

Sikkim Public Service Commission

Main Written Examination for the Post of Veterinary Officer & Equivalent

Paper I General Knowledge & English

Time Allowed : 2 Hrs

Maximum Marks : 100

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English

Read the passage and choose the correct answers from the given options: (1x5=5)

The window offered a view of the house opposite. The two families did not speak to each other because of a property dispute. One day, Ruchira's textbooks lay untouched as the young girl's gaze was on the happenings in the house opposite. There were two new faces in the neighbouring household, that of an elderly widow and a girl aged sixteen. Sometimes the elderly lady would sit by the window, doing girl's hair. On other days she was absent.

The new young neighbour's daily routine could be seen through the window. She cleaned the rice paddy, split nuts, put the cushions in the sun to air them. In the afternoons while the men were all at work, some of the women slept and others played cards. The girl sat on the terrace and read. Sometimes she wrote. One day there was hindrance. She was writing and the elderly woman snatched the unfinished letter from her hands. Thereafter the girl was not to be seen on the terrace. Sometimes during the day sounds came from the house indicating that a massive argument was going on inside.

A few days passed. One evening Ruchira noticed the girl standing on the terrace in tears. The evening prayer was in progress. As she did daily, the girl bowed several times in prayer. Then she went downstairs. That night Ruchira wrote a letter. Then she went out and posted it that very instant. But as she lay in bed that night, she prayed fervently that her offer of friendship wouldn't reach its destination. Ruchira then left for Madhupur and returned when it was time for college to start. She found the house opposite in darkness, locked. They had left.

When she stepped into her room she found the desk piled with letters. One had a local stamp on it with her name and address in unfamiliar writing. She quickly read it. And they continued to write to each other for the next twenty years.

1. Why did Ruchira write a letter to her new neighbour?

- A) She wanted to offer her, her help.
- B) She wanted to be friends with her.
- C) To apologise for her family's behaviour towards her family.
- D) To encourage her to continue learning to read and write.

2. How did the young new neighbour spend her days?

- A) She was busy writing letters to Ruchira.
- B) She used to daydream about her past experiences.
- C) She would attend to the needs of the widow.
- D) She spent her time learning to read and write.

3. Why did the girl wish that the letter would not reach its destination?
- I. She was going away and would not be able to see if her neighbour was glad to receive it.
 - II. She was afraid that it would lead to quarrel between the two families.
 - III. She was afraid that her neighbour would be angry when she received the letter.
- A) None
 - B) Only I
 - C) Only III
 - D) Both II and III
4. Choose the word which is most same in meaning of the word 'Hindrance' as used in the passage.
- A) Handicapped
 - B) Delay
 - C) Interruption
 - D) Difficult
5. Choose the word which is most opposite in meaning of the word 'Piled' as used in the passage.
- A) Low
 - B) Empty
 - C) Blank
 - D) Nothing

Choose the appropriate Synonyms for the following words:

(1x5=5)

6. Abstain
- A) Refrain
 - B) Ingest
 - C) Take in
 - D) Congest
7. Acquaint
- A) Withhold
 - B) Conceal
 - C) Familiarise
 - D) Risky
8. Aggravate
- A) Decline
 - B) Acquire
 - C) Excited
 - D) Irritate

9. Emancipate

- A) Imprison
- B) Morally correct
- C) Incarcerate
- D) Set free

10. Privy

- A) Revealed
- B) Unaware
- C) Secretive
- D) Open

Choose the appropriate Antonyms for the following words:

(1x5=5)

11. Candid

- A) Buff
- B) Devious
- C) Equal
- D) Blunt

12. Agreement

- A) Alliance
- B) Turbulence
- C) Discord
- D) Fragmentation

13. Extrovert

- A) Boaster
- B) Show off
- C) Introvert
- D) Character

14. Invincible

- A) Conquerable
- B) Powerful
- C) Invulnerable
- D) Ancient

15. Morose

- A) Sad
- B) Harmless
- C) Unusual
- D) Cheerful

Choose the correct options to complete the dialogue

(1x5=5)

- Ratna: Is Binita _____ (16) music?
 Radha: Well, she likes to listen to music but she's never _____ (17) anything.
 What about Rahul?
 Ratna: He'd _____ (18) be outside than in the house. _____ (19) best is to
 spend whole weekend in the village. I was _____ (20) when I was young.

	A	B	C	D
16	liking	fond of	interest in	playing the
17	learning to play	learning play	learnt to play	learnt play
18	rather	prefer	better	like
19	what he prefers	what he likes	that he prefers	that he likes
20	same	like that	so	as him

In the question below a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Choose the alternative which you think best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech:
 (1x5=5)

21. "Please don't go away", she said.

- A) She said to please her and not to go away.
- B) She told me not to go away.
- C) She begged that I not go away.
- D) She begged me not to go away.

22. "Are you alone, my son?" asked a soft voice close behind me.

- A) A soft voice from the back asked if I was alone.
- B) A soft voice said to me are you alone son.
- C) A soft voice asked that what I was doing there alone.
- D) A soft voice behind me asked if I was alone.

23. The employer said to the workman, "I cannot pay you higher wages."

- A) The employer told that he could not be paid higher wages.
- B) The employer told the workman that he could not pay him higher wages.
- C) The employer forbade the workman to pay higher wages.
- D) The employer warned the workman that he could not pay him higher wages.

24. He said, "What a beautiful scene!"

- A) He exclaimed that it was a beautiful scene.
- B) He wondered that it was a beautiful scene.
- C) He exclaimed that what a beautiful scene it was.
- D) He said that what a beautiful scene it was.

25. I said to my sister, "Let us go to some hill station for a change."

- A) I suggested to my sister that we should go to some hill station for a change.
- B) I asked my sister to go to some hill station for a change.
- C) I asked my sister if she would go to some hill station for a change.
- D) I permitted my sister to go to some station for a change.

Choose the correct substitute word for the given group of words:

(1x5=5)

26. Living for years and years

- A) Perennial
- B) Permanent
- C) Annual
- D) Continuous

27. A person who is skilled in horsemanship

- A) Cavalier
- B) Equestrian
- C) Jockey
- D) Cavalryman

28. That which is contrary to law

- A) Legal
- B) Legacy
- C) Illegal
- D) Imminent

29. A trite, stereotyped expression

- A) Cliché
- B) Proverb
- C) Idiom
- D) Buzzword

30. A part of a word that can be pronounced separately

- A) Particle
- B) Sibilant
- C) Syllable
- D) Letter

Choose the most appropriate meaning of the given idioms, phrases or proverbs: (1x5=5)

31. By leaps and bounds

- A) Very fast
- B) Very slow
- C) In details
- D) Aimlessly

32. To cry wolf

- A) To refer to
- B) To emphasise
- C) To have no results
- D) To give false alarm

33. At arm's length

- A) Length of arm
- B) At a distance
- C) Insult
- D) Very near

34. At daggers drawn

- A) Real cause
- B) To be puzzled
- C) At enmity
- D) At friendship

35. A turn coat

- A) One who changes one's opinion or party
- B) A wet coat
- C) Poor man
- D) Man of principle

Fill in the blanks with suitable words:

(1x10=10)

36. He usually _____ on time.

- A) will arrive
- B) would arrive
- C) arrives
- D) could have arrived

37. "You must taste this new dish." "All right, but give me just _____. "

- A) a little
- B) a few
- C) less
- D) some

38. Satyajit Ray's films _____ all barriers of caste, creed and religion. They are universal.

- A) transcend
- B) transcends
- C) transcending
- D) travelled

39. Only the chairman _____ to the proposal to build more houses.
- A) avoided
 - B) admitted
 - C) prevented
 - D) objected
40. His parents died when he was young. I think that's why he has _____ problems.
- A) too many
 - B) so many
 - C) any more
 - D) much more
41. With the rapid expansion of the economy, we should make _____ progress toward stable prices.
- A) detailed
 - B) substantial
 - C) definite
 - D) infinite
42. Many people today have fallen into utter confusion of values with the results they cannot _____ the good from bad.
- A) divide
 - B) differentiate
 - C) see
 - D) alter
43. His persistence in his misdeeds has lowered him in the _____ of everyone who knows him.
- A) eyes
 - B) estimation
 - C) estimate
 - D) esteem
44. The teacher said that they were no longer prepared to _____ the ways of the headmaster.
- A) put over with
 - B) put on with
 - C) put up with
 - D) put up to
45. Democracy requires the equal right of all to the development of such capacity for goods as nature has _____ them with.
- A) presented
 - B) endowed
 - C) fortified
 - D) replenished

In the following questions, a sentence has been given in Active or Passive voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the best that expresses the same in Passive or Active voice: (1x5=5)

46. The clown was being laughed at by them.

- A) They were laughing at the clown.
- B) They were laughing on the clown.
- C) They laughed at the clown.
- D) The clown was laughed at by them.

47. People claim to have seen the suspect in several cities.

- A) The suspect is being seen in several cities.
- B) The suspect is seen by the people in several cities.
- C) The suspect is claimed to have been seen in several cities.
- D) The suspect was seen by people in several cities.

48. Someone gave her a bull dog.

- A) She was given a bull dog.
- B) A bull dog was given to her.
- C) She has been given a bull dog.
- D) She is being given a bull dog by someone.

49. Who is creating a mess?

- A) Who has created a mess?
- B) By whom has this mess been created?
- C) By whom this mess is being created?
- D) By whom is this mess being created?

50. One should keep one's promise.

- A) One's promise should be kept by us.
- B) One's promise has to be kept.
- C) A promise should be for keeping.
- D) A promise should be kept.

General Knowledge

51. World Down Syndrome Day is celebrated on:

- A) March 21
- B) January 21
- C) March 20
- D) February 16

52. Who is appointed as the first Lokpal of India?

- A) Justice Ranjan Gogoi
- B) Justice Pinaki Chandra Ghose
- C) Justice Arun Kumar Mishra
- D) Justice N.V. Raman

53. The National TB center is located at

- A) Bangalore
- B) Delhi
- C) Bhopal
- D) Kasauli

54. Who of the following was addressed as "Mahamana"?

- A) Dadabhai Naoroji
- B) Jyotibhai Phule
- C) Madan Mohan Malviya
- D) Motilal Nehru

55. Which state government has launched the 'Mukhyamantri Anchal Amrit Yojna' to provide milk at the Anganwadi Centres?

- A) Uttar Pradesh
- B) Uttarakhand
- C) Himachal Pradesh
- D) Kerala

56. Which of the following coin has been issued by UK in honour of Stephen Hawking?

- A) Diamond Coin
- B) Black Hole Coin
- C) Astro Coin
- D) Space Coin

57. Who is the host of the Special Olympics World Games 2019?

- A) Mexico
- B) Brazil
- C) Austria
- D) UAE

58. Which game is to be reintroduced in Asian Games?

- A) Boxing
- B) Cricket
- C) Kho-Kho
- D) Kabaddi

59. Simple water deprivation causes ____ dehydration

- A) Isotonic
- B) Hypertonic
- C) Hypotonic
- D) All

60. Vitamin B12 is also called

- A) Thiamine
- B) Cynocobalamin
- C) Riboflavin
- D) Cobalamin

61. Ranikhet disease is caused by

- A) Corona virus
- B) Paramyxovirus
- C) Ender virus
- D) Fowl herpes virus

62. The ICAR-Directorate of poultry research is located at

- A) Izatnagar
- B) Hyderabad
- C) Mukteshwar
- D) Bangalore

63. Pashmina is obtained from the following breed

- A) Angora goat
- B) Angora rabbit
- C) Changthangi goat
- D) Merino sheep

64. Which mission of Govt. of India is for promoting indigenous livestock species?

- A) Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana
- B) Pradhanmantri Gokul Mission
- C) Swadeshi Mission
- D) NPOP

65. When was Sikkim declared a fully Organic State?

- A) January 2015
- B) January 2010
- C) January 2016
- D) January 2017

66. Highest Yak population as per the 19th Livestock Census 2012 is recorded in which state?

- A) Jammu & Kashmir
- B) Arunachal Pradesh
- C) Sikkim
- D) Himachal Pradesh

67. Which is the official language of Argentina?

- A) Portuguese
- B) French
- C) Spanish
- D) Dutch

68. Which of the following is not present in animal cells?

- A) Cell Walls
- B) Mitochondria
- C) Ribosomes
- D) Cytoplasm

69. Haemoglobin in humans has the highest affinity for which of the following gases?

- A) Methane
- B) Carbon dioxide
- C) Nitrous Oxide
- D) Carbon Monoxide

70. The major pollutant from automobile exhaust is?

- A) NO
- B) CO
- C) SO₂
- D) Soot

71. Which was the first paper currency used by RBI?

- A) One Rupee Note
- B) Two Rupee Note
- C) Hundred Rupee Note
- D) Five Rupee Note

72. Who is the host country of FIFA World Cup 2022?

- A) Italy
- B) Iran
- C) Qatar
- D) Germany

73. The pollution which does not persist and harm to life supporting system is

- A) Noise pollution
- B) Radiation pollution
- C) Organo Chlorine Pollution
- D) All of the above

74. Who won the Filmfare Awards 2019 for Best Actor in leading role (Female)?

- A) Deepika Padukone
- B) Neena Gupta
- C) Vidya Balan
- D) Alia Bhatt

75. One calorie is equivalent to?

- A) 0.293 Joule
- B) 0.239 Joule
- C) 3.693 Joule
- D) 4.184 Joule

76. Which animal has been declared 'Vermin' by the state of Himachal Pradesh for the period of one year?

- A) Cats
- B) Bats
- C) Monkeys
- D) Rats

77. The World Sustainable Development Summit 2019 took place in:

- A) Hyderabad
- B) Paris
- C) New York
- D) New Delhi

78. Who is the Union Minister of State for Development of North Eastern Region?
- A) Dr Jitendra Singh
 - B) Ramvilas Paswan
 - C) Jagad Prakash
 - D) Uma Bharti
79. L.P.G. is a hydrocarbon consisting of a mixture of:
- A) Methane and Butane
 - B) Propane and Butane
 - C) Ethane and Propane
 - D) Ethane and Butane
80. Which among the following was the first human made plastic?
- A) Bakelite
 - B) Polythene
 - C) Celluloid
 - D) Nylon
81. 'The World Beneath His Feet' is a biography of:
- A) Virat Kohli
 - B) Shyam Thapa
 - C) Dhyanchand
 - D) Pullela Gopichand
82. How many number of red balls are there in Snooker?
- A) 13
 - B) 15
 - C) 21
 - D) 16
83. Which of the following has the highest wind velocity?
- A) Typhoon
 - B) Hurricane
 - C) Cyclone
 - D) Tornado
84. Which of the following Bank is also known as I.B.R.D?
- A) International Bank
 - B) Asian Development Bank
 - C) Bank of America
 - D) World Bank

85. Which Boeing Aircraft was grounded in most of the countries recently after a fatal crash in Ethiopia?
- A) Boeing T-43
 - B) Boeing 737 Max
 - C) Boeing 777
 - D) Boeing 787
86. Which soil is formed by the deposition of silt brought by rivers?
- A) Black
 - B) Alluvial
 - C) Red
 - D) Pod
87. Which of the following river does not originate in Indian territory?
- A) Brahmaputra
 - B) Mahanadi
 - C) Teesta
 - D) Beas
88. The ozone hole that has been detected lies in the atmosphere above which of the following:
- A) Alaska
 - B) Arctic Ocean
 - C) Antarctica
 - D) India
89. Which device is used to measure the speed of wind?
- A) Altimeter
 - B) Anemometer
 - C) Calorimeter
 - D) Chronometer
90. The healing of which of the following organ is based on "one wound one scar" theory
- A) Tendon
 - B) Ligament
 - C) Muscle
 - D) Bone

91. Which of the following is the correct chronological order of the formation of the states in India?

- A) Sikkim – Arunachal Pradesh – Nagaland - Haryana
- B) Nagaland – Haryana – Sikkim – Arunachal Pradesh
- C) Sikkim – Haryana – Nagaland – Arunachal Pradesh
- D) Nagaland – Arunachal Pradesh –Sikkim - Haryana

92. Which measure of computer memory is the largest?

- A) Terabyte
- B) Gigabyte
- C) Kilobyte
- D) Megabyte

93. Which weed is found useful to check water pollution caused by industrial effluents?

- A) Elephant Grass
- B) Parthenium
- C) Water Hyacinth
- D) All of the above

94. Which of the following is a political right?

- A) Right to Live
- B) Right to Education
- C) Right to Freedom of Expression
- D) Right to Vote

95. In which year Limbu and Tamang communities are included in the list of Schedule Tribes

- A) 2000
- B) 2003
- C) 2006
- D) 2009

96. Who among the following proposed the theory of 'Survival of the Fittest'?

- A) Lamarck
- B) Darwin
- C) William
- D) Huxley

97. Which of the following roads negotiates four high passes of the world in the Himalayas?

- A) Shimla to Kullu
- B) Darjeeling to Nepal
- C) Leh to Manali
- D) Shimla to Dalhousie

98. Who is the captain of the Sikkim football team for Santosh Trophy 2019?

- A) Kunal Tamang
- B) Mayal Dok Lepcha
- C) Robin Sharma
- D) Ashish Chettri

99. Sixteen year old Greta Thunberg is nominated for this year's Noble Peace Prize. Which country she belongs to?

- A) Russia
- B) Norway
- C) Sweden
- D) Germany

100. Which of the following tech giant unveiled a new App 'Bolo' that aims to help children in primary school learn to read and write in Hindi and English?

- A) Bing
- B) Google
- C) Yahoo
- D) Baidu