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Class 6 · English Olympiad

Total questions	Total marks	Time	Negative marking
50	60	60 minutes	None

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Each question has four options, of which only one is correct. Mark your answer on the answer sheet. The Achievers Section carries higher marks per question. Your teacher has the answers.
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Word and Structure Knowledge

30 questions · 1 mark each · 30 marks

Q1. Choose the OPPOSITE of ‘victory’.

(A) trophy (B) defeat (C) contest (D) battle

Q2. Fill in the blank with the correct article:
He is ___ best student in the class.

(A) an (B) a (C) the (D) some

Q3. Meera carried an extra pencil ___ her first one broke.

(A) unless (B) in case (C) although (D) so that

Q4. Meera packed an umbrella ___ the sky was clear, as dark clouds were gathering far away.

(A) because (B) although (C) after (D) unless

Q5. What is the plural of ‘mouse’?

(A) mouse (B) mice (C) mouses (D) mices

Q6. For first mention, complete: Ritu chose ___ orange and ___ ripe mango from the basket.

(A) the, a (B) an, a (C) an, an (D) a, a

Q7. In 'Aman accepted the extra work after class,' which word is the best antonym of 'accepted'?

(A) declined (B) received (C) considered (D) agreed

Q8. Choose the word or phrase closest in meaning to ‘generous’.

(A) clumsy (B) selfish (C) giving (D) timid

Q9. A ___ of bees.

(A) fleet (B) herd (C) bunch (D) swarm

Q10. Choose the OPPOSITE of ‘humble’.

(A) quiet (B) simple (C) modest (D) arrogant

Q11. Fill in the blank with the correct preposition:
The train arrived ___ the station.

(A) on (B) into (C) at (D) over

Q12. Fill in the blank with the correct form of the verb:
We ___ to Delhi last summer.

(A) travel (B) travelling (C) travels (D) travelled

Q13. Choose the passive voice of: Reena closes the window at dusk.

(A) The window is closed at dusk by Reena. (B) The window has been closed at dusk by Reena.

(C) The window is being closed at dusk by Reena. (D) The window was closed at dusk by Reena.

Q14. In 'Nisha gave a brief reply before leaving,' which word can replace 'brief' without changing the meaning?

(A) quick (B) simple (C) short (D) polite

Q15. Choose the word or phrase closest in meaning to ‘weary’.

(A) tired (B) alert (C) polite (D) angry

Q16. A ___ of fish.

(A) herd (B) litter (C) school (D) flock

Q17. Choose the OPPOSITE of ‘accept’.

(A) approve (B) collect (C) receive (D) reject

Q18. Fill in the blank with the correct preposition:
We waited ___ two hours.

(A) at (B) since (C) for (D) from

Q19. Complete the analogy: Author : book :: painter : ___.

(A) colour (B) gallery (C) brush (D) painting

Q20. To show the earlier of two past actions, choose the best verb: By the time Kabir reached the bus stop, the bus ___ ten minutes earlier.

(A) was leaving (B) left (C) had left (D) has left

Q21. Choose the word or phrase closest in meaning to ‘fragile’.

(A) easily broken (B) sturdy

(C) ancient (D) noisy

Q22. What is the plural of ‘tooth’?

(A) teeths (B) tooths (C) toothes (D) teeth

Q23. Fill in the blank with the correct form of the verb:
She ___ her homework every evening.

(A) doing (B) done (C) do (D) does

Q24. Riya found the exact reason for the noise. Which idiom completes the sentence? She ___.

(A) broke the ice quickly (B) held her tongue firmly

(C) missed the boat completely (D) hit the nail on the head

Q25. What is the plural of ‘leaf’?

(A) leafs (B) leaf (C) leafes (D) leaves

Q26. Choose the OPPOSITE of ‘expand’.

(A) inflate (B) stretch (C) contract (D) enlarge

Q27. Each of the players ___ a clean water bottle before practice begins.

(A) were having (B) have (C) is having (D) has

Q28. Choose the word or phrase closest in meaning to ‘reluctant’.

(A) joyful (B) unwilling (C) eager (D) careless

Q29. What is the plural of ‘child’?

(A) childrens (B) childes (C) childs (D) children

Q30. A ___ of stars.

(A) cluster (B) flock (C) herd (D) swarm

Reading

10 questions · 1 mark each · 10 marks

Q31. Read the passage and answer the question.

A stepwell is a deep well reached by stairs. In many dry parts of India, people built stepwells so water could be reached even when the level went down. The stairs were not only for walking; they allowed people to stand at different heights as the water changed. Thick stone walls kept out much of the afternoon heat, and the lower steps stayed shaded for long hours. Together, the thick walls and shade reduced heat, so the air near the water often felt cooler than the street above. Stepwells also helped travellers, because a person could rest on a platform without blocking others who were filling pots. However, the water had to be kept clean. Washing animals or throwing leaves into it could spoil the supply for everyone. A well-designed stepwell was therefore both a water source and a careful meeting place, where useful space was arranged around one precious resource.

If the water level became lower, how would the stairs help?

(A) People could stop it from changing (B) People could raise it by standing

(C) People could shade the street above (D) People could go down to reach it

Q32. Why did the air near the water feel cooler than the street above?

(A) Travellers poured water on stones (B) Clean pots covered the platforms

(C) The thick walls and shade reduced heat (D) The open road sent in a cool wind

Q33. In the last line, what does "precious" mean?

(A) Large in size (B) Very valuable

(C) Hidden from view (D) Easy to replace

Q34. What could a traveller do on a platform without blocking others?

(A) Throw leaves there (B) Fill pots there

(C) Rest there (D) Wash animals there

Q35. Which sentence best states the main idea of the passage?

(A) Stepwells were roads shaded by stone walls

(B) Stepwells used design to protect water and serve people

(C) Stepwells were platforms built away from water

(D) Stepwells were simple wells with straight ladders

Q36. Read the passage and answer the question.

Dear Nikhil,
You asked why our village keeps an old stepwell clean when every house has a tap. Yesterday, I went there with the library club. The stepwell is a deep square tank with stone steps down its sides. In summer, the air near the lower steps stays cool. Our teacher said travellers once rested there and drew water with ropes. We did not enter the deepest part because moss made the stones slippery. Instead, we swept dry leaves from the upper steps and placed a board asking visitors not to throw plastic cups. I liked the carvings of parrots and lotus leaves on the wall. They were worn, yet graceful. The club decided to visit once a month, not because the well gives us all our water now, but because it is a safe memory of how people stored water carefully.
Your cousin,
Anaya

Why did the club avoid the deepest part of the stepwell?

(A) ropes had broken near the water

(B) moss made the stones slippery

(C) travellers were resting there

(D) lower steps were too warm

Q37. What does “graceful” mean as used for the carvings?

(A) attractive in a gentle way

(B) covered with dry leaves

(C) newly painted and bright

(D) easy to climb safely

Q38. Which action would best match the club’s decision?

(A) digging a new deepest part

(B) stopping visits because taps work

(C) removing the wall carvings

(D) returning monthly to clean the upper steps

Q39. Why does the village keep the stepwell clean, though houses have taps?

(A) to collect plastic cups for the club

(B) to make travellers live there again

(C) to preserve a memory of careful water storage

(D) to replace the taps in every house

Q40. Which detail shows the stepwell is old but still valued?

(A) a board against plastic cups

(B) worn carvings of parrots and lotus leaves

(C) taps in every village house

(D) dry leaves on the upper steps

Spoken and Written Expression

5 questions · 1 mark each · 5 marks

Q41. The librarian says your library book is due today, but you need it for a project. Which reply is most suitable?

(A) May I return it for two more days, please?

(B) May I issue it for two more days, please?

(C) May I renew it for two more days, please?

(D) May I renew it since two more days, please?

Q42. Choose the correct word:
Their / There / They’re — ___ going to the park.

(A) Their (B) Theirs (C) They’re (D) There

Q43. Your teacher asks, 'Could you show me the chart after lunch?' Choose the best reply.

(A) Certainly, ma'am. I'll bring it then. (B) Certainly, ma'am. I bring it then.

(C) Certainly, ma'am. I'll take it then. (D) Certainly, ma'am. I brought it then.

Q44. Choose the correct word:
Please ___ the door.

(A) close (B) clothes (C) clos (D) cloths

Q45. You take a phone message for your father. Which detail should be left out of the written message?

(A) The caller's name (B) The time of the call

(C) Your guess about why the caller rang (D) Your name as the message writer

Achievers Section

5 questions · 3 marks each · 15 marks

Q46. The principal appreciated Kavya's ___ answer because it was brief yet included every important point.

(A) casual (B) lengthy (C) concise (D) creative

Q47. In the sentence, what does 'reluctant' mean? Kavya was reluctant to enter the dark room, but she followed her friends.

(A) careless (B) unwilling (C) impatient (D) unable

Q48. The student ___ drawing won the poster contest thanked her art teacher.

(A) who (B) whom (C) which (D) whose

Q49. What does the idiom ‘to break the ice’ mean?

(A) to start a conversation (B) to go skating

(C) to spoil a plan (D) to feel cold

Q50. In the line 'The neem tree guarded the quiet courtyard all night,' what does 'guarded' most likely suggest?

(A) The tree seemed to leave the courtyard. (B) The tree seemed to protect the courtyard.

(C) The tree seemed to own the courtyard. (D) The tree seemed to brighten the courtyard.

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