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Combined Civil Services Examination (Group-II / IIA) (Interview Posts and Non-Interview Posts)

GENERAL ENGLISH - SYLLABUS (S.S.L.C. Standard - Objective Type)

PART A - Grammar

- 1) Match the following words and Phrases given in Column A with their meanings in Column B.
- 2) Choose the correct 'Synonyms' for the underlined word from the options given
- 3) Choose the correct Antonyms for the underlined word from the options given
- 4) Select the correct word (Prefix, Suffix)
- 5) Fill in the blanks with suitable Article
- 6) Fill in the blanks with suitable Preposition
- 7) Select the correct Question Tag
- 8) Select the correct Tense
- 9) Select the correct Voice
- 10) Fill in the blanks (Infinitive, Gerund, Participle)
- 11) Identify the sentence pattern of the following sentence (Subject, Verb, Object....) Blanks with correct "Homophones"
- 12) Find out the Error (Articles, Prepositions, Noun, Verb, Adjective and Adverb)
- 13) Comprehension
- 14) Select the correct sentence
- 15) Find out the odd words (Verb, Noun, Adjective and Adverb)
- 16) Select the correct Plural forms
- 17) Identify the sentence (Simple, Compound, Complex Sentences)
- 18) Identify the correct Degree.
- 19) Form a new word by blending the words.
- 20) Form compound words (Eg: Noun+Verb, Gerund+Noun)
- 21) British English – American English.

PART-B**Poetry**

(a) Figures of Speech

(Alliteration – Simile – Metaphor – Personification – Onomatopoeia – Anaphora – Rhyme Scheme – Rhyming Words – Repetition, etc.)

(b) Poetry Appreciation

(c) Important Lines

LIST OF POEMS

- 1) **Life** - Henry Van Dyke
- 2) **I am Every Woman** - Rakhi Nariani Shirke
- 3) **The Secret of the Machines** - Rudyard Kipling
- 4) **The Ant and The Cricket** - Adapted from Aesop's fables
- 5) **No Men are Foreign** - James Falconer Kirkup
- 6) **The House on Elm Street** - Nadia Bush
- 7) **Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening** - Robert Frost
- 8) **A Poison Tree** - William Blake
- 9) **On Killing a Tree** - Gieve Patel
- 10) **The Spider and the Fly** - Mary Botham Howitt
- 11) **The River** - Caroline Ann Bowles
- 12) **The Comet** - Norman Littleford
- 13) **The Stick-together Families** - Edgar Albert Guest
- 14) **Special Hero** - Christina M. Kerschen
- 15) **Making Life Worth While** - George Elliot
- 16) **A Thing of Beauty** - John Keats
- 17) **Lessons in Life** - Brigitte Bryant & Daniel Ho
- 18) **My Computer Needs a Break** - Shanthini Govindan
- 19) **Your Space** - David Bates
- 20) **Sea Fever** - John Masefield
- 21) **Courage** - Edgar Albert Guest
- 22) **Team Work** - Edgar Albert Guest
- 23) **From a Railway Carriage** - Robert Louis Stevenson
- 24) **Indian Seasons** - Nisha Dyrene
- 25) **A Tragic Story** - William Makepeace Thackeray

Part-C

Literary Works

I. LIST OF PROSE

1. **His First Flight** - Liam O'Flaherty
2. **The Tempest** - Tales From Shakespeare
3. **The Last Lesson** - Alphonse Daudet
4. **The Little Hero of Holland** - Mary Mapes Dodge
5. **The Dying Detective** - Arthur Conan Doyle
6. **Learning the Game** (Book Extract) - Sachin Tendulkar
7. **The Cat and the Painkiller** (An Extract from The Adventures of Tom Sawyer) – Mark Twain
8. **Water – The Elixir of Life** - Sir C.V.Raman
9. **The Story of a Grizzly Cub** - William Temple Hornaday
10. **Sir Isaac Newton** - Nathaniel Hawthorne
11. **My Reminiscence** - Rabindranath Tagore
12. **The Woman on Platform 8** - Ruskin Bond
13. **The Nose Jewel** - C.Rajagopalachari
14. **A Birthday Letter** - Jawaharlal Nehru

II. Biographies of -

Mahatma Gandhi - Jawaharlal Nehru - Subash Chandra Bose - Helen Keller - Kalpana Chawala - Dr.Salim Ali - Rani of Jhansi - Nelson Mandela – Abraham Lincoln

III. General Comprehension

TNPSC Group II/IIA - GENERAL ENGLISH - NEW SYLLABUS**WHERE TO STUDY ?**

S.No	LIST OF POEMS	Std	Chapter
1.	Life – Henry Van Dyke	10 th Book	1
2.	I am Every Woman – Rakhi Nariani Shirke	10 th Book	3
3.	The Secret of the Machines – Rudyard Kipling	10 th Book	5
4.	The Ant and The Cricket – Adapted from Aesop's	10 th Book	4
5.	No Men are Foreign – James Falconer Kirkup	10 th Book	6
6.	The House on Elm Street – Nadia Bush	10 th Book	7
7.	Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening – Robert Frost	9 th Book	1
8.	A Poison Tree – William Blake	9 th Book	2
9.	On Killing a Tree – Gieve Patel	9 th Book	3
10.	The Spider and the Fly – Mary Botham Howitt	9 th Book	4
11.	The River – Caroline Ann Bowles	9 th Book	5
12.	The Comet – Norman Littleford	9 th Book	6
13.	The Stick-together Families – Edgar Albert Guest	9 th Book	7
14.	Special Hero – Christina M.Kerschen	8 th Book	1
15.	Making Life Worth While – George Elliot	8 th Book	3
16.	A Thing of Beauty – John Keats	8 th Book	4
17.	Lessons in Life – Brigitte Bryant & Daniel Ho	8 th Book	6
18.	My Computer Needs a Break – Shanthini Govindan	8 th Book	7
19.	Your Space – David Bates	7 th Term – 1	3
20.	Sea Fever – John Masefield	7 th Term –3	1
21.	Courage – Edgar Albert Guest	7 th Term –3	3
22.	Team work – Edgar Albert Guest	6 th Term –2	1
23.	From a Railway Carriage – Robert Louis Stevenson	6 th Term –2	2
24.	Indian Seasons – Nisha Dyrene	6 th Term –3	1
25.	A Tragic Story – William Makepeace Thackeray	6 th Term -3	2

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5.	The Dying Detective – Arthur Conan Doyle	10 th Book	7
6.	Learning the Game (Book Extract) – Sachin Tendulkar	9 th Book	1
7.	The Cat and the Painkiller (An Extract from The Adventures of Tom Sawyer) – Mark Twain	9 th Book	4
8.	Water – The Elixir of Life – Sir C.V.Raman	9 th Book	5
9.	The Story of a Grizzly Cub – William Temple Hornaday	9 th Book	5
10.	Sir Isaac Newton – Nathaniel Hawthorne	8 th Book	3
11.	My Reminiscence – Rabindranath Tagore	8 th Book	4
12.	The Woman on Platform 8 – Ruskin Bond	8 th Book	1
13.	The Nose Jewel – C.Rajagopalachari	8 th Book	1
14.	A Birthday Letter – Jawaharlal Nehru	9 th Book	7

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