

KATHAKALI CODE - 061
SAMPLE QUESTION PAPER*
CLASS: XII (2025- 26)

Time: 2 hours

Max Marks: 30

General Instructions

Read the following instructions carefully.

1. There are 16 questions in this question paper with internal choice.
2. SECTION A consists of 8 multiple-choice questions carrying 1 mark each.
3. SECTION B consists of 5 short answer questions carrying 2 marks each.
4. SECTION C consists of 3 long answer questions carrying 6 marks each.

S.No.	SECTION-A	MARKS
1.	How many basic mudras are there in Kathakali? a) 18 b) 24 c) 33 d) 12	1
2.	Who wrote Natyashastram? a) Vedavyasan b) Valmiki c) Bharata muni d) Shukracharya	1
3.	From which art form did Kathakali arise? a) Yakshagana b) Koodiyattam c) Krishnanattam d) Ramanattam	1
4.	Who is the author of Hasthalakshanadeepika? a) Karthika thirunal b) Udaya Varma Thampuran c) Marthanda Varma d) Kottayam Thampuran	1
5.	How many styles are there in Kathakali? a) 1 b) 3 c) 4 d) 2	1

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6.	Who is the author of Nalacharitham Aattakatha? a) Unnayi warrier b) Aswathy thirunal c) Kottayam Thampuran d) Irayimman thampi	1
7	Which one of the following percussion instruments is not used in Kathakali? a) Chenda b) Thavil c) Maddalam d) Idayka	1
8.	Who is the hero in Rukmini Swayamvaram Aattakatha? a) Brahmana b) Krishna c) Sisupala d) Bheeru	1

SECTION-B		
9.	(A) Name the kathakali Veshams. (OR) (B) Write a short note about Kalamandalam Krishnan Nair.	2
10.	(A) Name the Navarasas. (OR) (B) How many types of Abhinayas are there in kathakali? Name them.	2
11.	(A) Write the names of rhythms used in Kathakali. (OR) (B) Write the names of four characters in the story Dakshayagam.	2
12.	(A) Which are the aattakkatha written by Kottayam thampuran? (OR) (B) Write a note on Manodharma.	2
13.	(A) Write the Hasthalakshanadeepika Sloka and name the mudras. (OR) (B) Describe the conversation between Dhamayanthi and Hamsa (Swan) from Nalacharitham Aattakatha part 1.	2

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SECTION - C (Attempt any two questions from the given options)		
14.	Describe Keechakavadham Aattakatha.	6
15.	Describe the history of Kerala Kalamandalam.	6
16.	Write a note on Indian Classical dances.	6

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