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# TNPSC NEW SYLLABUS

**VETRI IAS**  
**STUDY CIRCLE**

## TNPSC VAO GENERAL ENGLISH S.S.L.C. Standard (Objective Type) GRAMMAR

### PART A

Match the following words and Phrases given in Column A with their meanings in Column B.

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

### PART- B: LITERATURE

#### 1. Figures of speech observed in the following Poems:

Alliteration – Allusion – Simile – Metaphor – Personification – Oxymoron – Onomatopoeia – Anaphora – Ellipsis - Rhyme Scheme - Rhyming Words – Repetition – Apostrophe

A Psalm of Life - Women's Rights - The Nation United - English words – Snake – The Man He Killed - Off to outer space tomorrow morning – Sonnet No.116 - The Solitary Reaper - Be the Best - O Captain My Captain – Laugh and Be Merry – Earth - Don't quit - The Apology - Be Glad your Nose is on your face - A sonnet for my Incomparable Mother - The Flying Wonder – To a Millionaire - The Piano – Manliness - Going for water - The cry of the Children - Migrant Bird - Shilpi.

#### 2. Appreciation Questions from Poetry

A Psalm of Life - Women's Rights - The Nation United - English words – Snake – The Man He Killed - Off to outer space tomorrow morning – Sonnet No.116 - The Solitary Reaper - Be the Best - O Captain My Captain - Laugh and Be Merry – Earth - Don't quit - The Apology - Be Glad your - Nose is on your face - A sonnet for my Incomparable Mother – The Flying Wondr - To a Millionaire - The Piano – Manliness - Going for water - The cry of the Children - Migrant Bird - Shilpi.



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### 3.Important lines from Poems.

Where the mind is without fear - The Solitary Reaper - Going for water – A Psalm of Life - Be the Best - Sonnet No.116

### 4.Questions on the Biography of

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

### 5.Questions on Shakespeare's

Merchant of Venice (Act IV Court Scene) - Julius Ceasar (Act III Scene 2) - Sonnet 116

### 6.Questions from Oscar Wilde's

The Model Millionaire - The Selfish Giant

### 7.Dr.Karl Paulnack

Music-The Hope Raiser

### 8.Comprehension Questions from the following Motivational Essays:

Gopala Krishna Gokhale's Speech on 25th July in Mumbai in response to The address presented to him by students- Dale Carnegie's 'The Road to success- Dr.APJ Abdul Kalam's 'Vision for the Nation'(from'India 2020')

- Ruskin Bond's 'Our Local Team' - Hope Spencer's 'Keep your spirits high' - Deepa Agarwal's 'After the storm' - Brian patten's 'You can't be that no you can't be that'

### 9.Comprehension Questions from the following description of Places

Ahtushi Deshpande's 'To the land of snow' - Manohar Devadoss – Yaanai Malai - Brihadeesvarar Temple

### 10.British English – American English

## PART - C: AUTHORS AND THEIR LITERARY WORKS

### 1.Match the Poems with the Poets

A psalm of Life - Be the Best - The cry of the children - The Piano –Manliness Going for water – Earth -The Apology - Be Glad your Nose is on your face - The Flying Wonder -Is Life But a Dream - Be the Best - O captain

My Captain - Snake - Punishment in Kindergarten -Where the Mind is Without fear - The Man He Killed - Nine Gold Medals

### 2.Which Nationality the story belongs to?

The selfish Giant - The Lottery Ticket - The Last Leaf - How the Camel got its Hump - Two Friends – Refugee - The Open Window

### 3.Identify the Author with the short story

The selfish Giant - The Lottery Ticket - The Last Leaf - How the Camel got its Hump - Two Friends – Refugee - The Open Window - A Man who Had no Eyes - The Tears of the Desert – Sam The Piano - The face of Judas

Iscariot - Swept Away - A close encounter - Caught Sneezing - The Wooden Bowl - Swami and the sum

### 4.Whose Auto biography / Biography is this?

### 5.Which Nationality the Poet belongs to ?

Robert Frost - Archibald Lampman - D.H. Lawrence - Rudyard Kipling Kamala Das - Elizabeth Barrett Browning - Famida Y. Basheer – Thomas Hardy - Khalil Gibran - Edgar A. Guest - Ralph Waldo Emerson - Jack

Prelutsky - F. Joanna - Stephen Vincent Benet - William Shakespeare - William Wordsworth - H.W. Long Fellow - Annie Louisa walker - Walt Whitman - V.K. Gokak

### 6.Characters, Quotes, Important Lines from the following works of Indian

Authors:



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Sahitya Akademi Award winner: Thakazhi Sivasankaran Pillai –‘Farmer’

Kamala Das – 1. Punishment in Kindergarten 2. My Grandmother’s House

R.K. Narayan - Swami and the sum - Rabindranath Tagore - Where the mind is without fear - Dhan Gopal Mukherji - Kari, The Elephant – Deepa

Agarwal - After the Storm - Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam - Vision for the Nation

Indra Anantha Krishna- The Neem Tree - Lakshmi Mukuntan- The Ant Eater and the Dassie - Dr. Neeraja Raghavan - The Sun Beam

## 7.Drama Famous lines, characters, quotes from

Julius Caesar - The Merchant of Venice

## 8.Match the Places, Poet, Dramatist, Painter with suitable option

## 9. Match the following Folk Arts with the Indian State / Country

## 10. Match the Author with the Relevant Title/Character

## 11. Match the Characters with Relevant Story Title

The Selfish Giant - How the camel got its hump - The Lottery ticket – The Last Leaf - Two friends – Refugee - Open window – Reflowering – The Necklace Holiday

## 12. About the Poets

Rabindranath Tagore - Henry Wordsworth Longfellow - Anne Louisa Walker -V K Gokak - Walt Whitman - Douglas Malloch

## 13. About the Dramatists

William Shakespeare - Thomas Hardy

## 14. Mention the Poem in which these lines occur

Granny, Granny, please comb My Hair - With a friend - To cook and Eat - To India – My Native Land - A tiger in the Zoo - No men are foreign – Laugh and be Merry – The Apology - The Flying Wonder

## 15. Various works of the following Authors –

Rabindranath Tagore – Shakespeare - William Wordsworth - H.W. Longfellow – Anne Louisa Walker - Oscar Wilde - Pearl S. Buck

## 16. What is the theme observed in the Literary works?

Snake - The Mark of Vishnu - Greedy Govind - Our Local Team – Where the mind is without fear - Keep your spirits high - Be the best – Bat – The Piano – The Model Millionaire - The Cry of the Children – Migrant bird – Shilpi

## 17. Famous Quotes – Who said this?

## 18. To Which period the Poets belong

William Shakespeare - Walt Whitman - William Wordsworth - H.W. Longfellow Annie Louisa Walker - D.H. Lawrence

## 19. Matching the Poets and Poems

Discovery – Biking – Inclusion - Granny, Granny, please comb My Hair – With a Friend - To cook and Eat – Bat - To India – My Native Land - A tiger in the Zoo - No men are foreign - Laugh and be Merry – Earth – The Apology - The Flying Wonder - Off to outer space tomorrow morning - Be the best - Is life, but a dream - Women’s

rights - The Nation united - English words – Snake – The man he killed

## 20. Nature centered Literary works and Global issue Environment and Conservation

Flying with moon on their wings - Migrant bird - Will Thirst Become - Unquenchable? - Going for Water - Swept away - Gaia tells her