Section I: Communicative Activities

Directions: *Questions* **1- 21** are given in the form of short conversation. The part conversation of *one of the speaker is given, and a blank space is left for the other. For each of the short conversations, four alternative answers are* **A-D** are given. Choose from the given four alternatives the one that is most appropriate to complete the conversation and **blacken** the letter of your choice on the separate answer sheet provided.

1. **Situation:** classroom discussion about climate change:

Sarah: I believe we should all reduce our plastic use. It's the least we can do.

Damitu: _____ It is because we need to know what we should do.

A. That's a good point, but it's not enough.

B. Many people don't agree with that.

C. We should first campaign and aware people.

D. I think that's just a trend.

2. **Situation:** discussion at a project meeting:

Jalane: I think we should use a digital platform to manage our tasks.

Eba: _____.

What is a constructive way to acknowledge her suggestion?

A. That would be a waste of time. B. I installed my own platform recently

C. Let's stick to meeting schedule instead. D. I don't think that will work.

3. Abel expresses frustration about a difficult science project:

Abel: I can't figure this out. It's too hard! What's the best way to offer support?

A. I found it easy; you should try harder. B. Maybe you just aren't smart enough.

C. Why don't we work as a team? D. Just give up; it's not worth it.

4. **Situation:** Classroom group debate.

Mustefa: We should all switch to renewable energy sources.

Roman: _____.

A. That's a silly idea. B. I see, but there're challenges we need to consider.

C. You're just entertaining your opinion. D. Can we talk about something else?

5. **Situation:** during lunch, Lalise, Sifan, and Gadise are discussing their weekend plans.

Lalise: I'm going horse riding, and I can't wait!

Sifan: _____. I've great enthusiasm for your plan.

A. Horse riding sounds boring. C. I'd never go horse riding.

B. What's the big deal about horse riding? D. That's awesome! Where are you going?

6. Kasim and Abdi are finalizing a school project, and Abdi suggests, "I think we should focus more on the visuals." What would be an appropriate reaction?

A. That's not important; content matters more. C. I can't agree more! Let's do some illustrations then.

B. Just do what you want then. D. That's not necessary.

7. After a presentation, a peer approaches you and says, "I found your arguments were really strong." What is a respectful way to respond?

A. I appreciate your feedback. Which part did you like the most?

B. Well, not everyone agrees.

C. That's not true; I was nervous.

D. Thanks, but I think you didn't listen properly.

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Teacher: Would you mind opening the window?
Student: I wouldn't mind. Based on student's response, which of the alternatives below is correct?

A. The student refuses to open the window.
B. The teacher forces the student to open the window.
C. The student agrees to open the window.
D. The student asks the teacher to the need to open the window.

9. Suppose you realize your classmate Gurmessa is struggling with a certain concept. What would be an appropriate response to support him?

A. You should have studied harder.
B. Let's review this now.
C. It's not that hard; you'll get it eventually.
D. Just look it up online.

10. Sinbo arrived while the teacher was revising the previous lesson. What would be the correct response of the teacher?

A. Go away; never come late again.
B. Why have you been so early?
C. Why have you slept late?
D. Where have you been?

11. After discussing the importance of teamwork, your teammate says, "I feel like my ideas aren't being heard." What would be an appropriate response? A. Just speak up more. B. We'll make sure everyone's ideas are considered next. C. Your ideas aren't that good anyway. D. This isn't the time to complain.

12. **Ayantu:** Why are fewer students in a class today?
Bilen: _____. Which one best fits in the blank space?

A. I don't care.
B. I have to ask them.
C. It's a holiday today.
D. It seems they're completed.

13. At a family gathering, a relative asks your opinion on climate change. What is the best way to respond if you disagree with the view?

A. I dismiss the opinion entirely.
B. I politely explain my position with evidence.
C. I try to change the subject.
D. I argue loudly and aggressively.

14. After a class discussion about a book, a classmate says, "I didn't like the main character." How can you engage the student in the conversation about it?

A. Why do you think that?
B. That's a bad opinion.
C. Everyone likes different things.
D. Let's just agree to disagree.

15. You get paired with someone you don't know well for a project. What's a good way to start your collaboration? A. Let's just do our parts separately. B. What are your thoughts about where to start? C. I prefer working alone than in pair. D. It doesn't matter; I'll take the lead.

16. Suppose Atomsa failed a compulsory exam and feels disgraced. What is the best way to support him?

A. You should have studied harder.
B. There's no point in worrying.
C. Just try again and hope for better luck.
D. Don't worry; how do you think I can help you?

17. At a community event, you meet someone from a different culture who seems shy. How can you help him/her feel relaxed?

A. I overlook the person and focus on the main task.
B. I ask about the person's culture and share mine.
C. I assume that the person comes from different culture.
D. I speak loudly to engage the person.

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18. During a group project, a group member proposes an idea that you believe won't work. How should you respond?

A. That's a terrible idea.
B. Let's just go with it.
C. I have some concerns about that.
D. You should come up with something better.

19. After a successful event, your team leader says, "Great job, everyone!" What's a positive response you can give?

A. Absolutely! Everyone contributed well."
B. It was mostly my effort.
C. I didn't think we'd succeed.
D. Let's not get too comfortable.

20. In a class discussion about social issues, a peer expresses a viewpoint you strongly disagree with. What is a respectful way to engage?

A. You must be joking.
B. I see why you think that, but here's another perspective.
C. That's completely wrong.
D. Can we talk about something else?

21. You're organizing a study group before exams, and few classmates express interest. What would be a polite sentence in this situation?

A. Your participation doesn't matter.
B. Your participation is not mandatory.
C. Your participation will cause distraction.
D. Your participation is surely prized.

Section II: Reading Passage

1Information technology evolved in the 1970s. Its basic concept, however, can be traced back to the World War II alliance of the military and industry in the development of electronics, computers, and information theory. After the 1940s, the military remained the major source of research and development funding for the expansion of automation to replace manpower with machine power.

2Information and communication technologies for development refer to the application of information and communication technologies (ICT) towards social, economic, and political development, with a particular emphasis on helping poor and marginalized people and communities. ICT for development is grounded in the notions of development, growth, progress, and globalization and is often interpreted as the use of technology to deliver a greater good.

3Information and communication refer to technologies that provide access to information through telecommunication. It is similar to information technology but focuses primarily on communication technologies. This includes the internet, wireless networks, cell phones, and other communication mediums. For example, people can communicate in real-time with others in different countries using technologies such as instant messaging, voice and video conferencing, and social networking websites like Facebook, which allow users from all over the world to remain in contact and communicate regularly.

4ICT is one of the wonderful gifts of modern science and technology, bringing tremendous changes in library and information science. It has opened up a new chapter in library communication and facilitated global access to information, crossing geographical limitations. ICT has a profound effect on the progress and development of human civilization.

The tools used in ICT include computer programs, databases, communication networks, analysis methods, programming languages, artificial intelligence, and knowledge bases. ICT has a long-standing influence in almost all areas of human activity. The ICT products are helpful for storing, retrieving, manipulating, and transmitting information electronically.

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Information and communication technology has revolutionized the concept of libraries. Libraries are also changing their role to meet the demands of users for retrieving desired information, which was not possible through traditional means. Today, ICT is generally understood to encompass both equipment and services that facilitate the electronic capture, processing, display, and transmission of information.

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22. What major event in the 1940s influenced the development of information technology?
A. The Cold War
B. World War II
C. The Great Depression
D. The Space Race

23. Which of the following best describes the primary focus of ICT for development?
A. To replace traditional libraries
B. To assist wealthy communities
C. To help poor and marginalized people
D. To advance military technology

24. According to the passage, how is ICT often interpreted in the context of development?
A. As a tool for entertainment
B. As a means to deliver a greater good
C. As a method of control
D. As a governmental requirement

25. What does the term ***telecommunication*** encompass in the context of the passage?
A. Only internet usage
B. Technologies providing access to information
C. Government communication only
D. Only traditional broadcasting

26. How has ICT changed the role of libraries?
A. They have become obsolete.
B. They now focus solely on physical books.
C. They meet user demands for retrieving information.
D. They provide out-dated resources.

27. What is one of the tools used in ICT mentioned in the passage?
A. Printed books
B. Communication networks
C. Oil-based technology
D. Traditional filing systems

28. "It" paragraph 1 line 1 refers to _____?
A. Communication technology
B. The outbreak of World War II
C. The invention of the internet
D. Evolution of information technology

29. "This" paragraph 3 line 4 refers to _____?
A. Communication technologies
B. Information technologies
C. Information communication
D. Communication development

30. "their" paragraph 5 line 2 refers to _____?
A. Users B. Technology C. Libraries D. Books

31. What does the term ***automation*** refer to in the passage?
A. Manual processes
B. Human labour.
C. The use of machinery to perform tasks
D. Electronic communication

32. In the context of the passage, what does ***marginalized*** mean? A. Rich and influential B. Ignored or excluded C. Celebrated D. Central and important

33. What is meant by ***global access*** in the passage?
A. Access limited to urban areas
B. Access that is out-dated
C. Access restricted to certain groups
D. Access available to anyone worldwide

34. According to the passage, what does the word ***retrieving*** imply?
A. Discarding B. Misplacing C. Recovering D. Replacing

35. What does ***human civilization*** imply in the context of ICT's impact?

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A. Only technological advancement B. The collective progress and development of human
C. A focus on ancient cultures D. The decline of modern societies

Section III: Vocabulary

A. Completion

Directions: Items **47-50** are incomplete dialogues. Each item is given four options: **A-D.** Choose the word that best completes the blank spaces and **blacken** the letter of your choice on the separate answer sheet provided.

36. **Manager:** How is the railway project going on? Is it up to the schedule?
Worker: Oh, I don't think so; the bad weather causes _____ to the rail way network during rush hour.

A. collision B. destruction C. disruption D. distortion

37. **Lawyer:** My client is innocent. I would politely request the court to _____ the accusation against him.
Court: Let's, first, take the words of the defendant's witnesses.

A. rule over B. run over C. run out D. rule out

38. **Roba:** How are you Keneni? What's up?
Keneni: Hi, Roba! It's quite startling that Halima was _____ yesterday by kidnappers and carried off to a hidden location.

A. seized B. transported C. forced D. beaten

39. **Chaltu:** How was yesterday's meeting with the business company owners?
Sarah: Oh, We had very hard time though we finally _____ the business deal fruitfully.

A. put up B. put through C. break down D. keep on

B. Substitution

Directions: For items **51-56,** each sentence has an underlined word/ phrase. There are four alternatives, **A-D** given for each underlined word/ phrase. Choose the alternative of which the meaning of the word/ phrase **substitutes** the meaning of the underlined word/ phrase. **Blacken** the letter of your choice on the separate answer sheet provided.

40. This morning as I was walking to school, I saw a taxi missing its path and collided against a lorry.

A. road B. lane C. line D. way

41. Some businessmen do not pay the right taxes to their country and widespread corruption.

A. prevalence B. scatter C. rampant D. deep-rooted

42. Farmers harvest their crops and winnow in a sunny day before they transport the grain into their granary.

A. thresh B. smash C. reap D. yield

43. Though my parents find the whereabouts of my lost brother, they could not detect the reasons for his sudden departure.

A. scrutinize B. dissect C. assuage D. descry

44. As the carbon emission is steadily increasing, our world is in a continuous fluidity and is impermanent.

A. development B. supremacy C. flux D. diversity

45. Hopefully drinking coffee will rejuvenate me and so I can work all night on my paper

A. invigorate B. inflame C. provoke D. toss

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Analogy

Directions: For items **57-60,** each sentence has an underlined word/ phrase. There are four alternatives, **A-D** given for each underlined word/ phrase. Choose the **analogy** of a given word and complete the spaces. **Blacken** the letter of your choice on the separate answer sheet provided.

46. Fleet is to trucks as _____ is to teachers.

A. book C. student

B. faculty D. school

47. Pride is to _____ as calm is to storm

A. prejudice C. forecast

B. supremacy D. fall

48. _____ is to peace as lion is to courage.

A. Dove C. Cub

B. War D. Brave

49. Often is to seldom as obsolete is to_____.

A. antiquated C. contemporary

B. vocabulary D. round

Section IV: Grammar

Directions: Items **61-88** have grammatically incomplete sentences. There are four alternatives, **A-D**, for each item. Choose the letter that best complete the sentences and **blacken** the letter of your choice on the separate answer sheet provided.

50. Tolesh _____ their dog for a walk, but her brother _____.

A. never takes/ does always

B. is never taking / always does

C. doesn't never take/ does always

D. never takes/ always does

51. I _____ my friends in the park after school on Fridays.

A. am meeting C. am going to meet

B. meet D. will meet

52. Which one is the correct sentence?

A. The chickens are not fed in the evening.

B. The chickens do not being fed in the evening.

C. The chickens don't feeding in the evening.

D. The chickens are not feed in the evening.

53. Our team _____ the game.

A. had won C. is going to win

B. have won D. won

54. Ilile _____ some flowers on the way home.

A. will buy C. is going to buy

B. will be buying D. bought

55. Which is the correct sentence to express a decision made at the moment?

A. I am going to help you. C. I am helping you.

B. I help you right away. D. I will help you.

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56. I am afraid, the teachers are in meeting. Could you call back in half an hour? They _____ by then.
A. will be finishing B. will finish C. will have finished D. will have been finished

57. My sister is really excited about going to university. The term _____ next week.
A. will start B. starts C. is starting D. will have started

58. Right, I would be with you as soon as I _____ this.
A. had done B. have done C. I did D. would have done

59. Did my friend come to see me _____ I was out?
A. since B. where C. while D. before

60. Plants appear to be less sensitive than animals_____ they respond in some ways to light, heat and physical contacts.
A. as if B. when C. thus D. although

61. Which of the following sentences is correct?
A. Convicted of murdering his wife, the judge sentenced him to life imprisonment.
B. I saw her running down the street this morning.
C. A mixture of twenty-five percent topsoil with cow manure works well.
D. Standing at the hotel window, the dogs with their colorful skin raced across the bay.

62. The scientists have not got many interests _____ they share.
A. in which B. by which C. which D. who

63. It is no use _____ around talking about it. We need actions, not words.
A. sat B. to sit C. sit D. sitting

64. Azmera is very narrow-minded person _____ it is difficult for her understanding your point of view.
A. so B. because C. as D. so that

65. _____ letters is more boring than _____
A. To write/ to phone C. Writing/ phoning
B. Writing/ to phone D. Written/ phoned

66. I am sure I gave you back the money. I remember _____ it back to you.
A. to give B. to giving C. to be given D. giving

67. She helped me _____ my suitcases.
A. to carry B. carry C. to carrying D. carrying

68. Neither of the workers was happy with the new legislations, _____?
A. weren't they B. were they C. did they D. wasn't it

69. My sister promises _____ to my eating raw meat.
A. not to object B. not objecting C. to not object D. objecting

70. I let her choose between _____ and _____ the train.
A. to fly/ to take C. fly/ take
B. flying/ to take D. flying/ taking

71. A guitar is played _____ hands.
A. by B. in C. with D. of

72. I promised to care for the cat, but I am not good_____ babysitting.
A. to B. at C. in D. of

73. Everybody should visit Oromia, _____?
A. shouldn't they B. Should they C. isn't it D. doesn't it

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If you had caught the bus, this task _____ completed on time.
A. would be B. would have been C. could have been being D. will be

75. If you _____ me before you left, I _____ some nice restaurants.
A. are asking/ can recommend C. had asked/ would have recommended
B. asked/ would recommend D. were asking/ would recommend

76. The other way of stating the sentence: "The wind is blowing all day today. I hope it will stop" is:
A. I wish the wind stops blowing. C. If only the wind would stop blowing.
B. I wish the wind had stopped blowing. D. If only the wind stopped blowing.

77. The reported speech of; "We want to visit Sof Omer Cave in Bale, "the tourists said.
A. They said that we wanted to visit Sof Omer Cave in Bale.
B. They said that they wanted to visit Sof Omer Cave in Bale.
C. They said that they would want to visit Sof Omer Cave in Bale.
D. They say that they want to visit Sof Omer Cave in Bale.

Section IV: Writing

Directions: Items **89 -100** are related to writing. Read each of them very carefully and choose the best answer from the four alternatives: **A-D. Blacken** the letter of your choice on the separate sheet provided.

A. Spelling (Items 89-91)

78. Which one of the following words is correctly spelled?
A. intelligence C. hypothetcal
B. disraption D. indeginous

79. Which one of the following words is correctly spelled?
A. revitelize C. unabated
B. stakholder D. irreversible

80. Which one of the following words is correctly spelled?
A. prevelence C. fatalites
B. livelihood D. sustainability

B. Punctuations (Items 92-94)

81. Which of the following sentences is correctly punctuated?
A. The world is a stage, said Shakespeare, meaning life is like a play in the theatre.
B. "The world is a stage", said Shakespeare, meaning life is like a play in the theatre.
C. "The world is a stage," said Shakespeare, meaning life is like a play in the theatre.
D. "The world is a stage," said Shakespeare, "meaning life is like a play in the theatre."

82. Choose the correctly punctuated sentence.
A. In addition, she has had vomiting almost, every day.
B. In addition she has had vomiting almost every day.
C. In addition, she has had vomiting, almost every day.
D. In addition, she has had vomiting almost every day.

83. Which of the following sentences uses punctuation marks correctly?
A. The forum was exciting; it features sessions on mindset, psychology and ethics.
B. The forum was exciting, it features sessions on mindset, psychology and ethics.
C. The forum was exciting, it features sessions on mindset, psychology, and ethics.
D. The forum was exciting- it features sessions on mindset, psychology and ethics.

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C. Letter (Items 95-97)

84. If you do not know the recipient's name, how would you close the letter?
A. With love. B. Yours sincerely, C. Yours faithfully, D. Affectionately yours.

85. In a formal letter, what is the name given to the section next to the main body?
A. Salutation B. signature C. complimentary D. enclosure

86. Which sentence is written in a formal letter?
A. Hey, just thought, I would drop you a line!
B. I am writing to express my concern…
C. This is a kind of annoying….
D. I am writing to let you know what's up.

D. Paragraph Coherence (Items 98-100)

87. Which one of the order of the sentences makes a coherent idea development?
1. Some species are able to clean themselves.
2. If they do not, they will probably fall ill from infected wounds.
3. Others find some other animal to perform this cleaning function.
4. It is essential for all creatures to keep themselves clean and free from parasites.
A. 4 1 3 2 B. 1 3 2 4 C. 1 4 2 3 D. 4 2 1 3

88. Which one of the order of the sentences can make a complete paragraph?
1. The argument has long been known as "Nature versus Nurture".
2. In contrast, the other claims that a person's character is formed after birth.
3. Sociologists and psychologists argue about how a person's character is formed.
4. The first theory says character is formed genetically before birth.
A. 3 4 2 1 B. 1 3 4 2 C. 3 1 4 2 D. 4 2 3 1

89. Which order of the sentences can make the right process of orange juice?
1. The oranges are rolled into juicing machines, where they are split and squeezed.
2. They are dumped into a machine that washes them with detergent.
3. The juice goes through small holes in the bottom of the tube.
4. Making orange juice from fresh oranges is done entirely by machines.
A. 4 2 1 3 B. 1 2 3 4 C. 1 3 2 4 D. 4 2 3 1

90. What is the correct order of the following sentences below so as to give coherent paragraph?
1. Next, grind the roasted coffee beans.
2. Lastly, serve if for hot drink.
3. Wait till the coffee boils.
4. First, roast the coffee beans.
5. Then, put the grinded coffee flour in the boiled water.
6. This is how to make coffee.
A. 6 4 5 3 2 1 B. 1 2 3 4 5 6 C. 6 4 1 5 3 2 D. 1 4 2 3 6 5

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