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# BLOOM English Olympiad (BEO)

## Question Paper 2023-24

Class  
**9**

Total Questions: **50+5** (Tie-Breaking Section)


**Total Time Allotted : 60 minutes**

**Total Marks : 60**

### Instructions

1. There are **50 Multiple Choice Questions** in this booklet having 4 options out of which **ONLY ONE** is correct.
2. There are two sections in the Question Paper; Section 1 having 40 Questions carrying 1 Mark each & Section 2 having 10 Higher Difficulty Order Questions carrying 2 Marks each.
3. All questions are compulsory. There is **NO negative** marking for incorrect answers.
4. Total time allotted to complete the paper is 60 minutes.
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## Bloom English Olympiad Class 9

### Section 1 (1 Mark)

**Directions** (1-12) Fill in the blanks by choosing the appropriate option.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ your instructions, we have closed your bank account.  
(a) In lieu of (b) With regard to  
(c) In accordance with (d) On account of
2. His wife has a twin who resembles her so much that at first he had great trouble telling \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) one from the other  
(b) one from another  
(c) each other  
(d) who is which
3. Gandhiji will \_\_\_\_\_ in history as one of the greatest men, that ever lived.  
(a) go by (b) go on  
(c) go down (d) to through
4. What an.....story ! I am not.....enough yet to believe it.  
(a) incredible, credulous  
(b) incredulous, credible  
(c) increditadble, believable  
(d) unbelievable, creditable
5. Kumar \_\_\_\_\_ boy swam across the sea for safety.  
(a) a 17 years old  
(b) a 17 year old  
(c) a 17 year aged  
(d) the 17 year old
6. My father \_\_\_\_\_ English at all although he \_\_\_\_\_ it for three years when he was in high school.  
(a) isn't speaking, has studied  
(b) hasn't been speaking, studies  
(c) doesn't speak, studied  
(d) didn't speak, has been studying
7. I was very fond \_\_\_\_\_ the old soldier \_\_\_\_\_ our little town. He used \_\_\_\_\_ tell me \_\_\_\_\_ his adventures.  
(a) off, at, for, about  
(b) of, in, to, about  
(c) of, to, to, for  
(d) in, at, of, before
8. With some families displaced for more than a decade, children born or raised in camps have \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ memory of traditional farming life.  
(a) little, no  
(b) no, any  
(c) more, less  
(d) few, fewer
9. Mrs. Natarajan, \_\_\_\_\_ lend me two hundred dollars till next week?  
(a) can't you  
(b) could you  
(c) do you mind  
(d) would you mind
10. Canada does not require that US citizens obtain passports to enter the country and \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Mexico does neither  
(b) Mexico doesn't either  
(c) neither Mexico does  
(d) either does Mexico
11. The Supreme Court has \_\_\_\_\_ tourism in the core area of the forest.  
(a) propagated (b) encapsulated  
(c) forced (d) prohibited
12. Although the doctors tried hard, they couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ his life.  
(a) save  
(b) reclaim  
(c) liberate  
(d) extricate

13. Choose the sentence that is correctly punctuated.

- (a) Grasp your opportunities while you may; you never know what the future holds.
- (b) Grasp your opportunities while you may, you never know what the future holds.
- (c) Grasp your opportunities, while you may, you never know what the future holds.
- (d) Grasp your opportunities while you may, you never know what the future holds!

14. Select the meaning of the idiom underlined in the given sentence.

Deepak did not care for his family, he wanted to gather roses only.

- (a) to paint a rosy picture of the past
- (b) to seek all enjoyments of life
- (c) to obtain fame by hard work
- (d) to save money miserly

15. Choose the antonym of the given word.

Dilate

- (a) Squeeze                      (b) Swell
- (c) Constrict                (d) Shorten

16. Change the given sentence into active voice.

He was congratulated by his teacher on his brilliant success in the recent examination.

- (a) His teacher congratulated him on his brilliant success in the recent examination.
- (b) His teacher congratulated him for his success in the examination.
- (c) His teacher congratulated him on his success in the examination recently.
- (d) His teacher congratulated him recently for his success in exams.

17. Change the sentence into indirect speech.

The doctor said to the patient, "Take complete rest."

- (a) The doctor told to the patient that take complete rest.
- (b) The doctor advised the patient to take complete rest.
- (c) The doctor suggested the patient to take complete rest.
- (d) The doctor asked the patient take complete rest.

18. In the following question, the first and the last part of the sentence is S1 and S6 respectively. The rest of the sentence is split into four parts (PQRS). These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence and find out which of the four combination is correct.

S1. For sometime

P. it was commonly assumed

Q. after the treaty of Versailles

R. that Germany had caused World War I by her aggressive acts

S. by scholars and laymen alike

S6. and by encouraging Italy in her aggression

**Codes**

(a) PRQS (b) SPQR (c) QPRS (d) QPSR

19. Complete the given dialogue appropriately.

A. Did you just arrive here?

B. Yeah, we \_\_\_\_\_ week.

- (a) arrive latter                      (b) arrive last
- (c) arrived last                      (d) arrived latter

20. Choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the phrase given in bold.

The President **gave away** the prizes to the winners.

- (a) released                      (b) gave back
- (c) distributed                      (d) let go

**Directions** (21-25) Read the given passage and answer the questions that follow.

Modern e-mail operates across the internet or other computer networks. Some early e-mail systems required that the author and the recipient both be online at the same time, in common with instant messaging. Today's e-mail systems are based on a store- and-forward model. E-mail servers accept, forward, deliver and store messages. Neither the users nor their computers are required to be online simultaneously; they need connect only briefly, typically to a mail server, for as long as it takes to send or receive messages. Historically, the term electronic mail was used generically for any electronic document transmission. e.g.,

several writers in the early 1970s used the term to describe fax document transmission. As a result, it is difficult to find the first citation for the use of the term with the more specific meaning it has today. An internet e-mail message consists of three components, the message envelope, the message header, and the message body. The message header contains control information, including, minimally, an originator's e-mail address and one or more recipient addresses. Usually descriptive information is also added, such as a subject header field and a message submission date/time stamp.

21. E-mails are accepted, forwarded and delivered by
  - (a) mail servers
  - (b) mail networks
  - (c) computer networks
  - (d) the internet
22. One of the three components of e-mail is
  - (a) the message body
  - (b) the message field
  - (c) the message heading
  - (d) the message letter
23. Control information of the message header includes
  - (a) a header field
  - (b) a message envelope
  - (c) a date/time stamp
  - (d) a sender's address
24. Which word in the passage means the same as 'reference'?
  - (a) submission
  - (b) citation
  - (c) generically
  - (d) transmission
25. Email systems of today is based on
  - (a) brief connection with the server
  - (b) digital transmission of documents
  - (c) online nature of both recipients
  - (d) store-and-forward model
26. Find the error in the following sentence.
  - (a) The museum's revolving doors
  - (b) stopped the crooks
  - (c) as they jam half way round.
  - (d) No error
27. Identify the clause underlined in the given sentence.

Before I die I want to see Venice.

  - (a) Adjective clause
  - (b) Noun clause
  - (c) Adverb clause
  - (d) Conditional clause
28. Replace the underlined part to make the sentence meaningful.

She said me about her holiday in Kerala.

  - (a) told about
  - (b) said about
  - (c) told me about
  - (d) No improvement
29. Change the given sentence into direct speech.

The Priest said, "May God pardon this sinner."

  - (a) The priest prayed if God will pardon that sinner.
  - (b) The priest said that God might pardon the sinner.
  - (c) The priest prayed that God would pardon this sinner.
  - (d) The priest prayed that God might pardon that sinner.
30. Complete the given sentence appropriately.

He has never had a steady job \_\_\_\_.

  - (a) although he's incapable of working long hours
  - (b) what could help him and his family get rid of poverty
  - (c) since he's been working day and night for months
  - (d) so they find it difficult to make ends meet
31. Which of the following is a synonym of the word underlined in the given sentence.

Speaking in a vexed tone, the CEO took everyone to task.

  - (a) confident
  - (b) angry
  - (c) feeble
  - (d) trembling

32. Replace the underlined part to make the sentence correct.

The workers are hell bent at getting what is due to them.

- (a) hell bent on getting
- (b) hell bent for getting
- (c) hell bent upon getting
- (d) No improvement

**Directions** (33 and 34) Given below is an incomplete letter. Fill in the blanks by choosing the correct options.

The Principal  
Sunrise Global School  
Calicut  
13th March, 20XX  
Standard Book House  
Ford Road  
Kochi

**Subject** \_\_\_\_\_ 33 \_\_\_\_\_

Sir/ Ma'am,

I am writing to you in reference to \_\_\_\_\_ 34 \_\_\_\_\_, regarding the delay in receiving the books, which I had ordered. This is to inform you that the complaint has not yet been resolved.

In the complaint, I had mentioned that the order I had received was damaged and few books were missing from the consignment. Your customer support had assured me that the books will be replaced. But till now no resolution had been made.

It has been a week since I had made the complaint. Hence, I request you to replace the books at the earliest.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely

Karan Kumar

33. (a) No resolution of the complaint  
(b) Taj Books not replaced  
(c) Inefficient delivery service  
(d) None of the above

34. (a) Cash memo number  
(b) Complaint number  
(c) Delivery trackage number  
(d) Order number

35. Choose the correct option for the given word.

Premiere

- (a) The first public performance of a film/play
- (b) The first action in an event, a game, etc.
- (c) The first public appearance of a performer/sports player
- (d) An occasion at which you can see a movie/show, etc. before it is shown to the general public

**Directions** (36-40) The passage given below has some parts missing in it. The missing parts are numbered 36-40. Choose the correct option to complete the passage.

In \_\_\_\_ (36) \_\_\_\_ of constitutional guarantees relating to equality of opportunity and various other guarantees of equality before the law, the social and economic \_\_\_\_ (37) \_\_\_\_ of women, especially of poor women in India, is well-known. We are referring mainly to the poor rural women who have little or no assets and who \_\_\_\_ (38) \_\_\_\_ the bulk of the female population in rural areas. It is not as if only poor rural women get less wages or suffer from social \_\_\_\_ (39) \_\_\_\_ because they belong to a particular community. Even at higher levels of the socioeconomic hierarchy among the well-to-do groups, women are not \_\_\_\_ (40) \_\_\_\_ to men.

36. (a) support (b) spite  
(c) contrast (d) wake
37. (a) condition (b) prosperity  
(c) progress (d) deprivation
38. (a) measure (b) define  
(c) constitute (d) exploit
39. (a) status (b) indifference  
(c) ignorance (d) discrimination
40. (a) dedicated (b) equal  
(c) responsible (d) antagonistic

## Section 2 (2 Marks)

41. In the question, the 1st and the last sentences of the passage are numbered as S1 and S6. The rest of the passage is split into four parts and named P, Q, R and S. These four parts are not given in their proper order. Read the sentence and find out, which of the four combinations is correct. Then find the correct answer.

S1. Venice is a strange and beautiful city in the North of Italy.

S6. This is because Venice has no streets.

P. There are about four hundred old stone bridges joining the island of Venice.

Q. In this city there are no motor cars, no horses, no buses.

R. These small islands are near one another.

S. It is not an island but a hundred and seventeen islands.

### Codes

- (a) PQRS (b) PRQS  
(c) SRPQ (d) PQSR

42. Choose the option that lists the grammatically correct sentences.

A. Foreign businesses in developing countries have usually problems with lack of infrastructure and rigid laws.

B. What impressed me most about him was that his commitment to his work as well as his family.

C. Last week the committee rejected their proposal for acquisition of the investment bank.

D. So, there are allegations of indiscriminate reclamations and acquisition to the farmland by the Adonis.

### Codes

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

43. Choose the word that can fill in the blanks of the three sentences correctly.

A. She used to dress so neatly, but now her hair and clothes had become \_\_\_\_\_ and dirty.

B. An \_\_\_\_\_ coat will provide a refuge for parasites, and if soiled with fecal matter is likely to attract flies.

C. Every last bit of \_\_\_\_\_ hedge in our front garden was taking the same attitude it had always taken.

### Codes

- (a) shrunken (b) unkempt  
(c) tidy (d) mandible

44. Match the following antonyms.

List I (Word)	List II (Antonym)
A. Wayward	1. Neglect
B. Stupour	2. Stable
C. Redeem	3. Plain
D. Pretentious	4. Sensitivity

### Codes

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

45. In the given question, three sentences are divided into 3 parts and placed in 3 columns. Match the 3 parts and choose which combination makes a meaningful sentence.

Column I	Column II	Column III
A. He made it seem	I. unless	D. there is enough collection.
B. I will not donate	II. provided	E. he had messed it up to save someone.
C. I lost my job last month	III. as though	F. I had been unable to meet deadlines.

### Codes

- (a) A-III-E  
(b) B-I-D  
(c) C-II-F  
(d) A-II-E



46. Choose the option that lists the correct synonyms of the given word.

Bleak

- |                 |             |
|-----------------|-------------|
| 1. Selfish      | 2. Active   |
| 3. Unfavourable | 4. Inactive |
| 5. Adverse      | 6. Damp     |

**Codes**

- (a) 1,3,5 (b) 2,4,6 (c) 3,5,6 (d) 1,2,4

47. Match the following phrases with their meaning.

List I (Phrases)	List II (Meaning)
A. Call in	1. Accustomed to
B. Given to	2. Send for help
C. Hand out	3. Distribute
D. Set to	4. Determined

**Codes**

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

48. Choose the grammatically correct sentences.

- A. The focus of the survey was to test the satisfaction felt by students regarding the new ed-tech facilities.
- B. Lost cities talk about in the book. Do he need to go about telling the dirty laundry of the family to everyone.
- C. He need to step up and take over the company after his father.
- D. There are surprisingly many elderly in our neighbourhood locality.

**Codes**

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

49. Unexpectedly, you are called in for an important meeting and, therefore, cannot keep your appointment with the doctor. So you call his secretary and say

- (a) This is XYZ. I'm afraid I have to cancel my 4 o'clock appointment with the doctor.
- (b) Tell the doctor to telephone me when he returns
- (c) I'm sure the doctor has left a message to you, concerning my appointment.
- (d) Concerning my appointment, I'll be late for sometime.

50. Match the following one word with their meanings.

List I (One Word)	List II (Meaning)
A. Novice	1. One who can think about the future with imagination and wisdom
B. Transitory	2. That which lasts for a short time.
C. Cosmopolitan	3. Belonging to all parts of the world
D. Visionary	4. A person without training or experience in a skill or subject

**Codes**

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

## Tie-Breaking Section

### Instructions

1. This section consists of 5 questions.
2. The score achieved in this section will not be included in the total marks.
3. If overall marks of two or more students are same, winner will be decided based on the score in this section.
4. Participation in this section is optional, and students may choose to attempt it.

1. Given below is a word which is followed by 4 sentences. Choose the sentence in which the use of the given word is incorrect.

Transcient

- (a) He had been living as a transient in San Diego for several years before his arrest.
- (b) The transient nature of speech does not permit editing of the speech signal.
- (c) Many of the new jobs being created now or in the near future are transient.
- (d) The most fascinating thing about them is that they highlight the transient nature of fashion.

2. Choose the grammatically correct sentences.
- A. His speech were marked by disagreement and scorn for his opponent position.
  - B. Birds sit on the boughs of trees in the garden and by their sweet notes fill the air with music.
  - C. The crowd which has gather to protest against the decision slowly returned to their homes.
  - D. It is difficult to work with him because he is one of those persons who think he is always right.

### Codes

- (a) A and B
- (b) C and D
- (c) A and D
- (d) None of the above

3. In the question given below, a sentence is given with 3 blanks. It is followed by three words which are number from A to C. Find the correct order of words to fill in the blanks and make the sentence appropriate.

Although an even bigger disaster was \_\_\_\_\_ by the absence of fire in the aircraft, the crash snuffed out the lives of many \_\_\_\_\_ home from Dubai after a long, \_\_\_\_\_ separation from loved ones in the pandemic.

- A. averted
- B. traumatic
- C. returning

### Codes

- (a) ACB
- (b) CBA
- (c) BAC
- (d) ABC

4. Change into a simple sentence

We must eat, or we cannot live.

- (a) We must live to eat.
- (b) We must eat to live.
- (c) We can't live if we eat.
- (d) We can't eat if we live.

5. Which of the following sentences contains gerunds?

- A. The man is too weak to walk on his own.
- B. The sleeping girl over there is my sister.
- C. Food is an important part of a balanced diet.
- D. Having reviewed the evidence, she was convinced of his guilt.
- E. Looking after children keeps her busy all day.

### Codes

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