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- (b) Do not give a precious thing to someone who cannot value it.
- (c) The finest things are hard to get.
- (d) When things seem at their worst, they may just begin to improve.
49. All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.
- (a) It is not good to only toil and have no recreation.
- (b) Live within your means.
- (c) A satisfactory conclusion makes up for earlier disappointments.
- (d) Nothing can go on forever as all things change.
50. All's well that ends well.
- (a) One must accept what is available in difficult circumstances.
- (b) A satisfactory conclusion makes up for earlier disappointments.
- (c) Since something better must follow an unpleasant event, be optimistic.
- (d) What pleases the sight varies from one person to another.

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PHYSICS/B. VOC./B. A. ECONOMICS  
(FIFTH SEMESTER) MID SEMESTER  
EXAMINATION, Oct., 2023**

**CAREER SKILLS**

**Time : 1½ Hours**

**Maximum Marks : 50**

- Note :** (i) This question paper contains 50 questions.
- (ii) All the questions are compulsory and carry equal marks.

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**Direction (Question Nos. 1-5) :** Fill in the blanks with the correct option to make the sentence grammatically correct :

1. He \_\_\_\_\_ in the States but he still does not have command over the English Language.  
(a) have been living  
(b) has been living  
(c) have lived  
(d) living
2. By the next month, we shall \_\_\_\_\_ the project.  
(a) has completed  
(b) completing  
(c) completed  
(d) have completed
3. Every boy and girl \_\_\_\_\_ in the class today  
(a) are present  
(b) is present  
(c) have present  
(d) had present

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4. He \_\_\_\_\_ daily for a year now.  
(a) have been exercising  
(b) was exercising  
(c) has been exercising  
(d) exercises
5. I \_\_\_\_\_ this book since morning.  
(a) had been reading  
(b) has been reading  
(c) have had read  
(d) shall be reading

**Direction (Question Nos. 6-10) :** In the statements given below, transform active into passive and passive into active voice :

6. We waste much time on trifles.  
(a) Much time was wasted on trifles.  
(b) Much time will be wasted on trifles'.  
(c) Much time is wasted by us on trifle's.  
(d) Much time is wasted on trifles.
7. You don't need to wind this watch.  
(a) This watch need not be wound.  
(b) This watch does not wind.  
(c) This watch need not be wounded.  
(d) This watch need not be winded up.

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8. The task would have been completed by that time tomorrow, Someone/Some people.
- (a) will complete the task by that time tomorrow.
  - (b) will be completing the task by that time tomorrow.
  - (c) would have completed the task by that time tomorrow.
  - (d) will have completed the task by that time tomorrow.
9. We have already done the exercise.
- (a) Already the exercise has been done by us.
  - (b) The exercise has already been done by us.
  - (c) The exercise had been already done by us.
  - (d) The exercise is already done by us.
10. One should not give unsolicited advice.
- (a) Unsolicited advice is not to be given.
  - (b) Unsolicited advice can't be given.
  - (c) Unsolicited advice may not be given.
  - (d) Unsolicited advice should not be given.

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**Direction (Question Nos. 11-15) :** In the given statements, select the correct verb that should agree with the subject :

11. A large number of soldiers \_\_\_\_\_ died for the country.
- (a) has
  - (b) is
  - (c) are
  - (d) have
12. Half of the class \_\_\_\_\_ empty.
- (a) were
  - (b) was
  - (c) has
  - (d) have
13. Physics \_\_\_\_\_ difficult to understand.
- (a) were
  - (b) are
  - (c) is
  - (d) have been

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14. The quality of food here \_\_\_\_\_ gone down.

- (a) have
- (b) has
- (c) is
- (d) are

15. My mother, along with others, \_\_\_\_\_ worried.

- (a) were
- (b) are
- (c) have
- (d) was

**Direction (Question Nos. 16-20) : Find out appropriate conditional terms :**

16. If I hadn't overslept, I \_\_\_\_\_ on time.

- (a) will have been
- (b) would have been
- (c) will be
- (d) shall be

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17. If you had eaten a good breakfast, you \_\_\_\_\_ so hungry now.

- (a) wouldn't be
- (b) can't be
- (c) won't be
- (d) has been

18. I \_\_\_\_\_ that car if I had had more money at the time.

- (a) could have bought
- (b) could buy
- (c) will buy
- (d) shall buy

19. That horse could have won the race if he \_\_\_\_\_ hurt his leg.

- (a) doesn't hurt
- (b) hasn't hurt
- (c) hadn't hurt
- (d) don't hurt

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21. If I \_\_\_\_\_ harder for the test I would have gotten a better grade.

- (a) had studied
- (b) will study
- (c) did study
- (d) shall study

**Direction (Question Nos. 21-25) :** In the phrases/words given below, Indianism has been used. Use standard words to avoid Indianism :

21. **Discuss about**

- (a) discuss for
- (b) discuss
- (c) discuss to
- (d) discuss on

22. **Order for**

- (a) order
- (b) order to
- (c) order about
- (d) order on

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23. **Out of station**

- (a) out of platform
- (b) out of city
- (c) out of town
- (d) Both (b) and (c)

24. **Cousin brother/sister**

- (a) cousin
- (b) cousin sibling
- (c) sibling
- (d) All of the above

25. **Prepone**

- (a) advance
- (b) re-schedule
- (c) forward
- (d) All of the above

**Direction (Question Nos. 26-30) :** Each sentence has an idiom or phrase. Identify the meaning of the idiom/phrase from the given options :

26. We **talked over** the matter for an hour but without any result.

- (a) discussed
- (b) fought about
- (c) surveyed
- (d) assessed

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27. He was murdered in **cold blood**.

- (a) thoughtlessly
- (b) coolly
- (c) deliberately
- (d) unfeelingly

28. Suganya stood by her husband in **weal and woe**.

- (a) during the operation
- (b) during illness
- (c) by hook or crook
- (d) in prosperity and adversity

29. I have **a bone to pick** with you in this matter.

- (a) desire
- (b) am angry
- (c) selfish motive
- (d) selfless motive

30. The inspector was caught **red handed**.

- (a) found with hands tied
- (b) caught with dirty hands
- (c) caught in the act of committing the crime
- (d) quickly

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**Direction (Question Nos. 31-36) : Choose the correct antonym for words given below :**

31. **Embellish**

- (a) Perish
- (b) Disarm
- (c) Adorn
- (d) Disfigure

32. **Stagnant**

- (a) Inertia
- (b) Progress
- (c) Mobile
- (d) Effervescence

33. **Brilliant**

- (a) Apparent
- (b) Flat
- (c) Dull
- (d) Shining

34. **Perennial**

- (a) Frequent
- (b) Regular
- (c) Lasting
- (d) Rare

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**35. Benign**

- (a) Malevolent
- (b) Soft
- (c) Friendly
- (d) Unwise

**36. Repress**

- (a) Inhibit
- (b) Liberate
- (c) Curb
- (d) Quell

**Direction (Question Nos. 37-44) : Choose the correct synonym for words given below :**

**37. Rectify**

- (a) To build
- (b) Correct
- (c) Destroy
- (d) To command

**38. Parasite**

- (a) A loss of motion
- (b) Exterminator
- (c) Disease
- (d) One that clings

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**39. Placate**

- (a) To make sure
- (b) To annoy
- (c) To pacify
- (d) To flatten out

**40. Paramount**

- (a) Very important
- (b) Wide and extensive
- (c) Above others in rank of authority
- (d) Famous

**41. Admonish**

- (a) Punish
- (b) Curse
- (c) Dismiss
- (d) Reprimand

**42. Intimidate**

- (a) To hint
- (b) Frighten
- (c) Bluff
- (d) Harass

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43. Cantankerous

- (a) Quarrelsome
- (b) Rash
- (c) Disrespectful
- (d) Noisy

44. Forestall

- (a) Avoid
- (b) Frighten
- (c) Prevent
- (d) Disappoint

**Direction (Question Nos. 45-50) :** In the following statements, select the correct word to complete the proverb :

45. A bad workman always blames his tools.

- (a) A person with deficiencies finds excuses for his lack of skill.
- (b) One should not make a big fuss about a trivial matter.
- (c) It is better to accept the little we have than reject it hoping to get a lot later.
- (d) Information about unpleasant happenings spreads quickly.

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46. Charity begins at home.

- (a) A satisfactory conclusion makes up for earlier disappointments.
- (b) Provide help first to one's family members and then to others.
- (c) One should not make a big fuss about a trivial matter.
- (d) Once a decision has been made, it cannot be reversed.

47. First come, first served.

- (a) Be blunt and say plainly what you mean.
- (b) A mistake can be a great teacher.
- (c) It is preferable to do a job even if it is delayed than not do it at all.
- (d) If one arrives early, one gets a better choice.

48. Do not cast your pearls before swine.

- (a) It is better to accept the little we have than reject it hoping to get a lot later.