



INTSO EDUCATION

ENGLISH TALENT SEARCH OLYMPIAD (ETSO) 2015 - 2016

STAGE - 1

TIME : 60 min.

CLASS : IX

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.

(1 - 5) : Fill in the blanks choosing the most appropriate words from those given below.

The Great National Sports Talent Search _____ (1) _____ of workshop and tournaments arranged in _____ (2) _____ different parts of _____ (3) _____ country. The talent scouts aim _____ (4) _____ to look out for local talent in the age group of eight to eighteen years. Thus if young sports women and men _____ (5) _____ they have plenty of time to develop their talent.

1. a) has consisted b) consists c) is consisted d) consisted []
2. a) much b) few c) little d) many []
3. a) the b) these c) an d) some []
4. a) is b) being c) has been d) been []
5. a) are helped b) have helped c) has helped d) were helped []
6. I _____ like to discuss the seven secrets to rejuvenate your daily existence as well as restore your dreams. (Fill in the blank with the appropriate modal verb) []
a) would b) must c) might d) may
7. Being a science student you _____ study different scientific methods . []
a) had to b) could be c) should be d) have to
8. The past participle of 'cost' is _____ []
a) costed b) cost c) costly d) costing

(9 - 11) : Change the following conversation into Reported speech.

Ajay : where are you going Mom ?

Mother : To the market. Will you accompany me ?

Ajay : Yes, I will.

Ajay asked his mother _____ (9) _____. His mother told him that _____ (10) _____ to the market and asked him _____ (11) _____. Ajay replied in the alternative.

9. a) where she is going b) where she was going []
c) where she would be going d) where she could be going.
10. a) she is going b) she was going []
c) she are going d) she were going
11. a) if he would accompany her b) if he can accompany her []
c) if he might accompany her d) if he must accompany her
12. The aroma of the cookies _____ tempting []
a) would be b) could be c) might be d) is

13. The theme of all the stories _____ similar. (Fill in the blank with suitable verb) []
 a) was b) were c) is d) have
14. A small shop that sells fashionable clothes, cosmetics etc. []
 a) boutique b) stationery shop c) cosmetic shop d) parlour
15. A pair of socks _____ lying here. []
 a) were b) should be c) could be d) is
16. I was not invited to the party. So I did not attend. (Start with 'if') []
 a) If I had been invited to the party, I would have attended.
 b) If I was invited to the party, I would have attended.
 c) If I had invited to the party, I would attend.
 d) If I have been invited to the party, I will have attended.
17. Which of the following is an uncountable noun? []
 a) paper b) book c) coin d) vehicle
18. If she had contacted me, I _____ her the right direction to my new house. []
 a) would had given b) would has given
 c) would have given d) might gave
19. Only experienced sales girls are _____ for this job. []
 a) eligible b) equal c) qualify d) not qualify
20. The pen is _____ the sword. (complete the proverb) []
 a) mightiest b) mightier than c) mighty d) as strong as.
21. We are eager to know the _____ development in Japan. []
 a) late b) later c) latest d) last

(22 - 24) : Complete the paragraph using suitable verbs.

Next year there will be only one common entrance test for MBBS and MD seats in all 271 medical colleges, run by the government and private management. This significant decision (22) _____ by the medical council of India. This decision _____ (23) _____ by the union Ministry of Health and _____ (24) _____ to the supreme court bringing a huge relief to lakhs of aspiring doctors.

22. a) was taken b) was being taken []
 c) had been taken d) have taken
23. a) will accepted b) is being accepted []
 c) was accepted d) was being accepted
24. a) had been conveyed b) is being conveyed []
 c) was being conveyed d) has been conveyed
25. Alms should not be _____ to the beggars. (choose the appropriate word) []
 a) given b) give c) gave d) giving
26. The cat is dead. The part of speech of the underlined word is _____ []
 a) adjective b) verb c) adverb d) noun
27. The comparative degree of 'polite' is _____ []
 a) politer b) more polite c) much polite d) both a and b
28. Rahim sold hundred tickets . (Choose the appropriate verb form)
 Hundred tickets _____ sold by Rahim. []
 a) are b) were c) was d) is

29. Poetry _____ more powerful than prose []
 a) were b) are c) is d) could be
30. Anil as well as Ravi _____ ready to help others during the convention. []
 a) was b) are c) were d) has
31. The two friends fell out on the distribution of the money. (The meaning of the underlined idiom is) []
 a) talk b) chat c) quarrel d) negotiations
32. Mr. Sarma has the gift of the gab that convinces every one. []
 a) power of speech b) power to kill c) power of look d) power of attraction
33. As he is dishonest, his reputation _____ in the society.(choose the suitable phrase) []
 a) fell down b) lost ground c) lost the edge d) lost the place
34. He is an old and frail man (The synonym of the underlined word is) []
 a) thin b) weak c) poor d) rich
35. Rajan has an enormous strength to fight with any one. (choose the right synonym) []
 a) big b) small c) large d) huge
36. Vinoba lead his life austerely. []
 a) weakly b) strongly c) largely d) simple and plain
37. A person of good understanding, knowledge and reasoning power. []
 a) expert b) intellectual c) snob d) literate
38. The verb form of 'grace' is _____ []
 a) graceful b) grace c) gracious d) none of these
39. His movie was shortlisted for the film festival. (change the voice) []
 a) His movie had been shortlisted for the film festival.
 b) His movie was been shortlisted for the film festival.
 c) The film festival was been shortlisted by his movie.
 d) They shortlisted his movie for the film festival.
40. America is _____ than India []
 a) more richest b) rich c) richer d) as rich as
41. people living in luxury do not know anything _____ poverty. []
 a) about b) of c) to d) for
42. _____ it is very cheap yet it is durable. []
 a) is b) so c) though d) and
43. No other river is considered _____ as the Ganga []
 a) pious b) more pious c) as pious d) most pious
44. The book comprises _____ three hundred pages []
 a) of b) for c) on d) no preposition.
45. Choose the sentence that is grammatically correct. []
 a) No sooner did the bell ring than the students submitted the paper.
 b) Hardly had the bell ring when the students submitted the paper.
 c) As soon as the bell rung than the students submitted the paper.
 d) No sooner had the bell ring, when the students submitted the paper.

