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AMCAT Verbal English and Comprehension

SET 1

Read the Passage Carefully.

Knowledge has turned out to be man's greatest asset in mastering and conquering nature. The word science means literally knowledge. It is this quest and thrust for knowledge and the curiosity of man to know things beyond his reach that resulted in his becoming the lord of this planet. His never ending pursuit to unearth the reason behind phenomenon has resulted in endless discoveries and inventions, which have proved to be the great stepping stones in the progress of mankind. Inventions like the telephone, radio, t.v, telegraph, transistors, airplanes, automobiles, steam engine, electricity, wireless, telescopes, microscope etc, have changed man's life forever. There have been inventions and discoveries in all aspects of life. Science has worked greater miracles in the fields of health and medicine and has been the greatest weapon in man's battle against diseases of various kinds. Vaccination is a miracle in the field of science. Penicillin, streptomycin, radium and x-rays have turned out to be great blessings.

The discovery of the atom and its structure has been one of the most remarkable discoveries made by man. The quantum theory, the electricity along with the great findings of Einstein, Neils Bohr etc, have revolutionised the world of science forever. Computer and information technology are the latest revolutions in the

field of science. With the coming of mobiles, internet, web conferencing etc, the world has shrunk into a cyber village where time and distance have no meaning are at least are no longer barriers. Technology is on a rise every day. Each new day brings better technology with it. However, we should learn to use our knowledge constructively. Only constructive uses of science can guarantee the continuation of mankind on this earth. Moreover, it is man who is the great generator, creator and inventor of all this knowledge and technology. We should be warned of becoming slaves to our own creations and inventions. Only then, can science be a blessing and a miracle. Science, if used for the betterment of mankind and society can bring about changes in our lives by making better, more comfortable and worthwhile.

1. What was the first thing that the man learnt to do?

- A. To conquer the nature.
- B. To battle with his fellow men.
- C. To live leisurely in the nature.
- D. To eat and sleep.

Ans: A

2. How has the world shrunk for man technologically?

- A. Continents on the earth are drifting closer to each other
- B. Video conferencing, the internet has made this possible
- C. Development of medicines
- D. The planet is becoming smaller

Ans: B

3. According to the given passage, is the miracle in the field of science

- A. computers
- B. vaccination
- C. atoms and its structure
- D. airplane

Ans: C

4. Mark the option which is closest to the meaning of the word given below

ABNEGATE

- A. renounce
- B. assert
- C. give up
- D. continue

Ans: A

5. The following sentence consists of a word or a phrase which is highlighted. Each of them is followed by four words or phrases. Choose the word or the phrase which is closest in meaning to highlighted word or phrase.

My only major complaint was that the remote was thin and felt flimsy.

- A. meager
- B. substantial
- C. sturdy
- D. plausible

Ans: A

6. For the given question, choose the alternative which best expresses the sentence in Active/Passive voice.

Mr. Tirupati reviewed the book.

- A. The book has been reviewed by Mr. Tirupati.
- B. The book had been reviewed by Mr. Tirupati.
- C. The book is reviewed by Mr. Tirupati.
- D. The book was reviewed by Mr. Tirupati.

Ans: D

7. Fill in the blanks with the most suitable option.

_____ the police immediately.

- A. To call
- B. Call
- C. Been calling
- D. Called

Ans: B

8. Choose the option which gives the closest meaning to the phrase given below.

Back Seat Driver

- A. Extra weight
- B. Instructor from backend.
- C. People who criticize from the sideline
- D. Second person

Ans: C

9. Choose the option which gives the closest to the phrase given below.

To sink fast

- A. To evaporate fast
- B. Absorbing fast
- C. To sink down
- D. Becoming worse and worse

Ans: D

10. Mark the option which is closest to the meaning of the word given below.

IRKSOME

- A. Appease
- B. Alleviate
- C. Mollify
- D. Aggravating

Ans: D

11. Mark the option which is the closest to the opposite in meaning of the word given below.

FALLACY

- A. Illusion
- B. Elusion
- C. Misconception
- D. Frankness

Ans: Misconception

12. Find of which part of the sentence below has an error and mark the option accordingly

When asked To catch Rose Teacher's attention

Ans: B

13. Fill in the blank(s) with the most suitable option.

The history of Hindu religion dates _____ ancient times.

- A. From
- B. For
- C. None of the mentioned options
- D. Since

Ans: Since

14. For the given question, choose alternative which best expresses the sentence in Active/Passive voice

Let the door be closed at once

- A. Close the door at once
- B. Please close the door
- C. Let the door be closed at once
- D. You are advised to close the door at once

Ans: A

15. Mark the option which is closest to the opposite in meaning of the underlined word or phrase.

Through he was born in squalid surroundings of slums, he rose to stratospheric heights.

- A. Clean
- B. Dirty
- C. Disorderly
- D. Mean

Ans: B

16. Fill in the blank(s) with the most suitable option.

The court has yet to serve him _____ summons for the suit med against him.

- A. On
- B. With
- C. To
- D. None of the mentioned options

Ans: B

Synonyms -

17. Select the word or phrase which best expresses the meaning of the given word. :

ARROGANT

- A. Conceited
- B. Humble
- C. Progressive
- D. Noble

Ans: A

18. Select the word or phrase which best expresses the meaning of the given word. :

ASSASSIN

- A. Victim
- B. Slayer
- C. Record
- D. Heroic

Ans: B

19. Select the word or phrase which best expresses the meaning of the given word. :

AUDACITY

- A. Dislike
- B. Insolence
- C. Boasting
- D. Agree

Ans: B

20. Select the word or phrase which best expresses the meaning of the given word. :

BENEVOLENCE

- A. Kindness
- B. Adopt
- C. Secure
- D. Greetings

Ans: A

21. Select the word or phrase which best expresses the meaning of the given word. :

BLASPHEMOUS

- A. Convict
- B. Gather
- C. Impious
- D. Impious

Ans: C

22. Select the word or phrase which best expresses the meaning of the given word. :

BUOYANT

- A. Joyful
- B. Peaceful
- C. Angry
- D. Clever

Ans: A

23. Select the word or phrase which best expresses the meaning of the given word. :

BRITTLE

- A. Partner
- B. Like iron

- C. Tough
- D. Fragile

Ans: D

24. Select the word or phrase which best expresses the meaning of the given word. :

BAFFLE

- A. Regard
- B. Scorn
- C. Perplex
- D. Confound

Ans: C

25. Select the word or phrase which best expresses the meaning of the given word. :

COMPASSIONATE

- A. Crazy
- B. Merciful
- C. Complex
- D. Hatred

Ans: B

26. Select the word or phrase which best expresses the meaning of the given word. :

CONCEAL

- A. Harvest
- B. To explore
- C. Clear
- D. Obscure

Ans: D

27. Select the word or phrase which best expresses the meaning of the given word. :

CONTEMPORARY

- A. Recent
- B. Old
- C. Sort of dance
- D. Hindrance

Ans: A

Antonyms

28. Select the option that is most nearly OPPOSITE in meaning to the given word . :

ENTANGLE (OPPOSITE)

- A. Untwist
- B. Twist
- C. Hook
- D. Impede

Ans: A

29. Select the option that is most nearly OPPOSITE in meaning to the given word . :

SQUEAK (OPPOSITE)

- A. Cheep
- B. Creak
- C. Silence
- D. Cry

Ans: C

Squeak means to shout, cry or complain

30. Select the option that is most nearly OPPOSITE in meaning to the given word . :

LIBERAL (OPPOSITE)

- A. Wanting
- B. Aplenty
- C. Bounteous

D. Bountiful

Ans: A

Liberal means to be more giving

31. Select the option that is most nearly OPPOSITE in meaning to then given word . :

RETREAT (OPPOSITE)

A. Ebb

B. Arrival

C. Evacuation

D. Flight

Ans: B

Retreat means to move or change

32. Select the option that is most nearly OPPOSITE in meaning to the given word . :

DEFILED (OPPOSITE)

A. Dishonored

B. Dirty

C. Sanctified

D. Ravished

Ans: C

33. Select the option that is most nearly OPPOSITE in meaning to the given word . :

MAMMOTH (OPPOSITE)

A. Huge

B. Tiny

C. Prodigious

D. Titanic

Ans: B

34. Select the option that is most nearly OPPOSITE in meaning to the given word . :

EXODUS (OPPOSITE)

- A. Migration
- B. Arrival
- C. Offgoing
- D. Retreat

Ans: B

EXODUS moving from someplace. Arrival is coming to a place

35. Select the option that is most nearly OPPOSITE in meaning to the given word . :

ERUDITE (OPPOSITE)

- A. Brainy
- B. Savvy
- C. Studious
- D. Ignorant

Ans: D

Erudite knows everything.

36. Select the option that is most nearly OPPOSITE in meaning to the given word . :

PARSIMONY (OPPOSITE)

- A. Verbosity
- B. Generosity
- C. Clan
- D. Tenderness

Ans: B

PARSIMONY means someone who doesn't share anything.

37. Select the option that is most nearly OPPOSITE in meaning to the given word . :

ENORMOUS (OPPOSITE)

- A. Tiny
- B. Soft

- C. Weak
- D. Fragile

Ans: A

38. Select the option that is most nearly OPPOSITE in meaning to the given word . :

EXPAND (OPPOSITE)

- A. Congest
- B. Conclude
- C. Convert
- D. Condense

Ans: D

39. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is 'D'. (Ignore - the errors of punctuation,if any) :

- A. The students were
- B. awaiting for
- C. the arrival of the chief guest.
- D. No error.

Ans: B

There is no need to use for with awaiting

40. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is 'D'. (Ignore - the errors of punctuation,if any) :

- A. The long-awaited moment at last came,
- B. and we set out for the station
- C. as merry a band of children as I have ever seen before or since.
- D. No error.

Ans: C

as merry a band of children as I have ever seen since or before

41. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is 'D'. (Ignore - the errors of punctuation,if any) :

- A. The thief broke in the
- B. house at the
- C. dead of night
- D. No error.

Ans: A

The thief broke into the

42. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is 'D'. (Ignore - the errors of punctuation,if any) :

- A. Please try to understand
- B. that the dispute on this issue is between my brother and myself,
- C. and concerns nobody else.
- D. No error.

Ans: B

that the dispute on this issue is between my brother and me

43. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is 'D'. (Ignore - the errors of punctuation,if any) :

- A. The thief broke in the
- B. house at the

C. dead of night

D. No error.

Ans: A

44. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is 'D'. (Ignore - the errors of punctuation,if any) :

A. He has not been attending

B. English classes

C. since one month

D. No error.

Ans: C

since the last one month

45. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is 'D'. (Ignore - the errors of punctuation,if any) :

A. He has not been attending

B. English classes

C. since one month

D. No error.

Ans: C

For one month

46. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is 'D'. (Ignore - the errors of punctuation,if any) :

A. He is going everyday

- B. for a morning walk
- C. with his friends and neighbours
- D. No error.

Ans: A

He goes everyday

47. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is 'D'. (Ignore - the errors of punctuation,if any) :

- A. My father goes
- B. to the office
- C. five day week.
- D. No error.

Ans: C

Five days a week

48. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is 'D'. (Ignore - the errors of punctuation,if any) :

- A. I have
- B. an appointment
- C. on the 9th September on five o'clock
- D. No error.

Ans: C

Should be at five

49. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is 'D'. (Ignore - the errors

of punctuation,if any) :

- A. If I am you
- B. I would have seen to it
- C. that I won the prize.
- D. No error.

Ans: A

If I were you

50. Read the sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is 'D'. (Ignore - the errors of punctuation,if any) :

- A. She has never
- B. approve of him
- C. working as a clerk.
- D. No error.

Ans: B

approved of him