**QUIZ QUESTION PAPER**

**1.** Pick out the adjective which can best fill in the blank:  
*The \_\_\_\_\_ chapters are lacking in interest.*  
a) later  
b) latest  
c) latter  
d) letter

**2.** Which is the most appropriate passive form of the sentence?  
*“One should keep one’s promises”*  
a) We should keep our promises  
b) Promises should be kept  
c) Promises need not be kept  
d) Promises may be kept

**3.** The most appropriate conversion to a simple sentence from:  
*“We must eat, or we cannot live”* is —  
a) We must live to eat  
b) We must not live to eat  
c) We must eat and live  
d) We must eat to live

**4.** In which classification of work can we categorise teaching?  
a) Clerical  
b) Managerial  
c) Skilled  
d) Professional

**5.** Choose the most appropriate complementary closing for a letter addressed to Sub-Inspector of Police:  
a) Yours lovingly  
b) Lovingly yours  
c) Yours truly  
d) Yours affectionately

**6.** Sequence the sentences properly:  
S1 – There was no limit to insanitation  
S6 – So I asked for a broom to clean them myself.  
P – There were only a few latrines  
Q – They refused point-blank to clean them  
R – Pools of water were everywhere  
S – I pointed it out to the volunteers  
Proper sequence is —  
a) RSPQ  
b) QPSR  
c) RPSQ  
d) QSPR

**7.** Identify the one italicized expression (A, B, C or D) that must be changed:  
*Things will be* ***A*** *better if I will get* ***B*** *a job and earn* ***C*** *some money. Then I won’t have* ***D*** *to live with my parents.*  
(Ans: B)

**8.** Identify the one that must be changed:  
*The company claimed* ***A*** *to bring the best products and services* ***B C*** *on the doorstep of their consumers* ***D***  
(Ans: D)

**9.** Identify the errors:  
*It is raining. Mohan and Sumesh were walking on the park. The path is wet. Mohan slips and fell.*  
a) raining, were, on  
b) were, on, fell  
c) were, on, slips  
d) were, slips, fell

**10.** Choose the most appropriate clause:  
*Madhu met a girl with blue eyes.*  
a) Whose eyes are blue  
b) Whose eyes were blue  
c) Those eyes were blue  
d) Those eyes are blue

**11.** In the sentence *“The train came rushing down the hill”*, the word *‘down’* functions as —  
a) Noun  
b) Preposition  
c) Verb  
d) Adverb

**12.** Fill in the blank:  
*Smt. Sheela became \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Principal of the College in 2005.*  
a) a  
b) the  
c) an  
d) no article

**13.** Pick the odd one: *Pretty, attractive, beautiful, smart, lively*  
a) Attractive  
b) Lively  
c) Beautiful  
d) Pretty

**14.** Which of the following is not an instruction?  
a) What an idea  
b) Sit down  
c) Be silent  
d) Queue up

**(Q.Nos 75 to 79)**

Read the following passage. Select the best answer from among the given choices for each question: Most of us use the products of science – railways, aeroplanes, electricity, phones and thousands of others – without thinking how they came into existence. We take them for granted, as if we are entitled to them as a matter of right. And we are very proud of the fact that we live in an advanced age and are ourselves so very advanced. There is no doubt that our age is a very different one from previous ages and I think it is perfectly correct to say that it is far more advanced. But that is a different thing from saying that we as individuals or groups are more advanced. It would be the height of absurdity to say that because an engine driver can run an engine and Plato or Socrates could not, the engine driver is more advanced than, or is superior to Plato or Socrates. But it would be perfectly correct to say that the engine itself is a more advanced method of locomotion than Plato’s chariot was.

**15.** Which one of the following statements is correct?  
a) An engine driver cannot be compared to Plato or Socrates  
b) Plato or Socrates is in no way inferior to the engine driver  
c) Plato or Socrates surpassed the engine driver in every respect  
d) An engine driver is cleverer than Plato or Socrates

**16.** People today are very proud because they —  
a) live in a philosophically advanced age  
b) live in a spiritually advanced age  
c) enjoy digital communications  
d) live in a scientifically advanced age

**17.** Many of us make use of machines —  
a) with full knowledge of their genesis  
b) without knowing how they were invented  
c) with very little knowledge of their mechanism  
d) without any knowledge of their historical significance

**18.** Plato and Socrates are mentioned to emphasize that —  
a) They had a great respect for learning  
b) They were men of great scholarship  
c) People as individuals today are not more advanced than their predecessors  
d) The engine is a better mode of locomotion

**19.** The phrase *‘height of absurdity’* implies —  
a) The possible extent of rationality  
b) The impossible extent of rationality  
c) The possible extent of irrationality  
d) The impossible extent of rationality

**20.** If a medal is an award made of gold, silver or bronze, choose the homophone:  
a) Meddle  
b) Muddle  
c) Middle  
d) Medel

**21.** Verbal guidance is least effective in the learning of —  
a) Attitudes  
b) Relationships  
c) Skills  
d) Facts

**22.** My landlady was very \_\_\_\_\_ when I met with an accident.  
a) Merciful  
b) Pitiful  
c) Sympathetic  
d) Hearty

**23.** The receptionist \_\_\_\_\_ to ring another hotel.  
a) Offered  
b) Suggested  
c) Recommended  
d) Invited

**24.** I assure you I have no wish to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ my responsibility.  
a) Shirk  
b) Refuse  
c) Abandon  
d) Disobey

**25.** Has there been any \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on the strike from the Government?  
a) Reaction  
b) Response  
c) Comment  
d) Criticism

**26.** The boy backed up his friend’s claim. The idiom means —  
a) Accepted  
b) Supported  
c) Explained  
d) Denied

**27.** Choose the appropriate tag: Have some rice, *\_\_\_\_\_?*  
a) Will you  
b) Shall you  
c) May you  
d) Won’t you

**28.** Fill the blanks:  
*I met a boy \_\_\_\_\_ told me \_\_\_\_\_ I could find you.*  
a) Who, were  
b) That, were  
c) That, where  
d) Who, where

**29.** Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam has consented to address students. Which discourse is best for informing parents?  
a) Letter  
b) Diary  
c) Notice  
d) Slogan

**30.** How many syllables are there in the word *‘examination’*?  
a) 4  
b) 3  
c) 5  
d) 6

**Answer Key**

1. c
2. b
3. d
4. d
5. c
6. c
7. b
8. d
9. b
10. b
11. d
12. b
13. b
14. a
15. b
16. d
17. b
18. d
19. c
20. a
21. c
22. c
23. a
24. a
25. b
26. b
27. a
28. d
29. c
30. c