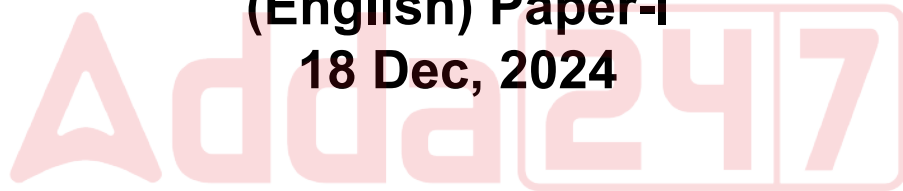


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Time Allowed : 01 Hour

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Read the following instructions carefully before you begin to answer the questions.

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30. In black and white.

- (A) In reading
- (B) In fashion
- (C) In practice
- (D) In writing



Directions (Q. Nos. 31 to 35) : Below each of the following words (in capital letters) four possible substitutes are given. Pick out the word that is most nearly opposite in meaning to the word given in capital letters and indicate your response on the Answer sheet.

31. TIMID

- (A) Thin
- (B) Cool
- (C) Rough
- (D) Fearless

32. CRUDE

- (A) Refined
- (B) Dull
- (C) Dear
- (D) Kind

33. WICKED

- (A) Pessimist
- (B) Trivial
- (C) Virtuous
- (D) Loyal

34. PERSUADE

- (A) Disunite
- (B) Dissuade
- (C) Ignoble
- (D) Tame



Directions (Q. Nos. 1 to 5) : Below each of the following words (in capital letters) four possible substitutes are given. Choose the word which is nearest in meaning to the word given in capital letters and indicate your response on the Answer sheet.

1. ~~/~~ SLENDER

(A) Silly

(B) Slim



(C) Soft

(D) Round

2. ~~/~~ AWFUL

(A) Helpful

(B) Giggle



(C) Terrible

(D) Tidy

3. ~~/~~ THRIVE

(A) Prosper

(B) Lazy

(C) Perturb

(D) Excess



4. ~~/~~ IMMACULATE

(A) Exempt

(B) Occult

(C) Duplicate

(D) Spotless

5. ~~/~~ ZENITH

(A) Loathe

(B) Empty

(C) Apex

(D) Support





35. VAGUE

- (A) Definite
(B) Reward
(C) Hard
(D) Vice



Directions (Q. Nos. 36 to 40) : Below each of the following underlined definitions four possible substitutes (words) are given. Choose the correct word which may closely fit for each definition.

36. Government by officials.

- (A) autocracy
(B) republic
(C) democracy
(D) bureaucracy

37. A person who loves his country.

- (A) parasite
(B) veteran
(C) patriot
(D) optimist

38. The state of being one.

- (A) voluntary
(B) fatal
(C) patrimony
(D) unity

39. Hard to please.

- (A) fastidious
(B) sceptic
(C) illegal
(D) unanimous





Directions (Q. Nos. 6 to 15) : Read each of the following sentences to find out whether there is an error in any underlined part. No sentence has more than one error. If you feel there is no error in a sentence, write (D) to signify 'No error'.



6. The wisdom
(A)

is the gift
(B)

of heaven.
(C)

No error
(D)

7. This is one of the
(A)

most interesting
books that
(B)



has ever been printed.
(C)

No error
(D)

8. Politics were with
(A)

him the business
(B)

of his life.
(C)

No error
(D)



9. Between you and
(A)

I there can be
(B)

no compromise.
(C)

No error
(D)

10. Ten new members
(A)

have been enrolled
and
(B)

seven resigned.
(C)

No error
(D)



11. He is a
(A)

lover of
(B)

beauty.
(C)

No error
(D)



40. Take possession of by force.

- (A) sacrifice
- (B) usurp
- (C) mercenary
- (D) obsolete



Directions (Q. Nos. 41 to 50) : Below each of the following sentences three possible substitutes are given for the underlined part. If one of them is better than the underlined part, indicate your response on the Answer sheet against the corresponding letter (A), (B) or (C). If none of the substitutes improves the sentence, indicate (D) as your response on the Answer sheet.



41. When the boat was upset, we could swim to the bank.

- (A) were able to
- (B) are able to
- (C) can swim
- (D) no improvement

42. I insist on you being present.

- (A) yours being
- (B) your being
- (C) herself being
- (D) no improvement



43. He who has suffered most in the cause let him speak.

- (A) should speak
- (B) must speak
- (C) will speak
- (D) no improvement



44. I have written a letter to her yesterday.

- (A) write a letter
- (B) wrote a letter
- (C) writes a letter
- (D) no improvement



12. No sooner had he returned than
(A) (B)
he was off again. No error
(C) (D)



13. Calcutta is farther from the equator
(A) (B)
than Colombo. No error
(C) (D)

14. Unless you apologized I shall
(A) (B)
punish you. No error
(C) (D)



15. In regards to details the
(A) (B)
were divided. No error
(C) (D)

Directions (Q. Nos. 16 to 25) : Each of the following sentences is given with blank space to be filled in with appropriate word(s). Four alternatives are suggested for each sentence.

Choose the correct alternative.



16. He preferred playing football to _____
grammar.
(A) study
(B) studying
(C) studies
(D) studied
17. The confluence of government and technology _____ our lives.
(A) affect
(B) affects
(C) effects
(D) effect





45. This room contains ten furnitures.

- (A) ten piece of furniture
- (B) ten pieces of furniture
- (C) ten furniture
- (D) no improvement

46. I have read the two first chapters of this book.



- (A) two first
- (B) two and first
- (C) the first two
- (D) no improvement

47. I was appointed for this post.



- (A) at this
- (B) in this
- (C) to this
- (D) no improvement

48. This is the completest book on English Grammar.

- (A) a complete
- (B) the complete
- (C) complete
- (D) no improvement



49. All the cakes have been eaten by the boys before the party began.

- (A) has been eaten
- (B) will have been eaten
- (C) had been eaten
- (D) no improvement



50. I had been waiting an hour when you came to see me.

- (A) have been
- (B) has been
- (C) will have
- (D) no improvement



18. A modest man does not boost _____ his merits.

- (A) over
- (B) on
- (C) about
- (D) of



19. Don't go out now. We are _____ to have lunch.

- (A) about
- (B) going
- (C) being
- (D) having

20. You are not justified _____ imputing bad motives to me.

- (A) on
- (B) in
- (C) to
- (D) of



21. By the end of this month I will have _____ here for five years.

- (A) work
- (B) works
- (C) working
- (D) worked



22. Please ring me up as soon as he _____

- (A) will come
- (B) has come
- (C) came
- (D) comes

23. The university has been closed _____ yesterday.

- (A) since
- (B) to
- (C) from
- (D) for





24. If I _____ to pick a single factor to answer this big question.

- (A) was
- (B) have
- (C) were
- (D) am

25. Sentinels were posted lest the camp _____ be taken by surprise.

- (A) would
- (B) will
- (C) should
- (D) must



Directions (Q. Nos. 26 to 30) : Below each of the following underlined idioms or phrases four possible substitutes (words or group of words) are given. Select the one which is most nearly the same to the given idiom /phrase.

26. Weal and woe.

- (A) Joys and sorrows
- (B) Here and there
- (C) Under suspicion
- (D) Success and failure

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27. Fire and fury.

- (A) Rapid
- (B) Rubbish
- (C) Passion
- (D) Emoluments

28. The gift of the gab.

- (A) A talent for writing
- (B) A talent for speaking
- (C) A talent for producing
- (D) A talent for making



29. Black sheep.

- (A) Bad characters
- (B) Villain characters
- (C) Good characters
- (D) Refined characters

