

MISCELLANEOUS TEST  
ENGLISH

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In the following question, the first word is given in capital letters followed by four alternative words. Select from the alternatives the word nearest in meaning to the word given in capital letters.

1. PANDEMONIUM

- a) Clarity
- b) Confusion
- c) Glee
- d) Casual

In the following question, the first word is given in capital letters followed by four other words, one of which is the antonym of the first word. Find the word.

2. PHLEGMATIC

- a) Frigid
- b) Emotional
- c) Indifferent
- d) Apathetic

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

3. An instrument to measure blood pressure

- a) Thermometer
- b) Barometer
- c) Sphygmomanometer
- d) Manometer

4. The art of writing

- a) Cartography
- b) Polygraphy
- c) Holography
- d) Calligraphy

5. An organism living on another

- a) Symbiotic
- b) Predator
- c) Parasite
- d) Asymptote

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

6. For the smooth functioning of Parliament, it is necessary that the political \_\_\_\_\_ is ended.

- a) Solution
- b) Debate
- c) Deadlock
- d) Agreement

7. India's macro-economic variables are quite stable and there is no imminent danger of a meltdown because of the Greek economic \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Supple
- b) Dribble
- c) Cripple
- d) Ripple

8. The company is expected to see a \_\_\_\_\_ in interest in its cars because of the scandal.

- a) Spot
- b) Rise
- c) Drop
- d) Lot

9. The 12 countries Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore, the US and Vietnam \_\_\_\_\_ 40 per cent of the global economy.

**There are four different words out of which one is correctly spelled. Find the correctly spelled word.**

- 10.(a) Idiosyncrasy  
(b) Idiosyncracy  
(c) Idioisyncrasy  
(d) Ideosyncrasy

- 11.(a) Pavvilion  
(b) Pavellion  
(c) Pavillion  
(d) Pavilion

- 12.(a) Humorresque  
(b) Humoresque  
(c) Humoresquie  
(d) Humuoresque

13. Which of the following spellings is correct?

- a) Diarrea
- b) Diarhea
- c) Diarrhea
- d) diarrhoea

**In the following questions each sentence has an underlined part that can be improved by replacing the part with one among the four options given below. Choose the correct option and if you think no improvements can be made, then select (d) as your answer.**

**14. My caretaker asked me when would I have a glass of milk.**

- a) I will
- b) I shall
- c) I would
- d) No correction required

**15. Try to be manipulative when you refuse any proposal, so far not to cause bad feelings.**

- a) So as not
- b) As far not
- c) Since then not
- d) If as far not

**16. The robbers broke in Mr. Gandhi's house last night.**

- a) Broke open
- b) Broke through
- c) Broke into
- d) Broke onto

**17. On seeing the ghost he felt too much afraid.**

- a) Excessively much
- b) Very much
- c) Much
- d) No improvement

**18. The various rules and regulations for online stock trading are laid down by the Securities and Exchange Board of India.**

- a) Are led down
- b) Are laid up
- c) Have been lay down
- d) No correction required

**The following sentences have a certain phrase underlined in bold. Choose the correct phrase from the options given below to replace the highlighted phrase and make it grammatically correct. Ignore punctuation errors if any.**

**19. The paintings in the museum, offers an eye view of the layouts of the world's ancient cities.**

- a) a big eye view
- b) an animal's eye view
- c) a bird's eye view
- d) None of the above

**20. She lost her job for playing forts and tunnels with the funds of the organisation.**

- a) Hide and Seek
- b) Ducks and Drakes
- c) Crafts and Stories
- d) None of the above

**Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:**

If one were to go by the Meteorological Department's latest monsoon forecast, rainfall deficit in the country has widened to 10 per cent as a result of the strengthening El Nino, a cyclical weather pattern triggered by the warming of oceans. El Nino-2015, said to be the strongest since 1997, is expected to last well into 2016. This means that India could be heading towards its first major drought in six years. Though agriculture accounts for only 15 per cent of our gross domestic product, nearly three-fifths of our population depends on it for survival. The sector is already under stress as continuing farmer suicides painfully inform us. A drought now will be calamitous.

The portents have already become alarming in Karnataka, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra and Bihar. Immediate action by the Centre and State governments is necessary to help the farming community. Since more than half the farmland in the country lacks proper irrigation facilities, it is the June-September rainfall that mainly decides a farmer's annual income. While relief should be the top priority, concerted efforts are also needed to ensure that drought does not spur inflation. State agencies should take steps to make essential commodities available to the Aam Aadmi at reasonable prices and drives against black-marketers and hoarders must be prompt and drastic.

These, vital as they are, can at best be only short-term measures. Long-term action plan to modernize agriculture must be seen as a national priority. Recent reports by eminent scientists have warned of 'monsoon droughts' in the next few decades due to the changing climatic conditions. Successive governments in India have failed to address problems arising from the overwhelming dependence of agriculture on monsoons. These are basic issues of survival and yet, in our over-politicized country, governments refuse to look beyond the next election. This must change. Understanding how rivers can be leveraged for agriculture, for movement of goods, for tourism is an essential first step. Extensive use of technology is just as important. The government has changed the name of the Ministry of Agriculture. That cosmetic improvement will be ineffective if it is not followed up with an integrated policy approach to agriculture.

**21. According to the passage, what is the relation between India's population's dependency on agriculture and agriculture sectors contribution to India's GDP?**

- a) Positive Relationship
- b) Negative Relationship
- c) Both are neutral to each other
- d) None of the above

**22. What is 'El Nino' causing as per the author of the passage?**

- a) Floods by the warming of oceans.
- b) Cyclones by the warming of oceans.
- c) Rain Deficit by the warming of oceans.
- d) Earthquakes by the warming of oceans.

**23. According to the author of the passage, what measures should be taken to curb the inflation situation after drought?**

- a) Increase the prices of essential commodities.
- b) Decrease the prices of essential commodities.
- c) Arrest the black-marketers and hoarders.
- d) Promote black-marketing and hoarding.

**24. What does the word 'Portent' means in the passage?**

- a) Signs

- b) Advices
- c) Lessons
- d) Threats

**25. The author of the passage has referred to which thing as a cosmetic improvement?**

- a) Extensive use of technology in agriculture.
- b) Ministry of Agriculture changing its name.
- c) Following integrated policy approach towards modernisation of agriculture.
- d) Government taking measure against coping with drought situation.

**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'**

**26. The landlord made the boys (1)/ to do the garden (2)/ make over all over again. (3)/ No error (4).**

**27. My parents asked me (1)/ that how long (2)/ I would stay there. (3)/ No error (4).**

**28. As a chef (1)/ Kajal is as good (2)/, if not better than Mahender. (3)/ No error (4).**

**29. I laughed on (1)/ her as she fell off the (2)/ tree and got injured. (3)/ No error (4).**

**30. Jyoti is so obstinate (1)/ that no one can (2)/ altar her views. (3)/ No error (4).**

**31. The Government has declared (1)/that it will launch a three-crores rupees project (2)/ within the next few days. (3)/No error (4)**

**32. India has never attacked on any country, (1)/ nor has it ever coveted anyone's territory but (2)/ made supreme sacrifice fighting for others. (3)/ No error (4)**

**33. It was in the basis of the new constitution that (1)/ the Committee of Administrators (CoA) and the Electoral Officer (2)/ conducted the BCCI elections on October 23. (3)/ No error (4)**

**34. The students cared (1)/ a little about the (2)/ consequences of their protest. (3)/ No error (4)**

**35. Unless we do not pay systematic attention (1)/ to the data infrastructure, we are likely to have (2)/ the national discourse hijacked by poor quality data. (3)/ No Error (4)**

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

**36. 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

**37. Crocodile can live effortlessly both \_\_\_\_\_ water and \_\_\_\_\_ land.**

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

**38. 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

**Fill in the blanks with proper alternatives.**

According to sociologists, 1 gains in many ways when the government 2 sports and games 3: provides playgrounds; the necessary equipment and other facilities; rewards outstanding 4 so as to encourage others also to 5 games. The crime 6 dips, which means that the 7 of general crimes decreases 8 the right spirit and the right approach to things is developed on the 9. Sport, it has been said, is not only a manifestation of animal energy of surplus strength to develop more strength; it is, in addition, a 10 and wholesome outlet for the aggressive spirit in human beings.

- 39.a)** country  
b) society  
c) government  
d) state

- 40.a)** encourage  
b) plays  
c) conducts  
d) avoids

- 41.a)** In villages  
b) In towns  
c) In stadium  
d) everywhere

- 42.a)** umpires  
b) sportsman  
c) leaders  
d) people

- 43.a)** see  
b) watch  
c) conduct  
d) play

- 44.a) detective
- b) branch
- c) graph
- d) investigation

- 45.a) incidence
- b) increase
- c) interest
- d) introduction

- 46.a) unless
- b) because
- c) yet
- d) however

- 47.a) warfield
- b) school
- c) playground
- d) college

- 48..a) safe
- b) clever
- c) satisfying
- d) good

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**49. The main point of her speech was well understood.**

- a) That she spoke
- b) Made when she spoke
- c) Made by her speech
- d) No improvement

**50. Potatoes are dead cheap these days.**

- a) Deadly Cheap
- b) Dirt Cheap
- c) Dust Cheap
- d) No improvement