



INTSO EDUCATION

ENGLISH TALENT SEARCH OLYMPIAD (ETSO) 2016 - 2017

STAGE - 1

TIME : 60 min.

CLASS : VIII

Max. Marks : 50

Instructions:

- ⇒ Fill the OMR sheet completely and carefully.
- ⇒ Each question carries one mark and has only one correct answer. No negative marks
- ⇒ The question paper contains 50 questions to be answered in 60 minutes.

Fill in the blanks choosing the most appropriate word(s) from those given below.

1. _____ among the following is not a preposition? []
a) for b) off c) often d) of
2. _____ is the team expected to reach the stadium? []
a) What b) How c) Which d) When
3. He delivered the blow very *hard*. The word *hard* is _____ []
a) a preposition b) a conjunction
c) a relative pronoun d) an adverb
4. It _____ since two days in the state. (choose the appropriate verb form) []
a) is raining b) has rained c) was raining d) has been raining
5. When I went to the theatre, the movie _____. []
a) already started b) had already started c) would already start d) starting
6. She looked _____ when I met her. []
a) worrying b) worries c) worried d) was worrying
7. The man fell off the ladder when he _____ the roof. []
a) is mending b) were mending c) was mending d) has been mending
8. If I were you, I would not do like that. The underlined part belongs to []
a) Subordinate clause b) Noun clause c) Main clause d) Adverbial clause.
9. Which of the following sentences is/are grammatically correct? []
a) He told me about it. b) He said me about it. c) He told to me about it. d) both a and b
10. If Ramya _____ here, I will certainly ask her help. []
a) come b) comes c) coming d) is coming
11. _____ you please stop the music for some time? []
a) must b) do c) might d) could
12. You _____ to fill in all the details in the form. []
a) must b) may c) ought d) might
13. Renuka will not come here in time, _____ she? []
a) won't b) will c) doesn't d) does
14. Ganesh _____ to you regarding this, didn't he? []
a) did not speak b) didn't spoke c) spoke d) was speaking

15. Samatha has got her salary, _____ ? []
 a) hadn't she ? b) didn't she ? c) hasn't she ? d) doesn't she ?
16. None of you had been brought text book. (Rewrite the sentence after proper corrections) []
 a) None of you has been brought text book b) None of you was brought text book []
 c) None of you has brought text book d) None of you were brought text book.
17. Which of the following words can be used as a noun? []
 a) bleed b) bath c) breathe d) feeble
18. They are watching ten movies per week. (correct the given sentence) []
 a) They watch ten movies per week.
 b) They will watch ten movies per week.
 c) They don't watch ten movies per week.
 d) They has been watching ten movies per week.
19. The people _____ to increase awareness about environment. []
 a) needs b) need c) will need d) will be needed
20. Your view _____ not practical. We shall not implement it. []
 a) is b) are c) were d) was
21. He said to them, " We must return at once." (Change into indirect speech) []
 a) He said that we must return at once. b) He told them that they must return at once.
 c) He said that we might return at once. d) He said that they had to return at once.
22. I found that it was wrong as I _____ it twice. []
 a) read b) was read c) has read d) is read
23. They _____ home when we were still travelling. []
 a) reaching b) reach c) reaches d) reached
24. It is not a deep cut, but it _____ a scar []
 a) will leave b) is left c) was left d) must leave.
25. If they _____ called us before, we would have waited for them. []
 a) has b) had c) is being d) was being

(26 - 30) : Fill in the blanks with appropriate words

It was a sunny day, but the climate was enjoyable. Everyone in the railway station 26 for the train 27 . Among the crowd, there 28 a group of friends, youngsters who were on board for vacation. The announcement 29 the arrival of the train was 30 and everyone prepared to get into the train to their appropriate places.

26. a) were waiting b) is waiting []
 c) was waiting d) are waiting
27. a) to arrive b) arrived []
 c) arriving d) arrives
28. a) is b) will be []
 c) were d) was
29. a) regards b) regard []
 c) regarding d) regarded
30. a) given b) giving []
 c) gave d) gives

(31 - 35) (Change the following conversation into Reported speech)

Sushma : Welcome to Holiday Inn. How can I help you?

Raj: I came here for a meeting. Can I have an a.c. suite please?

Sushma : Where are you from sir?

Raj: I am from Delhi.

Sushma welcomed Raj and asked him ____ 31 _____. Raj replied that ____ 32 _____ and asked ____ 33 _____. Sushma asked him ____ 34 _____ and Raj replied that he ____ 35 _____.

31. a) how she help him []
c) how I can help you d) how she could help him
32. a) I came there for a meeting. []
c) He went there for a meeting d) He had gone there for a meeting.
33. a) to have an a.c. suite []
c) if there are any a.c. suites d) if he can stay in an a.c. suite.
34. a) where is he from []
c) where he was from d) where she was from
35. a) I am from Delhi []
c) was from Delhi d) he is coming from Delhi
36. Since the workers' demands have been met, they have called off the strike. (choose the suitable meaning of the phrase "called off") []
a) called others for b) postponed c) get to gether d) cancelled
37. The helicopter stopped for an hour for _____ fuel. []
a) fill in b) filling in c) to fill in d) filled
38. The event is going to happen tomorrow. (choose appropriate idiom to replace the underlined words " going to happen'") []
a) on time b) to take place c) at hand d) doing
39. A substance that solves in a liquid _____ . (Fill in the blank with substitute word) []
a) solvable b) solventable c) soluble d) solutionable
40. Hard copy means _____. []
a) printed material b) a draft c) composed material d) hand written material

(41 - 45) : Complete the paragraph by choosing the most appropriate words.

Tibet ____ 41 ____ up images of a mystic land. Snow-capped mountain peaks ____ 42 ____ the blue sky and fierce chilly winds sweep the rolling grasslands. Maroon-robed Buddhist monks pray in remote monasteries and ____ 43 ____ horsemen pound the rugged earth. People in this ____ 44 ____ plateau perform punishing rituals like prostrating hundreds of miles ____ 45 ____ tattered clothes on pilgrimage.

41. a) conjures []
b) makes c) creates d) presents
42. b) pierced []
c) pierce d) have pierced
43. a) staggering []
b) meak c) beautiful d) sturdy
44. a) high []
b) higher c) highest d) height
45. a) on []
b) in c) of d) from

