

MISCELLANEOUS TEST ENGLISH

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Read the passage, carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives.

The important thing in life is not what you have been but what you are reaching for and becoming. At my age, when I can see the end of the road more clearly than most, I can sit back and recollect in tranquility the varying vicissitudes of my life and what it has taught me. When I look back, I find that the great and glorious hours of my life were those when I gave a helping hand to others without expecting anything in return and not when I struggled and succeeded to gain my own ends. And I can well imagine and appreciate that in this world those alone live who live for others. I have no regrets for the past. Life has been kind to me. My only regret is that I received more from life than I gave.

1. What stage of life must the author be?

- (a) Adolescence
- (b) Youth
- (c) Middle age
- (d) Old age

2. What feelings does the author harbour about life?

- (a) Regret
- (b) Gratitude
- (c) Sadness
- (d) Ecstasy

3. What, according to the author, were the most fulfilling moments of his life?

- (a) When he recollected his life in tranquility
- (b) When he succeeded in gaining his own ends
- (c) When he managed to struggle through the vicissitudes of life
- (d) When he could help others without expecting anything back

4. What, according to the author, is the most important thing in life?

- (a) The achievements of one's life
- (b) The struggles one has faced in life

- (c) The thing one is striving for
- (d) The memories one has in life

5. What is the tone of the passage?

- (a) Reflective
- (b) Argumentative
- (c) Opinionated
- (d) Satirical

Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.

6. These troubles are a direct consequence of the country's prolonged domestic recession and (faltering economics recovery).

- (a) faltering economic's recovery
- (b) faltering economic recovery
- (c) faltering economical recovery
- (d) No improvement

7. He started at the (bottom rung of the ladder) and then gained success.

- (a) bottom rung of the stair
- (b) lower rung of the ladder
- (c) lower rung of the stair
- (d) No improvement

8. He said that the (two barrage on rivers) Kosi and Gandaki near the India-Nepal border are operated by Indian authorities.

- (a) two barrages in rivers
- (b) two barrages on rivers
- (c) two barrages under rivers
- (d) No improvement

9. The issue was not resolved, but the discussion (was helped in realizing) the growing distance between the two strands of thought and the strain of this on the information ecology.

- (a) helped to realize to
- (b) was helped to realize
- (c) helped in realizing
- (d) No improvement

10. Higher crude oil prices have doubtlessly provided a significant fiscal boost in the past several months, although any (flair on) going forward can lead to a price spiral that would have other untoward consequences as well.

- (a) flair in
- (b) flare at

- (c) flare up
- (d) No improvement

In the following questions, change the Statements given in Direct Speech form into Indirect Speech or vice versa, with the help of given four options (A), (B), (C), (D).

11. He said to me, "Don't go out".

- (a) He forbade me to not to go out.
- (b) He forbade me to go out.
- (c) He forbade me not to go out.
- (d) He forbade me to not go out.

12. Ram said to his boss, "Let me go home."

- (a) Ram requested his boss to allow him to go home.
- (b) Ram requested to his boss to allow him to go home.
- (c) Ram requested his boss that he should go home.
- (d) Ram requested his boss to allow him for going home.

In these questions a sentence has been given in Active/Passive Voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested below, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active Voice.

13. People claim to have seen the suspect in several cities.

- (a) The suspect is being seen in several cities.
- (b) The suspect is claimed to have been seen in several cities.
- (c) The suspect is claimed to be seen in several cities.
- (d) The suspect is claimed to have seen in several cities.

14. She was to sell the watch.

- (a) The watch to be sold by her.
- (b) The watch was to be sold by her.
- (c) The watch was to sold by her.
- (d) The watch had to be sold by her.

In the following questions, out of the four alternatives select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase.

15 . Hand over first

- (a) To be dexterous
- (b) To do something that prevents an activity from continuing

- (c) To announce your intention of entering a competition
- (d) At a very fast pace

16. Make a pitch

- (a) Pay attention
- (b) Try to persuade people to do something
- (c) Regardless of
- (d) Underline

Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence.

17. The boys said, "Hurrah! we have won the match".

- (a) The boys exclaimed with joy that they won the match.
- (b) The boys exclaimed with joy that they have won the match.
- (c) The boys exclaimed with shock that they had won the match.
- (d) The boys exclaimed with joy that they had won the match.

18. Robert said to me, "If I hear any news, I'll phone you."

- (a) Robert told me that if he heard any new, he will phone me.
- (b) Robert told me that if he will hear any news, he will phone me.
- (c) Robert told me if he had heard any news, he would phone me.
- (d) Robert told me that if he heard any news, he would phone me.

19. I said to watchman, "Did you buy milk?"

- (a) I said to watchman that did he buy milk.
- (b) I told to watchman if he had bought milk.
- (c) I asked watchman if he had bought milk.
- (d) I asked watchman if he bought milk.

Choose the option that completes the sentence most meaningfully and appropriately.

20. Candidates have _____ using malpractices in the examination because they know these can be _____ .

- (a) Resorted to; challenged
- (b) Planned; proved
- (c) started; dangerous
- (d) Stopped; detected

21. Crocodile can live effortlessly both _____ water and _____ land.

- (a) In; on
- (b) With; over
- (c) Without; the
- (d) Inside; above

22. Though the programme was _____ scheduled for seven days, it was later _____ to four days

- (a) Finally; decided
- (b) originally; curtailed
- (c) Ultimately; made
- (d) Formerly; declared

23. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

be an open book

- 1. one who has written an examination without preparation
- 2. one who advises others to be frank and unsecretive
- 3. one who is fond of reading even when travelling
- 4. one about whom it is easy to know everything

24. Select the correctly spelt word.

- 1. tantative
- 2. remunerative
- 3. substentive
- 4. speculetive

25. In the question, there are 4 sentences or parts of sentences that form a paragraph. Identify the sentence/s or part/s that is/are correct in terms of grammar and usage and choose the answer accordingly.

- 1. I. A week ago newspapers reported that a handful of the big Western oil companies
- II. were close to unveiling contracts for work in Iraq,
- III. whose underexploited oil reserves are probably second
- IV. only to Saudi Arabia.

- (a) I only
- (b) II only
- (c) IV only
- (d) III and IV only
- (e) No error