

**ROYAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
CIVIL SERVICE COMMON EXAMINATION (CSCE) 2008
EXAMINATION CATEGORY: TECHNICAL**

PAPER III: GENERAL SUBJECT KNOWLEDGE for Library Science GROUP

Date	: 20/12/2008
Total Marks	: 100
	Examination Time : 2 hours 30 minutes
Reading Time	: 15 minutes

General Instructions

- Please write your *Identification Number* on your answer booklet and all other loose leaflets, graph paper, etc. that you are attaching with your answer script.
- Spend the first 15 minutes in reading the questions.
- The two hours and 30 minutes of writing time given above is in addition to the 15-minute reading time assigned for reading the question paper.
- The continuation answer sheet will be issued on request only after you have completed writing on all the pages of the answer booklet as well as the continuation sheet(s) already used, if any
- When the additional sheet is issued, you must request the supervisor to endorse it by signing and entering its continuation number.
- Do not leave your answer booklet unattended at any time. You must hand over the answer booklet personally to the supervisor.
- The supervising examiner will give you permission to leave your room after you submit your answer booklet with additional answer sheet(s) properly arranged and stapled.

Specific Instruction

- This paper has Section A and Section B. Section A consists of two components AI and AII. Section A I consists of 30 multiple-choice questions carrying one mark each, and Section A II consists of four short-answer questions carrying five marks each. All the questions in AI and AII are compulsory.
- Section B consists of two Case Studies/essay type questions. You are required to answer only one of them. This section carries 50 marks.
- Write all the answers in the separate answer booklet provided to you.
- While answering the question, use the same numbering system as in the question paper.
- This paper has 6 numbered pages and it does not include the instruction page.

Technical Graduates Selection Examination
Paper III: Subject Specialization

Marks 100

Time: 150 Minutes

Section A: (I+II)= 50 Marks
Section A I: Multiple Choice Questions (30 Marks)

This section contains **THIRTY** questions carrying one mark each. **Answer all** the questions in this section by circling the most appropriate answer.

1. It is a structured data that shares many similar characteristics to the cataloguing that takes place in the libraries, museums and archives.
 - a. Metadata
 - b. AltaVista
 - c. Yahoo
 - d. Google

2. The oldest national library in the world is.....
 - a. The United States Library of Congress
 - b. The National Library of Austria
 - c. The National Library of France
 - d. The National Library of Russia

3. It consists of a software package that crawls the Web, extracts and organizes the data in a database.
 - a. A Spam
 - b. A Browser
 - c. A Search engine
 - d. A Virus

4. The process of entering bibliographic record with all appropriate added entries performing full authority work for all access points is known as
 - a. Processing
 - b. Accessioning
 - c. Classification
 - d. Cataloguing

5. Which of the following is a characteristic of Resource sharing
 - a. Cooperative Collection
 - b. Union Catalogue
 - c. Inter-Library Loan
 - d. Information brokering

6. An association of libraries for the purpose of engaging in resource sharing is called
 - a. A Union of Libraries
 - b. Information Centres
 - c. An Association of libraries
 - d. A library consortium

7. Which of the following is not the principle of book selection
 - a. Attractive cover
 - b. Text arranged in logical sequence
 - c. Realistic illustrations
 - d. Info accuracy

8. Kathryn Hepburn and Spencer Tracy starred in this movie about supercomputer threatening to replace human librarians.
 - a. Guess Who's coming to Dinner?
 - b. Desk Set
 - c. African Queen
 - d. Bringing up Baby

9. Unearthed in the 20th century this location was in fact the first collection of written records, and thus the first library.
 - a. The Great library of Alexandria
 - b. The Egyptian Temples of Ancient Greece
 - c. The Sumerian Temples
 - d. The library of Naneveh, Assyria

10. Identify the odd one from among the five laws of Library Science.
 - a. Books are for use
 - b. Every reader- his/her book
 - c. Every book—its reader
 - d. Save the time of the reader
 - e. A library is a growing organism
 - f. A library is a temple of learning

11. A request for a book that is currently checked out to another patron is called:
 - a. Recall
 - b. Query
 - c. Borrow
 - d. Request

12. Who designed the first “book wagon”, the predecessor of the modern book mobile?
 - a. Dee Garrison
 - b. Joshua Thomas
 - c. Mary Lemist Titcomb
 - d. Pellegrini Turri

13. Which university has the largest library?
 - a. Yale University
 - b. University of California
 - c. University of Illinois
 - d. Harvard University

14. When first published over 50 years ago, this slim volume of 12 pages, that contained less than 1000 subdivisions, was criticized as being excessively detailed.
 - a. LEC
 - b. DDC
 - c. ERIC
 - d. LC

15. While a student at the Harvard Divinity School in 1856, this future cofounder chose his career after becoming that school's librarian. His tables form part of LC.
 - a. Charles Ammi Cutter
 - b. Joseph Sabin
 - c. Ezra Abbot
 - d. Thomas Hardy

16. This development in technology found at the Maryland Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped can read typeface and handwriting, and convert it to speech or Braille.
 - a. OCR
 - b. Headmaster
 - c. Pixelmaster
 - d. Footmouse

17. This is the world's largest library
 - a. Boston Public Library
 - b. New York Public Library
 - c. Chicago Public Library
 - d. Shanghai Public Library

18. This person established the first public library
 - a. Julius Caesar
 - b. Asinius Pollio
 - c. Diodorus Siculus
 - d. Mark Antony

19. He produced the first United States Catalog, Books in Print, in 1899.
 - a. R. R. Bowker
 - b. A. B. Kroeger
 - c. W. F. Poole
 - d. H. W. Wilson

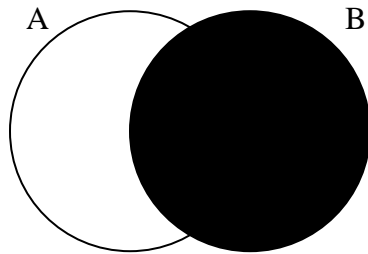
20. Created in the late 1960's, this on-line library computerization system was originally known as BALLOTS.
 - a. OCLC
 - b. MARC
 - c. UTLAS
 - d. RLIN

21. An adaptation of Dewey's system, originally conceived in the 1890's by two Belgian lawyers, it is now widely used throughout the world.
- Expansive Classification
 - Universal Decimal Classification
 - Bibliotechal-Bibliographic Classification
 - Roder's International Classification
22. This poet wrote the poem. "In the Library" which begins as follows:
- Speak low, tread softly through these halls
Here genius lives enshrined
Here reign, in silent majesty,
The monarchs of the mind
- Charles Scollard
 - Francis Bennoch
 - C.L. Botta
 - William Freeland
23. This knighted librarian's legacy will soon be vacated when the British Library moves into its new quarters near London's Pancras Station.
- Thomas Bodley
 - Sir Anthony Panizzi
 - Frederich Madden
 - Thomas Carlyle
24. Why do materials in the library have call numbers?
- To help one find the material one wants
 - To make the books look pretty
 - To confuse the clients/patrons
 - To strengthen the binding of the book
25. What is the OPAC?
- A type of machine
 - A valuable gem
 - Online Public Access Catalog
 - A magazine
26. The least important factor to consider when evaluating an informational website for use in a research paper is?
- Authority and Authorship
 - Accuracy and content validity
 - Currency
 - Font size
27. IFLA stands for
- International Fraternity of Library Association
 - International Federation of Library Association
 - International Fraction of Library Association
 - International Federation of Library Associates

28. The reference Department is responsible for
- a. Shelving books in the stacks
 - b. Checking out books at the circulation desk
 - c. Providing research assistance
 - d. Maintaining of the computers in the library

29. AACR stands for
- a. Anglo American Cataloguing Rules
 - b. Ancient American Cataloguing Rules
 - c. African-American Cataloguing Rules
 - d. Afro-Asian Cataloguing Rules

30. The Venn Diagram represents which of the following Boolean Operators



- a. N
- b. OR
- c. AND
- d. NOT

Section A II: Short Answer Questions (20 Marks)

This section contains **FOUR** questions carrying **FIVE** marks each. You are required to **answer all** the questions from this section.

1. Copyright law is of great importance to libraries. Write an essay in which you address: what copyright is; what copyright seeks to accomplish, and the challenges that copyright law presents to libraries
2. Controlled vocabulary is an important tool in information retrieval, particularly in online catalogs and databases. Define “controlled vocabulary” and give examples.
3. The public increasingly believes that access to web based search engines is sufficient to solve most information needs, but information retrieval on the web can be problematic for a number of reasons. Based upon what you know about the nature of the web, how search engines create searchable indexes, and the nature of keyword searching, identify and discuss two important problems or issues that impact the effectiveness of web searching.
4. Most information professionals agree that the Internet is one of the most important information-related developments of the 20th century. What is the Internet? Discuss four important issues or problems that the development of the Internet has presented to the library community.

. Section B: 50 Marks

This section contains **TWO** questions. You are required to **answer to only one** question from this section.

1. Assume that you have been recently appointed as the head librarian of a college under the Royal University of Bhutan. You have the plan to straighten out many lapses that exists in the system. Some of the examples of the shortfalls in the system are: use of library fund in buying textbooks, faculty members hoarding reference materials, the library being severely understaffed, untrained staff members, library items loaned out to people who do not belong to the college and above all the library is underutilized. Starting with the situational analysis of the college library discuss and present your plan of activities towards making it into a vibrant and dynamic library of the 21st century.

OR

2. The Director of the Royal Education Council (REC) has invited you to lead a five-member team to carry out a task on defining and conceptualizing quality library services to enable the commission to set up a model library in the Royal College of Education. Discuss the quality and standards for each of the services. Wherever possible include the use of ICT required of a standard library.