STUDENT COPY · SET B

Class 7 · English Olympiad

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

Name: _____ Class/Section: _____ Roll no: _____

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.
This is original practice material written to the Level 1 pattern. It is not a past paper and is not affiliated with SOF or any official olympiad body.

Scan for the free weekly Olympiad test - 10 questions online, score and rank. Free.
syllabax.com/olympiad/class/7

Word and Structure Knowledge

30 questions · 1 mark each · 30 marks

Q1. During a quarrel, Kabir added fuel to the fire by laughing. What did he do?

(A) gave useful help
(B) changed the topic
(C) made it worse
(D) ended it calmly

Q2. A ___ of cows.

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

Q3. Choose the word or phrase closest in meaning to ‘abundant’.

(A) scarce (B) distant (C) fragile (D) plentiful

Q4. Fill in the blank with the correct preposition:
Divide the sweets ___ the two boys.

(A) within (B) between (C) among (D) across

Q5. Author : book :: composer : ___

(A) painting (B) novel (C) music (D) play

Q6. Choose the indirect speech: Rohan said, 'I am tired now.'

(A) Rohan said that he is tired then.
(B) Rohan said that I was tired then.
(C) Rohan said that he was tired now.
(D) Rohan said that he was tired then.

Q7. Choose the OPPOSITE of ‘victory’.

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

Q8. Fill in the blank with the correct preposition:
The cat jumped ___ the wall.

(A) during (B) over (C) among (D) of

Q9. Choose: The new rules will ___ all students, but they may have a stronger ___ on beginners.

(A) effect, effect (B) affect, effect

(C) effect, affect (D) affect, affect

Q10. What is the plural of ‘goose’?

(A) goosen (B) geeses (C) geese (D) gooses

Q11. Choose the part with an error: Meera has / less books / than Asha / on her shelf.

(A) Meera has (B) less books (C) than Asha (D) on her shelf

Q12. Choose the word or phrase closest in meaning to ‘immense’.

(A) minute (B) ordinary (C) hollow (D) very large

Q13. Fill in the blank with the correct form of the verb:
Look! She ___ a book right now.

(A) have read (B) read (C) reads (D) is reading

Q14. What is the plural of ‘tooth’?

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

Q15. Whisper is to speak as stroll is to ___.

(A) walk (B) run (C) march (D) wander

Q16. A ___ of bees.

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

Q17. Choose the word or phrase closest in meaning to ‘conceal’.

(A) gather (B) repair (C) reveal (D) hide

Q18. What is the plural of ‘child’?

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

Q19. The blue border will ___ the poster's yellow title, not praise it.

(A) complement (B) complete (C) compare (D) compliment

Q20. Choose the OPPOSITE of ‘ancient’.

(A) ruined (B) modern (C) famous (D) historic

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

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

Q22. Fill in the blank with the correct form of the verb:
Every day the sun ___ in the east and sets in the west.

(A) rise (B) rises (C) risen (D) rose

Q23. I need ___ one-rupee coin and ___ envelope for the activity.

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

Q24. In the sentence, 'Meera gave a concise report after the visit,' which word can replace concise without changing the meaning?

(A) formal (B) careful (C) complete (D) brief

Q25. Choose the OPPOSITE of ‘permanent’.

(A) fixed (B) strong (C) lasting (D) temporary

Q26. Fill in the blank with the correct form of the verb:
He has ___ his lunch already.

(A) ate (B) eaten (C) eat (D) eating

Q27. In 'The judge gave a fair decision', which word is closest to fair?

(A) average (B) just (C) pale (D) light

Q28. The trophy was shared ___ the two houses, but sweets were shared ___ all students.

(A) between; among (B) between; between

(C) among; between (D) among; among

Q29. Choose the OPPOSITE of ‘expand’.

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

Q30. A ___ of ships.

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

Reading

10 questions · 1 mark each · 10 marks

Q31. Read the passage and answer the question.

Long before taps reached every home, some dry regions of India used stepwells to store and reach water. A stepwell is not just a deep hole with water at the bottom. It has flights of steps leading down, so people can reach the water even when its level changes. During the rainy months, the water may rise higher; during hot months, people may have to walk farther down. High stone walls shade the water and slow evaporation. Narrow openings reduce the amount of direct sunlight. Builders also made small platforms along the sides, where people carrying pots could rest for a while. Like any water source, a stepwell needed care. Leaves and silt could make the water dirty, and broken steps could make the descent unsafe. The design shows how people shaped buildings to suit the climate, using stone, shade and simple planning.

According to the passage, what could make the descent unsafe?

(A) broken steps (B) narrow openings

(C) small platforms (D) high stone walls

Q32. Why were flights of steps useful in a stepwell?

(A) to stop people from carrying pots (B) to reach water at changing levels

(C) to make sunlight enter directly (D) to keep all leaves out of water

Q33. In the passage, what does "descent" mean?

(A) the act of going down (B) the act of standing still

(C) the act of filling pots (D) the act of looking across

Q34. Which sentence best states the main idea of the passage?

(A) Stepwells were ordinary wells without steps.
(B) Stepwells were built only for resting travellers.
(C) Stepwells worked without any cleaning or care.
(D) Stepwells used design to store and reach water.

Q35. What is most likely during a long hot period?

(A) Broken steps would repair themselves.
(B) People would walk farther down for water.
(C) Direct sunlight would clean the water.
(D) Water would rise above the top step.

Q36. Read the passage and answer the question.

Dear Nisha,
I thought village evenings would be dull, but Aunt Leela's house in Palakkad has changed my mind. On my first evening here, I reached for my phone after sunset. Aunt placed a brass lamp on the veranda and asked me to sit quietly for five minutes. At first I heard only crickets. Then other sounds appeared: coconut leaves rubbing together, a bicycle bell from the lane, and someone grinding chutney on a stone. Cousin Dev brought a notebook, and we drew a sound map, marking the direction of each sound. Later, when Uncle came home late, we knew he had used the back gate because the gravel there made a sharp crunch. I still enjoy games, but I no longer call a place silent just because no one is speaking. Visit during the holidays. We can make a night sound map together.
Your friend,
Tara

In the letter, what does "dull" mean?

(A) boring
(B) noisy
(C) bright
(D) crowded

Q37. What can we infer about Tara by the end of the letter?

(A) She has stopped enjoying all games.
(B) She thinks crickets are the only night sound.
(C) She has become more attentive to sounds.
(D) She wants to leave Palakkad at once.

Q38. Why did Tara know Uncle had used the back gate?

(A) the coconut leaves rubbed together
(B) the bicycle bell rang from that lane
(C) the gravel there made a sharp crunch
(D) the brass lamp was kept near it

Q39. Which idea does the letter mainly express?

(A) Phones are needed to enjoy every evening.
(B) Listening carefully reveals hidden details.
(C) Maps are useful only for finding roads.
(D) Village houses are always completely silent.

Q40. Who brought the notebook for the sound map?

(A) Aunt Leela
(B) Uncle
(C) Nisha
(D) Cousin Dev

Spoken and Written Expression

5 questions · 1 mark each · 5 marks

Q41. Choose the correctly punctuated sentence: Meena said ___ I have kept your notebook in the bag.

(A) Meena said, "I have kept your notebook in the bag?"
(B) Meena said, "I have kept your notebook in the bag."
(C) Meena said, "I have kept your notebook in the bag".
(D) Meena said "I have kept your notebook in the bag."

Q42. At a formal meeting, you disagree with a suggestion. Choose the best sentence: ___

(A) I see your point, but I have different view.

(B) I am seeing your point, but I have a different view.

(C) I see your point, but I have a different view.

(D) I see your point, but I have a different views.

Q43. Rearrange to mean it does not bloom during the day: the flower / blooms / only / at night.

(A) The flower blooms only at night.

(B) At night only the flower blooms.

(C) Only the flower blooms at night.

(D) The only flower blooms at night.

Q44. A school notice announces a debate. Which title line is best under NOTICE?

(A) Inter-House Debate Competition

(B) We Will Hold a Debate Competition

(C) Debate Competition is Awaiting You

(D) Please Join the Debate Competition

Q45. Two sisters left their bags near the door. Choose the correct sentence.

(A) The girls's bags were near the door.

(B) The girl's bags were near the door.

(C) The girls' bags were near the door.

(D) The girls bags were near the door.

Achievers Section

5 questions · 3 marks each · 15 marks

Q46. Choose the best completion: Unless the instructions ___ carefully, the model may not work.

(A) will follow

(B) are followed

(C) have followed

(D) were following

Q47. Nisha reached the stop after the bus had gone. By the time Nisha reached the stop, the bus ___.

(A) has already left

(B) was just leaving

(C) will have left

(D) had already left

Q48. The science club rejected the plan because it was ___; it needed expensive tools the school did not have.

(A) imperfect (B) informal (C) impractical (D) impatient

Q49. The packets on the top shelf, as well as the box, ___ to the art room.

(A) is belonging (B) belong (C) has belonged (D) belongs

Q50. Read: “The prize was sweet, but the lesson was sweeter.” Which idea is closest?

(A) Winning mattered more than learning.

(B) The lesson was easier than the contest.

(C) Learning mattered more than winning.

(D) The prize made the lesson less useful.

Free practice paper from syllabax.com · not affiliated with SOF or any official olympiad body.