

SHYAM SHARMA ENGLISH CLASSES

For SSC, UPSC (CSAT, Compulsory), Bank Po/Clerk and other Competitive Exams.....

TEST-6

Directions (1 to 5): Some of the sentences may have errors, the part containing error that should be your correct response. In case no error your response should be (d) no error.

1. The scissor is (a)/ lying on (b)/ the table. (c) no error (d)
2. As we see it, (a)/ she appears to be unreasonable (b)/ anxious about pleasing her husband. (c) no error (d)
3. Without no proof of your guilt (a)/ the only course open to me (b)/ is to dismiss the case. (c) no error (d)
4. My elder brother (a)/ is six (b)/ foot high. (c) no error (d)
5. You do not (a)/ look as (b)/ your brother. (c) no error (d)

Directions (6 to 10): Sentences are given with blanks to be filled in with an appropriate word/phrase. Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Choose the correct alternatives out of the four.

6. The Union Budget is likely to be presented on February 26, two days ahead of the.....date.
(a) critical (b) conventional
(c) suitable (d) convenient
7. I am sorry..... The mistake.
(a) from (b) with
(c) for (d) at
8. He..... her that she would pass.
(a) insured (b) ensured
(c) assumed (d) assured
9. Your father.....worry. I am a very careful driver.
(a) needn't (b) none
(c) can't (d) doesn't
10. Thechosen for construction of the building is in the heart of the city.
(a) cite (b) slight
(c) sight (d) site

Directions (11 to 15): A part of the sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part at (a), (b) and (c) which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is needed your answer is (d).

11. Sordid and sensational books tend to vitiate the public taste.
(a) divide (b) distract
(c) distort (d) No improvement
12. By studying AIDS has engaged many researchers in the last decade.
(a) important study
(b) now what the study
(c) the study up
(d) No improvement
13. His Master's thesis was highly estimated and is now being prepared for publication.
(a) was highly discussed
(b) was highly commended
(c) is highly appraised
(d) No improvement
14. No sooner had she realized her blunder than she began to take corrective measures.
(a) then she began to take
(b) than she began taking

- (c) when she began to take
- (d) No improvement

15. A good scholar must be precise and possess originality.
(a) must be precise and original
(b) must be possess precision and original
(c) must be precision and possess originality
(d) No improvement

Directions (16 to 20): Out of the four alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word.

16. NEXUS
(a) connection (b) distance
(c) deficit (d) difference
17. MAMMOTH
(a) straight (b) huge
(c) wild (d) greedy
18. HYPERBOLE
(a) expansion (b) imitation
(c) decoration (d) exaggeration
19. EULOGY
(a) spology (b) address
(c) speech (d) praise
20. MENACINGLY
(a) dangerously (b) threateningly
(c) harmfully (d) hideously

Directions (21 to 25): Out of the four alternatives, choose the word opposite in meaning to the given word.

21. IMPECCABLE
(a) faulty (b) tedious
(c) flashy (d) boring
22. AMALGAMATE
(a) separate (b) combine
(c) assimilate (d) integrate
23. ZENITH
(a) climax (b) crisis
(c) acme (d) nadir
24. INFLUX
(a) reflex (b) deflection
(c) effluent (d) exodus
25. ORDERLY
(a) semitic (b) colic
(c) democratic (d) chaotic

Directions (26 to 30): Four alternatives are given for the idiom/phrase underlined in the sentence. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the idiom/phrase.

26. Ram is very calculative and always has an axe to grind.
(a) has no result
(b) works for both sides
(c) has a private agenda
(d) fails to arouse interest
27. The police looked all over for him but drew a blank.
(a) did not find him
(b) put him in prison
(c) arrested him
(d) took him to court

28. On the issue of marriage, Sarita put her foot down.
 (a) stood up (b) was firm
 (c) got down (d) walked fast
29. His investments helped him make a killing in the stock market.
 (a) lose money quickly
 (b) plan a murder quickly
 (c) murder someone quickly
 (d) make money quickly
30. There is no gainsaying the fact that the country is in difficulties.
 (a) ignoring (b) hiding
 (c) forgetting (d) denying

Directions (31 to 35): Out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences.

31. One who loves books.
 (a) bibliophile (b) bibliophagist
 (c) bibliomaniac (d) bibliographer
32. Speaking without preparation.
 (a) deliberate (b) fluent
 (c) loquacious (d) extempore
33. Special trial of the Head of State by Parliament.
 (a) impingement (b) infringement
 (c) impeachment (d) impediment
34. Someone able to use both hands with equal skill.
 (a) ambivalent (b) amphibious
 (c) ambiguous (d) ambidextrous
35. Cure for all diseases.
 (a) curable (b) panacea
 (c) incurable (d) curative

Directions (36 to 40): Groups of four words are given. In each group, one word is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word.

36. (a) pleintive (b) sustein
 (c) villain (d) alleince
37. (a) comissioner (b) commissioner
 (c) commisioner (d) commissioner
38. (a) aprentice (b) advertise
 (c) treatice (d) sencitive
39. (a) suprintendent (b) supirentendent
 (c) superintendent (d) superentendent
40. (a) symetry (b) symmitry
 (c) symatry (d) symmetry

Directions (41 to 50): In the following passage, some of the words have been left out. First read the passage over and try to understand what it is about. Then fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given.

PASSAGE -1

Two years later, in November, 1895, he signed his final will. He left the bulk of his fortune, amounting to about 1,75,000 to a trust fund administered by Swedish and Norwegian trustees. The annual interest shall be awarded as prizes to those persons who during the previous year have rendered the greatest services to mankind. The interest shall be divided into five equal parts—now amounting to about 8,000 each—one of which shall be awarded to the person who has made the most important discovery or invention in the realm of physics, one to the person who has made the most important chemical discovery or improvement, one to the person who has made the most important physiological or medical discovery, one to the person who has produced the most outstanding work of literature,

idealistic in character, and one to the person who has done the best work for the brotherhood of nations, the abolition or reduction of standing armies, as well as for the formation or popularization of peace congress.

41. The said prize is awarded.
 (a) Once in 5 years (b) Every year
 (c) Once in 4 years (d) Once in 2 years
42. Which is the prize that is referred to in the passage?
 (a) Nobel prize (b) Magsaysay Award
 (c) Pulitzer prize (d) Booker prize
43. The number of prizes in the field of science are.
 (a) Four (b) One
 (c) three (d) five
44. Total annual prize money amounts to.
 (a) 8,000 (b) 1,750,000
 (c) 350,000 (d) 40,000
45. Prize is awarded for outstanding work in.
 (a) Chemistry (b) Literature
 (c) Physics (d) All the above

Passage-II

If an opinion contrary to your own makes you angry, that is a sign that you are subconsciously aware of having no good reason for thinking as you do. If someone maintains that two and two are five, or that Iceland is on the Equator, you feel pity rather than anger, unless you know so little of arithmetic or geography that his opinion shakes your own contrary conviction.

46. If someone else's opinion makes us angry, it means that.
 (a) We are subconsciously aware of having no good reason for becoming angry.
 (b) There may be good reasons for his opinion but we are not consciously aware of them
 (c) Our own opinion is not based on good reason and we know this subconsciously.
 (d) We are not consciously aware of any reason for our own opinion.
47. "your own contrary conviction refers to.
 (a) The fact that you feel pity rather than anger
 (b) The opinion that two and two are four and that Iceland is a long way from the Equator
 (c) The opinion that two and two are five and that Iceland is on the Equator
 (d) The fact that you know so little about arithmetic or geography
48. 'Conviction' means.
 (a) Persuasion (b) Disbelief
 (c) Strong belief (d) Ignorance
49. The writer says if someone maintains that two and two are five you feel pity because you.
 (a) Have sympathy
 (b) Don't agree with him
 (c) Want to help the person
 (d) Feel sorry for his ignorance
50. The second sentence in the passage.
 (a) Builds up the argument of the first sentence by restating it from the opposite point of view.
 (b) Makes the main point which has only been introduced by the first sentence.
 (c) Simply add a further point to the argument already stated in the first sentence
 (d) Illustrates the point made in the first sentence.