

# ***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.

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## Section A (1 Mark Questions)

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 1-3) Read the sentences and identify the segment which contains an error.

1. Mumps are a contagious disease that is caused by a virus.  
(a) Mumps are (b) a contagious disease  
(c) that is caused (d) by a virus
2. One ought to serve his motherland.  
(a) One ought (b) to serve (c) his (d) motherland
3. The CEO always travels by the air as he is a very busy man.  
(a) The CEO always (b) travels by the air  
(c) as he is (d) a very busy man
4. Complete the word analogy.  
Vaunt : Boast :: Skewer : \_\_\_\_\_  
(a) Flaunt (b) Criticise (c) Prepare (d) Avoid
5. Choose the word with incorrect spelling.  
(a) Gulibel (b) Mollusk (c) Huckster (d) Gangster

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 6-10) Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct word from the options.

6. Three workers died after inhaling the \_\_\_\_\_ fumes.  
(a) noxious (b) obnoxious (c) big (d) harmless
7. Who \_\_\_\_\_ the baby when you go to work?  
(a) looks upon (b) looks after (c) looks up (d) looks down
8. Pragya started her job as a TV \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) analyst (b) operator (c) anchor (d) referee
9. It was impossible to recover the victims' bodies as the accident site was \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) inaccessible (b) marshy (c) slimy (d) distant
10. Even a \_\_\_\_\_ glance can reveal the mystery.  
(a) crude (b) cursory (c) critical (d) curious
11. Which of the following is not a Noun?  
(a) Pride (b) Prejudice  
(c) Revert (d) Reversal
12. Which of the following is a Noun?  
(a) Habitual (b) Habitat  
(c) Inhabit (d) Inventive

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 13 and 14) Choose the sentence with the correct usage of articles.

- 13.** (a) Sammy seemed to be the only dog in that small area.  
(b) Sammy seemed to be a only dog in that small area.  
(c) Sammy seemed to be an only dog in that small area.  
(d) Sammy seemed to be only dog in that small area.
- 14.** (a) Theory of relativity was proposed by a scientist named Albert Einstein.  
(b) A theory of relativity was proposed by the scientist named Albert Einstein.  
(c) The theory of relativity was proposed by a scientist named Albert Einstein.  
(d) The theory of relativity was proposed by scientist named Albert Einstein.
- 15.** Choose the type of adjective for the word given below in capital letter.  
OUR  
(a) Interrogative (b) Demonstrative  
(c) Distributive (d) Possessive
- 16.** Choose the odd one out from the following.  
(a) Stadia (b) Brethren (c) Rattle (d) Premises
- 17.** Choose the odd one out from the following.  
(a) Who (b) Which (c) Whom (d) Those
- 18.** Classify the following adjectives by choosing the correct option.  
Neither  
(a) Distributive (b) Possessive (c) Proper (d) Descriptive
- 19.** Which of the following conjunctions can be used to join the sentences?  
I had not prepared well. I managed to clear the exam.  
(a) so (b) because (c) though (d) and
- 20.** Choose the sentence with the incorrect usage of prepositions.  
(a) Sun screen protects you from getting burnt.  
(b) Varsha applied for the job but couldn't get it.  
(c) Can I introduce you with my grandfather?  
(d) We are finding it difficult to deal with the stress.
- 21.** Which of the following conjunctions can be used to join the sentences?  
Rajan will not spend his money. Rajan will not invest it.  
(a) but (b) neither..... nor  
(c) either ..... or (d) because
- 22.** Choose the sentence with the incorrect usage of prepositions.  
(a) I will meet you in Delhi on the 24th. (b) The cat jumped into the basket.  
(c) It is kept at the dashboard of my car. (d) The train went through the tunnel.

- 23.** Correct the underlined tenses in the following questions by choosing from the given options.

The soup is tasting good.

- (a) tasting (b) was tasting (c) taste (d) tastes

- 24.** Rearrange the following to make a meaningful sentence.

In his

P : does not speak.

Q : literary work he spoke of

R : which mere intellect

S : that province of human life

- (a) QPSR (b) PRQS (c) QSRP (d) RQSP

- 25.** Rearrange the following to make a meaningful sentence.

The princess

P : names a date, and a

Q : along pretty smoothly.

R : formal meeting takes place;

S : after that everything buzzes

- (a) PRSQ (b) QPRS (c) PQRS (d) SRQP

- 26.** Choose the correct spelling.

- (a) Probocis (b) Proboscis (c) Probosis (d) Probossis

- 27.** Correct the underlined tenses in the following questions by choosing from the given options.

Look, the Sun rises over the hills.

- (a) rise (b) rised (c) is rising (d) had risen

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 28-32) Read the following poem and answer the questions that follow.

### **Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening**

Whose woods are these I think I know.

His house is in the village though;

He will not see me stopping here

To watch his woods fill up with snow.

My little horse must think it queer

To stop without a farmhouse near

Between the woods and frozen lake

The darkest evening of the year.

He gives his harness bells a shake

To ask if there is some mistake.

The only other sound's the sweep

Of easy wind and downy flake.

The woods are lovely, dark and deep,

But I have promises to keep,

And miles to go before I sleep,

And miles to go before I sleep.

- 28.** The woods are covered with  
 (a) snow (b) yellow leaves (c) sand (d) fallen trees
- 29.** What does the poet mean when he says “But I have promises to keep”?  
 (a) He has to make his life successful.  
 (b) He has certain duties which he must fulfil.  
 (c) He has to follow what he has said to his friends.  
 (d) He has to make people happy.
- 30.** The poet is accompanied by  
 (a) his friend (b) his donkey (c) his horse (d) his cattle
- 31.** The word ‘queer’ in the poem means  
 (a) good (b) helpful (c) sticky (d) strange
- 32.** Who gives the harness bells a shake?  
 (a) The horse (b) The poet (c) The horse-rider (d) An elephant

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 33 and 34) Read the following sentences and choose the correct meaning for the underlined idioms.

- 33.** A call from my favourite cricketer on my birthday was a bolt from the blue for me.  
 (a) usual (b) a complete surprise  
 (c) out of the question (d) not acceptable
- 34.** At a press conference, the Minister, as usual, talked through his hat.  
 (a) talked nonsense (b) talked very fast (c) talked slowly (d) talked seriously

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 35 and 36) Choose the correct one word substitution for the following.

- 35.** Fluent and clear in speech.  
 (a) Emotional (b) Enthusiastic (c) Articulate (d) Confident
- 36.** A person who is well-known in an unfavourable way.  
 (a) Conspicuous (b) Ethical (c) Unethical (d) Notorious

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 37 and 38) Choose the correct Passive Voice of the following sentences.

- 37.** Somebody has picked my pocket.  
 (a) My pocket had been picked. (b) My pocket has been picked by somebody.  
 (c) My pocket has been picked. (d) My pocket is being picked.
- 38.** Atul gave me a book.  
 (a) A book was given to me by Atul. (b) I was given a book by Atul.  
 (c) Me was given a book by Atul. (d) Both (a) and (b)

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 39 and 40) Choose the correct Indirect Speech of the following sentences.

**39.** Father said to me, "Do you know the residence of the doctor?"

- (a) Father said to me if I knew the residence of the doctor.
- (b) Father asked me if I knew the residence of the doctor.
- (c) Father told me if I knew the residence of the doctor.
- (d) Father said me if I had known the residence of the doctor.

**40.** Roshan said, "Let us go for a movie."

- (a) Roshan proposed that they should go for a movie.
- (b) Roshan inquired if they could go for a movie.
- (c) Roshan told that they should go for a movie.
- (d) Roshan proposed that them should go for a movie.

## Section B (2 Mark Questions)

**41.** Match the following.

List I	List II
A. Notice	1. Formal language
B. Formal Letter	2. Salutation at the top
C. Essay	3. Body language
D. Speech	4. Conclusion at the end

**Codes**

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

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

**42.** Join the phrases in List I with those given in List II to make meaningful sentences.

List I	List II
A. What is so wrong	1. that a teacher lives a relatively quiet life.
B. Most people think	2. referred to as the 'sheet anchor'.
C. The two words have	3. in packing off children to school early?
D. A batsman is sometimes	4. very different meanings.

**Codes**

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

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

**43.** Read the following statements and choose the correct option.

- (i) 'Homily' is an adverb.
- (ii) 'Never' is a negative adverb.
- (a) Only (i) is true
- (b) Both (i) and (ii) are true
- (c) Both (i) and (ii) are false
- (d) Only (ii) is true

**44.** Read the following statements and choose the correct option.

(i) 'Hardly' is an adverb and 'hard' is an adjective.

(ii) 'Never' is an adverb of manner.

(a) Both (i) and (ii) are true

(b) Both (i) and (ii) are false

(c) Only (i) is true

(d) Only (ii) is true

**45.** Complete the following dialogues.

Ravi : Sumit, What's the matter? Why are you (i) \_\_\_\_\_?

Sumit : My cycle was stolen from school yesterday.

Ravi : Where did you park it?

Sumit : The usual place, (ii) \_\_\_\_\_.

(i)

(a) looking so down

(b) looking so out

(c) looking so down and out

(d) looking so down upon

(ii)

(a) after the class

(b) along the canteen

(c) towards the tree

(d) behind the canteen

**46.** Match the words in List I with their appropriate antonyms given in List II.

List I	List II
A. Clumsy	1. Social
B. Puny	2. Controlled
C. Rampant	3. Large
D. Recluse	4. Graceful

**Codes**

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

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

**47.** Match the words given in List I with their suitable synonyms given in List II.

List I	List II
A. Assiduous	1. Fat
B. Antique	2. Diligent
C. Corpulent	3. Dissimilar
D. Contrary	4. Ancient

**Codes**

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

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





## Answers with Hints

1. (a) 'Mumps' is a singular noun, so 'is' will be used in place of 'are' to correct the sentence.
2. (c) 'His' is incorrectly used in the sentence. It should be replaced by 'one's'.
3. (b) 'The' will not come in the sentence before 'air.'
4. (b) 'Vaunt' is a synonym for boast and skewer is a synonym for criticise.
5. (a) 'Gulibel' is the wrongly spelt word. Its correct spelling is 'Gullible' and it means easily persuaded to believe something.
6. (a) 'Noxious' means poisonous or very harmful. So, it is suitable to fill the blank.
7. (b) 'Look after' means to take care of someone. So, it is suitable to fill the blank.
8. (c) An 'anchor' is someone whose job is to introduce the performers in a show. So, 'anchor' is suitable to fill the blank.
9. (a) 'Inaccessible' means very difficult or impossible to travel or reach. So, it is the appropriate word to fill the given blank.
10. (b) 'Cursory' is the suitable word to fill the blank as it means quick and not thorough.
11. (c) 'Revert' is a verb. It means to reply.
12. (b) 'Habitat' is a noun. It means the natural environment in which an animal or plant usually lives.
13. (a) 'The' is used with clauses introduced by 'only'.
14. (c) 'The' will be used before 'theory of relativity' as it is a particular theory. 'A' will be used before 'scientist' to give the sense of one.
15. (d) 'Our' is a possessive adjective.
16. (c) 'Rattle' is a singular noun whereas 'stadia', 'brethren' and 'premises' are plural nouns.
17. (d) 'Those' is a demonstrative pronoun whereas the rest of the words are relative pronouns.
18. (a) 'Neither' is a distributive adjective.
19. (c) The sentences express a contrast so 'though' will be used to join them. The combined sentence will be "Though I had not prepared well, I managed to clear the exam."
20. (c) 'To' should be used in place of 'with'.
21. (b) 'Neither ... nor' is appropriate to join the two sentences. The combined sentence will be "Rajan will neither spend his money nor invest it."
22. (c) 'On' should be used in place of 'at'!
23. (d) 'Tastes' should be used in place of 'is tasting'.
24. (c) QSRP is the correct sequence.
25. (a) PRSQ is the correct sequence.
26. (b) Proboscis is the correctly spelt word.
27. (c) The sentence express and activity that is going on when the sentence is spoken. So, 'is rising' (Present continuous) will be used in place of 'rises'.
28. (a) The woods are covered with snow.
29. (b) By the sentence 'But I have promises to keep', the poet refers to the certain duties which he must fulfil.
30. (c) The poet is accompanied by his horse.
31. (d) 'Queer' means strange.
32. (a) The horse gives the harness bells a shake.

- 33.** (b) 'A bolt from/out of the blue' is an idiom which means something that surprises you very much.
- 34.** (a) 'Talk through your hat' means to talk foolishly or non-sense.
- 35.** (c) 'Articulate' is the one word substitution for the given phrase.
- 36.** (d) 'Notorious' means famous, typically for bad quality or deed.
- 37.** (c) 'My pocket has been picked' is the correct passive voice.
- 38.** (d) Both (a) and (b) give the correct passive voice of the given sentence.
- 39.** (b) Option (b) gives the correct indirect speech of the sentences into indirect speech.
- 40.** (a) Option (a) gives the correct indirect speech of the sentence into indirect speech.
- 41.** (c) 1243 is the correct matching sequence.
- 42.** (c) 3142 is the correct matching sequence.
- 43.** (d) 'Homily' is a noun. It is a short speech advising someone how to behave.
- 44.** (b) 'Hard' is both an adjective and adverb. 'Never' is an adverb of frequency.
- 45.** (i) (c) 'looking so down and out' is the correct answer.  
(ii) (d) 'behind the canteen' is the correct answer.
- 46.** (b) 4321 is the correct matching sequence.  
'Clumsy' means difficult to handle or use and 'graceful' means skilful and confident. So, they are antonyms.  
'Puny' means poor in quantity. So 'large' is its antonym.  
'Rampant' means uncontrollable, so 'controlled' is the correct antonym.  
'Recluse' is a person who lives a solitary life and tends to avoid other people. 'Social' is a person who relates to society and need companions. So, social is an antonym of recluse.
- 47.** (d) 2413 is the correct matching sequence.  
'Assiduous' means showing great care which is same as 'diligent'. So, diligent and assiduous are synonymous.  
'Antique' is something belonging to ancient times. 'Ancient' also means belonging to old times. So, ancient is a synonym for antique.  
'Corpulent' means 'fat'.  
'Contrary' means opposite in nature, unfavourable. So, 'dissimilar' is a synonym for contrary.
- 48.** (c) (iii) An essay could be long or short.  
(iv) I should include range of different techniques to persuade or argue.
- 49.** (a) 'Advice' is an uncountable noun. 'Orderly' is an adjective.
- 50.** (c) 'Bacterium' is singular while 'Bacteria' is plural.