

MIZORAM PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

GENERAL COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS FOR RECRUITMENT TO THE POST OF UPPER DIVISION CLERK (U.D.C) UNDER TAXATION DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM, MARCH, 2021

PAPER - I

Time Allowed : 3 hours

Full Marks : 125

Attempt all questions.

SECTION - A (50 Marks)

This Section should be answered only on the Answer Sheet provided.

1. Read the following passage carefully and write a précis in about one-third its original giving a suitable title for the passage too. (25)

As early as the 6th century B.C., Panini wrote his great grammar of the Sanskrit language. He mentions previous grammars and already in his time Sanskrit had crystallized and become the language of an ever growing literature. Panini's book is something more than a mere grammar. It has been described by the Soviet Professor Th. Stcherabatsky of Leningrad, as one of the greatest productions of the human mind. Panini is still the standard authority on Sanskrit grammar. Though subsequent grammarians have added to it and interpreted it. It is interesting to note that Panini mentions the Greek script. This indicates that there were some kind of contacts between India and the Greeks long before Alexander came to the East. The study of astronomy was specially pursued and it often merged with astrology. Medicine has its text books and there were hospitals. Dhanwantri is the legendary found of the Indian science of medicine. The best known old text books however, date from the early centuries of the Christian era. These are by Charka on medicine and Sushruta on surgery. Charka is supposed to have been the royal court physician of Kanishka who had his capital in the north-west. These text books enumerate a large number of diseases and give methods of diagnosis and treatment. They deal with surgery, obstetrics, baths, diet, hygiene, infant feeding, and medical education. The approach was experimental, and the dissection of dead bodies was being practiced in course of surgical training. Various surgical instruments are mentioned by Sushrutas, as well as operations including amputation of limbs, abdominal, caesarian section, cataract, etc. Wounds were sterilized by fumigator. In the third or fourth century B.C. there were also hospitals for animals. This was probably due to the influence of Jainism and Buddhism with their emphasis on non-violence.

2. Write an essay in about 500 words on one of the topics provided: (25)
- Saving planet Earth
 - Revival of Chapchar Kut in Mizoram
 - The Role of the YMA in Mizoram
 - Corruption and its effect on Society

SECTION - B

(75 Marks)

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

*This Section should be answered only on the **OMR Response Sheet** provided.*

Directions (Questions No. 1-10): Identify the Part of Speech of the words in italics.

1. *Kindly* help me.

(a) Noun

(b) Pronoun

(c) Verb

(d) Adverb

2. Your *love* is everlasting.

(a) Noun

(b) Pronoun

(c) Verb

(d) Adverb

3. *Some* men are always prosecuted.

(a) Noun

(b) Pronoun

(c) Adjective

(d) Adverb

4. There is always a danger to *tall* buildings.

(a) Noun

(b) Pronoun

(c) Adjective

(d) Adverb

5. Hearing the news, I am *over* the moon.

(a) Interjection

(b) Preposition

(c) Adjective

(d) Verb

6. *Give* me half a bottle of sesame oil.

(a) Interjection

(b) Preposition

(c) Adjective

(d) Verb

7. *Oh God!* I am undone.

(a) Interjection

(b) Preposition

(c) Adjective

(d) Verb

8. *Hey!* Look out.

(a) Interjection

(b) Preposition

(c) Adjective

(d) Verb

9. You have deceived *yourself*.

(a) Noun

(b) pronoun

(c) Verb

(d) Adverb

10. *Whom* do you want to see?

(a) Noun

(b) Pronoun

(c) Verb

(d) Adverb

Directions (Questions No. 11-20): Identify and name the tense forms for the sentences below from the options provided.

11. The cook will light a match-stick.
(a) Future Indefinite (b) Future Continuous
(c) Present Indefinite
12. She had done her hair very nicely.
(a) Future Perfect (b) Past Perfect
(c) Present Indefinite
13. It has been raining heavily since noon.
(a) Present Perfect (b) Present Perfect Continuous
(c) Past Perfect
14. He was smoking a cigarette.
(a) Present Continuous (b) Past Continuous
(c) Past Perfect Continuous
15. They have cancelled their trip to Shimla.
(a) Present indefinite (b) Present Perfect
(c) Past Perfect
16. The child is having a very good time in the pool.
(a) Present Indefinite (b) Present Perfect
(c) Present Continuous
17. You wash your hands properly.
(a) Past Indefinite (b) Present Perfect
(c) present Indefinite
18. Mr Winkle does not work regularly.
(a) Present Indefinite (b) Past Indefinite
(c) Present Perfect
19. They learnt a bitter lesson.
(a) Past Perfect (b) Present Perfect
(c) Past Indefinite
20. The cock had been crowing since 4.00 am.
(a) Present Continuous (b) Past Perfect Continuous
(c) Past Continuous

Directions (Questions No. 21-30): Choose the correct type of sentences from the options given below each sentence.

21. The class will not agree with everything that the teacher say.
(a) Affirmative (b) Interrogative
(c) Negative (d) Exclamatory
22. Shall we not be seeing them again?
(a) Negative (b) Interrogative
(c) Negative-interrogative (d) Exclamatory

23. What a lovely day it is!
(a) Interrogative (b) Exclamatory
(c) Affirmative (d) Negative
24. Are the wasps migrating to hot lands?
(a) Negative (b) Affirmative
(c) Imperative (d) Interrogative
25. Please come tomorrow.
(a) Imperative (b) Affirmative
(c) Interrogative (d) Exclamatory
26. Clean the utensils now.
(a) Exclamatory (b) Interrogative
(c) Affirmative (d) Imperative
27. I have known her all these years.
(a) Exclamatory (b) Interrogative
(c) Affirmative (d) Imperative
28. Research on the topic suggests that grammar is essential to success.
(a) Imperative (b) Interrogative
(c) Affirmative (d) Exclamatory
29. Wow! That's amazing!
(a) Imperative (b) Interrogative
(c) Affirmative (d) Exclamatory
30. Is everyone happy with the decision?
(a) Imperative (b) Interrogative
(c) Affirmative (d) Exclamatory

Directions (Questions No. 31-40): Choose the correct answer to fill in the missing word from the Homophones given below each.

31. Children play on the sandy _____.
(a) beech (b) beach
(c) bitch
32. My room has a _____ fan.
(a) sealing (b) shilling
(c) ceiling
33. _____ of this hill is very steep.
(a) descent (b) decent
(c) descends
34. Our team scored three _____.
(a) gaol (b) goal
(c) gold
35. Untie this _____ at once.
(a) note (b) not
(c) knot

36. This land abounds with _____ trees.
(a) fir (b) fir
(c) far
37. He drank a _____ tumbler of milk.
(a) hole (b) howl
(c) whole
38. He is the _____ owner of this shop.
(a) sole (b) soul
(c) shawl
39. The sun is _____.
(a) stationery (b) stationary
(c) station
40. Ask him _____ he is ready to go or not.
(a) whether (b) wither
(c) weather

Directions (Questions No. 41-50): Choose the correct verb in agreement with the subject in the sentence.

41. Each of them _____ honest.
(a) is (b) are
(c) was
42. Much _____ been done for you.
(a) have (b) has
(c) was
43. The scenery of Kashmir _____ very charming.
(a) were (b) are
(c) is
44. He _____ like to be fined.
(a) don't (b) doesn't
(c) isn't
45. Her hair _____ curly.
(a) is (b) are
(c) were
46. Two hundred rupees _____ a small amount.
(a) is (b) are
(c) which
47. This furniture _____ very nice.
(a) are (b) is
(c) were
48. _____ of the two girls is tall.
(a) None (b) Neither
(c) Nil

49. You and he have done _____ work.
(a) their (b) our
(c) your
50. One must do _____ duty.
(a) his (b) her
(c) one's

Directions (Questions No. 51-60): Choose the right preposition or prepositional phrases to fill in the blanks from the options provided.

51. Whom are you looking _____.
(a) with (b) by
(c) over (d) for
52. Chand is quite _____ Mathematics.
(a) by dint of (b) at home in
(c) at the top of (d) for want of
53. The old man is just _____ death.
(a) on account of (b) in regard to
(c) in the hope of (d) on the point of
54. What are your views _____ slavery?
(a) in the hope of (b) instead of
(c) in spite of (d) in regard to
55. The crow flew hither and thither _____ water.
(a) in search of (b) in honour of
(c) instead of (d) in regard to
56. I arranged a party _____ my daughter's birthday.
(a) in front of (b) in spite of
(c) in honour of (d) in the guise of
57. His health broke down suddenly _____ overwork.
(a) on account of (b) in regard to
(c) in spite of
58. I have replied _____ her letter.
(a) with (b) for
(c) to (d) by
59. The lamb looked around _____ fear.
(a) with (b) by
(c) for (d) of
60. Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus _____ 25th December.
(a) at (b) by
(c) on (d) of

Directions (Questions No. 60-68): Name the Groups or Collections for the following from the options given.

61. a _____ of books
(a) litter (b) hive
(c) basket (d) library
62. a _____ of rioters
(a) pack (b) peal
(c) mob (d) pile
63. a _____ of fish
(a) shoal (b) shower
(c) series (d) range
64. a _____ of stars
(a) clump (b) chain
(c) cluster (d) crew
65. a _____ of girls or ladies
(a) band (b) gang
(c) bunch (d) bevy
66. a _____ of sheep or goat
(a) band (b) flock
(c) fleet (d) flight
67. a _____ of trees
(a) grove (b) heap
(c) cluster (d) band
68. a _____ of players
(a) swarm (b) volley
(c) team (d) set

Directions (Questions No. 69-75): Fill in with suitable comparisons from the options provided below.

69. as _____ as a fox
(a) cheerful (b) cunning
(c) cold (d) fast
70. as _____ as a clock
(a) punctual (b) regular
(c) dutiful (d) loyal
71. as _____ as lightning
(a) quick (b) proud
(c) meek (d) loud
72. as _____ as a cricket
(a) pale (b) proud
(c) red (d) merry

73. as _____ as death

(a) pale

(c) sour

(b) pointed

(d) sweet

74. as _____ as a hare

(a) white

(c) wise

(b) timid

(d) sure

75. as _____ as an ass

(a) soft

(c) silent

(b) smooth

(d) stupid

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