

MINDATHON ENGLISH OLYMPIAD (MEO)

CLASS- IV

TEST PAPER

Time: 1 hour

Max Marks: 40

General Instructions:

- There are a total of 35 questions in this test.
- Read each question carefully and answer all of them.
- All the answers must be correctly marked in the OMR sheet provided to you.
- Questions (1–30) carry one mark. Questions in the Mindathon Masters' Zone (31-35) are worth 2 marks each.

GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY SKILLS

Fill in the blanks with the abstract noun form of the words given in the brackets:

1. Her _____ was admired by everyone at the event. (generous)
a) generousness b) generosity c) generous d) generously
2. The students showed great _____ in their studies. (dedicate)
a) dedicative b) dedicating c) dedicated d) dedication
3. Pick the correct word to combine with "snow" to make a compound word:
a) drift b) gate c) ship d) book
4. A figure of speech in which apparently contradictory terms appear in conjunction are called _____. (e.g., "deafening silence").
a) Hyperbole b) Metaphor c) Oxymoron d) Simile
5. A word or phrase that has the same or nearly the same meaning as another word or phrase.
a) Antonym b) Homonym c) Euphemism d) Synonym
6. The _____ of dolphins leaped out of the water.
a) Pod b) Shoal c) Pack d) Flock
7. _____ is the study of the structure and rules of language.
a) Spelling b) Literature c) Grammar d) Vocabulary
8. Choose the sentence with the correct reflexive pronoun:
a) He blamed themselves for the mistake.
b) The dog chewed on itself happily.
c) I fixed the computer by yourself.
d) You should be proud of himself.

9. Select the suitable adjective that describes the noun in the sentence:

His _____ explanation made the complex topic much easier to understand.

- a) vague b) confusing c) lengthy d) concise

10. Pick the verb that agrees with the subject in the following sentence:

The book, along with the notes, _____ on the desk.

- a) is b) are c) were d) have

11. Neither the teacher nor the students _____ aware of the schedule change.

- a) was b) has c) are d) is

12. Pick the most suitable set of pronouns to complete the sentence:

Each student must submit _____ own report before _____ deadline. _____ must also ensure that _____ is well-prepared and on time.

- a) his, the, they, it b) their, the, they, it c) their, a, he, it d) his, a, they, it

13. Select the most suitable set of adverbs for the following sentence:

She answered the questions _____, impressing everyone with her knowledge.

- a) confidently and accurately b) hesitantly and vaguely
c) loudly and nervously d) quickly and poorly

14. Choose the correct prepositions from the options provided:

They walked _____ the beach, stopping _____ the water's edge to collect shells. They then continued _____ the boardwalk until sunset.

- a) beside, down, past b) across, on, over
c) around, by, through d) along, at, on

15. Choose the correct articles to complete the sentence:

During _____ summer vacation, they traveled to _____ European countries and visited _____ historical landmarks.

- a) the / an / several b) a / the / many
c) the / the / some d) a / a / the

16. Join the pair of sentences by choosing the suitable conjunction from the given options.

The project deadline was approaching rapidly.

The team was still behind schedule on several tasks.

- a) so b) while c) although d) because

Replace the underlined word with its synonym.

17. The arduous hike took us several hours to complete.

- a) challenging b) easy c) short d) pleasant

18. She felt elated after receiving the award for her achievements.

- a) disappointed b) ecstatic c) indifferent d) tired

Select the odd one out from the given set of words:

19. a) Synonym b) Antonym c) Homonym d) Hyperbole
20. a) Subject b) Predicate c) Adjective d) Clause
21. a) Pronoun b) Suffix c) Root d) Prefix

Select the prefix to make antonyms of the given words:

22. Tolerant
a) Un- b) Dis- c) In- d) Mis-
23. Efficient
a) Pre- b) In- c) Mis- d) Re-

Select the sentence which is correctly punctuated:

24. a) The teacher asked, "Can you solve this problem?"
b) "I can't believe it she said."
c) Mark said "I will call you later".
d) "please close the door" said the librarian.
25. a) "I have finished my homework," he said, "and now I can relax.
b) "the movie was fantastic" she exclaimed.
c) "Please remember, to bring your ID" said the receptionist.
d) "What time is the meeting?" he inquired.

READING SKILLS

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

In the heart of a bustling city stood an old library, a quiet sanctuary amidst the chaos. Its shelves were lined with books from every era and genre, each with a story to tell. Among these, one particular book, bound in faded leather and inscribed with golden letters, drew the attention of many visitors. It was said to hold secrets of forgotten knowledge and ancient wisdom.

The library's curator, an elderly gentleman with a profound love for literature, was well acquainted with the book's lore. He often spoke of its origins with a mixture of reverence and skepticism. According to legend, the book had been passed down through generations, each owner adding to its collection of wisdom. The curator believed that while the book's contents were undoubtedly valuable, its true worth lay in the mystery it embodied and the curiosity it inspired.

One day, a young scholar, eager to uncover the truth behind the legends, visited the library. She spent hours poring over the book's pages, noting the intricate illustrations and the carefully preserved text. Despite her best efforts, she could not decipher all of its contents. Nevertheless, she left the library with a renewed sense of purpose, inspired by the book's enigmatic nature and the promise of uncovering more secrets.

26. What is the main theme of the passage?

- a) The importance of preserving ancient texts.
b) The impact of curiosity on knowledge acquisition.
c) The role of libraries in modern cities.
d) The process of book restoration.

27. According to the passage, what is the curator's attitude towards the book?

- a) He is skeptical about the legends surrounding it.
- b) He is indifferent to its historical significance.
- c) He believes it is worthless due to its age.
- d) He views it with a mix of respect and doubt.

28. What motivates the young scholar to study the book?

- a) A desire to authenticate the book's origin
- b) An academic requirement for her research
- c) A fascination with its historical significance
- d) A challenge to disprove the legends associated with it

29. In the passage, the word "sanctuary" most closely means:

- a) A place of refuge
- b) A historical site
- c) A large collection
- d) A public space

30. The term "enigmatic" in the passage is best understood as:

- a) Historically accurate and detailed
- b) Extremely valuable and rare
- c) Easily accessible and straightforward
- d) Mysterious and difficult to understand

MINDATHON MASTERS' ZONE

Read the description carefully and pick the most suitable option that describes it.

31. The heavy rain pounded against the windows, accompanied by flashes of lightning and rolls of thunder.

- a) Violent, Turbulent, Tempestuous
- b) Mild, Pleasant, Refreshing
- c) Frightening, Startling, Enjoyable
- d) Refreshing, Invigorating, Lively

32. The classroom was filled with the sound of students discussing their group project, sharing ideas, and working collaboratively.

- a) Distracted, Unfocused, Disorganized
- b) Cooperative, Engaged, Interactive
- c) Silent, Reserved, Solemn
- d) Chaotic, Noisy, Confused

Fill in the gaps with the most suitable collective noun:

33. The _____ of ants built an elaborate network of tunnels and chambers underground.

- a) Shoal
- b) Herd
- c) Pack
- d) Colony

34. The _____ of scholars debated the merits of the new theory at the academic conference.

- a) Conference
- b) Assembly
- c) Panel
- d) Colony

35. Read the sentences carefully and tick the correct one:

- a) Neither the teacher nor the students has arrived yet.
- b) Neither the teacher nor the students have arrived yet.
- c) Neither the teacher nor the students is arrived yet.
- d) Neither the teacher nor the students was arrived yet.