
Section 1. Reading Comprehension

Direction: Read the story below carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Patrice never did homework. “Too boring,” he said. He played hockey and basketball instead. His teachers told him, “Patrick! Do your homework or you won’t learn a thing. “And it’s true, sometimes he did feel like an **ignoramus**. But what could he do? He hated homework.

Then one day he found his cat playing with a little doll and he grabbed it away. To his surprise it wasn’t a doll at all, but a man of the tiniest size. He yelled, “Save me! Don’t give me back to that cat. I’ll grant you a wish, I promise you that.”

Patrick couldn’t believe how lucky he was! Here was the answer to all of his problems. So he said, “Only if you do all my homework till the end of the semester. If you do a good enough job, I could even get A’s.” The tiny man said “Oh, OK! I’ll do **it**.”

And true to his word, that little elf began to do Patrick’s homework. Except there was one glitch. The elf didn’t always know what to do and he needed help. “Help me! Help me!” he’d say. And Patrick would have to help—in whatever way. “I don’t know this word,” the elf squeaked while reading Patrick’s homework. “Get me a dictionary. No, what’s even better, look up the word and sound it out by each letter.”

When it came to maths, Patrick was out of luck. “What are times tables?” the elf shrieked. “We elves never need that. And addition and subtraction and division and fractions? Here, sit down beside me, you simply must guide me.” Elves know nothing of human history, to them it’s a mystery. So the little elf, already a shouter, just got louder. “Go to the library, I need books. More and more books. And you can help me read them too.”

As a matter of fact, every day in everyway that little elf was a nag! Patrick was working harder than ever and was it a drag! He was staying up nights, had never felt so weary, was going to school with his eyes puffed and bleary.

Finally, the last day of school arrived and the elf was free to go. As for homework, there was no more, so he quietly and slyly slipped out the back door.

Patrick got his A’s; his classmates were amazed; his teachers smiled and were full of praise. And his parents? They wondered what had happened to Patrick. He was now the model kid. Cleaned his room, did his chores, was cheerful, never rude, like he had developed a whole new attitude.

You see in the end Patrick still thought he had made that tiny man do all his homework. But it wasn't the elf; Patrick had done it himself.

1. The word that means the same as the word 'surprise' is _____.
A. Smile B. Wandered C. Amazed D. Praised
2. The games that Patrick liked to play are _____.
A. Volleyball & Handball C. Tennis & Baseball
B. Soccer & Football D. Hockey & Basketball
3. Patrick became a model boy by _____.
A. letting the elf do his homework C. doing all his homework by himself
B. asking his mother & father to help him D. by cheating in exams
4. Patrick _____.
A. never hated doing homework . C. loved to play games
B. liked doing homework. D. enjoyed chores.
5. The pronoun "it" in paragraph 3 line 3 refers to _____.
A. the cat B. doing homework C. the elf D. the doll
6. Which of the following is the changes that Patrick made?
A. He worked harder then ever before. B. He became a nag.
C. He became a model in his baseball team D. He became very forgetful.
7. "He hated homework ." in paragraph 1 line 3 is used to mean _____.
A. He liked doing homework the least. C. He liked doing homework very little
B. He liked to do homework a little. D. He disliked doing homework.
8. The word **ignoramus** in paragraph 1 line 3 is used to mean _____.
A. genius B. intellectual C. brilliant D. lazy

Section 2. Grammar and Usage

Direction: Choose the correct answer from the given alternatives then put your answer on the provided answer sheet

9. The exam _____ already _____ before I arrived to the exam room.
A. had/start B. is /starting C. had / started D. has / started
10. The fisherman _____ around the sea shore for ten years.
A. is living B. lived C. has lived D. have lived
11. The janitor often _____ disinfectants to clean and keep the corridor fresh.
A. uses B. is using C. has used D. use
12. The delegates _____ to the train station an hour ago and _____ the meeting in time.
A. are arriving / attended B. arrives / attend
C. arrived / attended D. have arrived/ attending

13. At the moment, the managers _____ about a new issue.
A. were discussing B. had discussed
C. are discussing D. is discussing
14. Amanda hopes _____ the best result in the coming national examination.
A. getting B. to get C. got D. has gotten
15. I _____ English for three consecutive hours yesterday.
A. studied B. will study C. have studied D. studies
16. We _____ on time to school because of the traffic jam this morning.
A. doesn't come B. didn't come C. don't come D. aren't coming
17. The guests _____ to their homeland tomorrow at 9 o'clock local time.
A. flew B. are flying C. have flown D. flies
18. I can't buy this car. _____ engine doesn't work properly.
A. It's B. Its C. Its' D. It is
19. You _____ touch electric fences. It is dangerous as it contains a high voltage. It shocks whoever touches it.
A. mustn't B. must C. don't have to D. will not
20. Of all the plants in the garden, Lily is the _____ and pleasant kind of flower.
A. attractive B. more attractive C. as attractive D. most attractive
21. If you mix water with oil, the oil _____.
A. will float B. is floating C. floats D. float
22. Look! The thieves are snatching the old lady's luggage. The old lady's luggage _____ by the thieves
A. is snatched B. is being snatched
C. were snatched D. will be snatched
23. If Johnson _____ his time effectively, he would _____ a successful team leader.
A. uses/be B. used / been C. have used /is D. used/ be
- 24 The heart- wrenching drama made the audience's patience less and keen. The underlined word is_____
A. Common noun B. abstract noun
C. proper noun D. collective noun
25. Everyone admires and loves her charitable mind. She is so generous. She is a_____ person .
A. kind -hearted B. heart – broken C. good -looking D. self-centered

26. Which of the following is capitalized and punctuated correctly?

- A. I have taken the passport last week?
- B. Are you trying your best to solve the problem?
- C. they must be at home
- D. emanda lives in Ethiopia!

27. My elder brother used to ride a motor bike when he was in high school. This shows _____

- A. daily routine
- B. past progressive
- C. universal truth
- D past habit

28. The chef prepares a delicious meal. A delicious meal _____

- A. will be prepared
- B is being prepared
- C. is prepared
- D. was preparing

29. Every student _____ follow the rules and regulations of the library written on the wall of the gate.

- A .may
- B. must
- C. could
- D. had to

30. You can't get the manager at any time; he is the _____ person I have ever seen .

- A. most busiest
- B . as busy
- C. busier
- D. busiest

31. I would _____ a luxurious apartment if I _____ the lottery.

- A. buy/ win
- B. have bought /won
- C. buy / won
- D. buys/win

32. A type of paragraph that focuses on persuading and influencing the audience is _____

- A. expository
- B. narrative
- C. argumentative
- D. descriptive

Section3. Speaking

DIRECTION: COMPLETE THE DIALOGUE FROM THE GIVEN OPTIONS.

33 Journalist : _____ about the current price of petrol ?

Mr. Alex: In my impression, it must be reduced.

- A. How everything is going on
- C. What do you do for living
- B. What is your point of view
- D .How do you agree

34. Meron: What do you like doing in the afternoon?

Martha: I _____ playing basketball.

- A. totally agree
- B. it is good
- C .thank you
- D. prefer

35. Linda : Nice to meet you Hemen .

Amen: _____

- A. It is ok
- B. Nice to meet you too
- C. Go ahead
- D. Never mind

SECTION 4. Vocabulary

DIRECTION: Guess the meaning of the underlined words or phrases at they are used in the sentence

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36. You must **avoid** drinking too much alcohol; it is dangerous for your health.
A . Renew B. Obtain C. Stop D. Carry on
37. Mr. David is a successful business man . He is a **hardworking** person.
A. Arrogant B. Peaceful C. Industrious D. Unproductive
38. You don't have to be **negligent** in your life .Please, use your time effectively
A. Careful B. Reckless. C. Responsible D. Effective
39. My father is a **dedicated** person. He works for long hours continuously during the day.
A. Devoted B. Mean C. Thoughtless D. Stingy
40. My little child has a big **ambition** to be a scientist when she grows up.
A. Plan B. precious C. Strong desire D. Misery