

Note: Write Answers to the Questions on the objective answer sheet provided. Four possible answers A, B, C and D to each question are given. Which answer you consider correct, fill the corresponding circle A, B, C or D given in front of each question with Marker or Pen ink on the answer sheet provided.

**1.A. Choose the right option of the underlined words (Book-I: Short Stories, B-III Plays, Poetry)** [www.pakcity.org](http://www.pakcity.org)

1. Jess' curiosity was aroused. He thought he had found a new kind of wild grass, or an unfamiliar herb, or a new kind of tree.  
(A) Interest (B) Suspense (C) Anger (D) Noise
2. Father stopped. "You haven't been prowling up in those ruins, have you?"  
(A) Villages (B) Museums (C) Broken pieces (D) Pastures
3. Gorgios' then figure worn with age was made all the more melancholy by the tight-fitting uniform.  
(A) Sorrowful (B) Victorious (C) Alarming (D) Cheerful
4. For five eggs, which the king allows to be taken by force, the people belonging to his army will put a thousand fowls on the spit.  
(A) Sheep (B) Cattle (C) Birds (D) People
5. The animals are camels of prodigious size and strength  
(A) Tiny (B) Huge (C) Ordinary (D) Minor
6. The girl could hear the water splashing under his feet as he ran.  
(A) Boiling (B) Wasting (C) Mixing (D) Dashing
7. Spelding said, "If it's not a meteor, it's an optical illusion ... mass hysteria.  
(A) Reference (B) Deception (C) Gift (D) Machine
8. The children just don't seem to care about anything .... On top of that, almost all of them are unruly.  
(A) Obedient (B) Disciplined (C) Rowdy (D) Good
9. Yonder's the midden whose odors will madden. (A) Meadow (B) Furnace (C) Dung hill (D) Rock
10. Sindhi woman glides with a stone jar. (A) Works (B) Moves smoothly (C) Sells (D) Runs

**B. Choose the right option out of the four for each question:**

11. Harry bought a metal shop from \_\_\_\_\_ in "Dark they were, and Golden-Eyed"  
(A) Cora (B) Samuel (C) David (D) Sam
12. The great throne-room had been turned into a kind of \_\_\_\_\_ in "The Reward".  
(A) Swimming pool (B) Skating rink (C) Gymnasium (D) Stadium
13. The two nurses who were on duty in the hospital in the casualty department were \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) Shehnaz & Gill (B) Nasreen & Jamila (C) Zahida & Kausar (D) Zakia & Surraya
14. The bus in the play "Heat Lighting" was late due to \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) Rush (B) Broken roads (C) Storm (D) Tyre puncture
15. The spaceship in "Visit to a small planet" lands \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) On the roof (B) In the fields (C) On a hill (D) In Mrs. Spelding's rose garden

**C. Choose the correct form of verb out of the given four options and fill up the bubble.** [www.pakcity.org](http://www.pakcity.org)

16. One of the students \_\_\_ absent today. (A) Are (B) Were (C) Is (D) Had been
17. I wish, I \_\_\_\_\_ a champion. (A) Was (B) Am (C) Will be (D) Were
18. Exercise \_\_\_ man happy & healthy (A) Keeps (B) Kept (C) Keep (D) Had kept
19. It \_\_\_\_\_ since yesterday. (A) Was raining (B) Had been raining (C) Has been raining (D) Would be raining
20. They \_\_\_\_\_ dinner last night (A) Have (B) Has (C) Had (D) Had had

## SECTION-I

Write short answers in 3 – 5 sentences/lines of any six questions in your own words. (Book-I, Short Stories) (2x6=12)

- i. Why did Arthur disagree with his wife?
  - ii. What were the feelings of the old man at the age of seventy?
  - iii. What made Hubert shameful? (The piece of string.)
  - iv. Why did the doctor become furious? (The use of force)
  - v. What was the effect of punishment of villagers upon the foolish man?
  - vi. What was the cause of Negroes' discontentment?
  - vii. Why did Della sell her hair?
  - viii. Who took the young man to the hospital? (Over-coat)
  - ix. Why are noble deeds always a great joy for the author? (The Angel and the Author)
3. Write short answers in 3 – 5 lines/sentences of any five questions in your own words. (Book-III, One Act Plays) (5x2=10)
- i. What happened to the girl when she was coming back from the party? (Heat Lightning).
  - ii. How did the girl come to know about the reality of the First Man?
  - iii. What extraordinary powers does Kreton have?
  - iv. What is Mr. Spelding's reaction on seeing the spaceship?
  - v. Who is John? And what does he do for a living? (Visit to a small planet.)
  - vi. According to Harry, how does one bring merriment to the tired human heart?
  - vii. What is Applegarth's complaint about the sea?
  - viii. Where has Clark Larabee been?
4. Write short answers in 3 – 5 lines of any four questions in your own words from Book-III (Plays and Poems). (4x2=8)
- i. What does the Night Mail bring?
  - ii. What is the underlying message of the poem, "Times"?
  - iii. What does the poet say about "Splitting the grain" in the poem "The Feed"?
  - iv. Who cannot compete with the civilization of Makkah? Briefly explain.
  - v. Why did Mansur mount the gallows?
  - vi. What is the effect of love on human life? (Love – an Essence of All Religions)

## SECTION-II

5. Write a letter to your friend requesting him to lend you some books of "Islamic History". (10)

OR

Write an application to your principal requesting him to issue you the migration certificate.

6. Write a story on a moral lesson. (10)

"Union is Strength"

OR

"A Rolling stone gathers no moss"

7. (a) Explain the following lines with reference to the context: (05)

We are the hollow men      We are the stuffed men      Leaning together      Headpiece filled with straw. Alas!

- (b) Punctuate the following line / lines: (05)

Look at this jess he bragged did you ever see better alfalfa grow out of earth.

- (c) Use any five of the following pairs of words in your own sentences: (05)

- (i) Bail, Bale      (ii) Cite, Site      (iii) Dual, Duel      (iv) Eminent, Imminent  
(v) Grate, Great      (vi) Ideal, Idle      (vii) Sole, Soul

8. Translate the following passage into Urdu: (15)

"Twenty times in my life," he said, "a doctor has told me to go home and be with my family as long as I could. Told me not to work. Not to do anything but to live and enjoy the few days I had left with me. If the doctors have been right," he said winking at me, "I have cheated death many times! Now, I've reached the years the Good Book allows to man in his lifetime upon this earth! Three score years and ten!" He got up from the stump and wiped the raindrops of sweat from his red-wrinkled face with his big blue bandanna.

OR

Alternative question for candidates whose medium of examination is English / Foreign candidates only.

Write an essay on "Unemployment"



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**English Compulsory (Objective)****Group-II**

For All Sessions

Time: 30 Minutes

Marks : 20

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1. Norma glared at the carton as she unlocked the door.  
(A) Smiled (B) Gazed (C) Stroke (D) Pushed
  2. Jess lost his little plough in a furrow and he cried and cried until his father made him another plough.  
(A) Cave (B) Pond (C) Trench (D) Valley
  3. The doctor forced the heavy silver spoon back of her teeth and down her throat till she gagged.  
(A) Recovered (B) Fled (C) Jumped (D) Choked
  4. Mississippi, a desert state sweltering with the heat of injustice and oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom & justice.  
(A) Cruelty (B) Harmony (C) Discord (D) Freedom
  5. Love and large-hearted giving, when added together, can leave deep marks.  
(A) Disease (B) Present (C) Loan (D) Sympathy
  6. The door rattles viciously. The light in the room has almost dimmed out.  
(A) Slightly (B) Lightly (C) Violently (D) Quickly
  7. It is not very flattering when one's own daughter won't listen to what one says.  
(A) Strange (B) Surprising (C) Offensive (D) Pleasing
  8. Harry takes off the derby, lathers his face, and begins to shave with a straight-edge razor.  
(A) Applies forth (B) Cleans (C) Dries (D) Turns
  9. Sheep dogs slumber on with paws across.  
(A) Bark (B) Guard (C) Walk (D) Sleep
  10. That dusk will delay on your path to the pass.  
(A) Dawn (B) Noon (C) Evening (D) Night
- B. Choose the right option out of the four for each question:**
11. The special type of tree found by Jess' father was \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) Cherry (B) Apple (C) Alfalfa (D) Coffee
  12. Jorkens hit on a most extraordinary ambition to be appointed \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) A court acrobat (B) An inspector (C) A clerk (D) A magistrate
  13. Jim and the watch chain had \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) High cost (B) Simplicity (C) Value (D) Quietness & value
  14. The visitor in the play "Visit to a small planet" was dressed in the fashion of \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) 1960 (B) 1860 (C) 1900 (D) 1850
  15. Harry Van Dusen paid \_\_\_\_\_ for his barber shop.  
(A) 60 dollars (B) 65 dollars (C) 75 dollars (D) 80 dollars
- C. Choose the correct form of verb out of the given four options and fill up the bubbles.**
16. The sun \_\_\_\_\_ in the east.  
(A) Rose (B) Risen (C) Rise (D) Rises
  17. He made me \_\_\_\_\_ letter yesterday.  
(A) Wrote (B) Write (C) To write (D) Written
  18. If you \_\_\_\_\_ hard, you will get through.  
(A) Will work (B) Would work (C) Works (D) Work
  19. Quaid-e-Azam \_\_\_\_\_ born in Karachi.  
(A) Had been (B) Has been (C) Is (D) Was
  20. Unless you \_\_\_\_\_ attention to work, you will not succeed.  
(A) Pay (B) Do not pay (C) Will not pay (D) Paid

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## SECTION-I

2. Write short answers in 3 – 5 lines of any six questions in your own words. (Book-I, Short Stories) (2x6=12)
- What did Mr Steward tell Mr and Mrs Arthur about his organization?
  - What climate did Harry and his family face?
  - What happened to the boy when he tried to snatch the purse?
  - How did Gorgios persuade his people to make his country strong?
  - What should be the role of Qazi (The Gulistan of Sa'di)
  - For what purpose was the old plough-share used? (A Mild Attack of Locusts).
  - Why did Jim sell the gold watch?
  - Why did Maulvi Abul's prayers become intense and prolonged?
  - How did the young man look like? (Overcoat).
3. Write short answers in 3 – 5 lines of any five questions in your own words. (Book-III, One Act Plays) (5x2=10)
- Why did the girl go to the bus station?
  - How is the girl saved from the First Man?
  - What are the reasons Kreton gives to visit Earth?
  - What instructions does General Powers give about Mr Spelding's house?
  - How does Kreton describe General Power's thoughts?
  - What does the writer do with the Oyster?
  - Why does Miss Mc Cutcheon want to have a poodle hair cut?
  - How far is Hollywood from O.K. by-the-Sea?
4. Write short answers in 3 – 5 lines of any four questions in your own words from Book-III (Poems). (4x2=8)
- What do the poor and the rich leaves signify?
  - What does the night mail bring?
  - What did the traveller see in the desert?
  - What is confusion of the Mother Sparrow?
  - Why do the people look powerless and helpless? (A tale of two cities)
  - Why/does the poet emphasize on love?

## SECTION-II

5. Write a letter to your father explaining him the cause of your failure in the examination. (10)

OR

Write an application to the principal for change of subjects.

6. Write a story bearing the moral. (10)

Where there is a will, there is a way

OR

Slow and steady wins the race

7. (a) Explain the following lines with reference to the context : (05)

Out of this house, said rider to reader,  
yours never will, said Farer to fearer,  
they're looking for you, said hearer to horror,  
As he left them there, as he left them there.

- (b) Punctuate the following extract from Book-I (Short stories) (05)

"Children he said," sitting there, looking beyond them, "I've something to tell you" we know," they said.

- (c) Use any five of the following pairs of words in your own words: (05)

(i) Accede, Exceed (ii) Calendar, Calender (iii) Economic, Economical (iv) Ingenuous, Ingenious  
(v) Oar, Ore (vi) Pain, Pane (vii) Soar, Sore

8. Translate the following passage into Urdu: (15)

The Magi, as you know, were wise men – wonderfully wise men – who brought gifts to the newborn Christ-child. They were the first to give Christmas gifts. Being wise, their gifts were doubtlessly wise ones. And here I have told you the story of two children who were not wise. Each sold the most valuable thing he owned in order to buy a gift for the other. But let me speak the last word to the wise of these days. Of all who give gifts, these two were the wisest. Of all who give and receive gifts, such as they are most wise. Everywhere they are the wisest ones.

OR

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Write an essay on "Co-education"