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# ENGLISH MODEL EXAM FOR GRADE 8

## GENERAL DIRECTION:

- **THIS EXAM BOOKLET CONTAINS 60 QUESTIONS. WORK ON ALL OF THEM.**
- **READ EACH QUESTION AND THE ALTERNATIVES GIVEN CAREFULLY. THEN CHOOSE THE BEST ANSWER AND MARK YOUR CHOICE ON THE SEPARATE ANSWER SHEET YOU ARE PROVIDED.**
- **TO MARK YOUR ANSWER; BLACKEN THE RECTANGLE BELOW THE LETTER OF YOUR CHOICE WITH ONLY A PENCIL.**

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## Part I: Reading

## Direction: Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow according to the information you got.

### Achoo!

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1. Achoo! We all sneeze sometimes. Sneezing is a reflex that your body does **automatically**. That means you cannot make yourself sneeze or stop one once it has started. When you sneeze, your body is trying to get rid of bad things in your nose, such as bacteria. You have extra germs when you have a cold, so you sneeze a lot more. You might also sneeze when you smell pepper!

2. Inside your nose, there are hundreds of tiny hairs. **These** hairs **filter** the air you breathe. Sometimes dust and pollen find their way through these hairs and bother your **nasal** passages. The nerves in the lining of your nose tell your brain that something is invading your body.

3. Your brain, lungs, nose, mouth, and the muscles of your upper body work together to blow away the **invaders** with a sneeze. When you sneeze, germs from your nose get blown into the air. Using a tissue or “sneezing into your sleeve” captures most of **these** germs. It is very important to wash your hands after you sneeze into **them**, especially during cold and flu season.

4. Do you ever sneeze when you walk into bright sunlight? About 25% of people experience **this** phenomenon. Scientists believe that the brain gets **confused** when signals from the optic nerve trigger the sneezing reflex in direct sunlight. This usually runs in families.

5. If someone nearby sneezes, remember to tell them “Gesundheit!” That is a funnylooking word which is pronounced “gezz-oont-hite.” **It** is the German word that wishes someone good health after sneezing.

(Source: Taken from https://superteacherworksheets.com )

**A. Inferential Questions:**

**Direction: Choose the correct answer based on the information you got from the passage.**

1. Which parts of your body work together when you sneeze?

   A. your brain  B. your lungs  C. your nose  D. all

2. What does the German word 'Gesundheit' mean?

   A. 'I wish you good health.'  C. 'I wish you God's blessings.'

   B. 'I wish you a good day.'  D. 'I wish you would stop sneezing.'

3. Why do people to usually sneeze? The reason for sneezing can be:

   A. body trying to get rid of bad things in your nose

   B. dust and pollen getting through and bothering nasal passages

   C. signals from the optic nerve triggering sneezing

   D. All are answers.

4. Which one of the following is the benefit of sneezing?

   A. Getting blessings.  C. Growing up fast

   B. Getting rid of invaders like bacteria  D. None

5. What captures most of these germs blown into the air when you sneeze?

A. using tissue paper C. sneezing loud

B. sneezing into your sleeve D. A and B are answers

**B. Reference Questions:**

**Direction: What do the pronouns taken from the passage refer to in the context they are found?**

6. **'These'** (paragraph 2, line 1)

A. nose B. breathe C. tiny hairs D. sneezing people

7. '**them'** (paragraph 3, line 4)

A. sleeves B. tissues C. hands D. germs from nose

8. '**It'** (paragraph 5, line 2)

A. the funny man C. the sneezing person

B. "Gesundheit!" D. the people around

**C. Vocabulary from the Passage:**

**Direction: Choose the most appropriate meaning of each word as it is used in the passage.**

9. **automatically** (paragraph 1, line 1)

A. unwillingly or spontaneously C. feeling cold

B. with friends D. only once

10. **filter** (paragraph 2, line 1)

A. collect in a place C. prevent unwanted things from passing through

B. clean by squeezing D. None

11. **nasal** (paragraph 2, line 2)

A. hot thing like pepper C. ability to check unwanted things

B. related to the nose D. sickness like flu

12. **invader** (paragraph 3, line 2)

A. healthcare workers
B. sunlight reflection
C. nose, mouth, lung and brain
D. unwanted things coming in a where they don't belong

13. **confused** (paragraph 4, line 2)

A. not sure of what to do
B. happy
C. strong and healthy
D. B and C can be answers

## Part II: Speaking

**Direction: Choose the alternative that completes each conversation the best.**

14. A: Hello Samuel, this is my brother Debebe.

B: _____

A. What a good brother!
B. Hi, Nice to meet you.
C. I have also a brother.
D. None.

15. A: What do you think of coming late to class?
B: _____ tardiness is laziness.

A. According to me
B. I believe that
C. In my opinion
D. All are answers.

16. A: What should I do if the traffic light is red?
B: _____

A. You must stop.
B. You should ask the traffic police.
C. You can cross.
D. You might go back home.

17. A: Students must work hard if they want to succeed in their education.

B: Yes, _____

A. I totally agree with you.
B. I don’t agree with you.
C. I am not sure about that.
D. That is not right.

18. A: Money is the most important thing in life.

B: _____ but I believe that education is more important than money.

A. I totally agree with you, B. I don't agree with you,
C. That is partly true, D. That is not right.

## Part III: Vocabulary from the Textbook:

### A. Direction: Choose the best word that completes each sentence.

19. Some factories are irresponsible. They _____ the environment.
A. survive B. adapt C. pollute D. keep

20. He is too weak. He is very _____ to participate in the game.
A. unfit B. fit C. strong D. fast

21. _____ should walk on the left side of the road and cross the road using only the crossing zebra for their safety.
A. drivers B. vehicles C. pedestrians D. traffic signals

22. Proper oral hygiene practices will help to prevent _____ which may cause tooth damage.
A. personal hygiene B. headache C. tooth decay D. brushing

23. Charities usually help _____ people, orphans and others who are helpless.
A. homeless B. productive C. regular D. rich

### B. Direction: Choose the opposite of the underlined words.

24. Health workers are heroes fighting **illness**.
A. sickness B. health C. disease D. breakdown

25. Mothers **take care** of their children.
A. look after B. handle C. keep D. mistreat

26. We are in a very **harsh** condition.
A. hard B. smooth C. difficult D. troublesome

27. The Corona virus can **spread** easily.
A. increase B. extend C. expand D. stop

28. All the money will go to **charity**.
A. donation B. selfishness C. generosity D. help

## Part IV: Grammar

**Direction: Choose the best grammatically correct answer to complete each sentence.**

29. Many things _____ from plastic.
A. made B. make C. are make D. are made

30. He is the _____ student in our class.
A. outstanding B. more outstanding C. most outstanding D. outstandingest

31. The senior doctors _____ the patients.
A. operate B. operates C. are operated D. is operate

32. Shewit and Senait are equal in their height. Senait is _____ Shewit.
A. taller than B. as tall as C. the tallest D. not as tall as

33. Last week, our family _____ in the villagers' meeting.
A. did not participate B. did not participated C. do not participate D. participates

34. _____ you please lend me some money?
A. May B. Ought C. Could D. Are

35. The cat weighs 4 kg, but the puppy weighs 5 kg. The puppy is _____ the cat.

A. lighter than B. heavier than C. as light as D. as heavy as

36. _____ a member in the Natural Science Club?
A. I am not B. I am C. Amn't I D. Am I not

37. You _____ study hard because you are sitting for a national exam this year.

A. ought to B. could C. can D. may

38. The children _____ shouting for a while, but now they are shouting again.
A. stopped B. stops C. stopping D. stop

39. Instead of increasing his results, Abera continues to _____ in his lessons.
A. decrease B. decreasing C. changes D. increase

40. Students _____ bring electronic things to school.
A. must not B. should C. haven't to D. must have to

41. Almaz was coming to school. The question form of this sentence is:
A. Was Almaz coming to school? C. Are Almaz coming to School?
B. Is Almaz coming? D. Almaz coming?

42. Did it rain yesterday? The affirmative form of this sentence can be:
A. It rain yesterday. C. It rains yesterday.
B. It rained yesterday. D. It is raining yesterday.

43. Do you like to have a cup of coffee? The possible answer is:
A. No, I do. B. Yes, I don't. C. Yes, I do. D. No, I does.

44. I _____ an exam and scored good marks.
A. take B. taking C. taken D. took

45. The student _____ is sitting beside me is very friendly.
A. whom B. who C. what D. whose

46. Which of the following sentence is the best in placing the adverb of frequency ***'always'***?

A. I **always** am slow when I wash my hair. C. I am **always** slow when I wash my hair.

B. **Always** I am slow when I wash my hair. D. I am slow when I wash my hair **always**.

47. The girl _____ sister saved the little boy was appreciated.
A. whose B. who C. where D. whom

48. When they arrived at the party, most people _____.
A. have gone B. are going C. had gone D. will gone

49. The toy _____ I bought for the child lies broken on the ground.
A. whose B. which C. who D. whom

50. While I _____ to music through the earphone, my phone rang.
A. was listening B. am listening C. was listening D. listen

51. If I _____ money, I will buy a new car.
A. get B. got C. have got D. had got

52. A: Have you ever _____ pizza and burger?
B: No, I haven't.

A. eating B. eats C. eaten D. ate

53. If I were a farmer, I _____ a lot of 'teff'. .
A. will produce B. would have produced C. would produce D. going to produce

## Part V: Writing

**A. Direction: Choose the best alternative to answer the following concept questions.**

54. A kind of letter written to a relative or a family member is known as:
A. business letter B. friendly letter C. application letter D. recommendation letter

55. _____ is a short official note that circulates within the same company or organization.
A. A memo B. A letter C. A memorandum D. A and C are answers.

56. A topic sentence has two parts. These are:
A. Topic and Sentence B. Topic and Detail C. Topic and Paragraph D. All

57. Which kind of writing is used to tell stories?
A. Descriptive B. Narrative C. Argumentative D. Informative

58. Which of the following can be the best purpose of writing a summary?
A. wrapping up C. showing what the writer believes
B. giving additional information D. asking questions

**B. Direction: Choose the best word order to make the jumbled words into a grammatically correct sentence.**

59. will/ gift/ you/ birthday/ on/ your/ a/ nice/ I/ give

A. I will give you a nice gift on your birthday.

B. I will give you a nice birthday on your gift.

C. I will give you gift a nice on your birthday.

D. I will give you a nice on your birthday gift.

60. capital/ Addis/ city/ Ababa/ is/ Ethiopia/ the/ of

A. Addis Ababa is the Ethiopia of capital city.

B. Addis Ababa is the capital city of Ethiopia.

C. The city capital of Ethiopia is Addis Ababa.

D. Capital Ethiopia is the city of Addis Ababa.