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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.*

Directions (Question No. 1 - 10): Choose the correct answer from the options given:

1. What is the collective noun from the following sentence:
He was part of the film crew.
(a) He (b) Film
(c) Crew (d) None of the above
2. Pick out the proper noun from the following sentence:
Rajiya led the class to the stadium.
(a) Rajiya (b) Class
(c) Stadium (d) Led
3. Pick out the pronouns from the following sentence:
He came to pick her up all by himself.
(a) He, her (b) He, her, himself
(c) He (d) Her
4. Which of the following sentence has a preposition.
(a) The cat ran. (b) We will talk.
(c) Keep working hard. (d) She asked about the dog.
5. Identify the sentence that does not have an Adjective.
(a) The huge dog barked. (b) The girl had a pink scarf.
(c) Can you play tennis? (d) Children had hot chocolate milk.
6. Identify the sentence that has an adverb in it:
(a) I am travelling in a fast train. (b) The train runs fast.
(c) I love red dresses. (d) Those are beautiful paintings.
7. Which sentence in the following does not have a conjunction:
(a) She is lazy but intelligent. (b) Rana, Mohit and Lily are on leave.
(c) If it rains, do not come. (d) The boy with blue coloured hair is here.
8. Pick out a sentence from the following showing happiness.
(a) Hurrah! We have won the match. (b) Alas! My mother is no more.
(c) What a lovely child she is! (d) Oh! That's my cousin.
9. Pick out the correct part of speech for the word in italics in the sentence given below:
This a *hard* metal.
(a) Adverb (b) Adjective
(c) Noun (d) Preposition

10. Pick out the correct part of speech for the word in italics in the sentence given below:

Delhi *is* the capital of India.

- (a) Adverb (b) Adjective
(c) Verb (d) Preposition

Directions (Question No. 11 - 20): Fill in with the correct form of the verb provided at the end of each question.

11. That you are _____ (drink) while driving, aggravates your offence.
(a) drink (b) drank
(c) drunk (d) been drink
12. If your path is being blocked, I _____ (move) my vehicle out of your way.
(a) have moved (b) will move
(c) moved (d) moving
13. My uncle Samuel _____ (be) a source of inspiration for me since I was a young boy.
(a) is being (b) has been
(c) will be (d) was being
14. Except that Rahul is short-sighted, he is _____.
(a) fit for the post (b) inept for the post
(c) weak for the post (d) not eligible for the post
15. If you _____ your eyes you will hurt them.
(a) squeeze (b) squeezing
(c) squeezed (d) squeezes
16. Although it _____ (rain) heavily this monsoon, there is a deficit of rainfall in some parts of the state.
(a) raining (b) rained
(c) been raining (d) has been raining
17. In order to save the company from further loss, the employees _____.
(a) formed a union (b) decided to work extra hours
(c) asked for increase in salary (d) went on a strike
18. I am busy today. You _____ meet me tomorrow after the class.
(a) Must (b) Could
(c) Would (d) Shouldn't
19. Prakash _____ (wait) at home for an hour but Jaya could not reach on time.
(a) is waiting (b) will be waiting
(c) had been waiting (d) has waited
20. I know that you _____ (pass) the exam with flying colours.
(a) pass (b) will pass
(c) passed (d) should pass

Directions (Question No. 21 - 30): Select the most appropriate form of adjective to fill in the blank.

21. While I was walking along the beach, I heard a _____ voice.
(a) familiar (b) similar
(c) customary (d) routine

22. I would like to have helped my friend but I had _____ time so I had to refuse her.
(a) few (b) plenty
(c) a little (d) little
23. Jupiter is the _____ planet in our solar system.
(a) big (b) bigger
(c) biggest (d) most big
24. The ultimate dream of _____ car lover is to own a Rolls-Royce.
(a) many (b) a lot of
(c) few (d) any
25. There should be _____ punishment for rule-breakers.
(a) severe (b) too
(c) much (d) many
26. Their idea of a holiday _____ at a luxury resort.
(a) is relaxed (b) is to relaxing
(c) is relax (d) is relaxing
27. Machu Picchu is the _____ site I saw in Peru.
(a) amazing (b) more amazing
(c) most amazing (d) as amazing
28. _____ teachers prefer a class that is fairly consistent in having pupils of the same level.
(a) Most (b) Neither
(c) Whole (d) Every
29. Tonight we have an appointment at _____ restaurant for a corporate meeting.
(a) big (b) an big
(c) a big (d) bigger
30. I lost my _____ shoes.
(a) comfortable (b) more comfortable
(c) less comfortable (d) most comfortable

Directions (Question No. 31 - 35): Fill in with the most appropriate adverb to fill in the blanks.

31. We _____ visit our grandparents in winters. They go on pilgrimages then.
(a) usually (b) never
(c) often (d) ever
32. Barbie looks _____.
(a) prettily (b) prettify
(c) pretty (d) prettier
33. It's raining _____ today.
(a) terribly (b) terrible
(c) more terrible (d) most terrible
34. Be _____ with this knife. It is sharp.
(a) careful (b) carefully
(c) carefuller (d) more careful
35. What will be the adverb form of 'suitable'?
(a) Subtle (b) Sustain
(c) Suitably (d) Suited

Directions (Question No. 36 - 40): Fill in with the correct preposition from the given choices.

36. They will appeal _____ your decision.
(a) for (b) at
(c) against (d) by
37. The girl was ashamed _____ her misconduct.
(a) at (b) about
(c) of (d) with
38. Why don't you sit _____ me?
(a) close (b) beside
(c) along (d) next
39. Entry _____ the building was restricted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
(a) into (b) of
(c) for (d) by
40. Do you know the reason _____ his absence?
(a) on (b) of
(c) for (d) none of these

Directions (Question No. 41 - 50): Analyze the following sentences and state the kind of each.

41. Having a party is a bad idea because the neighbours will complain.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
42. The man with a loud voice shouted again, making the children present there tremble.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
43. Mary went to work, but John went to the party, and I went home.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
44. I came here to chew bubble gum and study grammar.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
45. Get me some water, or the fire will spread.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
46. The cat astonished everyone by taking part in the ceremony held in honour of the cat's owner.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
47. Nature does not hurry, yet everything is accomplished.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
48. While I am a passionate basketball fan, I prefer football.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
49. I am working now, but we will eat later.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex

50. Jeena was still crying, although she was happy about the news.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex

Directions (Question No. 51 - 60): Identify the type of sentences and choose the correct one from the options given.

51. The rabbits at Meena's house eat the vegetables from their garden.
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
52. What a gorgeous lady!
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
53. Gambling is not my cup of tea so I would prefer to go swimming in the afternoon.
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
54. Complete this work by tomorrow.
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
55. Do you know where the library is?
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
56. Move out of my way!
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
57. Do not wash the plates before you use them.
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
58. Will she be present for the meeting tomorrow?
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
59. Could you please pass me the salt and the pepper.
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
60. You're adorable!
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory

Directions (Question No. 61 - 70): Pick the correct clause of the words underlined in the given sentences.

61. The student must have done his work, for he is a conscientious student.
(a) Co-ordinate clause (b) Noun clause
(c) Adjective clause (d) Adverb clause
62. The memory which is lost is hard to recover.
(a) Co-ordinate clause (b) Noun clause
(c) Adjective clause (d) Adverb clause

63. The exact time when this occurred has not been ascertained.
(a) Co-ordinate clause (b) Noun clause
(c) Adjective clause (d) Adverb clause
64. While there is life there is hope.
(a) Co-ordinate clause (b) Noun clause
(c) Adjective clause (d) Adverb clause
65. The heart that is full of grief is heavy.
(a) Co-ordinate clause (b) Noun clause
(c) Adjective clause (d) Adverb clause
66. You can walk as far as you want.
(a) Co-ordinate clause (b) Noun clause
(c) Adjective clause (d) Adverb clause
67. That you are poor weakens your defence.
(a) Co-ordinate clause (b) Noun clause
(c) Adjective clause (d) Adverb clause
68. When the sun shines the clothes will dry.
(a) Co-ordinate clause (b) Noun clause
(c) Adjective clause (d) Adverb clause
69. All the children ran to the playground, but Tommy did not.
(a) Co-ordinate clause (b) Noun clause
(c) Adjective clause (d) Adverb clause
70. I want to know what all the fuss is about.
(a) Co-ordinate clause (b) Noun clause
(c) Adjective clause (d) Adverb clause

Directions (Question No. 71 - 80): Choose the most suitable meaning of the idioms to make the sentence meaningful.

71. The dress Mona wore today at the party is in vogue.
(a) never used (b) out of use
(c) vaguely used (d) in fashion
72. Mohan is a snake in the grass to his friend Manav.
(a) an unforeseen danger (b) a secret enemy
(c) an unexpected misfortune (d) a treacherous person
73. To imagine doing well in business around the area is like a wild goose chase.
(a) to be insensitive to criticism (b) an absurdly hopeless interprise
(c) a fuss over a trifling matter (d) to speakboastfully of oneself
74. It's no use to cry over spilt milk.
(a) complain about a loss or failure (b) to cry without any reason
(c) to spoil milk (d) to fight with someone
75. The eldest boy in the family tried to turn the tables when every decision had been made by the father already.
(a) to welcome (b) to take revenge
(c) give warning (d) to reverse the condition
76. My husband seem to have a green thumb.
(a) one's nails are painted green (b) to have a natural interest in gardening
(c) one is artistic (d) one has a tattoo on thumb

77. Dina's sister put everything in apple pie order.
(a) in random order (b) related to fruit packing
(c) in perfect order (d) related to dry fruit packaging
78. Don't cry for the moon when you don't even want to lift a finger.
(a) to wish for something accessible (b) to try to have something by foul means
(c) to wish for something impossible (d) none of the above
79. She was all at sea by the recent happenings in her life.
(a) drowning (b) puzzled
(c) very happy (d) out of reach
80. Hminga and Mana are friends from childhood and are hand in glove.
(a) constantly fighting (b) associates in some action
(c) suspicious of each other (d) very close to each other

Directions (Question No. 81 - 90): Choose the correct one-word substitutes with the nearest meaning for the following group of words.

81. An expert able to appreciate a field, especially in fine art.
(a) Corselet (b) Connoisseur
(c) Chronological (d) Cripple
82. A piece of armour covering the breast
(a) Corselet (b) Connoisseur
(c) Chronological (d) Cripple
83. A person who is unable to walk or move properly
(a) Corselet (b) Connoisseur
(c) Chronological (d) Cripple
84. According to the sequence of time
(a) Corselet (b) Connoisseur
(c) Chronological (d) Cripple
85. A position requiring little or no work but giving the holder status or financial benefit.
(a) Gerontocracy (b) Pantheism
(c) Aristocracy (d) Sinecure
86. A doctrine which identifies God with the universe
(a) Gerontocracy (b) Pantheism
(c) Aristocracy (d) Sinecure
87. A form of government in which power is held by the nobility
(a) Gerontocracy (b) Pantheism
(c) Aristocracy (d) Sinecure
88. A state, society, or group governed by old people
(a) Gerontocracy (b) Pantheism
(c) Aristocracy (d) Sinecure
89. An imaginary place where everything is perfect
(a) Elysium (b) Utopia
(c) Eden (d) Arcadia
90. Place in a road where traffic cannot pass
(a) Congestion (b) Collision
(c) Bottleneck (d) Breakdown

Directions (Question No. 91 - 100): Choose the correct alternative which is closest in meaning or is the most appropriate answer to the given sentence.

91. Can you _____ the baby's cradle, please.
(a) assemble (b) accemble
(c) assimble (d) asemble
92. Which of the following options is the closest in meaning to the word 'primeval'?
(a) Modern (b) Historic
(c) Primitive (d) Antique
93. Identify the most appropriate meaning of the word 'inception'.
(a) Encumber (b) Skillful
(c) Conceive (d) Start
94. A 'sadist' is one:
(a) who remains sad most of the time (b) who makes horse saddles
(c) who gets pleasure from hurting others (d) who wanders from place to place in search of food
95. The students _____ The teacher on teacher's day for twenty years of dedicated teaching.
(a) facilitated (b) felicitated
(c) fantacitated (d) fecilitated
96. Ensure your life is a _____ of knowledge and wisdom.
(a) guild (b) petulance
(c) rogue (d) orating
97. The search engine's business model _____ around the fulcrum of trust.
(a) revolves (b) plays
(c) sinks (d) bursts
98. A final examination is the _____ of a series of evaluations that a student has to go through.
(a) Culmination (b) Consultation
(c) Desperation (d) Insinuation
99. The soldier's mother _____ up her emotions after his untimely demise.
(a) teared (b) controlled
(c) bottled (d) turned
100. Though she is _____ by nature but she does not like that any stranger should intrude on her privacy.
(a) lugubrious (b) garrulous
(c) salubrious (d) gregarious