

Bloom English Olympiad Sample Paper 1

Maximum Time : 60 Minutes

Maximum Marks : 60

INSTRUCTIONS

1. There are 50 Multiple Choice Questions in this paper divided into two sections :
Section A 40 MCQs; 1 Mark each
Section B 10 MCQs; 2 Mark each
2. Each question has Four Options out of which **ONLY ONE** is correct.
3. All questions are compulsory.
4. There is no negative marking.
5. No electronic device capable of storing and displaying visual information such as calculator and mobile is allowed during the course of the exam.

School Name

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Section A (1 Mark Questions)

1. Choose the odd one out from the following.
(a) Airborne (b) Excruciating (c) Stumble (d) Mindless
2. Give the correct meaning of the given word.
Fugitive
(a) One who fights for a noble cause.
(b) One who runs away from justice.
(c) One who leads a simple life.
(d) One who is appointed by two parties to solve a dispute.
3. Choose the correct active/passive voice of the following sentences.
Why did she tear the papers?
(a) Why the papers were torn by her? (b) Why had the papers been torn by her?
(c) Why were the papers torn by her? (d) Why will the papers be torn by her?
4. Choose the correct indirect speech of the following sentences.
Prisha cried, "God will never pardon you."
(a) Prisha exclaimed that God will never pardon her.
(b) Prisha said with sorrow that God will never pardon her.
(c) Prisha shouted that God would never pardon her.
(d) Prisha bitterly cursed her that God would never pardon her.
5. Choose the odd one out from the following.
(a) Retort (b) Slumber (c) Nap (d) Sleep
6. Give the correct meaning of the given word.
Gregarious
(a) Animals who live in a particular region. (b) Animals who live alone.
(c) Animals who are kept in zoos. (d) Animals who live in A flocks.
7. Change the voice of the given sentence.
Why did you not agree to my proposal?
(a) Why was my proposal not agreed to?
(b) Why was my proposal not agreed by you?
(c) Why my proposal was not agreed to by you?
(d) Why was my proposal not agreed to by you?
8. Choose the correct indirect speech of the following sentences.
"There are functions going on", Prateek said to Nora.
(a) Prateek told Nora that were functions going on there.
(b) Prateek told Nora that there had been functions going on.
(c) Prateek told Nora that there has been functions going on.
(d) Prateek told Nora that there are functions going on.

- 9.** Read the following sentence and choose the part that contains an error.
I was told to fill the registration form in block letter.
- (a) I was told (b) to fill the
(c) registration form (d) in block letter
- 10.** Read the following sentence and choose the part that contains an error.
Neither of the photos is good, aren't they?
- (a) Neither of (b) the photos
(c) aren't they? (d) is good
- 11.** Choose the correct antonym of the underlined word in the given sentence.
They approached the stranger warily.
- (a) suspiciously (b) cautiously
(c) carefully (d) carelessly
- 12.** Choose the correct antonym of the underlined word in the given sentences.
The task of vaccinating all the people in India is arduous.
- (a) absorbing (b) good (c) easy (d) plain
- 13.** Read the following sentence and choose the part that contains an error.
Samarth became startled when he saw the dog running at him.
- (a) Samarth became (b) startled when
(c) he saw the dog (d) running at him
- 14.** Choose the correct analogy.
Genuine : Authentic :: Mirage :
- (a) Reflection (b) Illusion (c) Hideout (d) Image
- 15.** Choose the correct analogy.
College : Dean :: Museum :
- (a) Curator (b) Warden (c) Custodian (d) Supervisor
- 16.** Read the following sentence and choose the part that contains an error.
The railways have made crossing the tracks a punished offence.
- (a) The railways have (b) a punished offence
(c) made crossing (d) the tracks
- 17.** Read the following sentence and choose the part that contains an error.
I received the news when Sarah sent an email to Peehu and I.
- (a) Peehu and I (b) I received the news
(c) sent an email to (d) when Sarah
- 18.** Fill in the blank with correct option.
That was the _____ done performance I've seen in years.
- (a) least skillfully (b) more skillfully
(c) most skillfull (d) less skillfully

19. Complete the conditional sentence by choosing the correct option.

If I had enough money for a holiday,

- (a) I will go to Iceland
- (b) I go to Iceland
- (c) I would go to Iceland
- (d) I went to Iceland

20. Change the following sentence into a compound sentence.

Climbing up the stairs, he feel down.

- (a) He was climbing up the stairs so he fell down.
- (b) He was climbing up the stairs and he fell down.
- (c) He fell down because he was climbing up the stairs.
- (d) He climbed up the stairs and he fell down.

21. Fill in the blank by choosing the correct word from the given options.

..... eye-witness, the news reporter gave a graphic description of how fire broke out.

- (a) Reporting
- (b) Quoting
- (c) Observing
- (d) Seeing

22. Read the following conversation and choose the appropriate response.

Shrishti : Please guide me how to join the online class.

Teaching Assistant :

- (a) The instructions for this are given on the school webpage itself. Please follow them step by step.
- (b) Don't you read the instructions properly?
- (c) You should be knowing how to join it.
- (d) Are you computer illiterate?

Directions (Q. Nos. 23 and 24) Choose the correct option that rearranges the given segments to make meaningful sentences.

23. The purpose of

P : advertising is to

R : reassure employees or

(a) PQRS

(b) PRQS

Q : is viable or successful

S : shareholders that a company

(c) QSRP

(d) PRSQ

24. Shama translated

P : Several short pieces

Q : Meerabai's poetry

R : and reviews

S : and also published

(a) QSRP

(b) PQRS

(c) QSPR

(d) RSPQ

25. Fill in the blank with correct option.

Some people believe the lost city of Atlantis is still buried _____ the sea.

- (a) beside
- (b) beneath
- (c) into
- (d) in

- 26.** Fill in the blank by choosing the correct word from the given options.
..... your request, we have closed your savings bank account.
(a) With regard to (b) On account of
(c) In lien of (d) In accordance with

- 27.** Change the following sentence into comparative degree.
No other writer in India is so famous as R K Narayan.
(a) R K Narayan is the most famous of all the writers in India.
(b) R K Narayan is the more famous of all the writers in India.
(c) R K Naryan is more famous than other writers in India.
(d) R K Narayan is more famous than any other writer in India.

- 28.** Change the following sentence into Past Continuous Tense.
Ruchi will be writing her exam this time tomorrow.
(a) Ruchi was writing her exam this time today.
(b) Ruchi had written her exam this time yesterday.
(c) Ruchi was writing her exam this time yesterday.
(d) Ruchi were writing her exam this time yesterday.

Directions (Q. Nos. 29 and 30) Choose the correct meaning of the underlined idioms in the following sentences.

- 29.** Anshika beat a hasty retreat when she was seen bunking her classes by her Principal.
(a) felt sorry (b) leave very quickly
(c) was shocked (d) hide somewhere

- 30.** The mother was right in giving a piece of mind to the erring daughter.
(a) speaking kindly (b) speaking cheerfully
(c) speaking sadly (d) speaking sharply

Directions (Q. Nos. 31-35) Complete the passage by filling the blanks with appropriate words given in the options.

A majority of Indians ...**31**... to use the internet for accessing banking ...**32**... other financial services than shopping online, shows a new survey.

Almost 57% of Indian respondents using the internet prefer to bank ...**33**... and use other financial services due to hassle-free access and time saving feature ...**34**... online banking. Checking ...**35**... on products and services online comes a close second at 53%.

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|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------|
| 31. (a) preferred | (b) prefers | (c) prefer | (d) proffer |
| 32. (a) two | (b) and | (c) but | (d) either |
| 33. (a) online | (b) offline | (c) streamline | (d) line |
| 34. (a) off | (b) for | (c) at | (d) of |
| 35. (a) informations | (b) information | (c) discounted | (d) up |

Directions (Q. Nos. 36-40) Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

Stammering is a habit disorder linked with lack of self-confidence. Basically, for a child to understand a language, there are four stages. The first is learning to understand the spoken language and the second is speaking. Both of these usually develop around the age of two.

The third stage is speaking complex sentences, which develops at around 3rd and the 4th is when the child recognises the written alphabet. In 80% of children while the 3rd and 4th stage are at play, the first two get disturbed because something new is being incorporated in the mind.

This is absolutely normal. But what over cautious mothers do is fret a lot and the child develops a fear which later manifests itself as stammering. In fact, most text books on stammering state in bold that "Had there not been any over cautious mothers, hardly any one would have suffered from stammering." Fluency can be incorporated in the speech of such patients through hypnosis.

- 36.** Stammering is caused because of
(a) a physical disorder (b) hindered growth
(c) lack of self-confidence (d) lack of understanding
- 37.** Which of the following is the second stage of a child's understanding of a language?
(a) Speaking (b) Writing
(c) Listening (d) Reading
- 38.** are basically the reason for developing a fear in the child's mind.
(a) Parents (b) Over cautious mothers
(c) Fathers (d) Uncles
- 39.** By the time the child becomes two years old, he/she can
(a) speak complex sentences
(b) only understand spoken language
(c) understand and speak simple language
(d) write the alphabet
- 40.** Which of the following gives the correct meaning of 'fret' as used in the passage?
(a) Compliment (b) Punish (c) Worry (d) Irritate

Section B (2 Mark Questions)

- 41.** Read the following statements and choose the correct option
(i) 'Namesake' is a collection of names.
(ii) Collocations are not used in Business English.
(a) Only (ii) is true
(b) Both (i) and (ii) are false
(c) Only (i) is true
(d) Both (i) and (ii) are true

42. Match the words in List I with their synonyms in List II.

List I	List II
A. Allure	1. Teenage
B. Incite	2. Motivation
C. Incentive	3. Instigate
D. Juvenile	4. Charm

Codes

	A	B	C	D
(a)	4	3	2	1
(c)	3	2	1	4

	A	B	C	D
(b)	4	3	1	2
(d)	2	1	3	4

43. Match items in List I with those in List II to form proper collocations.

List I	List II
A. Flick through	1. latest fashions
B. Get over	2. expectations
C. Live up to	3. a book
D. Keep up with	4. a disappointment

Codes

	A	B	C	D
(a)	3	4	1	2
(c)	3	2	4	1

	A	B	C	D
(b)	2	3	4	1
(d)	3	4	2	1

44. Read the following sentences and mark the correct statements as True (T) and the incorrect statements as False (F). On the basis of grammar rules.

- A. 'should' is used to make suggestions and give advice.
 B. 'must' is not used for stating obligations.
 C. 'can' is used to talk about someone's skill.
 D. 'could' is used for politely telling or asking someone to do something.
- (a) TFFT (b) TFTT
 (c) FFTT (d) TTFF

45. Read the following statements and mark the correct statements as True (T) and the incorrect statements as False (F). On the basis of grammar rules.

- A. 'The' is used with only plural nouns.
 B. 'An' is used with vowel sound.
 C. 'A' is used with consonant sound.
 D. We generally do not use any article before the names of countries and people.
- (a) FTFT (b) FTTT
 (c) TFFF (d) TFFT

46. Which of the following statements follow the rules of Subject-Verb-Agreement?

- A. Each does a good deal of work.
 B. A pencil and an eraser makes writing easier.
 C. Neither the director nor the actors are following the covid guidelines.
 D. Mumps is a contagious disease.

- (a) All of these (b) Only B
 (c) A, C and D (d) A, B and D

47. Choose the words that can be made using the letters of the word PLATELET.

- (a) LATE (b) PLATE
 (c) TELLTALE (d) Both (a) and (b)

48. Read the statements and choose the correct option.

- (i) Gerunds and infinitives can replace a noun in a sentence.
 (ii) An Infinitive cannot be used after 'plan'.
 (a) Both (i) and (ii) are false (b) Both (i) and (ii) are true
 (c) Only (i) is true (d) Only (ii) is true

49. Which of the following statements is false?

- A. Pronouns cannot be the subject in the sentence.
 B. Conjunctions are used to connect two or more sentences.
 C. Adjectives can be positive, comparative or superlative.
 D. Modals are a type of auxiliary verbs.

- (a) Only A (b) Only C
 (c) A and B (d) B and D

50. Match the types of writing skills given in List I with information related to them given in List II.

List I	List II
A. Diary	1. Informal language
B. Notice	2. Date and time
C. Message	3. Short and precise
D. Formal Letter	4. Subject

Codes

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|-------|---|---|---|-------|---|---|---|
| A | B | C | D | A | B | C | D |
| (a) 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | (b) 2 | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| (c) 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | (d) 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |

Answers with Hints

1. (c) 'Stumble' is the odd one out as it is a verb. The other three options are adjectives. 'Airborne' is related to 'air', 'Excruciating' is 'intensely painful' and 'Mindless' means stupid.
2. (b) Fugitive is the one who runs away from justice.
3. (c) The correct passive voice of the given sentence is, "Why were the papers torn by her"?
4. (d) The given option (d) "Prisha bitterly cursed her that God would never pardon her", is the correct indirect speech of the given sentence.
5. (a) 'Slumber', 'sleep' and 'nap' are related to each other. Hence, 'retort' is the odd one out.
6. (d) Animals who live in flocks or loosely organised communities are called Gregarious.
7. (b) "Why was my proposal not agreed by you?" is the correct answer.
8. (a) The given option (a) "Prateek told Nora that were functions going on there" is the correct indirect speech of the given sentence.
9. (d) 'Letters' should be used in place of 'letter'.
10. (c) 'Are they' should be used in place of 'aren't they'.
11. (d) The given word 'warily' means cautiously, carefully. So, option (d) 'carelessly' would be its correct antonym.
12. (c) 'Arduous' means difficult, needing a lot of effort and energy. So, 'easy' is its correct antonym.
13. (d) 'Towards' should be used in place of 'at'.
14. (b) 'Genuine' means authentic or not fake. 'Mirage' means optical illusion. So, 'illusion' is the correct word for the given analogy.
15. (a) The custodian or superintendence of college is 'Dean'. So, the keeper or Custodian of Museum is 'Curator'. Hence, 'curator' is its correct answer.
16. (b) 'Punishable' (adjective) should be used in place of 'punished' verb.
17. (a) 'Peehu and me' is the correct expression.
18. (a) 'Least skillfully' is the correct answer.
19. (c) When the 'if' clause is used in past tense, then, would + first form of verb should be used. Hence, 'I would go to iceland' is the correct answer.
20. (b) "He was climbing up the stairs and he fell down" is the correct combined sentence of the given sentences.
21. (b) 'Quoting' is the correct word for the given blank. 'Quoting' means to repeat words that someone else has said or written.
22. (a) "The instructions for this are given on the school webpage itself. Please follow them step by step", is the correct alternative to complete the conversation.
23. (d) The correct sequence of the given segment is PRSQ. The sentence formed is, "The purpose of advertising is to reassure employees or shareholders that a company is viable or successful."
24. (c) The correct sequence of the given segment is QSPR. The sentence formed is, "Shama translated Meerabai's poetry and also published several short pieces and reviews."
25. (d) 'In' is the correct preposition to be filled.
26. (d) According to the given sentence, 'In accordance with' is the correct alternative, to fill the given blank. 'In accordance with' means in a way that agrees with or follows (something, such as a rule or request).
27. (d) "R K Narayan is more famous than any other writer in India" is the correct comparative degree of the given sentence.
28. (c) "Ruchi was writing her exam this time yesterday" is the correct past continuous form of the given sentence.

29. (b) The given underlined idiom 'beat a hasty retreat' means to run away from a dangerous or unpleasant situation. So, 'leave very quickly' is its correct answer.
30. (d) The given underlined idiom 'to give someone a piece of mind' means to speak angrily or sharply to someone about something they have done wrong. Hence, option (d) is its correct answer.
31. (c) 'Prefer' is the correct word to fill the given blank.
32. (b) 'And' is used in the given blank to join the two phrases.
33. (a) 'Online' is the correct word to fill the blank.
34. (d) 'Of' is used in the given blank.
35. (b) 'Checking information' is suitable according to given context.
36. (c) Stammering is caused because of lack of self-confidence.
37. (a) Speaking is the second stage of a child's understanding of a language.
38. (b) Over cautious mothers are basically the reason for developing a fear in the child's mind.
39. (c) By the time, the child become two years old, he/she can understand and speak simple language.
40. (c) 'Fret' means worry.
41. (b) Both the given statements are false.
Namesake is not a collection. Namesake is a person named after someone, like a son given the exact name as his father. One that is named after another.
Collocations are also used in Business English.
42. (a) Following are the words with their synonyms.
Allure means attraction charm or excitement. So, 'charm' is its correct synonym.
Incite and instigate both means urge or persuade someone to act in a violent or unlawful way.
Incentive is a thing that motivates or encourages to do something. So, 'motivate' is its correct synonym.
Juvenile means childish or immature. So, 'Teenage' would be its correct answer.
43. (d) Following are the proper collocations
 Flick through—a book, Get over—a disappointment, Live up to—expectations, Keep up with—latest fashions
44. (b) The given statements A, C and D are true. 'B' is false because 'must' is used for stating obligations.
45. (b) The correct answer is FTTT. 'The' is used with both singular and plural nouns referring to anything specific.
46. (c) The given statements A, C and D follows the rules of Subject-Verb Agreement.
47. (d) Option (d) is its correct answer.
48. (c) Only the given statement(i) is true. Statement (ii) is false because an infinitive can be used after 'plan'.
49. (a) Only A is false 'Pronouns can be the subject in the sentence.'
50. (c) 4321 is the correct sequence.
 A. Diary – Informal language B. Notice – Short and precise
 C. Message – Date and Time D. Formal letter – Subject.