

# *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

Student's Name

## Section A (1 Mark Questions)

1. Rearrange the following parts to form a meaningful sentence.  
P. you can at any moment  
Q. in a private library,  
R. Socrates or Shakespeare  
S. converse with  
(a) PQRS                      (b) QPRS                      (c) QPSR                      (d) PSRQ
2. Complete the word analogy.  
Native : Aboriginal :: Naive :  
(a) Learned                      (b) Arid                      (c) Unsophisticated                      (d) Sophisticated
3. Choose the correctly spelled word from the following.  
(a) Centennial                      (b) Centannial                      (c) Centenial                      (d) Cennteneal
4. Complete the word analogy.  
Wardrobe : Storage :: Helmet :  
(a) Sleep                      (b) Protection                      (c) Ride                      (d) Drive
5. Rearrange the following parts to form a meaningful sentence.  
P. tribal headgears worn  
Q. on the traditional  
R. during Naga festivals  
S. the Hornbill is often displayed  
(a) PSRQ                      (b) QRSP                      (c) RSQP                      (d) SQPR
6. Choose the odd one out from the following.  
(a) Ally                      (b) Antagonist                      (c) Opponent                      (d) Adversary
7. Complete the following idiom.  
Back to the \_\_\_\_\_. (When an attempt fails and it's time to start all over again)  
(a) drawing board                      (b) wrong tree                      (c) court                      (d) score point
8. Choose the correct one word substitution for the following.  
One who believes in no government and therefore incites disorder in a state  
(a) Amoral                      (b) Anarchist  
(c) Arbitrator                      (d) Ambiguous
9. Choose the correct option that defines 'Cosmopolitan'.  
(a) To have a very high opinion of oneself.  
(b) To look at someone in an angry or threatening way.  
(c) Someone who is designated to hear both sides of a dispute and make a judgement.  
(d) One who is a citizen not of a country but of the entire world.
10. Which of the following sentence has the correct usage of articles?

- (a) Hague is a city in the Netherlands      (b) The Hague is a city in the Netherlands  
(c) The Hague is a city in Netherlands      (d) A Hague is a city in the Netherlands

**11.** Identify adjectives in the following sentences.

If you want to set your political career, you must spend your time in active service.

- (a) service      (b) active  
(c) political      (d) Both (b) and (c)

**12.** Choose the synonym of the underlined word to fill in the blank.

The pickpocket was a trickster, in other words, a \_\_\_\_\_ .

- (a) magician      (b) thief      (c) fraudster      (d) gentleman

**13.** Choose the antonym of the underlined word to fill in the blank.

Although the tiger is a solitary beast, its cousin the lion is a \_\_\_\_\_ wild animal.

- (a) sociable      (b) lonely      (c) friendly      (d) dangerous

**14.** Choose the synonym of the underlined word to fill in the blank.

Johny was cleared of all charges; similarly, James was \_\_\_\_\_ .

- (a) guilty      (b) cleared      (c) happy      (d) absolved

**15.** Which of these points need not be considered for a debate?

- (a) Availability of precise information      (b) Age of opponent  
(c) Fluency in language      (d) Body language

**16.** Fill in the blank with suitable option.

A truck stole her parking spot; consequently, Ria's \_\_\_\_\_ look showed her displeasure.

- (a) sad      (b) innocent      (c) grumpy      (d) displeased

**17.** Fill in the blank with suitable option.

Ustad Bismillah Khan \_\_\_\_\_ the shehnai with great panache.

- (a) uses to play      (b) used to play      (c) used to playing      (d) uses to plays

**18.** Fill in the blank with suitable option.

The most celebrated tin mines in Cornwall are, still, close \_\_\_\_\_ the sea.

- (a) in      (b) at      (c) to      (d) of

**19.** Fill in the blank with suitable option.

\_\_\_\_\_ establishes the technical report.

- (a) Illogical conclusion      (b) Logical conclusion  
(c) Personal prejudice      (d) Misplaced learning

**20.** I can lend you my car till tomorrow. The underlined word is a/an

- (a) Intransitive      (b) Modal  
(c) Auxiliary verb      (d) Transitive verb

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 21-24) Complete the conversation given below.

Annie is at her friend Karan's party. Rohan comes to introduce himself.

Rohan: Hi, I'm Rohan. I'm a friend of Karan.

Annie: Oh, (21) \_\_\_\_\_. Karan has told me a lot about you.

Rohan: You work with him, don't you? (22) \_\_\_\_\_.

Annie: I'm a nurse. (23) \_\_\_\_\_.

Rohan: I work at a bank.

Annie: (24) \_\_\_\_\_.

Rohan: I'm from Chennai.

- 21.** (a) Hello! (b) Nice to meet you too  
(c) Nice to meet you (d) Go away!
- 22.** (a) How do you do? (b) What are you doing?  
(c) Are you free? (d) What do you do?
- 23.** (a) How about you? (b) Can you tell me about you?  
(c) What about you? (d) Why about you?
- 24.** (a) How are you from? (b) Where are you from?  
(c) Where are you coming from? (d) Why have you been late?

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 25 and 26) Change the voice of the given sentence from Active/Passive to Passive/Active Voice.

- 25.** Where did you buy this pen from?  
(a) From where was this pen bought?  
(b) Why this pen is bought by you?  
(c) From where was this pen bought by you?  
(d) This pen bought by you from where?
- 26.** We were shown round the picturesque countryside by a tourist guide.  
(a) A tourist guide showed us round the picturesque countryside.  
(b) A picturesque countryside showed us round the tourist guide.  
(c) A tourist guide shown us round the picturesque countryside.  
(d) A tourist guide had shown us round the picturesque countryside.

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 27 and 28) Change the narration from Direct/Indirect Speech to Indirect/Direct Narration.

- 27.** I told my friend that he had been working very hard.  
(a) I said to my friend, "You have been working very hard."  
(b) I said to my friend, "He is working very hard."  
(c) I said to my friend, "You has been working very hard."  
(d) I said to my friend, "He had been working very hard."
- 28.** The captain said to the soldiers, "Attack the enemy."  
(a) The captain requested the soldiers to attack the enemy.

- (b) The captain ordered the soldiers to attacked the enemy.
- (c) The captain commanded the soldiers to attack the enemy.
- (d) The captain summoned the soldiers to attack the enemy.

**29.** Combine the two sentences without changing their meaning.

Ayesha put on a little weight. Ayesha joined the gym.

- (a) Ayesha put on a little weight because she joined the gym.
- (b) No sooner had Ayesha put on a little weight than she joined the gym.
- (c) Ayesha put on a little weight furthermore she joined the gym.
- (d) Ayesha joined the gym moreover, she put on a little weight.

**30.** Choose the wrongly spelt word from the following.

- (a) Emancipation
- (b) Corespondence
- (c) Manageable
- (d) Entrepreneur

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 31-35) Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

One day, I hopped in a taxi and we took off for the airport. We were driving in the right lane when suddenly a car jumped out of a parking space right in front of us. My taxi driver slammed on his brakes, skidded and missed the other car by just inches! The driver of the other car whipped his head around and started yelling at us. My taxi driver just smiled and waved at the guy. And I mean he was really friendly. So I asked, 'Why did you just do that ? This guy almost ruined your car and sent us to the hospital!'

This is when my taxi driver taught me what I now call the 'The law of the Garbage Truck'. He explained that many people are like garbage trucks. They run around full of garbage, full of anger, and full of disappointment. As their garbage piles up, they need a place to dump it and sometimes they'll dump it on you. Don't take it personally. Just smile, wave, wish them well, and move on. Don't take their garbage and spread it to other people at work, at home or on the streets.

The bottom line is that successful people do not let garbage trucks take over their day. Life's too short to wake up in the morning with regrets, so 'Love the people who treat you right. Forgive the ones who don't'. This attitude will help you sail through life. There will be fewer jerks and bumps. Learn to take the bad with the good for life can never be perfect. Acceptance of what is, is the solution. Don't react, just accept and you will be a lot more happy.

Life is ten percent what you make it and ninety percent how you take it!

**31.** How did the taxi driver avert an accident?

- (a) By stopping the car
- (b) He slammed on his brakes, skidded and missed the other car by just inches
- (c) By abusing the other driver
- (d) He also sped the car

**32.** To what did he compare the yelling driver?

- (a) To an over-speeding car
- (b) To an angry man
- (c) To a garbage truck
- (d) To a disappointed man

**33.** The term 'garbage' in the context of the passage means

- (a) Full of frustration, full of anger and full of disappointment

- (b) Full of junk
- (c) Smiling and waving at another person
- (d) All of the above

- 34.** The narrator learnt an invaluable lesson from the taxi driver. What was it?
- (a) One must fight on roads
  - (b) One must vent out his/ her anger at others
  - (c) One must not drive while angry
  - (d) One must love the people who treat us right and forgive the ones who don't.
- 35.** Which of the following words in the passage means 'a feeling of defeat'?
- (a) Frustration
  - (b) Anger
  - (c) Cowardly
  - (d) Slammed

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 36-40) Read the following passage and choose the correct words to fill the blanks.

As a kid going to school in 36 1960s and early 1970s, the start of the new academic year was something that I always looked forward 37. Oh, don't get me 38. I was not one of 39 eager bearers who wished to broaden his horizons by drinking from the fountain of knowledge. The 40 purpose of my going to school was to hang out with my friends.

- 36.** (a) a                                      (b) the                                      (c) an                                      (d) a/an
- 37.** (a) for                                      (b) at                                      (c) on                                      (d) to
- 38.** (a) wrong                                      (b) wrongly                                      (c) right                                      (d) rightly
- 39.** (a) these                                      (b) that                                      (c) those                                      (d) this
- 40.** (a) primary                                      (b) primarily                                      (c) primer                                      (d) prime

## Section B (2 Mark Questions)

**41.** Match the following.

List – I	List – II
A. remove something from inside another thing using a sharp tool	1. Accomplish
B. strange, mysterious, difficult to explain	2. Rummage
C. finish successfully, achieve	3. Scrape out
D. search for something by moving things around hurriedly or carelessly	4. Uncanny

**Codes**

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

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 42 and 43) Fill in the blanks with suitable options.

42. \_\_\_\_\_ you exchange this with a better quality product \_\_\_\_\_ return my money.  
 (a) Either, or (b) Neither, nor  
 (c) No sooner, than (d) Hardly, than
43. The purpose of this field trip \_\_\_\_\_ to make you aware that there \_\_\_\_\_ many species of earthworms in the wild.  
 (a) are, is (b) has, have  
 (c) was, is (d) is, are
44. 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. 'Therefore' is a conjunction.  
 B. 'The' is used before the names of magazines.  
 C. 'Torrential' is used to refer to very heavy rain.  
 D. 'Peculiar' and 'strange' are antonyms.  
 (a) FFFF (b) FTTT (c) FTTF (d) TFTF

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 45 and 46) Replace the bold words in the sentence to improve the sentences.

45. He went to her and said, "Dear good sparrow! There is (1) **everything** you can do by crying. What is (2) **destination happening**, will happen for sure."  
 (a) (1) everything (2) destined to happen (b) (1) anything (2) destiny to happen  
 (c) (1) something (2) destination to happen (d) (1) nothing (2) destined to happen
46. A mouse that lived in a hole in the hermitage (1) **will** creep in everyday and steal some of the food from the bowl. When the hermit realised that a mouse (2) **was** stealing the food, He always tried to stop it.  
 (a) (1) could (2) have been (b) (1) would (2) has been  
 (c) (1) would (2) had been (d) (1) could (2) had being
47. Match the words given in List I with those given in List II to make appropriate collocations.

List I	List II
A. Pay	1. a party
B. Completely	2. packet
C. Make	3. steady progress
D. Throw	4. useless

**Codes**

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

- 48.** Read the following dialogue between Ajay and Mr. Khosla, his father's colleague. Ajay wrote a message informing his father about the details of the conversation. Choose the most appropriate answer wherein all the details are duly written and the format is also correct.

Mr. Khosla: Hello, can I speak to Mr. Menon please.

Ajay: Hello, this is Ajay, Mr. Menon's son. My father is not at home. Can I take a message?

Mr. Khosla: Hi Ajay, can you tell your father that he has to be at the advocate's office at sharp 10 tomorrow and he should bring the file containing the company's asset details.

Ajay: I shall tell him the details when he returns. Have a nice day, uncle.

Mr. Khosla: Thank you, Ajay. It was a pleasure talking to you.

- (a) 23rd June, 2013

Dear daddy,

Mr. Khosla, your colleague, had called to inform you that you are supposed to be at the advocate's office at sharp 10 in the morning tomorrow. He wants you to carry the file containing the company's asset details with you. I am going to the gym and will be back by 8.

Ajay.

- (b) 23rd June, 2013

Dear daddy,

Mr. Khosla, your colleague, had called to inform you that you are supposed to be at the advocate's office at sharp 10 in the morning tomorrow. He wants you to carry the file containing the company's asset details with you. I am going to the gym and will be back by 8.

- (c) 23rd June, 2013

Mr. Khosla, your colleague, had called to inform you that you are supposed to be at the advocate's office at sharp 10 in the morning tomorrow. He wants you to carry the file containing the company's asset details with you. I am going to the gym and will be back by 8.

Ajay.

- (d) 23rd June, 2013

Dear daddy,

Mr. Khosla, your colleague, had called to inform you that you are supposed to be at the advocate's office at sharp 10 in the morning tomorrow. I am going to the gym and will be back by 8.

Ajay.

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 49-50) Find the phrasal verb and its meaning in the given sentences.

- 49.** The dog made after the cat but it escaped by climbing a tree.

- (a) Made after, to chase someone                      (b) Climbing a tree, run away  
(c) Made after, run fast                                      (d) Escaped by, to hide

- 50.** The bridge gave way under the weight of heavy traffic.

- (a) Gave way, to give way to people  
(b) Gave way, to move side ways  
(c) Gave way, to shake  
(d) Gave way, to fall down or break as a result of physical pressure on it

## Answers with Hints

1. (d) PSRQ is the correct sequence.
2. (c) 'Native' and 'Aboriginal' mean the same, i.e., belonging to a particular place or tribe. Similarly, 'Naive' and 'Unsophisticated' mean the same, i.e., lack of wisdom or worldly knowledge.
3. (a) 'Centennial' is the correctly spelt word.
4. (b) The function of wardrobe is storage, similarly, the function of a helmet is to give protection.
5. (d) SQPR is the correct sequence.
6. (a) 'Ally' is odd one out because it means combining a resource for mutual benefit. The other three options are synonyms for each other.
7. (a) 'Back to the drawing board' is the correct idiom.
8. (b) 'Anarchist' is the one who believes in no government and therefore incites disorder in a state.
9. (d) 'Cosmopolitan' is one who is a citizen not of a country but of the entire world.
10. (b) 'The' is used before Hague and Netherlands.
11. (d) 'Political' and 'active' are adjectives in the sentence.
12. (c) 'Fraudster' is the synonym of 'trickster'.
13. (a) 'Sociable' is the antonym of 'solitary'. 'Solitary' means 'to be alone' and 'sociable' means 'around other animals or people'.
14. (d) 'Absolved' is the correct answer.
15. (b) Age of opponent does not matter in a debate. The other three points are very important for debate.
16. (c) 'Grumpy' is the correct answer. It means bed-tempered and irritable.
17. (b) 'used to paly' is the correct answer.
18. (c) 'To' is the correct answer. 'Close to' is a phrase which means near.
19. (b) 'Logical conclusion' is the correct answer.
20. (b) 'Can' is a modal.
21. (c) 'Nice to meet you' is the correct answer.
22. (d) 'What do you do?' is the correct answer.
23. (c) 'What about you?' is the correct answer.
24. (b) 'Where are you from?' is the correct answer.
25. (c) The correct Passive Voice is, "From where was this pen bought by you?"
26. (a) The correct Active Voice is, "A tourist guide showed us round the picturesque countryside."
27. (a) The correct direct speech is, I said to my friend, "You have been working very hard."
28. (c) The correct indirect speech is, "The captain commanded the soldiers to attack the enemy."
29. (b) "No sooner had Ayesha put on a little weight than she joined the gym." is the correct combination.
30. (b) 'Corespondence' is the wrongly spelt word. Its correct spelling is 'Correspondence'.
31. (b) The taxi driver slammed on his brakes, skidded to avert an accident and missed the other car by just inches.
32. (c) He compared the yelling driver to a garbage truck.
33. (a) The term 'garbage' in the context of the passage means full of frustration, full of anger and full of disappointment.

- 34.** (d) The narrator learnt an invaluable lesson from the taxi driver that one must love the people who treat us right and forgive the ones who don't.
- 35.** (a) 'Frustration' is the correct answer.
- 36.** (b) 'The' is the correct word to be filled in the blank.
- 37.** (d) 'To' is the correct word to be filled in the blank.
- 38.** (a) 'Wrong' is the correct word to be filled in the blank.
- 39.** (c) 'Those' is the correct word to be filled in the blank.
- 40.** (a) 'Primary' is the correct word to be filled in the blank.
- 41.** (b) 3412 is the correct matching sequence.
- 42.** (a) 'Either' and 'or' are suitable words to fill the blanks.
- 43.** (d) 'Is' and 'are' are suitable words to fill the blanks.
- 44.** (c) 'Therefore' is an adverb. 'Peculiar' and 'strange' are synonyms.
- 45.** (d) The bold words will be replaced by 'nothing' and 'destined to happen' respectively.
- 46.** (c) The bold words will be replaced by 'would' and 'has been' respectively.
- 47.** (a) 2431 is the correct matching sequence.
- 48.** (a) Option (a) is the correct answer. It has the right format and all the information required.  
Option (b) does not have the name of writer of the message, i.e., Ajay.  
Option (c) does not have the name of the receiver of the message, i.e. 'Dear daddy'.  
Option (d) does not have the complete information as given by Mr. Khosla.
- 49.** (a) 'Made after' is the phrasal verb and 'to chase someone' is its meaning.
- 50.** (d) 'Gave way' is the phrasal verb which means to fall down or break as a result of physical pressure on it.