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LANGUAGE COMPREHENSION TEST
(For Students of Class X)

Time : 45 Minutes Max. Marks : 50
(For Blind Candidates Time : 1 Hour)

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Read the following instructions carefully before you open the question booklet.

1. This test contains 50 Questions in English Language and 50 Questions in Hindi Language. The candidate has to attempt this test **only in one Language i.e. either in English or in Hindi.**
2. Mark the language of test opted by you very clearly on the answer sheet (OMR) as per instructions given on the answer sheet.
3. Answers are to be given on a **separate answer sheet (OMR sheet).**
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7. Since the time allotted for this question paper is very limited, you should make the best use of it by not spending too much time on any one question.
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9. Every correct answer will be awarded one mark. There will be no negative marking.
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(कक्षा X के विद्यार्थियों के लिए)

समय : 45 मिनट पूर्णांक : 50
(दृष्टिहीन अभ्यर्थियों के लिए समय : 1 घंटा)

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1. इस प्रश्न-पत्र में 50 प्रश्न अंग्रेजी भाषा के और 50 प्रश्न हिन्दी भाषा के हैं। विद्यार्थियों को इनमें से केवल एक भाषा को करना है या तो अंग्रेजी या हिन्दी।
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3. उत्तर एक अलग उत्तर-पत्रक (ओ० एम० आर० शीट) में देने हैं।
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5. कृपया उत्तर चिह्नित करने के लिए उत्तर-पत्रक पर दिये गये निर्देशों को ध्यान से समझ कर उनकी अनुपालना कीजिए।
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Language Comprehensive Test**Subject : English**

There are 50 questions in this paper. Each question carries 1 mark.

Direction for Question No. 1 - 5 : Read the passage and answer the questions based on it.

I have three visions for India. In 3000 years of our history people from all over the world have come and invaded us, captured our lands, conquered our minds. From Alexander onwards the Greeks, the Turks, the Moguls, the Portuguese, the British, the French, the Dutch, all of them came and looted us, took over what was ours. Yet we have not done this to any other nation. We have not conquered anyone. We have not grabbed their land, their culture and their history and tried to enforce our way of life on them. Why ? Because we respect the freedom of others. That is why my FIRST VISION is that of FREEDOM. I believe that India got its first vision of this in 1857, when we started the War of Independence. It is this freedom that we must protect and nurture and build on. If we are not free, no one will respect us.

We have 10 per cent growth in most areas. Our poverty levels are falling. Our achievements are being globally recognised today. Yet we lack the self confidence to see ourselves as a developed nation, self-reliant and self assured. Isn't this incorrect ? MY SECOND VISION for India is DEVELOPMENT. For fifty years we have been a developing nation. It is time we see ourselves as a developed nation. We are among top five nations in the world in terms of GDP. I have THIRD VISION India must stand up to the world. Because I believe that unless India stands up to the world, no one will respect us. Only strength respects strength. We must be strong not only as a military power but also as an economic power.

1. In 3000 years many countries invaded India. What damage did they do to us ?
 - (1) They gave India freedom
 - (2) They worked for India's development
 - (3) They looted us, took over what was ours
 - (4) They helped us to be strong and powerful.
2. Why we (India) have not conquered any nation ? Not grabbed their land and culture ?
 - (1) Because we were a weak nation
 - (2) Because we respect the freedom of others
 - (3) Because we did not respect the freedom of others
 - (4) Because we were a greedy nation.

3. The author's first vision is that of freedom. What kind of freedom is it ?
- (1) It is to live and enjoy freely
 - (2) It is to grab others' land
 - (3) It is the freedom that we must protect and nurture and build on
 - (4) It is to enforce our way of life.
4. What is the second vision of the author ?
- (1) His second vision is Independence
 - (2) His second vision is to respect others
 - (3) His second vision is to take over on others
 - (4) His second vision for India is Development.
5. According to the author what should we do to stand up to the world ?
- (1) We must be strong as military and economic powers
 - (2) We must invade others' lands and conquer their minds
 - (3) We must respect the strength of others
 - (4) We must work with great minds.

Choose the correct options to fill in the blanks :

6. Mayank always newspaper in the morning.
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| (1) read | (2) reads |
| (3) was reading | (4) is reading. |
7. Listen! Someone at the door.
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| (1) is knocking | (2) are knocking |
| (3) knocks | (4) knocked. |
8. Kezia's father home just now.
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| (1) come | (2) came |
| (3) has come | (4) had come. |
9. First prize by Wanda last year.
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| (1) were won | (2) was won |
| (3) are won | (4) is won. |
10. A Poem by Roshani now.
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| (1) is being recited | (2) was being recited |
| (3) will be recited | (4) are being recited. |
11. National Anthem everyday in the prayer assembly.
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| (1) will be sung | (2) is sung |
| (3) sang | (4) is singing. |
12. Prizes by the chief guest in the annual function next week.
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| (1) give away | (2) has been given away |
| (3) will be given away | (4) was given away. |

13. Zameer said to me, "What are you doing ?"
Zameer asked me doing.
- (1) what was I (2) what he is
(3) that what I was (4) what I was.
14. He said, "Hurrah! I have won the match."
He exclaimed with joy the match.
- (1) if he was won (2) that he had won
(3) that he won (4) that he is won.
15. Anjana said to her father, "I want to buy a new dress."
Anjana told her father that to buy a new dress.
- (1) he wanted (2) she was wanted
(3) she wanted (4) she wants.
16. There are clouds in the sky. It rain today.
- (1) should (2) may
(3) could (4) will.
17. you lend me one thousand rupees ?
- (1) Must (2) May
(3) Would (4) Might.
18. Father warns his children : It's poison, you touch it.
- (1) needn't (2) couldn't
(3) can't (4) mustn't.
19. Jaiprakash as well as his colleagues determined to achieve the goal
this year.
- (1) am (2) are
(3) is (4) were.
20. The poet and playwright
- (1) are dead (2) is dead
(3) are dying (4) were dead.
21. Both Jaysree and Jyotirmay playing badminton now.
- (1) is (2) were
(3) was (4) are.
22. The number of farmers using modern technology in agriculture
growing more and more.
- (1) are (2) was
(3) is (4) were.
23. knowledge is dangerous thing.
- (1) The little (2) A little
(3) The few (4) A few.

24. Geeta : Would you lend me money ?
Deepika : Certainly, I will.
(1) many (2) several
(3) some (4) much.
25. The snake came into the room the window.
(1) by (2) from
(3) at (4) through.
26. Many people died for the sake their motherland.
(1) of (2) to
(3) for (4) from.
27. What is the time your watch ?
(1) in (2) from
(3) by (4) on.
28. Shambhu is so rude nobody can face him publicly.
(1) yet (2) as
(3) that (4) so.
29. Children are fond of sweets.
(1) to eat (2) eating
(3) eat (4) are eating.
30. my sister was washing clothes, the ring slipped off her finger.
(1) Because (2) While
(3) Although (4) Therefore.
31. Add a question tag :
Clean India Campaign is growing popular day by day,
- (1) isn't it ? (2) is it ?
(3) wasn't it ? (4) don't it ?
32. Add a question tag :
Devendra won't take a test,
- (1) shall he ? (2) won't he ?
(3) will he ? (4) shan't he ?

For Question Nos. 33 - 34 select the proper grammatical arrangement of the given sentences :

33. Believe / do not / what / he says / in
(a) / (b) / (c) / (d) / (e)
- (1) (b) (a) (e) (c) (d) (2) (c) (b) (a) (e) (d)
(3) (a) (e) (b) (c) (d) (4) (d) (c) (b) (a) (e).
34. Farmers / Indian / work / hard / very
(a) / (b) / (c) / (d) / (e)
- (1) (b) (d) (e) (a) (c) (2) (e) (a) (b) (c) (d)
(3) (a) (c) (e) (b) (d) (4) (b) (a) (c) (e) (d).

For Question Nos. **35 - 36** select the word that best expresses the meaning of the given word :

35. downcast

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| (1) joy | (2) sad |
| (3) hopeful | (4) hate. |

36. workaholic

- (1) A person who finds it difficult to stop working
- (2) A person who does not find it difficult to stop working
- (3) A person who is least interested in working
- (4) A person who works time to time.

For Question Nos. **37 - 38** select the word which means the opposite of the given word :

37. Former

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| (1) recently | (2) early |
| (3) lately | (4) latter. |

38. Ally

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| (1) Enemy | (2) Friend |
| (3) Companion | (4) Relative |

For Question Nos. **39 - 40** select the meaning of the given phrasal verbs :

39. Taken with

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| (1) abhored by | (2) disliked by |
| (3) attracted by | (4) distracted by. |

40. Give away

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| (1) distribute | (2) contribute |
| (3) collect | (4) gather. |

41. The poem " The Road not Taken" is written by

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| (1) Coates Kinney | (2) Robert Frost |
| (3) W. B. Yeats | (4) James Kirkup. |

42. Who composed the poem " A Tiger in the Zoo" ?

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| (1) Robert Frost | (2) John Berryman |
| (3) Robin Klein | (4) Leslie Norris. |

43. He came 'in'

Here 'in' is

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| (1) Preposition | (2) Noun |
| (3) Adverb | (4) Adjective. |

44. He sat in his favoured corner by the fire.

In the above sentence 'favoured' functions as a/an

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| (1) Verb | (2) Adjective |
| (3) Adverb | (4) Noun. |

45. Choose the correct Negative sentence of the given affirmative sentence :

December is the coldest month of the year.

- (1) December is as cold as other months
- (2) No month is coldest of the year as December is
- (3) No other month of the year is as cold as December
- (4) None of these.

46. Which of the following can be the appropriate word for the blank space :

On the day of the of my new office, I was overwhelmed with a sense of achievement.

- (1) inauguration
- (2) inaugurate
- (3) inaugural
- (4) inaugurator.

47. Which of the following is correctly spelt :

- (1) Beautifull
- (2) Beehive
- (3) Bihave
- (4) Childhud.

48. can get driving licence for all vehicles.

- (1) 16 year and above
- (2) 18 year and above
- (3) 15 year and above
- (4) 14 year and above.

For Question Nos. 49 - 50 select the meaning of the underlined phrases / idioms.

49. The police caught him red-handed.

- (1) in the act of doing something wrong
- (2) with his hands smeared with blood
- (3) when his hands were red
- (4) in the act of painting the hands red.

50. They won the match by hook or by crook.

- (1) by using all the instruments
- (2) by using the hooks
- (3) by using the crooks
- (4) by any means possible.