

All questions carry 1 mark each. Attempt all questions.

For Question No. 1 - 40, Put a tick (✓) mark against the correct answer in the space given in each question.

If a candidate gives more than one answer to one question, it will be treated as wrong answer even if one of the given answers happens to be correct.

GENERAL ENGLISH (40 MARKS)

Direction (Question Nos.1-10) : Identify the parts of speech of the underlined words and choose the correct answer from the given alternatives:

1. She quickly pack her bag and left.

- (a) Noun ()
- (b) Adjective ()
- (c) **Adverb** (✓)
- (d) Verb ()

2. After lunch, let's go out for a coffee.

- (a) Pronoun ()
- (b) **Preposition** (✓)
- (c) Verb ()
- (d) Adverb ()

3. The faded flowers were thrown away.

- (a) Verb ()
- (b) Pronoun ()
- (c) **Adjective** (✓)
- (d) Conjunction ()

4. Your test scores were almost perfect.

- (a) Adjective ()
- (b) **Adverb** (✓)
- (c) Noun ()
- (d) Pronoun ()

5. I will not be able to attend the game for I have not completed my homework.

- (a) Adjective ()
- (b) Adverb ()
- (c) Noun ()
- (d) **Conjunction** (✓)

6. I can see beyond the horizon.
- (a) Adverb ()
(b) Noun ()
(c) **Preposition** (✓)
(d) Verb ()
7. Our group of students arrived ahead of time.
- (a) Adjective ()
(b) Adverb ()
(c) Conjunction ()
(d) **Noun** (✓)
8. Our team got a thumping win.
- (a) **Adjective** (✓)
(b) Conjunction ()
(c) Adverb ()
(d) Preposition ()
9. The good are blessed while the bad have to suffer.
- (a) Adverb ()
(b) Pronoun ()
(c) Interjection ()
(d) **Conjunction** (✓)
10. The music concert was loud and entertaining.
- (a) Adjective ()
(b) Adverb ()
(c) **Noun** (✓)
(d) Pronoun ()

Direction (Question Nos.11-15) : Choose the correct Idioms and Phrases from the options provided:

11. Fit as a fiddle
- (a) Exactly what was needed ()
(b) **In a good health** (✓)
(c) Very easy ()
(d) Very fast or quickly ()
12. Up in arms
- (a) **Very angry** (✓)
(b) Unexpectedly ()
(c) Keep something away ()
(d) To lose control ()
13. Sitting on the fence
- (a) In a strange situation ()
(b) To face the risk ()
(c) **Hesitate between two decisions** (✓)
(d) In a very difficult situation ()

14. By fits and starts

- (a) Plenty of ()
- (b) Ready to act ()
- (c) To fight against ()
- (d) Irregularly (✓)

15. Hand in glove

- (a) In close relationship (✓)
- (b) Feeling grateful ()
- (c) To bear the consequences ()
- (d) To praise oneself ()

Direction (Question No.16-20) : Choose the correct prepositions to complete the sentences given below:

16. The fat prince was born _____ the purple.

- (a) off ()
- (b) behind ()
- (c) in (✓)
- (d) inside ()

17. The dog is grateful _____ its owner.

- (a) for ()
- (b) to (✓)
- (c) at ()
- (d) in ()

18. We enjoy driving _____ the highway.

- (a) across ()
- (b) into ()
- (c) at ()
- (d) along (✓)

19. The ship was driven _____ the shore by the storm.

- (a) upon (✓)
- (b) in ()
- (c) into ()
- (d) upto ()

20. I shall return _____ a week.

- (a) in ()
- (b) by (✓)
- (c) for ()
- (d) on ()

Direction (Question Nos. 21-25) : Choose/identify the correct tense of the verbs in the following sentences.

21. I met him at the door just at the time the boss _____ to the employees.

- (a) is talking ()
- (b) **was talking** (✓)
- (c) has talked ()
- (d) talked ()

22. This servant _____ with us for ten years.

- (a) **has been working** (✓)
- (b) works ()
- (c) is working ()
- (d) does work ()

23. They will read the report fully before they _____.

- (a) will vote ()
- (b) **vote** (✓)
- (c) would vote ()
- (d) was vote ()

24. Tomorrow at 9 a.m., you _____ piano lessons.

- (a) has ()
- (b) will have had ()
- (c) will has ()
- (d) **will be having** (✓)

25. She _____ her daughter to school before she goes to work.

- (a) took ()
- (b) has taken ()
- (c) **takes** (✓)
- (d) taking ()

Direction (Question Nos. 26-30) : Change the voice of the following sentences:

26. The boy laughed at the beggar

- (a) The beggar was laughed by the boy. ()
- (b) The beggar was being laughed by the boy ()
- (c) The beggar was being laughed at by the boy ()
- (d) **The beggar was laughed at by the boy.** (✓)

27. Prepare yourself for the best.

- (a) **Be prepared for the best.** (✓)
- (b) You be prepared for the best. ()
- (c) For the best be prepared yourself. ()
- (d) For the best be prepared. ()

28. Rama will tell her later.

- (a) She will be tell later by Rama. ()
- (b) She will tell later by Rama. ()
- (c) **She will be told by Rama later.** (✓)
- (d) She will be tell later. ()

29. All the examinees have answered one particular question in the long answer writing section.

- (a) All the examinees answered one particular question in the long answer writing section. ()
- (b) One particular question is answered by all the examinees in the long answer writing section. ()
- (c) One particular question was answered by all the examinees in the long answer writing section. ()
- (d) **One particular question in the long answer writing section has been answered by all the examinees.** (✓)

30. Does he purchase books from the store?

- (a) Did he purchase the books from the store? ()
- (b) Had he purchased the books from the store? ()
- (c) **Are books purchased from the store by him?** (✓)
- (d) Did he purchased the books from the store? ()

Direction (Question Nos. 31-35) : Choose the word opposite in meaning to the given word:

31. Healthy

- (a) Strong ()
- (b) Vibrant ()
- (c) Energetic ()
- (d) **Sick** (✓)

32. Modest

- (a) Unhappy ()
- (b) **Conceited** (✓)
- (c) Sullen ()
- (d) Glum ()

33. Hospitality

- (a) Complaint ()
- (b) Cordiality ()
- (c) **Coldness** (✓)
- (d) Generosity ()

34. Steady

- (a) **Shaky** (✓)
- (b) Kinder ()
- (c) Cliché ()
- (d) Consistent ()

35. Vulnerable

- (a) Fortuitous ()
- (b) Unarmed ()
- (c) **Resilient** (✓)
- (d) Deliberate ()

Direction (Question Nos. 36-40) : Select the most appropriate synonym for the given word

36. Proficient

- (a) **Skilled** (✓)
- (b) Awkward ()
- (c) Clumsy ()
- (d) Incompetent ()

37. Distant

- (a) Farsighted ()
- (b) Futuristic ()
- (c) **Faraway** (✓)
- (d) Forward ()

38. Confusion

- (a) Stagnation ()
- (b) **Commotion** (✓)
- (c) Clarity ()
- (d) Certainty ()

39. Avert

- (a) Face ()
- (b) **Prevent** (✓)
- (c) Allow ()
- (d) Permit ()

40. Inevitable

- (a) Doubtful ()
- (b) Uncertain ()
- (c) Dubious ()
- (d) **Unavoidable** (✓)

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