

Olympiad Foundation

SAMPLE PAPER CLASS 8th



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Division of Marks

S.No..	Topics/Section	No.of Question	Marks
1.	English Grammer	25	25
2.	Vocabulary	10	10
3.	Comprehension	15	15
	Total	50	50

INSTRUCTIONS :

1. Use Blue/Black ballpoint pen only to darken the appropriate circle.
2. Mark should be dark and should completely fill the circle.
3. Dark only one circle for each entry.
4. Dark the circle in the space provided only.
5. Rough work must not be done on the answer sheet and do not use white- fluid or any other rubbing material on Answer sheet.
6. Each question carries one mark.

Select the correct answer and darken your answer in the table :

ENGLISH GRAMMAR

Fill in the blanks with appropriate preposition :

1. We met a lot of people _____ our holidays.
(A) On (C) During
(B) In (D) At
2. Speed is _____ essence in a project of this type.
(A) In (C) To
(B) A (D) Of
3. She is _____ excellent student.
(A) An (C) The
(B) A (D) None of these
4. It was such _____ foolish decision.
(A) The (C) A
(B) An (D) Zero article
5. He read the notes _____ returned it to me.
(A) And (C) Yet
(B) But (D) Or
6. She came _____ I called him up.
(A) Since (C) Because
(B) Where (D) If

Fill in the blanks with appropriate adjectives :

7. She is _____ Geeta nor Seeta.
(A) Several (B) Neither (C) Tall (D) Few
8. Seeta is the _____ of the two.
(A) Taller (B) Talld (C) Tallest (D) None of these
9. Which is subjective pronoun in sentence "They talked about us was an out of insult".
(A) They (C) Was
(B) Us (D) An

10. Which is relative pronoun in sentence "A postman gave a letter to woman whom opened a door".
- (A) To (C) Door
(B) A (D) Whom

Narration :

11. Everybody said, "How well she sings!"
- (A) Everybody told us that the she sings very well.
(B) Everybody exclaimed that she sings very well.
(C) Everybody exclaimed that she sang very well.
(D) Everybody told us that how she sang very well.
12. He said that he went for a walk every morning.
- (A) He said, "I went for a walk every morning.
(B) He said, "I go for a walk every morning.
(C) He said, "I will go for a walk morning.
(D) He said, "he want for a walk every morning".

Fill in the blanks with the proper tense or form of the verb given in bracket :

13. I _____ the painting just now.
- (A) Finished (C) Finish
(B) Had finished (D) Have Finished
14. A moment ago I _____ Strange news.
- (A) Have heard (C) Hear
(B) Heard (D) Am hearing

Select the correct adverb :

15. The brown bird sings _____ than the red bird.
- (A) More softly (C) Softly
(B) Most softly (D) None of these
16. People in this country live _____ anybody else in the world.
- (A) Longer than (C) Long as
(B) The longest (D) So longer

Synonyms :

17. Deny
- (A) Regain (B) Refus (C) Repair (D) Reduce

18. Blaze
(A) Rage (B) Rush (C) Fire (D) Mark
19. Have this lock broken
(A) Break this lock (C) Let this lock be broken
(B) Get someone to break this lock (D) Have broken this lock be
20. He has written a poem which fascinates everyone
(A) A poem has been written by him which fascinates everyone
(B) Everyone is fascinated by the poem which has been written by me.
(C) Poem written by him fascinates everyone
(D) Everyone fascinates the poem which is written by him.

Select the answer choice that identifies the noun in the sentence :

21. Mastering basic mathematics is an important goal for younger students '
(A) Mastering (C) Younger
(B) Important (D) Students
22. The Trojans rash decision to accept the wooden horse led to their destruction
(A) Their (B) Led (C) Accept (D) Destruction
23. It _____ drizzling throughout previous day.
(A) Kept (C) Keep
(B) Keeps (D) Keeping
24. I want to while away my time _____ new places in world.
(A) Visit (B) Visiting (C) Visits (D) Visited

Active to passive

25. Painter draw the picture of Maharana Pratap.
(A) Picture draw by the painter of M.P
(B) Maharana Pratap's picture draw by Painter
(C) The picture of M.P drew by the painter
(D) Painter drawn the picture.

VOCABULARY

One word substitution :

26. A person who writes decoratively _____.
(A) Calligrapher (C) Choreographer
(B) Colliery (D) Cartographer

27. A place where money is coined _____.
(A) Mint (C) Treasury
(B) Press (D) Ignorant
28. To die in harness
(A) Premeditated murder (C) To die while in service
(B) Dying young in an accident (D) To be taken by surprise
29. To burn the candle at both ends -
(A) To spend cautiously (C) To be extravagant
(B) To be stingy (D) To survive difficulty
30. Immune
(A) Free (C) Powerful
(B) Vulnerable (D) Weak
31. Opaque
(A) Brilliant (C) Transparent
(B) Bright (D) Lustrous
32. Liberal
(A) Unreliable (C) Strong
(B) Intolerant (D) Responsible
33. Emulate
(A) Discuss (B) Deny (C) Question (D) Imitate

In the following question select the alternative which best expresses the meaning of idiom / phrase :

34. Shooting fish in a barred
- (A) To do random acts of stupidity
(B) To behave in a cruel manner
(C) Ridiculously easier
(D) To escape through a narrow opening

Choose the word nearest in meaning to underline word :

35. The maidservant left the police station contrite.
- (A) Penitent (C) Angry
(B) Sore (D) Remorseless

COMPREHENSION

(Passage 1)

Read the passage carefully :

Did you always think that spiders were insects ? Actually spiders are arachnids and not insects. They have eight legs, while insects usually have six spiders also do not have wings and antennae that most insects have spiders make silk threads that they use in many different ways. They have gland in their abdomen and release the silk threads through pores or spinnerets to create the cobwebs that we dust away. The silk material is actually a complex protein substance. Some spiders even eat the damaged or old webs to conserve the protein rich used silk.

A good lesson in recycling ! With these strands they receive and send out signals to each other and express fear, recognition, anger, hunger or desire. In the web the spiders wait for an unsuspecting victim. They have no teeth and spiders feed by injecting a poison, which also acts as a powerful digestive fluid into their victims. Spiders are natural enemies of insects and help keep pests at bay. So the next time you see a spiders are among our greatest friends !

36. Spiders are different from other insects because they
- (A) Have six legs
 - (B) Have eight legs
 - (C) Have antennae
 - (D) Have wings
37. A conservation lesson we learn from spiders is -
- (A) Recognition
 - (B) Recycling
 - (C) Expression
 - (D) Simplicity
38. The spiders make use of their web for
- (A) Catching unsuspecting victims
 - (B) Creating
 - (C) Conserving protein for silk manufacturing
 - (D) Improving the working of their spinnerets
39. The writer finds it unpardonable to
- (A) End the life of someone who is not expected to die at once from natural causes
 - (B) End the life of a spastic child
 - (C) End the life of an infant who is likely to live only for few years
 - (D) End the life of a human being
40. Spiders are not insects. They are _____
- (A) Arachnids
 - (B) Bird
 - (C) Ant
 - (D) Animal

41. The silk material is actually a _____ protein substance.
(A) Simple (C) Complex
(B) Double (D) None of these
42. Spiders are natural enemies of _____.
(A) Human beings (C) Monkeys
(B) Insect (D) Birds

(Passage 2)

There was a time when all house - work was done by the women or girls of the household. Few husbands ever dreamt of washing up, preparing breakfast or tending the body. Such duties were no concern of theirs. And normal school boy assumed that if help were needed in the home, his sisters would be called on to give it. The whole family supported the view that the male child could not or should not clean, mend, wash, cook or make beds.

Things are very different today. Doctors or barristers find nothing shameful in putting on an apron to help in the kitchen or nursery and even boast of being good at washing of clothes and personal linen.

The school boy is more often now than formerly expected to help his mother one reason for the change is the shortage of domestic servants. Girls could once be found to do the hard work in middle and upper class homes for very moderate wages, such girls nowadays work in factories. They earn more money than most house holders can afford to pay. Thus the wife now does the house hold work herself with the aid of labour saving machines, and she expects some help from her husband.

43. Who usually did all house work in the past.
(A) Women (C) Grandfather
(B) Men (D) Grandmother
44. Mention some household chores that women use to do in their house.
(A) Kitchen work (C) Carrying of family
(B) Washing of clothes (D) All of these
45. How did the whole family view the male child ?
(A) They don't cook (C) Both A & B
(B) They don't wash (D) None of these
46. How are things different now ?
(A) Ladies & girls work in factories
(B) Men helps ladies with household works
(C) Both A & B
(D) None of these

50. Few husbands ever dreamt of _____.
 (A) Washing up (C) Reading newspaper
 (B) Cooking (D) None of these
47. Part time men mainly works in -
 (A) House hold work (C) Both A & B
 (B) Outside from home (D) None of these
48. Synonym of whole
 (A) Entire (C) Half filled
 (B) Empty (D) None of these
49. Write the antonym of often.
 (A) Always (C) Infrequently
 (B) Sometime (D) None of these

ANSWER KEY

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| 1. C | 11. C | 21. D | 31. C | 41. C |
| 2. D | 12. B | 22. D | 32. B | 42. B |
| 3. A | 13. D | 23. A | 33. D | 43. A |
| 4. C | 14. B | 24. B | 34. C | 44. D |
| 5. A | 15. A | 25. C | 35. A | 45. C |
| 6. C | 16. A | 26. A | 36. B | 46. C |
| 7. B | 17. B | 27. A | 37. B | 47. C |
| 8. A | 18. B | 28. C | 38. C | 48. A |
| 9. A | 19. B | 29. C | 39. A | 49. A |
| 10. B | 20. B | 30. A | 40. A | 50. A |