

SMETA ENGLISH OLYMPIAD

Question Paper: Grade 5 - 6, Set 1

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1 Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

The young scientist was _____ when her experiment finally succeeded after months of repeated failure.

- A devastated
- B indifferent
- C elated
- D confused

2 Three of the following words share a similar meaning. Which word is the odd one out?

- A timid
- B courageous
- C bold
- D daring

3 What does the idiom "the ball is in your court" mean?

- A You are playing a sport particularly badly.
- B You have completely lost control of a situation.
- C It is now your turn to take action or make a decision.
- D You need to work significantly harder to succeed.

4 Choose the correctly spelled word that best completes the sentence.

The teacher gave a _____ explanation that helped every student understand the difficult topic.

- A thorough
- B thurrough
- C thorogh
- D thoroough

5 Which word is formed correctly using a prefix to mean "not honest"?

- A unhonest
- B inhonest
- C mishonest
- D dishonest

6 Choose the sentence with correct subject-verb agreement.

- A** The bouquet of flowers were placed carefully on the table.
- B** Each of the students have completed their assignments on time.
- C** The number of applicants for the position has increased this year.
- D** Neither the students nor the teacher were prepared for the fire drill.

7 Which option correctly changes the sentence into passive voice?

Active: The school council has organised a fundraising event for the local hospital.

- A** A fundraising event is organised by the school council for the local hospital.
- B** A fundraising event was organised for the local hospital by the school council.
- C** A fundraising event had been organised by the school council for the local hospital.
- D** A fundraising event has been organised by the school council for the local hospital.

8 Choose the option that correctly converts the sentence into reported speech.

Direct: "We will visit the science museum tomorrow," said the teacher.

- A** The teacher said that they will visit the science museum the next day.
- B** The teacher told that they would visit the science museum tomorrow.
- C** The teacher said that we will visit the science museum the following day.
- D** The teacher said that they would visit the science museum the next day.

9 Which option most effectively combines the two sentences?

The film received very negative reviews. It became one of the highest-grossing movies of the year.

- A** Although the film received very negative reviews, it became one of the highest-grossing movies of the year.
- B** The film received negative reviews because it became one of the highest-grossing movies.
- C** The film received negative reviews since it became one of the highest-grossing movies.
- D** The film received negative reviews and it became the highest-grossing movie of the year.

10 Choose the correct preposition to complete the sentence.

The expedition team set off _____ dawn, eager to reach the summit before the afternoon storms.

- A in
- B at
- C on
- D by

11 As used in the sentence below, what does the word "scarce" most nearly mean?

"After the long drought, fresh water became scarce in the village, and people had to travel far to find it."

- A Dirty and unsafe to drink
- B Available in large and plentiful quantities
- C Difficult to find or in very short supply
- D Extremely cold and frozen

12 Choose the option that correctly uses the second conditional to complete the sentence.

"_____, she would apply for the scholarship."

- A If she had more confidence,
- B If she has more confidence,
- C If she will have more confidence,
- D If she had more confidence, she will

13 Which sentence uses punctuation correctly in direct speech?

- A "Have you finished your homework yet", asked the teacher?
- B "Have you finished your homework yet" asked the teacher.
- C "Have you finished your homework yet?" Asked the teacher.
- D "Have you finished your homework yet?" asked the teacher.

14 Read the extract and identify its tone.

"The city council, in its infinite wisdom, has decided to replace the beloved community garden with yet another car park. Because clearly what this neighbourhood needs most is more concrete."

- ☐ A Optimistic and encouraging
- ☐ B Formal and objective
- ☐ C Sarcastic and critical
- ☐ D Sad and nostalgic

15 Arrange the sentences into the most logical order to form a coherent paragraph.

P. The invention quickly spread across Europe and transformed how information was shared.
 Q. Before the printing press, books had to be copied by hand, a process that took months or years.
 R. This meant that only wealthy individuals and institutions could afford them.
 S. In 1440, Johannes Gutenberg introduced the printing press, dramatically reducing the cost of producing books.

- ☐ A $Q \rightarrow R \rightarrow S \rightarrow P$
- ☐ B $S \rightarrow Q \rightarrow R \rightarrow P$
- ☐ C $Q \rightarrow S \rightarrow R \rightarrow P$
- ☐ D $R \rightarrow Q \rightarrow S \rightarrow P$

16 One word fits both sentences. Choose the correct word.

- (i) The detective found a vital _____ that helped solve the mystery.
- (ii) The music teacher asked the students to play the piece in the correct _____.

- ☐ A clue
- ☐ B hint
- ☐ C key
- ☐ D code

Read the passage carefully and answer Questions 17–20

There is a growing concern among educators and researchers that the reading habits of young people are changing dramatically. A generation ago, children would spend hours absorbed in novels and storybooks. Today, the average young person is more likely to scroll through social media feeds or watch short video clips than to sit with a book.

Supporters of digital media argue that young people are still reading, just in a different way. They read posts, captions, articles, and messages all day long. Why, they ask, should the format matter?

The answer lies in the quality of attention required. Reading a novel demands that the reader construct images, follow complex plots, retain information across hundreds of pages, and empathise with characters whose lives may be very different from their own. These are not passive activities. They are rigorous mental exercises that build vocabulary, concentration, and emotional intelligence.

Short digital content, by contrast, is designed to be consumed instantly and forgotten quickly. The brain adapts to whatever we feed it. A mind trained on brief, fragmented content gradually becomes less capable of the sustained, deep attention that long-form reading requires.

This is not an argument against technology. It is an argument for balance, and for recognising that some skills, once lost, are difficult to rebuild.

17 What is the writer's main concern in this passage?

- A** That changing reading habits may reduce young people's capacity for deep, sustained attention.
- B** That young people spend too much time on social media and not enough time outdoors.
- C** That digital technology has made books completely unnecessary for young people.
- D** That schools are failing to teach children how to read properly.

18 According to the passage, what does reading a novel specifically develop?

- A** Speed, efficiency, and the ability to process information quickly.
- B** Vocabulary, concentration, and emotional intelligence.
- C** Technical skills, memory, and practical knowledge.
- D** Social skills, communication, and public speaking.

19 What does the writer mean by "the brain adapts to whatever we feed it"?

- A** A healthy diet improves brain function and academic performance.
- B** The brain requires regular exercise to remain active and alert.
- C** The type of content we regularly consume shapes our mental habits and abilities.
- D** Young people should always choose educational content over entertainment.

20 The writer's overall attitude toward technology can best be described as:

- A** Entirely negative: the writer believes technology is harmful to young people.
- B** Enthusiastically supportive: digital reading is equivalent to traditional reading.
- C** Indifferent: the writer presents both views without taking any clear position.
- D** Cautiously balanced: acknowledging technology's role while arguing for balance with reading.

Read the passage carefully and answer Questions 21–25

Dr. Mae Jemison was born in 1956 in Alabama, USA, at a time when the idea of a Black woman becoming an astronaut seemed not just unlikely, but impossible. Yet from her earliest years, Jemison refused to be limited by other people's expectations. As a child, she was fascinated by science, dance, and the stars, and she saw no reason why she could not pursue all of them.

She studied chemical engineering at Stanford University and later qualified as a doctor, working in West Africa with the Peace Corps. But the stars still called to her. She applied to NASA's astronaut programme and, in 1987, was selected as one of only fifteen candidates chosen from over two thousand applicants.

On 12 September 1992, Mae Jemison became the first African American woman to travel to space, aboard the Space Shuttle Endeavour. During her eight days in orbit, she conducted scientific experiments on weightlessness and motion sickness. She later reflected that she had always known she belonged among the stars, and that the universe had simply confirmed what she already believed.

After leaving NASA, Jemison founded a company dedicated to bringing advanced technology to developing countries. She has since become an outspoken advocate for science education, particularly for girls and underrepresented communities. 'The best way to make dreams come true,' she once said, 'is to wake up.'

21 What is the main purpose of this passage?

- A** To celebrate the remarkable achievements of Mae Jemison and what they represent.
- B** To explain the scientific research conducted aboard the Space Shuttle Endeavour.
- C** To describe the challenges faced by all astronauts during NASA training.
- D** To argue that the NASA selection process is unfair to certain groups.

22 As used in the passage, what does the word "advocate" most nearly mean?

- A** An enemy or strong opponent of a particular cause.
- B** Someone who publicly supports or promotes a cause.
- C** A qualified scientist or research professional.
- D** A government official who creates education policy.

23 What can be inferred from the detail that Jemison was "one of fifteen chosen from over two thousand applicants"?

- A** The NASA astronaut programme was not very popular at the time.
- B** Most applicants were rejected because of racial discrimination.
- C** Jemison was an exceptionally talented and highly qualified individual.
- D** The Space Shuttle Endeavour required exactly fifteen crew members.

24 What does the phrase "the stars still called to her" most likely mean?

- A** Jemison received a personal letter from NASA encouraging her to apply.
- B** She continued to feel a deep desire to travel to space despite her other achievements.
- C** She studied astronomy as a compulsory part of her medical degree.
- D** Jemison was distracted from her medical work by her childhood dreams.

25 Why does the writer include Jemison's quote at the end of the passage?

- A** To show that Jemison was an accomplished and widely celebrated public speaker.
- B** To prove that Jemison was more famous for her words than for her achievements.
- C** To suggest that Jemison regretted not becoming an astronaut much sooner.
- D** To summarise the passage's central theme: that ambition and action can make dreams a reality.

Answer Key

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1. C	2. A	3. C	4. A	5. D
6. C	7. D	8. D	9. A	10. B
11. C	12. A	13. D	14. C	15. A
16. C	17. A	18. B	19. C	20. D
21. A	22. B	23. C	24. B	25. D

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- 1 Renata proofread her essay three times, checking every comma and spelling mistake before finally submitting it to her teacher.

What does the story suggest about Renata?

- A She is meticulous and careful
- B She is careless and rushed
- C She is confused about the assignment
- D She dislikes writing essays

- 2 Diego stayed up until two in the morning finishing his history project. His mother said he had been "burning the midnight oil" all week.

What does this idiom mean?

- A Wasting time doing nothing useful
- B Working late into the night
- C Starting a fire accidentally
- D Falling asleep very early

- 3 Which sentence contains a dependent clause?

- A The rain stopped, and the sun came out.
- B The rain stopped early this morning.
- C Although the rain stopped, the streets were still flooded.
- D The rain and the wind stopped together.

- 4 Choose the sentence that correctly uses a relative clause.

- A The teacher which taught us science left the school.
- B The teacher whom taught us science left the school.
- C The teacher who's taught us science left the school.
- D The teacher who taught us science left the school.

5 Which sentence is a complex sentence?

- A Because he practises every day, Marcos has become an excellent player.
- B Marcos plays football, and Ana plays basketball.
- C Marcos plays football on weekends.
- D Marcos and Ana both enjoy sports.

6 Choose the sentence with correct subject-verb agreement.

- A Everybody in the class have finished the assignment.
- B Everybody in the class has finished the assignment.
- C Everybody in the class are finishing the assignment.
- D Everybody in the class were finishing the assignment.

7 Which greeting is most appropriate for a formal letter to a school headmaster?

- A Hey there,
- B Hiya,
- C Dear Sir or Madam,
- D What's up,

8 Which sentence uses the most vivid descriptive language?

- A The forest was nice and had trees.
- B The forest was quiet.
- C There were a lot of trees in the forest.
- D Golden sunlight filtered through the towering trees, painting the forest floor in shifting patterns of light.

9 Complete the analogy.

Author is to Novel as Composer is to _____.

- A Symphony
- B Orchestra
- C Instrument
- D Concert hall

10 Before leaving for the weekend, Paulo asked his neighbour to look after his dog.

What does "look after" mean in this sentence?

- A** Search for something
- B** Take care of someone or something
- C** Look in a particular direction
- D** Ignore completely

11 Which sentence uses homophones correctly?

- A** Their going to meet us at the stationary shop.
- B** There going to meet us at the stationary shop.
- C** They're going to meet us at the stationery shop.
- D** Their going to meet us at the stationery shop.

12 Which word correctly uses a suffix to mean "without care"?

- A** Carefully
- B** Caring
- C** Uncared
- D** Careless

13 I have cities but no houses, forests but no trees, and rivers but no water. What am I?

- A** A map
- B** A globe
- C** A photograph
- D** A dictionary

14 Which sentence best supports the opinion that reading is beneficial, using clear evidence?

- A** Reading is a nice hobby that many people enjoy.
- B** Studies show that students who read regularly for pleasure score higher on vocabulary tests.
- C** I think reading is good because it is fun.
- D** Some people like reading more than others.

15 Choose the correct sentence.

- A She has visited Paris last year.
- B She have visited Paris last year.
- C She visited Paris last year.
- D She was visited Paris last year.

16 Choose the grammatically correct sentence.

- A The information they gave us were incorrect.
- B The information they gave us are incorrect.
- C The information they gave us have been incorrect.
- D The information they gave us was incorrect.

Read the passage carefully and answer Questions 17–20

To: All Grade 5 and 6 Students

From: Ms. Carvalho, Science Coordinator

Subject: Robotics Club Registration Now Open

Dear Students,

We are excited to announce that the Robotics Club will begin meeting every Wednesday afternoon starting next month. Members will learn to design, build, and programme their own robots using simple kits provided by the school. No previous experience is required, just curiosity and a willingness to work as part of a team.

Places are limited to twenty students, so early registration is strongly recommended. Interested students should collect a form from the school office and return it, signed by a parent or guardian, no later than Friday. A small materials fee of ten dollars will be collected on the first day of the club.

We look forward to seeing many of you there!

Kind regards,
Ms. Carvalho

17 What is the main purpose of this email?

- A To invite students to join a new after-school club
- B To complain about a school policy
- C To announce the results of a science competition
- D To request donations for a school project

18 According to the email, what must students do to join the club?

- A** Pay the fee before collecting a form
- B** Collect a form and return it signed by a parent or guardian
- C** Attend a trial session first
- D** Email Ms. Carvalho directly with their name

19 Why does the email mention that "places are limited to twenty students"?

- A** To explain why the club meets on Wednesdays
- B** To apologise for cancelling the club
- C** To encourage students to register early
- D** To describe the size of the classroom

20 What tone does Ms. Carvalho use in this email?

- A** Angry and demanding
- B** Formal and threatening
- C** Sarcastic and dismissive
- D** Warm and encouraging

Read the passage carefully and answer Questions 21–25

The Science Fair

Yasmin had spent three weeks building her volcano model for the school science fair, carefully mixing baking soda and vinegar to perfect the eruption. The night before the fair, she accidentally knocked the model off her desk, and it shattered into pieces on the floor.

Her older brother, Thiago, found her sitting among the broken pieces, close to tears. 'It's ruined,' she whispered. 'There's no time to fix it before tomorrow.'

Thiago knelt down beside her. 'Then we won't fix it,' he said. 'We'll build something even better, right now.' He fetched glue, cardboard, and a torch, and the two of them worked through the evening, laughing as they experimented with new ideas.

By midnight, they had created a working model of a volcano with glowing lights inside, more impressive than the original. Yasmin hugged her brother tightly. 'I couldn't have done this without you,' she said.

The next day, her project won second place, and Yasmin proudly told everyone that the best part of the fair wasn't the ribbon. It was the memory of that late night with her brother.

21 What is the main idea of this story?

- A Working together through a setback can lead to something even better
- B Science fairs are stressful and not worth the effort
- C Yasmin's brother built the entire project by himself
- D Volcanoes are the most popular science fair topic

22 What does the word "shattered" most likely mean in the story?

- A Improved suddenly
- B Broke into many pieces
- C Disappeared completely
- D Became slightly damp

23 How did Thiago respond when he found Yasmin upset?

- A He told her to give up on the project
- B He blamed her for being careless
- C He offered to build something better with her
- D He left the room without saying anything

24 What can be inferred about the relationship between Yasmin and Thiago?

- A They rarely spend time together
- B They often argue about small things
- C Thiago is jealous of Yasmin's success
- D They are supportive of one another

25 Why does Yasmin say "the best part of the fair wasn't the ribbon"?

- A She valued the time spent with her brother more than the prize
- B She did not care about winning at all
- C She thought the ribbon was the wrong colour
- D She was disappointed she did not win first place

Answer Key

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1. A	2. B	3. C	4. D	5. A
6. B	7. C	8. D	9. A	10. B
11. C	12. D	13. A	14. B	15. C
16. D	17. A	18. B	19. C	20. D
21. A	22. B	23. C	24. D	25. A

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Question Paper: Grade 5 - 6, Set 3

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1 With final exams only two days away, Bruno decided to hit the books instead of going to the beach with his friends.

What does "hit the books" mean?

- A** To damage schoolbooks on purpose
- B** To throw books across the room
- C** To study hard
- D** To buy new textbooks

2 After failing the first attempt, Camila refused to give up and tried again until she succeeded.

What does "give up" mean here?

- A** To celebrate success
- B** To ask for help
- C** To start over immediately
- D** To stop trying

3 Felipe was reluctant to share his lunch, but after his friend asked politely, he agreed.

What does "reluctant" mean?

- A** Unwilling or hesitant
- B** Excited and eager
- C** Angry and upset
- D** Completely certain

4 Which sentence is a simple sentence?

- A** The dog barked loudly, and the cat ran away.
- B** The dog barked loudly.
- C** Although the dog barked, the cat did not move.
- D** The dog barked because it saw a stranger.

5 Which sentence is a compound sentence?

- A** Isabela likes to paint.
- B** Because she is busy, Isabela rarely paints.
- C** Isabela likes to paint, but she rarely has time.
- D** Isabela, who loves art, rarely paints.

6 Arrange the sentences into the most logical order.

P. Finally, the bread came out golden brown and smelled delicious.

Q. First, she mixed the flour, yeast, and warm water into a soft dough.

R. Mariana decided to bake bread for the first time.

S. Then she kneaded the dough and left it to rise for an hour.

A $Q \rightarrow R \rightarrow S \rightarrow P$

B $R \rightarrow S \rightarrow Q \rightarrow P$

C $Q \rightarrow S \rightarrow R \rightarrow P$

D $R \rightarrow Q \rightarrow S \rightarrow P$

7 Which word correctly uses a prefix to mean 'not possible'?

A Impossible

B Unpossible

C Disposable

D Nonpossible

8 Choose the sentence with correct subject-verb agreement.

A Either the manager or the employees is responsible for the mistake.

B Either the manager or the employees are responsible for the mistake.

C Either the manager or the employees be responsible for the mistake.

D Either the manager or the employees was responsible for the mistake.

9 Which closing is most appropriate for an informal letter to a close friend?

A Yours faithfully,

B Yours sincerely,

C See you soon!

D Respectfully yours,

10 Which sentence is the most persuasive?

A Recycling is something some people do.

B Recycling involves separating different materials.

C Some bins are used for recycling in schools.

D You should recycle because it protects our planet for future generations.

11 Complete the analogy.

Actor is to Stage as Swimmer is to _____.

- A Pool
- B Costume
- C Audience
- D Trophy

12 Which sentence uses homophones correctly?

- A Your going to love this surprise.
- B You're going to love this surprise.
- C You're bag is on the table.
- D Your surprised about the news.

13 The more you take, the more you leave behind. What am I?

- A Time
- B Money
- C Footsteps
- D Memories

14 Choose the sentence that correctly uses the past continuous tense.

- A She cooked dinner when the phone rang.
- B She cooking dinner when the phone rang.
- C She has cooking dinner when the phone rang.
- D She was cooking dinner when the phone rang.

15 Combine the two sentences using a relative pronoun.

Sentence 1: The book was fascinating. Sentence 2: I borrowed the book from the library.

- A The book, which I borrowed from the library, was fascinating.
- B The book was fascinating, I borrowed it from the library.
- C The book which was fascinating I borrowed from the library it.
- D I borrowed the book, the book was fascinating from the library.

16 Which sentence uses commas correctly?

- A** After, finishing his homework Rodrigo went outside to play.
- B** After finishing his homework, Rodrigo went outside to play.
- C** After finishing, his homework Rodrigo went, outside to play.
- D** After finishing his homework Rodrigo, went outside to play.

Read the passage carefully and answer Questions 17–20

JOIN THE GREAT SUMMER READING CHALLENGE!

Do you love getting lost in a good story? This summer, our school library invites every student to take part in the Great Reading Challenge. Read at least five books between June and August, and you could win exciting prizes, including a brand-new bicycle and a class pizza party!

Every student who completes the challenge will also receive a certificate of achievement at the September assembly. Don't miss this chance to explore new worlds, meet unforgettable characters, and sharpen your imagination, all while competing for fantastic rewards.

Sign up at the library desk before June 1st. Spaces are limited, so hurry!

17 What is the main purpose of this advertisement?

- A** To sell books at the school library
- B** To announce the closing of the library
- C** To encourage students to read more books over the summer
- D** To warn students about overdue library fines

18 According to the advertisement, what must a student do to win a prize?

- A** Visit the library every day
- B** Write a book report on their favourite story
- C** Donate a book to the library
- D** Read at least five books between June and August

19 Why does the advertisement mention "spaces are limited"?

- A To create a sense of urgency and encourage quick sign-up
- B To explain the library's opening hours
- C To describe the size of the library
- D To apologise for a scheduling conflict

20 What does the word "unforgettable" most likely mean in the advertisement?

- A Easily forgotten
- B Memorable and impressive
- C Impossible to remember
- D Confusing and unclear

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The New Kid

On his first day at a new school, Rodrigo sat alone at lunch, staring at his tray without eating. He didn't know a single person in the entire building, and the noisy cafeteria only made him feel more invisible.

A girl named Beatriz noticed him from across the room. She picked up her tray, walked over, and sat down across from him without saying a word at first. Then she smiled and said, 'You must be new. I remember how awful that feels. Want to sit with us?'

Rodrigo hesitated for a moment, surprised that anyone had noticed him at all. 'Sure,' he said quietly, 'thanks.'

By the end of lunch, Beatriz had introduced him to her entire group of friends, and for the first time that day, Rodrigo actually laughed. Walking to his next class, he realised that one small act of kindness had completely changed how his first day felt.

21 What is the main idea of this story?

- A Starting at a new school is always a terrible experience
- B Rodrigo did not want to make new friends
- C A small act of kindness can make a big difference
- D Beatriz was forced to sit with Rodrigo by her teacher

22 How did Rodrigo feel at the beginning of the story?

A Confident and excited

B Angry and frustrated

C Bored and sleepy

D Lonely and invisible

23 What can be inferred about Beatriz's character?

A She is kind and thoughtful toward others

B She is shy and avoids new people

C She is only interested in her own friends

D She is easily annoyed by strangers

24 What is the overall tone of this story?

A Sad and hopeless

B Warm and hopeful

C Angry and bitter

D Mysterious and suspenseful

25 Why does Rodrigo laugh by the end of lunch?

A Because he found the cafeteria food funny

B Because his first class had been cancelled

C Because he began to feel included and comfortable

D Because Beatriz told him a joke about school rules

Answer Key

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1. C	2. D	3. A	4. B	5. C
6. D	7. A	8. B	9. C	10. D
11. A	12. B	13. C	14. D	15. A
16. B	17. C	18. D	19. A	20. B
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1 After depositing her allowance at the bank, Larissa walked along the river bank to feed the ducks.

Which meaning of "bank" is used FIRST in the sentence?

- ☐ A The side of a river
- ☐ B To rely on something
- ☐ C A row of switches
- ☐ D A financial institution

2 The old mattress had a broken spring, which was uncomfortable, but at least spring had finally arrived, bringing warmer weather.

What does the SECOND use of "spring" mean?

- ☐ A The season after winter
- ☐ B A coiled piece of metal
- ☐ C A sudden jump
- ☐ D A source of water

3 By the time Gabriel arrived at the station, the train _____ already left.

- ☐ A has
- ☐ B had
- ☐ C have
- ☐ D having

4 Manuela reviewed her notes every single evening and never missed a homework deadline, no matter how tired she felt.

Which word best describes Manuela?

- ☐ A Careless
- ☐ B Forgetful
- ☐ C Diligent
- ☐ D Impatient

5 Théo promised not to tell anyone about the surprise party, but he accidentally spilled the beans to his sister.

What does "spilled the beans" mean?

- A** Dropped food on the floor
- B** Cooked a meal quickly
- C** Refused to speak
- D** Revealed a secret

6 Complete the analogy.

Chef is to Kitchen as Pilot is to _____.

- A** Cockpit
- B** Runway
- C** Passenger
- D** Airport

7 I have a face but no eyes, hands but no arms. What am I?

- A** A doll
- B** A clock
- C** A statue
- D** A puppet

8 Combine the sentences using 'since'.

Sentence 1: It started raining. Sentence 2: We decided to stay indoors.

- A** It started raining, since we decided to stay indoors.
- B** Since we decided to stay indoors, it started raining.
- C** Since it started raining, we decided to stay indoors.
- D** We decided to stay indoors, it started raining since.

9 Which sentence is the most appropriate formal request to a teacher?

- A Can I get an extension or what?
- B Give me more time, please.
- C I need more time, no excuses.
- D Would it be possible to request a short extension for my assignment?

10 Vinícius was known for being extremely generous, always sharing his lunch and helping classmates in need.

Which word is the OPPOSITE of "generous"?

- A Selfish
- B Kind
- C Friendly
- D Thoughtful

11 Which sentence uses a semicolon correctly?

- A I finished my homework, then; I watched a movie.
- B I finished my homework; then I watched a movie.
- C I finished; my homework then I watched a movie.
- D I finished my homework then; I watched a movie.

12 In the sentence 'Although it was raining, the children played outside because they loved puddles,' which part is the independent clause?

- A Although it was raining
- B Because they loved puddles
- C The children played outside
- D It was raining

13 Which word correctly uses a prefix to mean 'to write again'?

- A Prewrite
- B Unwrite
- C Miswrite
- D Rewrite

14 Which pair of words correctly combines to form a compound word meaning 'a light that shines at night to guide ships'?

A Light + house

B Night + light

C Guide + light

D Ship + light

15 Which sentence uses the strongest sensory (sound) detail?

A The thunder was loud outside.

B A deafening crack of thunder shook the windows and rattled the dishes in the cupboard.

C There was a storm.

D The weather was bad that night.

16 Which sentence presents a counter-argument to the claim that 'homework should be banned in schools'?

A Homework takes up too much free time.

B Many students dislike doing homework.

C Homework can help students practise and remember what they learned in class.

D Homework is often boring and repetitive.

Read the poem carefully and answer Questions 17–20

The Restless Sea

By day it sparkles, calm and blue,
A mirror stretched from shore to view,
By night it roars, both wild and deep,
A restless giant that will not sleep.

It carries ships to distant lands,
Then pulls the shells back to the sands,
It gives, it takes, it laughs, it grieves,
A thousand moods within its waves.

17 What is the main theme of this poem?

A The sea is calm and never changes

B Ships always sink in the sea

C The sea is dangerous to sailors only at night

D The sea is powerful and full of changing moods

18 What literary device is used in the phrase "a restless giant that will not sleep"?

- A** Personification
- B** Rhyme
- C** Alliteration
- D** Onomatopoeia

19 According to the poem, what happens to ships?

- A** The sea destroys them completely
- B** The sea carries them to distant lands
- C** The sea keeps them near the shore forever
- D** The sea has no effect on ships

20 What does the phrase "a thousand moods within its waves" suggest about the sea?

- A** It is always angry
- B** It never moves
- C** It changes constantly and unpredictably
- D** It only has two moods

Read the letter carefully and answer Questions 21–25

123 Palm Street, Rio Verde
15th March

The Customer Service Manager
BrightTech Electronics
45 Market Avenue

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to express my disappointment with a tablet I purchased from your store on the 2nd of March. Within a week of use, the screen began to flicker constantly, and the battery now drains within two hours of a full charge.

I have attached a copy of my receipt as proof of purchase. Given that the product is still within its warranty period, I would be grateful if you could arrange a replacement or a full refund at your earliest convenience.

I trust that this matter will be resolved promptly, as I have always found your company's products to be reliable in the past.

Yours faithfully,
Camila Duarte

21 What is the main purpose of this letter?

- A** To praise a company for excellent service
- B** To apply for a job at BrightTech Electronics
- C** To ask for a store's opening hours
- D** To request a replacement or refund for a faulty product

22 According to the letter, what problem did Camila experience with the tablet?

- A** The screen flickered and the battery drained quickly
- B** It arrived in the wrong colour
- C** It was too expensive
- D** It did not come with a charger

23 Why does Camila mention that the product is "still within its warranty period"?

- A** To complain about the length of the warranty
- B** To explain why she is entitled to a replacement or refund
- C** To ask for an extended warranty
- D** To apologise for using the product incorrectly

24 What tone does Camila use in this letter?

- A** Rude and aggressive
- B** Casual and humorous
- C** Formal and polite
- D** Confused and uncertain

25 Which sentence from the letter best shows that Camila has been a loyal customer?

- A** "I am writing to express my disappointment..."
- B** "I have attached a copy of my receipt..."
- C** "I trust that this matter will be resolved promptly..."
- D** "I have always found your company's products to be reliable in the past."

Answer Key

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1. D	2. A	3. B	4. C	5. D
6. A	7. B	8. C	9. D	10. A
11. B	12. C	13. D	14. A	15. B
16. C	17. D	18. A	19. B	20. C
21. D	22. A	23. B	24. C	25. D