



ECAT GRAND FINALE

Sample Paper

(Based on the new exam pattern)



TOTAL MARKS
80



QUESTIONS
40



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.
- **New Exam Pattern:**
 1. Each question will carry 1, 2, or 4 marks, depending on its difficulty level.
 2. **Negative Marking:** Additional marks will be deducted for every incorrect answer (0.25 marks for a 1-mark question, 0.5 marks for a 2-mark question, and 1 mark for a 4-mark question).
 3. The Assessment Round score will be included in the Grand Finale score using a weighted average method. 30% of the Assessment Round and 70% of the Grand Finale score.
 4. New Method to Calculate Marks for Grand Finale Awards.

	Assessment Round	Grand Finale
Actual Marks	60	80
Weightage	30%	70%
Marks After Weighted Average Rule	$60 \times 30/100 = 18$	$80 \times 70/100 = 56$
Final Marks for Grand Finale Awards	$18 + 56 = 74$	

- On the answer sheet blacken the correct option against the corresponding question number.
- **Use pencil to mark your answer.**
- If you wish to change your answer, erase the previous mark completely.

All The Best !

SECTION 1: Identification of Grammar

1. Which of the following is an uncountable noun? (1m)
 - a. Water
 - b. Apples
 - c. Dogs
 - d. Books

2. "The magnificent horse galloped across the field."
Pick out the adjective from the given sentence. (1m)
 - a. horse
 - b. magnificent
 - c. across
 - d. field

3. "What day is it today?" Identify the type of sentence. (1m)
 - a. Command
 - b. Exclamatory
 - c. Question
 - d. Statement

4. Which of the following sentences is in the present continuous tense? (1m)
 - a. She dances gracefully.
 - b. She is dancing gracefully.
 - c. She will dance gracefully.
 - d. She danced gracefully.

5. "Yay! It's time to go to the beach." Which word is the interjection? (1m)
 - a. time
 - b. go
 - c. yay
 - d. beach

6. Pick out the correctly spelled word. (1m)
 - a. elephant
 - b. elephent
 - c. elefant
 - d. elliphant

7. Pick the odd one out.
 - a. Chair
 - b. Sofa
 - c. Desk
 - d. Pillow

8. "The fragile insect crawled across the leaf."
What is the meaning of the underlined word in the sentence? (1m)
 - a. Strong and tough
 - b. Delicate and easily hurt
 - c. Very fast
 - d. Very large

9. What is the antonym of "win"? (1m)

- a. finish
- b. gain
- c. lose
- d. achieve

10. "The bright sun shone in the sky." Choose the predicate in the sentence. (1m)

- a. The bright sun
- b. shone in the sky
- c. bright
- d. in the sky

SECTION 2: Functional Grammar

11. "We saw _____ eagle flying above the mountains." Fill in the blank with the correct article. (2m)

- a. a
- b. the
- c. an
- d. none of these

12. "The turtle is hiding _____ the chair." Choose the suitable preposition. (2m)

- a. under
- b. over
- c. into
- d. on

13. "He drives _____ on the highway." Fill in the blank with the correct adverb. (2m)

- a. carefully
- b. quickly
- c. slow
- d. noisy

14. "The _____ mountain was covered in snow." Choose the most suitable adjective. (2m)

- a. high
- b. loud
- c. thin
- d. warm

15. Choose the correct plural for the word "wolf". (2m)

- a. Wolfs
- b. Wolves
- c. Wolfes
- d. Wolf

16. "He has _____ that is very curly." Choose the correct homophone to complete the sentence. (2m)

- a. hare
- b. hair
- c. hear
- d. here

17. "She wanted to buy the dress, _____ it was too expensive." (2m)

Fill in the blank with the correct conjunction.

- a. or
- b. but
- c. so
- d. and

18. "My friends and _____ went to the park." Pick the correct pronoun for the following sentence. (2m)

- a. him
- b. her
- c. me
- d. I

19. "How are you feeling today__" Choose the correct punctuation mark to complete the sentence. (2m)

- a. Full stop (.)
- b. Question mark (?)
- c. Comma (,)
- d. Exclamation mark (!)

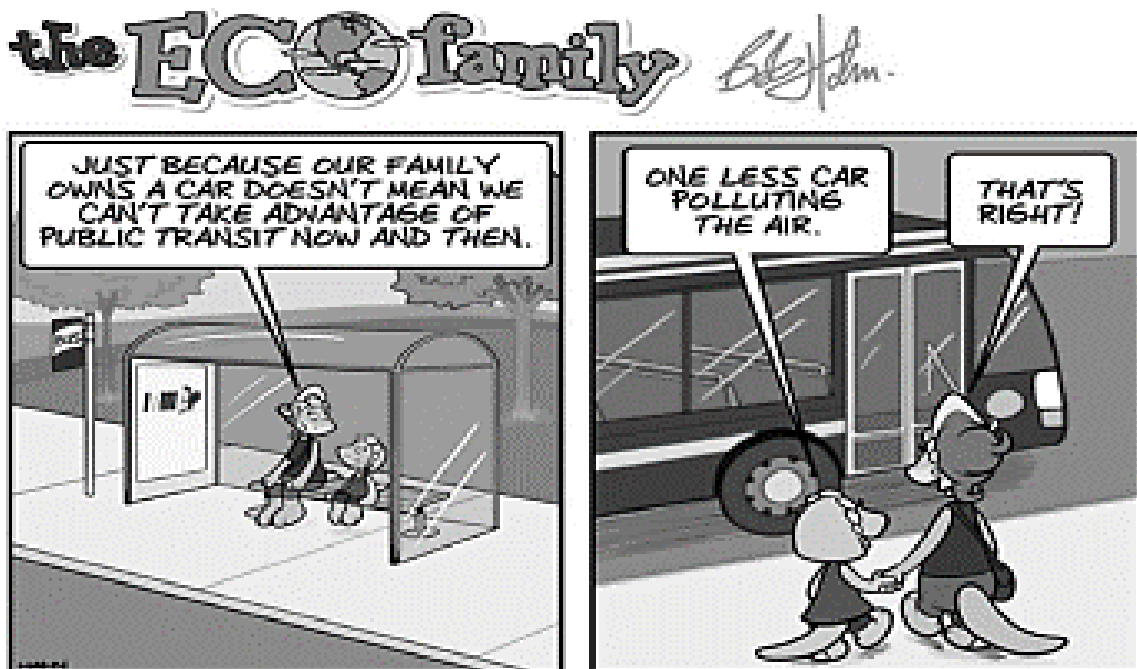
20. "Please pass the salt and pepper__"

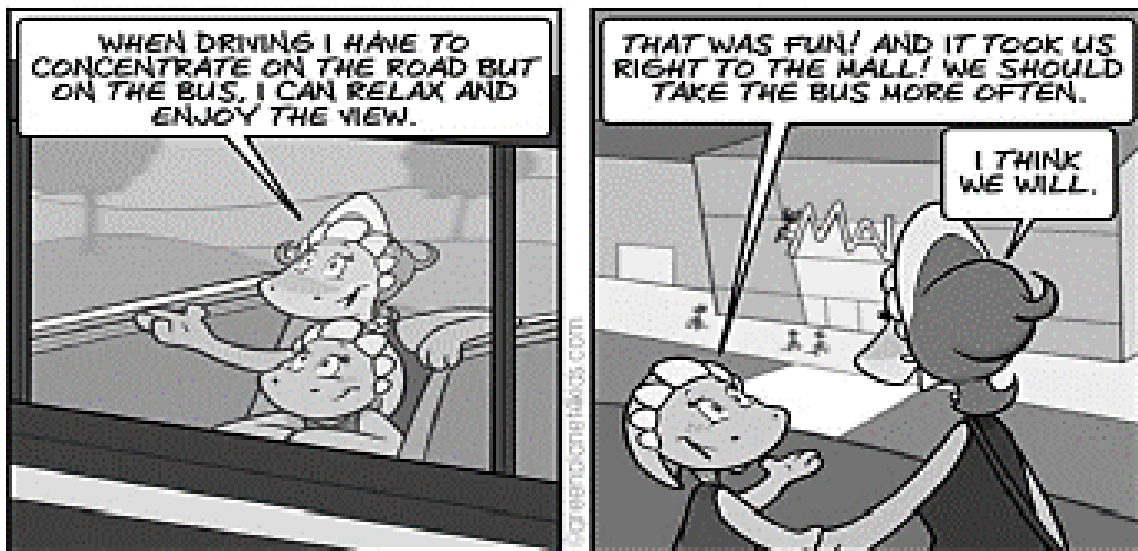
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SECTION 3: Reading Comprehension

Read the comic strip and answer questions 21 to 24.





21. Why does the family decide to take the bus instead of their car? (2m)

- a. They lost their car keys.
- b. To reduce pollution.
- c. They don't have a car.
- d. The car is broken.

22. What does the family learn from their experience on the bus? (2m)

- a. That buses are too slow.
- b. That they don't enjoy the bus ride.
- c. That public transit is sometimes better.
- d. That they need to buy a second car.

23. Why do you think the mother suggests taking public transit "now and then" even though they own a car? (2m)

- a. She prefers the bus over driving.
- b. She wants to teach her child about environmental responsibility.
- c. She doesn't have a driver's license.
- d. She thinks the bus is faster than their car.

Read the passage and answer questions 24 to 29.

One pleasant afternoon, Maya and her friends visited the town's community garden, a vibrant space where neighbours worked together to cultivate flowers, vegetables, and trees. Maya loved the garden because it was a place of collaboration and learning.

Today, Maya and her friends were assisting Mr. Lee, an elderly gardener, who had been tending to the plot for years. He demonstrated how to plant seeds carefully and explained the importance of patience and attention for the plants to thrive.

As they worked, Maya noticed how the garden united people of all ages. Young children, parents, and grandparents worked side by side, sharing advice and stories. By the end of the day, the garden looked even more beautiful. Maya felt a sense of pride and understood that the garden was not only about growing plants but also about fostering connections and teamwork.

24. What did Maya and her friends do at the community garden? (2m)

- a. They helped plant seeds and tend to the plants
- b. They played games
- c. They picked flowers
- d. They organized a party

25. What did Maya observe about the people in the garden? (2m)

- a. They worked alone
- b. People of all ages worked together and shared stories
- c. Everyone was focused only on their own plants
- d. The garden was very quiet and empty

26. Why is the garden important to the community? (2m)

- a. It provides a space for people to grow food and flowers together
- b. It is a place for tourists to visit
- c. It is used for private gardening only
- d. It is a quiet place for people to relax alone

27. What do we learn about Mr. Lee? (2m)

- a. He enjoys teaching others and sharing his knowledge
- b. He is uninterested in helping the younger generation
- c. He prefers to work in solitude
- d. He is too busy to work in the garden

28. What is the central theme of the story? (2m)

- a. The value of collaboration and community
- b. The joy of working alone in nature
- c. The challenges of growing plants
- d. The importance of maintaining a quiet space

29. How would you describe Maya's attitude toward the community garden? (2m)

- a. She is uninterested and just follows along.
- b. She is enthusiastic and enjoys working with others.
- c. She prefers to work alone in the garden.
- d. She is frustrated and doesn't enjoy gardening.

Read the passage and answer questions 30 to 35.

The water cycle is a continuous process that moves water through the Earth's atmosphere, land, and oceans. It begins with evaporation, when water from oceans, rivers, and lakes is heated by the sun and turns into water vapour. This vapour rises into the sky, where it cools and condenses to form clouds. This part of the cycle is called condensation.

Eventually, the clouds become heavy with water droplets, and precipitation occurs, which brings water back to the Earth as rain, snow, or sleet. Once the water reaches the ground, it can either flow into rivers and oceans or soak into the soil. Water that soaks into the soil is absorbed by plants or becomes part of underground water storage.

This cycle is essential for all living things, as it provides the fresh water needed by plants, animals, and humans. The water cycle also helps to regulate Earth's temperature and weather patterns. Without it, life as we know it could not exist.

30. What is the first stage of the water cycle? (2m)

- a. Precipitation
- b. Condensation
- c. Evaporation
- d. Absorption

31. Why is the water cycle important for living things? (2m)

- a. It creates oceans
- b. It provides fresh water needed by plants and animals
- c. It makes rivers flow faster
- d. It changes soil into water

32. What is the main theme of the passage? (2m)

- a. The importance of clouds in the sky
- b. The different ways animals depend on water
- c. The stages and importance of the water cycle for life on Earth
- d. How rivers are formed by water flow

33. What do we understand about the importance of clouds in the water cycle? (2m)

- a. They block sunlight
- b. They are only for decoration
- c. They hold water droplets that eventually fall as precipitation
- d. They move water away from the Earth

34. Why might the water cycle be important for weather patterns? (2m)

- a. It keeps temperatures the same all the time
- b. It helps regulate rainfall, snow, and other weather events
- c. It prevents water from reaching oceans
- d. It creates stronger winds

35. If farmers depend on rainfall for crops, how might they feel about the water cycle? (2m)

- a. Indifferent, because the water cycle has no effect on crops
- b. Annoyed, because it brings too much water to plants
- c. Grateful, because it provides the rainfall needed for crops to grow
- d. Concerned, because the water cycle stops crops from growing

SECTION 4: Challenger's Section

36. Choose the sentence that has no grammatical error. (4m)

- a. She don't like ice cream.
- b. He go to school every day.
- c. They are playing in the garden.
- d. I is happy today.

37. Read the sentences below. Choose the option that arranges them in the correct logical order to form a meaningful story. (4m)

- P. He watered the seeds every day and waited patiently.
Q. Raj planted tiny seeds in a corner of his garden.
R. Soon, tiny green shoots began to appear above the soil.
S. Raj felt very proud when he saw his first flower bloom.
- a. Q, P, R, S
b. P, Q, R, S
c. Q, R, P, S
d. S, Q, P, R

38. "Write is to Wrote as Go is to _____. " Complete the analogy. (4m)

- a. Goes
b. Going
c. Went
d. Gone

39. Read the four sentences below. Three of them belong together and describe the same event, but one sentence does not fit, even though it is grammatically correct. Which sentence does NOT belong? (4m)

- a. The dark clouds gathered quickly over the village.
b. Soon, heavy rain began to pour down.
c. Children splashed happily in the puddles after school.
d. My uncle bought a new bicycle last week.

40. "Although it was raining heavily, the children _____ their football match until the whistle blew." Choose the word that best completes it. (4m)

- a. completed
b. continued
c. postponed
d. cancelled

