

JHARKHAND COUNCIL OF EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING, RANCHI

Session : 2024-2025 MODEL QUESTION PAPER

CLASS -10	SUBJECT – ENGLISH	TIME – 03 HOURS	FULL MARKS: 80
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General Instructions:-

- All questions are compulsory.
- Candidates should answer in their own words as far as practicable.
- Total number of questions is 52.
- Question No. 01 to 30 are multiple choice questions, each question has four options. Select the most appropriate option. Each question carries 01 mark.
- Question numbers 31 to 38 are very short answer questions. Out of which it is mandatory to answer any 6 questions. Each question carries 02 marks
- Question numbers 39 to 41 carry 5 marks each. Out of which it is mandatory to answer any 2 questions.
- Question numbers 42 to 44 carry 3 marks each. It is mandatory to answer these questions according to the instructions mentioned.
- Question numbers 45 to 49 carry 3 marks each. Out of which it is mandatory to answer any 3 questions.
- Question numbers 50 to 52 carry 5 marks each. Out of which it is mandatory to answer any 2 questions.

Read the passage given below carefully and choose the correct options to answer the questions.

The Power of Habit

Habit is a powerful force in our lives. It shapes how we act and think, often without us even realising it. From brushing our teeth in the morning to the way we respond to challenges, habits dictate much of our behaviour. Some habits, such as eating healthy or exercising regularly, can be positive and contribute to a better life. Others, like smoking or procrastinating, can have negative consequences.

The good news is that habits can be changed. Research shows that it takes about 21 days to form a new habit, but it requires persistence and a clear goal. Repeating a positive behaviour consistently helps train the brain to associate that behaviour with rewards, making it easier to continue.

However, breaking bad habits can be more difficult. It requires self-awareness, motivation, and support. A key strategy is replacing a negative habit with a positive one. For example, instead of smoking, a person can take up jogging or drinking water when the urge strikes. Over time, the brain rewires itself, and the new habit becomes easier to maintain.

Understanding the power of habits is essential for personal growth. By cultivating good habits and replacing bad ones, we can create the life we want to live.

1. What is the central idea of the passage?

- A) Habits shape our behaviour and can be both positive and negative.
- B) Bad habits are difficult to break and should be ignored.
- C) Developing good habits has no impact on personal growth.

D) Habit formation requires little effort and is quick.

2. How long does it take to form a new habit, according to the passage?

- A) 7 days
- B) 21 days
- C) 30 days
- D) 40 days

3. What is the key to forming a new habit, according to the passage?

- A) Repeating the behaviour consistently and associating it with rewards.
- B) Seeking external help from experts.
- C) Reading books about habits.
- D) Trying to form multiple habits at once.

4. According to the passage, what is the most difficult part of breaking a bad habit?

- A) Being aware of the habit.
- B) Finding a new habit to replace it with.
- C) Identifying the rewards associated with the habit.
- D) Getting support from others.

5. What does the passage suggest as a strategy to replace a negative habit?

- A) Ignoring the negative habit.
- B) Repeating the negative habit until it fades away.
- C) Replacing the negative habit with a positive one.
- D) Trying to reduce the negative habit gradually.

6. What is a synonym for the word "persistence" as used in the passage?

- A) Patience
- B) Consistency
- C) Laziness
- D) Weakness

7. Why is it important to understand the power of habits, according to the passage?

- A) It helps in managing time better.
- B) It plays a crucial role in personal growth and goal achievement.
- C) It allows us to avoid bad habits altogether.
- D) It makes us perfect in all aspects of life.

8. What is the effect of developing good habits, based on the passage?

- A) It can lead to a better life.
- B) It has no effect on personal growth.
- C) It makes us perfect and flawless.
- D) It results in a lack of motivation.

Choose the most appropriate option and answer the following questions:

9. The indirect speech of .. Radha said to me, “ I will help you today”.

- (a) she told me that she would help me that day.
- (b) Radha told me that she would help me that day.
- (c) He told me that he wants to help
- (d) None of these

10. The indirect speech of. – Reeta said” I was playing”.

- (a) Reeta told that she had been playing.
- (b) Reeta said that she was playing.
- (c) Reeta told that she was playing

(d) None of these.

11. I..... Living here since 2004 .

(a) has been

(b) have been

(c) am

(d) was

12. The best win.

(a) May (b) Must (c) can (d) Might

13. Youget up early.

(a) can (b) could (c) must (d) Might

14. "We have been playing for two hours". is an example of :-

(a) present continuous Tense (b) present perfect continuous tense (c) Past continuous Tense (d) Future continuous Tense

15. I wish I been rich

(a) have (b) had (c) has (d) none

16. Change into negative sentence. " Always speak the truth".

(a) Never tell a lie (b) Always not speak the truth (c) dont speak truth (d) None of these

Read the passage given below and choose the correct option to answer the questions:

Coorg or Kodagu, the smallest district of Karnataka, is home to evergreen rainforests, spices and coffee plantations. Evergreen rainforests cover 30% of this district. During the monsoons, it pours enough to keep many visitors away. The season of joy commences from September and continues till March. The weather is perfect, with some showers thrown in for good measure. The air breathes invigorating coffee. Coffee estates and colonial bungalows stand tucked under the tree canopies in prime corners.

17. What is Coorg or Kodagu?

(a) A district of Karnataka (b) a district of Jharkhand (c) a foreign country(d) a district of foreign country

18. What is the second name of Coorg ?

(a) Karnataka (b) Jharkhand (c) district (d) Kodagu

19. Why is Coorg famous for?

(a) Coffee, rainforest (b) coffee, rainforest, spices (c) coffee(d) none of them

Choose the correct option and answer the following questions.

20. Where did Lencho live?

(a) On the crest of a low hill (b) at the bottom of the hill c. In the cemented house (d) in the cornfield

21. Who wrote the poem 'fire and ice'?

(a) Robert Frost (b) Leslie Norris(c) John berryman (d) None of these

22. What is the name of Nelson Mandela's daughter?

(a) Dinani (b) Zenani (c) Sidha (d) Anna

23. The baker from Goa was called.

(a) Pader (b) Daper (c) Rader (d) None of these

24. Who passes near the water hole?

(a) Tiger (b) crow (c) deer (d) bear

25. Who was Kitty?

(a) Anne's diary (b) Anne's mother (c) Anne's sister (d) Both (a) and (b)

26. How many times did the Baker come everyday?

(a) Once a day (b) twice a day (c) thrice a day (d) five times a day.

27. What did the doctor in the story "A Triumph of surgery" advise ?

(a) Cut his food (b) give him more exercise. (c) Keep him on a very strict diet (d) All of these

28. How much was the necklace actually worth?

(a) Forty thousand francs (b) Thirty six thousand francs (c) five hundred francs (d) free of cost.

29. Griffin was rather a Person.

(a) Lawless person (b) brilliant scientist (c) Engineer (d) both a and b

30. Sherry was the name of.....

(a) A servant (d) both a and b (c) television (d) all of the above

Reading section

Read the passage carefully and answer any six of the following questions.

$6 \times 2 = 12$

The Benefits of Reading Books

Reading books is one of the most beneficial habits one can develop. It expands knowledge, improves vocabulary and enhances concentration. When we read, we expose ourselves to new ideas, cultures and perspectives. Books can take us to different worlds, teach us valuable lessons and help us understand complex concepts. Apart from increasing our intellectual capacity, reading also improves imagination and creativity. It can be a great stress reliever, offering an escape from the daily pressures of life. In today's digital age, where people often prefer screen time, reading a good book allows for a deeper, more focused experience. Whether it is fiction or non fiction, reading books is an activity that offers lifelong benefits.

31 What is the main idea of the paragraph?

- A) Reading books improves intellectual ability and offers various benefits.
- B) Books are a source of entertainment only.
- C) People should stop using digital devices.
- D) Reading is a waste of time.

32. According to the paragraph, how does reading affect vocabulary?

- A) It decreases vocabulary.
- B) It has no effect on vocabulary.
- C) It improves vocabulary.
- D) It makes vocabulary less useful.

33. What does reading help us understand, as mentioned in the passage?

34. What is one of the benefits of reading mentioned in the passage?

(35) Complete the following :

- (a) Reading books is one of the most _____.
- (b) In today's digital age _____.

(36) Make sentences with the following words. (a) Non-fiction(b) Intellectual

(37) Write the synonym of given words. (a) improve (b) capacity

(38) write the antonym of given words. (a) stress (b) different.

Writing section

Answer any two questions in about 80-100 words:

2x5=10

39. Write a letter to your uncle and thank him for the beautiful birthday gift he has presented you.

40. Write an application to the Headmaster of your school and request him to arrange computer learning facility in the school.

41. Write a paragraph on " Importance of Trees" OR "Health is wealth"

Grammar section

42. Fill in the blanks with suitable Modals given below (Can, Could, Must). **3x1=3**

- (a) We _____ respect our country
- (b) I _____ make a presentation.
- (c) I _____ run a bicycle as a child .

43. Transform the following sentences as directed :- **3x1 = 3**

- (a) "You are too lazy to work" : (Remove 'too')
- (b) "He has cheated me. " (Change into Interrogative)
- (c) "Who will not respect his father" ? (Change into Assertive)

Literature Section

Marks :22

44. Read the extract given below and answer the questions that follow : **3x1=3**

He stalks in his vivid stripes

The few steps of his cage,
On pads of velvet quiet,

In his quiet rage.

Questions :

- (a) From which poem this extract has been taken ?
- (b) Who has written these lines ?
- (C) Who is' he' in the following lines?

Answer any three questions in about 60-80 words.

3x3=9

45. Why was the young seagull afraid to fly ?

46. What was Lencho's main concern? What did he do?

47. Describe some features of the leopard? How do you recognise chameleons?

48. What kind of life Matilda and her husband live after the loss of the diamond necklace ?

49. Who was Horace Danby and what kind of a person was he ?

Answer any two questions in about 120-150 words.

2x5=10

50. Write a character sketch of Bholi.

51. What made Hari Singh come back to Anil.

52. How did Mr. Herriot cure Tricki?

Answer key :
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- 1 A) Habits shape our behavior and can be both positive and negative.
2. B) 21 days
3. A) Repeating the behavior consistently and associating it with rewards.
4. B) Finding a new habit to replace it with.
5. C) Replacing the negative habit with a positive one.
6. B) Consistency
7. B) It plays a crucial role in personal growth and goal achievement.
8. A) It can lead to a better life.
9. (b) Radha told me that she would help me that day.
10. (a) Reeta told that she had been playing.
11. (b) have been
12. (a) May
13. (c) must
14. (b) present perfect continuous tense.
15. (b) had
16. (a) Never tell a lie
17. (a) A district of Karnataka
18. (d) Kodagu
19. (b) coffee, rainforest, spices
20. (a) On the crest of a low hill
21. (a) Robert Frost
22. (b) Zenani
23. (a) Pader
24. (c) deer
25. (a) Anne's diary
26. (b) twice a day
27. (d) All of these
28. c) five hundred francs
29. (d) both a and b
30. (d) both a and b

