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ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Choose the option that is mostly nearly opposite in meaning to the underlined word.

1. It took the drug 2 hours to relieve my headache.
A. alleviate
B. provoke
C. abate
D. aggravates
2. This information is very confidential the doctor said.
A. public
B. personal
C. popular
D. private
3. You will succeed fairly well with adolescents if you coax them.
A. coerce
B. punish
C. pamper
D. curse
4. Life has become a misery for many due to harsh economic conditions.
A. satisfaction
B. extravagance
C. peace
D. comfort
5. They ended the discussion on amicable terms.
A. unacceptable
B. hostile
C. friendly
D. aggressive

Choose the word or phrase closest in meaning to the underlined word or phrase

6. My friend will hate his uncle for ever because he left him in the lurch in his hour of need.
A. abandon him
B. punished him
C. disrespected him
D. disinherited him
E. despised him
7. For all he cared, the game was as good as lost.
A. he did not care if the game was lost
B. he could not care less if the game was lost
C. he was almost certain that the game would be lost
D. he was afraid the game would be lost
E. the game was very good and he cared very much about losing it.
8. Some people are naturally belligerent.
A. naughty
B. benevolent
C. familiar
D. clear
E. crazy
9. This is a mundane thing.
A. natural
B. secular
C. familiar
D. clear
E. crazy
10. The word caligyneohobia means
A. fear of smile
B. fear of nudity
C. fear of pregnancy
D. fear of beautiful women
E. fear of being touched

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Questions 16 - 20, choose the option that best fills the gap(s)

16. Johnson is a stubborn man; he will never his words
- chew
 - spit
 - eat
 - bite
17. The classmore girl: than boys this session
- comprised of
 - comprises of
 - comprise
 - comprises
18. Joseph's now a ____ student but it took him years to ____
- matured/mature
 - mature/mature
 - mature/matured
 - matured/matured

19. The rebels will soon fight back, we have been informed their

- A. of predicament
- B. about/indulge
- C. on/rearmament
- D. as for/advancement

20. Kindly me your book because my friend ha..... mine

- A. borrow/borrowed
- B. borrow/lent
- C. lend/lent
- D. lend/borrowed

ECONOMICS

21. The following except ONE, are the differences between international trade and internal trade.

- A. differences in currency
- B. government control
- C. mobility of factors of production
- D. exchange of goods and services

22. The central bank instrument of control does NOT include

- A. open market operations
- B. moral suction
- C. selective credit control
- D. printing banknotes

23. The basic principle of co-operative societies are those of

- A. workers ownership and worker control
- B. sole proprietorship
- C. partnership
- D. denying of credit facilities to members

24. Generally property taxes

- A. are borne entirely by landlords
- B. cannot be shifted in the long run
- C. are borne only by renters
- D. are born by all (renter, owner- occupiers and landlords)

25. The population level that yields the maximum output when combined with available resources is known as ____.

- A. dependent population
- B. maximum population
- C. active population
- D. optimum population

26. Restriction on credit creation by commercial banks can be effected through

- A. an overdraft
- B. loans and allowance
- C. demand deposit
- D. liquidity ratio
- E Current account

27. The Net national Product (NNP) is the Gross National Product (GNP)

- A. minus depreciation
- B. plus income from abroad
- C. less income from abroad
- D. plus indirect taxes
- E. plus depreciation

28. 'MEANS' in Economics refers to

- A. choice
- B. factors
- C. output
- D. resources

29. Which of the following does not belong to the group in respect of the quality of money?

- A. Durability
- B. Divisibility
- C. Portability
- D. Measure of value

30. Short- run period in production is a period too short for a firm to be able to change it's____

- A. scale of operation
- B. total revenue
- C. variable inputs
- D. total outputs

GOVERNMENT

31. Regional consciousness in Nigeria was introduced by the

- A. Lyttleton constitution
- B. Clifford constitution
- C. Macpherson constitution
- D. Richard constitution

32. The structure of government implies the

- A. law making process of government
- B. law enforcement process of government
- C. organization of powers and functions of government

D. method of revenue allocation by government

33. The Nigerian electoral system gives voting rights to
A. alien's
B. Africans above the age of twenty-one
C. children over twelve years old
D. Nigerian citizens who are 18years old and above
E. friends of Nigeria

34. In democracy, ultimate authority resides with the
A. electorate
B. people
C. head of state
D. armed forces

35. The grant of the right to vote is called ____
A. enfranchisement
B. disqualification
C. prohibition
D. participation

36. Who won the gubernatorial election for Edo state in 2007?
A. Prof. Osariemen Osunbor
B. Comrade Adams Oshiomole
C. Mr. Osaigbovo Osaretin
D. Lucky Igbinedion

37. In which of the following party systems are all shades of opinion and interest adequately represented?
A. zero party
B. one party
C. two – party
D. multi-party

38. Under the independence constitution of Nigeria, Dr. Nnamdi Azikwe was ____.
A. Head of state
B. Governor – general
C. Prime Minister
D. Lieutenant – Governor

39. In 1919, Lord Lugard was replaced with ____ as the governor of Nigeria.
A. Sir Arthur Richards
B. Lord Milverton Thatcher

C. sir John Macpherson
D. sir Gugh Clifford

40. The ability of a state to make laws which are free from internal aggression and external control is known as
A. independence
B. power
C. authority
D. sovereignty

LITERATURE

Question 41 - 43 are based on Ahmed Yarima's –Attahiru

41. As the play opens, Abbas tells his friends about the loss of his money to
A. high way robbers
B. Luggard's soldiers
C. a boy disguised as a girl
D. customs inspectors

42. Caliph: I am becoming the Caliph at a time when the history of our life is at a delicate balance. In the above statement, the Caliph is alluding to
A. the difficulties pilgrims encounter on their way to Mecca
B. the civil strife between the various emirates
C. the problem of befitting burial for the dead Caliph
D. the imminent invasion of the caliphate by foreign forces

43. One reason given by the Sokoto caliphate for refusing the friends of whites is that
A. the white man is not true believer
B. the whites have become friends with the enemies of Sokoto
C. the white man is against polygamy
D. the white will close down their trade routes

Questions 44 and 45 are based on William Shakespeare's "Hamlet"

44. Laertes: Farewell, farewell, Ophelia; and remember well. What I have said to you. Laertes has told Ophelia ____

- A. to join him in France very soon
- B. to serve the queen diligently
- C. to find another lover and flee from the palace
- D. not yield herself to Hamlet's love advances

45. Even though the ghost of Hamlet's father demand vengeance, it specifically warns Hamlet against harming

- A. Ophelia
- B. Horatio
- C. the Queen
- D. Polonius

Questions 46 and 47 are based on Wangusa's poem "A Taxi Driver on His Death"

46. The person in the above poem is____
- A. determined to survive no matter the odds
 - B. certain that he will end up prosperous
 - C. rather reckless and fatalistic
 - D. certain of life after death

47. The driver is certain that after his death the society will

- A. give him a befitting funeral
- B. reprimand the vehicle owner
- C. condemn reckless taxi drivers
- D. merely note him as one more victim of technology

Question 48 is on J.P. Clark's "Agbor Dancer"

48. In the above poem, the poet contrasts the dancer's total involvement in the music with his own____

- A. indifference to the girl's performance
- B. alienation from his own roots
- C. inability to understand African cult
- D. stiffness when dancing

49. In literature, a stock character is a character

- A. who plays the role of stock broker or merchant
- B. who deceives the audience
- C. whose actions, speech style and role are predictable
- D. whose manner is as stiff as a dry stockfish

50. A light or amusing interlude inserted in the middle of a tragic play is called____

- A. comic relief
- B. pungent interlude
- C. panorama
- D. digression

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14. B 15. A 16. C 17. A 18. A 19. B
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ECONOMICS

21. B 22. D 23. A 24. A 25. D 26. D
27. A 28. D 29. D 30. C

GOVERNMENT

31. D 32. C 33. D 34. B 35. A 36. B
37. D 38. B 39. C 40. D

LITERATURE

41. B 42. D 43. B 44. D 45. C
46. C 47. D 48. B 49. C 50. A

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6. Polygamy is very common in Africa, whereas the only acceptable form of marriage in Europe is

- A. bigamy
- B. polyandry
- C. monogamy
- D. celibacy

7. The lecturer wants us to the motion, so oppose it

- A. sustain
- B. support
- C. applaud
- D. deride

8. He denied that he ever committing the offence in his earlier statement

- A. admitted
- B. argued
- C. collude
- D. negated

9. The brevity to the Guest-of-house's address contrasts with the of the chairman's opening remarks

- A. intensity
- B. propensity
- C. verbosity
- D. solidity

10. The motorists said the splashing to the waters was not deliberate.

- A. incidental
- B. intentional
- C. accidental
- D. unnecessary

From the words lettered A to D below each of the following sentences, choose the word that is nearest in meaning to the underlined word as it is used in the sentences

11. The lawyer remarked that the fact that the accused did nothing when the ignorant boy was being lynched made him culpable

- A. unreliable
- B. guilt

- C. liable
- D. blameworthy

12. The mineral resources of the country are yet to be fully tapped.

- A. assessed
- B. discovered
- C. exploited
- D. invested

13. The boss is quite inflexible once she has made up her mind

- A. wicked
- B. unyielding
- C. excited
- D. permanent

14. Spain was once a very powerful nation but her influence has warred over the years

- A. disappeared
- B. re-appeared
- C. diminished
- D. repealed

15. The labour leaders described the newly introduced economic measures as obnoxious

- A. offensive
- B. prudent
- C. shameless
- D. unpredictable

After each of the following sentences, a list of possible interpretations of the sentences is given. Choose the interpretation that you consider most appropriate for each sentence

16. When the striking workers were threatened with dismissal, they decided to make a virtue of necessity. This means that they

- A. all resigned
- B. continued the strike action
- C. had to call off the strike
- D. accuse some of their colleagues of treachery

17. Their students stuck to their guns after the principal had appealed to them to go back to their classes. This means that the students

- A. went back willingly
- B. refused to go back
- C. went back reluctantly
- D. attacked the school authorities.

18. The sudden death of his friend made Asuguo have his hearts in his boots. This means that Asuguo

- A. became greatly discouraged
- B. was a good football
- C. was very excited
- D. took the matter very seriously

19. The last promotion exercise for deputy registrar was the bone of contention between the two friends, this means that the last promotion exercise was_____.

- A. the cause of their disputes
- B. forced them to reason together
- C. made them to become enemies
- D. united them in their fight against their common enemy

20. When Walter was asked to state his case, he started beating about the bush. This means that Walter

- A. started clearing the bush
- B. failed to go straight to the point
- C. went to bush
- D. started his case very clearly

GOVERNMENT

1. Under the 1999 constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria there are a total of ____ Local government councils

- A. 334
- B. 620
- C. 724
- D. 774

2. Which of the following ethnic groups had the best egalitarian traditional political system?

- A. Hausa/ Fulani.
- B. Yoruba
- C. Igbo
- D. Edo

3. Which of the following is not a major problem of local government in Nigeria

- A. Insufficient funding and limited internally generated revenue
- B. Interference and control by higher levels of government
- C. Lack of competent and qualified staff
- D. lack of sufficient number of local government

4. Which of the following is not a reason for the adoption of a Federal System of government?

- A. Cultural diversities
- B. Security consideration
- C. Economic consideration
- D. Limited resources.

5. Which of the following is not an example of a public corporation in Nigeria?

- A. Nigerian Railway Corporation
- B. Federal Radio Corporation of Nigeria
- C. Federal Mortgage Bank of Nigeria
- D. National Deposit Insurance Corporation

6. Which of the following statements is true about the 1963 and 1979 Constitutions?

- A. Both had provisions for the office of the president.
- B. Both had provision for the office of the constitutional president.
- C. Both provided for the offices of prime minister and president.
- D. Both had provision for the office of an executive president

7. Which of these former Nigerian Heads of State was instrumental to the establishment of ECOWAS?

- A. Sanni Abacha
- B. Yakubu Gowon
- C. Olusegun Obasanjo
- D. Tafawa Balewa

8. In 1975, Nigeria had a strained relationship with one of the following countries over the crisis in Angola.

- A. Britain
- B. Israel
- C. USA
- D. Mexico

9. Nigeria's non-aligned posture was criticized on ground of the

- A. Non - Proliferation Treaty
- B. ECOWAS Treaty
- C. Nuclear Test Ban Treaty
- D. Anglo - Nigeria Defence Pact

10. The circumstance that led to the establishment of ECOWAS Monitoring Group (ECOMOG) was_____

- A. the bloody civil war in Nigeria
- B. the bloody civil war in Liberia
- C. the bloody civil war in Sudan
- D. the bloody civil war in all West African countries

LITERATURE

1. The Joys of Motherhood suggests that_____

- A. sometimes men are irresponsible as fathers and husbands
- B. children always grow up to help their parents
- C. husbands always appreciate hardworking wives
- D. women care for their children but neglect their husbands

2. The major thematic preoccupation of Joys of Motherhood is _____.

- A. politics
- B. economic emancipation
- C. motherhood
- D. colonialism

3. "The piercing chili I feel, My dead wife's comb in our bedroom Under my heel" (trans. By Harold Henderson) What is the form of the above poem?

- A. haiku
- B. triplet
- C. tercet
- D. quatrain

4. A sonnet is a poem of lines

- A. 15
- B. 14
- C. 16
- D. 12

5. A stanza of three lines linked by rhyme is called a_____.

- A. couplet
- B. ballad
- C. tercet
- D. quatrain

6. From David Rubadiri's "An African Thunderstorm" "Clouds come hurrying with the wind" contains an example of

- A. alliteration
- B. assonance
- C. enjambment
- D. rhyme

7. in poetry, double rhyme can be used to bring out_____

- A. irony
- B. unity
- C. theme
- D. conclusion

8. The stanzas which make up a ballad usually consists of _____ lines

- A. 7
- B. 8
- C. 4
- D. 9

9. The tone in "Heritage of Liberation" is

- A. lamentative
- B. invocatory
- C. explanatory
- D. melancholic

10. The typical rhyme scheme of an English sonnet is

- A. abab cdcd efef gg
- B. abab cdcd eeffgg
- C. abed abed efef gg
- D. abcc abed efff gg

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ECONOMICS

1. A debenture share entitles its holders to
 - A. Participate in the annual general meeting of the company
 - B. Share in the dividend declared
 - C. Receive a fixed interest on sums invested
 - D. Have a representative on the board of directors.
2. Tariffs on imports are meant to
 - A. Prevent a country from becoming a dumping ground for foreign goods
 - B. Discourage exports
 - C. Encourage exports
 - D. Increase the level of external dependency
3. If a country has a balance of payment crisis which of the following measures can best bring about an improvement in the short run?
 - A. Large - scale importation on foreign goods
 - B. Investment in capital market abroad
 - C. Large - scale export of locally made goods
 - D. Repayment of debt to her creditors
4. The terms of trade of a country is defined as _____.
 - A. $\frac{\text{Index of import price}}{\text{Index of export price}} \times 100$
 - B. $\frac{\text{Index of exportation}}{\text{Index of importation}} \times 100$
 - C. $\frac{\text{Index of visible of import}}{\text{Index of visible export}} \times 100$
 - D. $\frac{\text{Index of export prices}}{\text{Index of import prices}} \times 100$
5. One of the gains by members state of the Economic community of West African states is _____.
 - A. Monoculture dependency
 - B. Trade creation
 - C. Trade inversion
 - D. Economic independency
6. Deflation is a persistent fall in the general price level and is usually caused by _____.
 - A. A reduction in total demand
 - B. An increase in government spending
 - C. An increase in the money supply
 - D. An increase in aggregate demand

7. Price can be defined as
 - A. A rate of exchange
 - B. A medium of exchange
 - C. The cost of a product
 - D. The standard of accounting.
8. Money market differ from capital market in that it
 - A. Uses interest rate while capital market does not
 - B. Is limited in scope while capital market is not
 - C. Deals with short-term loan while capital market deals with long - term funds
9. The ultimate objective of economics is
 - A. Make the best use of scarce resource
 - B. Decide under what circumstance in the economy
 - C. Organize production at the lowest cost
 - D. Make effort understand how the economy works
10. What to produce in any society is determine by the
 - A. Competition among different producer
 - B. Competition different consumer
 - C. Supply and demand in the factor market
 - D. Expenditure of the people different commodities

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14. C 15. A 16. C 17. B 18. A 19. A
20. B

GOVERNMENT

1. D 2. C 3. D 4. D 5. C 6. A 7. B
8. C 9. D 10. B

LITERATURE

1. A 2. C 3. A 4. B 5. C 6. A 7. D

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ENGLISH

1. An autobiographical novel is _____.
 - A. A novel written about another novelist
 - B. A true account of a novelist's life by himself
 - C. A novel in which the novelist draws mainly on materials from his own life
 - D. A novel using the 'I' pronoun
2. Plot in prose fiction is best defined as _____.
 - A. The cause and-effect sequence of events
 - B. The brief summary of events
 - C. The central event
 - D. The subject - matter of a novel
3. Which of these is not true about unity of action in a novel?
 - A. Action may be unified through a single main character
 - B. Action may be unified by being set in one place
 - C. Action may be unified by many characters
 - D. Action maybe unified by having one consistent point of view
4. Action in a novel is best defined as _____.
 - A. The summary of the novel's story
 - B. What the characters do or say in the novel

- C. The numerous sub- plots of the novel put together
- D. The totality of all the episodes in a novel leading to the conclusion

5. Suspense in a novel means _____.
 - A. the postponement of the hero's death till the last possible moment
 - B. the intense emotions that the author conveys
 - C. the inconclusive end of a novel
 - D. when we are curious about what happens next in a novel

6. A realistic novel is one in which the characters are _____.
 - A. real
 - B. historic
 - C. just of above average intelligence
 - D. the types that we meet in everyday life

7. Theme is best defined as _____.
 - A. The subject matter of a novel or play
 - B. central idea in a play or novel
 - C. The point of view in that novel
 - D. The sum-total of all the characters experiences

8. What figure of speech does the following quotation contain? Life's but a walking shadow (Macbeth)
 - A. A metaphor
 - B. An image
 - C. A synecdoche
 - D. An allusion

9. Which of the following statement is most true about poetry?
 - A. the meaning of words is more important than their sounds
 - B. the sounds of words are more important than their meanings
 - C. the sound of words is often more important than their meanings
 - D. sounds and meanings of words are of little consequence

10. Which of these bests define exposition in drama?

- A. the author's own general introduction to the play
- B. the author's early exposure of his dramatic personae to conflict
- C. introduction to the characters and the general problem with which the play deals
- D. the first performance of the play on stage

11. When the speaker in a poem cannot be identified with the poet, that speaker is called _____.

- A. a persona
- B. a drama is persona
- C. a soliloquist
- D. a ventriloquist

12. Which of these definitions best describes a lyric?

- A. A short poem
- B. a short poem in which the poet himself is speaking
- C. a poem expressing a personal idea, feeling or mood
- D. a poem divided into stanzas

Read the following extract from a poem to answer questions 13 and 14.

Among rocks, I am the loose one, among arrows, I am the heart among daughters, I am the recluse, among sons. the one who dies young

13. What kind of repetition is used in the extract?

- A. anaphora
- B. single word repetition
- C. line repetition
- D. phrase repetition

14. Apart from emphasis, what other effect does the repetition have?

- A. makes the poem rhythmical
- B. makes the poem tedious
- C. makes the poem monotonous
- D. makes the poem exhilarating

15. The following line from poem Western wind, when will thou blow? Is an example of

- A. rhetorical question
- B. caesura
- C. alliteration
- D. nature imagery

16. Identify the odd one out of these types of imagery.

- A. visual imagery
- B. tactile imagery
- C. synaesthesia
- D. literal imagery

17. When a poet uses mainly soft vowel sounds in a poem, the texture of the poem is _____.

- A. mellifluous
- B. harsh
- C. assonantal
- D. neutral

18. The sounds in the following lines may be described as an example of "The moan of doves" in immemorial elms, and murmuring of innumerable bees

- A. Alliteration
- B. Euphony
- C. Cacophony
- D. A mixture of all above

19. "The man dies in him who keeps silent in the face of tyranny", This statement can be described as _____.

- A. Metaphoric
- B. Literal
- C. Tragic
- D. a simile

20. The literary technique in which a reader is taken to the past of a current action is known as

- A. rewinding
- B. fast forward
- C. flashback
- D. repetition

ECONOMICS

21. A major liability of a commercial bank arise from _____.

- A. customer's deposits
- B. loans and advances
- C. overdrafts
- D. staff allowances

22. Retailers in an economy perform the function of _____.

- A. production
- B. exchange
- C. distribution
- D. investment

23. In a sole proprietorship, the decision are made by the _____.

- A. government
- B. board of directors
- C. owner
- D. shareholders conference

24. The meaning of wage-price spiral is _____.

- A. demand pull and cost push inflation pulling each other in different
- B. demand pull and cost push intensifying each other
- C. that wages and price are rising at a proportional rate
- D. that demand pull and cost push inflation increase employment

25. Which of the following enterprise does not pursue the sole objective of profit maximization

- A. roads Nig Ltd
- B. Union bank of Nigeria Ltd
- C. power holding & company of Nigeria
- D. Kingsway Nigeria Ltd

26. Palm oil industry is located in Edo state because the state _____.

- A. imports raw material for oil industry
- B. is a palm tree growing area
- C. government does not engage land for other crops
- D. land is suitable for oil

27. Disequilibrium in the balance of payments means _____.

- A. imports of the country exceeding its export
- B. deficit in the trade balance
- C. capital flowing out of the country exceeds the capital flowing into the country
- D. overall deficit or surplus in the current account and capital account of the balance of payment

28. Full employment is a situation in which _____.

- A. every adult is employed
- B. all adult who can work are employed
- C. only the disabled are not employed
- D. all those who are able and eligible to work can find employment

29. PHCN as a public corporation is _____.

- A. duopoly
- B. a power-generating industry in Nigeria

C. a monopoly

D. a monopolistically competitive industry

30. Demand for a factor of production is _____.

- A. a composite demand
- B. a joint demand
- C. a derived demand
- D. an elasticity demand

GOVERNMENT

31. Which of the following is not an organ of the United Nations Organization (UNO)

- A. the general assembly
- B. the secretariat
- C. the economic and social council
- D. the council of ministers

32. The aims of Organization for Africa Unity (OAU) include the following except _____.

- A. promotion of unity
- B. united front
- D. eradication of colonialism
- D. reduce the living standard of member nations

33. In what year did the first military coup in Africa take place?

- A. 1952
- B. 1961
- C. 1960
- D. 1966

34. In the 1983 election, one of the following political parties did not win any of the gubernatorial seat

- A. Nigeria Advance party (NAP)
- B. Great Nigerian Peoples Party (GNPP)
- C. Unity Party of Nigeria (UPN)
- D. People's Redemption Party (PRP)

35. Which of the following tool was adopted in the settlement of the 1990' s border dispute between Cameroon and Nigeria?

- A. Propaganda
- B. Diplomacy
- C. Economic sanction
- D. Militarism

36. The Kano riot had the following applications except

- A. Action Group (AG) and National Council of Nigeria and the Cameroon (NCNC)

- temporary formation of alliance against Northern People's Congress (NPC)
- B. Granting of greater regional autonomy to the three regions
 - C. promotion of the relationship between the North and South
 - D. removal of power of intervention by the centre in all residual matters

37. Which of the following is not an achievement of the Nigerian Youth Movement (NYM)?

- A. it acted as the first nationalist movement with national colouration
- B. it gave birth to modern nationalism in Nigeria
- C. it became Nigeria's first political party
- D. it established a newspaper called the daily service

38. Which of the following is an objective of Nigeria's foreign policy?

- A. sovereign equality of all states
- B. promotion and protection of the national interest
- C. Emerging as a world power
- D. Promotion of free and fair elections.

39. The United Nations Secretary General as at March 2008 was _____.

- A. Dr. Kofi Anna
- B. Dr. Brutros Ghali
- C. Mr. Dan Ki Moon

40. When a state is subject to no other authority, it is said to be _____.

- A. Powerful
- B. Legitimate
- C. Authoritative
- D. Sovereign

LITERATURE

41. A reference to a work of art, person or place whether directly or indirectly is called _____.

- A. allusion
- B. contrast
- C. assonance
- D. allegory

42. In Literature, a Dramatis Personae refers to _____.

- A. the name of the author
- B. the list of characters in a play

- C. the name of the central character in a play
- D. the voice of the characters in a play

43. When a writer refers to past events to throw more light on current ones, he is employing _____.

- A. retrospection
- B. flashback
- C. historical drama
- D. dramatic shift

44. Which of the following is NOT a type of poem?

- A. Sonnet
- B. Elegy
- C. Pantomime
- D. Ode

45. One major narrative technique a novel shares with drama is _____.

- A. scenes
- B. dialogue
- C. soliloquy
- D. sarcasm

46. The rivers mentioned in the novel 'Negro Speak of Rivers' can be found in _____.

- A. America, Europe, Asia
- B. Asia, America, Africa
- C. Europe, Africa, Oceania
- D. America, Europe, Oceania

47. In the novel 'Purple Hibiscus' the life of Kambili and her brother in their father's house can be said to be _____.

- A. fulfilling and loving
- B. oppressive and fearful
- C. passive and uneventful
- D. quiet and peaceful

48. The imagery used in Adeoti Shola's 'Hard lines' is _____.

- A. disappointment and despair
- B. contempt and disgust
- C. sacrificial and helpful
- D. unpleasant and difficult

49. The Novel 'The Old Man and the Sea' can be described as _____.

- A. a satire
- B. an epic
- C. an allegory
- D. a love story

50. He stands there looking like he knows the secret of how our sun glows. A myth has

been well propagated that power – nuclears the source (it fit the theory once of course), but now new theories are debated. The rhyme scheme of the stanza above is

- A. ababcc
- B. ababab
- C. aabccb
- D. aabbcc

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1. B 2. A 3. D 4. B 5. D 6. D 7. B
8. A 9. A 10. C 11. A 12. C 13. A 14. A
15. C 16. C 17. C 18. B 19. A 20. C

ECONOMICS

21. A 22. C 23. C 24. C 25. C 26. B 27. D 28. D
29. C 30. C

GOVERNMENT

31. D 32. D 33. A 34. A 35. B 36. C 37. C 38. B
39. C 40. D

LITERATURE

41. A 42. B 43. B 44. C 45. B 46. B 47. B
48. D 49. B 50. A

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2015/2016 POST-UTME SCREENING EXERCISE

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Read the following instructions carefully:

1. Use HB pencil to shade your answers. Ensure that any shading in error is thoroughly erased.
2. Candidates should indicate the question Paper Type given to them in the appropriate space in the Answer Sheet.
3. Write your JAMB registration numbers on the question paper in the space provided at the top of page 1.
4. Attempt all questions.
5. The use of calculator and or similar electronic devices is NOT allowed

ENGLISH

COMPREHENSION PASSAGE

Tony spends most of his spare time at his medium-sized farm located on the fringes of the capital City along Okigwe road, the farm haven for the lover of retreat. It occupies an undulating land, which stretches for a good distance. The farm enjoys a modest canopy formed by palm trees, banana branches and coconut trees. The barbed wired fence blends harmoniously with the surrounding lush of the green foliage. There on the heart of the farm.

Tony raises small animals that include rabbits, goats and pigs. He ensures that animals particularly the pigs that form the main Naira earners are always in peak condition. This Tony does by seeing to it that they receive their regular clinical attention. Similarly, they always insist that the pens are cleaned and sanitized. Not surprisingly, the droppings from the animals are constantly carted away by enthusiastic farmers. They believe that the application should significantly boost their own harvest. This in part explains why there has been a good hassle for the droppings from Tony's farm in some other ways, the patronage is emblematic. Some of the farmers simply earn through their inner thought to make a statement.

Whenever Tony is out of his station, the manager follows religiously the strictly gamins already established

1. The second sentence suggests that Tony's farm is good _____.
 - A. for religious camping and meditation
 - B. for escaping from city noise
 - C. as a rendezvous for layers
 - D. as a location for serious meeting
2. From the description of the farm and surrounding,
 3. "They received their regular clinical attention" This means that
 - A. the animals are taken to the clinic regularly
 - B. the animals are under constraint observation
 - C. the animals are given regular vaccination
 - D. the animals have a doctor at the clinic
 4. The farmers who use animal droppings from Tony's farm think that _____.
 - A. their harvest will increase
 - B. their crops will remain healthy
 - C. their farm will be inexpensive
 - D. their farm will be a model
 5. Tony's farm manager can be described as _____.
 - A. a good imitator
 - B. a religious person
 - C. a sympathetic individual
 - D. a responsible worker

In question 6 and 7, an idiom is underlined in each of the sentences, find under each sentence the group of words that gave the nearest meaning to the idiom.

6. He killed the goose that laid the golden egg when he decided to spend his capital on buying a car.
 - A. sacrificed future profit to satisfy present needs
 - B. was bad natured
 - C. became a poor person
 - D. became an important person
7. I laughed up my sleeve as he told the tales of his exploits.
 - A. was very pleased

- B. was openly making him of him
- C. was secretly amused
- D. laughed myself helplessly

In questions 8 and 9, choose the word or set of words that best lit the meaning of the sentence as a whole.

8. _____ the long run. we will make enough profit.
- A. In
 - B. On
 - C. At
 - D. For

9. The congregation all sorts and conditions of men
- A. composes
 - B. consists
 - C. comprises
 - D. conjectures

In questions 10 and 11, select the option that is nearest in meaning to the underlined word.

10. The effect of the new policy on the masses is rather negligible.
- A. unimportant
 - B. useful
 - C. insignificant
 - D. negligent
11. When I returned to the cyber cafe a week later, my ticket had become invalid.
- A. inappropriate
 - B. crippled
 - C. discounted
 - D. out of date.

In question 12 and 14, choose from the options given in A-D the one which is opposite in meaning to the word.

12. An expert will not be found waiting in this type of job hunting.
- A. A foreigner
 - B. a jobber
 - C. An applicant
 - D. A novice
13. If you are not for lesbianism, it means you are for.
- A. celibacy
 - B. homosexuality
 - C. nun hood

- D. heterosexuality

14. The chairman's verdict redressed the injustice meted out by the secretary.
- A. corrected
 - B. aggravated
 - C. restored
 - D. addressed

Interpretation:

15. My friend gambled about all day yesterday This means that he _____.
- A. was gambling with his money yesterday
 - B. did nothing useful yesterday
 - C. played cards for money
 - D. was jumping in the field.

From the words or group of words lettered A-D, choose the option that is most nearly opposite to the underlined words

16. Our grandmother was very much loved for her altruism.
- A. benevolence
 - B. selflessness
 - C. kindness
 - D. selfishness
17. The principal lost his usual good humour when his school was defeated in this year's cowbell mathematics quiz competition.
- A. provoked
 - B. kept
 - C. maintained
 - D. obtained
18. Nkoli was the one who politely declined the invitation.
- A. turned off
 - B. turned away
 - C. accepted
 - D. received
19. We quickly realized that a confrontation was inevitable.
- A. disastrous
 - B. unavoidable
 - C. desirable
 - D. conditionally
20. Obiora's name was inadvertently omitted.
- A. unfortunately
 - B. improperly

- C. intentionally
- D. conditionally

ECONOMICS

21. Differential product is the characteristic feature of _____.

- A. perfect competition
- B. pure competition
- C. monopoly
- D. monopolistic competition

22. The channel for food distribution in Nigeria consists of _____.

- A. producers' wholesalers and retailers
- B. producers and consumers
- C. producers and processor
- D. farmers processors and consumers

23. One disadvantage of sole proprietorships is its _____.

- A. limited liability
- B. high profits
- C. high sense of ownership
- D. low credit rating

24. For two substitute goods, the cross elasticity of demand is _____.

- A. greater than one but less than two
- B. zero
- C. negative
- D. positive

25. An imperfectly competitive market is one where _____.

- A. a large number of firms sell homogenous product
- B. input and output prices are unaffected
- C. commodities are differentiated
- D. each firm maximizes profit by selecting an output level at which marginal cost equal mark price land is suitable for oil

26. Which of the following is NOT a determinant of the size of economically active population

- A. age structure
- B. occupation of workers
- C. proportion of men to women
- D. efficiency of labour force

27. The economic goal of public utilities is to _____.

- A. maximize profit
- B. expand assets

- C. minimize cost
- D. provide essential services

28. The most important characteristic of money is _____.

- A. portability
- B. intrinsic value
- C. acceptability
- D. usefulness

29. Which of the following is not a feature of economic under development of a country?

- A. large number of hg income earners relative to the population
- B. high annual income for the few
- C. high incidence of poverty
- D. high infant mortality rate

30. Given the present state of the Nigerian economy which of the following measurers will promote a more rapid economic development

- A. complete dependence on oil exports
- B. concentration on agricultural exports
- C. diversification of the economy
- D. introduction of nuclear energy in Nigeria

GOVERNMENT

31. A political system where candidate do not contest on the platform of any political party rather on personal attributes is called _____.

- A. zero - party system
- B. one - party system
- C. two party system
- D. personal party system

32. Which of the following is not a member of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)?

- A Kuwait
- B. Saudi Arabia
- C. Nigeria
- D. Britain

33. A country is most likely to have a good government only if it has _____.

- A. a good constitution but bad operators
- B. good operators but bad constitution
- C. a strong military support
- D. a good constitution and good operators

34. The concept of sovereignty was popularized by _____.

- A. J .J Rousseau
- B. AV Dicey C.
- C .C Moutesquieu
- D. John Locke
- E. Jean Bodin

35. A tax imposed on goods manufactured within a country is called _____.

- A. property tax
- B. capital gains tax
- C. income tax
- D. excise tax

36. Who among the following is not eligible to vote?

- A. civil servant
- B. retired soldier
- C. mentally disturbed
- D. Chief magistrate
- E. reverend father

37. The distinction between a flexible and rigid constitution is based on _____.

- A. entrenched clauses
- B. amendment procedures
- C. written and unwritten aspects
- E. whether it is unitary or federal

38. The major reason why government sets up public corporations is to _____.

- A. make profits
- B. provide employment for politicians
- C. provide utility services to the public at minimal cost
- D. reflect the federal character in sitting industries
- E. help businessmen

39. The universal adult suffrage means all

- A. adult citizens can vote
- B. citizens can vote
- C. qualified citizens can vote
- D. literate citizens can vote
- E. males can vote

40. Indirect rule was introduced in Nigeria because _____.

- A. traditional rulers were powerful
- B. there were few administrators in the country
- C. the colonialists were poor administrators
- D. the native authorities were already well organized

Questions 41 - 44 are on General Literary Principles and Appreciation.

41. A blank verse _____.

- A. is a nonsensical verse
- B. consists of unrhymed five stress lines
- C. is a verse used by the nobility
- D. consists of rhyme in the second and fourth

42. "See! How she leans her cheek upon her hand; O! that! Wore a glove upon that hand that I might touch that cheek" The predominant figure of speech in these lines is _____.

- A. conceit
- B. apostrophe
- C. caricature
- D. smile

43. The technique used in bringing the plot of a play to an abrupt end is called _____.

- A. denouement
- B. climax
- C. endnote
- D. dues ex machine

44. "Stream of consciousness" is the name for _____.

- A. a narrative mode that produces a character's random thoughts and associations
- B. an Italian rhyme scheme brought into vogue in the sixteenth century
- C. a stage device in which the actor addresses the audience directly
- D. a cultural phenomenon of the eighteenth century

Questions 45 and 50 are based on William Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet.

45. "Wisely and slow. They stumble that run fast" This note of caution comes from _____.

- A. Benvolio to Mercutio
- B. Capulet to Paris
- C. Friar to Romeo
- D. None to Juliet

46. In the play, the dramatic significance of Mercutio's character is to _____.

- A. serve as a contrast to Romeo's
- B. aid and abet Romeo's passion
- C. annoy Tybalt
- D. persuade Romeo to forget Rosaline

LITERATURE

47. In Elliotts's Journey of the Magi, the magi are aided on their journey by _____.

- A. don keys
- B. horses
- C. camels
- D. chariots

48. In Keats' On the Grasshopper and Cricket, the frost of winter evenings is said to cause

- A. violence
- B. luxury
- C. silence
- D. loneliness

49. The subject matter of Wangusa's A Taxi Driver on His Death is _____.

- A. the road
- B. death
- C. the vehicle
- D. the driver

50. Milton's on his blindness teaches human beings to _____.

- A. discountenance physical disabilities
- B. regard disabilities as enduring
- C. keep on struggling endlessly
- D. use their talents sparingly

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ENGLISH

1. B 2.-- 3. C 4. A 5. D 6. A 7. C 8. A
9. C 10. C 11. D 12. D 13. B 14. B 15. B
16. D 17. B 18. C 19. D 20. C

ECONOMICS

21. C 22. B 23. D 24. C 25. - 26. B 27. B
28. D 29. A 30. C

GOVERNMENT

31. A 32. D 33. D 34. E 35. D 36. C 37. C
38. C 39. A 40. B

LITERATURE

41. B 42. B 43. D 44. A 45. C 46. C 47. C
48. C 49. B 50. A

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Time allowed: 1 hour

ENGLISH

Choose the option that is mostly nearly opposite in meaning to the underlined word.

1. It took the drug 2 hours to relieve my headache.
 - A. alleviate
 - B. provoke
 - C. abate
 - D. aggravates

2. This information is very confidential the doctor said _____.
 - A. public
 - B. personal
 - C. popular
 - D. private

3. You will succeed fairly well with adolescents if you coax them.
 - A. coerce
 - B. punish
 - C. pamper
 - D. curse

4. Life has become a misery for many due to harsh economic conditions.
 - A. satisfaction
 - B. extravagance
 - C. peace
 - D. comfort

5. They ended the discussion on amicable terms.
 - A. unacceptable
 - B. hostile
 - C. friendly
 - D. aggressive

Choose the word or phrase closest in meaning to the underlined word or phrase.

6. My friend will hate his uncle forever because he left him in the lurch in his hour of need.
 - A. abandon him
 - B. punished him
 - C. disrespected him

- D. disinherited him
- E. despised him

7. For all he cared, the game was as good as lost.
 - A. he did not care if the game was lost
 - B. he could not care less if the game was lost
 - C. he was almost certain that the game would be lost
 - D. he was afraid the game would be lost
 - E. the game was very good and he cared very much about losing it

8. Some people are naturally belligerent
 - A. naughty
 - B. benevolent
 - C. familiar
 - D. clear
 - E. crazy

9. This is a mundane thing.
 - A. natural
 - B. secular
 - C. familiar
 - D. clear
 - E. crazy

10. The word caligynophobia means _____.
 - A. fear of smile
 - B. fear of nudity
 - C. fear of pregnancy
 - D. fear of beautiful women
 - E. fear of being touched

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow it.

Mathematics is the language in which the book of nature is written: Mathematics is the queen of the sciences. It is universally agreed that Mathematics is the backbone of Science and Technology. For without Mathematics, the engineer is but an artist or a sculptor. He can build his bridge, attest to its form and beauty, but without Mathematics he cannot guarantee its reliability to serve the purpose for which it is built. Mathematics is indeed the science of sciences. It is also art of all arts. It is right, legitimate and defensible to consider Mathematics as an art.

The poet, the musician, the artist and the mathematician have a lot in common. Fundamental to all their studies and works is

their common interest in the logical study of related concepts and objects to form pattern called painting and the mathematician arranges abstract ideas into a pattern using symbols. to produce equations. Each of these patterns the poem. the music. the painting and the equation must stand up to the test of the same order. harmony and beauty. So, if Mathematics is not an art, what is art?

11. The views expressed in this passage belong to _____.
 A. JAMB
 B. artists
 C. Mathematicians
 D. the poet
 E. the author of the passage
12. The expression "Mathematics is the queen of science" contains _____.
 A. a contradiction
 B. an analogy
 C. an irony
 D. a lie
13. "Mathematics" is written with a capital M in this passage because _____.
 A. the writer is a mathematician
 B. the writer does not know how to use punctuation correctly
 C. the writer wants to distinguish between concept and a subject
 D. it is the normal way of writing about the sciences
 E. the writer is confused
14. The last sentence in the passage, "so if Mathematics is not an art, what is art?" is a
 A. question for the reader to answer
 B. statement put in form of a question
 C. question combined with a statement
 D. mathematical question stated in words
 E. pattern which illustrates beauty, harmony and order in language
15. "Mathematics" can be considered as a form of art because _____.
 A. its main principles is made use of by the arts
 B. it involves drawing in figures
 C. it is a form of fine arts
 D. it is a type of graphic arts
 E. it involves a study of beauty, harmony and order

Questions 16 - 20, choose the option that best fills the gap(s)

16. Johnson is a stubborn man; he will never _____ his words.
 A. chew
 B. spit
 C. eat
 D. bite
17. The class _____ more girl: than boys this session
 A. comprised of
 B. comprises of
 C. comprise
 D comprises
18. Joseph's now a _____ student but it took him years to _____.
 A. matured/mature
 B. mature/mature
 C. mature/matured
 D. matured/matured
19. The rebels will soon fight back; we have been informed _____ their _____.
 A. of predicament
 B. about/indulge
 C. on/rearmament
 D. as for/advancement
20. Kindly _____ me your book because my friend has _____ mine.
 A. borrow/borrowed
 B. borrow/lent
 C. lend/lent
 D. lend/borrowed

ECONOMICS

21. The following except ONE, are the differences between international trade and internal trade.
 A. differences in currency
 B. government control
 C. mobility of factors of production
 D. exchange of goods and services
22. The central bank instrument of control does NOT include _____.
 A. open market operations
 B. moral suction
 C. selective credit control
 D. printing banknotes

23. The basic principle of co-operative societies are those of _____.

- A. workers ownership and worker control
- B. sole proprietorship
- C. partnership
- D. denying of credit facilities to members

24. Generally property taxes _____.

- A. are borne entirely by landlords
- B. cannot be shifted in the long run
- C. are borne only by renters
- D. are borne by all (renter, owner-occupiers and landlords)

25. The population level that yields the maximum output when combined with available resources is known as _____.

- A. dependent population
- B. maximum population
- C. active population
- D. optimum population

26. Restriction on credit creation by commercial banks can be effected through _____.

- A. an overdraft
- B. loans and allowance
- C. demand deposit
- D. liquidity ratio
- E. Current account

27. The Net national Product (NNP) is the Gross National Product (GNP) _____.

- A. minus depreciation
- B. plus income from abroad
- C. less income from abroad
- D. plus indirect taxes
- E. plus depreciation

28. "MEANS" in Economics refers to _____.

- A. choice
- B. factors
- C. output
- D. resources

29. Which of the following does not belong to the group in respect of the quality of money?

- A. Durability
- B. Divisibility
- C. Portability
- D. Measure of value

30. Short- run period in production is a period too short for a firm to be able to change it's _____.

- A. scale of operation
- B. total revenue
- C. variable inputs
- D. total outputs

GOVERNMENT

31. Regional consciousness in Nigeria was introduced by the _____.

- A. Lyttleton constitution
- B. Clifford constitution
- C. Macpherson constitution
- D. Richard constitution

32. The structure of government implies the _____.

- A. law making process of government
- B. law enforcement process of government
- C. organization of powers and functions of government
- D. method of revenue allocation by government

33. The Nigerian electoral system gives voting rights to _____.

- A. alien's
- B. Africans above the age of twenty - one
- C. children over twelve years old
- D. Nigerian citizens who are 18years old and above
- E. friends of Nigeria

34. In democracy, ultimate authority resides with the _____.

- A. electorate
- B. people
- C. head of state
- D. armed forces

35. The grant of the right to vote is called _____.

- A. enfranchisement
- B. disqualification
- C. prohibition
- D. participation

36. Who won the gubernatorial election for Edo state in 2007?

- A. Prof. Osariemen Osunbor
- B. Comrade Adams Oshiomole
- C. Mr. Osaigbovo Osaretin
- D. Lucky Igbiniedion

37. In which of the following party systems are all shades of opinion and interest adequately represented

- A. zero party
- B. one party
- C. two - party
- D. multi-party

38. Under the independence constitution of Nigeria, Dr. Nnamdi Azikwe was _____.

- A. Head of state
- B. Governor - general
- C. Prime Minister
- D. Lieutenant - Governor

39. In 1919, Lord Lugard was replaced with as the governor of Nigeria.

- A. Sir Arthur Richards
- B. Lord Milverton Thatcher
- C. Sir John Macpherson
- D. Sir Gugh Clifford

40. The ability of a state to make laws which are free from internal aggression and external control is known as _____.

- A. independence
- B. power
- C. authority
- D. sovereignty

LITERATURE

Question 41 - 43 are based on Ahmed Yarima 's "Attahiru"

41. As the play opens, Abbas tells his friends about the loss of his money to _____.

- A. high way robbers
- B. Luggard's soldiers
- C. a boy disguised as a girl
- D. customs inspectors

42. Caliph: I am becoming the Caliph at a time when the history of our life is at a delicate balance. In the above statement, the Caliph is alluding to _____.

- A. the difficulties pilgrims encounter on their way to Mecca
- B. the civil strife between the various emirates
- C. the problem of befitting burial for the dead Caliph
- D. the imminent invasion of the caliphate by foreign forces

43. One reason given by the Sokoto caliphate for refusing the friends of whites is that

- A. the white man is not true believer
- B. the whites have become friends with the enemies of Sokoto
- C. the white man is against polygamy
- D. the white will close down their trade routes

Questions 44 and 45 are based on William Shakespeare's "Hamlet"

44. Laertes: Farewell, farewell, Ophelia; and remember well. What I have said to you. Laertes has told Ophelia

- A. to join him in France very soon
- B. to serve the queen diligently
- C. to find another lover and flee from the palace
- D. not yield herself to Hamlet's love advances

45. Even though the ghost of Ham let's father demand vengeance, it specifically warns Ham let against harming

- A. Ophelia
- B. Horatio
- C. the Queen
- D. Polonius

Questions 46 and 47 are based on Wangusa's poem "A Taxi Driver on His Death"

46. The person in the above poem is _____.

- A. determined to survive no matter the odds
- B. certain that he will end up prosperous
- C. rather reckless and fatalistic
- D. certain of life after death

47. The driver is certain that after his death the society will _____.

- A. give him a befitting funeral
- B. reprimand the vehicle owner
- C. condemn reckless taxi drivers
- D. merely note him as one more victim of technology

Question 48 is on J.P. Clark's "Agbor Dancer"

48. In the above poem, the poet contrasts the dancer's total involvement in the music with his own A. indifference to the girl's performance

- B. alienation from his own roots
- C. inability to understand African cult
- D. stiffness when dancing

49. In literature, a stock character is a character _____.

- A. who plays the role of stock broker or merchant
- B. who deceives the audience
- C. whose actions, speech style and role are predictable
- D. whose manner is as stiff as a dry stock fish?

50. A light or amusing interlude inserted in the middle of a tragic play is called _____.

- A. comic relief
- B. pungent interlude
- C. panorama
- D. digression

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USE OF ENGLISH

1. D 2. A 3. B 4. D 5. B 6. A 7.A 8.E 9.B
10. D 11. E 12.B 13. C 14.B 15. A 16. C
17. A 18 . 19. B 20. C

ECONOMICS

21. B 22. D 23. A 24. A 25. D 26. D
27.A 28. D 29. D 30.C

GOVERNMENT

31. D 32. C 33. D 34. B 35. A 36. B 37. D
38. B 39. C 40. D

LITERATURE

41. B 42. B 43. D 44. A 45. C 46. C 47. C
48. C 49.B 50.A

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2013/2014 POST-UTME SCREENING EXERCISE

Time allowed: 1 hour

ENGLISH

Biased language makes it seem that one thing or person is better or worse than another. Examples include, "men are better than woman", "young people are better than older people" and "the rich are better than the poor". Even when the bias is not as explicit as these, the use of certain words still convey this impression. "A good manager enforces his instructions consistently" is biased in favour of the male gender. Similarly, the statements, "a good nurse exhibits good rapport with her patients" is biased against the male gender. In the former case, the statement suggest that managers are usually men. In the latter case, a reader takes away the impression that nurses are usually women. Gone are the days when users of language were not sensitive to gender relationships. In contemporary times, speakers do so at their own peril. They may be branded male chauvinists or feminists in the worst sense of the words if their styles consistently show a gender preference. Language that is neutral is a solution in the matter.

Answer the following questions

1. Which is not an example of biased language?
 - A. men are better than women
 - B. human beings often can be very kind
 - C. young people are better than older people
 - D. the rich are kinder than the poor

2. "A good manager enforces his instructions consistently" is biased against the female gender because it suggests that
 - A. female managers are hated
 - B. female managers cannot enforce instructions
 - C. managers are usually men
 - D. all male managers are good

3. "A good nurse has good rapport with her patients" is biased in favour of female gender because it suggests that _____.
 - A. good nurses are usually females
 - B. men cannot be good nurses

- C. only women are nurses
 - D. men are not usually nurses
4. Another expression that can replace rapport as used in the passage is _____.
 - A. good desire to work
 - B. good desire to give good treatment
 - C. good desire to enforce instructions
 - D. understanding and sympathy

 5. The expression "feminists in the worst sense of the world" shows that _____.
 - A. there are few feminists in the world
 - B. there are many meanings of feminist
 - C. There are many feminists in the world
 - D. feminists are bad people

 6. A male chauvinist according to the passage is _____.
 - A. a very strong and energetic man
 - B. a man whose muscles are well developed
 - C. a man who beats up women
 - D. a man who believes men are better and more important than women

 7. According to the passage, a feminist is a woman who _____.
 - A. hates men
 - B. believes that women should have equal rights with men
 - C. fights her husband
 - D. dresses like men

 8. According to the passage, "neutral language" is language that _____.
 - A. does not indicate gender preference
 - B. is simple
 - C. is creative
 - D. is complex

 9. "In the latter case " as used in the passage refers to
 - A. a good nurse exhibits good rapport with her patients
 - B. men are better than women
 - C. the rich are better than the poor
 - D. young people are better than older people

 10. "In the former case " refers to _____.
 - A. managers are usually men
 - B. nurses are usually women
 - C. the rich are kinder than the poor

D. a good manager enforces his instructions consistently

In each of questions 11 to 14, choose the option nearest in meaning to the word(s) or phrase in italics

11. That is a *story for the marines*

- A. false story
- B. real story
- C. rumour
- D. tales

12. He saw me *in camera*.

- A. secretly
- B. openly
- C. in the television
- D. hatefully

13. His excitement was *apparent* to everyone present

- A. real
- B. visible
- C. transparent
- D. current

14. The riot was organized by some *militant* villagers.

- A. soldiers
- B. Rebellious
- C. belligerent
- D. poor

GOVERNMENT

1. The colonial administration in West Africa was basically _____.

- A. Authoritarians
- B. Fascist
- C. Democratic.
- D. Feudal

2. When the electorate vote for representatives who in turn vote on behalf of the electorate, we say it is _____.

- A. An indirect election
- B. An unfair election
- C. A rigged election
- D. A disputed election

3. Free and fair elections ensure that _____.

- A. Military governments hand over power
- B. Voters understand the manifestos of parties

C. Voters choose the most educated and intelligent candidate.

D. One government succeeds another without violence or rancour

4. In Nigeria, the voting age is _____.

- A. 21 years.
- B. 18 years.
- C. 25 years
- D. 45 years

5. The 1959 Federal Election in Nigeria was won (on simple majority) by _____.

- A. The NPC.
- B. The NCNC
- C. The UPGA
- D. The Action Group

6. Separation of powers does not mean A. Creating judicial, legislative and executive branches of government

- B. A balance of power among the principal organs of government
- C. That the main organs of government operate as separate bodies
- D. The uncoordinated exercise of governmental powers

7. Which of the following is not an advantage of a bicameral system of government?

- A. initiation and revision of bills
- B. Checks against minority rights
- C. Protection of minority rights
- D. Checks against nepotism and corruption

8. The Nigerian National Democratic Party was founded in 1923 by _____.

- A. Nnamdi Azikiwe
- B. Herbert Macauley
- C. Chike Obi
- D. Chief Obafemi Awolowo

9. One of the advantages of de legated legislation is _____.

- A. Imposition of civil servants on the public
- B. Lessening the legislative burden
- C. Allowing the executive to share legislative powers.
- D. Merging the executive with legislature

10. A political party is likened to _____.

- A. A chamber of commerce
- B. A pressure group
- C. An old boy's association

- D. An organization of political thugs
11. A political party is an association of men and women who _____.
- Must rule a nation
 - Discuss politics
 - Apply pressure on the people
 - intend to gain political power in government

12. Most single party governments are characterized by _____.
- Democratic socialism
 - Socialism
 - Anarchism
 - Totalitarianism

ECONOMICS

1. A consumer is said to be rational if _____.
- He buys as many goods as his income can buy
 - He tries to maximize his utility not withstanding his limited income
 - He maximizes his utility by borrowing money after exhausting his income
 - He produces maximum commodities
2. For a consumer of two commodities, equilibrium is attained when _____.
- $MU_1 = P_1$ and $MU_2 = P_2$
 - $MU_1/P_1 = MU_2/P_2$
 - $MU_1/P_2 = MU_2/P_1$
 - $MU_1/P_1 \times MU_2/P_2$
3. The law of diminishing marginal utility states that _____.
- The total utility of a commodity increases initially and decreases later
 - The marginal utility of a commodity diminishes as the consumer takes more of it
 - The marginal utility may be positive or negative
 - Utility is a cardinal concept
4. One of the following is not a property of an indifference curve
- Negative slope
 - non-intersection of difference curve
 - higher indifference curve equals higher utility
 - decreasing rate of technical substitution

5. With a given level of money income, a consumer maximizes satisfaction from the consumption of goods and services when the _____.
- total utility derived from each goods or service is increasing
 - marginal utility derived from each good or service is increasing at the same rate
 - marginal utility derived per naira spend is the same for all the goods and services
 - total utility derived from all the goods and services is large

6. If at 20k per kg, 2000 kg of yams were purchased and at 10k per kg, 3000kg were purchased, the resultant point elasticity of demand is _____.
- 0 .33
 - 0 .001
 - 1
 - 10

7. If as the price of a commodity rises, the quantity demanded of the commodity remains the same, then the demand for the commodity is _____.
- static
 - infinitely elastic
 - extern ally determined
 - perfectly inelastic

8. Which of the following factors is an important determinant of the magnitude of price elasticity of demand?
- the time period
 - cost of storage
 - utility of the product
 - availability of factors of production

9. If an increase in the price of a commodity leads to an increase in total revenue, then it means that the demand for this commodity is _____.
- normal
 - elastic
 - inelastic
 - abnormal

10. Given that the elasticity of demand for a commodity is 2 .5, the percentage change in the quantity demanded as a result of 10 percent change in price is _____.
- 0.25
 - 040
 - 4.00

D. 25.00

11. A firm in a perfectly competitive market is faced with a demand curve whose elasticity is
 A. unitary
 B. greater than one
 C. infinite
 D. less than one

12. The total quantity supplied of books per week is represented by the function $Q_s = 70 + \frac{1}{2}P$. At a price of ₦8.00, the quantity supplied is _____.
 A. 70
 B. 74
 C. 76
 D. 86

LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

1. The most distinctive element of drama is _____.
 A. Setting
 B. Dialogue
 C. Action
 D. Plot

2. Catharsis in tragedy is the purgation of the emotions of _____.
 A. Pity and fear
 B. Tears and terror
 C. Hatred and sorrow
 D. Heroism and pride

3. The reader's emotional identification with an admirable character in a story is referred to as _____.
 A. Sympathy
 B. Foreshadowing
 C. Recognition
 D. Empathy

4. The All-knowing narrator in a story is called the _____.
 A. First person narrator
 B. Omniscient narrator
 C. Divine narrator
 D. Author

5. A figure of speech that establishes an elaborate parallel between unlike things is _____.
 A. Caesura
 B. Conceit
 C. Metaphor

D. Simile

6. Lines of unrhymed iambic pentameter are known as _____.
 A. Free verse
 B. Blank verse
 C. Tyne
 D. Manometer

7. The final outcome or unraveling of the main conflict in a plot is referred to as _____.
 A. Denotation
 B. Archetype
 C. Denouement
 D. Persona

8. The typical rhyme scheme of the English sonnet is _____.
 A. abab e beb ecec ff
 B. abab abab cde cde
 C. abba abba cde cde
 D. abab cdcd efef gg

9. The struggle of the protagonist with forces that threaten to destroy him is known as _____.
 A. Conflict
 B. Confrontation
 C. Battle
 D. Connotation

10. The type of comedy usually satiric that relies on exaggerated character types and ridiculous situations is _____.
 A. Melodrama
 B. Tragi-comedy
 C. Farce
 D. Cacophony

11. Denotation refers to the _____ meaning of a word.
 A. Literary
 B. Literal
 C. Figurative
 D. Ironical

12. The dramatic convention in which an actor on the stage speaks his thoughts aloud is _____.
 A. Aside
 B. Apostrophe
 C. Overstatement
 D. Soliloquy

ANSWERS TO ABU 2013/2014 POST UTME

ENGLISH

1. B 2. C 3. A 4. D 5. D 6. D 7. B 8. A 9. A
10. A 11. D 12. C 13. C 14. B

GOVERNMENT

1. A 2. A 3. D 4. B 5. B 6. D 7. B 8. B 9. B
10. D 11. D 12. C

ECONOMICS

1. B 2. C 3. B 4. A 5. B 6. A 7. D 8. C 9. B
10. A 11. A 12. B

LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

1. C 2. A 3. D 4. B 5. C 6. B 7. C 8. D
9. A 10. C 11. B 12. D

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Time allowed: 1 hour

Read the following instructions carefully:

1. Use HB pencil to shade your answers. Ensure that any shading in error is thoroughly erased.
2. Candidates should indicate the question Paper Type given to them in the appropriate space in the Answer Sheet.
3. Write your JAMB registration numbers on the question paper in the space provided at the top of page 1.
4. Attempt all questions.
5. The use of calculator and or similar electronic devices is NOT allowed

SECTION I: ENGLISH

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions on it.

Marriage as an institution is facing its greatest threat ever, in the twentieth century. Never since the first man and woman were joined together, has the institution been beset by as many problems as it is now. And this trend, which started in the western world, has spread and is spreading to all parts of the globe.

The most disturbing problem is the high rate of divorce. It is no longer a social stigma for women to fill in forms, indicating that they are divorced; men too, proclaim their liberty from the shackles of matrimony somehow with pride. Little wonder these days that young couples' resort to separation and eventually divorce, at the slightest disagreement.

The factors hastening the death of the marriage institution, is the progressively rising cost of living. It is essential for both partners to be gainfully employed, to be sure of a reasonably decent level of existence. The marriage ceremony, itself, cost so much that the young men save towards it for years. Little wonder then, that many young men nowadays, simply remain single.

1. What does the author mean by referring to marriage as an Institution? It means that marriage is a _____.
 - A. School
 - B. Custom
 - C. Society
 - D. History
2. The words liberty and Shackles mean _____.
 - A. free from troubles
 - B. freedom and confinement
 - C. slavery
 - D. benevolence
3. The two factors threatening the marriage institutions are _____.
 - A. infidelity and lack of love
 - B. high cost of living and of marriage
 - C. ladies are no longer interested in getting married
 - D. the men like to remain single because they enjoy it
4. The word 'stigma' as used in the passage means _____.
 - A. name
 - B. dishonour
 - C. tag
 - D. slavery
5. One way of saving the marriage institution in this part of the globe is _____.
 - A. to remain single
 - B. for marriage to be free
 - C. for both partners to be gainfully employed
 - D. to live separately

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions on it.

Those who are familiar with it will tell you that Ludo like human life itself is a game both of chance and skill in deciding how to make the most advantageous use of the figures that turn up on the die when you cast it.

Since each player has at least four alternative ways of using his figures, two players with equal luck may fare differently, depending on how cleverly each one uses his figures. The element of luck, again as in human life, plays a dominant role however. For no matter how

skilful a player may be in using the figure he gets on the die, he has a slim chance of winning if he continually throws low figures. While a combination of ones, twos may be useful in checking the advance of one's opponents, it will not take one home fast enough to win. On the other hand, consistent throws of sixes and fives, with even the very minimum of skill, will help a player to home all his four counters before any of the three other players, unless, of course, he has no idea of the game at all.

6. According to the passage, Ludo is _____.

- A. more a game of skill than a chance
- B. More a game of luck than of skill
- C. equally a game of chance and skill
- D. a game entirely of luck

7. It is implied in the passage that two players may fare equally if they _____.

- A. have equal luck
- B. apply similar skill to figures
- C. apply similar skill to similar figures
- D. have equal skill

8. It is implied in the passage, that in Ludo threes and fours are _____.

- A. Very high throws
- B. medium throws
- C. low throws
- D. very low throws

9. According to the passage, a player with consistently high throws will _____.

- A. almost certainly win a game
- B. certainly win a game
- C. almost certainly not win a game
- D. deliberately not win a game

10. In the passage, the possession of skill specifically enables a player to _____

- A. Win
- B. throw good figures
- C. use his figures efficiently
- D. check his opponents effectively

In each of questions below, fill each gap with the most appropriate option from the list following the gap

11. He was _____ by the trickster.

- A. assisted
- B. duped
- C. cajoled

D. encouraged

12. When the soldiers saw that resistance was _____, they stopped fighting.

- A. inadequate
- B. inefficient
- C. futile
- D. successful

13. You should read all the _____ carefully before you decide where to go on holiday.

- A. Brochures
- B. Prospectuses
- C. Tickets
- D. Handouts

14. The Emir and conqueror of the enemy territories. A. arrives

- B. are to arrive
- C. Arrive
- D. are arriving next week

15. We ought to have visited the Governor.

- A. Isn't it
- B. Oughtn't we
- C. Shouldn't we
- D. Haven't we

16. He didn't sense Obi's presence in the room, did he?

- A. Yes/he did
- B. No, he did
- C. Yes, he didn't
- D. No he didn't

17. You can stay here _____ you are quiet.

- A. As long
- B. So long
- C. in as much
- D. for as long as

18. Where _____ Buses _____.

- A. Does these/go
- B. Do this/goes
- C. Do these/go
- D. Does these/goes

19. Ours _____ based ventures.

- A. Are a resource
- B. Is a resource
- C. Are resources
- D. Is a resourced

20. Wale: Do you know where my chemistry book is? Tom _____.

- A. Toyin is with it
- B. It is with Toyin
- C. Toyin has it
- D. Toyin lent it

From the words lettered A to D, choose the word that best completes each of the following sentences.

21. The programme against childhood diseases _____ has ended.

- A. Injection
- B. Vaccination
- C. Immunization
- D. Harmonization

22. The accused stated _____.

- A. Unequivocally
- B. feebly
- C. ashamedly
- D. excitedly

23. The doctors _____ was that the patient was suffering from cancer.

- A. prediction
- B. verdict
- C. diagnosis
- D. analysis

24. I was advised to open _____ account with the bank.

- A. savings
- B. deposit
- C. loans
- D. current

25. The pastor addressed his _____ in a sonorous voice.

- A. audience
- B. masses
- C. spectators
- D. congregation

After each of the following sentences, a list of possible interpretations' is given. Choose the interpretation that you consider most appropriate for each sentence.

26. You must be speaking with your tongue in your cheek. This mean that you _____.

- A. must be very serious
- B. must be thinking of something else
- C. have too d in your mouth
- D. don't mean what you are saying

27. The manager hit the roof when he was presented with a huge estimate for the project. This means that the manager _____.

- A. became very suspicious
- B. threw an object at the roof
- C. became very angry
- D. ordered the project to be started at once

28. Her reproaches cut him to the quick. This means that he _____.

- A. was made to act quickly
- B. was wounded
- C. was deeply hurt
- D. began to speak angrily

29. The girl went scot-free even though she started the fight. This means that the girl was _____.

- A. punished
- B. unpunished
- C. expelled from school
- D. free to move ab out

30. The secretary's vote of thanks did not ring true. Th is means that the vote of thanks was _____.

- A. full of praise
- B. not audible
- C. not sincere
- D. well delivered

From the words lettered A to D below each of the following sentences, choose the word that is nearest in meaning to the underlined word as it is used in the sentence.

31. The criminal was incarcerated.

- A. arrested
- B. pardoned
- C. imprisoned
- D. cautioned

32. The manager soon found out that my sister was a competent typist.

- A. patient
- B. capable
- C. hardworking
- D. careless

33. At the inception of his administration, the Governor was very popular.

- A. end
- B. beginning

- C. dissolution
- D. peak

34. The businessman anticipated the collapse of the bank.

- A. prevented
- B. caused
- C. foresaw
- D. pre-empted

35. The plaintiff was dissatisfied with the decision of the court.

- A. Solicitor
- B. accused
- C. complainant
- D. respondent

SECTION II: GENERAL PAPER

1. Which of these African countries is the oldest Independent nation?

- A. Nigeria
- B. Togo
- C. Ghana
- D. Zimbabwe

2. Nigeria first won the African Cup of Nations in which of the following year?

- A. 1972
- B. 1980
- C. 1994
- D. 2000

3. The first Executive President of Nigeria is one of the following.

- A. Tafawa Balewa
- B. Nnamdi Azikiwe
- C. Olusegun Obasanjo
- D. Shehu Shagari

4. The first military coup de taut was led by _____.

- A. Col. Benjamin Adekunle
- B. Major Kaduna Nzeogwu
- C. Major Wale Ademoyega
- D. Col. Emeka Ojukwu

5. The last Olympic Games was hosted by _____.

- A. South Africa
- B. Spain
- C. Britain
- D. China

6. Which of the following is not an accepted way of resolving International Conflicts?

- A. Diplomacy
- B. Propaganda
- C. Non-military use offeree
- D. Nuclear war

7. The following factors favoured the introduction of indirect rule in Nigeria except the _____.

- A. shortage of manpower
- B. shortage of funds
- C. existence of educated elites
- D. existence of a system of taxation

8. Public opinion is very important because it _____.

- A. guarantee: a free press
- B. protects minorities
- C. Let the government know what the people want
- D. tells the government what action it must take

9. Which branch of government is responsible for implementing laws?

- A. The Public Service Commission
- B. Legislature
- C. Judiciary
- D. Executive

10. In a democracy, franchise is given to all _____.

- A. qualified adult citizen
- B. loyal party members
- C. citizens
- D. resident adults

11. Which of the following ancient kingdoms in Nigeria had the title of Mai for the king?

- A. Old Oya Kingdom
- B. Benin empire
- C. Kanem-Borno
- D. Ife

12. Terra cotta figure head is usually associated with the _____.

- A. Nok culture
- B. Benin empire
- C. Ife
- D. Ugobiri

13. According to Hausa oral tradition, the legendary founder of the Hausa States is _____.

- A. Uthman Dan Fodio
- B. Sultan Bello
- C. Bayajjida
- D. Ahmed Bello

14. The legitimate Hausa States are _____ in number.

- A. six
- B. seven
- C. ten
- D. five

15. The Alaafin was the title of the king in ancient _____.

- A. Old Oya Empire
- B. Nupe Kingdom
- C. Lagos
- D. Idoma

16. The Igbo-Ukwu civilization is associated with _____.

- A. Terra-Cotta works
- B. Bronze works
- C. Metal works
- D. Gold

17. The Oba is the title of two of the following Nigerian kingdoms _____.

- A. Bini and Nupe
- B. Bini and Lagos
- C. Bini and Igala
- D. Bini and Efik

18. The King of Nupe is titled _____.

- A. Emir
- B. Etsu
- C. Waziri
- D. Ovie

19. The council of seven noble chiefs in Old Oyo political system was headed by the _____.

- A. Are-Onakankafa
- B. Olowu
- C. Bashorun
- D. Hare

20. The historic British invasion of the Benin empire occurred in _____.

- A. 1897
- B. 1899
- C. 1960
- D. 1956

21. Which of the following Nigerian kingdoms was the first to be conquered by the British _____.

- A. Benin
- B. Itsekiri
- C. Lagos
- D. Nupe

22. _____ is referred to as the father of modern Nigeria.

- A. Sir Taubman Goldie
- B. Sir Lord F. Lugard
- C. Chief Obafemi Awolowo
- D. Dr Nnamdi Azikiwe

23. Joseph was the Prime Minister of Egypt and settled his family in the land of _____.

- A. Canaan
- B. Pithan
- C. Remeses
- D. Goshen

24. The 'Acts of the Apostle' was addressed to _____.

- A. Luke
- B. Paul
- C. Theophilus
- D. Early believers

25. The flood lasted for _____ days while Noah was in the ark.

- A. 150
- B. 140
- C. 120
- D. 100

26. The man forced to carry the cross of Jesus on the way to crucifixion was _____.

- A. Joseph of Arimathea
- B. Simon of Cyrene
- C. Joseph of Cyrene
- D. Simon the Zealot

27. Which of the materials can a sculptor use for practicing? _____.

- A. Plaster of Paris
- B. Soap stone
- C. Plasticine
- D. Tempera paste

28. The Egyptian oldest form of writing is called _____.

- A. the Cuneiform
- B. Cursive
- C. Erothic
- D. Hieroglyphics

29. Which of the following colours will produce a tint of blue?

- A. Blue and red
- B. Blue and yellow
- C. Blue and purple
- D. White and blue

30. A statement that appears self-contradictory but with an underlying meaning is a/an _____.

- A. innuendo
- B. oxymoron
- C. comparison
- D. paradox

31. The odd one out of the following is _____.

- A. comedy
- B. tragedy
- C. farce
- D. epic

32. Drama is a literary genre which is characteristically for the _____.

- A. stage
- B. audience
- C. actor
- D. scene

33. The revelation of facts unknown to individual characters to the audience is called _____.

- A. flashback
- B. dramatic irony
- C. anecdote
- D. suspense

34. 'Chapter' is to 'Act' just as 'interior monologue' is to _____.

- A. stream of consciousness
- B. aside
- C. prompter
- D. dialogue

35. A recurring and dominating idea in a work of art is known as _____.

- A. diction
- B. theme
- C. mood
- D. tone

36. "She weeps glad tears for all her glory done" is an example of _____.

- A. synecdoche
- B. oxymoron
- C. alliteration

D. apostrophe

37. Which of the following is not a sound device?

- A. Rhyme
- B. Mime
- C. Ideophone
- D. Onomatopoeia

38. A literary device used to throw more light on a character's present experience is _____.

- A. flashback
- B. suspense
- C. irony
- D. fore shadowing

39. A seemingly absurd statement is a/an _____.

- A. climax
- B. anti-climax
- C. paradox
- D. hyperbole

40. Pick out the odd one .

- A. Metaphor
- B. Personification
- C. Simile
- D. Characterization

41. A form of writing in which the poet writes with nostalgia about simple village life is _____.

- A. ballad
- B. romance
- C. pastoral
- D. epic

42. Criticism is a literary activity which seeks to _____.

- A. compare literary works
- B. analyse and evaluate a literary work
- C. find fault in a literary work
- D. discover the beauty of a literary work

43. Point out the odd term

- A. Plot
- B. AL literature
- C. Assonance
- D. Enjambment

44. In the Old Man and the Medal, the black's assimilation by the French Colonist proves to be

- A. a success
- B. an imitation

- C. a facade
- D. authentic

45. What is the subject matter of William Wordsworth's "Daffodils?"

- A. Nature
- B. Trees
- C. Death
- D. Flower

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2010/2011 POST-UTME SCREENING EXERCISE**ENGLISH LANGUAGE****Time allowed:** 1 hour 30 minutes**Read the following instructions carefully:**

1. Use HB pencil to shade your answers. Ensure that any shading in error is thoroughly erased.
2. Candidates should indicate the question Paper Type given to them in the appropriate space in the Answer Sheet.
3. Write your JAMB registration numbers on the question paper in the space provided at the top of page 1.
4. Attempt all questions.
5. The use of calculator and or similar electronic devices is NOT allowed.

Read the passage below carefully and answer the questions that follow. Each question carries 2 marks**PASSAGE 1**

Primitive man was probably more concerned with fire as a source of warmth and as a means of cooking food than as a source of light. Before he discovered less laborious ways of making fire, he had to preserve it and whenever he is sent on a journey, he carried a firebrand with him. His discovery that the firebrand, from which the torch may well have developed, could be used for illumination was probably incidental to the primary purpose of preserving a flame.

Lamps, too, probably developed by accident. Early man may have had his first conception of a lamp while watching a twig or fibre burning in the molten fat dropped from roasting carcass. All he had to do was to fashion a vessel to contain fat and float a lighted reed in it. Such lamps, which were made of hollowed sea shells, have persisted in identical form up to quite recent times.

1. Primitive man preserved fire because _____.
- A. he had used it for illumination during his travel
- B. his methods of making fire was laborious

- C. he wanted to discover how to make a lamp.
- D. he wanted to develop the torch

2. One-way early man made a lamp was by putting in lighted reed in a _____.

- A. hollowed stone
- B. sea-shell
- C. vessel
- D. molten fat

3. Primitive man carried a firebrand during his journey mainly for _____.

- A. illumination
- B. cooking
- C. flame preservation
- D. warmth

4. According to the passage, the torch probably developed from _____.

- A. firebrand
- B. twig
- C. lamp
- D. fibre

5. Primitive man was less concerned with fire as a _____.

- A. means of cooking
- B. source of warmth
- C. source of light
- D. mode of travelling

Read the passage below carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Delinquency describes actions that would not be crime if performed by adults. If a young person performs one of such actions, then he has committed a crime. Delinquency is one of several status offences - offences that can be committed only by people in particular stations of life as determined by age, profession of, a person's role in society. For young people, such offences include drinking, driving and smoking underage.

Usually, they are of perhaps, only to the extent that, they help to preserve some of the good things of life for the exclusive enjoyment of the adult world. Delinquency is, therefore, a weapon forged in adult minds and directed by adult hands against young people. It is borne out of envy, adult

pride and intolerance. If the world changed overnight and the responsibility to make and enforce laws fell on juvenile shoulders, the adults should expect a raw deal in return.

Delinquency will then, certainly, refer only to many of the adult actions now freely committed in them.

6. If the world changed overnight, _____.

- A. there will be more delinquency laws
- B. delinquency will refer to adult actions
- C. delinquency will no longer be a crime
- D. the world will be turned upside down

7. In the view of the writer, drinking underage is an offence because _____.

- A. adults want to have all the drinks to themselves
- B. adults do not want juveniles to get drunk
- C. drunken juveniles can cause disorders in the society
- D. adults have a duty to protect young people

8. When young people make and enforce laws, _____.

- A. the responsibility will be too heavy on their shoulders
- B. they would negotiate against the adults
- C. their laws will be very juvenile
- D. the world will be turned upside down

9. The writer of the passage believes that delinquency laws are

- A. not relevant to human society
- B. only fit for young people
- C. unfair to the juveniles
- D. very fair to the adult world

10. Status offences are those that can be committed by _____.

- A. all adults
- B. juveniles only
- C. delinquent juveniles
- D. specific classes of people

In questions 11 to 16, fill the gap with the option that is most nearly opposite to the word(s) or phrase underlined.

11. Nigerian Airways is trying to improve its foreign and services.

- A. Frontiers
- B. Interior

- C. Native
- D. domestic

12. The accused pleaded that the incident was accidental but prosecution claimed that it was _____.

- A. premeditated
- B. otherwise
- C. treasonable
- D. unwarranted

13. Most of the electric power for the country comes from the giant dam built across the river at Bussa several other _____ ones are however, being planned for irrigation purposes

- A. junior
- B. tiny
- C. small
- D. insignificant

14. The old prison warden has many vices and hardly any _____.

- A. qualms
- B. conscience
- C. virtue
- D. characteristics

15. It was when man stopped living a nomadic life and adopted, the civilization began to flourish

- A. basic
- B. sedentary
- C. settled
- D. stylish

16. My uncle insisted that a pump was essential for the journey but it later proved to be _____.

- A. invaluable
- B. unnecessary
- C. distorted
- D. disappointing

In questions 17 to 30, choose the option that is nearest in meaning to the word(s) or phrase(s) underlined

17. The new Inspector of Police decided that culprits should be brought to book.

- A. should have their names recorded in a book
- B. should be made to answer for their conduct
- C. should be booked

D. should be brought before him to show whether they could read or not

18. The beggar's takings snow balled every hour.

- A. grew
- B. turned white
- C. grew into a ball
- D. turned into snow

19. Once I have finished all my homework, I am permitted to watch television

- A. I can only watch television after doing homework
- B. I can watch television at any time
- C. I can only finish my homework after permission to watch television
- D. After watching television, I finished my homework

20. In their desire to impress their friends and relatives, many young workers bite off more than they can chew, in terms of financial obligators.

- A. have more money than sense
- B. spend too much money on food
- C. care too much for their relatives
- D. take on more responsibility than they can afford

21. The preacher has made good his promise to visit some of his converts today

- A. fulfilled
- B. improved on
- C. seen to
- D. accepted

22. The discussion became animated.

- A. specialized
- B. lively
- C. unruly
- D. intellectual

23. Look at the tell-tale signs on battering on her.

- A. confirming looks
- B. suspicious marks
- C. revealing
- D. signifying

24. It is claimed that the volcano near New Orleans is extinct.

- A. dormant
- B. inactive
- C. dead
- D. disused

25. Joke has a humorous disposition

- A. funny
- B. beautiful
- C. strong
- D. alluring

26. My nephew came stealthily through the back gate.

- A. briskly
- B. boldly
- C. wearily
- D. quietly

27. The armed robbers who raided passengers on the outskirts of the city came to grief when they had shoot-out.

- A. came to a bad end
- B. became defeated
- C. became grieved
- D. came to a dead end

28. "This is a miniaturized version of your house." remarked the architect

- A. compressed
- B. abridged
- C. decreased
- D. smaller

29. Your extreme patience sometimes infuriates me.

- A. impresses
- B. annoys
- C. frustrates
- D. amuses

30. The musician's popularity is soaring.

- A. changing
- B. rising
- C. sliding
- D. disappearing

Questions 31 - 32, choose the option that best fills the gap(s)

31. Johnson is a stubborn man; he will never _____ his words.

- A. chew
- B. spit
- C. eat
- D. bite

32. The class _____ more girls than boys this session.

- A. comprised of

- B. comprises of
- C. comprise
- D. comprises

34. Joseph's now a _____ student but it took him years to _____

- A. matured/mature
- B. mature/mature
- C. mature/matured
- D. matured/matured

35. The rebels will soon fight back; we have been informed _____ their _____.

- A. of predicament
- B. about/indulge
- C. on/rearmament
- D. as for/advancement

36. Kindly _____ me your book because my friend has _____ mine.

- A. borrow/borrowed
- B. borrow/lent
- C. lend/lent
- D. lend/borrowed

37. Two young boys have been caught with parts of the stolen machine but _____ admitted stealing it

- A. neither of them has
- B. neither of them have
- C. none of them has
- D. none of them have

38. The adventurers ran into many _____ in the forest.

- A. dear
- B. dears
- C. deers
- D. deer

In questions 39 and 40, identify the option that has different stress pattern from the rest.

39. A. bookcase
B. untie
C. except
D. adopt
40. A. endeavour
B. magazine
C. confession
D. example

GENERAL PAPER

Questions 1-6 are based on Hamlet. Read the passage below carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Good Hamlet, cast thy nighted colour off, and let thin e eyes look like a friend in Denmark. Do not for ever with thy veiled lids, seek tor thy noble father in the dust. Thou know'st 'tis common – all that live must die.

Passing through nature to eternity [Act 1 Scene 1]

1. Who is the speaker of the above excerpt?

- A. King Claudius
- B. The Ghost
- C. Queen Gertrude
- D. Polonius

2. "_____ knighted colour" means _____.

- A. nightly looks
- B. ugly look
- C. someone's colour at night
- D. colours the night

3. Is it correct to say that "knighted colour" means _____.

- A. metaphor
- B. simile
- C. metonymy
- D. bathos

4. I do wish that your beauties be the happy cause of hamlet's wildness. So, I shall hope your virtue will bring him to wonted way again.

To both your honours [Act 3 Scene 1]
The phrase "good beauties" refers to _____.

- A. Horate's
- B. Polonius
- C. Queen's
- D. Ophelia's

5. By "Hamlet's wildness", the speaker means _____.

- A. his rudeness
- B. his passion for women
- C. his passion for alcohol to many friends
- D. his madness

6. Hamlet's "wonted way" means his _____.

- A. usual way of life
 B. silent ways of doing things
 C. economical use of money
 D. manner of writing
7. Identify the odd item in the following list
 A. Prose
 B. Catastrophe
 C. Poetry
 D. Drama
8. An epilogue in a play refers to the _____.
 A. conflict in the play
 B. Tail-piece
 C. Opening chorus
 D. Dramatic action
9. Reversal of fortune as used in the central character of a literary work describes the _____.
 A. rise to fame of central character
 B. success of the hero or heroine
 C. reward of the hero or heroine for his or her courage
 D. sudden change in the fate of the central character
10. A poem of mourning and dedication written on the death of an individual is called _____.
 A. an allergy
 B. an elegy
 C. a sonnet
 D. an ode
11. Any work of literature which sets out to instruct may be called _____.
 A. Dialectic
 B. Didactic
 C. Definitive
 D. Decadent
12. A quatrain is _____.
 A. the last line in a poem
 B. the fourth line of a sonnet
 C. a poem which ends with a question
 D. a Stanza
13. In Literature, a round character is associated with _____.
 A. charge and growth
 B. stability and determination
 C. simplicity and modesty
 D. running down other characters

14. The antagonist in a tragedy is _____.
 A. any character in the tragedy
 B. the wife of the protagonist
 C. the character provides comic relief
 D. the character that act'- in opposition to the main character

15. A statement that appears to say something opposite to common sense or the truth, but which may contain truth is _____.
 A. an oxymoron
 B. a paradox
 C. an irony
 D. a parable

16. The substitution of a mild and pleasant expression for a harsh and blunt one is called _____.
 A. Ambiguity
 B. Climax
 C. Peripety
 D. Euphemism

17. In literary criticism the vocabulary or language used by the writer is generally known as _____.
 A. Diction
 B. Figure of speech
 C. Characterization
 D. Rhythms

18. An allegory is a story _____.
 A. in which pea pie or things or events have another meaning
 B. which aims at teaching a moral lesson
 C. told in verse
 D. in which allegations are made about the characters

Read the following poem carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Love you my gentle one, my love in the fresh
 milk in the run bind. Which you drink on the
 wedding day. My love is the butter we were
 smeared with, To seal the fidelity into our
 he arts. You are the cattle-bird's egg. For
 those who say you are wealthy.
You are the papyrus reed of the Lake. Which
 they pull out with both hands,
 And I sing for you with tears, because you
 possess my heart. I love you gentle one.

19. The poem is an example of _____.

- A. A lyric
- B. A dirge
- C. An ode
- D. An epic

20. The predominant literary device used in the extract is _____.

- A. Hyperbole
- B. Epigram
- C. Oxymoron
- D. Apostrophe

21. The underlined expression contains a _____.

- A. simile
- B. metaphor
- C. personification
- D. litotes

22. The poem is a blank verse because _____.

- A. there is no rhyme
- B. there is rhyme couplets
- C. the rhyme is alternate
- D. it contains couplets

23. The feeling of the poem is one of _____.

- A. anxiety
- B. gaiety
- C. sadness
- D. frustration

24. Dialogue is important in drama because it _____.

- A. helps the audience improve their English
- B. it is usually funny and lively
- C. reveals mind of the characters
- D. helps the audience to relax

25. The expression "the sun kisses the earth" is a _____.

- A. simile
- B. metaphor
- C. personification
- D. paradox

26. Art overused expression is a _____.

- A. a cliché
- B. a cacophony
- C. an epigram
- D. an archetype

27. What basically distinguishes Literature from other disciplines is its _____.

- A. use of creative imagination

- B. exposition of human experiences
- C. communication of ideas
- D. portrayal of places

28. A story that explains the origin of a natural phenomenon is a _____.

- A. notion
- B. legend
- C. parable
- D. myth

29. The oldest bronze in West Africa are found in _____.

- A. ife
- B. Benin
- C. Igbo Ukwu
- D. Jos

30. According to tradition, the prince who to founded the Nupe Kingdom came from

- A. Bida
- B. Biron
- C. Isala
- D. Idoma

31. Cowries were introduced to Nigeria from _____.

- A. Pacific Ocean
- B. Antarctic ocean
- C. Indian ocean
- D. Atlantic Ocean

32. The Oyomesi was _____.

- A. the council of eiders
- B. the official in charge of commerce
- C. the Minister of the interior
- D. the Supreme Council of the Oyo Empire

33. The Europe an and Nigerian traders developed a credit system known as _____.

- A. Thrift system
- B. Debt system
- C. Loan system
- D. Trust system

34. One of the factors that determine legitimacy is _____.

- A. Strong defence
- B. public opinion
- C. level of literacy objective
- D. foreign

35. One of the following characteristics of constitutional monarchy is that _____.

- A. Power is invested in one person who controls the legislature, the executive, and judiciary
- B. He is not controlled
- C. His will become laws of the land
- D. the monarch is guided by the rule of law

36. Which of the following European countries was the first to explore African coastland?
- A. Spain
 - B. Portugal
 - C. Italy
 - D. France

37. Britain and Spain began to play leading roles in sale of slaves in the _____.
- A. fifteen century
 - B. sixteen century
 - C. eighteen century
 - D. seventeen century

38. Which of these oracles enabled a section of the Igbo people to establish commercial domination over their immediate neighbours?
- A. Ogbunorie oracle of Ezimoha
 - B. IbiniUkpabi of Arochukwu
 - C. Igwekaala of Umuoha
 - D. Agbala of Awka

39. The following articles of trade were exchanged between the Hausa and Junkun traders
- A. Onions, beads, mineral salt and antimony
 - B. Onions, fish, oil, pepper, and antimony
 - C. Breads, mineral salt, gold and ivory
 - D. Beads, onions, mineral salt and natron

40. The people of the Niger Delta resisted the penetration of the interior territories by the British because _____.
- A. they wanted to secure their position as mid die men traders
 - B. the Ijo were suspicious of the collaboration with the British
 - C. they wanted to maintain peace along the Niger waterway
 - D. they wanted to protect the interior from external aggression.

41. Which of the following was responsible for the decline and fall of the Oya Empire?
- A. The empire had a strong central government
 - B. The introduction of horse into Oya

- C. The aura of greatness of the empire
- D. the vastness of the empire

42. In what year did the Portuguese Gonsalves return some slaves to Lisbon?
- A. 1446
 - B. 1441
 - C. 1443
 - D. 1442

43. Which of the following was a consequence of the abolition of slave trade?
- A. Hundreds of thousands of able-bodied Nigerians were sold to slavery
 - B. Many schools and farms were established to educate Nigerians
 - C. A peaceful atmosphere that encouraged European exploration was created
 - D. It contributed to the demise of some Nigerian empires

44. Rev Henry Townsend introduced the first printing press in _____.
- A. 1852
 - B. 1849
 - C. 1846
 - D. 1854

45. An essential attribute of government is _____.
- A. Permanence
 - B. A defined territory
 - C. Law
 - D. Population

46. Case laws are made by the _____.
- A. The executive
 - B. The judiciary
 - C. Local government
 - D. The legislature

47. The federal legislature became bicameral in _____.
- A. 1959
 - B. 1963
 - C. 1954
 - D. 1946

48. The federal constitution is the foremost authority in _____.
- A. The local level of government
 - B. The federal government as the all-inclusive government
 - C. The co federal system of government

D. The component government as the junior partner

49. The invocation of ultra vires against an instrument in case of control of delegated legislation by

- Public outcry
- The judiciary
- The parliament
- The executive

50. In an ideal democratic and mass party, the highest body in the party organisational hierarchy.

- Party caucus
- National Secretariat
- Parliamentary Party committee
- National Executive Council

51. One of the functions of pressure groups is _____.

- interest articulation
- Interest aggregation
- Political recruitment
- Policy execution

52. The strategy of manipulating constituencies to favour the party in power is known as _____.

- Elective principle
- Gerrymandering
- Franchise
- Single-member constituency

53. Indigenization policy was first introduced during the military regime of _____.

- General Abdul Salami Abubakar
- General Gowon
- General Babangida
- Major General Aguiyi Ironsi

54. Nigeria joined OPEC in _____.

- 1971
- 1970
- 1973
- 1972

55. Which of the following characteristics is common to Socialism and Communism?

- Dictatorship of the proletariat
- Social justice
- Stateless society
- Existence of government

56. The integrative effort among the West African States revolve around _____.

- Economic Community of West Africa

- African Union Development Community
- South African
- European Union

57. Foreign policy is one of the following.

- General orientation and policy orientation of a state towards other states
- Policy of achieving internal security among states of a federation
- Policy of non-interference in the internal affairs of other countries
- Objectives that it strives to achieve in her interactions with other states

58. Which of the following is not a feature of the civil service?

- Anonymity
- Expertise
- Profit
- Permanence

59. Lagos colony and Southern Protectorate were joined together in _____.

- 1904
- 1906
- 1905
- 1993

60. Which of the following is not an effort at nationalistic activities?

- Formation of the political parties
- Rapid constitutional development
- Formation of foreign policy
- Spread of education

61. Which of the following services is not performed by the public corporation?

- Assisting the government to perform functions of economic growth and welfare
- Generation of income for the government
- Taking over functions of government departments as and when necessary
- Filling the gap as created by absence of indigenous investors

62. The local government is regarded as an extension of the central/state government in

- French type of local government
- Manager type of local government
- English type of local government
- Presidential type of local government

63. In the Yoruba traditional political system, the rulers had _____.

- Law making powers only

- B. Judicial and legislative powers
- C. Legislative, executive and judicial powers
- D. Executive powers

64. Moses could not enter the promised because he was _____.

- A. too old to cross the border
- B. too busy preparing his successor
- C. did not give due regard to God
- D. died in the wilderness

65. God's covenant with Abraham took the form of _____.

- A. some written code
- B. circumcision
- C. promise of wealth
- D. promise of long life

66. "My father chastised you with whips; but I will chastise you with scorpions. Who said this?

- A. Solomon
- B. Jeroboam
- C. Rehoboam
- D. Absalom

67. Which of the following is a demerit of the 1999 constitution?

- A. It specifies the exclusive and concurrent legislative lists
- B. The increase in the number of local government areas
- C. Constitution is rigid and not too easy to amend, particularly with regards to the creation of new local government areas
- D. The increase in the number of local government areas gives room for greater political awareness and economic development

68. Which of the following is not a problem of Nigerian federalism?

- A. The practice of state
- B. Minorities within states
- C. Chieftaincy disputes
- D. The issue of ethnic rivalries

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