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## NATIONAL PRIMTALENT OLYMPIAD EXAMINATIONS ENGLISH



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## SECTION A - WORD AND STRUCTURE KNOWLEDGE

Select correct options to replace the blanks.

1. If only she $\qquad$ what she was doing!
a) know
b) knew
c) known
d) had known
2. We haven't got $\qquad$ money.
a) a lot
b) some
c) any
d) many
3. Paris has some great museums $\qquad$ you can see the impressionist painters.
a) where
b) which
c) that
d) why
4. He plays soccer $\qquad$ .
a) on Wednesdays
b) in Wednesdays
c) at Wednesdays
d) by Wednesdays
5. $\qquad$ some more coffee?
a) Do you
b) Do you like
c) You'd like
d) Would you like
6. If he $\qquad$ a second time, he wouldn't have succeeded.
a) wouldn't have tried
b) hadn't tried
c) wasn't tried
d) tired
7. Read the sentence:
aaron said, "i'm studying french, so i will be able to talk to my relatives from france."

Which words need to be capitalized?
a) Aaron, I'm, French, I, France
b) Aaron, I, France
c) Aaron, I'm, I, France
d) Aaron, I'm
8. It has been raining heavily.
a) simple past
b) simple present
c) present perfect continuous
d) past perfect continuous
9. Munich isn't $\qquad$ Berlin.
a) As cheap than
b) So cheap than
c) So cheap that
d) As cheap as
10. Which of the following sentences is correct?
a) "Does the music start at 4:00 or 4:30?" inquired Ms. Clark.
b) Does the music start at 4:00 or 4:30" inquired Ms. Clark?
c) "Does the music start at 400 or 430 ?" inquired Ms. Clark.
d) "Does the music start at 4:00 or 4:30"? inquired Ms. Clark.

Select option (antonym) to the underlined word.
11. They abandoned their old house, when they built a new one.
a) vacated
b) kept
c) deserted
d) freed
12. Choose the correct spelling of the word to complete each sentence.

Mr. Joseph is a very $\qquad$ man.
a) religious
b) religous
c) relegous
d) relegious
13. Choose the word that has the same meaning as the word underlined in the sentence.

John was surprised when he won the lottery.
a) amused
b) amazed
c) happy
d) sorry
14. I would $\qquad$ to stay at home and relax for a change.
a) rather
b) better
c) prefer
d) enjoy
15. He remembers being $\qquad$ to the fair as a child.
a) visited
b) brought
c) taken
d) shown
16. What time is it?
a) Ten and a quarter.
b) Ten minus the quarter.
c) A quarter past ten.
d) Fifteen after ten o'clock.
17. $\qquad$ to many places enriches our knowledge.
a) travel
b) to travel
c) travelled
d) travelling
18. The clown pulled silly faces to make the children laugh.

The word silly in this sentence means:
a) funny
b) bad
c) tricky
d) scary
19. Choose the correct binomial expressions to complete the sentence.

There were a few small villages $\qquad$ but no major city for miles around.
a) here and there
b) on and off
c) back and forth
d) up and down
20. Find the underlined word or phrase of the sentence that is INCORRECT.

Your friends is very kind. They often help me.
a) Your
b) is
c) They
d) Help

## SECTION B - READING COMPREHENSION

21. Select the option showing rearrangement of the given sentences forming a meaningful short story.
A. One day he met a fairy who offered him a wish.
B. "But I warn you that your gift will not make you happy", she said.
C. He said to the fairy, "Everything I touch should turn to beautiful yellow gold."
D. He was very rich.
E. Many years ago there lived a king named Midas.
a) DEBAC
b) EDACB
c) ADEBC
d) CEDBA
22. Choose the pair of words that best express a relationship similar to that of the original pair.

NOTE : MELODY
a) bone : skeleton
b) movie : film
c) meal : restaurant
d) career: job

Observe the poster given below and select correct options for answering the questions (23-26) that follow.

23. What is the poster about?
a) use of hand
b) saving energy
c) plantation
d) Earth
24. What does the slogan 'Walk to nearby places' suggest?
a) reduce use of vehicles
b) to save money
c) walking is good for health
d) as a hobby

## 25. Why is it advised to use CFL and/or Led lights?

a) So that you increase their sale.
b) So that you have a stylish decor.
c) So that you save electrical energy
d) So that you have whiter light.
26. According to the poster what is 'in our hand'?
a) Saving money to spend on buying CFL/Led bulbs.
b) Adapting to a modern lifestyle.
c) Walking for seeing the Earth's beauty from near.
d) To save Earth's environment from deteriorating.

Read the poem and answer the questions (27-31) that follow.
Picnic in the Backyard
A nice soft blanket to lay upon the green prickly grass

A perfect spot under a tree; the shade protecting me from the hot rays of the sun I like to fall asleep outdoors sometimes

Ice cold drinks to refresh me homemade sandwiches and fresh ripe fruit perhaps some salad to further remind me of the joys of nature

And, of course
some savory dessert
I mean, how can you have a picnic lunch without a delectable dessert

Fresh air and sunshine a nice summertime breeze the sound of birds singing and crickets chirping

Dining outdoors
with the wind blowing through my hair
How lovely everything seems on a bright sunny day

> The ants may be tempted but they are certainly not invited to join
> Perhaps l'll leave some cookie crumbs a few feet away to divert them from my perfect picnic.
27. Which sentence best describes the main idea of this poem?
a. Nature makes a picnic very enjoyable.
b. A picnic is not complete without dessert.
c. Food tastes better when it is eaten at a picnic.
d. Fresh air makes it easy to fall asleep at a picnic.
28. What does the narrator believe will spoil the picnic?
a. The hot sun
b. Prickly grass
c. Invading ants
d. A strong wind
29. What did the narrator plan to do in order to solve the problem?
a. Take a nap
b. Lie on a blanket
c. Sit in the shade of a tree
d. Put crumbs away from the picnic
30. In the future, the narrator will probably -
a. invite his friends to come along
b. enjoy his picnic lunch indoors
c. bring an extra dessert with him
d. find another perfect spot outdoors
31. In line 17 of the poem, the narrator writes about "the sound of birds singing and crickets chirping." This line helps the reader -
a. prepare for the mention of ants later in the poem
b. imagine what the narrator is hearing at the picnic
c. remember that the setting of this poem is outdoors
d. know what animal noises to expect at a picnic

## 32. Read the passage.

As Marc wrestled for the championship, his grandfather called out, "Pin him boy! You're as strong as an ox!"

## What can you guess about Marc's grandfather?

a. He lacked confidence in Marc's ability to win because Marc was weak.
c. He thought Marc was an ox.
b. He had confidence in Marc's ability to win because Marc was strong.
d. He thought Marc was wrestling an ox.

See the picture and answer the questions (33-35) given below.

33. Which of the following can be a suitable title for the photograph shown above?
a) Skating
b) Mountaineering in snow clad mountains
c) The search for life
d) Winter
34. Which of the following is true?
a) The man is accompanied by two more friends.
b) The man is wearing suitable clothes to protect him from the cold.
c) This is an old man using a walking stick for support.
d) none of these
35. How would you describe the surroundings seen in the photograph?
a) frozen lake
b) muddy waters
c) snow covered mountains
d) grassy slopes

## SECTION C - SPOKEN AND WRITTEN EXPRESSION

Select correct options to fill the blanks.
36. Sudhir: Ram, how did you $\qquad$ in your exams?
Ram : No worries. I had studied very $\qquad$ this time.
a) fare, hard
b) fair, hardly
c) write, a lot
d) get, well
37. Ram : How do you get $\qquad$ to the city lifestyle so fast ? Sam : Well, $\qquad$ off village $\qquad$ .
a) adopted, shred, habits
b) adept, show, styles
c) adapted, shed, manners
d) into, get, needs
38. Could you tell me your surname?
a) Would you like me to spell it?
b) Do you like my family name?
c) How do I say that?
d) What would you want to know?
39. This plant looks dead.
a) It's in the garden.
b) It only needs some water.
c) It's sleeping.
d) It has no heat.
40. I hope it doesn't rain.
a) Of course not.
b) Will it be wet?
c) So dol.
d) I see butterflies.
41. Are you going to come inside soon?
a) For ever.
b) Not long.
c) In a minute.
d) Is the door that way?
42. Who gave you this book, Lucy?
a) I bought it.
b) For my birthday.
c) My uncle was.
d) Give me the book.
43. Choose the best question for the given statement.

I walk to school.
a) Is your school far from your house?
b) How far is it to your school from here?
c) Where is your school?
d) How do you go to school?
44. Choose the best answer to make a conversation:

Asha: Why are you in such a hurry to go home today?
Tara: $\qquad$
Asha: I am sure you are eager to see her.
a) I will go when I like.
b) Going to my home is not difficult because my sister will come with me.
c) My aunt is coming home from London after two years.
d) I am always in a hurry to go home.
45. Choose the best answer to make a conversation:

Sara: The twins are waiting for us.
Kiera: $\qquad$ .
a) We should hurry home.
b) They'll be there soon.
c) They should hurry home.
d) Question does not provide sufficient data or is vague.

## SECTION D - ACHIEVERS SECTION

Look at the text in each question.
What does it say?
Choose a, b, cor d
46.

| New Message |
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| Hello Julia |
| I can't have Friday off to go sailing. I'm |
| still available on both Saturday and |
| Sunday, but Saturday is better. Let me |
| know what's best for you. |
| Andy |

a) Andy would prefer to go sailing with Julia on Saturday rather than on Sunday.
b) Andy can go sailing with Julia on Friday if she's not free on Saturday.
c) Andy wants to go sailing with Julia on both Saturday and Sunday if possible.
d) None of the above.
47. "After a huge fight, Neeti and Sheel had a heart-to-heart talk. Soon they resolved all their misunderstandings."

Replace the expression "had a heart-to-heart talk" with the MOST SUITABLE option.
a) talked in soft tones with each other for a long time
b) decided to stop fighting and become friends again
c) honestly discussed their problems with each other
d) began to talk about other things to avoid
48. Which of the following words has the same sound of ' i " as in 'wrist'?
a) first
b) kind
c) stick
d) fright
49. Which of these sentences HAS a GRAMMATICAL ERROR?
a) There are many children's parks in our city.
b) The number of buses on the road are high.
c) We cross the road only at the zebra crossing.
d) People like to buy clothes that are fashionable.
50. Find the error in the given sentences.

These are revaluation copies. Each of them are to be checked thoroughly.
a) These are
b) Revaluation copies
c) Each of them are
d) Checked thoroughly

