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**GENERAL ENGLISH PAPER-II**

Time Allowed : 2 hours

Full Marks : 100

*All questions carry equal mark of 1 each.*  
*Attempt all questions.*

**Direction (Questions No. 1 – 10): Identify the parts of speech of the underlined words:**

1. The judge declared him guilty.  
(a) Noun (b) Verb  
(c) Adjective (d) Adverb
2. My sister wants to be a teacher.  
(a) Noun (b) Verb  
(c) Adjective (d) Adverb
3. Night follows day.  
(a) Noun (b) Verb  
(c) Adjective (d) Adverb
4. What did she ask you to do?  
(a) Adjective (b) Pronoun  
(c) Adverb (d) Preposition
5. If we finish our work quickly, we can go to the movies.  
(a) Adjective (b) Conjunction  
(c) Adverb (d) Preposition
6. I knocked on the door but nobody answered.  
(a) Adverb (b) Conjunction  
(c) Adjective (d) Preposition
7. After lunch let's go out for coffee.  
(a) Adverb (b) Verb  
(c) Noun (d) Preposition
8. This wood will make a good hiding place.  
(a) Verb (b) Adverb  
(c) Adjective (d) Noun

9. She was made to repeat the whole story.  
(a) Verb (b) Adverb  
(c) Adjective (d) Noun
10. Can you make me a cake by Monday?  
(a) Verb (b) Adverb  
(c) Pronoun

**Direction (Questions No. 11 – 20) : Choose the correct form of verbs from the options given:**

11. He \_\_\_\_\_ his car on Sundays.  
(a) wash (b) washed  
(c) washes (d) had washed
12. My father \_\_\_\_\_ to Paris next month.  
(a) went (b) had gone  
(c) will go (d) go
13. While I \_\_\_\_\_ for you, I fell asleep.  
(a) wait (b) waited  
(c) waits (d) was waiting
14. When they arrived, I \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) bathe (b) was bathing  
(c) bathed (d) will bathe
15. One of the eggs \_\_\_\_\_ broken.  
(a) were (b) are  
(c) was (d) will have
16. His company is greatly \_\_\_\_\_ after.  
(a) seek (b) sought  
(c) seeking (d) had sought
17. He \_\_\_\_\_ ill since last week  
(a) was (b) has been  
(c) had been (d) is
18. We \_\_\_\_\_ anything from them for months.  
(a) hadn't heard (b) haven't heard  
(c) didn't hear (d) haven't hear
19. I didn't know how long she \_\_\_\_\_ there.  
(a) was sitting (b) has been sitting  
(c) had been sitting (d) sat
20. If he \_\_\_\_\_ hard, he will pass.  
(a) works (b) will work  
(c) worked (d) had worked

**Direction (Questions No. 21 – 30): Choose the correct conjunctions from the options:**

21. I did not go to the show \_\_\_\_\_ I had already seen it.  
(a) until (b) because  
(c) so (d) but
22. \_\_\_\_\_ he is thin, he is strong.  
(a) but (b) as  
(c) though (d) because
23. He was rich \_\_\_\_\_ not contented.  
(a) and (b) but  
(c) so (d) though
24. He must participate \_\_\_\_\_ he will be fined.  
(a) as (b) but  
(c) or (d) and
25. He must be punished \_\_\_\_\_ he is guilty.  
(a) so (b) because  
(c) but (d) though
26. You will not get the prize \_\_\_\_\_ you deserve it.  
(a) if (b) whether  
(c) unless (d) until
27. The kidnappers will not release the child \_\_\_\_\_ the parents do not pay the ransom.  
(a) if (b) or  
(c) when (d) but
28. \_\_\_\_\_ he was not invited, he did not come.  
(a) so (b) as  
(c) for (d) that
29. Give every man thy ear, \_\_\_\_\_ few thy voice.  
(a) but (b) as  
(c) for (d) and
30. Either you are mistaken, \_\_\_\_\_ I am.  
(a) and (b) nor  
(c) or (d) but

**Direction (Questions No. 31 – 40) : Choose the correct prepositions from the given options :**

31. We went to Manali \_\_\_\_\_ train.  
(a) on (b) in  
(c) by (d) with
32. The train went \_\_\_\_\_ the tunnel.  
(a) to (b) into  
(c) in (d) through

33. The moon is a barren, rocky world \_\_\_\_\_ air and water.  
(a) with (b) of  
(c) without (d) in
34. Students are responsible \_\_\_\_\_ any kind of irresponsible behaviour.  
(a) of (b) for  
(c) to (d) with
35. My brother's birthday is \_\_\_\_\_ 22<sup>nd</sup> May.  
(a) on (b) in  
(c) at (d) from
36. I will finish this work \_\_\_\_\_ today evening.  
(a) on (b) at  
(c) by (d) for
37. I have been waiting for you \_\_\_\_\_ two hours.  
(a) for (b) since  
(c) from (d) in
38. His thoughts are identical \_\_\_\_\_ mine.  
(a) as (b) to  
(c) with (d) for
39. He was sitting with his back \_\_\_\_\_ me.  
(a) from (b) to  
(c) in (d) towards
40. He is prepared \_\_\_\_\_ the examinations.  
(a) for (b) to  
(c) from (d) with

**Direction (Questions No. 41 – 50) : Analyze the given sentences and choose the correct option:**

41. The match was cancelled, because it was raining.  
(a) compound sentence (b) complex sentence  
(c) compound-complex sentence (d) simple sentence
42. The sky is clear; the stars are twinkling.  
(a) compound sentence (b) complex sentence  
(c) compound-complex sentence (d) simple sentence
43. The music is too loud for my ears.  
(a) compound sentence (b) complex sentence  
(c) compound-complex sentence (d) simple sentence
44. Wherever you go, you can always find beauty.  
(a) compound sentence (b) complex sentence  
(c) compound-complex sentence (d) simple sentence
45. You can put wings on a pig, but you don't make it an eagle.  
(a) compound sentence (b) complex sentence  
(c) compound-complex sentence (d) simple sentence

46. When I was younger, I believed in fairy-tales.  
(a) compound sentence (b) complex sentence  
(c) compound-complex sentence (d) simple sentence
47. He got there early, and they got really good seats.  
(a) compound sentence (b) complex sentence  
(c) compound-complex sentence (d) simple sentence
48. Because he did not know the route well, he drove slowly.  
(a) compound sentence (b) complex sentence  
(c) compound-complex sentence (d) simple sentence
49. The frog jumped and landed in the pond.  
(a) compound sentence (b) complex sentence  
(c) compound-complex sentence (d) simple sentence
50. Jane doesn't like cartoons because they are loud, so she doesn't watch them.  
(a) compound sentence (b) complex sentence  
(c) compound-complex sentence (d) simple sentence

**Direction (Questions No. 51 – 60) : Transform the following sentences as directed in the brackets.**

51. The news has been brought to us by him. (Change to Simple sentence)  
(a) He brought us the news. (b) He has brought us the news.  
(c) He brought the news to us. (d) We brought the news to him.
52. They created such a fuss over a trivial matter. (Change to Simple sentence)  
(a) Such a fuss is being created over a trivial matter.  
(b) Such a fuss was created over a trivial matter.  
(c) Such a fuss has been created over a trivial matter.  
(d) By then such a fuss has been created over a trivial matter.
53. Although he was wealthy and educated, he never made a name. (Change to Simple sentence)  
(a) He was wealthy and educated, but never made a name.  
(b) In spite of being wealthy and educated, he never made a name.  
(c) He never made a name because he was wealthy and educated.  
(d) Since he was wealthy and educated, he never made a name.
54. It is kind of you to visit us. (Change to Exclamatory sentence)  
(a) How kind of you to visit us! (b) How kind it is of you to visit us!  
(c) It is so kind you visit us! (d) How kind of you that you visit us!
55. O that I could fly like birds! (Change to Assertive sentence)  
(a) How I wish I could fly like birds. (b) I wish that I could fly like birds.  
(c) I wish to fly like birds. (d) How I wish to fly like birds.
56. If you speak the truth, you will be honoured. (Change to Compound sentence)  
(a) Speak the truth and you will be honoured.  
(b) Speak the truth to be honoured.  
(c) Speaking the truth will honour you.  
(d) Speak the truth so that you would be honoured.

57. He worked hard to earn money. (Change to Complex sentence)
- (a) He worked hard as to earn money. (b) He worked hard and earn money.  
(c) He worked hard that he might earn money. (d) He worked hard so he could earn money.
58. He is better than any other student. (Change to Superlative degree)
- (a) He is best than other studens. (b) He is best of the students.  
(c) He is best student of all. (d) He is the best student.
59. The patient is so weak that he cannot move about. (Change to Simple sentence)
- (a) The patient is too weak and cannot move about.  
(b) The patient is too weak to move about.  
(c) The patient cannot move about as he is too weak.  
(d) Because the patient is too weak, he cannot move about.
60. No other boy in the class is as tall as John. (Use Comparative degree)
- (a) John is the tallest boy in class. (b) John is taller of all the boys in the class.  
(c) John is taller than any other boy in the class. (d) John is taller than many boys in the class.

**Direction (Questions No. 61 – 70) : Combine each set of sentences into a single sentence :**

61. The dinner was over. The guests were shown out. They got into their cars.
- (a) The dinner was over and the guests got into their cars as they were shown out.  
(b) The dinner having been over, the guests were shown out to get into their cars.  
(c) As the dinner was over, the guests were shown out and got into their cars.  
(d) The dinner getting over, the guests were shown out and they got into their cars.
62. It is very hot. One cannot go out.
- (a) It is too hot to go out. (b) It is very hot and one cannot go out.  
(c) One cannot go out as it is very hot. (d) It is too hot and one cannot go out.
63. She stood on tip-toe. She reached for the mangoes on the tree.
- (a) She reached for the mangoes on the tree by standing tip-toed.  
(b) She reached for the mangoes on tree when she stood on tip-toe.  
(c) Standing on tip-toe she reached for the mangoes on the tree.  
(d) She reached the mangoes on the tree standing on tip-toe.
64. I must finish this novel. There are still few chapters.
- (a) I still have few chapters in the novel to finish.  
(b) I still have few chapters in the novel before I finish.  
(c) Few chapters are still left for me to finish the novel.  
(d) There a still few chapters for me to finish the novel.
65. They decided to start a travel group. All agreed to this.
- (a) They all agreed to start a travel group.  
(b) They jointly decided to start a travel group.  
(c) They agreed to jointly start a travel group.  
(d) They unanimously decided to start a travel group.
66. Ani speaks English. She also speaks French.
- (a) Ani speaks English as well as French. (b) Ani speaks English apart from French.  
(c) Ani speaks both English and French. (d) Ani speaks English and French.

67. Get inside. You may catch cold.  
(a) Get inside else you may catch cold. (b) You may catch cold, get inside.  
(c) Get inside, otherwise you may catch cold. (d) Get inside or you may catch cold.
68. She was honest. This was his statement. It was right.  
(a) He rightly said in his statement that she was honest.  
(b) She was rightly said as honest in his statement.  
(c) His statement was right in which he said she was honest.  
(d) His statement that she was honest was right.
69. Mohan is industrious. He is very particular in his work.  
(a) Mohan is very particular in his work as he is industrious.  
(b) Mohan is not only industrious but also very particular in his work.  
(c) Mohan is industrious and particular in his work.  
(d) Mohan is industrious as well as particular in his work.
70. James is my friend. He is the son of a doctor.  
(a) James is my friend and is the son of a doctor.  
(b) James who is my friend is also the son of a doctor.  
(c) James, my friend, is the son of a doctor.  
(d) James, my friend, who is the son of a doctor.

**Direction (Questions No. 71 - 80) : Choose the option closest in meaning to the given words:**

71. Exotic  
(a) Beautiful (b) Colorful  
(c) Excellent (d) Unusual
72. Rectify  
(a) Connect (b) Mend  
(c) Resolve (d) Solve
73. Bluster  
(a) Abuse (b) Tolerate  
(c) Suffer (d) Threat
74. Reticence  
(a) Reserve (b) Sincerity  
(c) Frankness (d) Generosity
75. Brash  
(a) Slow (b) Cultured  
(c) Aggressive (d) Humble
76. Renegade  
(a) Rebel (b) Substitute  
(c) Informer (d) Reformer
77. Retribution  
(a) Contempt (b) Revenge  
(c) Punishment (d) Discount

78. Hagggle  
(a) Crisis (b) Impeach  
(c) Ignore (d) Bargain
79. Connoisseur  
(a) Lover of art (b) Ignorant  
(c) Stubborn (d) Violent
80. Zenith  
(a) Middle (b) Under  
(c) Pinnacle (d) Nadir

**Direction ( Questions No. 81 – 90 ) : Choose the alternative which is closest in meaning to the given phrases / sentences :**

81. A remedy for all diseases.  
(a) Narcotics (b) Antiseptic  
(c) Panacea (d) Lyric
82. One who has good taste for food.  
(a) Gourmet (b) Curator  
(c) Parasite (d) Stoic
83. Occuring at irregular intervals in time.  
(a) Endemic (b) Temporal  
(c) Sporadic (d) Epidemic
84. Something kept as a reminder of an event.  
(a) Souvenir (b) Antique  
(c) Trophy (d) Prize
85. Unfair advantages for members of one's own family.  
(a) Optimism (b) Plagiarism  
(c) Nepotism (d) Regionalism
86. Done with good judgment.  
(a) Judicious (b) Judicial  
(c) Eminent (d) Envious
87. A broad road bordered with trees.  
(a) Boudoir (b) Avenue  
(c) Boulevard (d) Façade
88. A doctor who specializes in diseases of the nose.  
(a) Rhinologist (b) Otolgologist  
(c) Pathologist (d) Podiatrist
89. Incapable of being seen through.  
(a) Brittle (b) Opaque  
(c) Ductile (d) Transparent
90. A geometrical figure with eight sides.  
(a) Parallelogram (b) Pentagon  
(c) Hexagon (d) Octagon



**Direction ( Questions No. 91 – 100) : Choose the most suitable words from the options given to complete the sentences meaningfully.**

91. He wants to get a better \_\_\_\_\_ and earn more money.  
(a) employ (b) job  
(c) work (d) employment
92. Managers who are ambitious are \_\_\_\_\_ oriented managers.  
(a) socially (b) success  
(c) well (d) non
93. We haven't had \_\_\_\_\_ news from our agent.  
(a) some (b) any  
(c) no (d) none
94. Be quiet! Its rude to \_\_\_\_\_ people when they are speaking.  
(a) interfere (b) interrupt  
(c) prevent (d) introduce
95. The businessman proved to be an apparently well-behaved \_\_\_\_\_ middle aged man.  
(a) offensive (b) unoffending  
(c) inoffensive (d) innocent
96. The local tourist bureau will send you \_\_\_\_\_ about hotels in the area.  
(a) knowledge (b) information  
(c) news (d) notice
97. I cut my finger on a rusty tin and it became badly \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) infected (b) affected  
(c) effected (d) diseased
98. Teachers are doing \_\_\_\_\_ work.  
(a) innovative (b) inventive  
(c) inovative
99. The manager is usually calm but today he appears rather \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) unwell (b) disturbed  
(c) restless (d) humorous
100. You won't be allowed into the club \_\_\_\_\_ you wear a suit and tie.  
(a) if (b) unless  
(c) whether (d) apart

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