

Infosys Verbal Ability (for 2025 onwards) By – Mr. Durgesh StudyHub

💡 Verbal Ability (Hard Level – 50+ Questions + Explanations)

1. Choose the correct sentence:

- a) He don't like coffee.
- b) He doesn't likes coffee.
- c) He doesn't like coffee.
- d) He don't likes coffee.

Answer: c) He doesn't like coffee.

Explanation: “Doesn’t” takes the base verb; correct form = “doesn’t like.”

2. Identify the correctly punctuated sentence.

- a) It's raining, aren't it?
- b) Its raining, isn't it?
- c) It's raining, isn't it?
- d) Its raining isn't it?

Answer: c) It's raining, isn't it?

Explanation: Correct contraction (“it’s” = it is) and tag question.

3. Fill in the blank:

If I ___ you, I would take the offer.

- a) was
- b) were
- c) am
- d) had been

Answer: b) were

Explanation: Use “were” in conditional (subjunctive) mood.

4. Choose the synonym of “Meticulous.”

- a) Careless
- b) Precise
- c) Quick
- d) Lazy

Answer: b) Precise

Explanation: “Meticulous” = very careful and exact.

5. Antonym of “Obscure.”

- a) Hidden
- b) Vague
- c) Clear
- d) Unknown

Answer: c) Clear

Explanation: Opposite of obscure (not clear) is clear.

6. Choose the correct indirect speech:

He said, “I am watching a movie.”

- a) He said he was watching a movie.
- b) He said he is watching a movie.
- c) He said he had watched a movie.
- d) He said that he watched a movie.

Answer: a) He said he was watching a movie.

Explanation: Present continuous → past continuous in reported speech.

7. Rearrange the words to form a meaningful sentence:

1. intelligent 2. an 3. is 4. boy 5. Rahul

- a) 5,4,2,1,3
- b) 5,3,2,1,4
- c) 5,2,1,4,3
- d) 2,1,5,3,4

Answer: c) 5,2,1,4,3 → Rahul is an intelligent boy.

8. Choose the correct form of verb:

Neither the teacher nor the students ____ present.

- a) was
- b) were
- c) have
- d) are

Answer: b) were

Explanation: Verb agrees with the nearest subject (“students” → plural).

9. One word substitution:

A person who loves books —

- a) Bibliophile
- b) Philatelist
- c) Numismatist
- d) Linguist

Answer: a) Bibliophile

Explanation: “Biblio” = books; “phile” = lover.

10. Correct the error:

She is senior than me.

- a) correct
- b) more senior than me
- c) senior to me
- d) most senior to me

Answer: c) senior to me

Explanation: “Senior” takes preposition “to,” not “than.”

11. Choose the correct meaning of the idiom:

“To burn the midnight oil”

- a) To waste time
- b) To work late into the night
- c) To sleep early
- d) To read in sunlight

Answer: b) To work late into the night.

12. Find the error:

Each of the boys have submitted their homework.

- a) Each
- b) have
- c) their
- d) homework

Answer: b) have

Explanation: “Each” is singular → should be “has.”

13. Fill in the blank:

He is very good ___ playing chess.

- a) in
- b) at
- c) on
- d) for

Answer: b) at

Explanation: “Good at” is correct collocation.

14. Replace with correct preposition:

She insisted ___ going to the party.

- a) on
- b) in
- c) to
- d) for

Answer: a) on

Explanation: “Insist on” is the correct usage.

15. Choose the correctly spelled word:

- a) Accomodation
- b) Accommodation
- c) Acommodation
- d) Accommadation

Answer: b) Accommodation

Explanation: Double “c” and double “m.”

16. Choose the correct sentence:

- a) I prefer coffee than tea.
- b) I prefer coffee over tea.
- c) I prefer coffee to tea.
- d) I prefer to coffee than tea.

Answer: c) I prefer coffee to tea.

Explanation: “Prefer X to Y” is correct idiom.

17. Choose the best connector:

He didn't study; ___ he failed the test.

- a) because
- b) and
- c) so
- d) although

Answer: c) so

Explanation: Cause–effect relationship.

18. Reading Comprehension (short):

“Global warming is the rise in Earth’s average surface temperature due to greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide.”

Question: What is the main cause of global warming?

- a) Sunlight
- b) Greenhouse gases
- c) Earth’s orbit
- d) Ocean currents

Answer: b) Greenhouse gases.

19. Choose the correct option to make sentence meaningful:

Hardly had I reached home ___ it started raining.

- a) when
- b) than
- c) that
- d) and

Answer: a) when

Explanation: “Hardly...when” is the correct correlative pair.

20. Find the error:

He did not knew about it.

- a) did
- b) not
- c) knew
- d) about

Answer: c) knew

Explanation: After “did,” use base form → “know.”

21. Fill in the blank:

Despite his efforts, he could not succeed ___ his goal.

- a) on
- b) at
- c) in
- d) for

Answer: c) in

Explanation: “Succeed in” is correct phrase.

22. Antonym of “Diligent.”

- a) Careless
 - b) Hardworking
 - c) Sincere
 - d) Responsible
- Answer:** a) Careless
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23. Synonym of “Erudite.”

- a) Ignorant
- b) Wise
- c) Uneducated
- d) Naive

Answer: b) Wise

Explanation: “Erudite” = scholarly, learned.

24. Choose the correct passive voice:

“They will complete the project soon.”

- a) The project will be completed soon.
- b) The project was completed soon.
- c) The project has been completed soon.
- d) The project completes soon.

Answer: a) The project will be completed soon.

25. Choose the sentence with correct article usage:

- a) She is a honest girl.
- b) She is an honest girl.
- c) She is the honest girl.
- d) She is honest girl.

Answer: b) She is an honest girl.

Explanation: “Honest” begins with vowel sound → “an.”

26. Parajumble: Arrange the sentences.

1. The teacher entered the class.
2. The students stood up.
3. She asked them to sit down.
4. Everyone became silent.

Correct order: a) 1, 2, 3, 4

27. Identify the correct reported speech:

She said, “I will help you tomorrow.”

- a) She said she will help me tomorrow.
- b) She said she would help me the next day.
- c) She said she helps me tomorrow.
- d) She said that she would helps me next day.

Answer: b) She said she would help me the next day.

28. Choose the sentence with correct tense:

- a) He has went to Delhi yesterday.
- b) He has gone to Delhi yesterday.
- c) He went to Delhi yesterday.
- d) He gone to Delhi yesterday.

Answer: c) He went to Delhi yesterday.

Explanation: “Yesterday” → past simple.

29. Correct preposition:

We discussed ____ the problem.

- a) about
- b) on
- c) to
- d) (no preposition)

Answer: d) (no preposition)

Explanation: “Discuss” doesn’t take “about” → correct: “discussed the problem.”

30. Fill in the blank:

She has been waiting here ____ two hours.

- a) since
- b) for
- c) from
- d) over

Answer: b) for

Explanation: “For” used for duration; “since” for starting point.

*Q31. Choose the word that is most nearly opposite in meaning to *prosaic*:*

- a) dull
- b) imaginative
- c) realistic
- d) factual

Answer: b) imaginative

Explanation: *Prosaic* means unimaginative or dull; its opposite is *imaginative*.

Q32. Identify the correct indirect speech:

He said, “I am working on the project.”

- a) He said that he has been working on the project.
- b) He said that he was working on the project.
- c) He said that he will work on the project.
- d) He said that he is working on the project.

Answer: b) He said that he was working on the project.

Explanation: Change tense of *am working* → *was working* when reporting in past.

Q33. Select the correctly punctuated sentence:

- a) However I will go.
- b) However, I will go.
- c) However I, will go.
- d) However: I will go.

Answer: b) However, I will go.

Explanation: *However* as a conjunctive adverb is followed by a comma.

Q34. Fill in the blank:

He is not only intelligent ____ also diligent.

- a) but
- b) and
- c) only
- d) though

Answer: a) but

Explanation: Correct correlative pair – *not only ... but also*.

Q35. Find the correctly spelled word:

- a) Accomodation
- b) Accommodation
- c) Acommodation
- d) Accomodetion

Answer: b) Accommodation

Explanation: Correct spelling has double *c* and double *m*.

Q36. Replace the underlined phrase with a suitable idiom:

He *told me the secret accidentally*.

- a) spilled the beans
- b) hit the sack
- c) burnt bridges
- d) made ends meet

Answer: a) spilled the beans

Explanation: *Spill the beans* = reveal a secret.

Q37. Choose the correct synonym for *obstinate*:

- a) stubborn
- b) gentle
- c) polite
- d) humble

Answer: a) stubborn

Explanation: *Obstinate* means unreasonably stubborn.

Q38. Choose the sentence with correct subject-verb agreement:

- a) Neither the teacher nor the students was ready.
- b) Neither the teacher nor the students were ready.
- c) Neither the teacher nor the students is ready.
- d) Neither the teacher nor the students are ready.

Answer: b) Neither the teacher nor the students were ready.

Explanation: Verb agrees with the nearer subject (*students* → *were*).

Q39. One word for “A person who loves books”:

- a) Bibliophile
- b) Philanthropist
- c) Autocrat
- d) Cynic

Answer: a) Bibliophile

Explanation: *Biblio* = book, *phile* = lover.

Q40. Correct the error:

Each of the boys have done their homework.

- a) Each of the boys has done their homework.
- b) Each of the boys has done his homework.
- c) Each of the boys have done his homework.
- d) No change.

Answer: b) Each of the boys has done his homework.

Explanation: *Each* is singular → *has* and *his* are correct.

Q41. Choose the antonym of *candid*:

- a) honest
- b) secretive
- c) open
- d) direct

Answer: b) secretive

Explanation: *Candid* means open/honest; opposite is *secretive*.

Q42. Choose the correct sentence:

- a) He did not knew the answer.
- b) He did not know the answer.
- c) He do not knew the answer.
- d) He doesn't knew the answer.

Answer: b) He did not know the answer.

Explanation: Use base verb with *did not*.

Q43. Select the suitable word:

The medicine will ___ you of your pain.

- a) relief
- b) relieve
- c) relive
- d) released

Answer: b) relieve

Explanation: *Relieve* means to reduce pain.

Q44. Choose the correctly framed question tag:

You're coming to the party, ___?

- a) isn't it
- b) aren't you
- c) don't you
- d) are you

Answer: b) aren't you

Explanation: Positive statement → negative tag.

Q45. Choose the correct idiom for: "A blessing in disguise."

- a) Something good that seemed bad at first
- b) A punishment that was expected
- c) A hidden enemy
- d) A fake compliment

Answer: a) Something good that seemed bad at first.

Q46. Identify the correct preposition:

He is good ___ painting.

- a) in
- b) at
- c) with
- d) for

Answer: b) at

Explanation: *Good at* is the correct preposition pair.

Q47. Choose the synonym of *meticulous*:

- a) careless
- b) thorough
- c) lazy
- d) hurried

Answer: b) thorough

Explanation: *Meticulous* means showing great attention to detail.

Q48. Select the correct meaning of the idiom:

“To beat around the bush.”

- a) Speak indirectly
- b) Hit something
- c) Waste time
- d) Be rude

Answer: a) Speak indirectly

Explanation: Avoiding the main point of discussion.

Q49. Fill in the blank:

The company must act quickly to ___ the situation.

- a) avert
- b) advert
- c) convert
- d) divert

Answer: a) avert

Explanation: *Avert* = prevent something bad.

Q50. Identify the figure of speech:

“The stars danced playfully in the moonlit sky.”

- a) Metaphor
- b) Personification
- c) Simile
- d) Hyperbole

Answer: b) Personification

Explanation: Giving human action (*danced*) to non-human objects (*stars*).

Q51. Choose the antonym of *benevolent*:

- a) kind
- b) cruel
- c) charitable
- d) generous

Answer: b) cruel

Explanation: *Benevolent* = kind; opposite is *cruel*.

Q52. Correct the error:

He has been working here since five years.

- a) for five years
- b) since five years
- c) working here for five year
- d) since the five years

Answer: a) for five years

Explanation: *For* is used with duration, not *since*.

Q53. Choose the correct voice transformation:

They will announce the results tomorrow.

- a) The results are announced tomorrow.
- b) The results were announced tomorrow.
- c) The results will be announced tomorrow.
- d) The results announced tomorrow.

Answer: c) The results will be announced tomorrow.

Explanation: Passive = *will be + past participle*.

Q54. Find the correct synonym of *dormant*:

- a) active
- b) asleep
- c) moving
- d) lively

Answer: b) asleep

Explanation: *Dormant* means inactive or in sleep mode.

Q55. Replace the phrase:

He *made a mountain out of a molehill*.

- a) exaggerated the problem
- b) solved the problem
- c) ignored the problem
- d) simplified the issue

Answer: a) exaggerated the problem

Explanation: Idiom meaning = to overreact to a small issue.

Q56. Fill in the blank:

She prefers tea ____ coffee.

- a) than
- b) over
- c) to
- d) for

Answer: c) to

Explanation: Correct usage: *prefer X to Y.*

Q57. Correct the tense:

By next month, he ___ his project.

- a) completes
- b) will completed
- c) will have completed
- d) will completes

Answer: c) will have completed

Explanation: Future perfect tense for completion before a time.

Q58. Choose the correct spelling:

- a) Reccommend
- b) Recommend
- c) Recomend
- d) Recomand

Answer: b) Recommend

Explanation: Correct spelling has double *c* and *m*.

Q59. Identify the error:

Neither of the two girls have done it.

- a) Neither of the two girls has done it.
- b) Neither of the two girls have done this.
- c) None of the two girls have done it.
- d) No error.

Answer: a) Neither of the two girls has done it.

Explanation: *Neither* is singular, so *has* is correct.

Q60. One word for: “A person who pretends to be what he is not.”

- a) Hypocrite
- b) Patriot
- c) Hermit
- d) Optimist

Answer: a) Hypocrite

Explanation: A *hypocrite* acts contrary to their stated beliefs.

