# GEORGE SCHOOL OF COMPETITIVE EXAMS

# MISCELLANEOUS TEST ENGLISH

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# **ANSWERS WITH EXPLANATION**

01 - A sentence has been given in Active/Passive Voice. Out of the four given alternatives, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active Voice.

She will finish the thesis in a fortnight.

1) The thesis would be finished in a fortnight by her.

- 2) The thesis will finished by her in a fortnight.
- 3) The thesis will be finished by her in a fortnight.
- 4) A fortnight is required to finish the thesis.

Answer: The thesis will be finished by her in a fortnight.

02 - A sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect Speech. Out of the four given alternatives, select the one which best expresses the same sentence in Indirect/Direct Speech.

"I know her well" said Manisha.

- 1) Manisha said that she knew her well.
- 2) Manisha said if she knows her well.
- 3) Manisha said that she knows her.
- 4) Manisha says that she knew her well.

Answer: Manisha said that she knew her well.

03 - In the following question, a word has been written in four different ways out of which only one is correctly spelt. Select the correctly spelt word.

- 1) Commiety
- 2) Committee
- 3) Comittee
- 4) Commitee

### **Answer: Committee**

The following sentences can be replaced with one word from the options given below them. Choose the correct word and mark as your answer.

#### 4. Arrangements of events according to dates or times of occurrence

a) Ecology b) Etymology c) Chronology d) Cytology

Answer: c) Explanation: ecology –s tudy of environment Etymology – study of origin of roots Cytology – study of cells Chronology means the arrangement of events or dates in the order of their occurrence.

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

**5.** Private Banks will continue to outshine as they continue to grab share from foreign and state-run banks.

a) Alien b) Unfamiliar c) Different d) Foreign

### Answer: d)

Explanation: As per the meaning of the sentence, the word 'foreign' which means belonging or connected to a country that is not your own, fits in the blanks.

In the following questions, some part of the sentence may have errors. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If a sentence is free from error, select 'No error'

6. I took the shortest (A)/ way through the (B)/ little park close the palace. (C)/No Error (D)

Ans.(c) "close to" means near thus "to" should be added after close.

7. As it came to a stop (A)/ the conductor called (B)/ over in a loud voice. (C)/No Error (D)

Ans.(c)Replace "over" with "out". "call out": to speak aloud or to shout.

# 8. He parked the (A)/ car front of the house and (B)/ headed down the street. (C)/No Error (D)

Ans.(b) "front" should be replaced with "in front". In front: in a position just ahead of or further forward than someone or something else.

## 9. Thank you for (A)/ getting me (B)/ of the hook. (C)/No Error (D)

Ans.(c)Replace 'of' with 'off'. Off the hook (idiom): no longer in jeopardy; no longer obligated.

# 10. Freedom fighters laboured (A)/ to the good of (B)/the poor enslaved masses. (C)/No Error (D)

Ans.(b)There is a preposition related error. Replace 'to' with 'for'.

11. While he went beside (A)/ with our decisions, we were (B)/ never sure he totally agreed. (C)/No Error (D)

Ans.(a)Go along with: to agree or follow.

There is no word "go beside" as such. Proper phrasal verb is "go along with" which should be changed according to tense used in the next clause. Hence replace 'beside' with 'along'.

# 12. The after morning (A)/ she woke to the first ray of (B)/ light through the window. (C)/ No Error (D)

Ans.(a) "After" should be replaced with "early" to make the statement meaningful.

# 13. The landlord could not (A)/ tell which of the servant (B)/broke the glass. (C)/No error (D)

Ans.(b)As the selection has been made that can be inferred with the pronoun "which", thus "selection" can be out of many, thus "servant" should be "servants".

## 14. The officer asked the recruit (A)/which district(B)/he came from. (C)/No error(D)

Ans.(d)No error

# 15. I asked the shopkeeper (A)/"Do you have change (B)/for a five hundred rupees note?"(C)/ No error(D)

16-In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option.

The special court was .....without having reached any decision on the case.

- 1) adjourned
- 2) dispersed
- 3) postponed
- 4) recessed

Answer: adjourned

17-Select the word with the correct spelling.

- 1) bloting 2) terrazo 3) gulible
- 4) pyroxene

**Answer: pyroxene** 

18-Select the synonym of

#### melodramatic

- 1) tranquil
- 2) halcyon
- 3) bucolic
- 4) theatrical

**Answer: theatrical** 

19-Rearrange the parts of the sentence in correct order.

### The yatra focussed

P-for poor and Q-marginalised communities R-on access to development and dignity

- 1) RQP
- 2) PQR
- 3) RPQ
- 4) QRP

#### **Answer: RPQ**

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

#### to shoot the breeze

1) To do random acts hoping one will be successful

2) To have a casual conversation

- 3) To release stomach gases
- 4) To brag about some mild achievement

Answer: To have a casual conversation

In these questions some of the sentences have errors and some have none. Find out which part of a sentence has an error and indicate it corresponding to the appropriate letter. If there is no error, indicate corresponding to the last option.

**21.** It was apparent for everyone present that if the patient did not receive medical attention fast he would die.

(a) It was apparent for everyone present(b) that if the patient did not receive(c) medical attention fast he would die.(d) No error

Ans.(a) Sol. Use 'to' in place of 'for'. As preposition 'To' goes with Apparent in such cases

22. There is no rule regarding the length of a precis with relation to that of the original passage.

(a) There is no rule regarding(b) the length of a precis(c) with relation to(d) that of the original passage.

Ans.(c) Sol. Change 'with relation to' by 'in relation to'.

23. The court held the local MLA responsible for the loss or damage to any public property.

(a) The court held

- (b) the local MLA responsible
- (c) for the loss or damage to any public property
- (d) No error

Ans.(c) Sol. 'Loss is followed by of'.

24. The decline of his moral values has caused a lot of pain to his parents.

(a) The decline of his moral values

- (b) has caused a lot
- (c) of pain to his parents
- (d) No error

Ans.(a) Sol. 'decline' is followed by 'in'.

25. I will avail myself with this golden opportunity.

(a) I will avail(b) myself with(c) this golden opportunity(d) No error

Ans.(b) Sol. 'avail' is followed by 'of'. Hence 'avail myself of' is the right usage. Avail of (opportunity etc.)