of the tree?
- A) Hollow
 - B) Swaying
 - C) Glow
 - D) Breeze
11. What is the relationship between the rain and the earth as described in the poem 'The voice of the Rain'?
- A) The rain punishes the earth
 - B) The rain provides life to the earth
 - C) The rain ignores the earth
 - D) The rain destroys the earth
12. How does the poet feel about the loss of childhood?
- A) He regrets losing the innocence of childhood
 - B) He believes that adulthood is better than childhood

- C) He is indifferent to the loss of childhood
 D) He is angry about growing up
13. What does the poem "Father to Son" highlight about family relationships?
 A) The beauty of unconditional love
 B) The conflict that can arise from generational differences
 C) The importance of maintaining traditions in the family
 D) The happiness that comes from father-son bonding
14. What event led to the emotional separation between the narrator and his grandmother?
 A) The grandmother's illness and death
 B) The narrator's departure for foreign studies
 C) The marriage of the narrator
 D) The narrator's new job in the city
15. Who are the main characters in the story "We're Not Afraid to Die... If We Can All Be Together"?
 A) A family of sailors
 B) Two young boys and their parents
 C) A group of explorers
 D) A ship's crew
16. How old was King Tutankhamun when he became Pharaoh?
 A) 10 years old
 B) 14 years old
 C) 9 years old
 D) 18 years old
17. What is the central theme of "The Ailing Planet: The Green Movement's Role"?
 A) The history of global warming
 B) The importance of biodiversity
 C) The environmental degradation and the role of the Green Movement in saving the planet
 D) The role of government in environmental policies
18. From where was professor Gaitonde travelling to?
 From Pune to Bombay
 From Pune to Delhi
 From Bombay to Pune
 No where
19. What is meant by kora?
 Monastery
 Temple
 Circumambulation
 Mountain
20. What mystery surrounding King Tut's death is still discussed in "Discovering Tut: The Saga Continues"?
 A) His sudden death at a young age
 B) Whether he was poisoned by his enemies
 C) The possible involvement of his advisors or family members in his death
 D) The exact cause of his death, which remains unclear despite investigations
21. Who are the main characters in "The Summer of the Beautiful White Horse"?
 A) John and Jack
 B) Aram and Mourad
 C) Bill and Sam
 D) Michael and David



22. What does the story "The Address" explore about post-war trauma?
- A) The process of rebuilding one's life after losing everything.
 - B) The emotional weight of returning to a home filled with painful memories.
 - C) The difficulty of reconnecting with loved ones after the war.
 - D) The joy of rediscovering lost treasures from the past.
23. What literary device is frequently used in "Mother's Day" to add humor to the story?
- A) Irony
 - B) Foreshadowing
 - C) Metaphor
 - D) Allusion
24. Who is the central figure of "The Ghat of the Only World"?
- A) Amitav Ghosh
 - B) Imtiaz Ahmad
 - C) The city of Calcutta
 - D) The author's family
25. What moral dilemma does Dr. Andrew face in "Birth"?
- A) Whether to tell the mother the truth about the baby's condition
 - B) Whether to intervene with modern medical procedures or let nature take its course
 - C) Whether to charge the family for medical services or offer them for free
 - D) Whether to perform surgery or wait for the condition to improve on its own
26. How does the poem "The Tale of the Melon City" reflect on the nature of justice?
- A) It suggests that justice is always fair and unbiased.
 - B) It portrays justice as being heavily influenced by logic and reason.
 - C) It highlights how justice can be arbitrary and influenced by trivial factors.
 - D) It portrays justice as being completely under the control of the king.
27. In note-making, what does 'key points' refer to?
- A) Personal opinion on the subject
 - B) Main ideas and supporting details
 - C) Direct quotes from the text
 - D) A summary of the whole chapter
28. Which of the following should be avoided while writing a summary?
- A) Using your own words
 - B) Including unnecessary details
 - C) Focusing on the main ideas
 - D) Keeping the summary brief
29. Which of these is an appropriate closing for a formal letter?
- A) Love, [Your Name]
 - B) Best Wishes, [Your Name]
 - C) Yours faithfully, [Your Name]
 - D) Take Care, [Your Name]
30. Which of these should be the focus in a note-making exercise?
- A) Writing complete sentences
 - B) Paraphrasing the entire text
 - C) Identifying and writing down essential information
 - D) Writing a conclusion



31. Which of the following is a correct way to organize notes?
- A) Randomly writing down information
 - B) Using headings, subheadings, and bullet points
 - C) Including only personal opinions
 - D) Writing a detailed analysis of every point
32. What is the primary objective of note-making in academic settings?
- A) To write out every single word from a lecture
 - B) To organize and remember key points for future use
 - C) To produce a detailed analysis of a subject
 - D) To summarize the textbook word-for-word
33. When writing a letter to a government official, which format should be followed?
- A) Informal letter format
 - B) Business letter format
 - C) Invitation letter format
 - D) Personal letter format
34. Which of these is the most important feature of a good note?
- A) Neatness
 - B) Length
 - C) Clarity and brevity
 - D) Colorful and decorative
35. Which of the following sentences is in reported speech?
- A) She said, "I am busy."
 - B) She says, "I am busy."
 - C) She told me that she was busy.
 - D) She says that she is busy.
36. Choose the correct indirect speech transformation:
Direct Speech: "I can't find my keys," he said.
- A) He said that he can't find his keys.
 - B) He said that he could not find his keys.
 - C) He said that he will not find his keys.
 - D) He said that he couldn't find my keys.
37. Choose the correct determiner: "_____ students passed the exam."
- A) A few
 - B) Some
 - C) Much
 - D) Few
38. Which of the following determiners is used with plural countable nouns?
- A) Much
 - B) Many
 - C) Little
 - D) Any
39. Choose the correct determiner: "There is _____ water in the glass."
- A) some
 - B) any



C) many

D) few

40. Which of the following sentences contains an incorrect use of a determiner?

A) She is the tallest girl in the class.

B) He wants a advice on his career.

C) There is an apple on the table.

D) I don't have any money left.



Answer Key:

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37. A) A few
38. B) Many
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