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## GRADE 10

## ENGLISH

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## Section A (Subject Specific)

(This section contains 30 multiple choice questions. Each question has four choices (A), (B), (C) and (D), out of which only ONE is correct.)

1. Life: Death; Hope: $\qquad$
(A) Angry
(B) Sad
(C) Despair
(D) Agony
2. Choose the best alternative to replace the underlined incorrect part of the given sentence.

You should not have hurting the poor puppy.
(A) have hurted
(B) have hurting
(C) have hurt
(D) have hurts
3. The following sentence has a part missing. Choose the best alternative from among the four options and complete the sentence.

If $A$ is equal to $B$ and $B$ is equal to $C$, $\qquad$ $A$ is equal to $C$.
(A) than
(B) then
(C) so
(D) None of these
4. A $\qquad$ is a unit of sound.
(A) syllable
(B) letter
(C) spelling
(D) stress
5. Euphemism helps writers convey ideas that have become social $\qquad$ and implies something unpleasant that is less hurtful or pleasing.
(A) norms
(B) taboos
(C) customs
(D) ideologies
6. There are four underlined words/phrases - one each in the four parts of the sentences tagged (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) and separated by /. Identify the inappropriate part from among the options given below.
She will not lose (i)/ from the area where (ii)/ she is a MLA as she has (iii)/ many followers there (iv).
(A) (i)
(B) (ii) and (iii)
(C) (iii)
(D) (iv)
7. Choose the right preposition from the given options.

Adya went to Tokyo $\qquad$ the age of 3 .
(A) at
(B) in
(C) within
(D) on
8. Fill in the blank space with the most suitable option.

You need to add $\qquad$ sugar to your tea.
(A) a beat of
(B) a bite of
(C) a bit of
(D) a boat of
9. Complete the sentence with the appropriate tense.

When the woman was out, a postman $\qquad$ a letter.
(A) brings
(B) brought
(C) had brought
(D) has brought
10. Rashmi was talking to journalists $\qquad$ the explosion.
(A) when she will be hearing
(B) when she hears
(C) when she is hearing
(D) when she heard
11. Choose the best alternative to replace the underlined phrase in the sentence.

The student whom you wanted to punish is absent today.
(A) student you wanted to punish
(B) student to who you wanted to punish
(C) student to whom you wanted to punish
(D) None of these
12. Choose the correct possessive pronoun to fill in the blank.

They bought some furniture for $\qquad$ house.
(A) mine
(B) their
(C) yours
(D) ours
13. Find the synonym of 'fostering'.
(A) Safeguarding
(B) Nurturing
(C) Ignoring
(D) Neglecting
14. Choose the correct form of the verb to fill in the blank.

I'd appreciate $\qquad$ from you.
(A) hearing
(B) hear
(C) heard
(D) to hear
15. Identify the correct way of expressing the following sentences in passive voice.

Who taught you French?
(A) By whom was French taught to you?
(B) By whom were you taught French?
(C) Both (A) and (B)
(D) Cannot be changed into passive voice
16. Transform the following sentence from passive voice into active voice.

Ice cream is liked very much by the children.
(A) Children like ice cream very much.
(B) Children likes ice cream very much.
(C) Both (A) and (B)
(D) None of these
17. Choose the correctly spelled word from the words given below.
(A) Bureaucracy
(B) Bureaucrecy
(C) Bureaucrasy
(D) None of these

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18. In the following sentence, a part of the sentence is underlined. Choose the option to make it a proper sentence.

The President of India lives in New Delhi Rashtrapati Bhavan.
(A) The president of india lives in New Delhi's
(B) The president of India lives in New Delhi's
(C) The President of India lives in New Delhi's
(D) The President of India lives in new delhi's
19. Choose the correct preposition from the given options to fill in the blank. Take this home remedy and you will get rid $\qquad$ fever.
(A) of
(B) with
(C) in
(D) out
20. Choose the correct preposition from the given options to fill in the blank. There is a cockroach $\qquad$ my bed.
(A) over
(B) under
(C) in
(D) up
21. Choose the correct conjunction to fill in the blank.
$\qquad$ you cook me lunch, or I leave.
(A) Either
(B) Or
(C) Nor
(D) If
22. Choose the correct prepositions to fill the blanks.

The next meeting will be held $\qquad$ February, probably $\qquad$ the second Tuesday of the month.
(A) $a t /$ in
(B) in/on
(C) on/on
(D) at/at

Each of the following questions (23-27) has a blank. Given below each question there are four word options - (A), (B), (C), and (D). Choose the option that best completes the sentence.
23. He said he would apply for the job immediately after he returned, $\qquad$ ?
(A) would he
(B) did he
(C) didn't he
(D) had he
24. The patient $\qquad$ by the doctor.
(A) has being examined
(B) had examined
(C) has examined
(D) has been examined
25. $\qquad$ to the critics, the film is as good as the novel itself.
(A) Owing
(B) Concerning
(C) According
(D) With regard to
26. We will have another test tomorrow. I wish $\qquad$ .
(A) we hadn't had one
(B) we wouldn't have one
(C) we don't have one
(D) we won't have one
27. Peter doesn't work hard, $\qquad$ ?
(A) is he
(B) does he
(C) he works
(D) doesn't he

## Read the given passage and answer the questions.

'India doesn’t lack money', said former tennis player Manisha Malhotra, 'it lacks expertise.' It's a truth written into our country's sporting history. Malhotra is in charge of the Mittal Champions Trust, one of the few private enterprises directed at helping India's elite athletes. Organisations like the MCT, Olympic Gold Quest, and Go Sports do what the federations should be doing-helping the athlete and coach plan out a training and competition calendar; ensuring quick medical help; pushing the paperwork with the government; and getting advice from the best brains in the sport. India's sporting grassroots need strengthening, more meets, more events. India's best seniors compete in only two major meets a year-one national, one state, and juniors get an extra age-group event. Top swimming nations ensure their cream competes at 50 to 100 meets a year. Surely the Indians could manage half that. A four-hour flight to Guangzhou cannot be turned into a 16 -hour trek, as it was for many in the Asiad contingent. Sethi's shooting federation cannot have oddly timed selection trials to keep its growing cast of global champions obedient and in line. But this is how India lets its Olympic athletes be treated. So when you see a village girl from Karnataka win the first 400 m hurdles medal for women after P. T. Usha in 1998, jump to your feet, rather than snigger over how you think her future races may go. When you see a pocket-sized Allahabadi throw himself at the pommel horse, believing he belongs in the arena of the five rings, stand up and applaud him, instead of tut-tutting at an imperfect landing. When you see a soldier swallow his disappointment and then lift an entire contingent in a sport, salute him, rather than be cynical about 'standards'. Over two months, Indian sport has shown us the rich, vast, and deep storehouse of its gifts. Between now and 2012, it is this gift that must be put ahead of everything else. It must be nurtured and cherished. It's not about money; it's about planning, training, treatment, and competition. Ask the students; they know. They learned this simple truth in kindergarten.
28. Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?
(A) Organisations like the MCT, Olympic Gold Quest and Go Sports are buttressing sports in India
(B) Organisations like the MCT, Olympic Gold Quest and Go Sports help organise sports events in India
(C) Organisations like the MCT, Olympic Gold Quest and Go Sports serve as intermediaries
(D) All of these
29. Which of the following does the author seem to be most upset about?
(A) Governmental irregularities
(B) Public insouciance
(C) Fund siphoning
(D) All of these
30. Which of the following words can replace 'snigger' as used in the passage?
(A) Brusque
(B) Scorn
(C) Laugh
(D) Discourage

## Section B (Competency Based)

(This section contains 20 multiple choice questions. Each question has four choices (A), (B), (C) and (D), out of which TWO are correct.)
31. Choose the sentences in passive voice.
(A) The deer was chased by the lion.
(B) The shoes were mended by the cobbler.
(C) Please close the door.
(D) Someone broke my clock.
32. Choose the correct sentences.
(A) All appreciated my act.
(B) All appreciated the act done by mine.
(C) My act was appreciated by all.
(D) All appreciated the mine act.

## Complete the sentences using the correct options.

33. $\qquad$ writers have written about compassion.
(A) Many
(B) Most
(C) Little
(D) None of these
34. There is $\qquad$ water in the pan.
(A) little
(B) many
(C) a little
(D) all
35. Choose the correct verbs to complete the given sentence in passive voice.

Shoes $\qquad$ off outside the religious place.
(A) have to be taken
(B) have be taken
(C) had to be taken
(D) have to be take
36. Choose the correct sentences.
(A) I will wait here as long as I can.
(B) I will wait here so that I can.
(C) I will wait here till I can.
(D) All of these
37. Choose the words that are followed by the given preposition.

Down
(A) Cure
(B) Let
(C) Look
(D) Forget
38. Choose the correct relative pronoun to complete the sentence.
$\qquad$ you go, let us know.
(A) Whenever
(B) However
(C) Wherever
(D) Whichever
39. Choose the sentences with the correct punctuation.
(A) Do you read novels regularly.
(B) Do you read novels regularly?
(C) Who's the party's candidate?
(D) Who's the partys candidate?
40. Identify the correct type for the given sentence.

What is bothering you?
(A) Simple
(B) Interrogative
(C) Assertive
(D) Complex
41. Which two sentences can be completed with independent clauses?
(A) Mehul likes to eat ice cream and...
(B) Simi sings well because...
(C) We work hard but...
(D) Sunil is the worker who...
42. Choose the correct meaning of the following idioms or phrasal verbs.

Above board
(A) Honest
(B) Open
(C) Float
(D) None of these
43. Replace the underlined words with one word to make the given sentence less verbose. He cooks very tasty, pleasing to eat dishes.
(A) Palatable
(B) Palpable
(C) Delectable
(D) Pleasant
44. Choose the correct words with the given prefix.

Prefix - Ir
(A) Irrelevant
(B) Irpossible
(C) Irresponsible
(D) Irdistant
45. Choose the part of the transformation of the given sentence that has a mistake.

He said, "You missed the fun at the picnic yesterday."
(A) He said that
(B) she had missed
(C) the fun
(D) at the picnic yesterday.
46. Choose an antonym and a synonym of the given word.

Abortive
(A) Shining
(B) Stop
(C) Productive
(D) Vain
47. Choose the correct sentences.
(A) The session was not only long but also boring.
(B) The session was both long but also boring.
(C) The session was both long and boring.
(D) The session was not long not boring.
48. Choose the correct sentences.
(A) The crowd that had gathered was shouting loudly and was angry.
(B) The crowd that had gathered was loud and angry.
(C) The crowd that had gathered was shouting loud and acting angrily.
(D) The crowd that gathered was loud and angry.
49. Choose the correct meanings of the idioms.

A dime a dozen
(A) Anything that is common and easy to get
(B) So common that something loses its value
(C) Something good that has no value
(D) Something invaluable
50. Choose the correct synonyms of the given word.

Antipathy
(A) Animosity
(B) Antagonism
(C) Amiability
(D) Empathy


