

1. Riley leaned ____ me and gave me an awkward smile expressing her dismissal.

- (a) At
- (c) Towards
- (b) With
- (d) Over

Answer: C

2. This building comprises _____ sixty rooms.

- (a) no preposition needed
- (b) onto
- (c) by
- (d) of

Answer:D

3. The Scrooge stared _____ at the bundle of notes scattered in front of him.

- (a) Keenly
- (b) Thoughtfully
- (c) Flatteringly
- (d) Sincerely

Answer:B

4. Some people ____ other innocent men to believe in their ____ ideas and disturb their mental peace.

- (a) take, foolish
- (b) bring, stupid
- (c) trick, superstitious
- (d) drive, tricky

Answer: C

5. Challenges must be _____ to realize the _____ of a greater regional economic integration.

- (a) Overcomed....Potential
- (b) Suppressed....power
- (c) Ignored....benefits
- (e) Attempted....battles
- (d) Sustained....Advantages

Answer: d

6. He's got a sharp _____. He might just get into trouble, if he isn't careful.

- (a) Tongue
- (b) Mouth
- (c) Intellect
- (d) Vision
- (e) Brain

Answer: a

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If there is no error, the answer is 'D'. (Ignore - the errors of punctuation, if any) :

7. A) At the end of the year/(B) every student who had done adequate work/(C) was automatically promoted. / (D) No error.

- (a) A
- (b) B
- (c) C

(d) D

Answer: d

8. (A) **One** of the members/(B) expressed doubt if/(C) the Minister **was** an atheist./ (D) No error.

(a) A

(c) C

(b) B

(d) D

Answer: B

9. (A) The meeting adjourned abruptly/(B) by the CEO after/(C) about three hours of deliberation./ (D) No error

(a) A

(b) B

(c) C

(d) D

Answer: a

10. S1: I saw two men at the train station.

P: Both of them went to the coffee shop together.

Q: The first one was holding an umbrella.

R: The second one was holding a bag.

S: After coffee, one of them left the coffee shop.

S6: The second one waited for his wife later.

(a) QPSR

(c) PQRS

(b) QRPS

(d) QPRS

Answer: b

11. S1: Earthquake means the shaking of the Earth's surface.

P: **It** is a sudden trembling of the surface of the Earth.

Q: **Furthermore**, Earthquakes can cause huge damage to life and property.

R: Earthquakes certainly are a terrible natural disaster.

S: Some Earthquakes are weak in nature and probably go unnoticed.

S6: **In contrast**, some Earthquakes are major and violent.

- (a) QPSR
- (b) QRPS
- (c) PRQS
- (d) QPRS

Answer:C

12. S1: Man due to his need and greed has done many activities that not only harm

P: extinct due to human activity. Human activities that harm the climate include deforestation,

Q: All these things damage the climate and ecosystem very badly.

R: using fossil fuel, industrial waste, a different type of pollution and many more.

S: the environment but himself too. Many plant and animal species go

S6: And many species of animals and birds got extinct or on a verge of extinction due to hunting.

- (a) SPRQ
- (b) PQRS
- (c) OPRS
- (d) SPQR

Answer: a

Fill in the blanks with the most suitable articles:

13. _____ ignorance is a bliss and _____ ignorance of
Miranda was really astounding.

- (a) The, The
- (b) No article, The
- (c) No article, No article
- (d) An, The

Answer: b

In each of the following questions, an idiomatic expression/ a proverb has been given, followed by some alternatives. Choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given idiom/ proverb.

14. To turn over a new leaf

- (a) To change completely one's course of action.
- (b) To shift attention to new problems after having studied the old ones thoroughly.
- (c) To cover up one's fault by wearing new marks.
- (d) To change the old habits and adopt new ones.

Answer: D

15. Read each sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error, if any will be in one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer is 'D'. (Ignore the errors of punctuation, if any).

- (a) An animal
- (b) can be just as unhappy **in a vast area**
- (c) or **in a small one**
- (d) No error.

Answer: d

16. In each of the following questions, a sentence has been given in Active (or Passive) Voice. Out of the four alternatives suggested selecting the one which best expresses the same sentence in Passive (or Active) voice.

- (a) Mona was writing a letter to her father.
- (b) A letter was written to her father by Mona.
- (c) A letter has been written to her father by Mona.
- (d) A letter was being written by Mona to her father.
- (e) A letter was written by Mona to her father

Answer: d

17. In the following question, the sentence given with blank to be filled in with an appropriate word. Select the correct alternative out of the four and indicate it by selecting the appropriate option.

This shirt is so dirty that it _____ be cleaned.

- (a) can't
- (b) couldn't
- (c) didn't
- (d) mayn't

Answer: a

18. In each question below a sentence broken into five or six parts. Join these parts to make a meaningful sentence. The correct order of parts is the answer.

1. medicine

2. a

3. Neeta

4. given

5. was

(a) 51423

(b) 25431

(c) 15423

(d) 35421

(c) 42531

Answer: d

19. Identify the adjective in the following sentences:

Linda McKenzie has five children.

(a) Linda McKenzie

(c) five

(b) has

(d) children

Answer: five

20. Identify the Preposition in the given sentence

The kids are sitting around the block.

(a) The

(b) around

(c) are

(d) block

Answer: around

21. Out of the four alternatives given below, choose the one

which can be substituted for the given word/sentence.

Extreme old age when a man behaves like a fool

(a) Imbecility

(b) Senility

(c) Dotage

(d) Superannuation

Answer: C

22. Choose the option which is opposite to the given word:

Conviction

- (a) Certitude
- (c) Treachery
- (b) Unofficial
- (d) Attached

Answer: C

23. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

Sanctimonious

- (a) Devout
- (c) Empirical
- (b) **Impious**
- (d) Maudlin

Answer: b

24. Nothing happens – the march of darkness halts at the door to the house, and all the clamor of fading falls silent, makes a thick skin like on hot milk cooling. The contours of the buildings against the backdrop of the sky stretch out into infinity, slowly lose their sharp angles, corners, edges. The dimming light takes the air with it – there's nothing left to breathe. Now the dark soaks into my skin. Sounds have curled up inside themselves, withdrawn their snail's eyes; the orchestra of the world has departed, vanishing into the park.

"makes a thick skin **like** on hot milk cooling" - What figure of speech is this?

- (a) irony
- (b) simile
- (c) metaphor
- (d) personification

Answer: A

25. Nothing happens – the march of darkness halts at the door to the house, and all the clamor of fading falls silent, makes a thick skin like on hot milk cooling. The contours of the buildings against the backdrop of the sky stretch out into infinity, slowly lose their sharp angles, corners, edges. The dimming light takes the air with it – there's nothing left to breathe. Now the dark soaks into my skin. Sounds have curled up inside themselves, withdrawn their snail's eyes; the orchestra of the world has departed, vanishing into the park.

What does the sentence "The contours of the buildings against the backdrop of the sky stretch out into infinity" mean?

- (a) It is a painting of a building
- (b) The tall buildings spread farther away under the sky
- (c) The sky is black and the buildings are standing tall
- (d) There are infinite number of buildings in the sky

Answer: b