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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 (Questions No. 1 - 10) : Choose the correct Part of Speech for the underlined words from the choices given below:

1. Harry and his friends are in a hurry.
(a) Noun (b) Pronoun
(c) Verb (d) Conjunction
2. None of my friends was in the class.
(a) Noun (b) Pronoun
(c) Verb (d) Adjective
3. The swimmer got off the road in a hurry.
(a) Noun (b) Pronoun
(c) Verb (d) Adjective
4. Freedom is a great blessing indeed.
(a) Noun (b) Pronoun
(c) Verb (d) Adjective
5. What an amusing show!
(a) Noun (b) Pronoun
(c) Adjective (d) Adverb
6. Lift this load and keep it in the corner.
(a) Adjective (b) Adverb
(c) Verb (d) Preposition
7. You look awesome.
(a) Adjective (b) Adverb
(c) Verb (d) Preposition
8. It is too hot to go out.
(a) Adjective (b) Adverb
(c) Verb (d) Preposition
9. Ohh! What a blunder.
(a) Preposition (b) Conjunction
(c) Interjection (d) Noun
10. He jumped off his bicycle.
(a) Preposition (b) Conjunction
(c) Interjection (d) Noun

Directions (Questions No. 11 - 20) : Identify the type of Imperative sentences and pick out the correct answer from the given types.

11. Be off my eyes.
(a) Command (b) Advice
(c) Request (d) Proposal
12. Forgive me, my Lord.
(a) Command (b) Advice
(c) Request (d) Proposal
13. Let me show you how this is done.
(a) Command (b) Advice
(c) Request (d) Proposal
14. Always take good care of your health.
(a) Command (b) Advice
(c) Request (d) proposal
15. Do what I bid you.
(a) Command (b) Advice
(c) Request (d) Proposal
16. Do not insult your elders.
(a) Command (b) Advice
(c) Request (d) Proposal
17. Stop all your tantrums.
(a) Command (b) Advice
(c) Request (d) Proposal
18. Do not disobey your parents.
(a) Command (b) Advice
(c) Request (d) Proposal
19. Let me make an effort to help you.
(a) Command (b) Advice
(c) Request (d) Proposal
20. Speak some kind words, please.
(a) Command (b) Advice
(c) Request (d) Proposal

Directions (Questions No. 21 - 30) : Identify the tense of the given sentences and choose the correct answer from the options provided at the end of each:

21. The lights are already out for the day.
(a) present tense (b) past tense
(c) future tense
22. The proceedings will continue today.
(a) present tense (b) past tense
(c) future tense
23. Were you afraid of him?
(a) present tense (b) past tense
(c) future tense

24. The children continued corresponding with their school friends.
(a) present tense (b) past tense
(c) future tense
25. Dina has failed the last examination.
(a) present tense (b) past tense
(c) future tense
26. They will have settled the matter by then.
(a) present tense (b) past tense
(c) future tense
27. Ladies will be in their best clothes for the dinner party.
(a) present tense (b) past tense
(c) future tense
28. She has had her lunch at the time we met her.
(a) present tense (b) past tense
(c) future tense
29. The wife has betrayed her husband.
(a) present tense (b) past tense
(c) future tense
30. We had a walk in the fresh morning breeze.
(a) present tense (b) past tense
(c) future tense

Directions (Questions No. 31 - 40) : Fill in the blanks with appropriate preposition provided at the end of each question.

31. The capseller rested _____ a shady tree.
(a) above (b) behind
(c) before (d) beneath
32. My uncle sent a watch _____ me.
(a) for (b) at
(c) by (d) on
33. This is the school that she studies _____.
(a) on (b) in
(c) of (d) by
34. A knife is to cut _____.
(a) on (b) with
(c) by (d) at
35. The amount is _____ my ability to spend.
(a) over (b) behind
(c) beyond (d) above
36. The players will be chosen _____ their all-year performance.
(a) during (b) considering
(c) owing (d) regarding

37. Please do not disturb me _____ my examinations.
(a) during (b) considering
(c) owing (d) regarding
38. At the end of the long journey, all the children opened up _____ their likes and dislikes.
(a) during (b) considering
(c) owing (d) regarding
39. Five excited puppies are almost too many to put up _____ .
(a) at (b) with
(c) by (d) of
40. Who should I give a high five _____ ?
(a) at (b) to
(c) with (d) for

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

41. All students beat the mad dog with a stick.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
42. The dress which you are wearing is expensive.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
43. Fools build imaginary castles in the air.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
44. She couldn't hear you because the radio was on.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
45. He was born great but didn't achieve greatness.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
46. Since I believed his words I didn't ask for a proof.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
47. Some praise the work, and some praise the architect.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
48. Dr. Radhakrishnan, our President, was a philosopher.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
49. Hari as well as his sister owns a car.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex
50. The boy who lives in this room is a collegian.
(a) Simple (b) Compound
(c) Complex

Directions (Questions No. 51 - 60) : Identify the type of sentences and choose the correct one from the choices provided at the end of each.

51. Most of our communication is to give other people information.
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
52. Can you help me find my shoes?
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
53. What a gorgeous room!
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
54. I don't like to gamble, but if there's one thing I'm willing to bet on, it's myself.
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
55. Which do you prefer, white or red?
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
56. Hey, no smoking in here!
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
57. Watch out.
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
58. Keep off the grass.
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
59. What kind of music do you want to dance to?
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
60. How interesting this film is!
(a) Declarative (b) Imperative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory

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

61. He must have done his duty, for he is a conscientious man.
(a) Co-ordinate clause (b) Noun clause
(c) Adjective clause (d) Adverb clause
62. The moment which is lost is lost for ever.
(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 talk as much as you want.
(a) Co-ordinate clause (b) Noun clause
(c) Adjective clause (d) Adverb clause
67. That you are drunk aggravates your offence.
(a) Co-ordinate clause (b) Noun clause
(c) Adjective clause (d) Adverb clause
68. When the cat is away the mice will play.
(a) Co-ordinate clause (b) Noun clause
(c) Adjective clause (d) Adverb clause
69. Tell me where you live.
(a) Co-ordinate clause (b) Noun clause
(c) Adjective clause (d) Adverb clause
70. Everybody else went down to meet the train, but I did not.
(a) Co-ordinate clause (b) Noun clause
(c) Adjective clause (d) Adverb clause

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

71. Having walked twenty miles, he is quite _____.
(a) done for (b) done with
(c) done up (d) done at
72. That building _____ Rs.5000 a month.
(a) brings in (b) brings about
(c) brings over (d) brings below
73. New responsibilities often _____ virtues and abilities unsuspected before.
(a) call for (b) call out
(c) call in (d) call on
74. When does the Convocation _____?
(a) come of (b) come off
(c) come in (d) come by
75. He agreed to _____ my orders.
(a) carry forward (b) carry of
(c) carry over (d) carry out
76. He was _____ in the prime of life.
(a) cut for (b) cut with
(c) cut off (d) cut over

77. The Director generally _____ the faults of his subordinates.
(a) passed off (b) passed by
(c) passed on (d) passed with
78. I cannot _____ the meaning of this verse.
(a) make out (b) make up
(c) made for (d) made of
79. The tailor's bill has _____ a large amount.
(a) run up with (b) run in with
(c) run away with (d) run up to
80. The piano _____ too much room.
(a) takes in (b) takes up
(c) takes on (d) takes off

Directions (Questions No. 81 - 90) : Choose the correct alternative which is closest in meaning to the given sentence.

81. They are not rich but they always wear _____ clothes.
(a) respected (b) respectable
(c) respective (d) respectful
82. The truck driver was _____ injured, he died within half an hour.
(a) gravely (b) bravely
(c) fatefully (d) fatally
83. She is too _____ to be deceived easily.
(a) strong (b) kind
(c) diligent (d) intelligent
84. The government instructed the soldiers to _____ restraint and handle the situation meticulously.
(a) enforce (b) show
(c) incur (d) exhibit
85. We could _____ trouble on our borders.
(a) comprehend (b) supplement
(c) complement (d) sense
86. This is the _____ chosen for the hospital complex to be built next year.
(a) locality (b) area
(c) site (d) sight
87. She lives in the world of _____.
(a) allusions (b) illusions
(c) conclusions (d) delusions
88. The Eiffel Tower is a remarkable _____ of engineering.
(a) feat (b) wonder
(c) creation (d) strength
89. It is grossly _____ to suggest that the school was responsible for the accident.
(a) inappropriate (b) justified
(c) unfair (d) unfit

90. If you drink too much, it will _____ your judgement.
- (a) impede (b) impose
(c) infect (d) impair

Directions (Questions No. 91 - 100) : Choose the correct one-word substitutes from the choices provided for the following group of words.

91. medicine that kills germs
(a) insecticide (b) fungicide
(c) germicide (d) pesticide
92. one who kills the king
(a) regicide (b) infanticide
(c) homicide (d) fratricide
93. an animal that lives on fish
(a) non-vegetarian (b) herbivore
(c) grassivore (d) piscivore
94. a person who worships one God
(a) theist (b) monotheist
(c) polytheist (d) atheist
95. one who loves mankind
(a) philanthropist (b) misanthropist
(c) misogynist (d) philogynist
96. beautiful writing
(a) biography (b) nomography
(c) calligraphy (d) autobiography
97. study of languages
(a) physiology (b) philology
(c) geology (d) algology
98. that can be corrected
(a) corrigible (b) incorrigible
(c) credible (d) incredible
99. science of living beings
(a) zoology (b) biology
(c) geology (d) botany
100. government by the few
(a) monarchy (b) oligarchy
(c) democracy (d) polyarchy