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SUBJECT/ TOPIC	MARK CARRIED BY EACH QUESTION / SUBJECT	NO. OF CORRECT ANSWERS	MARKS OBTAINED
GENERAL ENGLISH	2		
PRÉCIS WRITING	25	N.A.	
ESSAY	25	N.A.	
TOTAL			

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1. Choose the correct indirect form of the given sentence

She urged them to be calm and listen to her speech

- (a) She said that they should be calm and listen to her speech ()
- (b) She urged that they should be calm and listen to her speech ()
- (c) She urged them to be calm and listen to her speech ()
- (d) She asked them to be calm and listen to her speech ()

2. Below are four jumbled words. Select the option that gives the correct order

- A. Folk tales offer lots of advice.
- B. Most of them deliver the message clearly.
- C. The reason was that he was not properly dressed.
- D. There is a story of Birbal not being allowed to attend the king's free lunch.
- E. This happened despite his high intellectual abilities.
- F. The advice thus conveyed is 'Don't judge a book by its cover'

- (a) ADEBCF ()
- (b) ABCEDF ()
- (c) ACEDBF ()
- (d) ABDCEF ()

3. Pick out the INCORRECTLY spelt word

- (a) Separate ()
- (b) Pursue ()
- (c) Receive ()
- (d) Bizarre ()

4. Find out which part of the sentence has an error

His mouth watered (1)/ when he saw (2)/ a bouquet of grapes (3)/ in the market (4)

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

5. Choose the appropriate option to fill in the blank

The adjective form of 'Decide' is _____

- (a) Decisive ()
- (b) Decision ()
- (c) Decisively ()
- (d) Decides ()

6. Choose the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom

Let the cat out of the bag

- (a) to act promptly ()
- (b) to be undecided ()
- (c) to agree with someone ()
- (d) to accidentally reveal a secret ()

7. Select the correct passive form of the given sentence

The player is taking extra time

- (a) Extra time has been taken by the player ()
- (b) Extra time is being taken by the player ()
- (c) Extra time was taken by the player ()
- (d) Extra time was being taken by the player ()

8. Select the correct synonyms of the given word
IMPEDIMENT

- (a) Obstacle ()
- (b) Important ()
- (c) Logical ()
- (d) Urgent ()

9. Select the word which has the same meaning as-

A reserved person/tending not to speak much

- (a) Stern ()
- (b) Meticulous ()
- (c) Taciturn ()
- (d) Credulous ()

10. Select the correct active form of the given sentence

Good news is expected

- a) We expect good news ()
- b) We are expecting good news ()
- c) They expect good news ()
- d) We have expected good news ()

11. Select the appropriate verb / preposition / conjunction etc to fill in the blank

_____ it was raining we decided to go out

- (a) Despite ()
- (b) Though ()
- (c) However ()
- (d) Because ()

12. Select the appropriate antonyms of the given word

TO JOSTLE

- (a) To shove ()
- (b) To hustle ()
- (c) To eschew ()
- (d) To scramble ()

13. Select the alternative that will improve the underlined part of the sentence

Among all the boys he is strong

- (a) the stronger ()
- (b) the strongest ()
- (c) the more strong ()
- (d) No improvement ()

14. Choose the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom

Get under skin

- (a) To hide ()
- (b) To learn ()
- (c) To finish ()
- (d) To be irritating ()

15. Choose the word which has the same meaning and can be used in the same context as the italicised word in the given sentence

Huge crowd *flung* into the hall as soon as the door was opened

- (a) drained ()
- (b) poured ()
- (c) flowed ()
- (d) threw ()

16. Select the word which has the same meaning as

A notice of a death, especially in a newspaper, typically including a brief biography of the deceased person

- (a) Obituary ()
- (b) Inscription ()
- (c) Engrave ()
- (d) Epitaph ()

17. Choose the correct antonym of DISHEVELED

- (a) Unkempt ()
- (b) Clumsy ()
- (c) Tidy ()
- (d) Exasperated ()

18. Choose the correct compound sentence form of-

Besides being beautiful she is intelligent

- (a) She is beautiful and intelligent ()
- (b) She is beautiful yet intelligent ()
- (c) No change needed ()
- (d) She is not only beautiful but intelligent ()

19. Choose the correct preposition to fill in the blank

The police station is _____ your right

- (a) to ()
- (b) at ()
- (c) by ()
- (d) None of the above ()

20. Identify the error, if any, in the given sentence

The old scooter doesn't need to be fixed

- (a) old scooter ()
- (b) doesn't need ()
- (c) be fixed ()
- (d) No error ()

21. Spot the error, if any, in the following sentence

Everyone have a story to tell about this tragedy

- (a) about ()
- (b) tell ()
- (c) have ()
- (d) No error ()

22. Choose the correct tense to go with the blank

When you called, I _____ a shower

- (a) am having ()
- (b) was having ()
- (b) had ()
- (d) have ()

23. Which one of the idioms is wrongly quoted -

- (a) Every cloud has a silver lining ()
- (b) Blessing in disguise ()
- (c) Burn the midnight oil ()
- (d) To kill one bird with one stone ()

24. Choose the correct word to substitute the underlined word

It depends whether if the applicant performs well in the interview

- (a) whether how ()
- (b) on whether ()
- (c) if whether ()
- (d) None of the above ()

25. Choose the correct tense to go with the blank

I am tired. I _____ for 5 hours

- (a) have been studying ()
- (b) had studied ()
- (c) have studied ()
- (d) had been studying ()

26. Write a précis of the given passage and give suitable title (25)

Education is a device for helping a man to grow to his full stature. It enables him to realize his nature both mentally and spiritually and in that realization to become all that he has in him to be. It is to the child what perfect gardening is to the tree, a help to grow that it may develop its own personality. A good gardener helps each plant to put forth that essential quality of its own that differentiates it from all other plants and makes it a thing of use and beauty in the world. The good educator performs a similar office for the human being. But most of us cannot afford the services of a good educator that we go through life with faculties undeveloped and potentialities unrealized merely because the community has been too mean to give us the necessary opportunity for mental growth. And so, for most

of us, our habitation is a person whose walls are brute facts from which the spirit lacks the wings of knowledge to escape. To the man of trained faculties and developed tastes, the world becomes literally a larger place, larger and more exciting. He is able to see in it more beauty, more variety, more scope for his sympathy and his understanding than he saw before. The training of education widens his sense of the possibilities of what may be and transforms the world from a humdrum scene of workshop, factory and office to the universe of mystery and a treasure house of beauty. Wherein is the man's fullest development to be found? Some men, it is obvious, are more fully and representatively human than others are, that is to say, better or more typical specimens of what our species is, when taken at its best. By what marks are we to recognize them? Clearly, we shall find them in those who have developed to their fullest extent the distinctive characteristics of humanity not, that is to say, in the strongest or the most ruthless or the most determined or the most powerful or the wealthiest

27. Write an essay on any one of the following

(25)

- a) Time Management
- b) Environmental Pollution- Causes and Solution
- c) The pen is mightier than the sword