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Instructions:
<ul> <li>Total Questions: 35</li> <li>Levels: Graduate (05), Post-Graduate (20), Doctorate (10)</li> <li>Each question carries equal marks</li> <li>Choose the best possible answer for each</li> <li>Each incorrect answer will carry a penalty of 0.25 marks.</li> <li>Time Limit: 10 minutes</li> <li>Answers are provided immediately after each question</li> </ul>
1. The CEO's sudden resignation left the board in a state of  A. euphoria B. disarray C. felicity D. decorum  Answer: B. disarray
2. Choose the word most opposite in meaning to obfuscate:
A. muddle B. enlighten C. distort D. camouflage
Answer: B. enlighten
3. Which of the following best completes the sentence?  Though his tone was, his words carried a clear warning.

A. belligerent
B. placid C. sarcastic
D. euphemistic
D. Capitoliticae
Answer: B. placid
4. Find the word that does not belong in the group:
A. Ephemeral
B. Transitory
C. Perennial
D. Fleeting
Answer: C. Perennial
5. Cacophony : Sound :: Malodor : ?
A. Taste
B. Sight
C. Smell
D. Touch
Answer: C. Smell
6. Choose the correctly spelled word:
A. Embarrasment
B. Embarrassment
C. Embarasment
D. Embarrasement
Answer: B. Embarrassment
7. The scientist was revered not just for her discoveries but for her integrity.

A. vacuous
B. infallible
C. indelible D. unassailable
D. unassallable
Answer: D. unassailable
8. Choose the synonym of mitigate:
A. exacerbate
B. amplify
C. alleviate
D. deteriorate
Answer: C. alleviate
9. Identify the error:
"No sooner he had reached the platform when the train departed."
A. No sooner
B. he had
C. when
D. departed
Answer: C. when (Should be "than" — "No sooner had he than")
10. In the context of scientific research, "paradigm shift" means:
A. An experiment gone wrong
B. A complete change in thinking or approach
C. A temporary delay in findings
D. An error in statistical models
Answer: B. A complete change in thinking or approach
11. The report was full of that undermined its credibility.

A. statistics	
B. citations	
C. platitudes	
D. insights	
Answer: C. platitudes	
12. Vindictive is to revenge as philanthropic is to:	
A. suspicion	
B. wealth	
C. hatred	
D. generosity	
Answer: D. generosity	
13. Cloze:	
The professor's lectures were so that many students struggled to stay awake.	
A. riveting	
B. monotonous	
C. lucid	
D. erudite	
Answer: B. monotonous	
14. Choose the synonym of quixotic:	
A. pragmatic	
B. idealistic	
C. deceptive	
D. realistic	
Answer: B. idealistic	
15. His plans are often dismissed as disconnected from reality:	
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A. tangible B. utopian C. mundane
D. tactical
Answer: B. utopian
16. Spot the error:
"The data suggests that the model are inaccurate."
A. suggests B. that C. the model D. are
Answer: C. the model (Should be "models")
17. Fill in the blank:
The medieval manuscript was preserved in a environment to prevent deterioration.
A. humid B. turbulent C. sterile D. volatile
Answer: C. sterile
18. Which of the following best describes the tone of this sentence?
"He responded to the critique with surprising equanimity."
A. sarcastic B. peaceful C. agitated D. belligerent
Answer: B. peaceful

19. Select the antonym of tenuous:
A. fragile B. flimsy C. robust
D. ethereal
Answer: C. robust
20. "His speech was with quotes from ancient philosophers."
A. punctuated
B. redundant
C. bereft
D. exhausted
Answer: A. punctuated
21. Identify the figure of speech:
The silence was deafening."
A. Simile
B. Hyperbole
C. Metaphor
D. Irony
Answer: B. Hyperbole
22. The diplomat's statement was intentionally to avoid offending either party.
A. ambiguous B. candid C. blunt D. dogmatic
Answer: A. ambiguous

23. Odd one out:
A. Capitulate
B. Submit
C. Resist
D. Surrender
Answer: C. Resist
24. Choose the best replacement for the underlined word:
"His obnoxious behavior made everyone uncomfortable." (choose a more neutral alternative)
A. charming
B. abrasive
C. aloof
D. noticeable
Answer: B. abrasive
25. The poet's imagery was, conjuring vivid pictures in the reader's mind.
A. nebulous
B. mundane
C. evocative
D. colorless
Answer: C. evocative
26. Choose the word that best completes the analogy:
Tacit : Unspoken :: Lucid : ?
A. vague
B. silent
C. clear
D. murky

Answer: C. clear
27. Select the correct idiomatic expression:
He kept the information until the right time.
A. up his feet B. under his sleeve C. up his sleeve D. over the top
Answer: C. up his sleeve
28. Which sentence uses "precipitous" correctly?
<ul><li>A. The investment returned a precipitous gain.</li><li>B. They cautiously walked up the precipitous mountain path.</li><li>C. She wore a precipitous dress to the gala.</li><li>D. His words were precipitous and elegant.</li></ul>
Answer: B. They cautiously walked up the precipitous mountain path.
29. Spot the error:
"There are a large number of evidences against the suspect."
A. There are B. a large number C. of evidences D. against
Answer: C. of evidences ("evidence" is uncountable)

30. Choose the word most similar to "nascent":

A. waning B. flourishing

Comorging
C. emerging D. declining
Answer: C. emerging
31. The committee found the argument too to take seriously.
A. cogent
B. flippant
C. precise
D. succinct
Answer: B. flippant
32. Passage (Read & answer):
The development of artificial intelligence has prompted ethical concerns, particularly regarding autonomy, bias, and accountability. As machines make more decisions independently, questions about who should be held responsible in cases of harm become increasingly urgent. While some argue that AI must always remain under human oversight, others suggest that with proper design, AI can act ethically on its own.
Q: What is the central concern expressed in the passage?
A. Speed of AI evolution B. Legal issues in programming C. Ethical accountability in AI D. AI replacing all human jobs
Answer: C. Ethical accountability in Al

33. In the sentence "The general was known for his magnanimity," the word "magnanimity" most nearly means:

A. hostility

B. generosity

C. pride

D. severity

Answer: B. generosity

## 34. The phrase "a Pyrrhic victory" means:

- A. A glorious and overwhelming success
- B. A win that comes at great cost
- C. An unfairly won battle
- D. An ancient military maneuver

Answer: B. A win that comes at great cost

## 35. Choose the best replacement for the underlined part:

"Had he studied harder, he will pass the exam."

A. he will have passed

- B. he would pass
- C. he would have passed
- D. he passes

Answer: C. he would have passed