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**SUBJECT: ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PAPER 1: (LEXIS & STRUCTURE)
CLASS: SS 2
TIME: 1 Hour 40 mins.**

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INSTRUCTION

**Write your name and number in the spaces
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Answer all questions in this Paper .

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PAPER ONE: OBJECTIVE TEST QUESTIONS

Section 1

*In each of the following sentences, there is one underlined word and one gap. From the list of words lettered A to E, choose the one that is **most nearly opposite in meaning** to the underlined word and that will, at the same time, correctly fill the gap in the sentence.*

1. The boy may be culpable but his brother is surely.....
 - A. innocent
 - B. ignorant
 - C. accountable
 - D. honest
 - E. durable
2. Our class teacher used to be rigid in his opinions but he is now.....of other people's views.
 - A. wary
 - B. critical
 - C. apprise
 - D. tolerant
 - E. motionless
3. Some workers were quite affable at the meeting but their leader was rather.....
 - A. guarded
 - B. cautious
 - C. suspicious
 - D. antagonistic
 - E. friendly
4. The driver believed he would be castigated by all the passengers but he was.....
 - A. encouraged
 - B. exonerated
 - C. commended
 - D. released
 - E. disclosed
5. Some people are generous towards strangers, while others are.....towards them.
 - A. indifferent
 - B. sympathetic
 - C. nasty
 - D. mean
 - E. extraneous
6. The baby who had all along been calm suddenly became.....
 - A. restless
 - B. hungry
 - C. angry
 - D. cheerful
 - E. champion
7. While Ade is....., his wife is quite self-effacing.
 - A. aggressive
 - B. lousy
 - C. conceited
 - D. unfriendly
 - E. outrageous
8. Bakare is a prudent husband while Musa is.....
 - A. mean
 - B. extravagant
 - C. thoughtful
 - D. mindless
 - E. selfish
9. Abdul's contribution at the meeting was seen by many as invaluable but the chairman said it was
 - A. insincere
 - B. useless
 - C. impossible
 - D. preposterous
 - E. impregnable
10. The manager was eulogized for his speech while his assistant was.....
 - A. discouraged
 - B. criticized
 - C. appraised
 - D. denounced
 - E. discounted

11. Hanatu's inquisitiveness is in sharp contrast with her sister's

- A. indifference
- B. nosiness
- C. calmness
- D. dullness
- E. courteousness

12. Though at first it appeared an insignificant idea, it turned out to be quite..... .

- A. outstanding
- B. successful
- C. remarkable
- D. interesting
- E. insurmountable

13. The youth prefer discussing contemporary issues to.....ones.

- A. stale
- B. archaic
- C. uninteresting
- D. political
- E. substantial

14. After grasping the fundamental aspects of his job, Kwesi had to cope with more.....procedures.

- A. advanced
- B. academic
- C. secondary
- D. subsidiary
- E. primary

15. As erroneous as it might sound, the Principal's assumption was quite

- A. wise
- B. correct
- C. precise
- D. faulty
- E. adequate

Section 2

*From the words lettered A to E, choose the word that **best completes** each of the following sentences.*

16. The President has called on the two parties to form a

- A. coalition
- B. federation

- C. monarchy
- D. democracy
- E. autocracy

17. My wife is good in computing, beading and drawing; she is.....

- A. hardworking
- B. versatile
- C. skilled
- D. experienced
- E. coaxed

18. The monks take a.....of silence yearly.

- A. bann
- B. pledge
- C. posture
- D. vow
- E. vote

19. She took theof allegiance as the new chairperson.

- A. bond
- B. oath
- C. pledge
- D. promise
- E. vow

20. The election result was cancelled because of

- A. fighting
- B. irregularities
- C. quarreling
- D. violence
- E. fraud

21. My dad is....., he discovers new places.

- A. a biologist
- B. a missionary
- C. a scientist
- D. an explorer
- E. an inventor

22. Since the army was no longer needed, it was..... .

- A. demolished
- B. dismantled
- C. disbanded
- D. fired
- E. cleared

23. The divorced.....has not started receiving any alimony.
- bride
 - couple
 - groom
 - man
 - woman
24. The accident was serious but not.....as no lives were lost.
- dreadful
 - fatal
 - bloody
 - lethal
 - lethargic
25. After the day's work, the manager returned the cash to the..... .
- bulk room
 - cabinet
 - piggy box
 - store
 - vault
26. The river.....across the plain.
- rolled
 - meandered
 - trickled
 - passed
 - walked
27. The hilltop was a hundred metres above sea level and from that the whole town could be seen beautifully laid out.
- altitude
 - magnitude
 - latitude
 - longitude
 - spherical
28. The firm organized.....to showcase different artworks.
- a conference
 - a lecture
 - a symposium
 - an audition
 - an exhibition
29. undoubtedly belongs to the author of a book.
- Title-deed
 - Copyright
 - Patent
 - Ownership
 - Plagiarism
30. The incumbent chairman won the election by aof twenty votes.
- surplus
 - consensus
 - space
 - margin
 - gauge
31. The police explained that all the aggrieved persons should seek.....in the court of law.
- redress
 - litigation
 - address
 - restoration
 - reservation
32. I don't think Rita is seriously hurt; her wounds are rather.....
- superfluous
 - superimposed
 - superficial
 - shallow
 - sunburn
33. The tired students.....home.
- strutted
 - strolled
 - gamboled
 - trudged
 - stamped
34. The doctor's was that the patient was suffering from cancer.
- prediction
 - prescription
 - diagnosis
 - analysis
 - autopsy
35. Much was given to the chieftaincy ceremony by the news media.
- publication
 - advertisement
 - information

- D. publicity
- E. cognizance

Section 3

From the list of words lettered A to E, choose the word or group of words that is **nearest in meaning** to the underlined word as it is used in the sentence.

36. Some of the merchant's goods were impounded by the customs officers.

- A. intercepted
- B. delayed
- C. confiscated
- D. screened
- E. concealed

37. My trust in Abah suddenly began to wane.

- A. dissipate
- B. disappear
- C. deteriorate
- D. decrease
- E. replete

38. Some believe it is ominous for the owl to perch on the roof of a house.

- A. forbidden
- B. portentous
- C. prophetic
- D. suspicious
- E. apprehensive

39. The supervisor spurned the offer of help from the cleaner.

- A. rebuffed
- B. denied
- C. defied
- D. refuted
- E. repudiated

40. Koffi is rather audacious; he jumps off high fences.

- A. daring
- B. playful
- C. curious
- D. troublesome
- E. inquisitive

41. The criminal approached the crowd menacingly.

- A. stealthily

- B. cunningly
- C. calculatedly
- D. threateningly
- E. ingeniously

42. Hard drugs are detrimental to health.

- A. paramount
- B. ineffective
- C. necessary
- D. harmful
- E. nocturnal

43. Maxwell usually makes obnoxious remarks.

- A. prudent
- B. offensive
- C. unpredictable
- D. queer
- E. strange

44. The team has an arduous task ahead of it.

- A. a severe
- B. a heavy
- C. a strenuous
- D. an enjoyable
- E. a pleasant

45. The two tasks should be undertaken concurrently.

- A. consecutively
- B. alternatively
- C. immediately
- D. simultaneously
- E. persistently

46. Mary was kept in solitary confinement.

- A. idle
- B. quiet
- C. lonely
- D. harsh
- E. wholesome

47. Ade is very winsome, yet his neighbor finds it difficult to put up with him.

- A. stay with
- B. live with
- C. tolerate
- D. depend on
- E. rely on

48. The girls has just come out of the fattening room and her waist is adorned with beads.

- A. surrounded
- B. decorated
- C. besieged
- D. defaced
- E. bedraggled

49. There are some drugs that could exacerbate a particular illness.

- A. heal
- B. ameliorate
- C. lengthen
- D. worsen
- E. defeat

50. In accordance with the practice of Islamic religion, Hassan's body was interred the day he died.

- A. sanctified
- B. preserved
- C. cremated
- D. buried
- E. entered

Section 4

*From the words or group of words lettered A to E, choose the word or group of words that **best completes** each of the following sentences.*

51. Did Sam come here as he promised?

- A. No, he did
- B. Yes, he didn't
- C. Yes, he doesn't
- D. No, he didn't
- E. No, he does

52. Do you know who broke the pot? "....."

- A. Yes, I don't
- B. No, I don't
- C. No, I do
- D. Yes, I am
- E. Yes, we don't

53. If I rich, I would build more hospitals.

- A. was
- B. have
- C. were
- D. am
- E. has

54. If the police had not intervened quickly, the suspected thief.....by the mob.

- A. would have been killed
- B. would be killed
- C. will have been killed
- D. will be killed
- E. will have being killed

55. All the clothes that Simioutside yesterday were stolen.

- A. hang
- B. hung
- C. hanged
- D. had hanged
- E. has hang

56. Neither the host nor the guest.....in the hall.

- A. were
- B. are
- C. was
- D. is
- E. am

57. Moving house wasn't difficult as I didn't have furniture.

- A. more
- B. much
- C. many
- D. plenty
- E. lots of

58. There is a serious misunderstanding.....the four groups.

- A. through
- B. across
- C. between
- D. among
- E. upon

59. Abu reading these days.

- A. enjoying
- B. enjoys
- C. enjoy
- D. enjoyed
- E. has enjoyed

60. My uncle asked me.....

- A. when are your parents returning?
- B. that when are my parents returning?

- C. when my parents are returning?
D. when my parents were returning

- E. when my parents was returning?

Section 6

*In the following passage, the numbered gaps indicate missing words. Against **each** number in the list below the passage, **five** options are given in columns A to E. Choose the word that is the **most suitable** to fill the numbered gaps in the passage.*

The...61...of the local government chairman would soon elapse. This means there would be an election soon. This will commence with the selection of62....by registered political parties, who will present their63.... to the public to inform them of their intentions when they assume office. The process of....64..... for votes has a timeframe. Voting is usually done by universal...65....., which means that every citizen above eighteen is.....66.... to vote provided he/she is dully registered and has a valid voter's card.

On the day of the election, the voters will go to the polling.....67...., go through the voter's register for68....before casting their votes for the person of their choice. The counting of votes will be done by the69....under the supervision of party agents. At the end of the exercise, the winner will be70.... .

	A	B	C	D	E
61.	period	reign	tenure	era	rein
62.	candidates	aspirants	applicants	competitors	fillers
63.	promises	speech	mandate	manifestoes	talks
64.	lobbying	canvassing	buying	driving	vying
65.	suffrage	right	charter	declaration	announcement
66.	recommended	approved	eligible	suitable	conditional
67.	booths	boxes	stations	compartments	cubicle
68.	endorsement	accreditation	validation	approval	justification
69.	presiding officer	returning officer	registration officer	electoral agent	election agency
70.	chosen	appointed	announced	called	publicized