

Language Skill Test (English)

Read the following passage about Mahatma Gandhi and select the best answer from the questions given below.

Mr. Gandhi was in England when World War I started and he immediately began organizing a medical corps similar to the force he had led in the Boer War, but he also faced health problems that caused him to return to India, where he met the applauding crowds with enthusiasm once again.

1. Where was he when World War I started?
 - (i) Africa.
 - (ii) England.
 - (iii) India.
 - (iv) There is no information about this in the passage.
2. Why did he return to India?
 - (i) He was home sick.
 - (ii) He wanted to help Indian people.
 - (iii) He had health problems.
 - (iv) He did not like England.
3. What did he do when World War I started?
 - (i) He did nothing.
 - (ii) He immediately started for India.
 - (iii) He began organizing a Medical Corps.
 - (iv) He setup a medical corps for Boer War.
4. When he reached India,
 - (i) he was enthusiastically welcomed in India.
 - (ii) he was not welcomed in India.
 - (iii) The response was not good.
 - (iv) there was no response from any one.
5. He had led a medical corps in the Boer War. This had happened
 - (i) at the time of World War I
 - (ii) before World War I

- (iii) after World War I
- (iv) the passage does not give this information

Read the following passage about Jawahar Lal Nehru and select the best answer from the questions given below.

"I am not a man of letters," wrote Jawaharlal Nehru in one of his missives from jail to his daughter Indira, but of course he was. All through his life Nehru lost no opportunity to write. His words took the form of drafts and resolutions for the Congress party, essays on the great issues of the day for newspapers and journals, and letters to friends, family, and colleagues in the independence movement.

6. In the passage 'man of letters' means
 - (i) that Nehru wrote a lot of letters.
 - (ii) that Nehru had some connection with postal department.
 - (iii) that he wrote letters for the people who could not write.
 - (iv) that he was engaged in literary pursuits.
7. 'missives' here refers to
 - (i) Letters
 - (ii) Oral messages
 - (iii) A term used for hand written messages only.
 - (iv) The messages sent secretly from jail are called missives.
8. Passage states
 - (i) Nehru rarely wrote anything.
 - (ii) Whenever there was an opportunity, Nehru wrote a lot.
 - (iii) Nehru depended on others to write for him.
 - (iv) His writings did not carry much of meaning.
9. Nehru's writings contributed to freedom movement.
 - (i) No.
 - (ii) Yes

- (iii) Can't say.
- (iv) Somewhat

10. Nehru wrote for

- (i) Newspapers
- (ii) journals
- (iii) letters to friends
- (iv) All the above

11. The word ANOMALY means

- (i) Normal
- (ii) Straight
- (iii) Irregularity
- (iv) Integrity

12. The opposite of the word CONSENSUS is

- (i) Agreement
- (ii) Disagreement
- (iii) Quality
- (iv) Fight

13. A tiger is a

- (i) Carnivorous animal
- (ii) Herbivorous animal.
- (iii) Insectivorous animal.
- (iv) Omnivorous animal.

14. 'Attack is the best form of defence.'

In the above sentence the word 'of' is a

- (i) Preposition
- (ii) Article
- (iii) Conjunction
- (iv) Verb

15. He liked the story.

The correct Passive voice is

- (i) The story liked by him.
- (ii) The story has been liked by him..
- (iii) The story was liked by him.
- (iv) The story was like by him.

16. Identify the active voice sentence.

- (i) The money was stolen.
- (ii) Ha scored a goal.
- (iii) The national anthem is being sung by school kids.
- (iv) The house was cleaned by me.

17. Gopal does not help me.

What is the correct passive voice for the above sentence?

- (i) I am not helped by Gopal.
- (ii) I have not been helped by Gopal.
- (iii) I was not helped by Gopal.
- (iv) I were not helped by Gopal.

18. To 'Blow one's own trumpet' means

- (i) to praise others
- (ii) to praise the leader
- (iii) to self' praise
- (iv) to praise the community

19. To 'Call names' means

- (i) to praise.
- (ii) to abuse.
- (iii) to take attendance.
- (iv) to order.

20. Kamal says, "I am reading the book".

Identify the correct narration.

- (i) Kamal said that he was reading the book.
- (ii) Kamal says that he was reading the book.
- (iii) Kamal says that he had been reading the book.
- (iv) Kamal said that I was reading the book.

21. Sailaja said to him, "I have been lending books to you".

Identify the correct narration

- (i) Sailaja told him that she was lending books to him.
- (ii) Sailaja told him that she had been

- lending books to him.
- (iii) Sailaja said to him that she was lending books to you.
- (iv) Sailaja told to him that she was lending books to him.
22. He said to her, "The teacher did not like his work".

Identify the correct narration

- (i) He told her that the teacher had not liked his work.
- (ii) He told to her that the teacher did not like his work.
- (iii) He said that the teacher did not like her work.
- (iv) He had told her that the teacher not liked his work.

23. The Party Leader was happy to see that a large _____ people came to attend the rally.

Correct option to fill in the blank is given by

- (i) sum of
- (ii) amount of
- (iii) number of
- (iv) total of

24. Find the correct sentence.

- (i) We were catching the fishes.
- (ii) He is crying horse.
- (iii) Childern are playing.
- (iv) Nobody lives here.

25. Which one is **NOT** correct?

- (i) Herd of sheep
- (ii) pack of wolves
- (iii) swarm of bees
- (iv) Shoal of dogs

26. Identify the correct sentence

- (i) She sat the recruitment examination.
- (ii) She sat in the recruitment examination.
- (iii) She sat at the recruitment examination..
- (iv) She sat for the recruitment

examination.

27. Choose the correct sentence.

- (i) He fell in the river?
- (ii) A friend in need is a friend indeed.
- (iii) A pride has many sheeps.
- (iv) I availed the discount.

28. What is the time _____.

- (i) by your watch
- (ii) in your watch
- (iii) from your watch
- (iv) into your watch

29. The officer spoke highly ____ the staff.

- (i) about
- (ii) to
- (iii) of
- (iv) upto

30. She was taken ____ granted.

- (i) by
- (ii) to
- (iii) up
- (iv) for

31. All good things must come _____ end.

- (i) for
- (ii) to
- (iii) by
- (iv) till

32. We went ____ the train.

- (i) on
- (ii) in
- (iii) through
- (iv) by

33. The answer given by her was _____ best.

- (i) a
- (ii) an
- (iii) the
- (iv) no article is required.

34. R. K. Narayan, was ___ Indian writer, best known ___ his works set ___ the fictional South Indian town ___ Malgudi.

The correct sequence of words to fill in the blanks is given by

- (i) in, an, for, of
- (ii) for, in, of, an
- (iii) of, an, for, in,
- (iv) an, for, in, of

35. It may ___ difficult ___ us ___ find happiness within ourselves, but it is impossible ___ find it elsewhere

The correct sequence of words to fill in the blanks is given by

- (i) be, for, to, to
- (ii) for, be, to, to
- (iii) be, to, for, to
- (iv) to, be, for, to

36. To 'kick the bucket' means

- (i) To waste the water.
- (ii) To use a bucket to draw water from a well.
- (iii) Stop using bucket
- (iv) to die

37. A book having a collection of poems is called

- (i) a poetry
- (ii) a play
- (iii) a novel
- (iv) an anthology

38. The opposite of the word **amuse** is

- (i) Please
- (ii) Annoy
- (iii) Cheer
- (iv) Chill

39. The opposite of the word **remember** is

- (i) Recall
- (ii) Forget

- (iii) Recollect
- (iv) Think

40. He left the village for good. Here 'for good' indicates that

- (i) he left the village for ever.
- (ii) he left the village to do something good.
- (iii) he left the village for good of the village.
- (iv) None of the above.

41. The phrase 'To break the ice' means one of the following

- (i) To work in an ice factory.
- (ii) To clear the way in a snow covered hill.
- (iii) To lay foundation.
- (iv) To start a dialogue

42. Pick the incorrect usage of vowel.

- (i) An European country
- (ii) The best practice
- (iii) A happy family
- (iv) An heir

43. Pick the incorrect usage of vowel.

- (i) The greatest player.
- (ii) A educated person.
- (iii) A hail of bullets.
- (iv) An early riser.

44. He was asked to keep his eyes open. The phrase 'to keep his eyes open' means one of the following

- (i) He was asked to remain alert.
- (ii) He was asked to find something lost.
- (iii) He was feeling sleepy.
- (iv) He was undergoing medical treatment for eyes.

45. Which one of the following words is **NOT** correctly spelled?

- (i) Size
- (ii) Sieze
- (iii) Seize
- (iv) Cease

46. Which one of the following words is **NOT** correctly spelled?
- (i) Faithfully
 - (ii) Faithfulty
 - (iii) Fierce
 - (iv) Friendly
47. Which one of the following words is correctly spelled?
- (i) Miscellaneous
 - (ii) continuos
 - (iii) froud
 - (iv) Inflammable
48. Which one of the following words is correctly spelled?
- (i) arange
 - (ii) pius
 - (iii) Definate
 - (iv) Definite
49. Which one of the following words is correctly spelled?
- (i) Oportunity
 - (ii) Opportunity
 - (iii) Oppurtunity
 - (iv) Oppurtuinity
50. Which one of the following words is correctly spelled?
- (I) Togather
 - (ii) Cheif Minister
 - (iii) Tought
 - (iv) Ought

51. The first ever Indian to receive 'Bharat Ratna' was
- Chandrasekhara Venkata Raman.
 - Aruna Asaf Ali.
 - Abul Kalam Azad.
 - Vinoba Bhawe.
52. Of the following, which one is the Oldest Indian Language?
- Urdu
 - Assamese
 - Hindi
 - Tamil
53. Who is the Supreme Commander of the Indian Armed Forces?
- The President of India
 - The Prime Minister of India
 - The Chief of the Army staff
 - The Defence Minister of India
54. What is the Official Language of the Government of India?
- English
 - Hindi
 - Both English and Hindi
 - Government of India has no Official Language.
55. The cricket pitch is ___ yards long.
- 22
 - 21.75
 - 22.50
 - There is no fixed length.
56. Sania Mirza plays
- Table Tennis
 - Badminton
 - Lawn Tennis
 - Squash
57. Sachin Tendulkar is a
- nominated member of Rajya Sabha
 - elected member of Rajya Sabha
- elected Member of Lok Sabha
 - He is not a Member of Parliament
58. 1st Asian games were held in
- Tokyo
 - New Delhi
 - Hongkong
 - Jakarta
59. Of following, which one is the oldest ?
- Yajur Veda
 - Atharva Veda
 - Rig Veda
 - Sama Veda
60. In which year did Columbus discover America ?
- 1492
 - 1494
 - 1496
 - 1498
61. Mahatma Gandhi wrote
- Discovery of India
 - My Story
 - The Story of My Experiments with Truth
 - All the Three above
62. The colour of the wheel at the centre of Indian National Flag
- Blue
 - Grey
 - Black
 - Red
63. Which religion was adopted by King Ashok after the Kalinga war
- Buddhism
 - Christianity
 - Jainism
 - None. He was an atheist.

64. Which is the biggest planet in our Solar System?
- Mercury
 - Pluto
 - Jupiter
 - Saturn
65. Which is the longest beach in India?
- Juhu Beach in Mumbai
 - Kovalam Beach near Thiruvananthapuram
 - Anjuna Beach in Goa
 - Marina Beach in Chennai
66. Yercaud, a popular hill station is located in the state of
- Karnatka
 - Telangana
 - Tamilnadu
 - Andhra Pradesh
67. India, covering an area of 32,87,590 square kilometers
- is the seventh largest country in the world.
 - is the sixth largest country in the world.
 - is the fifth largest country in the world.
 - is the fourth largest country in the world.
68. With How many countries does India share land boundaries?
- 5
 - 6
 - 7
 - 8
69. One byte of data is equal to
- 64 bits
 - 32 bits
 - 16 bits
 - 8 bits
70. The capacity of hard disk in a computer is measured in
- bytes
 - ohms
 - hertz
 - none of the above
71. E-mail is
- not a recognised form of official communication
 - a recognised form of official communication
 - a recognised form of official communication in English only
 - not a recognised form of official communication in Hindi
72. GDP is
- General Domestic Product
 - Good Domestic Product
 - Great Domestic Product
 - Gross Domestic Product
73. Union Budget is presented by
- President of India
 - Prime Minister of India
 - Finance Minister of India
 - Speaker of Lok Sabha
74. Who is the Leader of Opposition in the Loksabha?
- Rahul Gandhi
 - Sonia Gandhi
 - Mallikarjun Kharge
 - None
75. Planning Commission has been replaced by
- Niti Ayog
 - Planning Board
 - a Parliamentary Standing Committee
 - a committee headed by Finance Minister

76. First Citizen commonly refers to
- (i) Prime Minister of India
 - (ii) President of India
 - (iii) Chief of Army Staff in India
 - (iv) Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of India
77. Dalal Street refers to
- (i) a Stock Exchange
 - (ii) a place with a large number of Banks in any city
 - (iii) a place with a large number of stock Broker offices in any city
 - (iv) a street in any city where only agents of a company can enter.
78. IFSC is a
- (i) Indian Foreign Service Code
 - (ii) Indian Forest Service Code
 - (iii) Indian Freight Service Code
 - (iv) Banking Code
79. Shri Arun Jaitly, a Minister in the Central Government, holds the portfolio of
- (i) Defence
 - (ii) Information and Broadcasting
 - (iii) Law and Justice
 - (iv) Parliamentary Affairs
80. Which one of the following is the fastest Train service?
- (i) Shatabdi Train between New Delhi-Chandigarh
 - (ii) Shatabdi Train between Chennai-Mysore
 - (iii) Shatabdi Train between New Delhi-Lucknow
 - (iv) Shatabdi Train between New Delhi-Bhopal
81. In which one of the following State, the Assembly election are due this year
- (i) Karnatka
 - (ii) Bihar
 - (iii) West Bengal
 - (iv) Uttar Pradesh

82. The latest Nuclear Power Plant to become operational is located in the state of
- (i) Tamil Nadu
 - (ii) Karnatka
 - (iii) Telangana
 - (iv) Andhra Pradesh
83. Who was of the Chief Guest at this Year's Republic Day Parade?
- (i) President Of United State of America
 - (ii) President of India
 - (iii) President of Russia
 - (iv) President of Srilanka
84. Quit India movement started in the year
- (i) 1941
 - (ii) 1942
 - (iii) 1943
 - (iv) 1944
85. A right angle is equal to
- (i) 15°
 - (ii) 30°
 - (iii) 60°
 - (iv) 90°
- 86) d (4)
87. A square has
- (i) all sides equal
 - (ii) all sides unequal
 - (iii) opposite sides equal
 - (iv) any two sides equal
88. The Richter Scale is the best known scale for measuring
- (i) the distance between two continents
 - (ii) the distance between two planets
 - (iii) the distance between two flying planes
 - (iv) the magnitude of earthquakes

89. H1N1 is virus linked to
- (i) Dengue
 - (ii) Bird flu
 - (iii) Ebola
 - (iv) Swine flu
90. Mahatma Gandhi was born in the city of
- (i) Porbandar
 - (ii) Kathiawad
 - (iii) Ahmadabad
 - (iv) Rajkot
91. How many teams played in ICC Cricket World-cup 2015?
- (i) 16
 - (ii) 14
 - (iii) 12
 - (iv) 10
92. The retirement age, unless specified otherwise, for a Central Government Employee in India is
- (i) 60 years
 - (ii) 62 years
 - (iii) 65 years
 - (iv) 70 years
93. How many CSIR Research Institutes are there in Tamilnadu?
- (i) 1
 - (ii) 2
 - (iii) 3
 - (iv) 4
94. How many colours are there in a rainbow?
- (i) 5
 - (ii) 4
 - (iii) 7
 - (iv) 6
95. Kalki was the pen name of a Tamil Novelist
- (i) R. Krishnamurthy
 - (ii) Bharati Dasan

- (iii) M. Varadarajan
- (iv) R. Shanmugasundaram

96. India conducted first Nuclear Test in Pokharn in the year

- (i) 1973
- (ii) 1974
- (iii) 1975
- (iv) 1998

97. How many fundamental rights are there in the Indian constitution?

- (i) Six
- (ii) Seven
- (iii) Five
- (iv) Eight

98. The minimum age for a person to become a member of Rajya Sabha is

- (i) 30 years.
- (ii) 25 years.
- (iii) 21 years.
- (iv) 35 years.

99. Before being liberated, Goa was a

- (i) French Colony
- (ii) Portuguese colony
- (iii) British Colony
- (iv) Spanish Colony

100. Dada Saheb Phalke award is given for excellence in

- (i) films
- (ii) sports
- (iii) medicine
- (iv) Computer Science

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