

# MIZORAM PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## GENERAL COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS FOR RECRUITMENT TO THE POST OF INSPECTOR UNDER EXCISE & NARCOTICS DEPARTMENT GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM. FEBRUARY, 2021

### 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. Ask either of them to bring a pen.  
(a) Pronoun (b) Adjective  
(c) Noun (d) Conjunction
2. Either pen is good enough.  
(a) Pronoun (b) Adjective  
(c) Noun (d) Conjunction
3. Both of them have gone.  
(a) Noun (b) Conjunction  
(c) Pronoun (d) Adjective
4. You cannot make it both ways.  
(a) Noun (b) Conjunction  
(c) Pronoun (d) Adjective
5. One half of this task is completed.  
(a) Adjective (b) Noun  
(c) Adverb (d) Pronoun
6. She was half dead with fear.  
(a) Adjective (b) Noun  
(c) Adverb (d) Pronoun
7. The blessings came from above.  
(a) Noun (b) Conjunction  
(c) Pronoun (d) Preposition
8. The sun was above our head at that time.  
(a) Noun (b) Conjunction  
(c) Pronoun (d) Preposition
9. She arrived soon after.  
(a) Verb (b) Conjunction  
(c) Adverb (d) Adjective
10. She went away after her husband had left.  
(a) Verb (b) Conjunction  
(c) Adverb (d) Adjective

**Direction (Questions No. 11 - 20) : Choose the correct classification of the adverbs.**

11. Do not walk so fast.  
(a) Adverb of time (b) Adverb of degree  
(c) Adverb of place (d) Adverb of manner
12. These mangoes are almost ripe.  
(a) Adverb of degree (b) Adverb of negation  
(c) Adverb of manner (d) Adverb of time
13. I have heard this before.  
(a) Adverb of manner (b) Adverb of place  
(c) Adverb of time (d) Adverb of degree
14. Order the carriage round.  
(a) Adverb of negation (b) Adverb of time  
(c) Adverb of frequency (d) Adverb of place
15. He always tries to do his best.  
(a) Adverb of manner (b) Adverb of frequency  
(c) Adverb of degree (d) Adverb of time
16. He has been shamefully treated.  
(a) Adverb of degree (b) Adverb of manner  
(c) Adverb of frequency (d) Adverb of negation
17. My brother is out.  
(a) Adverb of place (b) Adverb of frequency  
(c) Adverb of degree (d) Adverb of time
18. You need not roar.  
(a) Adverb of manner (b) Adverb of frequency  
(c) Adverb of negation (d) Adverb of place
19. I wonder you never told me.  
(a) Adverb of degree (b) Adverb of manner  
(c) Adverb of frequency (d) Adverb of time
20. The postman called again.  
(a) Adverb of frequency (b) Adverb of place  
(c) Adverb of degree (d) Adverb of negation

**Direction (Questions No. 21 - 30) : Fill in the blanks with appropriate prepositions.**

21. Divide twelve mangoes \_\_\_\_\_ three boys.  
(a) for (b) between  
(c) into (d) among
22. She has distrust \_\_\_\_\_ you.  
(a) of (b) about  
(c) in (d) for
23. His path is beset \_\_\_\_\_ many difficulties.  
(a) in (b) above  
(c) upon (d) with

24. Ram was beaten \_\_\_\_\_ by Mohan for no reason.  
(a) before (b) down  
(c) up (d) over
25. They will go to Bangalore \_\_\_\_\_ a plane.  
(a) on (b) with  
(c) in (d) by
26. There are tall beautiful trees \_\_\_\_\_ the river.  
(a) along (b) into  
(c) at (d) over
27. John is the best \_\_\_\_\_ all the other players.  
(a) above (b) among  
(c) between (d) over
28. He finished the work \_\_\_\_\_ four hours.  
(a) during (b) on  
(c) in (d) with
29. Innocence is not proof \_\_\_\_\_ scandal.  
(a) against (b) under  
(c) for (d) over
30. I prevailed \_\_\_\_\_ him to join our party.  
(a) over (b) upon  
(c) with (d) by

**Direction (Questions No. 31 - 40) : Choose the correct form of verb.**

31. I \_\_\_\_\_ him only one better up to now.  
(a) sent (b) shall send  
(c) have sent (d) am sending
32. His mother was 45 when she \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) had died (b) died  
(c) was dying (d) had died
33. My friend \_\_\_\_\_ me for many years when I met him last week.  
(a) had not seen (b) was not seen  
(c) did not see (d) is not seeing
34. He \_\_\_\_\_ her a long time before he finally got married to her.  
(a) knew (b) had been knowing  
(c) was knowing (d) had known
35. My uncle \_\_\_\_\_ tomorrow.  
(a) will have been arriving (b) arrives  
(c) has arrived (d) was arriving
36. Men \_\_\_\_\_ to abolish wars up to now.  
(a) never (b) will have never managed  
(c) will never managed (d) have never managed
37. She \_\_\_\_\_ in the concert tomorrow evening.  
(a) is playing (b) has been playing  
(c) has played (d) had played

38. He \_\_\_\_\_ out five minutes ago.  
(a) has gone (b) went  
(c) had gone (d) is going
39. I \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of work today  
(a) did (b) has done  
(c) have done (d) do
40. This paper \_\_\_\_\_ twice weekly.  
(a) is appearing (b) will appear  
(c) appearing (d) appears

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

41. The chief rewarded the officer for his excellent work.  
(a) Simple sentence (b) Complex sentence  
(c) Compound sentence
42. Run fast or you will miss the train.  
(a) Simple sentence (b) Complex sentence  
(c) Compound sentence
43. I know what his address is.  
(a) Simple sentence (b) Complex sentence  
(c) Compound sentence
44. He is innocent and I know it.  
(a) Simple sentence (b) Complex sentence  
(c) Compound sentence
45. Besides being beautiful she is intelligent.  
(a) Simple sentence (b) Complex sentence  
(c) Compound sentence
46. The sun having risen the fog disappeared.  
(a) Simple sentence (b) Complex sentence  
(c) Compound sentence
47. I am not well so I shall not come to the office.  
(a) Simple sentence (b) Complex sentence  
(c) Compound sentence
48. You should work hard so that you can achieve your goal.  
(a) Simple sentence (b) Complex sentence  
(c) Compound sentence
49. In spite of his poverty he is trustworthy.  
(a) Simple sentence (b) Complex sentence  
(c) Compound sentence
50. He is so poor that he cannot pay his fees.  
(a) Simple sentence (b) Complex sentence  
(c) Compound sentence

**Direction (Questions No. 51 - 60) : Analyze the sentences and choose the correct answer**

51. The boss is always right.  
(a) Affirmative (b) Superlative  
(c) Comparative (d) Negative
52. I am as strong as he.  
(a) Comparative (b) Positive  
(c) Superlative (d) Negative
53. Iron is more useful than any other metal.  
(a) Positive (b) Comparative  
(c) Assertive (d) Affirmative
54. He is not a poor man.  
(a) Superlative (b) Comparative  
(c) Affirmative (d) Negative
55. This is the most beautiful building in our town.  
(a) Comparative (b) Positive  
(c) Superlative (d) Negative
56. Kalidas was one of the greatest poets.  
(a) Affirmative (b) Comparative  
(c) Negative (d) Superlative
57. Everyone loves his country.  
(a) Assertive (b) Negative  
(c) Comparative (d) Superlative
58. No one will tolerate such an insult.  
(a) Comparative (b) Assertive  
(c) Superlative (d) Positive
59. Man is not immortal.  
(a) Negative (b) Affirmative  
(c) Superlative (d) Comparative
60. This knife is sharp.  
(a) Negative (b) Affirmative  
(c) Superlative (d) Comparative

**Direction (Questions No. 61 - 70) : Choose the correct clause from the given options**

61. He is sure that we will win the match.  
(a) Adverb clause (b) Noun clause  
(c) Adjective clause (d) None of these
62. You may sit wherever you like.  
(a) Adverb clause (b) Noun clause  
(c) Adjective clause (d) None of these
63. He tells a tale that sounds untrue.  
(a) Adverb clause (b) Noun clause  
(c) Adjective clause (d) None of these

64. Will you wait till I return?
- (a) Adverb clause (b) Noun clause  
(c) Adjective clause (d) None of these
65. It is a long lane that has no turning.
- (a) Adverb clause (b) Noun clause  
(c) Adjective clause (d) None of these
66. I predict that the weather will change.
- (a) Adverb clause (b) Noun clause  
(c) Adjective clause (d) None of these
67. They went where living was cheaper.
- (a) Adverb clause (b) Noun clause  
(c) Adjective clause (d) None of these
68. Any boy who comes late will be punished.
- (a) Adverb clause (b) Noun clause  
(c) Adjective clause (d) None of these
69. The jury believed that the man was guilty.
- (a) Adverb clause (b) Noun clause  
(c) Adjective clause (d) None of these
70. I shall remain where I am.
- (a) Adverb clause (b) Noun clause  
(c) Adjective clause (d) None of these

**Direction (Questions No. 71 - 80) : Substitute the underlined phrases to improve the sentences if necessary**

71. He was urgently in need to get his eye operation.
- (a) of an eye operation (b) for eye to be operated  
(c) for operation on eye (d) No improvement
72. Asking me why I was absent, I was punished by the Headmaster.
- (a) why was I absent, was I punished by the Headmaster  
(b) why I was absent, the Headmaster punished me  
(c) why I was absent, was I punished by the Headmaster  
(d) No improvement
73. Do you remember to meet her at my house last year?
- (a) remember of meeting (b) remember having met her  
(c) remember about meeting her (d) No improvement
74. If you had attended the meeting, you would have benefitted a great deal.
- (a) would benefit (b) should benefit  
(c) could benefit (d) No improvement
75. We should take up the first item, let us begin this song.
- (a) this song begin us (b) us began with this song  
(c) us begin with this song (d) No improvement
76. You must accustom yourself with new ideas.
- (a) accustomed with (b) accustom yourself to  
(c) accustom to (d) No improvement

77. Any able bodied man is eligible for the job.  
(a) Any able bodied men are (b) Any able bodied men have been  
(c) Each able bodied men is (d) No improvement
78. I, your brother and you will be partners in the business.  
(a) I, you and your brother (b) You, I and your brother  
(c) You, your brother and I (d) No improvement
79. Hold hands of your child while crossing the road.  
(a) your child's hand (b) hand of your child  
(c) your child's hands (d) No improvement
80. Have you not reached in time, we would have lost our lives.  
(a) Had you not reached (b) Had you not reach  
(c) If you had not reach (d) No improvement

**Direction (Questions No. 81 - 90) : Choose the appropriate word/phrase to fill in the blanks.**

81. Life is to death as pleasure is to \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) suffering (b) poverty  
(c) pain (d) anguish
82. The prisoner was released on \_\_\_\_\_ for good behavior.  
(a) parole (b) probation  
(c) bail (d) guarantee
83. The main suspects in the assassination are still \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) under a cloud (b) at large  
(c) at daggers dawn (d) at sea
84. \_\_\_\_\_ efforts from all concerned are required to raise the social and economic condition of our countrymen.  
(a) Perpetual (b) Massive  
(c) Dynamic (d) Penetrative
85. He admired precision in everything, but it never hampered his quick \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) decision (b) dealing  
(c) action (d) finalization
86. The proud king turned a deaf ear to the \_\_\_\_\_ of wise counselors.  
(a) advices (b) advise  
(c) advises (d) advice
87. \_\_\_\_\_ being hard-working, he is thoroughly honest.  
(a) Along with (b) Over and above  
(c) Besides (d) Although
88. Through perseverance we can keep the \_\_\_\_\_ of liberty burning even dark times.  
(a) light (b) lamp  
(c) goal (d) flame
89. He became the governor of a Province \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) by and large (b) in course of time  
(c) at times (d) little by little

90. This is a \_\_\_\_\_ translation of the speech.  
(a) literal (b) verbal  
(c) literary (d) verbatim

**Direction (Questions No. 1 - 10) : Fill in the blanks with the correct option**

91. A \_\_\_\_\_ of wheat.  
(a) bunch (b) stack  
(c) sheaf (d) bundle
92. As blind as a \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) ghost (b) mule  
(c) crow (d) bat
93. A \_\_\_\_\_ of cubs.  
(a) herd (b) litter  
(c) swarm (d) pack
94. The young one of an elephant is called a \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) cub (b) kit  
(c) calf (d) foal
95. The synonym of LAUD is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) lord (b) praise  
(c) eulogy (d) extolled
96. Beggars and borrowers could not be \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) friends (b) companions  
(c) subjects (d) choosers
97. The antonym of LETHARGIC is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) hyperactive (b) unpleasant  
(c) immobile (d) upright
98. Beneath the rose lies the \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) thorn (b) worm  
(c) serpent (d) bud
99. The Latin words per centum means \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) per year (b) by the hundred  
(c) per day (d) by itself
100. To \_\_\_\_\_ like the wild fire.  
(a) spread (b) light  
(c) burn (d) flame