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GENERAL ENGLISH PAPER - II

Time Allowed : 2 hours

Full Marks : 100

All questions carry equal marks of 1 each.

Attempt all questions.

DIRECTIONS

The English Paper II Multiple Choice Question is divided into three (3) parts. Part I is Grammar, Part II is Composition and Part III is Usage & Vocabulary. Read the following DIRECTIONS carefully and choose the best answer to each of the questions out of the four alternatives.

PART – 1

Question Nos. 1 – 5

Read the following sentences carefully and choose the answer which best suggests the passive form of the given active voice:

1. Be quiet.

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| (a) Let you be quiet | (b) You are to quiet |
| (c) You are ordered to be quiet | (d) You are ordered to quiet |

2. People think you are clever.

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| (a) You are thought to be clever | (b) You are clever |
| (c) You thought you are clever | (d) People thought you are clever |

3. The boy rings the bell.

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| (a) The bell was rung by the boy | (b) The bell is rung by the boy |
| (c) The bell has been rung by the boy | (d) The bell was being rung by the boy |

4. He kept me waiting.

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| (a) I kept waiting for him | (b) I kept waiting by him |
| (c) I was waiting for him | (d) I was kept waiting by him |

5. Who did this?

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| (a) By whom was this done? | (b) By who was this done? |
| (c) This was done by who? | (d) This was done by whom? |

Question Nos. 6-10

Choose the correct (and most natural sounding) response to complete each sentence:

6. The master did not know ____ of the servants broke the glass.
(a) who (b) which
(c) whom (d) whome
7. Bread and butter ____ a wholesome food.
(a) is (b) was
(c) are (d) were
8. He took ____ reading the Times for better knowledge of the facts.
(a) after (b) in
(c) by (d) to
9. None ____ the brave deserves the fair.
(a) apart (b) but
(c) yet (d) just
10. It is ten o'clock ____ my watch.
(a) in (b) on
(c) by (d) at

Question Nos. 11 – 15

Each of the following sentences has one part underlined. Choose the correct alternative to improve each sentence:

11. If he had time he will visit you.
(a) have (b) has
(c) would have (d) would have had
12. I wish I know your address.
(a) known (b) knows
(c) knew (d) will know
13. It is years since I see him.
(a) saw (b) seen
(c) sees (d) will see
14. He can come, but I should be surprised.
(a) will (b) shall
(c) dare (d) might
15. Don't disturb me. I had done my homework.
(a) do (b) did
(c) am doing (d) was doing

Question Nos. 16 – 20

Read the following sentences carefully and identify the part of speech of each of the underlined:

16. The train was late as usual.
(a) noun (b) verb
(c) preposition (d) adjective
17. She waters the flowers every morning.
(a) noun (b) verb
(c) adverb (d) adjective
18. Are you an early riser?
(a) noun (b) preposition
(c) adverb (d) adjective
19. Don't talk so loud.
(a) noun (b) verb
(c) adverb (d) adjective
20. He came the day before yesterday.
(a) verb (b) adverb
(c) adjective (d) preposition

Question Nos. 21 – 25

Read the following sentences carefully and choose the answer which best responds to each question:

21. We scored as many goals as ___?
(a) they (b) them
(c) theirs (d) their
22. This is the boy ___ works hard.
(a) which (b) whom
(c) who (d) whose
23. ___ works not shall eat not.
(a) Which (b) Whose
(c) Whom (d) Who
24. ___ of these books is yours?
(a) What (b) Whose
(c) Which (d) Whatever
25. All is not gold ___ glitters.
(a) that (b) which
(c) what (d) who

Question Nos.26 – 30

Read the following sentences carefully and choose the answer which best responds to the given question:

26. The ___ news from home is very disquieting.
(a) least (b) last
(c) latest (d) lastest
27. ___ information he had was not enough to see him through.
(a) Little (b) The little
(c) A little (d) This little
28. Aren't you tired of this ___ rain?
(a) continuous (b) continual
(c) continuing (d) continue
29. A ___ man never takes everything for granted.
(a) sensitive (b) sensuous
(c) sensible (d) senile
30. Who is the ___ living poet?
(a) great (b) useful
(c) pride (d) greatest

Question Nos.31 – 35

Read the following sentences carefully and choose the answer which best agrees with the given subject:

31. The horse and carriage ___ at the door.
(a) is (b) am
(c) are (d) were
32. Either Jack or Jill ___ erred.
(a) are (b) have
(c) has (d) were
33. Each of our houses ___ to let.
(a) are (b) is
(c) has (d) had
34. You, who ___ my friend, should stand by me.
(a) was (b) is
(c) were (d) are
35. The jury ___ divided in their opinions.
(a) was (b) had
(c) have (d) were

Question Nos.36 – 40

Read the following sentences carefully and choose the answer which best completes the given statements:

36. Catch me ___ you can.
(a) till (b) than
(c) but (d) if
37. Water ___ oil will not mix.
(a) or (b) and
(c) as (d) only
38. He was sick ___ they helped him.
(a) so (b) that
(c) and (d) but
39. She is willing ___ unable.
(a) since (b) for
(c) yet (d) till
40. You must work ___ starve.
(a) or (b) and
(c) only (d) than

PART – II

Question Nos.41 – 45

Read the following sentences carefully and identify the kind of clause of the underlined:

41. I earn whatever I can.
(a) Noun (b) Adverb
(c) Adjective (d) Conjunction
42. Come when you like
(a) Noun (b) Verb
(c) Adverb (d) Adjective
43. He knew where he could find it.
(a) Noun (b) Adjective
(c) Verb (d) Conjunction
44. He went to the place where he could find it.
(a) Noun (b) Verb
(c) Conjunction (d) Adjective
45. He went where he could find it.
(a) Noun (b) Adverb
(c) Verb (d) Conjunction

Question Nos.46 – 50

Read the following sentences carefully and identify the kind of sentences:

46. Whatever happens keep calm.
(a) Simple (b) Complex
(c) Compound (d) None of the above
47. You must work hard to make up for the lost time.
(a) Simple (b) Complex
(c) Compound (d) None of the above
48. You must either pay the bill or return the goods.
(a) Simple (b) Complex
(c) Compound (d) None of the above
49. We must eat to live.
(a) Simple (b) Complex
(c) Compound (d) None of the above
50. When the cat is away, the mice will play.
(a) Simple (b) Complex
(c) Compound (d) None of the above

Question Nos.51– 55

Read the following sentences carefully and choose the analysis that best fits each given sentence:

51. The night is dark, and I am far from home.
(a) This sentence has two independent clauses (b) This sentence has one independent clause
(c) This sentence has no independent clause (d) None of the above
52. We sow that we may reap.
(a) This sentence has two independent clauses (b) This sentence has one independent clause
(c) This sentence has no independent clause (d) None of the above
53. Waste not, want not.
(a) This sentence has two independent clauses (b) This sentence has one independent clause
(c) This sentence has no independent clause (d) None of the above
54. He is too fat to run.
(a) This sentence has two independent clauses (b) This sentence has one independent clause
(c) This sentence has no independent clause (d) None of the above
55. I will live where you live.
(a) This sentence has two independent clauses (b) This sentence has one independent clause
(c) This sentence has no independent clause (d) None of the above

Question Nos.56– 60

Read the following sentences carefully and choose the transformation that best suits each given sentence:

56. How sweetly she sings!
(a) It is very sweetly she sings (b) She sings sweet
(c) She sings very sweetly (d) It is sweetly she sings
57. She is a professional dancer.
(a) She is a dancer by profession (b) She is a dancer in profession
(c) She is a dancer for profession (d) She is a dancer with profession
58. He confessed his crime.
(a) He confessed his criminal (b) He confessed that he was guilty
(c) He confessed that he was guilt (d) He confesses that he was guilty
59. He said, "Alas! I am undone."
(a) He said that alas he was undone
(b) He was sorrow that he was undone
(c) He was sorrowfully undone
(d) He exclaimed sorrowfully that he was undone
60. He is the best student of his class.
(a) He is the good student of his class
(b) He is more good than the students of his class
(c) He is better than any other student of his class
(d) He is better than no other student of his class

Question Nos.61– 65

Read the following sentences carefully and choose the synthesis that best suits each given sentence:

61. Come in. Go out.
(a) Come in or go out (b) Come in and go out
(c) Come in to go out (d) Come in but go out
62. He will be late. That is certain.
(a) He will be late for that is certain (b) It is certain that he will be late
(c) It is certain yet he will be late (d) He will be late to be certain
63. My coat has a pocket. The pocket has a hole in it.
(a) My coat pocket has a hole in it (b) My coat pocket's a hole in it
(c) My coat's pocket has a hole in it (d) My coats' pocket has a hole in it
64. Who is he? Tell me.
(a) Tell me who he is (b) Tell me who is he
(c) Tell me who he was (d) Tell me who was he
65. I am tall. You are tall.
(a) You are taller than I (b) I am taller than you
(c) I am tall than you (d) You are as tall as I

Question Nos.66– 70

Read the following sentences carefully and choose the answer that best suits the given sentence:

66. Who would not like to be a leader?
(a) Assertive (b) Interrogative
(c) Affirmative (d) Exclamatory
67. I wish I were healthy and strong.
(a) Assertive (b) Interrogative
(c) Affirmative (d) Exclamatory
68. She is not without faith.
(a) Assertive (b) Interrogative
(c) Affirmative (d) Negative
69. You are my friend.
(a) Assertive (b) Interrogative
(c) Affirmative (d) Exclamatory
70. O that I were goodlooking!
(a) Assertive (b) Negative
(c) Affirmative (d) Exclamatory

PART – III

Question Nos.71 – 75

Read the following sentences carefully and choose the answer which best expresses the meaning of the given question out of the four alternatives:

71. INDICT
(a) Allege (b) Reprimand
(c) Accuse (d) Condemn
72. BROWSE
(a) Strike (b) Heal
(c) Examine (d) Deceive
73. INSOMNIA
(a) Lethargy (b) Sleeplessness
(c) Drunkenness (d) Unconsciousness
74. KEN
(a) Ignorance (b) Witness
(c) Trial (d) Knowledge
75. TEPID
(a) Hot (b) Warm
(c) Cold (d) Boiling

Question Nos. 76-80

Read the following sentences carefully and choose the answer which is the exact opposite of the given question out of the four alternatives:

76. FLAGITIOUS

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| (a) Frivolous | (b) Innocent |
| (c) Ignorant | (d) Vapid |

77. NADIR

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| (a) Progress | (b) Liberty |
| (c) Zenith | (d) Modernity |

78. GULLIBLE

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| (a) Easy | (b) Fickle |
| (c) Stylish | (d) Incredulous |

79. OBSCURE

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| (a) Explicit | (b) Obnoxious |
| (c) Implicit | (d) Pedantic |

80. HAPLESS

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| (a) Cheerful | (b) Considerate |
| (c) Fortunate | (d) Sincere |

Question Nos. 81-85

Read the following words carefully and choose the word which is correctly spelt:

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| (a) Pharmaceautical | (b) Pharmaceutical |
| (c) Pharmaecutical | (d) Pharmacutical |

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| (a) humourous | (b) humoruous |
| (c) humorous | (d) humouruous |

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| (a) separate | (b) seperate |
| (c) separete | (d) saperate |

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| (a) honararium | (b) honorarium |
| (c) honourarium | (d) honnorarium |

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| (a) conscentious | (b) conscientous |
| (c) conscencious | (d) conscientious |

Question Nos. 86-90

Each of the following sentences has three parts. One of the parts may not be acceptable in standard English grammar. Identify that part. In case of 'No error' your option will be (d):

86. All the doctors were puzzled on the strange symptoms reported by the patient.
(a) All the doctors were (b) Puzzled on the strange symptoms
(c) Reported by the patient (d) No error
87. We have to take him to the hospital last week because he was suffering from fever.
(a) We have to take him (b) To the hospital last week
(c) Because he was suffering from fever (d) No error
88. He was too irritated to concentrate on his work for a long time.
(a) He was too irritated (b) To concentrate on his work
(c) For a long time (d) No error
89. You can get all the informations you want in this book.
(a) You can get (b) All the informations you want
(c) In this book (d) No error
90. How does he earn money is more important than how much he earns.
(a) How does he earn money (b) Is more important than
(c) How much he earns (d) No error

Question Nos. 91-95

Read the following sentences carefully and choose the answer which best express the meaning of the given idioms/phrases out of the four alternatives:

91. Her voice gets on my nerves.
(a) makes me sick (b) irritates me
(c) makes me sad (d) pierces my eardrums
92. His life was an open book.
(a) an example to all (b) an uncomplicated one
(c) an interesting one (d) one that held no secrets
93. They were made to eat humble pie.
(a) to eat slowly (b) to eat sweet pie
(c) to apologise (d) to have a good meal
94. There are black sheep in every community.
(a) bad characters (b) immature characters
(c) black-skinned characters (d) ambitious characters
95. The goods were set out on the table
(a) attended (b) established
(c) displayed (d) represented

Question Nos. 96-100

Read the following sentences carefully and choose the answer which best substitutes the given sentence/ expression out of the four alternatives:

96. One who is a citizen of the world.

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| (a) bohemian | (b) cosmopolitan |
| (c) globe-trotter | (d) internationalist |

97. A disease confined to a particular district or place

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| (a) endemic | (b) epidemic |
| (c) pandemic | (d) cynic |

98. The study of mankind.

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| (a) biology | (b) ethnology |
| (c) etymology | (d) anthropology |

99. The act of killing a human being.

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| (a) sorricide | (b) fratricide |
| (c) homicide | (d) parricide |

100. One who deals in wines

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| (a) vintner | (b) collier |
| (c) mercer | (d) sophist |

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