



Question Paper

CLASS - 12 Duration : 60 Minutes Total Questions : 40 Maximum Marks : 100

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

1st Level

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INSTRUCTIONS

- Write your 12 digit iOEL roll number and your name on top of the question paper in the given space.
- Filling up improper roll number may lead to unavailability of 'Result'.
- This question paper consist of 40 questions. Each question carries equal marking of 2.5 marks each.
- Mark your answer (A, B, C, D or E) on the Answer Sheet with HB Pencil or Black/Blue Ball point Pen.
- This question paper contains 4 pages.
- Do not start attempting the test paper till you are asked to do so.
- Time taken by individual student to complete the paper will be one of the criteria for tie-breaker, if any.

Note: Return this question paper along with answer sheet

1. Given below is the body of a letter with four blanks. Fill those blanks with the options provided to make it readable.

The umbrella, which ____ I ____ is still here. It gives a very ____ II _____. Will you please take ____ III ____ it as early as possible? Tomorrow it being our weekly off, our store is closed. You may ____ IV ____ day after tomorrow, that is on Monday.

P: the trouble to collect

Q: you have forgotten during your visit to our departmental store day before yesterday

R: obnoxious look, besides emitting some foul smell

S: collect your 'precious' umbrella

- (A) QRSP (B) QPRS
(C) QRPS (D) QSPR
(E) None of these

2. Pick the odd one out.

- (A) Letters (B) Idioms
(C) Précis (D) Essays
(E) None of these

3. Identify the sentence wherein a pronoun is not required.

- (A) I gave him a sovereign and this left me penniless.
(B) They wished me to drink with them, which I declined.
(C) This is the man who I talked about this morning.
(D) The applicant, being a householder, she is entitled to vote.
(E) None of these

4. Arrange P,Q,R ,S to make a sentence.

We have to

P: as we see it

Q: speak the truth

R: there is falsehood and darkness

S: even if all around us

- (A) QPSR (B) QRPS
(C) RQSP (D) RSQP
(E) None of these

5. Fill in the blanks with correct order of adjectives.

Alfred was carrying a _____, _____, _____ bag to the market.

- (A) red, big, plastic (B) big, red, plastic
(C) plastics, big, red (D) big , plastic ,red
(E) None of these

6. **Two sentences with homonyms (underlined) are given below. Read both the sentences carefully and pick the sentence with correct use of homonym.**

- I. I saw a hord of nomads.
 II. Ali Baba found out the hoard of robbers' gold and jewels.
- (A) Only I is correct
 (B) Only II is correct
 (C) Both I & II are correct
 (D) Both I & II are incorrect
 (E) None of these

7. **Which one of the following sentence is an example of gerund?**

- (A) To give is better than to receive.
 (B) Playing cards is not allowed here.
 (C) A passenger alighted from the train.
 (D) Cinderella hurried away with much haste.
 (E) None of these

8. **Fill in the blank with correct determiners.**

Even though the mountain is very steep and the climb is dangerous, _____ adventurous and strong-willed people have made it to the top.

- (A) some (B) few
 (C) a few (D) a little
 (E) None of these

Direction: For Q 9-10: Give the synonym of the words underlined in the given sentences.

9. He whirled around in a trice, with a revolver in his hand.

- (A) a circle (B) a trifle
 (C) a hurry (D) a jiffy
 (E) None of these

10. Before I could expostulate he had spoken again.

- (A) explain (B) protest
 (C) declare (D) postulate
 (E) None of these

11. A sentence has been given in four parts. One of these parts contains a grammatical error. Find out the part.

Daniel asked the dealer (i)/ what was the price(ii)/ of that bicycle and whether(iii)/ it is really made in Germany?(iv)

- (A) i (B) ii
 (C) iii (D) iv
 (E) None of these

Direction: For Q 12-14: Read the given passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

It is difficult to reconcile the ideas of different schools of thought on the question of education. Some people

maintain that pupils at school should concentrate on a narrow range of subjects which will benefit them directly in their subsequent careers. Others contend that they should study a wide range of subjects so that they have not only the specialized knowledge necessary for their chosen careers but also sound general knowledge about the world they will have to work and live in. Supporters of the first theory state that the greatest contributions to civilization are made by those who are most expert in their trade or profession. Those on the other side say that, unless they have a broad general education, the experts will be too narrow in their outlook to have sympathy with their followers or a proper sense of responsibility towards humanity as a whole.

12. **'School of thought' can be explained as:**

- (A) Group of people whose job is to think
 (B) Group of people who are schooled to think
 (C) Group of people who study in a particular school thoughtfully
 (D) Group of people having the same ideas though may have different perception on a particular subject
 (E) None of these

13. **Broad general knowledge is necessary because:**

- (A) Without it no one would get a job
 (B) It broadens our outlook
 (C) It teaches us about different things
 (D) without it specialization is incomplete
 (E) None of these

14. **The idea of the first school of thought in the passage is that:**

- (A) students should concentrate on studies
 (B) students should not undertake any specialized work
 (C) students should study all the subjects they want to
 (D) students should study a few subjects that will help them in their profession
 (E) None of these

15. **Choose the correctly spelt word out of the given alternatives.**

- (A) Sinchronize (B) Synchormise
 (C) Synchronise (D) Synchronize
 (E) None of these

16. **Change the voice.**

Many letters will have been written by me.

- (A) I wrote many letters.
 (B) I have written many letters.
 (C) I shall write many letters.
 (D) I shall have written many letters.
 (E) None of these

Direction: For Q 17-18: Fill in the blanks as per subject – verb agreement.

17. It is time you _____ home.

- (A) go (B) have gone
(C) went (D) are going
(E) None of these

18. I was informed on phone but no written confirmation _____ so far.

- (A) has received (B) has been received
(C) had received (D) had been received
(E) None of these

Direction: For Q 19-20: Give the exact meaning of the idiom and phrases underlined in the following sentences.

19. He is the only civil servant I know who hates red tape.

- (A) accepting bribe
(B) corruption
(C) dishonesty
(D) excessive formal procedures
(E) None of these

20. Humpty and Dumpty have remained friends through thick and thin.

- (A) through happy days
(B) through days of struggle
(C) always
(D) All of these
(E) None of these

21. How many 'B's do not come just after 'N' in the series given below.

B N B N B N N D B N N B B D B N

- (A) 1 (B) 4
(C) 2 (D) 3
(E) None of these

22. Underlined word in the given sentence is:

For example, you could make a model of the Eiffel Tower.

- (A) Preposition (B) Noun
(C) Adjective (D) Interjection
(E) None of these

23. Judge the right word.

The candidates' _____ at the polls was _____ as he won with a striking margin.

- (A) claim, unrealistic
(B) victory, overwhelming
(C) image, real
(D) strategy, unsuccessful
(E) candidature, inappropriate

24. Find the sentence which is grammatically correct.

- (A) Many a glorious deeds were done.
(B) We got out of the swimming pool and dried us.
(C) He is the eldest man of this village.
(D) He has invited me to dinner.
(E) None of these

25. Give the usage of the word underlined in the given sentence.

Will you please just leave me alone?

- (A) Adjective (B) Adverb
(C) Participle (D) Infinitive
(E) None of these

Direction: For Q 26-27: Give the antonyms of the words given in capital letters below.

26. UNSULLIED

- (A) Visible (B) Stainless
(C) Strong (D) Foul
(E) None of these

27. JUXTAPOSITION

- (A) Opposition (B) Separation
(C) Difference (D) Concurrence
(E) None of these

28. Give one word substitution for the following.

A person who is skilled in horsemanship

- (A) Jockey (B) Cavalier
(C) Equestrian (D) Cavalryman
(E) None of these

Direction: For Q 29-30: Fill in the blanks with appropriate preposition.

29. More often than not, the programmes of our group fail to take _____.

- (A) Off (B) Over
(C) up (D) on
(E) None of these

30. He stands _____ what he has done.

- (A) upon (B) for
(C) on (D) at
(E) None of these

31. Choose the option that best improves the sentence given below, by changing its underlined portion.

That is something of which I would rather not talk about.

- (A) I'd rather not talk about it
(B) I'd rather not talk about
(C) that I'd rather not talk about it
(D) I rather would not talk about it
(E) None of these

32. Change the narration.

He said to her, "May you succeed!"

- (A) He wished her success.
 (B) He said to her that she might succeed.
 (C) He told her that she might succeed.
 (D) He prayed to God that she might succeed.
 (E) None of these

33. Fill in the blank with correct conjunction.

Johan plays football _____ an experienced player.

- (A) as though (B) as if
 (C) as of (D) as
 (E) None of these

34. Arrange P,Q,R,&S to make the sequence of a report.

P: Tarun Bhatia, a 12 standard student of P. Obul Reddy Public School has been selected to represent India in the Laser 4.7 World Sailing Championships 2013 to be held at Lake Balaton Fured in Hungary from July 6 to 13.

Q: He is a member of the Secunderabad Sailing Club which has produced many champions with the most famous being C.S Pradipak, an Arjuna Award winner.

R: The championship is one of the most popular and competitive international sailing meets which usually attracts more than 350 sailors from all over the world. Young Tarun Bhatia began sailing at the tender age of eight years at the Hussainsagar lake inspired by his elder brother and his father Pranav Bhatia, both sailors.

S: Starting with the Optimist class like many beginners, he has now graduated to sailing the Laser 4.7 Class boats which are a slightly smaller version of the Radial Laser and Standard Laser boats. Tarun has represented India at several championships in the past in the Optimist class.

- (A) PRSQ (B) RPOS
 (C) QRSP (D) SRPQ
 (E) None of these

35. Given below is a statement followed by two arguments. You are to decide which of the arguments is a STRONG argument and which is WEAK.

Statement: Should India encourage exports, when most things are insufficient for internal use itself?

Arguments:

- I: Yes. We have to earn foreign exchange to pay for our imports.
 II: No. Even selective encouragement would lead to shortages.

- (A) Only I is strong
 (B) Only II is strong
 (C) Either I or II is strong
 (D) Neither I nor II is strong
 (E) Both I & II are strong.

36. Give the usage of the word underlined.

She stuck me on the back.

- (A) Pronoun (B) Verb
 (C) Noun (D) Adjective
 (E) None of these

Direction: For Q 37-38: Read the given statements carefully and answer the questions that follow.

- I: What is clear is that no one has yet provided evidence for it to be rejected or validated.
 II: To some people such a notion seems perfectly reasonable; to others it seems quite ludicrous.
 III: Most of the people have curiosity and also possess some knowledge of astrology.
 IV: Much of the evidence offering support for this fundamental notion is far from clear-cut.
 V: They appreciate that astrology attempts to relate human behavior to the movements of stars and planet.

37. Which of the given sentences should come first in the paragraph?

- (A) II (B) I
 (C) III (D) V
 (E) IV

38. Which of the sentences should come fourth in the paragraph?

- (A) II (B) IV
 (C) V (D) III
 (E) I

39. Which among the following is not a modal verb?

- (A) Do (B) Can
 (C) Will (D) Might
 (E) None of these

40. If you change the sentence 'He finished his exercise and put away his books' into compound sentence, it will be:

- (A) Finishing his exercise he put away his books.
 (B) After finishing his exercise he put away his books.
 (C) Although he finished his exercise he put away his books.
 (D) Since he finished his exercise he put away his books.
 (E) None of these

