

International English Language Competition

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Grand Finale 2024-25

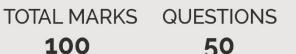
ECAT Question Paper

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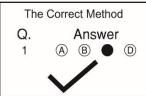
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DURATION 60 mins

Instructions for Student:

- ⇒ Read the question carefully before answering.
- ⇒ Each question has 4 options (A, B, C & D).
- ⇒ Choose one correct option as your answer, from the 4 options.
- Every question carries 2 marks.
- → There will be an additional 0.5 Negative Marking for every wrong answer.
- ◆ On the answer sheet blacken the correct option against the corresponding question number,



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Q.	Answer					
1	A			(D)		
1	A	B		(D)		
1	A	$^{\otimes}$	\otimes	(D)		
1	A	B	\otimes	(D)	•	

- Use pencil to mark your answer.
- ⇒ If you wish to change your answer, erase the previous mark completely.

Observe the 'POSTER' and answer questions 1 to 5.



1. What information does the poster primarily give us?

- a. Cooking is a fun family activity.
- b. Food waste is primarily a problem for restaurants
- c. Reducing food waste can help families save money for enjoyable outings.
- d. Shopping lists are unnecessary for grocery shopping.

2. According to the poster, what can be saved by wasting less food?

- a. Time for cooking
- c. Space in the refrigerator

- b. Money for a fun family outing
- d. Energy for cooking

3. What would you not do in order to reduce food waste?

- a. Buy in bulk without planning
- c. Order only what you can finish
- b. Cook just enough
 - d. Make a shopping list and keep to it

4. Why is it important to make a shopping list according to the poster?

- a. To impress friends with your organization skills
- b. To make grocery shopping take longer
- c. To ensure you buy only what you need and avoid waste
- d. To impress friends with your organization skills

5. Which of these questions could be asked regarding the impact of food wastage on the environment?

- a. How much money can families save by wasting more food?
- b. What are some environmental consequences of generating large amounts of food waste?
- c. Why do some people enjoy wasting food?
- d. How often do people eat out instead of cooking?

Read the passage and answer questions 6 to 12.

I felt I was going mad. I ran around hitting the bushes. Crying and shouting, I went to the big stone building. It was very dark inside. I found a hall with little people sleeping in it. I woke them up and shouted, 'Where is my Time Machine?' Some of them laughed loudly but most of them were scared.

It was bad to upset them, so I quickly ran outside. I was very worried. For hours | looked for my Time Machine. At last I was so tired I fell asleep on the ground. When I woke up there were birds near me on the grass. I was calmer now but what if couldn't find the Time Machine? I could stay there and build another Time Machine but it would be exhausting.

I decided to explore the area. I found an old house and went inside. It was very dark and I couldn't see well. Suddenly, I stopped walking. There was someone in the house. I could see the eyes shining in the dark. I put out my hand and touched something soft. The eyes looked away and something grey ran past me fast. It looked like an ape with red eyes and long arms. I followed the creature carefully.

- Excerpt from 'The Time Machine' by H.G. Wells

6. What was the narrator searching for?

a. A friend

b. A Time Machine

c. A hidden treasure

d. Food

7. How did the narrator feel at the beginning of the passage?

a. Happy and excited

b. Calm and relaxed

c. Mad and worried

d. Confused but content

8. What did the narrator do when he found the hall with little people?

- a. He sat down and rested.
- b. He shouted about the Time Machine.
- c. He left quietly.
- d. He started to cry.

9. Suggest a suitable theme for the above passage.

- a. The joy of being in nature
- b. The value of staying at home
- c. The challenges of exploration and discovery
- d. The importance of friendship

10. What can be inferred about the little people in the hall?

- a. They were scared and confused by the narrator's actions.
- b. They were friendly and helpful.
- c. They were angry at being woken up.
- d. They were excited to see a stranger.

11. Why was the protagonist worried about not finding the Time Machine?

- a. Worried that he would have to stay there without food and water
- b. Fear of being trapped in the distant future
- c. Fear of not being able to be friends with the little people in the hall
- d. Worried of being caught in the bad weather in the unknown place

12. Which sentence describes the setting mentioned in the passage?

- a. It is a safe and friendly place.
- b. It is a bright and cheerful environment.
- c. It is familiar to the narrator.
- d. It is dark and possibly dangerous.

Read the given information and answer questions 13 to 20.

Technology has dramatically transformed the way we communicate, making it faster, easier, and more accessible than ever before. In just a few decades, the landscape of communication has shifted from traditional methods like letters and landline phones to a digital world filled with instant messaging, social media, and video calls.

The advent of smartphones and social media platforms has revolutionized how we connect with others. In the past, maintaining relationships over long distances often required letters or expensive long-distance phone calls. Today, we can communicate instantly through text messages, video calls, and social media updates. This immediacy allows us to stay in touch with family and friends regardless of geographical barriers.

The rise of the internet is another significant advancement in communication technology. With the internet, people can now send messages and share information instantly across vast distances. Email was one of the first major breakthroughs that allowed for rapid communication without the delays of postal services. Today, billions of people use email for both personal and professional communication.

In addition to email, instant messaging applications have revolutionized personal communication. Platforms like WhatsApp, Facebook Messenger, and Telegram enable users to send text messages, images, videos, and voice notes instantly. These apps have made it possible to stay connected with friends and family no matter where they are in the world.

13. Which of the following methods of communication was commonly used in the past?

a. Instant messaging

b. Social media updates

c. Letters and landline phones

d. Video calls

14. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a form of modern communication in the passage?

a. Text messages

b. Video calls

c. Radio broadcasts

d. Social media updates

15. What role does email play in modern communication according to the passage?

- a. It allows for rapid communication without postal delays.
- b. It is outdated and rarely used.
- c. It is only used for professional purposes.
- d. It is slower than traditional mail.

16. What theme can be identified from the passage regarding communication technology?

- a. People prefer to communicate in person rather than online.
- b. Traditional methods of communication are superior to modern ones
- c. Communication technology has made life more complicated
- d. Modern technology has improved our ability to connect with others.

17. According to the passage, which of these statements is true?

- a. The rise of social media caused people to stop using email.
- b. The invention of smartphones led to an increase in face-to-face interactions.
- c. Instant messaging apps have made it easier for people to stay connected.
- d. Traditional mail services improved due to competition from email.

18. What can be inferred about the future of communication based on the passage?

- a. New technologies will continue to enhance how we connect with others.
- b. Communication will likely become less important over time.
- c. People will return to using only traditional methods of communication.
- d. There will be no further advancements in communication technology.

19. "The advent of smartphones and social media platforms has revolutionized how we connect with others." What does "revolutionized" most likely mean in this context?

a. Made more confusing

- b. Made slightly better.
- c. Completely changed for the better
- d. Remained the same

20. The phrase "geographical barriers" refers to what in the context of the passage?

- a. Physical distances that separate people.
- b. Differences in cultural backgrounds.
- c. Limitations of technology.
- d. Language differences that hinder communication

Read the given poem and answer questions 21 to 25.

Winter Morning

Winter is the king of showmen,

Turning tree stumps into snow men.

And houses into birthday cakes

And spreading sugar over lakes.

Smooth and clean and frosty white,

The world looks good enough to bite.

That's the season to be young,

Catching snowflakes on your tongue!

Snow is snowy when it's snowing.

I'm sorry it's slushy when it's going.

- By Ogden Nash

21. In the line "Turning tree stumps into snow men," what figure of speech is being used?

- a. simile
- b. metaphor
- c. personification
- d. hyperbole

22. What does the phrase "spreading sugar over lakes" suggest about winter?

- a. Winter makes lakes taste sweet
- b. Winter creates a beautiful, magical appearance on lakes.
- c. Sugar is used to melt the ice on lakes
- d. Lakes become unusable in winter.

23. What does the phrase "The world looks good enough to bite" imply about winter?

- a. People should eat snow
- b. Winter food is delicious.
- c. Winter is not enjoyable.
- d. Everything in winter looks appealing and delightful.

24. In the line "I'm sorry it's slushy when it's going," what does the word "slushy" refer to?

- a. Soft and wet snow that is melting
- b. Hard ice that is difficult to walk on
- c. Freshly fallen snow that is untouched
- d. Rain that falls during winter

25. What is the main theme of the poem?

- a. The beauty of winter and its playful qualities
- b. The sadness of losing summer
- c. The importance of family during winter
- d. The challenges of cold weather

For questions 26 to 50, choose the correct alternative.

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a. The book is on the table.

b. She is good in math.

c. He ran across the street.

d. The dog jumped over the fence.

27. "There is not _____ difference between close and shut."

Complete the sentence using an appropriate determiner.

- a. either
- b. or
- c. much
- d. many

28. He said, "I am going to the store."

Convert the sentence into indirect speech. "

- a. He said that he is going to the store.
- b. He says he wants to go to the store.
- c. He said that he will go to the store.
- d. He said he was going to the store.

29. "Everyone enjoyed the movie, _____?"

Choose the correct question tag.

a. does everyone

b. don't they

c. didn't they

d. hasn't everyone

30. "The chef cooked a delicious meal."

Convert the sentence into passive voice.

- a. The meal was deliciously cooked by the chef.
- b. The chef was cooking a delicious meal.
- c. A delicious meal was cooked by the chef.
- d. A delicious meal is cooked by the chef.

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31. "The people are Choose the correct adve	 =						
a. heavily				d.	strongly		
32. Kunal is a boy.							
 a. sensitive one 		b.	sensitive				
c. more sensitive one		d.	sensitive than other	ers			
33. Which of the following words can be formed by rearranging all the letters of the word "STRESSED"?							
a. DESSERTS	b. REDNESS	C.	DRESSED	d.	RESTED		
34. Which of the following words can be formed by rearranging all the letters of the word "ANGEL"?							
a. GLEAN	b. ANGEL	c.	LEAN	d.	Both A and B		
35. Choose the correctly spelt word.							
a. Occurrence	b. Occurence	C.	Ocurrence	d.	Occurance		
36. They had finished their homework before dinner."							

What tense is used in the sentence? "

a. Present Perfect c. Future Perfect

b. Past Perfect

d. Past Continuous

37. Which of the following sentences is in active voice?

- a. The boy was bitten by the dog.
- b. The man ate the whole tub of ice cream.
- c. The book is being read in class.
- d. Research paper will be presented at the conference.

38. "Unless a book is good, I can't read it." Identify the type of sentence.

a. Simple

b. Compound

c. Compound-Complex

d. Complex

39. Identify the sentence that contains a noun clause.

- a. She said that I will have to go
- b. I met a woman who was selling candies outside the mall.
- c. Do you know any store where they sell used clothes?
- d. Things will not improve unless you do something.

40. Which of the following sentences does NOT contain an abstract noun?

- a. We have a lot of faith in our judiciary.
- b. The management has conducted a meeting about upcoming projects.
- c. I am filled with extreme joy when I help others.
- d. Over time most people develop wisdom.

41. Which sentence correctly uses the comparative degree of the adjective?

- a. Which napkin is softer, the blue one or the red one.
- b. Erica is the smartest in the group.
- c. The apple is sweet.
- d. That baby girl is the cutest baby I ever saw.

42. "You have been sleeping for twelve hours."

What is the tense of the verb?

- a. Simple past
- c. past perfect

- b. present perfect
- d. present perfect continuous
- 43. Choose the word that is least like the others.
 - a. tranquil
- b. agitated
- c. serene
- d. calm
- 44. "The artist embellished her painting with bright colours".

Choose the word that is closest in meaning to the underlined word in the sentence.

- a. removed
- b. destroyed
- c. decorated
- d. ignored

- 45. What does the idiom "under the weather" mean?
 - a. They are enjoying themselves
- b. They are feeling unwell
- c. They are outside in bad weather
- d. They are traveling
- 46. What is the antonym of the word 'Meticulous'?
 - a. careful
- b. diligent
- c. negligent
- d. precise

For questions 47 to 50, choose the correct punctuation.

"Look at those vibrant flowers(47)" she exclaimed. "Aren't they stunning(48)" Just then, her friend Jake joined her and said, "I(49) we never seen anything like them before!" Sarah smiled and replied, "I know! It's as if nature is putting on a show just for us." They both laughed and continued their stroll(50) enjoying the fresh air and the sound of children playing nearby.

- **47.** a. comma (,)
 - c. question mark (?)

- b. full stop (.)
- d. exclamation mark (!)

- **48.** a. question mark (?)
 - c. colon (:)

- b. comma (,)
- d. exclamation mark (!)

- **49.** a. apostrophe (')
 - c. question mark (?)

- b. full stop (.)
- d. exclamation mark (!)

- **50.** a. exclamation mark (!)
 - c. question mark (?)

- b. full stop (.)
- d. comma (,)

