

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

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TIME allowed: 1Hr 15mins

INSTRUCTIONS

Read the following carefully

1. Use **HB pencil** to shade your answer. Ensure that any shading in error is thoroughly erased.
2. Candidate should indicate **The Question Paper Type** given to them in the appropriate space in the **Answer Sheet**
3. Write your **JAMB** Registration number on the Question Paper in the space provided at the top of page 1.
4. The use of calculators/or similar electronic devices is **NOT** allowed.

SECTION I: ENGLISH

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow

This book consists of lectures given by me at Cambridge. Though they have been largely rewritten, I have kept a good deal of their original lecture-form, as being (I hope) rather less formal and less dogmatic. For to dogmatism, those who write on language seem, for some reasons, particularly prone; and I should like to make it clear at once that, if at times I have put my views strongly, I do not forget that such matters of taste must remain mere matters of opinion. In addition, I have included a good many specimen passages from various authors. Perhaps I have quoted too much. But a book on style without abundant examples seems to me as ineffectual as a book on art, or biology, without abundant illustrations. Many of these passages are in French. That may be Gallomania on my part: and I must apologize if they trouble some readers. But some ability to read French prose does seem to me most desirable for anyone who would write – well in English. I have tried to choose pieces not too difficult in syntax or vocabulary. And in these days less than ever can we afford to be insular.

1. Our understanding of the last sentence in the passage is that we
 (a) can now afford to be insular (b) can be insular in future (c) cannot afford to be insular
 (d) must never be insular.
2. To write English well, the author says it is helpful to
 (a) be able to write French fairly well (b) be able to read French fairly well (c) know French thoroughly
 (d) be able to read English well
3. According to the author (in this preface) the book is
 (a) the original version of his Cambridge lectures (b) a revised version of his Cambridge lectures
 (c) an imitation of his Cambridge lectures (d) a negation of his Cambridge lectures.
4. The author says that writers are
 (a) inclined to be dogmatic (b) opposed to dogmatism (c) unlikely to be dogmatic
 (d) resolved to be dogmatic

5. In the author's opinion, a book on style
(a) can do with few examples (b) need not have any examples (c) is a book on art
(d) will be ineffectual with insufficient examples.

Each of the following sentences has a list of options A-D following it. Choose which option best interprets the sentence

6. Ade told George that if he were as rich as him, he would have travelled overseas. This means that
(a) Ade is not as rich as George therefore he did not travel overseas (b) Ade is not as rich as George but he travelled overseas
(c) Ade is not rich therefore he stole to travel (d) George is rich but did not travel overseas.
7. Had her father not died, Ede would have left for London. This implies that Ede
(a) went to London after the death of her father (b) did not go to London because her father had died
(c) would like to go to London when her father dies (d) would like to go London after her father dies
8. Would you have helped him if he had asked you? This implies that
(a) he did not ask you so you didn't help him (b) he asked you (c) he asked you and you helped
(d) he asked you but you didn't help.
9. If Musa applies for scholarship, he will be able to go to law school. This means that Musa
(a) is attending law school (b) has the opportunity of attending law school (c) could not attend law school
(d) has applied for a scholarship to attend law school.
10. Had Mr. Opoku not changed the manager, his business would have been ruined. This tells us that:
(a) Mr. Opoku changed his manager and his business was not ruined (b) the new manager ruined Mr. Opoku's business
(c) the new manager almost ruined Mr. Opoku's business (d) Mr Opoku changed his manager after his business had been ruined.

Select the best option (From A - D) to complete each of the following sentences

11. At the height of the storm, the savages used to the angry gods by offering sacrifices
(a) instigate (b) appall (c) vilify (d) propitiate
12. You should this paragraph in order to make your essay more
(a) delete ... succinct (b) enlarge ... redundant (c) remove ... discursive (d) revise ... abstruse
13. Only the fear of immediate prevents the country from launching an attack
(a) reprisal (b) surrender (c) truce (d) surveillance
14. A diligent scholar, she devoted herself to the completion of the book.
(s) assiduously (b) ingenuously (c) theoretically (d) voluminously
15. He was success, painting not for the sake of fame or monetary reward, but for the sheer love of art
(a) indifferent to (b) destined for (c) avid (d) enamoured of
16. When the news of his the enemy became known, he was hanged in an effigy
(a) contempt for (b) enmity toward (c) collusion with (d) conspiracy against

In each of the following sentences there is one word underlined and one gap. From the list of words lettered A to D, choose the word or group of words that is most nearly opposite to the underlined word.

17. The testimony of the witness was so vague that it was difficult to learn details of the case.
(a) real (b) true (c) factual (d) specific

18. The man's speech is rather verbose, it needs to be more
 (a) detailed (b) concise (c) reduced (d) interesting
19. Obiora was a notorious hunter who defied the king's orders not to hunt near the city.
 (a) illustrious (b) brave (c) exonerated (d) intelligent
20. Although Paul had been accused for the crime he was later
 (a) discharged (b) released (c) exonerated (d) dismissed
21. False modesty is really a form of
 (a) arrogance (b) humility (c) extravagance (d) incompetence
22. Although I have forgotten the title of the book, I the story very well.
 (a) can recognize (b) can reconstruct (c) can recollect (d) can review
23. Cameras were once as unwieldy as are now
 (a) attractive (b) cheap (c) compact (d) efficient

In Question 24 – 27 choose the option nearest in meaning to the underlined

24. Had she known he was a high way robber she would not have married him. This means
 (a) she married him before she knew he was a robber (b) she knew he was a robber when she married him
 (c) she did marry him because he was a robber (d) she refused to marry the man when she knew he was a robber
25. The ingenious scheme of robber broke down because of the efficiency of the police office. Ingenious here means
 (a) suspicious (b) ambitious (c) deceitful (d) clever
26. Jide is being forced to go to Lagos tomorrow. This means that Jide
 (a) will go to Lagos (b) must go to Lagos (c) wishes to go to Lagos (d) is going to Lagos
27. It is sheer Fantasy to believe that there could never be a miscalculation by any nation that has atomic weapons. Fantasy here means
 (a) dream (b) hope (c) nonsense (d) joke

In questions 28 – 30 select the wrongly spelt word

28. (a) quiet (b) beleive (c) proceed (d) precede
 29. (a) disappointed (b) embarassed (c) equipped (d) rhythm
 30. (a) occurence (b) surprise (c) personnel (d) possess

Full the blank spaces with the most appropriate of options A – D

31. I am disappointed the way you conducted yourself at the party.
 (a) by (b) for (c) due to (d) at
32. When we were coming back from the picnic last Friday, there on Eko Bridge
 (a) were many traffics (b) was much traffic (c) were plenty traffic (d) were lots of traffic
33. I have refused to give him my pen because I don't want him to it again
 (a) loss (b) loose (c) lose (d) lost

Choose the option that has the same vowel sound as the one underlined in the given word

34. jewel (a) fluent (b) dare (c) wear (d) few

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35. after (a) black (b) about (c) last (d) baker
36. done (a) gone (b) dove (c) burn (d) born
37. clerk (a) have (b) back (c) search (d) palm
38. steak (a) tape (b) stick (c) peak (d) hard