HALF YEARLY EXAM – 2017
MODEL QUESTION PAPER – I
CLASS 11TH TIME : 2.30HRS MARKS : 90

ENGLISH PAPER – I

PART-A(20 MARKS)

I. Answer all the questions by choosing the correct options given in each of the sentences.
(i) Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words (3)

1. I do beseech the court.
   (a) order   (b) implore   (c) persuade   (d) ask
2. ……… a horrid slime of culture oozed over her style
   (a) filled   (b) sucked   (c) mangled   (d) flowed
3. Thank God for all our boons and bounties
   (a) helps   (b) amounts   (c) rewards   (d) experiences

(ii) Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words (3)

4. Surely from the steely resolve of her father
   (a) toleration  (b) concern  (c) hesitation  (d) movement
5. Believe firmly that you can improve
   (a) strongly  (b) loosely  (c) tightly  (d) resolutely
6. Thy lands and goods are, by the law of Venice, confiscate
   (a) remove  (b) seize  (c) appropriate  (d) release

(iii) Choose the correct answer for the following (14)

7. Choose the tri-syllabic word
   (a) stupid   (b) banana   (c) apparatus   (d) donkey
8. Choose the appropriate syllabification for the word “facilitate”
   (a) fa-ci-li-ta-te  (b) faci-litate  (c) fa-ci-li-tate  (d) faci-lita-te
9. Choose the correct expansion for the word ‘ZIP’
   (a) Zoological Information Project  (b) Zone Improvement Plan
      (c) Zoological Investigation Project  (d) Zoological Investigation Plan
10. Choose the correct expansion of acronym ‘URL’
    (a) University Research League  (b) University Real Legislation
        (c) Union Region of Legislation  (d) Uniform Resource Location
11. Choose the correct combination of compound word ‘Story telling’
    (a) Noun + Verb  (b) Noun + Gerund  (c) Noun+ adjective  (d) Noun + Preposition
12. Choose the appropriate compound word for the combination ‘Preposition + Verb’
    (a) play ground  (b) outgoing  (c) uphill  (d) upset
13. Choose the correct combination of the blended word ‘triplicate’
    (a) three+ duplicate  (b) three+ replicate  (c) tri+ replicate  (d) tri+ duplicate
14. Choose the correct clipped word for ‘bride groom’
    (a) bride  (b) degroo  (c) brim  (d) groom
15. Choose the meaning of the underlined foreign word for the sentence
    They made a rapport between them
    (a) friendship  (b) enemy  (c) close relationship  (d) none of the above
16. Choose the right definition of the give term ‘acrophobia’
17. Choose the suitable idiom for the following sentence
   The teacher was **at the helm**
   (a) very near  (b) in charge  (c) in a fairy way    (d) have a chance

18. Replace the underlined phrasal verb from the sentence
   The government **picked on** the people.
   (a) improved  (b) chose   (c) removed   (d) criticized

19. Replace the underlined word with appropriate phrasal verb
   I **went by** the road.
   (a) passed     (b) **crossed**  (c) separated     (d) reduced

20. Form a word by suitable suffix to root word ‘cruel’
   (a) ____ able     (b) ____ age    (c) ____ y  (d) ____ ty

**PART – B (14 MARKS)**

I. Read the following sets of poetic lines and answer any four of the following (8)

21. *In solitary confinement as complete as any gaol*’
   (a) What is solitary confinement?  (b) What is ‘gaol’?

22. ‘Oh, no! it is an ever-fixed mark,
    That looks an tempests and is never shaken’
   (a) Explain ‘ever-fixed mark’?  (b) What is the meaning of tempest?

23. ‘Breaking the silence of the sea
    Among the farthest Hebrides’
   (a) How is the silence of the sea broken ?  (b) What is ‘Hebrides’?

24. ‘Ever drifting down the stream
    Lingering in golden gleam’
   (a) How was the boat moving ?  (b) What is called ‘golden gleam’?

25. ‘If you can’t be a Muskie, then just a bass
    But the loveliest bass in the lake’
   What is (a) Muskie ?  (b) bass ?

26. ‘If this error and upon me prov’d
    I never writ nor no man ever lov’d’
   (a) Whom does ‘I’ refer to ?  (b) Pick out the rhyming words.

II. Rewrite any three of the following as directed. Q. No. 28 is Compulsory  (6)

27. Despite her poverty, Vijaya continues her studies. **(Change into compound sentence)**

28. Abu said to the girl, “Will you come to the function tomorrow ?”
   **(Change into indirect speech)**

29. Lithia is poor. Lithia is generous. **(Change into simple sentence.)**

30. Water is the most valuable resource. It must be utilized properly. **(Using a relative clause)**

**PART – C (21 MARKS )**

(i) Answer any four (4) of the following (12)

31. Who was Chawla’s inspiration to take up flying? What was his achievement?

32. Who was Nerissa and whom did she marry?

33. Who cultivated the lands around Kesava Nair’s “50”?

34. Why does Thirumalpad give the land to Outhakutty?

35. Who was Professor Rinaldi?

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36. What is ‘Xenophobia’?

(ii) Explain any three of the following with reference to the context:-

Q. No. 40 is compulsory. (9)

37. “You can start the countdown, you can take a last look”

38. “Love’s not time’s fool, though rosy lips and cheeks
   Within his bending sickle’s compass come”

39. “The music in my heart I bore
   Long after it was heard no more”

40 “Still she haunts me, phantom wise”

PART-D (35 MARKS)

Answer the following questions: - 7x5=35

Write a paragraph about 150 words.

41. Explain the quality of mercy expressed by Portia
   {OR}
   Explain the proven techniques that will help one to achieve success and happiness in life

42. What does Shakespeare talk about True Love?
   {OR}
   How does Lewis Carroll explain “Life only a dream”? 

43. Spot the errors in the following sentence and correct them.
   (a) Hello were are you going?
   (b) If I was you, I would not attend Mohan’s wedding.
   (c) Internet has bought out a major change in technology sphere.
   (d) I am reading “The Times Of India” daily.
   (e) He knows to drive the car.
   {OR}
   Correct and edit the passage.
   She was perfectly open when they next meet, greeting him with “And hear is someone else to whom I wow more then I can say.” For her book was a success, and Messrs. Angerstein had asks her to do one on Botticelli.

44. Fill in the blanks with suitable preposition.
   __________ He died, Portia’s father realizing her difficulty ______ choosing the right man, had left test ______ suitors. Each man was to be presented ______ three caskets of gold, silver and lead. ______ One of them was Portia’s picture.
   {OR}
   Fill in the blanks with suitable tense form of the verbs given in the brackets.
   He _____ (remind) himself that facts _____ (be) universal property, and it _____ (be) no matter who _____ (give) them to the world. But ideas _____ (shall) there not be some copyright in ideas.

45. Match each of the following with suitable fields in the list given below.
   (a) Violent storms are predicted in coastal areas.
   (b) Swami Dayanand who founded Arya Samaj wanted to put an end to idol worship.
   (c) India has won in the ODI against New Zealand.
   (d) I have gone to Trivandrum by KPN Travels.
   (e) The government introduced new schemes to relieve from Dengue. {OR}
   Sports | Health | Weather | Travel | Religion

Complete the news item with the words given in the list.
The Earth is not so quite so ___ experts said on Wednesday. Fears that a giant could ___ to the planet and ___ it into ____ winter misplaced. NASA’s Jet Propulsion Laboratory making a ____ of its orbit and said there was a tiny chance.

| Preliminary estimate | wack | plunge | doomed | nuclear |

46. Replace the American English words with British English words.
(a) The summer vacation was started.
(b) The child had won a diaper.
(c) The exam schedule has been announced.
(d) The wardrobe has been broken by robbers.
(e) Te soccer is a very thrilling game. {OR}

Form two derivatives for each of the following words.

47. Supply a suitable modal / quasi modal verbs.
(a) How ________ you open my letter?
(b) We ________ respect our elders.
(c) Gita ________ not attend the class today.
(d) He ______ read a lot of fiction in the fast.
(e) I ________ visit the gym regularly during holidays. {OR}

(i) Use the word “like” as conjunction, preposition and adjective.
(ii) This is a ________ shop.
       [ stationary, stationery]