## GEORGE SCHOOL OF COMPETITIVE EXAMS

# MISCELLANEOUS TEST ENGLISH

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## **ANSWERS WITH EXPLANATION**

1. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom

### Put your best foot forward

- 1. walk very cautiously
- 2. check every step
- 3. take care to dress well
- 4. try as hard as one can

Answer: try as hard as one can

2. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom

#### at snail's pace

- 1. do something very slowly
- 2. do something very carefully
- 3. keep your moves secret
- 4. be very persistent

Answer: do something very slowly

- 3. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Out of the given options pick the one that gives their correct order.
- A. Today, he is popular for creating scaled-down models of automobiles that are not just showpieces but are working toys.

B. "I used to ride it during playtime in the evenings as a five-year old," recalls Arun Kumar.
C. As a kid I used to pester my parents for toy cars but my carpenter father often couldn't afford them.
D. Then, one day he got an old tricycle from the junkyard, made three wooden wheels and fitted them to the cycle.
1. CDBA
2. BCDA
3. CADB
4. ACDB
Answer: CDBA
4. Select the wrongly spelt word.
1. horizontal
2. bureaucracy
3. plateau
4. fomentation
Answer: bureaucrecy
Comprehension: In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each blank.
The pattern of birds flocking to Pakhal lake has been observed over several years. So far, (1) than 190 bird species (2) been identified and this is one of the best (3) in the state for bird-watchers to (4) In fact, we can spot (5) 80 species of birds in a single day.
5. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank No.1.
1. many
2. More
3. much

4. most	
Answer: more	
6. Select the most	appropriate option to fill in blank No.2.
1. is	
2. Has	
3. Have	
4. are	
Answer: have	
7. Select the most	appropriate option to fill in blank No.3.
1. lake	
2. place	
3. places	
4. sanctuary	
Answer: places	
8. Select the most	appropriate option to fill in blank No.4.
1. visits	
2. visited	
3. visit	
4. visiting	
Answer: visit	
9. Select the most	appropriate option to fill in blank No.5.
1. any	
2. around	
3. near	

4. between
Answer: around
10. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.
RADIANCE
1. depth
2. redness
3. sparkle
4. dryness
Answer: sparkle
11. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Out of the given options pick the one that gives their correct order.
<ul> <li>A. As man's intelligence grew so did his power.</li> <li>B. This intelligence made him cleverer and stronger than enormous animals which would otherwise have destroyed him.</li> <li>C. The chief difference between man and the other animals was the intelligence of man.</li> <li>D. Combining intelligence with power, man developed weapons to fight his enemies</li> </ul>
1. CBAD
2. ACDB
3. DABC
4. BCDA
Answer: CBAD
12. Select the most appropriate word to fill in the blank
The Board of Directors of the pharma company has approved the of investment limits in its wholly- owned subsidiary.
1. enforcement

2. enhancement

- 3. entrenchment
- 4. enchantment

**Answer: enhancement** 

13. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.

Durga is now the Executive Vice- President of the company with a responsibility to marketing for the entire northern zone.

- 1. with the responsibility of marketing
- 2. with a responsibility by marketing
- 3. No improvement
- 4. with responsibility from marketing

Answer: with the responsibility of marketing

14. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

#### **SHALLOW**

- 1. slight
- 2. crooked
- 3. narrow
- 4. deep

Answer: deep

15. Select the most appropriate word for the given group of words.

A person or thing that has the same name as another

- 1. pseudonym
- 2. namesake
- 3. relative
- 4. successor

Answer: namesake

16. Select the correct indirect form of the given sentence.

"Don't park here," the policeman said to them.

- 1. Don't park here he said to the policeman.
- 2. The policeman ordered them not to park here.
- 3. The policeman said to them not to park here.
- 4. The policeman ordered them not to park there.

Answer: The policeman ordered them not to park there.

17. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.

#### RECAPITULATION

- 1. prominence
- 2. summary
- 3. Movement
- 4. readiness

**Answer: summary** 

18. Select the most appropriate word to fill in the blank

The \_\_\_\_\_ of ancient scientists often made up for the lack of proper equipment.

- 1. anxiety
- 2. dedication
- 3. creation
- 4. concern

**Answer: dedication** 

19. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error.

Deepak said he would pack few things he had and vacate the hostel room the next day.

1. and vacate the hostel room

- 2. the next day
- 3. Deepak said he would pack
- 4. pack few things he had

Answer: pack few things he had

20. Select the most appropriate option to substitute the underlined segment in the given sentence. If there is no need to substitute it, select No improvement.

"I'm afraid I must left now," said the guest after the inaugural function was over.

- 1. I'm afraid I can left now
- 2. No improvement
- 3. I'm afraid I has to be leaving now
- 4. I'm afraid I must leave now

Answer: I'm afraid I must leave now

21. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

#### **RANDOM**

- 1. irregular
- 2. casual
- 3. specific
- 4. formal

**Answer: specific** 

22. Select the correct passive form of the given sentence.

His mother gave him a note for his teacher.

- 1. He is given a note for his teacher by his mother.
- 2. He had been given a note for his teacher by his mother.
- 3. His teacher was given a note for his mother.
- 4. He was given a note for his teacher by his mother.

Answer: He was given a note for his teacher by his mother.

23. Select the most appropriate word for the given group of words.

Able to adapt to many different functions or activities

- 1. versatile
- 2. expert
- 3. deputy
- 4. surrogate

Answer: versatile

24. Identify the segment in the sentence which contains the grammatical error.

Even Sharat tried his best, he could not clear all the examination papers in one attempt.

- 1. he could not clear
- 2. in one attempt
- 3. Even Sharat tried his best
- 4. all the examination papers

**Answer: Even Sharat tried his best** 

- 25. Select the correctly spelt word.
- 1. commemorate
- 2. commemorate
- 3. Commemorate
- 4. commemorate

**Answer: commemorate** 

26 ¬ In the following question, a sentence has been given in Active/Passive voice. Out of four alternatives suggested, select the one, which best expresses the same sentence in Passive/Active voice.

Ravi had committed a mistake.

- 1) A mistake has been committed by Ravi.
- 2) A mistake had been committed by Ravi.
- 3) A mistake was committed by Ravi.
- 4) A mistake is committed by Ravi.

Answer: A mistake had been committed by Ravi.

- 27 Select the word with the correct spelling.
- 1) comands
- 2) prigish
- 3) adhesive
- 4) serenly

Answer: adhesive

28 - Select the antonym of

#### endeavour

- 1) passive
- **2**) buck
- 3) assay
- 4) intend

Answer: passive

29 ¬ 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.

To understand the nature of electromagnetic radiation, it is imperative that we grasp the .....nature of light.

- 1) twice
- **2**) dual
- 3) double
- 4) dichotomous

Answer: dual

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

To put the cat among the pigeons

- 1) To hunt easy prey
- 2) To be different in a group where everybody is alike
- 3) To do something that is likely to cause controversy
- 4) When the entire group feels trapped in a bad situation

## Answer: To do something that is likely to cause controversy

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

He spent a third

P¬- was of any consequence

Q¬- made sure that none of them

R- ¬of the time describing his tax proposals, but

- 1) QRP
- **2**) QPR
- **3**) PRQ
- **4**) RQP

**Answer: RQP** 

32 ¬ In the following question, 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'.

The temple is(A)/within a hundred yards(B)/from my house(C)/No error(D)

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

Answer: D

33 - Select the synonym of

#### to moan

- 1) to sigh
- 2) to beam
- 3) to smirk
- 4) to simper

Answer: to sigh

34 ¬ In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.

#### deserving reward or praise

- 1) meritorious
- 2) meticulous
- 3) virtuous
- 4) noble

## **Answer: meritorious**

35 - Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.

The candidate was likely to win the assembly elections (with the) sweeping majority.

- **1**) by the
- 2) with a
- **3**) by a
- 4) no improvement

#### Answer: by a

36 ¬ In the following question, 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'.

I am certain that(A)/the officer is not only(B)/greedy but corrupt.(C)/No error(D)

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

#### Answer: C

37 - In the following question, a sentence has been given in Direct/Indirect speech. Out of the four alternatives suggested, select the one, which best express the same sentence in Indirect/Direct speech.

'Do you have anything to tell me, little princess?' asked the king.

- 1) The king ask the little princess if she have anything to tell him.
- 2) The king asked the little princess that if she had anything to tell him.

- 3) The king said to the little princess if she had anything to say to him.
- 4) The king asked the little princess whether she had anything to tell him.

Answer: The king asked the little princess whether she had anything to tell him.

38 ¬ In the following question, out of the four alternatives, select the alternative which is the best substitute of the phrase.

## involving or showing violence and bloodshed

## **Options:**

- 1) inundate
- **2**) gory
- 3) sanguine
- 4) imbrue

**Answer:** gory

39 - Select the antonym of

#### beleaguer

- 1) gnaw
- 2) assist
- 3) badger
- 4) pester

Answer: assist

40 ¬ 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

- 41 Select the word with the correct spelling.
- 1) bloting

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

#### Answer: pyroxene

## 42 - Select the synonym of

#### melodramatic

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

#### Answer: theatrical

43 - 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** 

44 ¬ 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

#### 45 - Improve the bracketed part of the sentence.

- **1**) was
- 2) has been
- **3**) is
- 4) no improvement

Answer: has been

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.

......being an intangible idea, the nation is quite real because it is a shared idea. .....of nationhood are important for this sharing to be reliably reproduced, which is why we have familiar ......to memory like maps, flags, or the figure of Mother India. National symbols are extremely powerful ......they connect to compressed reservoirs of intense..........

## 46 .....being an intangible idea

- 1) Inspite
- 2) Although
- 3) Despite of
- 4) Despite

**Answer: Despite** 

## 47 .....of nationhood are important

- 1) Symbols
- 2) Badges
- 3) Emblems
- 4) Figures

**Answer: Symbols** 

48 ¬we have familiar .....to memory like maps, flags, or the figure of Mother India.

- 1) assistance
- **2**) aids
- **3**) help
- 4) support

Answer: aids					
49 ¬National	symbols are extr	emely powerful	•••••		
1) since					
2) because					
<b>3</b> ) so <b>4</b> ) thereof					
Answer: beca	iuse				
50 ¬they con	nect to compress	ed reservoirs o	f intense	••••	
1) compassio	on				
<ul><li>2) empathy</li><li>3) emotion</li></ul>					
<b>4</b> ) elation					
Answer: emo	tion				
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