

DIRECTORATE OF GOVERNMENT EXAMINATIONS, CHENNAI-6.
HIGHER SECONDARY SECOND YEAR EXAMINATIONS - MARCH 2020
ENGLISH - ANSWER KEY

Marks : 90

1. Answers written only in Black or Blue ink should be evaluated
2. Full marks should be awarded only for the answers without any spelling mistakes and grammatical errors.
3. Answers for more than specified number of questions should be struck and labelled as 'extra'
4. Answers without question numbers should not be evaluated.
5. In Part – I (Question No.1 to 20), marks should not be awarded, if the option codes and the corresponding answers don't match. (in case the student has written both)

PART - I		
Answer all the questions:		20 x 1=20
Q.No	Answer	Mark
	<u>Choose the correct synonyms for the underlined words from the options given.</u>	
01	(b) motivated	1 mark
02	(a) huge	1 mark
03	(c) confusion	1 mark
	<u>Choose the correct antonyms for the underlined words from the options given.</u>	
04	(a) crowded	1 mark
05	(d) uncommon	1 mark
06	(c) trivial	1 mark
07	(d) bacterium	1 mark
08	(b) at the last moment	1 mark
09	(c) into	1 mark
10	(c) line	1 mark
11	(d) Test of English as a Foreign Language	1 mark
12	(d) doesn't it?	1 mark
13	(b) SVAA	1 mark
14	(d) whose	1 mark
15	(c) in-	1 mark
16	(b) again	1 mark
17	(a) Pram	1 mark
18	(d) a sudden unexpected event	1 mark
19	(c) ambassador	1 mark
20	(c) put out	1 mark

Read the following sets of Poetic lines and answer any four sets **4 x 2 = 8**

Q.No	Answers	Mark
21	(a) On the top of the Casuarina tree/on the crest of the Casuarina tree / on the Casuarina tree (b) Simile	1 mark 1 mark
22	(a) By bringing about changes in the world / brings changes / bringing changes (b) Personification / Transferred Epithet.	1 mark 1 mark
23	(a) The castle had strong gates and thick / smooth / high walls. (b) No man / None / No enemy / Foe could enter / win (any one)	1 mark 1 mark
24	(a) Inclined downward / bent downward or bent (any one) (b) <u>L</u> egs, <u>l</u> ocked ; <u>b</u> alance, <u>b</u> row (any one pair)	1 mark 1 mark
25	(a) To his son Telemachus/to his son/Telemachus (any one) (b) Kingly power/power attributed by a king/a symbol of power / authority / power of King (any one).	1 mark 1 mark
26	(a) Stage/to a stage. (b) Metaphor	1 mark 1 mark

SECTION - 2

Do as directed

Answer any three questions

3 x 2 = 6

27	Vidhya asked/enquired Kanya whether/if she would like to come to the party with them the next day/the following day/the day after.	2 marks
28	My project shall have been / will have been completed by me next week. (OR) My project shall have been / will have been completed next week by me. (OR) Next week, my project shall have been / will have been completed by me.	2 marks

29	Had I come earlier, I would have attended the interview.	2 marks
30	<p>Carrying out the survey, Smitha presented her report. (OR) After carrying out the survey, Smitha presented her report. (OR) Having carried out the survey, Smitha presented her report. (OR) On carrying out the survey, Smitha presented her report. (OR) On having carried out the survey, Smitha presented her report (OR) After having carried out the survey, Smitha presented her report (OR) Smitha presented her report after the survey (OR) Smitha presented her report after having carried out the survey (OR) Smitha presented her report on having carried out the survey (OR) Smitha presented her report on carrying out the survey (OR) Smitha presented her report after carrying out the survey</p>	2 marks

PART - III

SECTION - 1

Explain any two of the following with reference to the context.		2 x 3 = 6
	Name of the poem	1 Mark
	Name of the poet	1 Mark
	Explanation	1 Mark
31	Poem: Our Casuarina Tree Poet : Toru Dutt	
32	Poem: Ulysses Poet : Alfred Lord Tennyson/ Alfred Tennyson / Tennyson	
33	Poem: Incident of the French Camp Poet : Robert Browning / Browning	

SECTION – 2

Answer **any two** of the following questions in not more than 30 words **2 x 3 = 6**

34	Shining / polishing shoes/ selling wild strawberries /, hawking newspapers / guiding tourists/ running errands / buying cigarettes / booking seats for the Opera (or) the restaurants (any three of the above points)	3 marks
35	His mother and father were drunk . His mother threw a lantern at his father. It missed and it broke over the child's head and shoulders . He suffered severe third-degree burns on the upper part of his body, and lost both his eyes.	3 marks
36	If liberty entitled the pedestrian to walk down the middle of the road, then the end of such liberty would be universal chaos / without accommodating others' interest / interest of others.	3 marks

SECTION – 3

Answer **any three** of the following **3 x 3 = 9**

37	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Three Meaningful sentences without mistakes• Three Meaningful sentences with a few mistakes• Three Meaningful sentences with a lot of mistakes• Irrelevant answer	3 Marks 2 Marks 1 Mark No mark
38	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complete meaningful step by step description (3 points) without mistakes• Description with a few mistakes• Description with many mistakes• Irrelevant answer	3 Marks 2 Marks 1 Mark No mark
39	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Three Meaningful exchanges• Exchanges with a few mistakes• Exchanges with many mistakes• Irrelevant exchanges	3 Marks 2 Marks 1 Mark No mark
40	Rearrange the following jumbled proverbs correctly. (a) There is never a road without a turning. (b) It was the last straw that broke the camel's back. (c) Spare the rod and spoil the child.	1 Mark 1 Mark 1 Mark

PART – IV

Answer the following:

7 x 5 = 35

41 (a) or (b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Content – (60%), Language, style and organization (40%) • Exceptionally good paragraph • Correct answer with all points with no mistakes • Correct answer with a few mistakes • Answer with a few points • Answer with a few points and many mistakes • Irrelevant answer 	5 Marks 4 Marks 3 Marks 2 Marks 1 Mark No mark
42 (a) or (b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Content – (60%), Language, style and organization (40%) • Exceptionally good paragraph • Correct answer with all points with no mistakes • Correct answer with a few mistakes • Answer with a few points • Answer with a few points and many mistakes • Irrelevant answer 	5 Marks 4 Marks 3 Marks 2 Marks 1 Mark No mark
43 (a) or (b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Content – (60%), Language, style and organization (40%) • Exceptionally good paragraph • Correct answer with all points with no mistakes • Correct answer with a few mistakes • Answer with a few points • Answer with a few points and many mistakes • Irrelevant answer 	5 Marks 4 Marks 3 Marks 2 Marks 1 Mark No mark
44 (a)	<p>Write a summary or make notes of the following passage.</p> <p>Summarising - Format Rough Copy / Rough Draft/ First Copy / First Draft Fair Copy / Fair Draft/ Final Copy / Final Draft Suitable Title (An exceptional summary can be awarded Maximum Marks. The number of words in the Fair Draft need not be taken into account.)</p> <p align="center">(OR)</p> <p>Note making - Format Title Sub-titles Key points under each sub-titles</p>	1 Mark 3 Marks 1 Mark 1 Mark 2 Marks 2 Marks
44 (b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Content – (60%), Language, style and organization (40%) • Exceptionally good paragraph • Correct answer with all points with no mistakes • Correct answer with a few mistakes • Answer with a few points • Answer with a few points and many mistakes • Irrelevant answer 	5 Marks 4 Marks 3 Marks 2 Marks 1 Mark No mark

<p>45 (a)</p>	<p>Distribution of Marks - Format</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date • From • To • Salutation • Subject • Reference • Body of the letter • Subscription <p>Note : Full – Block style can also be considered for marks.</p>	<p>½ mark ½ mark ½ mark ½ mark ½ mark ½ mark 1½ mark ½ mark</p>
<p>45 (b)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Place & Date • Salutation • Body of the letter • Subscription • Superscription / address on the envelope 	<p>½ mark ½ mark 3 marks ½ mark ½ marks</p>
<p>46 (a)</p>	<p>Read the following sentences, spot the errors and rewrite the sentences correctly.</p> <p>(i) It will be a waste to throw the food. away</p> <p>(ii) Kailash never does any work after 10 p.m.</p> <p>(iii) Neither Suresh nor Kamalesh is intelligent.</p> <p>(iv) Nithya has taken half a day leave</p> <p>(v) One of my uncles lives in Canada.</p> <p align="center">(OR)</p> <p>(b) Fill in the blanks suitably.</p> <p>(i) has bought, is using</p> <p>(ii) used to</p> <p>(iii) banned, band</p>	<p>1 mark 1 mark 1 mark 1 mark 1 mark 2 marks 1 mark 2 marks</p>
<p>47 (a)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title • Expansion of the outline • Moral / comment on the story <p align="center">(OR)</p> <p>(b)</p> <p>(a) The Little Tramp</p> <p>(b) A little guy in a bowler hat, a close-fitting jacket, a cane, a pair of outsized shoes and a brush-like moustache. (any one of these points)</p> <p>(c) A Star /shy British Music Hall Comedian / Shy Comedian / Comedian.</p> <p>(d) Both his parents were separated /his mother never earned enough to look after her children/ he had to sleep on the streets. (any one)</p> <p>(e) (i) shy (ii) comedy</p>	<p>1 Mark 3 Marks 1 Mark 1 Mark 1 Mark 1 Mark 1 Mark ½ Mark ½ Mark</p>