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MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
NATIONAL GRADE SIX ASSESSMENT**

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

**Paper 01**

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*1 hour and 10 minutes*

**READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.**

1. This test has 40 questions. You have 1 hour and 10 minutes to answer them.
2. Each question has **four** suggested answers: (A), (B), (C) and (D). Read each question carefully and then choose the correct answer.
3. On your answer sheet, find the number that matches the question you intend to answer.
4. Shade the circle with the letter, (A), (B), (C) or (D), that matches your answer for each question.

Sample Question

Choose the correct spelling of the word which completes the following sentence.

Red is Tim's \_\_\_\_\_ colour.

- (A) favorit  
(B) favarite  
(C) faverite  
(D) favourite

Sample Answer



The correct answer is “favourite”, so (D) has been shaded.

5. If you want to change your answer, erase it completely before you fill in your new choice.
6. When the supervisor tells you to begin, turn the page and work as quickly and as carefully as you can.
7. If you try a question and find that you cannot answer it, leave it and go on to the next one. You may return to that question later.

**DO NOT TURN THIS PAGE UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO DO SO.**

Questions 1 and 2

**Choose the correct spelling of the word that completes each sentence.**

**1.** Calvin is an \_\_\_\_\_ young man whom I admire.

- (A) adventorus
- (B) adventureus
- (C) adventorous
- (D) adventurous

**2.** Josh was \_\_\_\_\_ with his new pencil case.

- (A) fasenated
- (B) fassinated
- (C) fascinated
- (D) fassenated

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Questions 3 and 4

Choose the word that is **OPPOSITE** in meaning to the underlined word in each sentence.

3. The meeting will commence after lunch.

- (A) end
- (B) start
- (C) resume
- (D) continue

4. The two sisters have identical school bags.

- (A) similar
- (B) uniform
- (C) different
- (D) corresponding

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Questions 5 and 6

**Choose the compound word in each sentence.**

**5.** Julius received an expensive basketball from his parents.

- (A) parents
- (B) received
- (C) expensive
- (D) basketball

**6.** My sister's birthday will be celebrated in February.

- (A) sister's
- (B) birthday
- (C) February
- (D) celebrated

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Questions 7 and 8

**Choose the most appropriate suffix to complete the underlined word in each sentence.**

7. Joan lost the connect\_\_\_\_\_ on her cellphone.

- (A) ed
- (B) ion
- (C) ing
- (D) ment

8. Sarah wore a love\_\_\_\_\_ dress to the play.

- (A) ly
- (B) ing
- (C) less
- (D) able

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Questions 9 and 10

Choose the word that is **SIMILAR** in meaning to the underlined word in each sentence.

9. You need to provide the evidence that you were not at the scene.

- (A) proof
- (B) notice
- (C) answer
- (D) solution

10. The feeble pup sat on my lap.

- (A) baby
- (B) short
- (C) small
- (D) weak

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Question 11

Read the words below carefully and then answer Question 11.

**Pinch**

**Purple**

**Perch**

**Pray**

11. Which of the following words would be **second** if the words were arranged in alphabetical order?

- (A) Pray
- (B) Pinch
- (C) Perch
- (D) Purple

Question 12

Choose the group of words that are arranged in alphabetical order.

12. (A) after, almost, angle, aspire  
(B) after, angle, aspire, almost  
(C) angle, almost, aspire, after  
(D) almost, after, angle, aspire

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Questions 13 and 14

**Choose the most appropriate word to complete each sentence.**

**13.** If you pay attention in class, you will be able to \_\_\_\_\_ your performance.

- (A) limit
- (B) reduce
- (C) improve
- (D) thicken

**14.** The police \_\_\_\_\_ the child for not using the pedestrian crossing.

- (A) angered
- (B) cautioned
- (C) congratulated
- (D) complimented

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Questions 15 and 16

**Choose the most suitable conjunction to complete each sentence.**

**15.** Marvin listened carefully \_\_\_\_\_ the teacher explained the topic.

- (A) yet
- (B) but
- (C) while
- (D) although

**16.** I want to visit you \_\_\_\_\_ I do not know your address.

- (A) if
- (B) so
- (C) but
- (D) when

Question 17

**Choose the missing punctuation mark to complete the sentence.**

**17.** You are an amazing friend

- (A) :
- (B) ?
- (C) ,
- (D) !

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Question 18

**Choose the sentence in which the punctuation mark(s) is/are correctly used.**

18. (A) Kevin is very talkative in class'  
(B) Did you find your backpack yesterday?  
(C) Carla, will be attending the concert, next week.  
(D) Mandy bought pencils, markers and a textbook

Questions 19 and 20

**Choose the correct form of the verb to complete each sentence.**

19. One of my sisters \_\_\_\_\_ on a tour to Georgetown.

- (A) is going  
(B) are going  
(C) was gone  
(D) have gone

20. The boy's feet \_\_\_\_\_ swollen from the injury.

- (A) is  
(B) has  
(C) was  
(D) were

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Questions 21 and 22

**Choose the most suitable verb tense to complete each sentence.**

**21.** Next week the group will \_\_\_\_\_ at the concert.

- (A) sing
- (B) sang
- (C) sung
- (D) sings

**22.** Yesterday, the teacher \_\_\_\_\_ the pupils to solve the question.

- (A) ask
- (B) asks
- (C) asked
- (D) asking

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Question 23

**Choose the most suitable collective noun to complete the sentence.**

- 23.** The players opened a new \_\_\_\_\_ of cards to play the game.
- (A) set
  - (B) box
  - (C) pack
  - (D) group

Question 24

**Choose the most suitable adjective to complete the sentence.**

- 24.** The \_\_\_\_\_ man saved the child from being attacked by the dog.
- (A) greedy
  - (B) hungry
  - (C) heartless
  - (D) courageous

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**Question 25**

**Choose the most suitable preposition to complete the sentence.**

**25.** He climbed \_\_\_\_\_ the ladder in order to get to the roof.

- (A) up
- (B) into
- (C) under
- (D) around

**Question 26**

**Choose the adverb in the sentence.**

**26.** The children listened attentively to the teacher while she taught the lesson.

- (A) lesson
- (B) taught
- (C) children
- (D) attentively

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Questions 27–29

The five sentences below are not in the correct order to form a paragraph.

Read the sentences carefully and then answer the questions that follow.

1. He smiled when he saw the paper.
2. He got up very early to go to school.
3. Teon did not sleep well for the past week.
4. Teon packed his school bag and anxiously left.
5. He spent most of his nights thinking about the exam.

27. Where should the sentence “He spent most of his nights thinking about the exam” be placed in the paragraph?

- (A) First
- (B) Second
- (C) Third
- (D) Fifth

28. Which of the following sentences should be **fourth** in the paragraph?

- (A) Sentence 2
- (B) Sentence 3
- (C) Sentence 4
- (D) Sentence 5

29. Choose the order in which the sentences would make the **best** paragraph.

- (A) 3, 5, 2, 4, 1
- (B) 3, 4, 5, 1, 2
- (C) 4, 3, 2, 5, 1
- (D) 4, 5, 1, 2, 3

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**NOTHING HAS BEEN OMITTED.**

Questions 30–34

Study the advertisement below carefully and then answer the questions that follow.

**BENGIE'S SHOPPING MALL**

***ANNUAL BLOWOUT SALE***

Begins Wednesday, May 15, 2024  
Sale lasts for 3 days.



**Get BIG discounts on**

- ladies' clothing
- all footwear
- hats and dresses

With every \$5 000 spent,  
you get a FREE perfume set.

**Opening hours:**  
**Monday–Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.**  
**Free WIFI available.**

**30.** The sale will happen at a

- (A) gift centre.
- (B) gas station.
- (C) supermarket.
- (D) shopping mall.

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31. How long will the sale last?

- (A) 2 days
- (B) 3 days
- (C) 4 days
- (D) 5 days

32. The word "discounts" means that the items will be

- (A) free of cost.
- (B) more expensive to buy.
- (C) sold at a reduced price.
- (D) readily available to all customers.

33. "With every \$5 000 spent, you get a FREE perfume set".

The above statement is **most likely** used to

- (A) prevent customers from shopping.
- (B) encourage customers to shop more.
- (C) make customers feel energetic and strong.
- (D) make customers aware of the perfume sets.

34. On which of the following days will the sale end?

- (A) Tuesday
- (B) Wednesday
- (C) Thursday
- (D) Friday

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Questions 35–40

**Read the passage below carefully and then answer the questions that follow.**

Even though they were sisters, Suzie and June were not alike. If Suzie wanted to jump rope, June wanted to play hopscotch. If June wanted to watch a movie, Suzie wanted to watch the news. Tensions rose to the point that the girls began to dislike each other's company but things changed the day their reports came  
5 out. Suzie did great in Science but failed Mathematics and June failed Reading but did well in Social Studies. While riding the bus from school, the girls noticed that they were both upset. After talking, they realized that they both failed a subject.

Since both girls wanted to pass their subjects, they agreed to help each other.  
10 So, every day after school for the next few weeks, Suzie helped June with Reading and June helped Suzie with Mathematics. By the time the next report cards were distributed, Suzie and June were passing all the subjects. The girls were delighted but their mother was the happiest of all. Not just because her daughters passed the subjects but because they had learnt to be good sisters.

*Adapted from Theme Worksheet 2, n.d. Retrieved from <https://www.ereadingworksheets.com/reading-worksheets/theme-worksheet-02/preview/theme-worksheet-02-01.jpg>*

**35.** Suzie and June are

- (A) sisters.
- (B) nieces.
- (C) cousins.
- (D) best friends.

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- 36.** Which of the following subjects did June fail?
- (A) Science
  - (B) Reading
  - (C) Mathematics
  - (D) Social Studies
- 37.** The girls decided to study together because they wanted to
- (A) be like each other.
  - (B) please their mother.
  - (C) pass all the subjects.
  - (D) do better than each other.
- 38.** Which of the following words can be used to replace the word “delighted” as used in line 13?
- (A) certain
  - (B) thrilled
  - (C) puzzled
  - (D) disappointed
- 39.** What does the phrase “Tensions rose” in line 3 suggest?
- (A) The girls had many roses.
  - (B) The mother was angry with the girls.
  - (C) The girls were no longer best friends.
  - (D) The girls were uncomfortable with each other.

**40.** Which of the following titles would be **best** suited for the passage?

- (A) Working Together
- (B) Suzie Helps June
- (C) Failing in Mathematics
- (D) The Sisters and Their Mother

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