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**B**

**ENGLISH  
(COMPULSORY)  
I.Sc. & I.Com.**

कुल प्रश्न :  $100 + 7 = 107$

**Total Questions :  $100 + 7 = 107$**

(समय : 3 घंटे 15 मिनट)

[ Time : 3 Hours 15 Minutes ]

कुल मुद्रित पृष्ठ : 32

**Total Printed Pages : 32**

( पूर्णांक : 100 )

[ Full Marks : 100 ]

**Instructions to the candidate :**

1. **Candidate must enter his / her Question Booklet Serial No. (10 Digits) in the OMR Answer Sheet.**
2. *Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.*
3. *Figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks.*
4. *An extra time of 15 minutes has been allotted for the candidates to read the questions carefully.*
5. *This question booklet is divided into two sections — **Section-A** and **Section-B**.*

6. **In Section-A, there are 100 objective type questions, out of which any 50 questions are to be answered.** If more than 50 questions are answered, then only first 50 will be evaluated. Each question carries **1 mark**. For answering these darken the circle with blue / black ball pen against the correct option on **OMR Answer Sheet** provided to you. **Do not use whitener / liquid / blade / nail etc. on OMR Answer Sheet, otherwise the result will be treated as invalid.**
7. **In Section - B, there are 7 Descriptive Type Questions.** While answering the questions, candidates should adhere to the word limit as far as practicable.
8. **Use of any electronic appliances is strictly prohibited.**

**SECTION - A****( Objective Type Questions )**

Question Nos. **1** to **100** have *four* options out of which only one is correct. You have to mark your selected option on the OMR Sheet. Out of 100 questions you have to attempt only 50 questions.

$$50 \times 1 = 50$$

1. Give me something to eat ..... I shall die of hunger.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) else (B) can  
(C) for (D) but

2. All his ..... is stolen.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) luggages (B) beds  
(C) luggage (D) furnitures

3. I bought ..... a shirt.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) itself (B) himself  
(C) herself (D) myself

4. She is very dull. She cannot pass.

( Choose the best combination )

(A) She is too dull to pass

(B) To pass is she too dull

(C) Dull is she too to pass

(D) Too dull is to pass she

5. Praveen does not ..... with Mohan.

( Choose the correct option )

(A) agreed

(B) agree

(C) to agree

(D) agreeing

6. We met a lot of people ..... our holidays.

( Choose the correct option )

(A) on

(B) at

(C) by

(D) during

7. Akbar was ..... noblest king.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) a (B) an  
(C) the (D) no article

8. Moti always ..... chappatis in his dinner.

( Choose the correct answer )

- (A) eat (B) eats  
(C) eating (D) eaten

9. Choose the correct sentence :

- (A) He prevented me from going there  
(B) He prevented me to go there  
(C) He prevents me at going there  
(D) He preventing me through going there

10. He ..... not be there.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) is (B) shall  
(C) need (D) must

11. .... the grass.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) Keep off                      (B) Keep on  
(C) Keep up                     (D) Keep away

12. .... chair is required.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) More (B) Much  
(C) Many (D) An extra

13. Do what you want to do, ..... don't disturb me.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) though (B) that  
(C) but (D) so

14. It was not a ..... act at all.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) pardon (B) pardoning  
(C) pardoned (D) pardonable

15. Choose the odd one out :

- (A) Pen (B) Marker  
(C) Paper (D) Pencil

16. You never have bread and butter for breakfast, ..... ?

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) have you (B) do you  
(C) don't they (D) do they

17. Choose the correct meaning of : "Out of question".

- (A) Undesirable (B) Impossible  
(C) Unpleasant (D) Irresistible

18. Their idea of a holiday ..... at a resort.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) is relaxed (B) is to relaxing  
(C) is to relax (D) is relaxing

19. His progress satisfied me.

( Choose the correct passive voice )

- (A) I was satisfying with his progress.
- (B) I am satisfy with his progress.
- (C) I was satisfied with his progress.
- (D) I have to be satisfy with his progress.

20. The engagement party was cancelled as ..... people were against the marriage.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) some
- (B) the some
- (C) little
- (D) the few

21. Ramesh has been absent ..... Friday.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) since
- (B) from
- (C) for
- (D) by

22. Chicken and rice ..... my favourite dish.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) are (B) had  
(C) is (D) have

23. Nadal won all the matches played in Paris.

( Choose the correct negative sentence )

- (A) Nadal does not win all the matches played in Paris.  
(B) Nadal did not lose a single match played in Paris.  
(C) Nadal was not able to lose any match played in Paris.  
(D) Nadal had lost any match not played in Paris.

24. He says to me, "You are my friend."

( Choose the correct indirect narration )

- (A) He tells me that I am his friend.  
(B) He telling me that I will be his friend.  
(C) He told me I am friend of his.  
(D) He will tell me that I will be his friend.

25. They decided ..... the white car.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) about (B) on  
(C) in (D) of

26. My cycle did not ..... brakes.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) has (B) have  
(C) had (D) did has

27. It is time for the bell to be rung.

( Choose the correct active voice )

- (A) It will be time to ring the bell.  
(B) Time will be when the bell rings.  
(C) It is time to ring the bell.  
(D) Rings the bell in time.

28. He blamed ..... for the ugly situation.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) himself (B) yourself  
(C) themselves (D) itself

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) mustn't (B) doesn't have to  
(C) doesn't (D) must

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) than (B) then  
(C) that (D) there

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) hale (B) hail  
(C) heal (D) head

(A) Women were very seldom convicted.

- (B) His eyes had hardly close.

(C) Hardly had he settled into his seat when Radha charged in.

- (D) Hardly nobody came.

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33. He said that he ..... be there.

( Choose the correct option )

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|-----------|----------|
| (A) would | (B) need |
| (C) can   | (D) want |

34. I have not heard of you ..... last week.

( Choose the correct option )

- |           |         |
|-----------|---------|
| (A) since | (B) in  |
| (C) by    | (D) for |

35. There are seven days in a

( Choose the correct option )

- |          |            |
|----------|------------|
| (A) weak | (B) weaker |
| (C) week | (D) seek   |

36. The police ..... the thief.

( Choose the correct option )

- |               |                |
|---------------|----------------|
| (A) arrest    | (B) arrested   |
| (C) arresting | (D) has arrest |

37. Choose the correctly spelt word :

(A) Concent

(B) Cunsent

(C) Consent

(D) Counsent

38. They should not ..... upon the poor.

( Choose the correct phrase )

(A) look up

(B) look down

(C) look after

(D) look on

39. There is ..... university here.

( Choose the correct option )

(A) a

(B) an

(C) the

(D) no article

40. Rajesh is still shouting, ..... ?

( Choose the correct option )

(A) not he is

(B) not is he

(C) wasn't he

(D) isn't he

41. Choose the correct antonym of 'Trivial' :

- (A) Rural (B) Important  
(C) Loss (D) Artificial

42. This child is very ..... to me.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) deer (B) dear  
(C) dare (D) dearer

43. He cannot put ..... with such insult.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) of (B) up  
(C) down (D) from

44. Neither of the two men ..... done this.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) have (B) has  
(C) may (D) should

45. Choose the correct spelling :

- (A) Risemblence (B) Resiemblence  
(C) Resemblance (D) Risimblence

46. He said to Rita, "Am I ill ?"

( Choose the correct indirect speech )

- (A) He says that he is ill to Rita.  
(B) He will say to Rita that he is ill.  
(C) He asked Rita if he was ill.  
(D) He said to Rita if he is ill.

47. Find out the ..... things.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) discard (B) discarding  
(C) will discard (D) discarded

48. Sri Lanka is ..... island.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) a (B) an  
(C) the (D) no article

49. Choose the correct sentence :

- (A) I did my work quick. (B) I did my work very quick.  
(C) I did my work quickly. (D) I do my working quick.

50. I didn't ..... where he was going.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) know (B) knew  
(C) knowing (D) will know

51. If you invite me, I ..... certainly come.

( Choose the correct answer )

- (A) could (B) would  
(C) might (D) would have

52. Choose the mis-spelt word :

- (A) Campaign (B) Controversy  
(C) Secretry (D) Decision

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53. Choose the mis-spelt word :

- (A) Harmaeni (B) Harmony  
(C) Harmany (D) Harmeny

54. Choose the correct one word substitution of :

“Ceremony of crowning a king”

- (A) Coquette (B) Demagogue  
(C) Coronation (D) Deprecate

55. We should think ..... this matter deeply.

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) by (B) in  
(C) over (D) off

56. Choose the correct meaning of :

“To read between the lines”

- (A) to understand the hidden meaning  
(B) to learn quickly  
(C) to laugh at  
(D) to have good sight

57. Choose the odd one out :

- (A) School (B) University  
(C) Office (D) College

58. .... shall I fear but the ones who hurt me ?

( Choose the correct option )

- (A) Whose (B) Whom  
(C) Who (D) Which

59. Choose the correct synonym of 'Forbid' :

- (A) Allow (B) Prohibit  
(C) Accomplish (D) Hold

60. The antonym of 'Duplicate' is

- (A) Copy (B) Original  
(C) Clone (D) Photo

**Instruction :** Questions from **61** to **100** are based on the prescribed texts.

61. "The past is not dead and static, it is alive and ....., "

- (A) pledge (B) ethnic  
(C) dynamic (D) presumptuous

62. "Nanukaka opened his silver snuffbox and took a ..... ."
- (A) coat (B) kurta  
(C) pinch (D) pitch
63. Martin Luther King, Jr. wanted the Negroes to continue working with
- (A) hatred (B) jealousy  
(C) love (D) faith
64. "The last of the great prehistoric inventions was the art of ..... ."
- (A) fighting (B) cooking  
(C) writing (D) hunting
65. "Our ancestors, therefore, set a limit to our ..... ."
- (A) land (B) indulgences  
(C) towns (D) grains
66. "I pledge my loyalty to my country, irrespective of religion or language ..." From whose piece is this quotation taken ?
- (A) Zakir Hussain (B) Pearl S. Buck  
(C) Mahatma Gandhi (D) Anton P. Chekhov

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67. Nanukaka went to visit the ..... Minister.
- (A) Finance (B) Welfare  
(C) Railway (D) Home
68. Leep, the dog, was bought for ..... rubles.
- (A) 115 (B) 65  
(C) 85 (D) 75
69. The ..... English period is generally considered to be from AD 1150 – 1500.
- (A) Old (B) Middle  
(C) Modern (D) Post-modern
70. Latin and ..... were the two major influences on Old English.
- (A) Greek (B) French  
(C) Scandinavian (D) Indian

71. The Anglo-Indian community in India use ..... as their mother-tongue.
- (A) Urdu (B) Parsi  
(C) English (D) Hindi
72. Who wrote 'She Stoops to Conquer' ?
- (A) G. B. Shaw (B) T. S. Eliot  
(C) Salman Rushdie (D) Oliver Goldsmith
73. Pearl S. Buck was interested in meeting the
- (A) leaders (B) saint  
(C) peasants (D) Americans
74. At first Benjy kept ..... hens.
- (A) 10 or a dozen (B) 20  
(C) 30 (D) 40
75. The ..... would not be satisfied until justice rolled down like water.
- (A) Americans (B) Negroes  
(C) Europeans (D) Indians

76. Bertrand Russell belonged to
- (A) Ireland (B) Iceland  
(C) Britain (D) Germany
77. The praises and images of ..... run throughout the poem 'The Soldier'.
- (A) India (B) England  
(C) France (D) America
78. 'How often I think of going there, to peer through blind eyes of windows.' It is from
- (A) My Grandmother's House (B) An Epitaph  
(C) Song of Myself (D) Snake
79. Who wrote '... for every atom belonging to me as good belongs to you.'?
- (A) Rupert Brooke (B) Walt Whitman  
(C) John Donne (D) Walter de la Mare
80. 'Hoping to cease not till death,' — is from
- (A) The Fire-Hymn (B) The Soldier  
(C) Song of Myself (D) My Grandmother's House

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81. In 'Fire-Hymn', Daruwalla talks about a  
 (A) burning clothes (B) burning house  
 (C) burning forest (D) burning ghat
82. "And his footprints are not found in any file of Scotland Yard." It is from  
 (A) The Soldier (B) Fire-Hymn  
 (C) Ode to Autumn (D) Macavity : The Mystery Cat
83. The grandmother's house fell ..... after her death.  
 (A) crazy (B) noisy  
 (C) silent (D) chaotic
84. 'He drank enough,  
 And lifted his head, dreamily, as one who has drunken' — is from  
 (A) Snake (B) My Grandmother's House  
 (C) The Soldier (D) An Epitaph
85. "Travellers in their last distress" is from  
 (A) Now the Leaves are Falling Fast  
 (B) An Epitaph  
 (C) Ode to Autumn  
 (D) The Soldier

86. The Soldier is a / an
- (A) sonnet (B) ballad
- (C) epic (D) lyric
87. Autumn is a season of
- (A) fruitfulness (B) no fire
- (C) no rain (D) no leaves
88. "And when I crumble, who will remember" — is from
- (A) Ode to Autumn (B) An Epitaph
- (C) Song of Myself (D) The Soldier
89. .... stops and hinders our progress.
- (A) Education (B) Poverty
- (C) Class (D) Politics
90. .... was twelve years old and still at primary school.
- (A) Seibei (B) Seibei's friend
- (C) Seibei's sister (D) Seibei's cousin
91. Donne compares his journey of life to that of the
- (A) Stars (B) Sun
- (C) Planets (D) Moon

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92. 'Thou watchest the last ooziings hours by hours.' It is from

- (A) An Epitaph (B) The Soldier  
(C) Ode to Autumn (D) Song of Myself

93. The Anglo-Saxons invaded ..... in AD 449.

- (A) Britain (B) Thailand  
(C) America (D) Japan

94. Wycliff and Langland are writers of the ..... period.

- (A) Old English (B) Middle English  
(C) Modern English (D) Post-modern English

95. Macavity is said to be mysterious because

- (A) the Scotland Yard is baffled by him  
(B) he has a hidden paw  
(C) no one understands his ways  
(D) he has hidden powers

96. Attic civilization belongs to
- (A) India (B) Greece
- (C) Rome (D) China
97. "The editorial policy of a daily paper is controlled by ..... chief factors."
- (A) four (B) two
- (C) three (D) five
98. Pearl S. Buck ate her food ..... in an Indian village.
- (A) with ladle (B) with her hands
- (C) with fork and spoon (D) with chop sticks
99. "That thou lov'st me, as thou say'st," is from
- (A) Snake (B) An Epitaph
- (C) Song of Myself (D) Sweetest Love, I Do Not Goe
100. "In a series of memorable pictures, John Keats, exhibits the principle of ..... in nature."
- (A) scarcity (B) beauty
- (C) maturity (D) immaturity

**SECTION - B****( Descriptive Type Questions )**

1. Write an essay on any *one* of the following in about 150-200 words :

$1 \times 8 = 8$

- a) Value of Education
- b) Chandrayaan 3
- c) An Indian Festival
- d) Wonders of Science
- e) Noise Pollution.

2. Explain any *one* of the following :

$1 \times 4 = 4$

- a) 'A certain degree of physical harmony and comfort is necessary, but above a certain level it becomes a hindrance instead of help.'
- b) 'Fancy a lad spending his time playing around like that with gourds ! ...'
- c) 'In non-technocratic societies, except for remarkable accidents, birth is always attended.'
- d) 'My life has been too crowded with travels and many people for me to put it all within the covers of one book, ...'

3. Explain any *one* of the following :

$1 \times 4 = 4$

- a) 'He hath no desire, nor sense,  
Nor halfe so short a way ;  
Then feare not mee,'

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- b) Cold, impossible, ahead  
Lists the mountain's lovely head.
- c) 'You may meet him in a by-street, you may see him in the square —  
But when a crime's discovered, then Macavity's not there.'
- d) 'And yet those voices :  
If you were not afraid, you would kill him !'
4. Write a letter to your friend, congratulating him for his success in the Secondary Examination. 5

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Write an application to your Headmistress asking for sick leave as you are suffering from typhoid. <https://www.bsebstudy.com>

5. Answer any *five* of the following in about 40-50 words each :  $5 \times 2 = 10$
- What does Pearl S. Buck mean by saying 'Religion is ever present in Indian life' ?
  - What did the doctor advise Benjy's parents to ensure his mental growth ?
  - What do you mean by the term 'free press' ?
  - How are the children of the joint family in Bangladesh looked after ?
  - Is the speaker in 'The Soldier' afraid of death ?
  - Why did the speaker like the snake ?
  - How are autumn and summer related to spring ?
  - Name three areas of English language in which rapid changes have been noticed in the last few decades.

- i) What has made English 'the most gloriously, empire language ?  
j) What did the 18th century grammarians share with the Age ?
6. Answer any *three* of the following in about 100-120 words :  
 $3 \times 5 = 15$

- a) Write the summary of any *one* of the following poems :  
i) Sweetest Love, I Do Not Goe  
ii) The Soldier  
iii) Now the Leaves are Falling Fast.
- b) Write the summary of any *one* of the following prose pieces :  
i) A Child is Born  
ii) Ideas That Have Helped Mankind  
iii) I Have a Dream.
- c) Write a note on the Indian English.

OR

Write a note on English as a world language.

OR

Write a note on Modern English.

- d) Match the names of the poems given in **List-A** with their poets in **List-B** :

**List-A**

- i) The Soldier  
ii) To Autumn  
iii) Snake  
iv) My Grandmother's House  
v) Fire-Hymn

**List-B**

- a) John Keats  
b) Rupert Brooke  
c) K. N. Daruwala  
d) D. H. Lawrence  
e) Kamala Das

Write a précis of the following passage and give a suitable title : 4

Humans first appeared on earth a million and a half years ago. He was a little more than an animal then. Still, early humans had some advantages over animals. He had a large brain, an erect body with fast-moving hands. He invented a language to communicate with his colleagues. The ability to speak was of the highest value because it allowed them to share ideas and plans together. Speech enabled the transmission of ideas from generation to generation. These special advantages put humans far ahead of all other living creatures.