

DISTINCTION SCHOOL BASED ASSESSMENT TEST



STANDARD FIVE - 2020

ENGLISH: LANGUAGE



Time: 1hr 40 mins

Fill in the blank spaces numbered 1 to 15 with the best alternative from the choices given.

One day, Mrs Joy _____ 1 _____ to class very _____ 2 _____. The bell had not yet _____ 3 _____. She hurried _____ 4 _____ the path to class _____ 5 _____ a bundle of papers _____ 6 _____ her hands. The other pupils _____ 7 _____ quickly reading through _____ 8 _____ notes. Even Asha was very _____ 9 _____ reading one of her exercise _____ 10 _____.

"What is happening _____ 11 _____" Hawi _____ 12 _____ Asha. Looking _____ 13 _____ Hawi briefly, Asha said, "You _____ 14 _____ that we are sitting _____ 15 _____ an English test today.

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| 1. A. comes | B. come | C. came | D. coming |
| 2. A. soon | B. early | C. later | D. often |
| 3. A. rang | B. ring | C. rings | D. rung |
| 4. A. down | B. over | C. under | D. above |
| 5. A. in | B. for | C. with | D. and |
| 6. A. on | B. in | C. along | D. off |
| 7. A. were | B. was | C. been | D. being |
| 8. A. their's | B. there | C. there's | D. their |
| 9. A. slow | B. fresh | C. busy | D. tired |
| 10. A. books | B. book | C. notes | D. story |
| 11. A. ! | B. ? | C. , | D. . |
| 12. A. told | B. told | C. asked | D. said |
| 13. A. with | B. for | C. in | D. at |
| 14. A. knew | B. know | C. now | D. knows |
| 15. A. on | B. for | C. of | D. in |

For questions 16 to 18, choose the right word to fill the gap.

16. They told _____ mother about the hungry man.
A. thier B. there
C. there D. their
17. We saw _____ young one yesterday.
A. its B. ours
C. its' D. it
18. This is the man _____ came to call you.
A. whose B. which
C. whom D. who

In questions 19 to 21, write the opposite of the underlined word.

19. All his answer were false.
A. truth B. true
C. correct D. wrong
20. My brother arrived before him.
A. at B. after
C. later D. last
21. This is my niece.
A. uncle
B. nephew
C. aunt
D. sister

For questions 22 to 24, choose the plural of the given word.

22. Our furniture needs to be repaired.
 A. furniture B. furnitures
 C. furnishing D. furnishings
23. He has one piano.
 A. pianoe B. pianoes
 C. piano D. pianos
24. The chief arrested the criminal.
 A. chiefs B. chiefes
 C. chieves D. cheifs

For questions 25 to 27, choose the correct simile.

25. We were as busy as _____ before the president arrived.
 A. bees B. horses
 C. monkeys D. flies

26. My mother is as good as _____.
 A. clips B. gold
 C. money D. rain

27. I was as happy as a _____ for being the best.
 A. luck B. lack
 C. lark D. lurk

For questions 28 to 30, name the part of speech the underlined word is.

28. Terry is a big girl.
 A. noun B. adverb
 C. adjective D. verb
29. You can give it to her.
 A. noon B. pronoun
 C. preposition D. conjunction
30. He kicked the ball.
 A. verb B. pronoun
 C. noun D. adverb

Read the passage below and answer questions 31 to 40.

"Zawadi, are you alright?" Mother asked one night when she came into my room. It was past midnight but I was still awake.

"Leave me alone!" I replied.

"This is not you!" she said softly; full of concern and love. She came closer, placed her hands on my back.

"You have become withdrawn, gloomy and irritable. Most of the time, you are absent-minded. Is there anything wrong, my daughter?"

I did not answer. I just stared blankly at the pile of exercise books on the table.

"Why are you copying note so late the night," she noticed what I was doing.

"I had a lot of assignments today. I did not get time to copy the notes from the blackboard." I hated lying to Mother. How could I explain to her the pain in my heart? Could she believe that instead of writing the Social Studies notes in my book as Mrs Cate taught, I was busy writing notes for Madula?

Madula was huge and taller than me. When Madula and I stood next to each other, she saw the top of my head while my eyes went as far as her chin. I had to tilt my head back to see her better.

It was claimed that she had beaten a teacher in her previous school. That was why she was transferred to our school. For fear of being embarrassed, I followed all her commands.

In the morning, just before lessons, I wiped her desk and chair using my uniform. As if that was not enough, she rolled my sweater into a ball which she used to play kati in the field. During kati, a player aims the ball at another player who dodges it.

My agony was extended to the evenings when I grudgingly carried her school bag and escorted her up to the gate of their home.

Madula's threats took different dimensions. In class, I was not allowed to raise my hand to answer questions. Woe to me if I emerged at the top in an examination; Madula pulled my ears.

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| <p>31. When did Zawadi's mother get into her room?
A. At midnight. B. After midnight.
C. Before midnight. D. In the evening.</p> <p>32. Why did Zawadi's mother say, "this is not you....."?"
A. She looked like their neighbour.
B. She had grown bigger.
C. She was not her usual self.
D. It was Zawadi's twin sister.</p> <p>33. Zawadi had become all the following except
A. gloomy B. withdrawn
C. absent minded D. clever.</p> <p>34. Why did Zawadi not copy her notes in school?
A. She was writing notes for Mudala.
B. She had a lot of work to do.
C. She was tired.
D. Her speed was slow.</p> <p>35. All the following are true about Madula, except that she was
A. a bully
B. bigger than Zawadi's
C. Zawadi's best friend.
D. taller than zawadi.</p> | <p>36. Why did Zawadi follow Madula's command?
A. She feared being embarrassed..
B. She had beaten a teacher.
C. She did not want a transfer.
D. They were friends.</p> <p>37. What is Kati as told in the passage?
A. A ball B. A uniform
C. A game D. A joke during break</p> <p>38. When would Zawadi's ears be pulled?
A. During kati.
B. In the evening.
C. If she raised her hand.
D. If she emerged top in the exam.</p> <p>39. The pain in Zawadi's heart was caused by
A. the teacher B. no one
C. the mother D. Madula</p> <p>40. Which one would be the best title for the passage?
A. Zawadi and her mother.
B. Madula bullies Zawadi.
C. Bullying by mother.
D. Transferred.</p> |
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Read the passage below and answer questions 41 to 50.

The eagle and the kite were once great friends. Their homes were close to each other. The eagle's nest was on the summit of a large thorny tree. The kite had built her nest on a branch of a blue gum tree.

The two friends loved to soar high in the sky as they hunted for food together. They would share whatever they got equally. The kite went broody one day ' after laying two eggs. Likewise, the eagle, seeing the kite sitting on eggs, too, laid two eggs. "I can't stay without a family of my own when the kite is making hers," said the eagle to herself. The two birds would leave their nests and go to hunt before returning to their eggs.

Then one day, the eagle left alone. A huge snake happened to climb up the thorn tree to the eagle's nest. On seeing the pair of eggs, the snake swallowed them and slithered away.

When the eagle returned to the nest, there were no eggs. The eagle believed the kite was envious and had a hand in the disappearance of her eggs. She was about to go and ask the kite when she saw the kite flying away to hunt for food.

"It seems the kite feared me and took off," said the eagle to herself. On examining the kite's eggs, the eagle was convinced they were hers. She took them to her nest and sat on them. When the kite returned from hunting, she met an empty nest.

"Alas!" cried the kite. "Something must have eaten my eggs!" The eagle claimed to have not seen anything upon being asked. "May I see your eggs?" asked the kite.

The eagle refused saying getting up would take the warmth from the eggs. "Don't accuse me of stealing your eggs. These are my eggs!"

An owl happened to be sitting on branch nearby and heard the two arguing. "Stop arguing among yourselves, for when the eggs hatch, the truth will be out."

The two friends agreed with the wise owl. After a few days, the eggs the eagle sat on hatched. The eagle was very happy and worried at the same time.

As the pair of hatchlings grew, they began making sound that was not common even among the eaglets. The kite heard these noises and was curious.

The eagle, unable to silence the two little kites and fearing to be found out, began eating them. The kite perched in time to see the eagle tearing one little kite to pieces.

"You stole my eggs so as to eat my babies when they hatch?" shouted the kite.

The two birds began fighting. To this day they soar while fighting in air.

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| <p>41. The eagle and the kite's homes were</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. on the same treeB. on the branches of a gum treeC. near each otherD. far from each other. <p>42. The eagle and the kite did all the following except</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. slept togetherB. share food equallyC. hunt togetherD. soar high in the sky <p>43. How many eggs did each of the two lay?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. TwoB. ThreeC. FourD. Many <p>44. What happened to eagle's eggs?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Kite ate them.B. A snake ate them.C. They fell and cracked.D. A snake hid them. <p>45. It is true to say that the Kite's and eagle's eggs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. were not the same sizeB. looked alikeC. were not the same shapeD. had a different colour. | <p>46. Why did the Kite fly away when Eagle was about to ask him about the eggs?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. He was running away.B. He feared the eagle.C. He was the thief.D. He was going to hunt <p>47. The owl's advice was taken by the two friends. It shows that the owl was very</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. wiseB. foolishC. seriousD. unfriendly <p>48. When the eggs hatched, they were found to be</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. eagle'sB. kite'sC. bothD. owl's <p>49. It is clear from the passage that the two friends</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. continued being friendsB. got other eggsC. paid the owlD. broke their friendship <p>50. How many birds are mentioned in this story?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. TwoB. ThreeC. FourD. Five |
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