

PERSPECTIVES IN LITERATURE
MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS]

1. Birth place of William Shakespeare
(a) Stratford-upon-Avon (b) America
(b) Queensland (d) Malabar
2. The dear friend of Shakespeare who is believed to be mentioned in the Sonnet XXX
(a) John Keats (b) Robert Frost
(c) Gabriel Okara (d) Earl of Southampton
3. How many Sonnets are written by Shakespeare?
(a) 154 (b) 38
(c) 12 (d) 4
4. Who wrote the poem "Goodbye Party for Miss Pushpa T.S."?
(a) Kamala Suraiya (b) Nissim Ezekiel
(c) Maya Angelou (d) Gabriel Okara
5. Among the following, who is an African poet?
(a) David Malouf (b) Robert Frost
(c) Gabriel Okara (d) Bertrand Russell
6. Autobiography of Maya Angelou
(a) Just Give Me a Cool Drink of Water 'Fore I Die
(b) I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings
(c) And Still I Rise
(d) Poor Girl
7. The first Indian poet to give importance to craft as much as subject matter
(a) Kamala Suraiya

- (b) R.K.Narayan
 - (c) David Malouf
 - (d) Nissim Ezekiel
8. "Ode to a Nightingale" is about
- (a) Mortality and transience
 - (b) Parody of a farewell speech
 - (c) Positive influence of the memories of a dear friend
 - (d) A male-centered world
9. The first book of poems by Kamala Suraiya
- (a) The Mask
 - (b) The Play House and Other Poems
 - (c) Only the Soul Knows How to Sing
 - (d) Summer in Calcutta
10. Whose autobiography is the book "My Story"?
- (a) Shakespeare
 - (b) Kamala Suraiya
 - (c) Robert Frost
 - (d) John Keats
11. The poem "Once Upon a Time" is
- (a) The positive influence of the memories of a dear friend
 - (b) Revolves around two neighbours who disagree on the need for a walled boundary
 - (c) A lament over the lost warmth in human relations
 - (d) A feeling experienced by a woman who has been betrayed in love
12. The maxim "Good fences make good neighbours" belongs to the poem
- (a) Sonnet XXX
 - (b) Poor Girl
 - (c) Mending Wall
 - (d) The Mask
13. Why does Keats wish for a 'draught of vintage'?

- (a) To cool himself in the summer
 - (b) To go to Lethe-wards
 - (c) To leave the world unseen with the wind
 - (d) To join the bird in its world of happiness
14. Who is the 'light-winged Dryad of the trees' in "Ode to a Nightingale"?
- (a) Poor Girl
 - (b) cows
 - (c) Nightingale
 - (d) Miss Pushpa
15. Attitude of the poet towards the bicycle in the poem "Bicycle"
- (a) The poet adores the human machine
 - (b) The poet worships the machine and is fascinated by it
 - (c) The poet enjoys seeing a bicycle
 - (d) The bicycle is a powerful machine
16. Why is *she* called 'poor girl' in Maya Angelou's poem?
- (a) She will soon experience rejection
 - (b) She has no money
 - (c) She understands everything
 - (d) She misunderstands everyone
17. The feeling experienced in the beginning of the poem "The Mask" is that of
- (a) Love
 - (b) The pain of betrayal
 - (c) Hatred
 - (d) Agony
18. Why is Pushpa going abroad?
- (a) On a visit
 - (b) to study
 - (c) To improve her prospects
 - (d) on a holiday
19. The title 'Once Upon a Time' indicates
- (a) This is a fairy tale
 - (b) the poet lives in the past

- (c) The nostalgia of a good old bygone time (d) the poet is disgusted with the life
20. Pushpa is a popular person because
- (a) She is a good person (b) she is a good spirit
- (c) She is emotional (d) her father was a renowned advocate
21. The beauty of the poem "The Mask" lies in
- (a) The goodness of the lover
- (b) The anger of the lover
- (c) The sympathetic nature of the lover
- (d) The deep sorrow felt by the lover
22. Who is a *stranger* in the poem "Bicycle"?
- (a) Wall (b) nightingale
- (c) Bicycle (d) poor girl
23. 'Away! Away! For I will fly to thee.' How does the poet wish to fly with the bird in the poem "Ode to a Nightingale"?
- (a) Charioted by Bacchus and his Pards
- (b) On the viewless wings of Poesy
- (c) Leaden-eye with despair
- (d) With the Queen Moon on her throne
24. What is meant by 'vanish'd sight' in Sonnet XXX ?
- (a) worries (b) happiness
- (c) loss of all that has been dear to him (d) loss of eye sight
25. Whose poems are a fusion of pleasure and wisdom?
- (a) Shakespeare (b) Robert Frost
- (c) David Malouf (d) Maya Angelou
26. the most personal of Keats' odes
- (a) The Eve of St. Agnes (b) Isabella
- (c) Ode to a Nightingale (d) La Belle Dame Sans Mercy

27. Mid-May's eldest child
- (a) musk-rose (b) violets
(c) hawthorn (d) eglantine
28. meaning of the word *opiate*
- (a) numbness (b) worries
(c) a drink made of opium (d) a herb
29. out- door game in Frost's poem
- (a) apple orchard (b) mending the wall
(c) pine orchard (d) activity that takes place outside
30. Who is addressed as *you* in the poem "Poor Girl"?
- (a) poor girl (b) pushpa
(c) friend (d) lover
31. who is known as Madhavikutty in Malayalam literature
- (a) Maya Angelou (b) Anitha Desai
(c) Kamala Suraiya (d) Amartya Sen
32. Who is addressed to as *our dear sister* in Ezekiel's poem?
- (a) Pushpa (b) poor girl
(c) old beloved (d) new beloved
33. Why does Okara say that he wants to *laugh with hearts*?
- (a) He wants to lead a sincere life and be true to his heart
(b) He dislikes the artificiality of modern man
(c) He cannot laugh with his heart now
(d) Modern man has no feelings
34. What does Okara mean by the terms *unlearn* and *relearn*?
- (a) The poet wants to forget all that he has learned

- (b) The poet wants to start his life anew with all the goodness of heart
 - (c) The poet wants to learn anew the modern ways of man
 - (d) The poet wants to become a child
35. Who is the poem "Once Upon a Time" addressed to?
- (a) poet's son
 - (b) Pusha
 - (c) lover
 - poor girl
36. what is the reason for the poet to say 'Something there is that doesn't love a wall'?
- (a) The neighbour doesn't like a wall
 - (b) The ground swells naturally and makes gaps in the wall
 - (c) The poet doesn't like a wall
 - (d) The hunters too do not like a wall
37. what does the poet mean when he says, 'he moves in darkness'?
- (a) He carries the bricks in his hand
 - (b) He is a traditionalist and is not prepared to change his views
 - (c) He moves in the shade of the pine trees in his garden
 - (d) He is not prepared to listen to the poet
38. Who is the 'angel of two geometries'?
- (a) Bicycle
 - (b) Chair
 - (c) Mirror
 - (d) Bookcase
39. why does Malouf see a deity in the bicycle?
- (a) The bicycle outmatches man in efficiency and performance
 - (b) The shape reminds the poet of a deity
 - (c) Man gives too much importance to machines
 - (d) The bicycle has the appearance of a deity
40. what is the attitude of the poet towards the bicycle?
- (a) The poet adores the humble machine
 - (b) The poet worships the machine and is fascinated by it

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- 41 what is gifted by the lover in the poem 'The Mask'?
- (a) bangle
 - (b) ring
 - (c) nokia
 - (d) flower
- 42 what does the poet express towards the end of 'The Mask'?
- (a) the lover's utter helplessness and inability to cope with rejected love
 - (b) the lover's anger
 - (c) the lover remaining unaffected by any dejection
 - (d) the lover's recovery from the tragic situation
- 43 the language used in the poem 'Goodbye Party for Miss Pushpa T.S'
- (a) English
 - (b) Bombay-english
 - (c) Hindi
 - (d) Latin
- 44 meaning of 'bon voyage'
- (a) pleasant journey
 - (b) unpleasant journey
 - (c) happy
 - (d) unhappy
- 45 pushpa's father was a renowned advocate in
- (a) bulsar
 - (b) surat
 - (c) Bombay
 - (d) England
- 46 what is transient in the poem The Mask?
- (a) Beloved's love
 - (b) Lover's love
 - (c) Silence
 - (d) River

47 who is unaffected by the presence of the bicycle

- (a) poet
- (b) bookcase
- (c) mirror
- (d) chair

48 The foundation –stone of a bore is?

- (a) Stigma
- (b) Egotism
- (c) Handicap
- (d) Ignorance

49 Bores are happy largely because?

- (a) All the time something is happening
- (b) They triumph over others
- (c) They can bore people
- (d) They are busy men

50 The most repellent specimen of all bores?

- (a) Buttonnoling bore
- (b) One who begins with a funny story
- (c) The man says `live and let live`
- (d) None of the above

51 Who is the author of “bores” ?

- (a) E.V. Lucas
- (b) Amartya sen
- (c) Bertrand Rusell
- (d) John Keats

- 52 What, according to Russell, is the first mistake of human beings?
- (a) Their beings dogmatic
 - (b) Their inability to observe
 - (c) Their lack of acurence of their own ignorance
 - (d) Their inability to be cautious
- 53 The only way of dealing with general human conceit is?
- (a) By concealing self-esteem
 - (b) Being rational in one's through
 - (c) By creating a belief in something comfering
 - (d) Accepting that man is only a brief episode on this planet
- 54 One way to avoid being dogmatic is?
- (a) To remain silent when you disagree
 - (b) To engage in an imaginary dialogue with opposite view
 - (c) To agree with the acceptable opinion
 - (d) To agree and convince all
- 55 Women's voice in contemporary Indian public life can be strengthened by?
- (a) Allevication of economic poetry
 - (b) Broadening the social coverage that is now confined to the urban elite
 - (c) Removing disparties in public life
 - (d) Increassing the politicization of issues
- 56 Name the reason for satisfaction in the pratice of democarcy?
- (a) More than half a century has passed since independence
 - (b) Political parties have come into office after winning elections
 - (c) Success and failure in different fields are interconnected

(d) The achievements of Indian democracy having been far from unblemished

57 Who own novel prize in economic science in the year 1988?

(a) Amartya sen

(b) Jawaharlal Nehru

(c) E.V. Lucas

(d) Robert Forst

58 Why was jimmy valentine imprisoned?

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(b) Rakesh

(c) Sambu

(d) Jacopo

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61 Why did Ben prince act rather strangely?

(a) Ben Prince was convinced of jimmy`s transformation

(b) Ben wanted to give him another chance

- (c) Ben came to the bank to see the manager
 - (d) Ben didn't recognize Jimmy
- 62 Who is the 'A DEVOTED SON' ?
- (a) Rakesh
 - (b) Shambu
 - (c) Jacopo
 - (d) Nicola
- 63 What was the reason for the tourist's interest in the two boys?
- (a) They picked fruits for a living
 - (b) They often took the tourist's around
 - (c) There was a seriousness,an air of purpose in them
 - (d) they were selling wild berries
- 64 What did the boys do with the Moneys?
- (a) They saved it to emigrate to America
 - (b) They hired a bicycle to go to the country
 - (c) They paid for the treatment of their sick sister
 - (d) They saved for a better tomorrow
- 65 What was rakesh in the story "A Devoted Son" by profession?
- (a) Doctor
 - (b) Kerosene Dealer
 - (c) Vegetable Seller
 - (d) None of the above
- 66 When the picture was released Sambu was delighted because?
- (a) He had acted in the cenima
 - (b) His father had come back to life

- (c) He had got an opportunity to see his father
 - (d) He got an opportunity to go back in time
- 67 The mother fainted while watching the cinema why?
- (a) The realistic portrayal was unbearable to her
 - (b) Her husband talked to the wife on the screen
 - (c) Her husband sat absorbed in a newspaper
 - (d) The picture fascinated her
- 68 Why did jimmy decide to make a gift of his tools to a friend?
- (a) Jimmy was fond of his friend
 - (b) Jimmy had quit the old business and was making an honest living
 - (c) Old scores would be brought up against him
 - (d) He was fed up of his old ways
- 69 What was the exemplary filial behavior displayed by Rakesh?
- (a) He topped the list when the results were out
 - (b) He bowed down and touched his father's feet when topped the list
 - (c) He scanned the morning newspaper to see the result
 - (d) He went up to his father and informed him the result
- 70 How did Rakesh fulfil his duty to his father?
- (a) He took his father in the car to see his new clinic
 - (b) He emerged as an excellent doctor
 - (c) He measured out his father's diet and fed him with powders and pills
 - (d) He advised his fathers to be sensible
- 71 Who was Varmaji's neighbor in the story 'A Devoted son'?
- (a) Paul
 - (b) Jimmy

(c) Bhatia

(d) Rakesh

72 Why did Ivan not try to find the number of the winning ticket?

(a) He didn't believe in trying his luck

(b) he had no faith in lottery luck

(c) To torment and tease himself with hopes of winning a fortune

(d) To see the broad, senseless smile on his wife's face

73 What did Ivan plan to do with the money?

(a) To lie on his back on the burning sand

(b) To spend on property, on immediate expenses and deposit the balance in the bank

(c) To live happily ever after with his wife

(d) To lead a leisurely and happy life

74 The only way to make amends for our lapse is

(a) To cry and mourn Gandhi's death

(b) To pledge ourselves anew and dedicate to the great task he undertook

(c) To think him for the great work he undertook

(d) To root out the evil in society

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- 77 Who is the author of the story 'two gentleman of Verona' ?
- (a) R.K Narayan
 - (b) Jawaharlal Nehru
 - (c) Anita Desai
 - (d) A.J Cronin
- 78 Which among these is the work of R.k Narayan?
- (a) A shadow
 - (b) Two gentleman of Verona
 - (c) The lottery ticket
 - (d) Bores
- 79 Who is the main character in the story 'The Lottery Ticket '?
- (a) Ivan Dmitritch
 - (b) Sambhu
 - (c) Varma
 - (d) Bhatia
- 80 We have failed to protect ...who does Nehru refer to here?
- (a) The Indian people
 - (b) The greatest treasure that we passed
 - (c) The common clay
 - (d) The geratmen
- 81 Who is the author of the prose **Bores**?
- (a) Robert frost
 - (b) Bertrand Russell

(c) E.V Lucas

(d) Amartya Sen

82 Who is the William Shakespeare?

(a) Singer

(b) Dramatist

(c) Dancer

(d) Artist

83 Who is author of the prose Tryst With Destiny?

(a) Johnkeats

(b) O.Henry

(c) Amartya Sen

(d) E.V Lucas

84 which is the work by Bertrand Russell?

(a) How to escape from intellectual rubbish

(b) Amartya Sen

(c) Jawaharlal Nehru

(d) E.V Lucas

85 Which is the work by O.Henry?

(a) A Retrieved Reformation

(b) A shadow

(c) A devoted son

(d) The lottery ticket

86 Who was Sambu`s father by profession?

(a) Actor

(b) Dancer

(c) Artist

(d) Violinist

87 Sahmbu's mother didn't come to see the movie at first because ?

(a) She couldn't bear to see her husband on the screen

(b) she didn't like her husband

(c) She did not like to watch movie

(d) None of the above

88 Jacopo and Nicola worked very hard for?

(a) To emigrate to America

(b) To treat their sick sister

(c) To lead a happy life

(d) To save for better life

89 In trust with density Amartya Sen refers to _____?

(a) About the suffering of Indians

(b) The historic speech delivered by Jawaharlal Nehru

(c) Prose-Drama

(d) About typing with density

90 He is not a man of 'common clay' -Who?

(a) Jawaharlal Nehru

(b) Indira Gandhi

(c) Gandhiji

(d) Rakesh

91 Who are the Two Gentleman of Verona that A.J Cronin refers to?

(a) Nicola and Jacapo

(b) Jimmy and Ivan Dmitrich

- (c) Husband and wife
 - (d) None of the above
- 92 A Glory has departed who is the 'Glory' referred to by Nehru
- (a) Mahatma Gandhiji
 - (b) Bore
 - (c) Rakesh
 - (d) Jawarharlal Nehru
- 93 Who is the author of A Retrieved reformation?
- (a) O.henry
 - (b) R.K Narayanan
 - (c) Anita Desai
 - (d) A.J Cronin
- 94 who is the author of 'How to escape from intellectual Rubbish'?
- (a) Jawaharalal Nehru
 - (b) Amartya Sen
 - (c) Bertrand Russell
 - (d) None of the above
- 95 One of the famous work of Robert Frost?
- (a) Ode to a Nightingale
 - (b) Mending wall
 - (c) Once upon a time
 - (d) The mask
- 96 Auto-biography of Gandhiji?
- (a) My experiments with truth
 - (b) Wings of fire

- (c) My memories
- (d) None of the above
- 97 Who was the Jacopo`s sister ?
- (a) Annet
- (b) Veena
- (c) Lucia
- (d) None of these
- 98 This story 'A shadow ' deals with_____?
- (a) Dynamics of relationships
- (b) Hardships and toil
- (c) Reformation of an ex-convict Jimmy Valentine
- (d) Name of the above
- 99 The story `The Lottery Ticket' deals about?
- (a) Shows that money does not buy love
- (b) Family relationships
- (c) The good and bad side
- (d) None of the above
- 100 The story `A Devoted Son' deals with?
- (a) Family relationship
- (b) How things that are seemingly good have a dark underside
- (c) Two gentleman of Verona
- (d) The good and bad men

ANSWERS

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 13.D 14.C 15.B 16.A 17.B 18.C 19.C 20.B 21.D 22.C 23.B 24.C
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49.B	50.A	51.A	52.A	53.D	54.B	55.B	56.B	57.A	58.B	59.A	60.B
61.A	62.C	63.C	64.C	65.A	66.C	67.A	68.B	69.B	70.C	71.C	72.B
73.D	74.B	75.C	76.C	77.D	78.A	79.A	80.B	81.C	82.B	83.C	84.A
85.A	86.A	87.A	88.B	89.B	90.C	91.A	92.A	93.A	94.C	95.B	96.A
97.C	98.A	99.A	100.B								