

**Subject : English**

**STD-VIII**

**Total Marks: 40**

**Name of the Student: .....**

**Time : 1 ½ hrs**

**Class and Section: .....**

**Name of the School: ..... DISE code .....**

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**Read the questions carefully and circle the correct option from question number 5 to 40**

**1. Write the name of the animal shown in the picture below.**



\_\_\_\_\_

**2. Combine the two sentences meaningfully.**

**Ravi did not come to school. Ravi was sick.**

\_\_\_\_\_

**3. Complete the sentence in your own words.**

**During rainy season, I \_\_\_\_\_.**

**4. Describe the picture in one sentence.**



5. Choose the correct spelling.

- a) hite                      b) hight                      c) height                      d) hieght

6. One who foretells the future is an \_\_\_\_\_ .

- a) acrobat              b) astrologer              c) astronaut              d) accountant

7. Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

Varun has new shoes. He wore \_\_\_\_\_ to school today

- a) it                      b) them                      c) theirs                      d) its

8. Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

The mill \_\_\_\_\_ the grain into flour everyday.

- a) grinds                      b) is grinding                      c) has ground                      d) would ground

9. Although his friends picked holes in his story, the author took it well and started working on a better draft. The underlined phrase means the same as \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) to oppose              b) to criticize              c) to appreciate              d) to overwhelm

10. Read the sentence given below and choose the answer to the question.

Sanjana is as tall as her sisters, Gauri and Naina. Who is the tallest of the three sisters?

- a) Sanjana              b) Gauri              c) Naina              d) Three sisters are of the same height

11. Choose the option that completes the sentence meaningfully.

The room fell silent, \_\_\_\_\_, that there would be no water supply in the city for three days.

- a) whereas the TV newscaster announced  
b) when the TV newscaster announced  
c) in case the TV newscaster announces  
d) even if the TV newscaster announces

12. Since we did not know the precise meaning of many words, the teacher advised us to use the dictionary.

Identify the word which means the SAME as "precise" as used in the sentence above.

- a) exact                      b) similar                      c) uniform                      d) identical

13. Choose the option that completes the sentence meaningfully.

The river Cauvery flows \_\_\_\_\_ Karnataka. It caters \_\_\_\_\_ the farmers \_\_\_\_\_ the region it passes through.

- a) in, to, from              b) to, in, from              c) from, to, in              d) to, from, in

**14. Which of the following is correctly punctuated?**

- a) Salim said, What a beautiful bird it is!
- b) Salim said, "What a beautiful bird it is?"
- c) Salim said, "What a beautiful bird it is!"
- d) Salim said What a beautiful bird it is?

**15. Given below is a jumbled conversation between Hari and Aditya. Select the option with the correct sequence of the conversation.**

- 1) Hari : Why are you waiting outside? Come in. When did you return from Mumbai?
- 2) Hari : Hi Aditya. How are you?
- 3) Aditya : Just this morning by Shatabdi Express.
- 4) Aditya : Fine, thanks.

- a) 2-3-4-1
- b) 1-4-3-2
- c) 2-4-1-3
- d) 3-4-2-1

**16. Choose the correct option to complete this sentence.**

Soni wanted to be a good dancer. She \_\_\_\_\_ went to her dance class.

- a) regularly
- b) sometimes
- c) rarely
- d) never

**17. Which sentence is incorrect?**

- a) Please remind me to post the letter.
- b) Remind me to post the letter.
- c) Remember me to post the letter.
- d) Remind me later to post the letter.

**18. What could be an appropriate question for the answer below?**

Q: \_\_\_\_\_

A: Yes, he completed the test on time

- a) Does he complete the test on time ?
- b) Shall he complete the test on time ?
- c) Did he complete the test on time ?
- d) Will he complete the test on time ?

**19. Choose the correct phrase to complete the sentence.**

The musical concert was \_\_\_\_\_ suddenly due to rain.

- a) called on
- b) called in
- c) called off
- d) called at

**20. The soldiers assembled on the ground for the march. After the march, they \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Identify the antonym for the underlined word.**

- a) exercised
- b) gathered
- c) dispersed
- d) practised

**21. Choose a complete and meaningful sentence.**

- a) Everyday the children went to the neighbour's garden play to.
- b) Everyday went the children to the neighbours garden to play.
- c) The children went to neighbour's garden to play everyday.
- d) The neighbours garden is where the children went to play everyday.

**22. Choose the appropriate words to complete the sentence meaningfully.**

All the boys were ready to \_\_\_\_\_ their mistakes, \_\_\_\_\_ a few.

- a) accept, expect
- b) except, accept
- c) accept, except
- d) expect, except

**23. Sanjana wrote a novel \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ first and last as well.**

**Complete the sentence meaningfully.**

- a) which, she
- b) her, which
- c) she, which
- d) which, her

**24. Which of the sentences is grammatically correct?**

- a) Sarah is the attractive girl of all the sisters.
- b) Mathematics is a tougher subject than other subjects.
- c) Gujarat is the coolest in comparison to Bombay in winters.
- d) Education is the more essential requirement in developing countries

**25. Choose the correct word to complete the sentence meaningfully.**

**If everyone \_\_\_\_\_ their paintings, we can move on the next activity.**

- a) will finish
- b) is finishing
- c) had finished
- d) has finished

**Read the passage and answer the questions 26 to 29.**

## HEROES



"I now realise I have rope burns on my palms as a result of drawing water for hours," says Irfan Ansari, "But I am glad we were able to bring the fire under control." Ansari and his 'fireman' comrades Abdul Hannan and Waris Khan are the heroes of their hutment colony in Kasaiwada, Kurla.

When the colony caught fire at about 12.30 pm on Saturday due to a short-circuit, they were the ones who came to the rescue. As the fire raged, fire rangers were unable to navigate through the narrow lanes to reach the spot.

Meanwhile, a gas cylinder burst, aggravating the inferno. By the time the fire was brought under control, 200 hutments had been destroyed and five people were critically injured.

"I came up with the idea of fetching water from the small well as the fire rangers were helpless," says Hannan, "we asked all the other people to help."

"I am left without a house now," says Khan, "but I am happy that God fulfilled my earnest desire to stop the fire from spreading to other houses and destroying them." It took three hours for the residents to extinguish the fire.

Niket Kaushik, deputy police commissioner of Zone 6, says, "After the cylinder explosion, we informed the Railways traffic control room to divert trains if required, as the colony is situated close to the tracks."

"We have accommodated those who lost homes at a nearby school," local MLA Nawab Malik says, "and are looking after their food and other everyday needs." I will see to it that the government gives them Rs 1,000 per head as compensation, along with blankets and other relief materials, as soon as possible." Of the five injured, Iqbal Husain sustained injuries in his eye and Sattar on his hand. They have both been admitted to Sion Hospital.

**26. Who can claim the compensation of Rs.1000 mentioned by the MLA, Mr. Nawab Malik?**

- a) only those who helped to put out the fire
- b) only those who lost their homes in the fire
- c) only those who were taken to the hospital
- d) only those firemen who came to put out the fire

**27. What is the purpose of this passage?**

- a) to share different points of view on fire safety
- b) to inform the reader about a life threatening event
- c) to entertain us with a description of events that happen to firemen
- d) to compare the different relief packages offered to victims of fire

**28. What is the MAIN message that a reader can take away from this news story?**

- a) Quick thinking and hard work can save the day.
- b) Help is often available when we need it the most.
- c) Good fire fighting depends on the type of equipment used.
- d) The authorities are quick to offer relief after disaster strikes.

**29. In the passage, who gives an assurance or promise to the residents?**

- a) Niket Kaushik
- b) Iqbal Husain
- c) Nawab Malik
- d) Irfan Ansari

**Read the story and answer the questions 30 to 32.**

One day, the father of a very wealthy family took his son on a trip to the country with the purpose of showing him how poor people live. They spent a couple of days and nights on the farm that belonged to a poor family.

On their return from their trip, the father asked his son, "How was the trip?" "It was great, Dad", the son said.

"Did you see how poor people live?", the father asked, "Oh yes," said the son. "So tell me, what did you learn from the trip?" asked the father.

The son answered "I saw that we have one dog and they had four. We have a pool that reaches to the middle of our garden and they have a creek that has no end. We have imported lanterns in our garden and they have the stars at night. Our courtyard reaches to the front yard and they have the whole horizon. We have a small piece of land to live on and they have fields that go beyond our sight.

We have servants who serve us, but they serve others. We buy our food, but they grow theirs. We have walls around our property to protect us, they have friends to protect them"

The boy's father was speechless. Then his son added, "Thanks Dad for showing me how poor we are".

**30. The boy said that his family was poor because of \_\_\_\_\_**

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|------------------------|------------------------|
| a) lack of dogs        | b) limited possessions |
| c) small swimming pool | d) low economic status |

**31. The father turned speechless because \_\_\_\_\_**

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|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| a) his son talked for a long time     | b) his son gave an immature reply   |
| c) his son learnt about the city life | d) his son learnt a valuable lesson |

**32. What can be a title for the story?**

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|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| a) Money can buy things.      | b) Money leads to richness.    |
| c) Money can't buy happiness. | d) Money is the real happiness |

Read the poster and answer the questions 33 to 35.

The advertisement for Bell Institute features a dark background with a photograph of three people in a kitchen setting: two men in chef uniforms and one woman in a dark uniform. The text at the top reads "BELL INSTITUTE" with a logo, and "Jobs in Ship, Airlines & Star Hotels". A circular badge says "100% JOB GUARANTEED". The "COURSES" section lists three options: "B.Sc Catering & Hotel Administration +2 PASS", "Diploma in Catering & Hotel Administration 10<sup>th</sup> PASS", and "One Year Craftmanship 8<sup>th</sup> PASS" (with sub-points for Food Production and Food & Beverage Service). Contact information and the institute's name are at the bottom.

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33. Ajantha is studying in 10<sup>th</sup> standard. Which of the following courses can she be enrolled now?

- P. Craftmanship courses
- Q. Diploma in catering
- R. Diploma in craftmanship
- S. B.Sc in Hotel administration

- a) Only P
- b) P and S
- c) P,Q and S
- d) P,Q,R and S

34. Bell institute assured 100% job guarantee. It means\_\_\_\_\_

- a) all students will get the job
- b) only 100 students will get the job
- c) up to 100 students will get the job
- d) up to 100% students will get the job

35. Mohan completed his course in BELL institute. Which of the following can be a job that he would get on the basis of his qualification?

- a) chef in a hotel
- b) cleaner in a hotel
- c) baker in a cake shop
- d) cook in a roadside shop

**Read the story and answer the questions 36 to 40.**

A milk man became very wealthy through dishonest means. He had to cross a river daily to reach the city where his customers lived. He mixed the water of the river generously with the milk that he sold for a good profit. One day he went around collecting the dues in order to celebrate the wedding of his son. With the large amount thus collected he purchased plenty of rich clothes and glittering gold ornaments. But while crossing the river, the boat capsized and all his costly purchases were swallowed by the river.

The milk vendor was speechless with grief. At that time he heard a voice that came from the river, 'Do not weep, what you have lost is only the illicit gains you earned through cheating your customers.'

**36. Why did the milkman mix more water in the milk?**

- a) to thicken the milk
- b) to earn more money
- c) to make the river happy
- d) to add taste to the milk

**37. He mixed the water of the river generously with the milk that he sold. What does the word 'generously' mean in this passage?**

- a) happily
- b) slowly
- c) liberally
- d) swiftly

**38. Why did he lose all his valuables?**

- a) because he threw them into the river
- b) because he loved his valuables
- c) because the boat overturned
- d) because he did not like them

**39. The milkman became sad because \_\_\_\_\_**

- a) he realized his mistake
- b) he lost his valuables
- c) he cheated his customers
- d) he could not attend the marriage

**40. What could be a suitable title for the story?**

- a) Haste is waste
- b) All that glitters is not gold
- c) Honesty is the best policy
- d) Slow and steady wins the race