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ALL INDIA ENGLISH CHALLENGE EXAM  
(AIECE)

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Name of the School : \_\_\_\_\_ Date : \_\_\_\_\_

Class : \_\_\_\_\_ Subject: English Time: 60 Min

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**Instructions to the Candidate**

1. Each question carries 1 mark. There is no negative marking.
2. Separate Optical Mark Reader (OMR) Answer Sheet is supplied to you along with question paper booklet.
3. Read the questions carefully and fill in the circle corresponding to your answer. Fill in the circle Completely.
4. Rough work should be done only in the space provided in the Question Paper Booklet.
5. Return the OMR Answer sheet to the invigilator before leaving the examination hall.
6. You can carry the question paper with you after completing the examination.
7. Once you enter the examination hall, you are not permitted to leave till the end of the examination.

**Grade VIII English**

Choose the odd pair.

1. (A) Captain : Team  
(B) Boss : Gang  
(C) Prime Minister : Cabinet  
(D) Artist : Troupe
2. (A) Needle : Pin  
(B) Gun : Fire  
(C) Chisel : Carve  
(D) Broom: Clean

Choose the correct option.

3. The students \_\_\_\_\_ their teachers on Teachers day.  
(A) contacted  
(B) impersonated  
(C) implanted  
(D) contraded

4. Because I helped my mother, \_\_\_\_\_.
- (A) she was angry.
  - (B) she was late.
  - (C) she was sorry.
  - (D) she was able to finish her work quickly.
5. I did not really enjoy, \_\_\_\_\_
- (A) telling the bad news.
  - (B) happiness.
  - (C) sadness.
  - (D) sorrow.
6. My friends **persuaded** me to play. Choose the noun for the highlighted word.
- (A) persuasion.
  - (B) persuation.
  - (C) persuasion.
  - (D) persuassion.
7. The girl **did not obey** her parents. Choose the correct option for the highlighted word.
- (A) misobeyed.
  - (B) disobeyed.
  - (C) disobey.
  - (D) misbehave.
8. Bruno was a **naughty** dog. Choose the synonym for the highlighted word.
- (A) big
  - (B) small
  - (C) mischievous
  - (D) sweet
9. \_\_\_\_\_going to be late for the movies.
- (A) They're
  - (B) Their
  - (C) They will
  - (D) Theirs

10. If you drop a potato in water, it will **sink**.

Choose the antonym for the highlighted word.

- (A) swim
- (B) bounce
- (C) float
- (D) sly

11. The news \_\_\_\_\_ us with joy and happiness.

- (A) were filling
- (B) filled
- (C) was being filled
- (D) has being filled

12. Mai Tai Restaurant is \_\_\_\_\_ for its Chinese dim sum.

- (A) infamous
- (B) know
- (C) reknowned
- (D) renowned

13. Choose the correct proverb.

- (A) Better late than never.
- (B) Late is never better
- (C) Do at the right time
- (D) Better not do.

14. Choose the correct proverb for this sentence. **If you are patient, good things can happen**

- (A) patience is good.
- (B) wait for good things.
- (C) Good things come to those who wait
- (D) be patient.

15. That which cannot be corrected.

- (A) unintelligible
- (B) indelible
- (C) illegible
- (D) incorrigible

16. Operation of the body after death.

- (A) homage
- (B) mortuary
- (C) post-mortem
- (D) obituary

17. He could have bought a new car, \_\_\_\_\_?

- (A) couldn't he?
- (B) could be he?
- (C) isn't?
- (D) is it?

18. \_\_\_\_\_ a minute?

- (A) Could you spare
- (B) Do you get
- (C) Will you get
- (D) Have you got

19. Which part of the sentence has an error?

Symptoms of this illness (A) that warrant a doctor visit (B) includes fever, (C) vomiting, and diarrhea, as well as the (D) loss of appetite.

- (A)
- (B)
- (C)
- (D)

20. Which part of the sentence has an error?

The Vice-Chancellor of our university urged/to (A)/ the agitating students to shun violence (B)/ and maintain peace on the campus. (C)/ No error (D)/

- (A)
- (B)
- (C)
- (D)

## READING

Direction (Q. No. 21-26): Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow

In the freezing ocean waters of Antarctica, the planet's largest seals make their home in a frozen world. These giants are southern elephant seals, and they can grow as long as the length of a car and weigh as much as two cars combined. The name "elephant seal" comes from both the males' enormous size and from their giant trunk-like nose, called a proboscis. Females do not have a proboscis and they are much smaller.

A thick layer of blubber keeps southern elephant seals warm in their icy habitat. The seals are clumsy on land, but in water they're graceful swimmers and incredible divers. They can easily dive 1,000 to 4,000 feet to hunt for squid, octopus, and various kinds of fish. Elephant seals are able to stay underwater for 20 minutes or more. The longest

underwater session researchers observed is an amazing two hours! When they return to the surface to breathe, it's only for a few minutes. Then they dive again.  
(World's Largest Seal by Guy Belleranti)

21. Elephant seals can grow
  - (A) Like a car
  - (B) As long as the length of a car
  - (C) Longer than a car
  - (D) Smaller than a car
  
22. Elephant seals are named so because of their
  - (A) Enormous size and giant trunk like nose.
  - (B) their giant legs
  - (C) big head
  - (D) long tail
  
23. An elephant seal can stay underwater for as long as
  - (A) ten mins
  - (B) thirty mins
  - (C) five hours
  - (D) two hours
  
24. The difference between a male and a female elephant seal is
  - (A) females do not have a proboscis
  - (B) females do not have a trunk
  - (C) females are bigger
  - (D) females have a big head
  
25. Find the word from the passage that means the same as gigantic
  - (A) big
  - (B) huge
  - (C) enormous
  - (D) large

## SPOKEN AND WRITTEN EXPRESSION

Direction (Q. No. 26 and 30): Sentences 1 and 3 are given. Sentence 2 is missing. Choose the right sentence for sentence 2.

26. Leena: Surabhi, I notice your grades are much better these days.

Surabhi: \_\_\_\_\_.

Leena: Your efforts have not been wasted. There is a remarkable improvement.

- (A) Yes, I think I've finally done well, though it took months of studying.
  - (B) Studying well is an art that needs to be practiced.
  - (C) I didn't really work.
  - (D) to achieve, you need to be smart.
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27. Susan: I am looking for themes for a birthday party. Do you have any bright ideas?

James: \_\_\_\_\_.

Susan: That's really a wonderful idea!

- (A) I don't enjoy parties.
- (B) What birthday?.
- (C) I don't want to attend.
- (D) What about a Fairy Tale theme?

28. John: Do you know that our school is celebrating its golden jubilee next month?

Eddie: Yes I have heard about it.

John: \_\_\_\_\_.

Eddie: Of Course I'll be coming. I am eagerly waiting to meet everyone.

- (A) Everyone is coming.
- (B) Will you be coming?
- (C) I'm not planning on going.
- (D) I am going.

Direction (No. 29 and 30): Sentences 1 and 4 are given. Sentences 2 and 3 are missing. Choose two sentences that will complete the paragraph,

29. Sentence 1: Today's world is full of gizmos and gadgets unimaginable to people thirty years ago.

Sentence 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence 3: \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence 4: However, keeping abreast of technology seems a difficult job by itself, considering the pace at which new gadgets appear on the market.

(D) The markets cater to this section and keep bringing out products that cater to their taste.

(E) Students and the youth like to keep abreast of technology.

(F) Who would have imagined a world of cell phones and iPods?

(A) DF      (B) ED      (C) EF      (D) FD

30. Sentence 1: Disposal of household waste is a daunting task for local authorities.

Sentence 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence 3: \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence 4: One way to reduce waste therefore is to segregate biodegradable and non-biodegradable waste at its source.

(D) Efforts should be made to recycle household waste.

(E) They cannot just dump waste in landfills.

(F) This is because household waste contains many materials and substances which are extremely harmful to the environment.

(A) EF      (B) DE      (C) FE      (D) DF

### MIXED BAG SECTION

31. Choose the correct option.

What are you doing when you outline a drawing?

(A) You're drawing lines or shapes showing the outside edge of objects.

(B) You're filling in the gaps with color.

(C) You're using crayons.

(D) You're erasing the lines

32. My mother's cabin is next to his cabin. Spot the error.

(A) mothers'    (B) his'      (C) mother's      (D) Next

33. (A) You are learning Japanese?

(B) Are you learning Japanese?

(C) Do you learning Japanese?

(D) Will you learning Japanese?

34. The waiter \_\_\_\_\_ us the menu to look at.

(A) Bring      (B) Bought    (C) brought    (D) brung

35. What are homophones?
- (A) words that sound alike but have different meanings
  - (B) words that rhyme
  - (C) words that have opposite meanings
  - (D) words that mean almost the same thing
36. Rock samples were collected by the astronaut.
- (A) Rock samples were taken.
  - (B) Rock samples are collected.
  - (C) The astronaut collected rock samples.
  - (D) The astronaut collects rock samples.
37. You better take your mobile phone with you ----.
- (A) so that you can lose it
  - (B) or I couldn't have called you
  - (C) because I will not be home the whole day
  - (D) in case you are in need of it
38. "When can we have dinner?" she asked.
- (A) She wanted to have dinner.
  - (B) She asked when they could have dinner.
  - (C) She asked for dinner.
  - (D) She asked if they would get dinner.
39. No other playwright is as great as Shakespeare. Choose the superlative degree
- (A) Shakespeare is greater than many playwrights.
  - (B) Shakespeare is a great playwright.
  - (C) Shakespeare is the greatest of all playwrights.
  - (D) Shakespeare is the most greatest playwright.
40. Choose the correct sentence
- (A) I decided to put my swimsuit and go for a swim.
  - (B) I decided to put my swimsuit on and go for a swim.
  - (C) I decided to put out my swimsuit on and go for a swim.
  - (D)** I decided to put in my swimsuit on and go for a swim.