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General English

Instructions

The frail man wearing a kurta and dark glasses and carrying a walking stick was a familiar figure all over India. One day, people returning home from offices in Madras were surprised to find him walking along the road to the Central Railway Station just like an ordinary man. There were surprised looks and excited inquiries. People asked one another, "Why is he walking in this crowd? It could be dangerous." The man they were talking about was C. Rajagopalachari, the Chief Minister of Madras State. When Rajaji, as he was popularly and affectionately known, was asked why he was going to the station on foot, he had a simple answer. He had actually come by car. But the traffic jam near the station had forced the car to stop. He had to reach the station in time, so he had got out of the car and was walking. In any case, he did not see any reason why he should not walk a few steps even though he was the Chief Minister of the State.

Question 1

How do you know Rajaji was walking in the station in the evening?

- A He was carrying a walking stick.
- B He was wearing dark glasses.
- C The road near the station was crowded.
- D People were returning home from offices.

Answer: D

Question 2

There were surprised looks and excited enquiries because

- A It was dangerous for a minister to walk in the crowd.
- B Rajaji's train was on time and he was going to miss it.
- C The Chief Minister was walking along the road like an ordinary man.
- D The crowd had forced the Chief Minister's car to stop but he was brave.

Answer: A

Question 3

Rajaji's reason for walking to the station was that

- A He believed in simple Gandhian principles.
- B He thought walking would be more effective in the traffic jam.
- C His popularity depended on being close to the common man.
- D The crowd was unruly and he would be safer in the station.

Answer: B

Question 4

"In any case, he did not see any reason why he should not walk...." This statement indicates that Rajaji felt that ministers should

- A Walk even without reason.
- B Be prepared to walk whenever it seemed necessary.
- C Always walk and set an example.
- D Help prevent traffic jams by not using big official cars.

Answer: B

Question 5

Find the word nearest in meaning to the word in capitals which occurs in the passage.

FRAIL

- A Fierce
- B Weak
- C Important
- D Simple

Answer: B

Instructions

In the following question, out of the four alternatives choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentence:

Question 6

To free a person by a verdict of "Not guilty"

- A Acquaint
- B Acquit
- C Acquire
- D Acquiesce

Answer: B

Question 7

A general pardon granted by the government to political offenders:

- A Pardon
- B Excuse
- C Honesty
- D Amnesty

Answer: D

Question 8

Wildly unreasonable, illogical or ridiculous

- A Abject
- B Adept
- C Arid
- D Absurd

Answer: D

Instructions

Choose the correct options out of the four choices given.

Question 9

My voice reverberated the walls of the castle.

- A With
- B From
- C In
- D On

Answer: A

Question 10

It is a human nature to aspire fame.

- A After
- B Before
- C On
- D Of

Answer: A

Question 11

I had no alternative but to acquiesce his unfair demand.

- A With
- B On
- C In
- D By

Answer: C

Instructions

For the following questions answer them individually

Question 12

In the following question, an idiomatic expression/a proverb has been given followed by some alternative. Choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given idiom or proverb.

A bull in a china shop:

- A A person who becomes too excited where no excitement is warranted
- B A person who is rough and clumsy where skill and care are required
- C A person who is very ugly but loves the beautiful things of life
- D A person who takes a sadistic delight in harming innocent people

Answer: B

Instructions

In the following question, an idiomatic expression/a proverb as underlined has been given followed by some alternative. Choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given idiom or proverb.

Question 13

She was in a brown study and did not notice my entrance:

- A Sleep
- B Dream
- C Fear
- D Reverie (an act or state of absentminded day dreaming)

Answer: D

Question 14

His boss was always breathing down his neck:

- A Shouting loudly at him
- B Giving him strenuous work
- C Abusing and ill-treating him
- D Watching all his actions closely

Answer: D

Instructions

Choose the wrong spelt word.

Question 15

- A Commemorate
- B Commendable
- C Commendatory
- D Commensurate

Answer: C

Question 16

- A Auspicious
- B Augment
- C Authentic
- D Autocretic

Answer: D

Instructions

In the following sentence four words or phrases have been underlined. Only one underlined part in the sentence is not acceptable in standard English. Pick up that part (1) or (2) or (3) or (4).

Question 17

Several guests noticed/(1) Mr. Peter fall/(2) back in his/(3) chair and gasping/(4) for breath

- A (1)
- B (2)
- C (3)
- D (4)

Answer: B

Question 18

If/(1) this man would not have/(2) seen poor he would not have/(3) worked so hard/(4).

- A (1)
- B (2)
- C (3)
- D (4)

Answer: B

Instructions

For the following questions answer them individually

Question 19

In this section, a sentence is given. The sentence is in three separate parts labelled as (1), (2) and (3). Read the sentence to find out whether there is an error in any part. Sentence does not have more than one error. When you find an error in any one of the parts (1), (2) or (3), indicate your response. You may feel that there is no error in a sentence. In that case letter (4) will signify a 'No error' response.

Errors may be in grammar, word usage or idioms. There may be a word missing or there may be a word which should be removed. (You are not required to correct the error. You are required only to indicate your response).

Both the boys (1) / came late in the hall (2) / and sat besides me. (3) / No error. (4)

- A Both the boys
- B came late in the hall
- C and sat besides me.
- D No error.

Answer: C

Question 20

The correct passive voice of the following sentence is:
Would he have not made profits?

- A Would the profits having not made by him?
- B Would have been the profits not to be made by him?
- C Would the profits not have been made by him?
- D Would the profits have been not made by him?

Answer: C

Instructions

In the following passage some words have been left out. First read the passage over and try to understand what is about. Then fill in the blanks with the help of alternatives given. Mark your answer in the OMR sheet.

More animals, including the great cats, do not 21 man and they do their best to 22 him. My brain turns round and round like a 23 at this odd behavior. The explanation that the animals 24 that man is a killer is 25 believable. To me men are comparatively 26 and defenceless. Animals are more agile and 27 than man.

Question 21

- A Prefer
- B Admire
- C Hate
- D Like

Answer: D

Question 22

- A Avoid
- B Shirk
- C Kill
- D Overpower

Answer: A

Question 23

- A Circle
- B Cloud
- C Wheel
- D Whirlwind

Answer: D

Question 24

- A Know
- B Believe
- C Feel
- D See

Answer: B

Question 25

- A Unbelievably
- B Generally
- C Hardly
- D Particularly

Answer: C

Question 26

- A Strong
- B Weak
- C Powerful
- D Fragile

Answer: B

Question 27

- A Rapid
- B Alert
- C Brisk
- D Docile

Answer: B

Instructions

In the following items, some parts of the sentence have been jumbled up. You are required to rearrange these parts which are labeled P, Q, R and S to produce the correct sentence. Choose the proper sequence and mark your answer.

Question 28

Rekha and Seema

P : If they studied hard

Q : Could pass their examinations easily

R : With all their heart and soul

S : And did not waste their time

The correct sequence should be:

- A QPRS
- B PRQS
- C QRPS
- D RQPS

Answer: A

Question 29

The leader of opposition

P : In the manner he had planned to convince them

Q : On realizing that he had failed to convince the assembly

R : Who had a reputation for speech making

S : was very much disappointed

The correct sequence should be:

- A QSRP
- B PSRQ
- C SPRQ
- D RSQP

Answer: D

Instructions

Complete the following sentence.

Question 30

He was completely ____ by the thief's disguise.

- A Taken down
- B Taken to
- C Taken away
- D Taken in

Answer: D

Question 31

The students have not ____ the new teacher and his ways.

- A Taken down
- B Taken to
- C Taken away
- D Taken in

Answer: B

Instructions

For the following questions answer them individually

Question 32

Pick out the most effective word from the given words to fill in the blank to make the sentence meaningfully complete.
So fast he reached in time:

- A Did the boy run that
- B The boy ran that
- C The boy ran as
- D Would the boy run

Answer: A

Question 33

Choose the exact meaning of idiomatic expression:
Pillar to post:

- A One place to another
- B Very tiresome journey
- C Main supports of a building
- D Clumsy looking objects

Answer: A

Question 34

Identify the correct form of reported speech of the following sentence among the following alternatives:
The teacher said, "Delhi became an Union Territory in 1956"

- A The teacher said that Delhi had been an union territory since 1956.
- B The teacher said that Delhi was to be an union territory in 1956.
- C The teacher said that Delhi had become an union territory in 1956.
- D The teacher said that Delhi became an union territory in 1956.

Answer: D

Question 35

Change the following sentence into reporting form:
The captain said, Hurrah! We have won the game.

- A The captain exclaimed with joy and said he had won the game.
- B The captain exclaimed with joy that they had won the game.
- C The captain exclaimed on winning the game.
- D The captain exclaimed with joy on winning the game.

Answer: B

Question 36

A wife on legal separation from her husband may be entitled to _____.

- A Debt
- B Alimony
- C Compensation
- D Damages

Answer: B

Question 37

The body part between the neck and the abdomen is called _____.

- A Thorax
- B Cardiac
- C Viscera
- D Stomach

Answer: A

Instructions

Pick up correct synonyms for each word capital letters from the answer choices.

Question 38

BLASE

- A Indifferent
- B Awed
- C Afraid
- D Cultured

Answer: A

Question 39

DECIDUOUS

- A Undecided
- B Hesitant
- C Evergreen
- D Annual

Answer: E

Question 40

CHARY

- A Lavish
- B Malivolent
- C Insinuating
- D Sparing

Answer: D

Instructions

For the following questions answer them individually

Question 41

Complete the sentence correctly.

Ram is so proud of his position that he _____ his subordinates:

- A Looks down upon
- B Looks into
- C Looks for
- D Looks after

Answer: A

Instructions

Against each key word are given four suggested meanings. Choose the word or phrase which is opposite in meaning to the Key word.

Question 42

CAPTIOUS:

- A Tolerant
- B Capable
- C Frivolous
- D Recollected

Answer: A

Question 43

DECOROUS:

- A Sedate
- B Flowery
- C Undignified
- D Good in conduct

Answer: C

Question 44

JITTERY:

- A Shaky
- B Boldness
- C Piecemeal
- D Profuse

Answer: B

Question 45

WARP:

- A Straighten
- B Distort
- C Falsify
- D Fully Developed

Answer: A

Instructions

For the following questions answer them individually

Question 46

In the following question a sentence is given with underlined portions, A, B, C, D. Select the choice where you consider an error exists. The cat chased/A a bird, who/B flew and perched itself/C on a brach of a tree/D:

- A A
- B B
- C C
- D D

Answer: B

Instructions

In the question, the given sentence has a blank space. Four alternative words (1), (2), (3) and (4) are given after the sentence. Select from the alternative the word as your answer which you consider the most appropriate for the blank space.

Question 47

The manager's includes the use of company's car and free education for their children.

- A Perquisites
- B Benefits
- C Prerequisites
- D Advantages

Answer: A

Question 48

There was a coating of on the unwashed sink.

- A Smile
- B Slew
- C Slink
- D Sledge

Answer: A

Question 49

..... will remember Lincoln as a truly great man.

- A Posterity
- B Probity
- C Posterior
- D Postdate

Answer: A

Question 50

The team management was worried about the captain's injury.

- A Nigging

- B Niggardly
- C Stingy
- D Nifty

Answer: A

Question 51

He is very for his age:

- A Premature
- B Unmature
- C Prematured
- D Immature

Answer: D

Question 52

The victim made an plea for mercy

- A Impassive
- B Impassable
- C Impassioned
- D Imperial

Answer: C

Question 53

The tourists were by the view of the mountains.

- A Enraged
- B Enlightened
- C Enraptured
- D Enriched

Answer: C

Instructions

For the following questions answer them individually

Question 54

In the following question, the sentence has been given in active/ passive voice. From the given alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the given sentence passive/active voice.

You should open the wine about three hours before you use it

- A Wine should be opened by you three hours before use
- B Wine should be opened about three hours before you use it

- C Wine should be opened about three hours before use
- D Wine should be opened about three hours before it is used.

Answer: D

Question 55

In the following question a sentence is given with underlined portions, A, B, C, D. Select the choice where you consider an error exists. Mr. Malhotra, along/A with/B his friends were/C invited to/D to dinner:

- A A
- B B
- C C
- D D

Answer: C

Instructions

In the following question, there is an expression followed by four options. Choose the option that can substitute the expression most effectively

Question 56

One who has compulsive desire to steal:

- A Pilferer
- B Poacher
- C Plagiarist
- D Kleptomaniac

Answer: D

Question 57

A government by the nobles:

- A Aristocracy
- B Democracy
- C Autocracy
- D Bureaucracy

Answer: A

Instructions

For the following questions answer them individually

Question 58

In the following question a word has been written in four different ways out of which only one is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word and darken the appropriate oval in the OMR sheet.

- A Meagre

B Meeger

C Meager

D Meagar

Answer: C

Instructions

In the following question out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can not be substituted for the given word/ sentence.

Question 59

Placing a thing "beside" another:

A Impose

B Repose

C Juxtapose

D Expose

Answer: C

Question 60

Living at the same time:

A Concurrent

B Contemporary

C Coincident

D Concomitant

Answer: B