

GEORGE SCHOOL OF COMPETITIVE EXAMS

MISCELLANEOUS TEST ENGLISH

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ANSWERS WITH EXPLANATION

1 Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. Using his mother's show-business contacts, Charlie became a professional entertainer in 1897.
- B. He spent his early childhood with his mother, the singer Hannah Hall, after she and his father separated.
- C. Even today Charlie is widely regarded as the greatest comic artist of the screen and one of the most important figures in motion-picture history.
- D. Charlie Chaplin was born on April 16, 1889 in London and named after his father, a British music-hall entertainer.

- 1. CBDA
- 2. CABD
- 3. DABC
- 4. DBAC

Correct answer : DBAC

2 Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

All human beings must learn to live in _____ with nature.

- 1. kindness
- 2. pleasure
- 3. admiration
- 4. harmony

Correct answer : harmony

3 Find a word that is the ANTONYM OFanimosity

1. sarcasm
2. benevolence
3. bitterness
4. contamination

Corret answer : benevolence

4 Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.

I regret the way I treated you.

1. I regret the way you were being treated by me.
2. I regret the way you were treated by me.
3. I regret the way I am treating you.
4. I regret the way you treated me.

Correct answer : I regret the way you were treated by me.

5 Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.

I owe a big debt of gratitude to my mentor, Ms. Pallavi Dutta.

1. A big debt of gratitude had been owed by me to my mentor,Ms. Pallavi Dutta.
2. A big debt of gratitude was owing by me to my mentor,Ms. Pallavi Dutta.
3. A big debt of gratitude will be owed by to my mentor, Ms. Pallavi Dutta.
4. A big debt of gratitude is owed by me to my mentor, Ms Pallavi Dutta.

Correct answer : A big debt of gratitude is owed by me to my mentor, Ms Pallavi Dutta

6 Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

Mrs. Sethi said to her students, "Would you like to go outdoors for the yoga class?"

1. Mrs Sethi asked her students whether they would like to go outdoors for the yoga class.
2. Mrs Sethi asked her students about their liking to go outdoors for the yoga class.
3. Mrs Sethi told her students that would you like to go outdoors for the yoga class.
4. Mrs Sethi said to her students will you like to go outdoors for the yoga class?

Correct answer : Mrs Sethi asked her students whether they would like to go outdoors for the yoga class.

7 Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence..

Did the boys take permission to go out today?

1. Are the boys taking permission to go out today?
2. Was permission to go out today taken by the boys?
3. Has permission to going out today been taking by the boys?
4. Had the boys taken permission to go out today?

Correct answer : Was permission to go out today taken by the boys?

8 Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.

My friends persuaded me that I should forgive him.

1. I was persuaded by my friends that he should be forgiven.
2. I will have been persuaded by my friends to forgive him.
3. I am being persuaded by my friends that he should be forgiven.
4. I will be persuaded by my friends that he should be forgiven.

Correct answer : I was persuaded by my friends that he should be forgiven.

9 Choose the most appropriate option to change the narration (direct / indirect) of the given sentence.

'Let's not go out today. It's going to be a hot day,' he said to me.

1. He suggested that we shouldn't be going out that day as it is going to be a hot day.
2. He is suggesting that they shouldn't go out today as it was going to be a hot day.
3. He suggested that we shouldn't go out that day as it was going to be a hot day.
4. He had suggested that they shouldn't go out today as it was going to be a hot day.

Correct answer : He suggested that we shouldn't go out that day as it was going to be a hot day.

Comprehension: Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow

Dust storms of May 2018, in Northern India, contributed to the deteriorating air quality in the region and the capital city of Delhi, with implications for human health, a study found. The high death toll from the severe dust storms that lashed the region was mainly attributed to the intense winds, which surprised even scientists and meteorologists. But apart from the immediate damage to life and property, drastic changes in air quality from the dust engulfing the region affected far more people with potential implications for human health, stated a team of researchers who analysed the impact of the spell of dust storms that struck the region that month. They reported increases in particulate matter, mainly in Delhi and urged for an early warning system. Dust storms commonly occur in the Indo-Gangetic Plains – the fertile plains in northern India that stretch all the way to the East – from March to May, the pre-monsoon season. Westerly winds typically bring loose sand and soil particles, picked up from the Arabian Peninsula or the Thar Desert in North Western India, to the Indo-Gangetic Plains. The dust tends to worsen air quality over the Indo-Gangetic Plains, home to around 900 million people, which can have far-reaching effects on human health. While dust storms are a regular feature in the region, the May 2018 dust storms specifically had a death toll of about 100 people, with around 200 people injured. “We are concerned that the dust impacts the health of people who get exposed,” said a senior professor. However, he also observed that scattered rains occurring soon after the dust storms tend to clean up the dust, improving air quality. During October-November, densely populated cities like Delhi and Kanpur in the Indo-Gangetic Plains are vulnerable to windborne long-range air pollution from crop residue burning in the North, and now this study “shows the effect of dust storms during the March-May time frame,” Sarkar pointed out. “This really puts the Indo-Gangetic valley in a unique spot in terms of it being targeted by these different

hazardous conditions which are mostly outsourced from other areas.”

10 Dust storms in Delhi are a cause of concern as they

1. cause strong winds.
2. affect Delhi alone.
3. challenge scientists.
4. are a health hazard.

Correct answer : are a health hazard.

11 Dust storms are caused by

1. winds from the North.
2. winds from the South.
3. Westerly winds.
4. Easterly winds.

Correct answer : Westerly winds.

12 The notable fact about pollution in Oct to Nov is that _____

1. Westerly winds bring loose sand and soil particles
2. dust storms are a regular feature.
3. it is caused by crop burning in North India.
4. it is caused by the winds from Thar Desert.

Correct answer : it is caused by crop burning in North India.

13 By saying, 'This really puts the Indo-Gangetic valley in a unique spot' the writer refers to the fact that

1. the Indo- Gangetic valley receives its pollution from other areas or factors.
2. the valley is affected by pollution caused by hazardous industries.
3. intense winds in the valley surprise even scientists and meteorologists.
4. studies find that only the valley faces pollution all year round.

Correct answer : the Indo- Gangetic valley receives its pollution from other areas or

factors.

14 Choose the correct sequence in which events take place -

What you will get:

1. Strong winds- poor air quality -dust storms- - death and disease
2. Dust storms- poor air quality- strong winds -death and disease
3. Dust storms - death and disease-strong winds- poor air quality
4. Strong winds- dust storms- poor air quality- death and disease

Correct answer : Strong winds- dust storms- poor air quality- death and disease

15 Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. New ideas on marketing were brainstormed and all the members agreed to try them forthwith.
- B. Upon their return from an off-site camp Ravi and Sunil decided to hold a meeting.
- C. As soon as everyone assembled, the meeting which lasted for four hours, began.
- D. Its purpose was to replace some of the old ways of marketing used by the company with new ones.

1. ACBD
2. BDAC
3. CDBA
4. BCDA

Correct answer : BCDA

16 Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'-

I'm thinking to buy a new car as my old one is giving me trouble.

1. thinks to buying
2. thinking of buying
3. thought to buy

4. no improvement

Correct answer : thinking of buying

17 Select the word which methe same as the group of words given.

exercising a compelling charm

1. dismissive
2. vapid
3. charismatic
4. uninspiring

Correct answer : charismatic

18 Choose the most appropriate option to change the voice (active / passive) form of the given sentence.

They shifted the venue of the conference.

1. The venue of the conference was shifted.
2. The venue of the conference has been shifted.
3. They are shifting the venue of the conference.
4. They were shifting the venue of the conference.

Correct answer : The venue of the conference was shifted.

19 Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. There is a story about an ancient Indian sage who was called ugly names by a passerby.
- B. The sage then said, "Well then, I have not accepted your offering" and walked away.
- C. He finally asked the man, "If an offering is not accepted who does it belong to?" at which the man replied, "To the person who offered it."
- D. The sage listened unperturbed till the man ran out of words.

1. CABD
2. ACDB
3. DCBA
4. ADCB

Correct answer : ADCB

20 Identify the word that is misspelt.

1. definitely
2. accidentally
3. conscience
4. chargable

Correct answer : chargable

21 Select the segment which has an error.

Over the years, the writer Amish has evolved to what millions of youngsters aspires to be today – an intellectual.

1. Over the years
2. aspires to be today
3. Amish has evolved
4. millions of youngsters

Correct answer : millions of youngsters

22 Select the most appropriate idiom (in the context) to fill in the sentence.

Rohit was _____ when he took important decisions without consulting the family.

1. cutting the red tape
2. told to get a new lease of life
3. in the same boat
4. told to fight his own battles himself

Correct answer : cutting the red tape

23 Select the segment which has an error.

Each film will be checked by a government-appointed censor board along public exhibition.

1. along public exhibition.
2. each film
3. by a government-appointed censor board
4. will be checked

Correct answer : along public exhibition.

24 Identify the best way to improve the underlined part of the given sentence. If there is no improvement required, select 'no improvement'-

The books those I gave you is mine . Please don't misplace them or lend them to someone else.

1. that I gave you are mine
2. no improvement
3. that I gave to you is my
4. which I gives to you is mine

Correct answer : that I gave you are mine

25 Given below are four jumbled sentences. Pick the option that gives their correct order.

- A. It was called the 'take ownership' programme, and it worked.
- B. The programme was a huge success in reviving the corporate culture of the bank and in reviving the bank's stock price.
- C. My colleagues and I felt and behaved like owners, because we actually were.
- D. I once worked for a large bank that gave stock options to all of its employees.

1. CDBA
2. DACB
3. ADCB

4. CABD

Correct answer : DACB

26 In the sentence identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. The street artist Satish Munjal has been painting this wall since the past one week.

1. since the past one week
2. has been painting
3. this wall
4. The street artist

Correct Answer : since the past one week

27 Select the wrongly spelt word.

1. measure
2. meadow
3. megre
4. matter

Correct Answer : megre

28 Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If no substitution is required, select No improvement. The Head has been so busy to go through these files and resolve the matter.

1. No improvement
2. too busy to go through
3. too so busy to go through
4. such busy to go through

Correct Answer : too busy to go through

29 Given below are four jumbled sentences. Select the option that gives their correct order.

- A. Canada accounts for nearly one-third of the world's production of news print.

B. Forest products, therefore, have been important export items of Canada for more than a century.

C. A large part of Canada is covered with coniferous trees.

D. Pulp and paper are the two most important forest products.

1. ABCD

2. CBDA

3. DCAB

4. BACD

Correct Answer : CBDA

30 Select the antonym of the given word.

FINITE

1. limited

2. finished

3. endless

4. bound

Correct Answer : endless

31 Select the antonym of the given word.

REPRIMAND

1. compliment

2. apprehend

3. blame

4. reproach

Correct Answer : compliment

32 Select the correct active form of the given sentence.

The wall of this park is being painted by children.

1. The wall is painting children of this park.
2. Children are painting the wall of this park.
3. Children have been painting the wall of this park.
4. Children painted the wall of this park.

Correct Answer : Children are painting the wall of this park.

33 Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

Lead someone by the nose

1. to quarrel with someone
2. to dominate someone
3. to do the right thing
4. to force someone to take the blame

Correct Answer : to dominate someone

34 Select the word which means the same as the group of words given. Persons living at the same time

1. contemporaries
2. compatriots
3. colleagues
4. cosmopolitans

Correct Answer : contemporaries

35. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Select the option that gives their correct order.

- A. In China, thousands of people celebrated it.
 - B. The Lunar New Year of the Pig began on 5th February.
 - C. Others burned the first joss sticks of the year to bring them good fortune.
 - D. Some performers re-enacted historical ceremonies.
1. BDCA
 2. DABC
 3. BADC

4. ABCD

Correct Answer : BADC

36 Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

In many countries the _____ in pay for men and women is quite common, for example, in Germany women are paid 21 per cent less as compared to men.

1. equivalence
2. disagreement
3. unlikeliness
4. disparity

Correct Answer : disparity

37 Select the synonym of the given word.DUBIOUS

1. certain
2. steady
3. loyal
4. fishy

Correct Answer : fishy

38 Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If no substitution is required, select No improvement.

You won't tell the secret, won't you?

1. isn't it
2. would you
3. No improvement
4. will you

Correct Answer : will you

39 Select the wrongly spelt word.

1. remonstrate
2. rendezvous
3. remuneration
4. renaissance

Correct Answer : renaissance

40 Select the synonym of the given word.

ENTICE

1. enrage
2. entrap
3. ensue
4. entail

Correct Answer : entrap

41 Select the most appropriate option for blank No. 1.

1. generated
2. made
3. caused
4. began

Correct Answer : caused

42 Select the most appropriate option for blank No. 2.

1. Into
2. At
3. In
4. On

Correct Answer : In

43 Select the most appropriate option for blank No. 3.

1. broadly
2. chiefly
3. generally
4. finally

Correct Answer : generally

44 Select the most appropriate option for blank No. 4.

1. belonged
2. bound
3. confined
4. retrained

Correct Answer : confined

45 Select the most appropriate option for blank No. 5.

1. what
2. whom
3. who
4. which

Correct Answer : which

46 Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.

Take this suitcase upstairs.

1. This suitcase should be taken upstairs.
2. You are requested to take this suitcase upstairs.
3. Let this suitcase been taken upstairs.
4. You must be taking this suitcase upstairs.

Correct Answer : This suitcase should be taken upstairs.

47 Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

Couch potato

1. a person who watches too much television
2. a person who is simple in nature
3. a person who sleeps all day
4. a person who remains relaxed and calm

Correct Answer : a person who watches too much television

48 In the sentence identify the segment which contains the grammatical error. I know the cobbler which mends the shoes outside the gate of our colony.

1. I know the cobbler
2. which mends
3. the shoes
4. outside the gate

Correct Answer : which mends

49 Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank.

Catholics and Protestants have a long history of _____ in Northern Ireland but volunteers from both communities came together to build the monument of Peace.

1. contest
2. agreement
3. truce
4. conflict

Correct Answer : conflict

50 Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

Someone who believes that people cannot change the way events will happen

1. seer

2. fanatic
3. fatalist
4. prophet

Correct Answer : fanatic