



# BCS English Lecture Sheet

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### Subject-Verb Agreement এর গুরুত্বপূর্ণ Rules

**Rule-01:** Subject যদি Singular হয় তাহলে verb singular হবে এবং Subject যদি Plural হয় তাহলে Verb plural হবে।

যেমন :-

- (i) They **are** happy.
- (ii) Billiards is a fantastic game.

**Rule-02:** দুই বা ততোধিক Subject 'and' দ্বারা যুক্ত হলে Verb সাধারণত Plural হয়।

যেমন :-

- (i) Karim and Rahim **are** going to college.
- (ii) He and his friends **have** just arrived.

**Rule-03:** সাধারণত সমজাতীয় একাধিক Noun 'and' দ্বারা যুক্ত হয়ে একই বস্তু বা ধারণা নির্দেশ করলে verb সেক্ষেত্রে singular হয়।

যেমন :-

- i) Bread and butter **is** my favourite food.
- ii) Slow and steady **wins** the race.
- iii) Early to bed and early to rise **makes** a man healthy, wealthy and wise.

কিন্তু Noun দুটি এক অর্থ প্রকাশ না করে ভিন্ন অর্থ প্রকাশ করলে verb plural হয়।

যেমন :-

Bread and butter **are** brought from market.  
[এই বাক্যে Bread & Butter দ্বারা একই খাবার বুঝাচ্ছে না; এখানে দুটি Noun এখানে ভিন্ন অর্থের রয়েছে। এজন্য Verb plural হয়েছে।]

**Rule-04:** এক বা একাধিক Singular subject-এর পূর্বে each, every, either, neither থাকলে verb সাধারণত Singular হয়।

যেমন :-

- i) Each boy and each girl **was** given a prize.
- ii) Each and every person **was** present in the meeting.

**Rule-05:** And দ্বারা দুটি Noun যুক্ত হয়ে যদি প্রথম Noun-টির পূর্বে The-থাকে এবং পরের Noun-টির সাথে the না থাকে তাহলে সেই Noun দুটি একই ব্যক্তির দুটি পরিচয় বহন করে। অর্থাৎ Subject একজনকেই বুঝায়। তাই, সেক্ষেত্রে Verb Singular হবে।

যেমন :-

- i) The principal and secretary of the college **is** coming.
- ii) The coach and captain of the team **is** coming.

**Rule-06:** কিন্তু And দ্বারা দুটি Noun যুক্ত হয়ে উভয় Noun-এর পূর্বে The থাকলে দুজন ব্যক্তি বা দুটি জিনিসকে বুঝায়; এক্ষেত্রে Verb Plural হবে।

যেমন :-

- i) **The** principal **and the** secretary of the college **are** coming.
- ii) The coach and the captain of the team **are** coming.

**Rule-07:** Not.....but, Either ..... or, Neither ..... nor, Not only ..... but also, ..... or.... এই conjunction গুলো দ্বারা দুটি Noun/ Pronoun যুক্ত হলে Verb হবে ঐ Verb এর নিকটবর্তী Noun/Pronoun অনুযায়ী। অথবা এগুলোর ক্ষেত্রে or, nor, but, but also এর পরের অংশে যে Subject থাকবে সেই Subject অনুযায়ী Verb এবং pronoun হবে।

যেমন :-

- i) Neither John nor his friends are going to the beach today.  
 ii) Either John or his friends are going to the beach today.

**Rule-08:** With, Together with, along with, in addition to, including to, as well as, and not, accompanied by, accompanied with এই শব্দগুলো বা phrase গুলোর প্রথমে যে subject থাকবে সেই subject অনুযায়ী verb এবং pronoun হবে।

যেমন :-

- (i) He as well as his two brothers is skillful cricketers.  
 (ii) He as well as his two brothers has been Covid Positive.

**Rule-09:** One of, each of, neither of, either of, the number of, quality of প্রভৃতি এর পর plural noun থাকলেও singular verb বসে।

যেমন :-

- i) One of the boys was ill. (not were)  
 ii) Each of the girls is clever. (not are)  
 iii) Each of the students was given a prize (not were)

**Rule-10:** যখন মূল Subject-এর সঙ্গে কোনো Prepositional phrase যুক্ত হয়, তখন ঐ Preposition-এর পূর্ববর্তী Subject এর Number ও person অনুযায়ী verb বসে।

যেমন :-

- i) The colour of his eyes is blue.  
 [এই বাক্যে of his eyes হচ্ছে Prepositional phrase। এই Phrase এর আগের Subject হচ্ছে the colour সে অনুযায়ী verb 'is' হয়েছে।  
 (ii) নং বাক্যেও একই নিয়ম প্রযোজ্য হবে।]

- ii) The flowers of the garden are beautiful to look at.

**Rule-11.** ভগ্নাংশগত সমস্যা : Numerator (লব) যদি one হয় তাহলে Denominator (হর) যতই হোক তা সবসময়ই singular হবে। এই ভগ্নাংশগুলোর অর্থাৎ, One-third of, one-fourth of, one-fifth of, Two-thirds of যুক্ত Sentence গুলোতে অর্থাৎ এই ভগ্নাংশগুলোর পরের অংশে থাকা Subject word টি যদি singular হয়, তাহলে verb singular হবে এবং Subject plural হলে verbও plural হবে।

যেমন : One-third হবে, One-thirds হবে না। কিন্তু লব যদি একাধিক হয় তাহলে 'হর' always plural হবে। যেমন : two-thirds, three-fourths, fifth-sevenths ইত্যাদি হবে।

নিচের উদাহরণ দেখুন :

- (i) One-third of the Mango has rotten.  
 (ii) Two-thirds of the Mangoes have been rotten.  
 (iii) Two-thirds of the work has been done.

**Rule-12:** None of, Majority of, Percentage of বা যেকোনো Fraction-এর পরবর্তী Noun/ Pronoun অনুযায়ী Verb নির্ধারিত হয়।

যেমন :-

- i) None of the students have finished the exam yet.  
 ii) None of the Politics are guilty.  
 iii) Majority of the students believe that we are in no problem.  
 iv) Majority of the information is correct.  
 v) 50 percent of (50% of) the students are present here.  
 vi) One-third of the work was finished.  
 vii) Two-thirds of the students are absent.

**Rule-13:** কিন্তু Majority শব্দটি একা ব্যবহৃত হলে Verb Singular হবে।

যেমন :- Majority believes that we are in no danger.

কিন্তু majority এর পর of (the) থাকলে Plural noun বসে এবং Verb অবশ্যই Plural হবে।

যেমন :- Majority of the people believe that we are in no danger.

**Rule-14.** Here, there, Now, Never, thus, so, same, such প্রভৃতি দিয়ে Assertive sentence শুরু হলে এদের Subject অনুযায়ী ঐ পরের Subject-এর পূর্বে Verb বসে।

Example :

- (i) Here is your lost son.  
 (iii) There are three schools not to attain.  
 vi) There is a storm approaching.  
 v) There have been a number of telephone calls today.

**Rule-15:** A Number of/the Number of এর Problem:

A number of এর পর Plural noun এবং Verb Plural হবে এবং The number of-এর পর Plural Noun থাকলেও Verb singular হবে।

যেমন :-

- i) A number of students are present here.  
 ii) The number of students is present here.  
 iii) A number of students are going to the class picnic.  
 iv) The number of days in a week is seven.

**Rule-16:** The rest of এর পর Uncountable noun হলে Verb সব সময় Singular Number এ হবে।

যেমন :- The Rest of the money is for the whole month.

কিন্তু The rest of এর পর Countable noun হলে noun ও Verb সব সময় plural number হবে।

যেমন :- The rest of the dedicated leaders were fighting to save the democracy.

**Rule-17.** More than এর পরে একটি Singular subject ও একটি plural subject দ্বারা কোনো conjunction যুক্ত করার সময় plural subject টিকে শেষে লিখতে হবে এবং সে অনুযায়ী plural verb ব্যবহার করতে হবে।

নিচের উদাহরণগুলো দেখুন-

- (i) More than two boys is allowed to go. (Incorrect)  
 (ii) More than two boys are allowed to go. (Correct)  
 (iii) More than a doctor and three nurses are needed.



**Rule-18:** একটি Sentence এ ভিন্ন ভিন্ন person থাকলে সেক্ষেত্রে, ভালো কাজের ক্ষেত্রে প্রথমে second person, তারপর third person এবং সবশেষে first person (231) বসে। কিন্তু দোষ স্বীকার করা বোঝালে [(123)] 1<sup>st</sup> person, 2<sup>nd</sup> person, 3<sup>rd</sup> person] বসে। সকল ক্ষেত্রেই সকল verb plural হয়।

**Example :**

1. You, he and I am guilty. (Incorrect)  
I, you and he are guilty. (Correct) (দোষ স্বীকার করা বুঝাচ্ছে এখানে।)
2. You, he and I are helpful.
3. You, he and I are going to start a business. (ভালো কাজ)।
4. I, you and he are guilty. (Negative অর্থে)।

**Rule-19: Pair Noun :** কিছু Noun সর্বদা জোড়া হিসেবে থাকে। অর্থাৎ যে Noun গুলোর ২টি অংশ থাকে। যেমন :- Spectacles, Pants, Scissors, Scales, Gloves, Shoes, Socks, etc.  
এরা সর্বদা Plural হিসেবে বসে। এদের পরে Verbও Plural হয়। তবে এদের আগে a pair of থাকলে Verb Singular হয়।

যেমন :-

- i) These scissors are dull.
- ii) A pair of socks of London is costly.

**Rule-20:** All, Any, More, Some, Most, the rest ইত্যাদি শব্দগুলোর পর Uncountable noun থাকলে verb singular হবে কিন্তু Countable noun হলে noun এবং verb দুটিই Plural হবে।

যেমন :-

- i) Some of the water is pure in Buriganga.
- ii) Most of the employees have returned to work.

**Rule-21. Much, More, little, less** ইত্যাদি subject হলে Verb টি singular হয়।

**Example :**

- More than a decade have passed. (Incorrect)  
More than a decade has passed. (Correct)

**Rule-22:** Distance, money, time, quantity এর ক্ষেত্রে singular verb বসে।

যেমন :-

- i) Distance : Two miles is not a long distance.
- ii) Money : 10 million pounds is a lot of money.
- iii) Time : 100 years is a long time to spend.

**Rule-23:** Both ..... and এর বেলায় Verb সবসময় Plural হবে।

যেমন :- Both he and I are present in the class.

**Rule-24:** সাধারণত দেশের নামের পরে (দেশের নাম, বই-পুস্তকের নাম দেখতে Plural হলেও) Verb Singular হয়।

যেমন :- The United States of America is a rich country.

❖ কিন্তু, দেশের নাম দ্বারা খেলার দল বুঝালে Verb Plural হয়।  
যেমন :-

- i) Pakistan have lost by three wickets.
- ii) India have won the world cup several times.
- iii) After twenty overs Australia were 200 runs.

**Rule-25:** Company, Organization, Name of Books, Film অনেক সময় Plural মনে হলেও Verb Singular হবে।

যেমন :- Proctor and Gamble is an international company.  
[এখানে Proctor and Gamble একটি company এর নাম]

**Rule-26:** Titles of books, Magazines, Articles, Musical Compositions এদের পর Verb singular হবে।

যেমন :-

- i) 'Better Homes and Gardens' offers helpful redecorating ideas.
- ii) 'Business letter' is a good books for us.

**Rule-27. Everybody, anybody, anyone, nothing, nobody, somebody, something, someone, everyday, everyone, everything, whatever, whichever** ইত্যাদি subject হিসাবে ব্যবহৃত হলে তাদের পরবর্তী verb সবসময় singular হয়।

যেমন :-

- i) Everybody who has not purchased a ticket should be in this line.
- iii) Something was under the house.

**Rule-28. Infinitive, gerund, verbal noun, clause, phrase** বাক্যের subject হিসেবে ব্যবহৃত হলে verb টি singular হবে।

**Example :**

- i) Telling lies is a sin.
- ii) Educating all people is a mammoth task.

**Rule-29:** Wages, Economics, Physics, Mathematics, Civics, Statistics, Innings, Gallows, News, Electronics, Ethics, Politics, Dues, Earnings, Winnings এই শব্দগুলি দেখতে plural কিন্তু এদের পরে Verb হবে Singular।

যেমন :- Electronics makes us very complex.

[ব্যতিক্রম : Statistics যদি Subject বুঝায় তাহলে verb singular হবে। কিন্তু যদি Statistics দ্বারা গণনা বুঝায় তাহলে verb plural হবে।]

যেমন :-

- i) Statistics is my favourite subject.
- ii) Statistics show that about 60% people speak in English. (এখানে statistics plural বুঝাচ্ছে)
- iii) Cub Scout dues are collected every month.
- iv) All dues are invisible.
- v) My earnings is inadequate to meet my expenses.





13. Which of the following sentence is correct? (16<sup>th</sup> BCS)  
 a. One of my friends are a lawyer.  
 b. One of my friend is a lawyer.  
 c. One of my friends is a lawyer.  
 d. One of my friend are a lawyer. **C**
14. Choose the correct sentence. (11<sup>th</sup> BCS)  
 a. The rich is not always happy.  
 b. Rich is not always happy.  
 c. The rich is not happy always  
 d. The rich are not always happy. **D**
15. Choose the correct sentence. (10<sup>th</sup> BCS)  
 a. A few of the three boys got a prize  
 b. Each of the three boys got a prize.  
 c. Every of the three boys got a prize.  
 d. All of the three boys got a prize. **B**
16. Four and four — eight. [বাংলাদেশ কোস্ট গার্ড ও কৃষি প্রশিক্ষণ একাডেমির নার্স এবং ফায়ার সার্ভিস অ্যান্ড সিভিল ডিফেন্স-এর ফোরম্যান ২০১৯]  
 Two and two — four. [বন অধিদপ্তরের বন প্রহরী ২০১৫]  
 a made b are c makes d make **C**
17. There — twelve months in a year. [সংস্কৃতি বিষয়ক মন্ত্রণালয়ের উপ-সহকারী প্রকৌশলী (সিভিল) ২০১৯]  
 a were b was c are d have **C**
18. The principal along with his students — planting trees for two hours. [১৫তম প্রভাষক নিবন্ধন ও প্রত্যয়ন পরীক্ষা (কলেজ/সমপর্যায়) ২০১৯]  
 a have been b has been  
 c is d are **B**
19. The father with his seven daughters — left the house. [১৬তম শিক্ষক নিবন্ধন ও প্রত্যয়ন পরীক্ষা (স্কুল/সমপর্যায়) ২০১৯]  
 a have b are c has d was **C**
20. The Headmaster and the President of the school — present in the last meeting. [১৬তম শিক্ষক নিবন্ধন ও প্রত্যয়ন পরীক্ষা (স্কুল/সমপর্যায়) ২০১৯]  
 a was b were  
 c had been d have been **B**
21. A basket of rotten oranges — thrown away. [বিভিন্ন মন্ত্রণা./বিভাগ/অধি. ব্যক্তিগত কর্মকর্তা ২০১৮]  
 a were b was  
 c have been d have **B**
22. Neither the moon nor the stars — visible last night. The verb to fill in the gap should be— [তথ্য মন্ত্রণালয়ের অধীন বিটিভির সহকারী প্রকৌশলী (সিভিল) ২০১৭]  
 a was b were  
 c are d had been **B**
23. He and I — well. [বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ের উপসহকারী প্রকৌশলী (সিভিল) ২০১৬]  
 a are b is c was d am **A**
24. The man along with his neighbours — working for the welfare of the people. [জনপ্রশাসন মন্ত্রণালয়ের ব্যক্তিগত কর্মকর্তা ২০১৬]  
 a have b is c were d are **B**
25. “Because of an accident on the flyover, traffic were delayed for nearly an hour. “Which correction should be made to this sentence? [দুর্নীতি দমন কমিশনের সহকারী পরিচালক ২০১৩]  
 a replace because with due  
 b insert the before traffic  
 c remove nearly  
 d Change on to in  
 e change were to was **E**
26. The mob — dispersed. [স্বরাষ্ট্র মন্ত্রণালয়ের মাদকদ্রব্য নিয়ন্ত্রণ অধিদপ্তরের পরিদর্শক ২০১৩]  
 a is b are c have d has **D**
27. Telling lies — a great sin. [ভূমি ও প্রতিরক্ষা মন্ত্রণালয়ের প্রশাসনিক কর্মকর্তা এবং বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ের উপসহকারী প্রকৌশলী ২০১৩]  
 a am b are c was d is **D**
28. Each of the students who filled out the admission form — the test. [Mercantile Bank Ltd, Management Trainee Officer 2014]  
 a have appeared at b has appeared at  
 c are appearing at d is appearing **B**
29. The number of students seeking admission in schools — increased. [GST ওচ্চভুক্ত বিশ্ব. ইউনিট সি (বাণিজ্য) ২০২০-২১]  
 a have b has  
 c have been d is **B**
30. Many a boy — present in the meeting. Choose the appropriate option to complete the sentence. [রাবি ইউনিট এ (গ্রুপ-২) ২০২০-২১]  
 a was b were  
 c are d have been **A**
31. One of the common — that girls are persuing their higher studies now. [চবি ইউনিট এ (শিফট-২; সেট-২) ২০২০-২১]  
 a phenomenon is b phenomena is  
 c phenomena are d phenomenos are **B**
32. One of the — of today’s meeting — pay rise. [চবি ইউনিট এ (শিফট-৪) ২০২০-২১]  
 a agendum — is b agenda — are  
 c agendum — are d agenda — is **D**
33. The Honorable Prime Minister with all her cabinet members — the function just now. [খুবি (খ) : ২০১৯-২০]  
 a have attended b attended  
 c had attended d has attended **D**
34. Every member of my family — here tonight. [রাবি ‘বি’ ইউনিট (অবাণিজ্য) ২০১৮-১৯]  
 a be b are c is d in **C**
35. Here — book and bag that I lost last week. [চবি-(ডি. ব্যবসায় শিক্ষা) ২০১৬-১৭]  
 a are the b is he  
 c was the d has been **A**

36. Which sentence is correct?  
 (a) They or he is certain to be called  
 (b) They or he are certain to be called  
 (c) The stars are their guide  
 (d) A black and a white dog is in the room **(a)**
37. Which is the proper sentence according to the pattern of 'subject + verb + object + past participle'?  
 (a) He let his friend go  
 (b) I found you disturbed by the incident.  
 (c) My mother saw me coming in a frenzied state  
 (d) You play football well **(b)**
38. Gulliver's Travels — wonderful of read.  
 (a) is (b) are  
 (c) has (d) were **(a)**
39. Choose the correct answer.  
 a. One-fourths of the novel has been gone through.  
 b. Three-fourths of the apples are not eaten  
 c. Two-thirds of the mangoes was eaten by the bat  
 d. Two-thirds of the sugar were taken by the ants. **(b)**
40. The pronoun agrees with its antecedent is—  
 a. The family does their best to make a living.  
 b. The family do its best to make a living.  
 c. The family are doing its best to make a living.  
 d. The family does its best to make a living. **(d)**
41. Correct one is?  
 a. Ten miles are a long distance  
 b. Ten miles are more long distance  
 c. Ten miles make a long distance  
 d. Ten miles is a long distance **(d)**
42. Choose the correct sentence.  
 a. Australia have won the world cup four times  
 b. Australia has won the world cup four times  
 c. Australia has won world cup four times  
 d. Australia have won world cup four times **(a)**
43. Find out the correct sentence.  
 a. Who does not know that two and two make four?  
 b. Who do not know that two and two make four?  
 c. Who does not know that two and two makes four?  
 d. Who does not know that two and two have made four? **(c)**
44. I do not think I should tell you over and over again that my family are early risers.  
 a. my family members are early risers.  
 b. my family are an early riser  
 c. my family is an early riser  
 d. No correction required **(a)**
45. The verb agrees with its subject is—  
 a. The mother together with the daughter was walking slowly.  
 b. The mother together the daughter were walking slowly.  
 c. The mother together with the daughter have been walking slowly.  
 d. The mother together with the daughter is being walking slowly. **(a)**
46. The verb agrees with the subject in—  
 a. He as well as his two brothers are skilful divers.  
 b. He as well as his two brothers have been skilful divers.  
 c. He as well as his two brothers become skilful divers  
 d. He as well as his brother is a skilful diver. **(d)**
47. Correct the sentence.  
 a. The thickness of the books are vary  
 b. The thickness of the books is vary  
 c. The thickness of the books varies  
 d. The thickness of the book vary **(c)**
48. Choose the right form of verb—  
 a. Three-fourths of the road is pitched  
 b. Three-fourths of the road were pitched  
 c. Three-fourths of the road has been pitched  
 d. Three-fourths of the road are pitched **(c)**
49. Choose the correct sentence  
 a. Two-third of it is true.  
 b. Two-thirds of it is true.  
 c. Two-thirds of it are true.  
 d. All the above. **(b)**
50. 25. Choose the correct sentences—  
 a. One of my best friend are getting married today  
 b. One of my best friend is getting married today  
 c. One of my best friends are getting married today  
 d. One of my best friends is getting married today **(d)**
51. Choose the correct option—  
 a. Either she or her sisters is responsible  
 b. Neither she nor her sisters is responsible  
 c. Either she or her sisters are responsible  
 d. Neither she nor her sister are responsible **(c)**
52. Choose the correct sentence—  
 a. Everything has been done to help him  
 b. Everything have been done to help him  
 c. Everything are done to help him  
 d. Everything was did to help him **(a)**
53. Select the correct answer—  
 a. The number of people was very high  
 b. The number of people were very high  
 c. The number of peoples was very high  
 d. The numbers of people were very high **(a)**



**54. Choose the correct sentence—**

- a. There are a large number of boys playing in the field
- b. There is a large number of boys playing in the field
- c. There has a large number of boys playing in the field
- d. There are a large number of boy playing in the field

**a**

**55. Identify the correct sentence.**

- a. It is I who is responsible for the mismanagement.
- b. It is who are responsible for the mismanage.
- c. It is I who am responsible for the mismanagement.
- d. It is I who has been responsible for the mismanagement.

**c**

**56. Choose the correct sentence—**

- a. There are a book and a pen on the table
- b. There is a book and a pen on the table
- c. There are a book on the table
- d. There is book and pen on the table

**a**

**57. Great Expectations — still a great favorite.**

- a. has                      b. are
- c. is                        d. were

**c**

**58. One of the students—failed.**

- a. has                      b. have
- c. had been              d. has been

**d**

**59. Not only you but also I—responsible for this.**

- a. are                      b. am
- c. have                    d. had

**b**

**60. Choose the correct sentence.**

- a. Every man and every woman are killed by the terrorist.
- b. Every man and every woman was killed by the terrorist
- c. Every man and every woman have been killed by the terrorist.
- d. Every man and every woman were killed by the terrorist.

**b**

**61. Choose the correct sentence:**

- a. The Headmaster and the Secretary were present in the meeting
- b. The Headmaster and the Secretary was present in the meeting
- c. The Headmaster and the secretary had present in the meeting.
- d. The Headmaster and the secretary has present in the meeting.

**a**

**62. Select the correct sentence:**

- a. Neither of the two traffic lights is working
- b. Neither of the two traffic lights are working
- c. Neither of the two traffic lights have working
- d. Neither of the two traffic lights were working.

**a**

**63. Choose the correct sentence:**

- a. The family has divided in its decisions.
- b. The family have been divided in their decisions
- c. The family has been divided several decisions
- d. The family were taken their decisions.

**d**

**64. Choose the correct sentence:**

- a. A number of tenants are in the building
- b. A number of tenants is in the building
- c. A number of tenants was in the building
- d. A number of tenants had in the building.

**a**

**65. Choose the correct sentence:**

- a. Many a boy is selected for the team
- b. Many a boys is selected for the team
- c. Many a boy were selected for the team
- d. Many a boy are selected for the team.

**a**

**66. Her sisters and not Rina—done the work**

- a. is    b. are              c. has              d. have

**d**

**67. Each boy and each girl—given a prize.**

- a. was                      b. were
- c. was being              d. were being

**a**

**68. Rest of the students—passed**

- a. has                      b. have
- c. has been              d. had been

**b**

**69. It is I who—guilty.**

- a. am                      b. are                      c. were                      d. be

**a**

**70. Choose the correct answer from the alternatives.**

- a. My names and address are printed on the package.
- b. My names and address have been printed on the package
- c. My names and address is printed on the package.
- d. My names and address were printed on the package.

**c**

**71. Choose the correct answer.**

- a. The chairmen and secretary of this organization have been very popular to the members.
- b. The black and the white goat is grazing in the field
- c. The Chairman and the secretary is very popular to the members.
- d. The black and the white goat are grazing in the field.

**d**

**72. Choose the correct answer.**

- a. Neither Raihan nor his friends are responsible for this.
- b. Either Divan or his friend were responsible for this.
- c. Neither Raihan nor his friends is responsible for this.
- d. Either Divan or his friend are responsible for this.

**a**

**73. Choose the correct answer.**

- a. Sejan as well as his classmates are very meritorious student.  
 b. Sejan as well as his classmates were been very meritorious student.  
 c. Sejan as well as his classmates is very meritorious student.  
 d. Sejan as well as his classmates were very meritorious students. **(c)**

**74. Choose the correct answer.**

- a. I, you and he has murdered the man.  
 b. I, you and he have murdered the man.  
 c. I, you and he was murdering the man.  
 d. I, you and he is murdering the man. **(b)**

**75. Choose the correct answer.**

- a. The number of talented students are increasing in our school.  
 b. The number of talented students is increasing in our school  
 c. A number of talented students is increasing in our school  
 d. A number of talented students has been increased in our school. **(b)**

**76. Choose the correct answer.**

- a. Politics are my favorite subject  
 b. The news are very interesting  
 c. His wages is not satisfactory **(c)**  
 d. Billiards are becoming popular in our country.

**77. Choose the correct answer.**

- a. Twenty miles are a long distance  
 b. Ten kilograms are a huge amount  
 c. Ten dollars are enough to buy a pair of shoes in our country.  
 d. Two miles is a short distance if you go by bus. **(d)**

**78. Choose the correct answer.**

- a. Cattle is grazing in the field  
 b. The peasantry is working hard to fulfill the demand of rice in our country  
 c. The clergy of the church were present in the general  
 d. The people is gathering there to protest against the new law. **(c)**

**79. Which one is correct? Each boy and each girl—gone there.**

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

**80. Which one is correct? Slow and steady—the race.**

- a. wins                      b. win  
 c. have won                d. have win **(a)**

**81. Which one is correct? Bread and butter—bought from market.**

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

**82. Which one is correct? Arif, not his brothers,—there.**

- a. have gone              b. has gone  
 c. going                    d. are going **(b)**

**83. Which one is correct? Neither they nor she—**

- a. has gone                b. have gone  
 c. are gone                d. going **(a)**

**84. Which one is correct? He accompanied by his two sisters—the play.**

- a. enjoys                  b. enjoy  
 c. have enjoyed          d. enjoying **(a)**

**85. Which one is correct? The teacher, along with the students,—tea party tonight**

- a. is going                b. are going  
 c. have been going      d. has going **(a)**

**86. Which one is correct? Fish and chips—not my favorite meal.**

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

**87. Which one is correct? You, he and I — friends.**

- a. is                        b. are  
 c. was                    d. have **(b)**

**88. We each—a mobile set.**

- a. has                      b. have  
 c. had been                d. have been **(b)**

**89. Two and two—four.**

- a. make                    b. makes  
 c. is making                d. made **(b)**

**90. The principal and Secretary—present.**

- a. is                        b. are  
 c. be                        d. been **(a)**

**91. Our politics—changing day by day.**

- a. is                        b. are  
 c. is being                d. has been **(a)**

**92. Her sisters and not Rina—done the work.**

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

**93. Either Rina or her sister —done the work.**

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

**94. Not only I but also you—responsible for this.**

- a. is                        b. are  
 c. am                      d. been **(b)**





## For Your Home Practice

1. Fill in the gap with the correct form of verb :  
‘The police— informed yesterday’—

[কন্ট্রোলার জেনারেল অব অ্যাকাউন্টস (সিজিএ) অডিটর-২০২২]

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

2. Identify the correct sentence—

[খাদ্য অধিদপ্তর- সহকারী উপ-খাদ্য পরিদর্শক ২০২১]

- (a) The sceneries of Cox’s Bazar are attractive  
(b) The sceneries of Cox’s Bazar are attractive  
(c) The scenery of Cox’s Bazar is attractive  
(d) The scenery of Cox’s Bazar is attractive. (d)

3. Taka five lakh — a good amount.

[সংস্কৃত মন্ত্রণালয় প্রত্নতত্ত্ব অধিদপ্তর এস্টিমেটর ২০১৯]

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

4. The prices of rice — rising.

[সংস্কৃতি বিষয়ক মন্ত্রণালয়ের উপ-সহকারী প্রকৌশলী (সিভিল) ২০১৯]

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

5. Two-thirds of the children — present in the function.

[সংস্কৃতি বিষয়ক মন্ত্রণালয়ের উপ-সহকারী প্রকৌশলী (সিভিল) ২০১৯]

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

6. The Headmaster and Secretary — present at the last meeting.

[বাংলাদেশ কোস্ট গার্ড ও কৃষি প্রশিক্ষণ একাডেমির নার্স এবং ফায়ার সার্ভিস অ্যান্ড সিভিল ডিফেন্স-এর ফোরম্যান ২০১৯]

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

7. ‘Slow and steady’ — the race.

[স্থানীয় সরকার বিভাগের অধীন জনস্বাস্থ্য প্রকৌ. অধি. এস্টিমেটর ২০১৮]

- (a) has won (b) win (c) wins (d) conquer (c)

8. Choose the correct sentence :

[পরিসংখ্যান ও তথ্য ব্যবস্থাপনা অধিদপ্তরের পরিসংখ্যান কর্মকর্তা-১৭]

- (a) One thirds of the students are absent  
(b) One-third of the students absent  
(c) One thirds of the student are absent  
(d) One third of the student is absent (d)

9. Which of the following is a correct sentence?

[স্বাস্থ্য ও পরিবার কল্যাণ মন্ত্রণালয়ের সিনিয়র স্টাফ নার্স (বাতিলকৃত) ২০১৭]

- (a) Ten miles are a long distance  
(b) Ten miles are long distance  
(c) Ten miles is long distance  
(d) Ten miles is a long distance (d)

10. At least one of the students — full marks every time. [২৪তম (বাতিল) বিসিএস; সহকারী পরিবার পরিকল্পনা কর্মকর্তা ২০১৬]

- (a) get (b) are getting (c) gets (d) have got (c)

11. One of the crucial — traffic jam.

[পোস্ট মাস্টার জেনারেল-এর কার্যালয়ের পোস্টাল অপারেটর ২০১৬]

- (a) problems is (b) problems are (c) problems were (d) problem (a)

12. Five miles — a long distance.

[জনপ্রশাসন মন্ত্রণালয়ের প্রশাসনিক কর্মকর্তা ২০১৬]

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

13. There — six seasons in Bangladesh.

[স্বাস্থ্য মন্ত্রণালয়ের অধীন সেবা পরিদপ্তরের সিনিয়র স্টাফ নার্স ২০১৬]

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

14. It is you who — to blame.

[সহকারী পরিবার পরিকল্পনা কর্মকর্তা ২০১৬]

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

15. Neither Sharmeen nor her friend — present last week. [পরিসংখ্যান ব্যুরোর ডাটা এন্ট্রি অপারেটর ২০১৬]

- (a) were (b) was (c) have been (d) is (b)

16. — there any cars on the street?

[কৃষি সম্প্রসারণ অধিদপ্তরের সহকারী কৃষি কর্মকর্তা ২০১৬]

- (a) is (b) are (c) Am (d) Isn’t (b)

17. The poor — much in winter.

[১২তম শিক্ষক নিবন্ধন (স্কুল পর্যায়-২) ২০১৫]

- (a) suffer (b) suffers (c) suffering (d) suffered (a)

18. The correct sentence is —

[১২তম শিক্ষক নিবন্ধন ২০১৫]

- (a) two thirds of it is fine  
(b) two third of it is fine  
(c) two thirds of it are fine  
(d) two third is fine (a)

19. The headmaster along with his colleagues — coming here today.

[১১তম শিক্ষক নিবন্ধন পরীক্ষা (স্কুল/সমপর্যায়-২) ২০১৪]

- (a) is (b) are (c) will (d) was (a)

20. Choose the correct sentence :

[১০ম বেসরকারি শিক্ষক নিবন্ধন ও প্রত্যয়ন পরীক্ষা ২০১৪]

- (a) One of the most beautiful girls has come  
(b) One of the most beautiful girl has come  
(c) One of the most beautiful girls have come  
(d) One of the beautiful girl are come (a)

21. Charity (to begin) — at home.

[১০ম বেসরকারি শিক্ষক নিবন্ধন ও প্রত্যয়ন পরীক্ষা (স্কুল/সমপর্যায়) ২০১৪]

- (a) is beginning (b) began (c) begins (d) has begun (c)

**22. Which of the following sentences is correct?**

[প্রাক-প্রাথমিক সহকারী শিক্ষক ২০১৪ (পুনঃগৃহীত ১৭ জেলা)]

- a A few boy are present today  
 b His dress is inferior than mine  
 c He prevented me to go there  
 d He as well as his brother was present **d**

**23. Ill news — apace.**

[সমাজসেবা অধিদপ্তরের প্রবেশন অফিসার ২০১৩]

- a run b runs c running d ran **b**

**24. One of the — of globalization is cultural — .**

[Saadharan Bima Corporation Asst. Manager 2016]

- a effect, shock b effect, confusion  
 c affects, surprise d effects, assault **d**

**25. Fill in the blanks with appropriate words.**

The man — down silently and — his food.

[Saadharan Bima Corporation Asst. Manager 2016]

- a sits, took b sat, take  
 c sat, took d sat, had taken **c**

**26. Choose the correct sentence.**

[Saadharan Bima Corporation Asst. Manager 2016]

- a One of the boys is meeting me today  
 b One of the boy is meeting me today  
 c One of the boys are meeting me today  
 d One of the boy's is meeting me today **a**

**27. Neither the salesmen nor the marketing manager — of the system.** [Janata Bank Ltd. AEO 2015]

- a is favouring b are for favour  
 c are in favour d is in favour **d**

**28. The decoration of the new office block including the furniture and curtains—**

[Janata Bank Ltd. AEO 2015]

- a is more pleasing b are more pleasing  
 c have most pleasing d is most pleasing **d**

**29. The Chief competitor, as well as ourselves, — prices this summer.** [Janata Bank Ltd. AEO 2015]

- a is obliged to raise  
 b is obliged to rising  
 c are obliged to raise  
 d are obliged in rising **a**

**30. The leaders of the two countries — an agreement to avoid future conflicts.**

[IFIC Bank Ltd, Management Trainee Officer 2013]

- a has recently reach  
 b recently reach  
 c have reached recently  
 d have recently reached **d**

**31. Not all textbooks that have been written on this subject — as detailed as this one.**

[IFIC Bank Ltd, Management Trainee Officer 2013]

- a with b to c be d are **d**

**32. — his friends speaks any English.** [খুব (ক) : ২০১৯-২০]

- a All of b Both of  
 c Neither of d Some of **c**

**33. Each of the suspected men — arrested.**

[খুব (খ) : ২০১৯-২০]

- a had b have c was d were **c**

**34. A basket of eggs — sold.**

[জাককানইবি (গ) ২০১৯-২০]

- a did b been  
 c were d was **d**

**35. Neither Ritu nor Mitu — qualified for the job.**

[জাককানইবি (ঘ) ২০১৯-২০]

- a are b is c were d had **b**

**36. Mr. Salim, accompanied by his daughter Sumi and his only son Dipu, — killed yesterday.**

[বশেমুরবিখবি (ছ) ২০১৯-২০]

- a was b were  
 c have been d had **a**

**37. Identify the correct sentence.** [বশেমুরবিখবি (চ) ২০১৯-২০]

- a Three fourths of the people are absent  
 b Three fourth of the people are absent  
 c Three fourths of the people is absent  
 d Three fourth of the people is absent **a**

**38. Neither of the two friends — a mind to drink coffee now.**

[যবিখবি (ক) ২০১৯-২০]

- a have b has  
 c having d dont' have **b**

**39. Junaibah along with her brothers — three.**

[জাককানইবি ('বি' ইউনিট) ২০১৮-১৯]

- a are b is c am d be **b**

**40. 'Slow and steady' — the race.**

[স্থানীয় সরকার বিভাগের অধীন জনস্বাস্থ্য প্রকৌশল অধিদপ্তরের এস্টিমেটর ২০১৮]

- a has won b win  
 c wins d conquer **c**

**41. I, who — your friend, will help you in all possible ways.**

[চবি 'এ' ইউনিট (সকাল) ২০১৮-১৯]

- a am b are c is d were **a**

**42. The influence of diverse branches of science —.**

[চবি 'এ' ইউনিট (সকাল) ২০১৮-১৯]

- a have captured widespread attention  
 b has captured widespread attention  
 c have had captured widespread attention  
 d has had captured widespread attention **b**



43. What time — the news on TV?

[চবি 'ডি' ইউনিট (বিকাল) ২০১৮-১৯]

- (a) are (b) is  
(c) have (d) had **(b)**

44. Neither Professor Johnson nor any other faculty member — to apply for the dean's position.

[রাবি-(বি) ২০১৭-১৮]

- (a) intend (b) has intend  
(c) are intending (d) intends **(d)**

45. Much of the machinery on these farms — unusable.

[চবি-(সি) ২০১৭-১৮]

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

46. Oxygen and hydrogen — water. the missing item is :

[রাবি-(এ জোড়) ২০১৬-১৭]

- (a) compose (b) composed of  
(c) are composed of (d) is composed of **(a)**

47. The cost of living in Sylhet — risen dramatically in the last few years.

- (a) have (b) would  
(c) will (d) has **(d)**

48. Taka fifty thousand (to be) a large amount. Choose the correct one.

- (a) Taka fifty thousand are a large amount  
(b) Taka fifty thousand is a large amount  
(c) Taka fifty thousand being a large amount  
(d) Taka fifty thousands being a large amount **(b)**

49. A writer of stories — need of imagination.

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

50. The number of students seeking admission—

- (a) have increased (b) have been increased  
(c) is increased (d) has increased **(d)**

51. At present, the upsetting issue of abusing children—

- (a) was made people concern  
(b) have made people concern  
(c) are making people concern  
(d) has made people concern **(d)**

52. Choose the sentence with correct subject-verb agreement

- (a) Either Abir or Pijush has won the award  
(b) Either he or I mistaken  
(c) Every man, women and child were lost  
(d) Neither he nor I were there **(a)**

53. The ship with all its crew — lost after the terrible storm.

- (a) were (b) has  
(c) have (d) was **(b)**

54. Choose the sentence with correct subject verb agreement.

- (a) The police has taken over the charge before the RAB arrived  
(b) The crowd were wild after the match  
(c) Neither Mary nor her friends is going to the party tonight  
(d) A less amount of people was present in the funerals **(b)**

55. Each member of the large family — his own set of priorities.

- (a) Have (b) Has  
(c) Is (d) Are **(b)**

56. Ten thousand dollars — a lot of money.

Ten dollars — a lot of money for a cup of coffee.

- (a) are (b) is  
(c) were (d) aren't **(b)**

57. Besides rain, — is seldom pure. Which option fits in the gap?

- (a) water naturally (b) natural water  
(c) water nature (d) the natures water **(b)**

58. One of the common —

- (a) Phenomenon is that most people are doing crimes now  
(b) Phenomena is that most people are committing crimes  
(c) Phenome are that most people are committed crimes now  
(d) Phenomenon is that most people are committed crimes **(b)**



Class

Exam

1. The horse and carriage—ready for the king.  
a. are                                      b. was  
c. were                                    d. have
2. The GM and Chairman—delivered speech on Company products.  
a. were                                    b. have  
c. has                                      d. are
3. The UNO and the magistrate — on the road.  
a. is                                        b. are  
c. was                                    d. has
4. You have so many friends but neither — literate.  
a. are                                      b. is  
c. were                                    d. have
5. Either of the—in the class—smart.  
a. girl, is                                b. girls, are  
c. girls is                                d. both a and c
6. Every teacher are every student— struggling for his rights.  
a. is                                        b. are  
c. were                                    d. had
7. Either the scholar or his disciples — done the research.  
a. has                                      b. have  
c. had                                      d. be
10. Majority of the young girls—ice cream.  
a. liked                                    b. likes  
c. like                                      d. has liked
9. Choose the correct sentence.  
a. You, I and he has killed the man.  
b. I, he, and you have killed the man.  
c. He, you and I have killed the man.  
d. You, he and i have killed the man.
10. Socrates is one of the best philosophers who — still regarded with honor.  
a. is                                        b. are  
c. was                                    d. none
11. A large number of — in the coaching — complained against the staff.  
a. a girl, has                            b. girls, have  
c. girls, has                            d. all of the above
12. A number of boys—protesting against the rule.  
a. is                                        b. are  
c. have                                    d. was
13. A huge amount of electricity—in the area.  
a. lack                                    b. lacks  
c. lacking                                d. want
14. The number of girls—doing makes-up.  
a. is                                        b. are  
c. have                                    d. were
15. They as well as he — incorrect.  
a. is                                        b. are  
c. will                                    d. was
16. One-third of the applicants — absent.  
a. is                                        b. are  
c. remains                                d. has

## Answer Sheet

1	b	2	c	3	b	4	b	5	c	6	a	7	b	8	c
9	b	10	a	11	b	12	b	13	b	14	a	15	b	16	b