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## ENG101- English Comprehension

### MIDTERM EXAMINATION

**Question No: 1 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Choose antonym for the underlined word.**

Our investigation will reveal the truth.

▶ conceal

- ▶ expose
- ▶ inspect
- ▶ announce

**Question No: 2 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Fill in the blank with the most suitable phrasal verb.**

The weather brought my cold.....

- ▶ down
- ▶ up
- ▶ off
- ▶ on

**Question No: 3 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Which suffix can correctly be added to the root word 'electric' to make a new word?**

- ▶ ed
- ▶ ian
- ▶ sion
- ▶ y

**Question No: 4 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Choose a suitable option to fill in the blank.**

Newton imagined light to \_\_\_\_\_ of particles emitted from luminous bodies.

- ▶ assist
- ▶ desist
- ▶ consist
- ▶ persist

**Question No: 5 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Indicate the correct form of verb in the sentence given below.**

He was told not to laugh at policemen.

- ▶ -ed
- ▶ -ing
- ▶ Infinitive
- ▶ Past

**Question No: 6 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Read the sentence carefully and decide which of the five choices provided comes closest in meaning to the word underlined.**

Sue affected to like her only until she found a better friend.

- ▶ Agreed
- ▶ Pretended
- ▶ Wanted
- ▶ Bothered

**Question No: 7 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Read the statement carefully and choose 'inference' from the given options.**

If you get fired from your job, you can infer that:

- ▶ You did something wrong.
- ▶ You will never get a job again
- ▶ You were the best worker.
- ▶ You might get a raise.

**Question No: 8 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Complete the following sentence by choosing the correct option.**

The coach's \_\_\_\_\_ voice could be heard over all the other noise in the gymnasium.

- ▶ sanguine
- ▶ ingratiating
- ▶ strident
- ▶ mellifluous

**Question No: 9 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Complete the following sentence by choosing the correct option.**

The lab technicians went through the titration process with \_\_\_\_\_ care.

- ▶ sedulous
- ▶ ribald
- ▶ vestigial
- ▶ mordant

**Question No: 10 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Complete the sentence by choosing the best option /pair of connectives.**

\_\_\_\_\_ the men \_\_\_\_\_ their supervisor is to be blamed for the mishap.

- ▶ Neither...and
- ▶ Either...and
- ▶ Neither...nor
- ▶ Either...nor

### **MIDTERM EXAMINATION**

**Question No: 1 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Read the cause in the given situation and choose the effect.**

She was in a hurry riding her bike, so she carried her viola across the handlebars. She failed to see the rock on the street in front of her.

- ▶ The viola did not fall off the bike.
- ▶ The rock did not get in the girl's way.
- ▶ The girl fell off of her bike.
- ▶ The girl got off her bike to take a break.

**Question No: 2 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Fill in the blank with appropriate connector.**

\_\_\_\_\_ other mollusks, the oyster reproduces by eggs. .

- ▶ Regarding
- ▶ As to
- ▶ Like
- ▶ With

**Question No: 3 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Which one of the following cannot be used for the suffix -ion?**

- ▶ Put-
- ▶ exhaust-
- ▶ correct-
- ▶ collect

**Question No: 4 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Choose the best meaning of highlighted words in the sentence.**

**Reforestation** will help to **restore** our environment.

- ▶ cutting down trees will help to recover the environment.
- ▶ planting trees again will replenish our environment.



- ▶ forests should be cut to improve the worsening environmental pollution
- ▶ cutting down trees will further help to worsen the environment.

**Question No: 5 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Complete the sentence by choosing the best option. /pair of connectives.**

James usually has his lunch at this restaurant \_\_\_\_\_ sometimes he eats elsewhere.

- ▶ if
- ▶ either
- ▶ neither
- ▶ but

**Question No: 6 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Complete the sentence by choosing the best option.**

It was an expensive vase \_\_\_\_\_ they bought it to please their mother. .

- ▶ either
- ▶ neither
- ▶ but
- ▶ or

**Question No: 7 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

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**Read the statement carefully and choose 'inference' from the given options.**

If you see someone fall off of their bike, you can infer that:

- ▶ It's a new bike.
- ▶ They weren't wearing helmet.
- ▶ They have never ridden a bike before.
- ▶ They have lost their balance.

**Question No: 8 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

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**Choose the best meaning for the word underlined. .**

Being unable to write clearly is a liability in a business career. In business, one must often express opinions and ideas in writing.

- ▶ surprise
- ▶ necessity
- ▶ drawback
- ▶ penalty

**Question No: 9 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

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**Choose the best meaning for the word underlined.**

By giving military aid to dictatorships in Latin America, the United States has seemed to sanction their cruel policies.

- ▶ create

- ▶ remember
- ▶ criticize
- ▶ approve

**Question No: 10 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Complete the sentence by choosing the correct option.**

“Oh, dear! I have left \_\_\_\_\_ my purse \_\_\_\_\_ keys in the other bag,” said Seema.

▶ both...and

- ▶ either...nor
- ▶ either...and
- ▶ neither...or

### **MIDTERM EXAMINATION**

**Question No: 1 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

Choose the phrasal verb most similar in meaning to: **Refuse**

▶ Turn down

- ▶ Look out for
- ▶ Put out
- ▶ Turn up

**Question No: 2 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Which suffix cannot be added to the root word 'employ' to make a new word?**

- ▶ ment
- ▶ ing
- ▶ less
- ▶ er

**Question No: 3 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Complete the sentence by choosing the best option. /pair of connectives.**

Each class is to present \_\_\_\_\_ a drama \_\_\_\_\_ a song for the concert.

- ▶ both...nor
- ▶ either...or
- ▶ either...and
- ▶ both...or

**Question No: 4 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Read the sentence carefully and identify which of the given choices is closest in meaning to the word underlined. .**

J.Paul Getty, the late billionaire, was so **frugal** that he had a pay telephone for the guests in his home.

- ▶ Sensitive
- ▶ Generous
- ▶ **Thrifty**
- ▶ Honest

**Question No: 5 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Read the statement carefully and choose 'inference' from the given options.**

If you go to a birthday party, you can infer that:

- ▶ **There will be a cake.**
- ▶ The person is turning 20.
- ▶ There will be a clown.
- ▶ You will have bad time.

**Question No: 6 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Choose the best meaning for the highlighted word.**

1. A student of **contemporary** art must also study the classic works of artists from the past, recognizing that these masters produced the modern art of their own time.  
modern

- ▶ religious
- ▶ not having to do with religion
- ▶ **modern**
- ▶ former

**Question No: 7 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Choose the best meaning for the word underlined.**

There is an **optimum** way to approach each kind of exam question. For a multiple-choice item, for example, first eliminate any clearly wrong answers. For an essay question, jot down an outline first.

- ▶ time-consuming
- ▶ annoying
- ▶ **best**
- ▶ inconvenient



**Question No: 8 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Choose the correctly spelled word from the options provided.**

- ▶ callender
- ▶ calendar
- ▶ calendre
- ▶ calander

**Question No: 9 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Click on the option that you think is correct.**

Hemp cannot be used to produce marijuana, \_\_\_\_ its low THC content.

- ▶ as
- ▶ because
- ▶ because of
- ▶ and

**Question No: 10 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Choose a suitable option to fill in the blank.**

Coach Calhoun tried to \_\_\_\_\_ his team to try harder in the face of overwhelming odds.

- ▶ exhort
- ▶ instigate
- ▶ emulate
- ▶ flout

**MIDTERM EXAMINATION**  
**Spring 2009**

**Question No: 1 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Complete the following sentence by choosing the correct option.**

The UConn women basketball team's perfect season \_\_\_\_\_ in a championship win over Tennessee.

- ▶ fulminated
- ▶ fomented
- ▶ culminated
- ▶ alleviated

**Question No: 2 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Fill in the blank with correct option.**

A kind of \_\_\_\_\_ seemed to occur when David graduated from high school. He became a serious student all of a sudden.

- ▶ Milieu
- ▶ Metamorphosis
- ▶ Epithet
- ▶ Accolade

**Question No: 3 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Which one of the following statements expresses fact?**

▶ Professor Ahmad khan argues that the effect of carbon emissions on the surrounding environment will only get worse.

- ▶ This product might cause stomach upset for some people in years to come.
- ▶ In 2005, Brazil and FC Barcelona star Ronaldinho was named FIFA World Footballer of The Year.
- ▶ **Local councilors should spend more time listening to residents and less time listening to each other.**

**Question No: 4 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Choose the best meaning/definition for the highlighted word.**

Santos knew that the reading class would improve his vocabulary and comprehension, thus increasing his chances of success in **subsequent** college courses.

- ▶ less important
- ▶ out of order
- ▶ following
- ▶ . first

**Question No: 5 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Which one of these means ‘a loose garment’?**

- ▶ Cloak
- ▶ Clock
- ▶ Clone
- ▶ Clot

**Question No: 6 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Complete the sentence by choosing the correct option.**

You must have been \_\_\_\_\_ daydreaming \_\_\_\_\_ sleeping in class again.

- ▶ Neither...or
- ▶ Both...or
- ▶ Either...or
- ▶ Either...and

**Question No: 7 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Complete the sentence by choosing the best option. /pair of connectives.**

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- ▶ if
- ▶ either



▶ neither

▶ but

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▶ Neither...and

▶ Either...and

▶ Neither...nor

▶ Either...nor

**Question No: 9 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Choose the best meaning or synonym for the highlighted word.**

When your plan brings us great wealth, you will be rewarded for your **sagacity**.

▶ huge appetite for herbs

▶ good looks

▶ mistakes

▶ intelligence

**Question No: 10 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Choose a suitable option to fill in the blank.**

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▶ emulate

▶ Flout

**Question No: 11 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Choose a suitable option to fill in the blank.**

Newton imagined light to \_\_\_\_\_ of particles emit from luminous bodies.

▶ Assist

▶ desist

▶ consist

▶ persist

**Question No: 12 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Which one of the following cannot be used for the suffix -ure?**

- ▶ lect-
- ▶ fiss-
- ▶ depart-
- ▶ polit-

**Question No: 13 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Read the cause in the given situation and choose the effect.**

I ran as fast as I could, passing all the other runners in the race. I wasn't even tired, either.

▶ I won the race

- ▶ I came in last place in the race.
- ▶ I decided to run the last lap of the race again.
- ▶ I stopped at the store for a snack, since I was ahead of everyone else.

**Question No: 14 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Fill in the blank with the most suitable phrasal verb.**

She brought..... the deal even though nobody thought she was capable of doing it.

▶ off

- ▶ in
- ▶ out
- ▶ down

**Question No: 15 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Identify the best answer which is not a synonym for the word 'sleepy'.**

▶ Lethargic

- ▶ Soporific
- ▶ Hyperbolic
- ▶ Somnolent

**Question No: 16 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Choose the phrasal verb most similar in meaning to: Wear**

- ▶ Try on
- ▶ Fill out
- ▶ Have on
- ▶ Turn on

**Question No: 17 ( Marks: 2 )**

**Choose appropriate options for the sentence given below:**

I (accept/except) all your compliments, but I (advice/advise) you to offer (fewer/less) of them at a time because (its /it's) not good for a person to hear too many positive things about himself in one day.

**Solution:**

I accept all your compliments, but I advise you to offer fewer of them at a time because it's not good for a person to hear too many positive things about himself in one day.

**MIDTERM EXAMINATION**  
**Spring 2009**

**Question No: 1 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Fill in the blank with correct option.**

Esmerelda's dissertation was on such an \_\_\_\_\_ subject that no one could understand it.

- ▶ austere
- ▶ auspicious
- ▶ esoteric
- ▶ equitable

**Question No: 2 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Choose the best meaning for the word underlined.**

What makes up a true work of art? Although no single criterion seems adequate, the novelist James Joyce suggested three standards: "wholeness, harmony and radiance."

- ▶ artist
- ▶ question
- ▶ standard
- ▶ novel

**Question No: 3 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**If a statement is proved true through objective evidence, what it will be called?**

- ▶ Analysis
- ▶ Proposal
- ▶ Fact
- ▶ Opinion

**Question No: 4 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Read the statement carefully and choose 'inference' from the given options.**

If you get fired from your job, you can infer that:



▶ You did something wrong.

- ▶ You will never get a job again
- ▶ You were the best worker.
- ▶ You might get a raise.

**Question No: 5 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
Which one of these means 'polite in an extreme way'?

- ▶ Gentian
- ▶ Gentile
- ▶ Genial
- ▶ Genteel

**Question No: 6 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
Which one of these means 'a useless person'?

- ▶ Dead loss
- ▶ Dead wood
- ▶ Dead weight
- ▶ Dead heat

**Question No: 7 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Complete the sentence by choosing the correct option.**

Rashid called \_\_\_\_\_ ;told me what happened.

- ▶ or
- ▶ nor
- ▶ and
- ▶ but

**Question No: 8 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Indicate the correct form of verb in the sentence given below.**  
He was told not to laugh at policemen.

- ▶ -ing
- ▶ Infinitive
- ▶ Past
- ▶ -ed

**Question No: 9 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Choose the best meaning or synonym for the highlighted word.**  
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- ▶ good looks
- ▶ mistakes
- ▶ intelligence

**Question No: 10 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Choose the best available substitute word for the following root/prefix:**

**Post-**

- ▶ against
- ▶ before
- ▶ after
- ▶ around

**Question No: 11 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Choose the best available substitute word for the following root/prefix:**

**Scrib-/Script-**

- ▶ self
- ▶ life
- ▶ flow
- ▶ write

**Question No: 12 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Pick the most suitable phrasal verb to complete the sentence given below.**

If you're coming tonight, could you bring ..... some CDs

- ▶ on
- ▶ over
- ▶ up
- ▶ in

**Question No: 13 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Model rhymes with:**

- ▶ cuddle
- ▶ doodle
- ▶ hotel
- ▶ vodel

**Question No: 14 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Which of the following statement is true?**

- ▶ blind rhymes with hint, print, i.e. the final consonant is unvoiced.

- ▶ blind rhymes with sinned, grinned, wind
- ▶ blind rhymes with mind, kind, hind, lined
- ▶ blind rhymes with pint, i.e. the final consonant is unvoiced.

**Question No: 15 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Choose antonym for the underlined word.**

Sunglasses will only hinder your ability to see at night.

- ▶ accept
- ▶ describe
- ▶ equal
- ▶ help

**Question No: 16 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

Choose the phrasal verb most similar in meaning to: **Resemble**

- ▶ Get out of
- ▶ Keep up with
- ▶ Look like
- ▶ Take out

### MIDTERM EXAMINATION Fall 2008

**Question No: 1 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Choose the correct word or phrase to complete the sentence.**

Ever since he married Jane, he's had a new \_\_\_\_ on life.

- ▶ title
- ▶ rent
- ▶ **Lease**
- ▶ loan

**Question No: 2 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

Which one of these means 'tranquil'?

- ▶ Placoid
- ▶ Placid
- ▶ Plague
- ▶ Placate

**Question No: 3 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**

**Read the sentence carefully and decide which of the five choices provided comes closest in meaning to the word underlined.**



My Corvette's **voracious** appetite for gasoline made me decide to trade it in for an economy car, the Chevette.

- ▶ Tiny
- ▶ **Huge**
- ▶ Sensational
- ▶ Finicky

**Question No: 4 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Complete the sentence by choosing the best option.**

We are planning to go to \_\_\_\_\_ Spain \_\_\_\_\_ France during the holidays.

- ▶ either...nor
- ▶ **either...or**
- ▶ neither...and
- ▶ both...nor

**Question No: 5 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Indicate the correct form of verb in the sentence given below.**

The population has increased by 6% since 1970.

- ▶ Present
- ▶ Infinitive
- ▶ -ing
- ▶ **-ed**

**Question No: 6 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Complete the sentence by choosing the best option.**

"Would you marry a man who has \_\_\_\_\_ fame \_\_\_\_\_ money?" Mary asked her best friend.

- ▶ either...and
- ▶ **neither..... nor**
- ▶ both...nor
- ▶ either...nor

**Question No: 7 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Choose a suitable option to fill in the blank.**

I don't think these flowers are \_\_\_\_\_ to New England. At least I've never seen them.

- ▶ Exigent
- ▶ Fluent
- ▶ **Indigenous**
- ▶ Ingenuous

**Question No: 8 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Which one of the following cannot be used for the suffix -ial?**

- ▶ part-
- ▶ debat-
- ▶ mart-
- ▶ commerc-

**Question No: 9 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Choose the best available substitute word for the following root/prefix:**

**Alter-/Altr-**

- ▶ large, great
- ▶ change, other
- ▶ outside, beyond
- ▶ good, well

**Question No: 10 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**When the suffix 'ness' is added to the word 'happy', what will be the correct spelling?**

- ▶ hapiness
- ▶ happyness
- ▶ happiness
- ▶ hapyness

**Question No: 11 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Fill in the blank with appropriate connector.**

With neither a naturally aggressive disposition \_\_\_\_\_ particularly large size, the mimic octopus survives quite easily because of its natural adaptations.

- ▶ or its
- ▶ nor a
- ▶ with its
- ▶ and a

**Question No: 12 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Read the cause in the given situation and choose the effect.**

I awoke in the morning and ate breakfast. Then I pulled out my toothbrush and smeared ADA-approved toothpaste all over the bristles.

- ▶ I took a shower.
- ▶ I combed my hair.
- ▶ I left for the bus stop.
- ▶ I brushed my teeth.

**Question No: 13 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**What is the definition of effect?**

▶ The result of what happened in a given situation.

- ▶ What happened in a given situation?
- ▶ The reason something happened in a given situation.
- ▶ The order of events in a given situation.

**Question No: 14 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Choose the correctly spelled word from the options provided.**

- ▶ callender
- ▶ calendar
- ▶ calendar
- ▶ calander

**Question No: 15 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**Pick the most suitable phrasal verb to complete the sentence given below.**  
She brought her children ..... on her own after the divorce.

- ▶ over
- ▶ in
- ▶ out
- ▶ up

**Question No: 16 ( Marks: 1 ) - Please choose one**  
**How many consonant sounds are there in English language?**

- ▶ 20
- ▶ 24
- ▶ 26
- ▶ 23

**Question No: 17 ( Marks: 2 )**  
**Fill in the blanks with participle.**

1. Mike has ----- three sandwiches. (eat)
- 2 Someone has ----- my toothbrush! (use)
3. I have ----- him for ten years. (know)
4. My mother has ----- the hole in my sock. (mend)

**Solution:**

1. Mike has eaten three sandwiches. (eat)
- 2 Someone has used my toothbrush! (use)
3. I have Known him for ten years. (know)
4. My mother has mended the hole in my sock. (Mend)