NAFYAD SCHOOL

SAMPLE MODEL EXAM. FOR GRADE 8 ENGLISH

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Part I: Communicative language

Direction: For questions 1-10, choose the best appropriate expression to complete the dialogue given below.

1. How are you? My name is Gemechu. What is _____?
   A. You C. yours
   B. . Your D. hers
2. I am fine. Mine is Kedir. _____ you live?
   A. What does C. When do?
   B. What do D. Where do
3. **Mulu**: you look young. _____ are you?
   Zebiba: I am 15 years old.
   A. How feel C. How big
   B. How tall D. How old
4. **Mother:** It is time of starting school, you _____ wear uniform.
   Daughter: That is true.
   A. has C. would
   B. shall D. must
5. **Mamo**: _____ is coming with you?
   A. Whose C. That
   B. Who D. Whom
6. **Mamo**: _____ , could you repeat that?
   A. Yes C. Bye

B. Sorry D. Hi

7. **Kebede**: Would you tell me where the post office is?
   Lemma: _____
   A. I know the town well C. How are you
   B. Go straight and turn left D. Good bye
8. **Bonsa**: Have you ever visited the Awash National Park?
   Kulene: No, I _____, but I heard a lot about it.
   A. Have C. hasn't
   B. Haven't D. was
9. **Thomas**: Do you know KenenisaBekele?
   Cherinet: Yes I _____ , I know him very well.
   A. Can C. no
   B. Do D. have
10. **Biftu**: How _____ brothers and sisters do you have?
   A. Many C. few
   B. Much D. little

Part II Sentence comprehension

Direction: For items 11-18 choose the alternative that has similar meaning with the given sentence.

11. Neither Zubeda nor Demituis cruel.
   A. Zubeda is cruel but Demitu is Kind.

B. Demitu is cruel but Zubeda is kind.
C. Both Zubeda and Demitu are cruel.
D. Both Zubeda and Demitu are kind.

12. If I had gone to Awassa, I would have seen different bird specious.
A. I went to Awassa but I couldn't see birds.
B. I didn't go to Awassa, so I didn't see birds.
C. I didn't go to Awassa but I saw birds.
D. I went to Awassa, so I saw birds.

13. Unless you read, you _____ answer this question.
A. Can
B. Cannot
C. able
D. shall

14. I wish I had saved my money.
A. I saved my money
B. I spent my money
C. I didn't want to save money
D. I have enough money

15. Jemila likes chocolate and so does her mother.
A. Jemila likes chocolate but her mother doesn't.
B. Jemila's mother doesn't eat chocolate.
C. Both the mother and the daughter like chocolate.
D. Both of them never eat chocolate.

16. When I get enough money, I will buy a car.
    A. I have a sufficient money and I can buy a car
    B. I haven't enough money but I can buy a car
    C. I haven't money and I can't buy a car
    D. All are correct

17. The price of food in Jigjiga is not as expensive as the food in Addis Ababa.
    A. Food is cheap in jigjiga
    B. Food is expensive in Jigjiga
    C. Food is cheap in Addis Ababa
    D. No price difference in Addis ababa and Jigjiga
18. Lion eats meat. Tiger eats meat.
    A. Either lion or tiger is a grass eater
    B. Both of them are meat eaters
    C. Neither a lion nor a tiger is both eaters
    D. Either a lion or a tiger is meat eater

Part III: Grammar and usage

Direction: For questions 19 - 43, choose the answer which can complete the blank space in each sentence.

19. I say _____ to my uncle when I am going to bed.
    A. good morning C. good afternoon
    B. good night D. None

20. I will see you_____ Monday.
    A. In C. at
    B. On D. do
21. Which statement is incorrect?
    A. I go to school every day.
    B. She go to school every day.
    C. We go to school every day.
    D. They go to school every day.
22. We eat _____ in the morning, _____ at the mid-dayand _____ at the evening.
    A. Dinner/breakfast/lunch
    B. Breakfast/lunch/dinner
    C. Lunch/dinner/breakfast
    D. None of the above
23. _____ are you going to do tomorrow?
    A. Which C. What
    B. Who D. When
24. _____ whom are you going to travel?
    A. Which C. with
    B. That D. What
25. I want to know more _____ the Ethiopian culture.
    A. For C. about
    B. Because D. so
26. Neither Mohammed _____ Abera went to Jimma.
    A. For C. nor

B. before D. and

27. Do you know the English translation of your mother's name?

A. No, I do C. No, I don't

B. Yes, I don't D. Yes, we does

28. Christmas is celebrated _____.

A. every year C. every 12 months

B. yearly D. All are correct

29. _____ do you want to spend the holiday?

A. What C. When

B. Which D. where

30. They were touring the rift valley _____ they heard the earth quake.

A. what C. who

B. which D. when

31. Selamawit bakes bread at the bakery. This statement is expressed in _____.

A. Active voice C. A and B

B. Passive voice D. None

32. The sister's son is called _____.

A. cousin C. brother-in-law

B. Nice D. Nephew

33. Bekele is shorter than Dawit. Abebe is taller than bekele. Of the three, who is the shortest?

A. Abebe C. Bekele

B. Dawit D. None

34. Mesfin felt ill. He _____ see a doctor soon.
    A. needed D. should
    B. could D. would
35. Nairobi is _____ peaceful than Khartoum.
    A. very C. more
    B. as D. most
36. A night in the city is not _____ that in the countryside.
    A. dark C. as dark as
    B. as dark D. so dark
37. My grandfather has lived _____ 100 years.
    A. on C. for
    B. at D. from
38. Michael has worked for the bank _____ last year.
    A. did C. since
    B. does D. for
39. A young lion is called a _____.
    A. calf C. kitten
    B. Puppy D. cub
40. I waited here _____ my father comes.
    A. for C. until
    B. at D. who
41. Tumsa speaks _____.
    A. Noise C. quick
    B. Slowly D. fast

42. Have you sent the e-mail to Atokebede? Yes I have _____ done that.
    A. Still C. already
    B. Until D. now
43. The price _____ teff _____ going up.
    A. on/is C. is/of
    B. of/is D. are/is

Part IV: Reading passage

Direction: After reading the passage carefully, answer the questions 44 – 48 depending on the text.

Machine with brains

Have you heard anyone say that a computer is a machine with a human brain? Well, a computer is able to do all sorts of things that would make one think it is a magical device. Actually, a computer is so fascinating that it is **frightening** to think of what it is capable of doing. After all, computers will ask questions, play music and take pictures. They even relay information from one place to another so much so that they have turned the world into a global village.

However, computers do not have brains and they do not think at all! They are mere machines that are programmed by people to perform different tasks and they complete the **tasks** with super speed and ease.

In the modern times of high level of technology, the world is **dependent** entirely on computers which come in different makes and sizes ranging from

mobile phones to laptops to desktop units. Computers are used to processes and store data in government offices, banks, hospitals, company businesses, educational Institutions, space stations and even households.

Much of computers are useful devices, they are also a **source** of trouble since their networks make it possible to intrude and pry on people's privacy and accesses restricted information. This is called computer hacking. It has become a major challenge in this **era**.

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44. Computers able to _____.
    A. Ask questions
    B. Play music
    C. relay information from place to place
    D. All are correct
45. Computers are programmed by_____.
    A. itself
    B. people
    C. robot
    D. none

46. Computers are used to store data in _____.
    A. Government offices
    B. Banks
    C. hospitals
    D. all
47. Computers are also source of troubles such as _____.
    A. computer hacking
    B. less access to restricted information
    C. intruding/interfering on people's privacy

D. All are correct

48. Computers complete tasks with _____.

A. less speed C. medium speed

B. super speed D. none

Part V: Vocabulary from the context

Direction: Questions 49 – 53, choose the contextual meanings of the following words as they are used in the passage. Questions 54 – 56 are contextual meanings from your textbooks.

49. (para. two)Task means _____.

A. Information C. Find

B. Work D. Love

50. (para. one) Frightening means _____.

A. Play C. enjoy

B. Afraid D. Travel

51. (para. three) Dependent means _____.

A. Free from C. Far

B. Controlled by D. Fly

52. (para. four) Era means _____.

A. Period C. Like

B. Able D. End

53. (para. four) Source means _____.

A. Origin C. Direction

B. End D. war

54. Rubbish means _____.

A. Clean C. Garbage

B. Good area D. None

55. Century means _____.

A. 1000 years C. 10 years

B. 100 years D. 5 years

56. Earn means to _____.

A. Lose C. Active

B. Get D. Slow

Part VI: Punctuation

Direction: questions 57 – 60,select the statements that are punctuated correctly.

57. A. Hello? C. How old are you?

B. How are you. D. Go away.

58. A. He said come here. C. He said that “come here”.

B. He said “come here”. D. “He said” come here.

59. A. Coat jacket shirt trousers.

B. Coat, jacket, shirt, trousers

C. Coat, jacket, shirt and trousers.

D. Coat- jacket- shirt- and trousers.

60. A. abebe
B. ethiopia
C. America
D. july