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2015

GENERAL ENGLISH WITH GENERAL STUDIES

Time Allowed : 3 Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 300

Read the following instructions carefully before you begin to answer the questions.

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(A) ● (C) (D)
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1. Match the words in column A with the suffixes in Column B

Column A		Column B	
(a) astonish		1. -ful	
(b) potential		2. -ment	
(c) ferocious		3. -ness	
(d) success		4. -ity	

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A)	1	4	3	2
(B)	3	4	2	1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (C)	2	4	3	1
(D)	2	4	1	3

2. Pick out the sentence with the wrong usage of articles :

- (A) The cow is a useful animal
- (B) The rose is the sweetest of all flowers
- (C) Let's go to the park
- (D) The banyan is a kind of a fig tree

3. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions :

The most popular therapy _____ getting rid _____ hiccups is to have someone to scare you when you least expect it.

- (A) to, away
- (B) on, to
- (C) off, for
- (D) for, of

4. Fill in the blank with a suitable question tag :

Let's go for a walk, _____?

- (A) should we?
- (B) shall we?
- (C) can we?
- (D) could we?

5. Choose the correct form of the verb to fill in the blank :

They _____ the bridge for several months.

- (A) have been building
- (B) are building
- (C) will be building
- (D) had been building

6. Pick out the correct words from the options given below :

He gave me _____ notes.

- (A) a ten five rupee (B) ten five rupees
(C) a ten five rupee's (D) ten five rupee

7. Which one of the following word is incorrect?

- (A) means (B) scissors
(C) luggages (D) premises

Passage :

Even researchers are finding that introverts make better leaders than extroverts for the simple reason that they are more likely to listen and pay attention to what other people are saying. By taking a backseat, introverted leaders encourage others to suggest ideas, contribute actively and take initiative, thus increasing morale and motivation.

8. Introverts make better leaders because they are _____.

- (A) interested (B) attentive
(C) attention-seeking (D) alluring

9. Which one of the following sentence is incorrect?

- (A) The flowers smell sweet.
(B) Of Mumbai and Chennai, the former is the wealthiest.
(C) Six miles is a long distance.
(D) As a novelist, Jane Austen is superior to Mrs. Henry Wood.

10. Identify the sentence which is in the positive degree
- (A) His age is a matter of minor importance.
 - (B) This is the most perfect specimen I have seen.
 - (C) The last time I saw him, he was in high spirits.
 - (D) The longest lane has a turning.
11. Identify the sentence which is in the positive degree :
- (A) This is a major issue.
 - (B) The latter chapters are lacking in interest.
 - (C) Rama's intelligence is superior to Hari's.
 - (D) He is junior to all his colleagues.
12. Which one of the following words is an example of a compound word consisting of an adverb + participle?
- (A) pale blue
 - (B) well defined
 - (C) seafood
 - (D) outsourcing
13. Which figure of speech does the expression, "the hissing noise of the snake" contain?
- (A) logopoeia
 - (B) anaphora
 - (C) diaspora
 - (D) onomatopoeia
14. "The ship is anchor'd safe and sound, its voyage closed and done" –
The figure of speech used by Walt Whitman in these lines is _____.
- (A) Oxymoron
 - (B) Personification
 - (C) Simile
 - (D) Metaphor

15. "Imagine if your precious nose were sandwiched in between your toes"

What does the word "Sandwiched" mean here?

- (A) Become like a food item (B) Trapped
(C) Replaced (D) Pressed between two things

16. H.W. Longfellow's poem "The Psalm of Life" is a piece of

- (A) Prayer (B) Encomium
(C) Appeal (D) Advice

17. Who do you think is these lines addressed to :

You cannot rob us of the rights we cherish,
Nor turn our thoughts away
From the bright picture of a 'women's mission'
Our hearts portray

- (A) An individual reader
(B) The poet's companion
(C) Society at large
(D) A particular misogynist group

18. Which of the following lines belong to H.W. Longfellow's "A Psalm of Life"?

- (A) And you O my soul where you stand
(B) All human roads are dark and dry
(C) Your minstrel has no wreath to weave for you
(D) Art is long and time is fleeting

19. Who told the following statement?

"Tolerance is the highest result of education".

- (A) Dr. Abdul Kalam
- (B) Mahatma Gandhi
- (C) Helen Keller
- (D) Subash Chandra Bose

20. "To call woman the weaker sex is a libel ; It is man's injustice to woman".

Who said these words about Women?

- (A) Jawaharlal Nehru
- (B) Swami Vivekananda
- (C) Rabindranath Tagore
- (D) Mahatma Gandhi

21. Rani of Jhansi was associated with _____.

- (A) Battle of Plassey
- (B) Sepoy Mutiny
- (C) British Government
- (D) Indian National Congress

22. "The story of My Experiments with Truth" is an autobiographical work written by

- (A) Jawaharlal Nehru
- (B) Mahatma Gandhi
- (C) Abraham Lincoln
- (D) Subash Chandra Bose

23. In Oscar Wilde's 'The Selfish Giant' the spring season did not come to the giant's garden because
- (A) he built a huge wall around his garden.
 - (B) he was very unkind to the spring season.
 - (C) he did not allow the children inside the garden
 - (D) he liked winter season
24. In Oscar Wilde's "The Model Millionaire" Hughie is humane and handsome but
- (A) ineffable
 - (B) a man of no means
 - (C) heartless
 - (D) a paranoid
25. In Oscar Wilde's 'The Selfish Giant', the giant's heart melted when he saw
- (A) the spring season
 - (B) the children playing in the garden
 - (C) the children singing and dancing
 - (D) a little child unable to climb a tree
26. In Oscar Wilde's 'The Model Millionaire' what did Hughie do in Alan Trevor's absence?
- (A) Hughie spoke to the beggar
 - (B) Hughie gave the beggar some money
 - (C) Hughie enjoyed a smoke
 - (D) Hughie was dreaming
27. In Oscar Wilde's 'The Selfish Giant' only one little boy did not run away on seeing the giant because
- (A) he was blind
 - (B) he was lame
 - (C) he was afraid
 - (D) he did not see the giant coming

28. "The habit of co-operation once required will continue with you all your life"

Which among the options best conveys the meaning of the above passage?

- (A) The author insists on hard work
- (B) The author states the importance of team work
- (C) The author insists on friendship
- (D) The author reiterates the importance of good behaviour

29. "No matter what happened, I always insisted on their being themselves".

What does the writer mean by this statement? Choose the right option from the following.

- (A) the writer wants human beings to be day dreamers
- (B) the writer wants human beings to be in their own world
- (C) the writer wants human beings to be calm.
- (D) the writer wants human beings to be individuals and not to imitate others

30. What is a refrain?

- (A) The first line of a poem that is repeated in all stanzas
- (B) The repetition of a line or lines within a poem, at given intervals
- (C) The first line and the last line are one and the same in the last stanza
- (D) The last two lines of the first stanza and the last two lines of the last stanza are one and the same

31. What is the height of Shiva linga in the sanctum sanctorum of the Brihadeeswarar Temple?

(A) 8.7 metres

(B) 8.5 metres

(C) 8.8 metres

(D) 8.9 metres

32. The author who wrote the lesson 'Yaanaai Malai' suffered from the disease?

(A) Chronic Glaucoma

(B) Retinitis Pigmentosa

(C) Astigmatism

(D) Myopic Vision

33. Where is Yaanaai Malai located?

(A) In the South Eastern outskirts of Madurai

(B) In the North Eastern outskirts of Madurai

(C) In the North Western outskirts of Madurai

(D) In the South Western outskirts of Madurai

34. Identify the pair of British English and American English expressions with incorrect spelling :

- | | British | | American |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---|----------|
| (A) | plough | - | plow |
| (B) | cheque | - | check |
| (C) | theatre | - | theater |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | skilful | - | skilfull |

35. Match the British English words with their American equivalents :

- | | British English | | American English |
|-----|-----------------|----|------------------|
| (a) | Jam | 1. | Fall |
| (b) | nappy | 2. | Antenna |
| (c) | Aerial | 3. | Jelly |
| (d) | Autumn | 4. | Diaper |

- | | (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
|-------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| (A) | 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| (B) | 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 3 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| (D) | 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 |

36. _____ warns Caesar about the "Ides of March".

- (A) A Soothsayer
- (B) Calpurnia
- (C) Pompey
- (D) Mark Antony

37. Match Column A with Column B. Select the correct code given below.

Column A		Column B	
(a) The Ant and the Grasshopper	1.	Oscar Wilde	
(b) The Cop and the Anthem	2.	Somerset Maugham	
(c) The Happy Prince	3.	Bonnie Chamberlain	
(d) The Face of Judas Iscariot	4.	O'Henry	

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A)	2	4	1	3
(B)	1	2	3	4
(C)	1	3	4	2
(D)	1	4	2	3

38. Match Column A with Column B. Select the correct code given below :

Column A		Column B	
(a) My country my life	1.	Sachin	
(b) My story	2.	Nehru	
(c) Play It My Way	3.	Kamala Das	
(d) Toward Freedom	4.	L.K. Advani	

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A)	2	4	3	1
(B)	3	2	1	4
(C)	4	3	1	2
(D)	2	3	1	4

39. Which one of the following statement is correct?

- (A) V.K. Gokak is a Telugu poet and novelist
- (B) V.K. Gokak is a Kannada poet and novelist
- (C) V.K. Gokak is a Marathi poet and novelist
- (D) V.K. Gokak is a Gujarathi poet and novelist

40. Saruli figures in

- (A) Farmer
- (B) The Sun Beam
- (C) After the Storm
- (D) Kari, the Elephant

41. In Julius Caesar, Antony says,
 "The noble Brutus
 Hath told you Caesar was ambitious;
 If it were so, it was a grievous fault".
 What is referred to a 'grievous fault' here?

- (A) Brutus' nobility (B) Cunningness
 (C) Being ambitious (D) Caesar's valour

42. Match the following :

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|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| (a) Takazhi Sivasankaran Pillai | 1. Sonnet 116 |
| (b) William Shakespeare | 2. Kuttichovan |
| (c) Douglas Malloch | 3. Is Life but a dream? |
| (d) Lewis Carroll | 4. Be the Best |

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|---|-----|-----|-----|
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (A) 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| (B) 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 |
| (C) 2 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| (D) 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

43. Match the following :

- | Author | Title |
|------------------------|--|
| (a) Norman Nicholson | 1. The road to success |
| (b) Dale Carnegie | 2. O Captain! My Captain! |
| (c) Walt Whitman | 3. The Solitary Reaper |
| (d) William Wordsworth | 4. Off to outer space tomorrow morning |

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|---|-----|-----|-----|
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
| (A) 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (B) 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| (C) 1 | 4 | 2 | 3 |
| (D) 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 |

44. In Julius Caesar, Antony says, 'He hath brought many captives home to Rome,
 Whose ransoms did the general coffers fill'.
 'Ransoms' in this line means

- (A) payment for the release of refugees
 (B) payment for the release of criminals
 (C) payment for the release of prisoners
 (D) payment for the release of leaders