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1. Identify the sentence with the correct subject-verb agreement :
 - (1) The bouquet of roses are beautiful.
 - (2) The bouquet of roses is beautiful.
 - (3) The bouquet of roses were beautiful
 - (4) The bouquet of roses be beautiful.

2. Choose the correct word to complete the sentence :
He has lived here ten years.
 - (1) since
 - (2) from
 - (3) for
 - (4) during

3. Which sentence uses the correct form of the adjective ?
 - (1) She is more smarter than her brother.
 - (2) She is smarter than her brother.
 - (3) She is the more smarter than her brother.
 - (4) She is the smarter than her brother.

4. Which sentence is in the passive voice ?
 - (1) The chef cooked the meal.
 - (2) The meal was cooked by the chef.
 - (3) The chef is cooking the meal.
 - (4) The meal is cooking by the chef.

5. Choose the correct form of the pronoun to complete the sentence :
Neither John nor Maria has finished homework.
 - (1) his
 - (2) her
 - (3) their
 - (4) its

6. Identify the sentence with the correct use of the infinitive :
- (1) She wants to going to the concert.
 - (2) She wants to go to the concert.
 - (3) She wants go to the concert.
 - (4) She wants going to the concert.
7. Choose the correct conjunction to complete the sentence :
- I will call you I arrive.
- (1) until
 - (2) as soon as
 - (3) although
 - (4) unless
8. Identify the sentence with the correct use of the conditional :
- (1) If I was rich, I would travel the world.
 - (2) If I were rich, I would travel the world.
 - (3) If I am rich, I would travel the world.
 - (4) If I be rich, I would travel the world.
9. Identify the sentence with the correct use of the subjunctive mood :
- (1) If she was here, she would know what to do.
 - (2) If she were here, she would know what to do.
 - (3) If she be here, she would know what to do.
 - (4) If she is here, she would know what to do.
10. Choose the correct relative pronoun to complete the sentence :
- The man you met yesterday is my uncle.
- (1) which
 - (2) whom
 - (3) whose
 - (4) who

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11. Choose the correct form of the verb to complete the sentence :

By this time next year, I completed my degree.

- (1) will have
- (2) will has
- (3) will be
- (4) would have

12. Which sentence uses the correct form of the comparative adjective ?

- (1) This book is the more interesting of the two.
- (2) This book is interestinger than the other.
- (3) This book is more interesting than the other.
- (4) This book is most interesting than the other.

13. Choose the correct modal verb to complete the sentence :

You finish your homework before you go out.

- (1) might
- (2) could
- (3) must
- (4) may

14. Identify the sentence with the correct use of an adverb :

- (1) She sings beautiful.
- (2) She sings beautifully.
- (3) She beautifully sings.
- (4) She is sings beautifully.

15. Choose the correct form of the verb to complete the sentence :

I wish I him at the party last night.

- (1) saw
- (2) had seen
- (3) have seen
- (4) will see

16. Which sentence correctly uses the past perfect tense ?
- (1) By the time we arrived, the movie had started.
 - (2) By the time we arrived, the movie started.
 - (3) By the time we arrived, the movie starts.
 - (4) By the time we arrived, the movie is starting.
17. Choose the correct conjunction to complete the sentence :
She studied hard she could pass the exam.
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| (1) but | (2) and |
| (3) so that | (4) or |
18. Identify the sentence with the correct use of the gerund :
- (1) I enjoy to read books
 - (2) I enjoy reading books.
 - (3) I enjoy to reading books.
 - (4) I enjoy read books.
19. Identify the sentence with the correct use of prepositions :
- (1) He is good in playing chess.
 - (2) He is good at playing chess.
 - (3) He is good on playing chess.
 - (4) He is good for playing chess.
20. Identify the sentence with the correct use of prepositions :
- (1) They arrived at the airport on time.
 - (2) They arrived in the airport on time.
 - (3) They arrived on the airport at time.
 - (4) They arrived to the airport at time.

21. Choose the grammatically correct response :

Boy : I love you !

Girl

- (1) I also
- (2) I love you too
- (3) I too love you
- (4) I am loving it

22. Choose the word that best completes the sentence :

The professor's lecture was so that several students fell asleep.

- (1) invigorating
- (2) soporific
- (3) dynamic
- (4) exhilarating

23. Select the synonym for "aberration" :

- (1) consistency
- (2) anomaly
- (3) regularity
- (4) norm

24. Identify the correct definition of "obfuscate" :

- (1) to clarify
- (2) to confuse
- (3) to illuminate
- (4) to reveal

25. Choose the word that best completes the sentence :

The CEO's attitude made it difficult for employees to approach him with their concerns.

- (1) affable (2) approachable
(3) aloof (4) congenial

26. Select the antonym for "venerate" :

- (1) revere (2) respect
(3) disdain (4) admire

27. Choose the word that best completes the sentence :

Her manners at the dinner table were a source of embarrassment for her family.

- (1) urbane (2) boorish
(3) sophisticated (4) genteel

28. Select the synonym for "quixotic" :

- (1) pragmatic (2) realistic
(3) idealistic (4) sensible

29. Identify the correct definition of "laconic" :

- (1) verbose (2) taciturn
(3) garrulous (4) loquacious

30. Choose the word that best completes the sentence :

The lawyer's arguments failed to convince the jury.

- (1) cogent (2) specious
(3) compelling (4) persuasive

31. Identify the sentence that contains a misplaced modifier :

- (1) The chef prepared a gourmet meal for the guests that was delicious.
- (2) The guests that the chef prepared a gourmet meal for were delighted.
- (3) The chef, preparing a gourmet meal for the guests, was praised.
- (4) The gourmet meal that the chef prepared for the guests was delicious.

32. Choose the sentence that correctly uses a subjunctive verb form :

- (1) If he was here, we would start the meeting.
- (2) If she is to win, she would have to train harder.
- (3) If I were you, I would apologize immediately.
- (4) If they was aware, they would have acted differently.

33. Select the sentence that correctly uses an absolute phrase :

- (1) The sun setting, we decided to head back.
- (2) The sun sets, we decided to head back.
- (3) The sun setting down, we decided to head back.
- (4) As the sun sets, we decided to head back.

34. Identify the type of clause in the following sentence :

"Whoever leaves last should turn off the lights.

- (1) Noun clause
- (2) Adjective clause
- (3) Adverbial clause
- (4) Independent clause

35. Which sentence demonstrates correct parallel structure ?
- (1) She likes to swim, biking, and to run.
 - (2) She likes swimming, biking, and to run.
 - (3) She likes to swim, to bike, and to run.
 - (4) She likes swimming, biking, and running.
36. What is the meaning of "Persona non grata" ?
- (1) An unwelcome person
 - (2) A beloved friend
 - (3) A trusted advisor
 - (4) A respected leader
37. What does "Quid pro quo" signify ?
- (1) Something given in exchange for something else
 - (2) Equal distribution
 - (3) A spontaneous gesture
 - (4) An unexpected outcome
38. Choose the sentence that correctly uses the past perfect tense :
- (1) By the time he arrives, I had finished the report.
 - (2) By the time he arrived, I had finished the report.
 - (3) By the time he had arrived, I finished the report.
 - (4) By the time he arrives, I finish the report.
39. Select the sentence that demonstrates the correct use of a semicolon :
- (1) She loves to read; and her favourite genre is historical fiction.
 - (2) She loves to read; her favourite genre is historical fiction.
 - (3) She loves to read; however, her favourite genre is historical fiction.
 - (4) She loves to read; however her favourite genre is historical fiction.

40. Identify the sentence that contains a gerund phrase :

- (1) To swim in the ocean is my favourite activity.
- (2) Swimming in the ocean is my favourite activity.
- (3) Swim in the ocean is my favourite activity.
- (4) Swims in the ocean is my favourite activity.

Read the passage below and answer the questions from 41 to 45.

In the dimly lit room, the flickering candle cast elongated shadows on the weathered walls, whispering secrets of the past. Amelia sat in the corner, her fingers tracing the intricate patterns of an old, leather-bound journal. The air was thick with the scent of aged paper and dust, a testament to the years of neglect this place had endured. She had come here seeking answers, drawn by the cryptic letters her grandmother had left behind.

Each page she turned revealed more about a life she never knew - a life filled with clandestine meetings, unspoken promises, and a love that defied the conventions of its time. Amelia's heart ached as she pieced together the story of a woman torn between duty and desire, a woman who had lived in the shadows, her true self hidden from the world.

Her grandmother's words were laden with metaphors, painting vivid pictures of a bygone era where love was both a beacon and a burden. As the night wore on, Amelia felt a growing connection to this enigmatic figure, a kinship that transcended time and space. The journal was not just a record of the past; it was a mirror reflecting her own struggles and dreams.

Suddenly, a gust of wind swept through the room, extinguishing the candle and plunging Amelia into darkness. She closed the journal, holding it close to her chest, and sat in silence, the echoes of her grandmother's life resonating in the quiet. In that moment, she understood the power of her legacy – a legacy of resilience, love, and the relentless pursuit of truth.

41. What is the central theme of the prose piece ?

- (1) The inevitability of fate
- (2) The struggle for identity
- (3) The conflict between tradition and modernity
- (4) The transient nature of human relationships

42. Examine the primary character's motivations in the excerpt. What drives their actions and decisions ?
- (1) A desire for power
 - (2) A need for validation and acceptance
 - (3) Fear of failure
 - (4) A quest for truth and understanding
43. What one word describes the atmosphere of the passage ?
- (1) Romantic
 - (2) Grotesque
 - (3) Nostalgic
 - (4) Euphoric
44. The character of grandmother, after reading the passage, emerges as :
- (1) Reserved
 - (2) Clandestine
 - (3) Obscure
 - (4) Manipulative
45. What is the author's purpose in writing this excerpt ? How does the narrative style and tone help achieve this purpose ?
- (1) To entertain and amuse
 - (2) To inform and educate
 - (3) To provoke thought and reflection
 - (4) To persuade and argue

Read the poetic piece below and answer the questions from 46 to 50 :

In the quiet of the morning dew,
Where sunlight breaks and shadows strew,
The whisper of the leaves proclaims,
The secrets of the night remains.

A river's song, a gentle breeze,
The rustling of the ancient trees,
Nature's symphony does blend,
A melody that has no end.
The poet stands on this serene ground,
Where peace and solace can be found,
With pen in hand, a heart so light,
He captures dawn's ethereal light.

Yet, in his lines, there lies a sorrow,
A yearning for a brighter morrow,
His words, though soft, hold weight so deep,
Of dreams he had, and those to keep.

And as the world begins to wake,
The poet ponders what to make,
Of fleeting moments, life's short breath,
The dance of time, the shadow of death.

46. What is the central theme of the poem ?

- (1) The beauty of nature
- (2) The passage of time and its impact on life
- (3) The joy of solitude
- (4) The power of dreams

47. How would you describe the overall tone and mood of the poem ?

- (1) Joyful and celebratory
- (2) Melancholic and reflective
- (3) Angry and rebellious
- (4) Excited and hopeful

48. Identify the use of two literary devices in the line :
The whisper of the leaves proclaims/The secrets of the night remains.
- (1) Metaphor and irony
 - (2) Simile and hyperbole
 - (3) Alliteration and personification
 - (4) Onomatopoeia and oxymoron
49. What can be inferred about the poet's view of nature based on the poem above ?
- (1) He sees nature as chaotic and unpredictable
 - (2) He views nature as a source of inspiration and solace
 - (3) He finds nature frightening and intimidating
 - (4) He believes nature is indifferent and detached
50. What is the poet's purpose in writing this poem ? How does the language and imagery help achieve this purpose ?
- (1) To entertain and amuse
 - (2) To inform and educate
 - (3) To provoke thought and reflection
 - (4) To persuade and argue
51. Name the author who was awarded the Sahitya Akademi Award in 2019 for the novel "Jasmine Days".
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| (1) Benyamin | (2) Jeet Thayil |
| (3) Jerry Pinto | (4) Anuradha Roy |
52. Which of the following books won the DSC Prize for South Asian Literature in 2018 ?
- (1) "The Ministry of Utmost Happiness" by Arundhati Roy
 - (2) "No Presents Please" by Jayant Kaikini
 - (3) "The White Tiger" by Aravind Adiga
 - (4) "Our Lady of Alice Bhatti" by Mohammed Hanif

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53. In which year was the literary festival 'JLF (Jaipur Literature Festival)' first held ?
 (1) 2004 (2) 2006
 (3) 2008 (4) 2010
54. Who won the JCB Prize for Literature in 2022 for the novel "The Paradise of Food" ?
 (1) Khalid Jawed (2) Jeet Thayil
 (3) Arundhati Roy (4) Amitav Ghosh
55. Which award did the novel "Tomb of Sand" by Geetanjali Shree win in 2022 ?
 (1) Man Booker Prize
 (2) JCB Prize for Literature
 (3) International Booker Prize
 (4) Pulitzer Prize
56. Who is known as the 'Father of Indian Renaissance' for his role in the Bengal Renaissance ?
 (1) Swami Vivekananda (2) Raja Ram Mohan Roy
 (3) Rabindranath Tagore (4) Bankim Chandra Chatterjee
57. Which Veda is primarily concerned with rituals and sacrifices ?
 (1) Rigveda (2) Samaveda
 (3) Yajurveda (4) Atharvaveda
58. Who authored the famous historical novel "Anandamath" which includes the national song "Vande Mataram" ?
 (1) Rabindranath Tagore
 (2) Bankim Chandra Chatterjee
 (3) Sarat Chandra Chattopadhyay
 (4) R. K. Narayan

59. The famous painting "Bharat Mata" was created by which artist ?
 (1) Raja Ravi Varma (2) M. F. Husain
 (3) Abanindranath Tagore (4) Jamini Roy
60. The Sangam literature was written in which language ?
 (1) Sanskrit (2) Prakrit
 (3) Tamil (4) Kannada
61. Which ancient Indian text is considered the earliest work of literary criticism in India ?
 (1) Ramayana (2) Mahabharata
 (3) Natya Shastra (4) Arthashastra
62. Who wrote the famous play "Shakuntala" ?
 (1) Kalidasa (2) Bhasa
 (3) Bhavabhuti (4) Harsha
63. Which Indian classical dance form originated in the temples of Tamil Nadu ?
 (1) Kathak (2) Odissi
 (3) Bharatanatyam (4) Kathakali
64. The art of Madhubani painting originates from which Indian state ?
 (1) Gujarat (2) Bihar
 (3) Rajasthan (4) West Bengal
65. Which monument in India is an example of Indo-Islamic architecture and is known for its intricate marble work ?
 (1) Qutub Minar
 (2) Humayun's Tomb
 (3) Red Fort
 (4) Taj Mahal

66. The famous caves of Ajanta and Ellora are located in which Indian state ?
(1) Maharashtra (2) Madhya Pradesh
(3) Karnataka (4) Andhra Pradesh
67. The "Gita Govinda," a work of lyrical poetry, was composed by which poet ?
(1) Kabir (2) Jayadeva
(3) Surdas (4) Tulsidas
68. Who is known as the 'Nightingale of India' for her contributions to Indian classical music and playback singing ?
(1) Lata Mangeshkar (2) M. S. Subbulakshmi
(3) Noor Jehan (4) Kishori Amonkar
69. The ancient university of Nalanda was a significant centre for the study of which religion ?
(1) Hinduism (2) Buddhism
(3) Jainism (4) Sikhism
70. Which philosophy of Indian origin comes close to western idea of "carpe diem" ?
(1) Sankhay (2) Gyan Mimansa
(3) Advaitwad (4) Charwak
71. Who is considered the father of English literature ?
(1) William Shakespeare (2) Geoffrey Chaucer
(3) John Milton (4) Edmund Spenser
72. In which period did William Shakespeare write most of his plays ?
(1) The Renaissance (2) The Romantic Period
(3) The Victorian Era (4) The Modernist Period
73. Which novel is considered one of the earliest examples of the Epistolary novel ?
(1) Pamela by Samuel Richardson
(2) Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe
(3) Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen
(4) Wuthering Heights by Emily Brontë

74. Who is the author of "The Waste Land," a seminal Modernist Poem ?
(1) W. B. Yeats (2) T. S. Eliot
(3) Ezra Pound (4) James Joyce
75. Who wrote the novel "1984," a dystopian social science fiction work ?
(1) Aldous Huxley (2) George Orwell
(3) H. G. Wells (4) J. R. R. Tolkien
76. Who wrote the "Essay on Criticism," which contains the famous line "To err is human, to forgive divine" ?
(1) Samuel Johnson (2) John Dryden
(3) Alexander Pope (4) Jonathan Swift
77. Which poet wrote the long autobiographical poem "The Prelude" ?
(1) William Wordsworth (2) Samuel Taylor Coleridge
(3) Lord Byron (4) Percy Bysshe Shelley
78. Identify the author of the Victorian novel "Middlemarch," considered one of the greatest novels in the English language.
(1) George Eliot (2) Charles Dickens
(3) Thomas Hardy (4) Anthony Trollope
79. Which work by James Joyce is known for its stream-of-consciousness technique and its intricate structure, often considered one of the most challenging novels in English literature ?
(1) Dubliners
(2) A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man
(3) Ulysses
(4) Finnegans Wake
80. Which Metaphysical poet wrote the poem "The Flea," known for its complex metaphors and wit ?
(1) John Donne (2) George Herbert
(3) Andrew Marvell (4) Richard Crashaw

81. Who is the author of the modernist novel "To the Lighthouse," which explores themes of time and change ?
- (1) James Joyce (2) Virginia Woolf
(3) D. H. Lawrence (4) E. M. Forster
82. Which Romantic poet wrote the collection "Songs of Innocence and of Experience," exploring the dualities of human nature ?
- (1) William Wordsworth (2) Samuel Taylor Coleridge
(3) William Blake (4) Lord Byron
83. Identify the author of the Victorian novel "Tess of the d'Urbervilles," which critiques societal norms and moral values.
- (1) Charles Dickens (2) George Eliot
(3) Thomas Hardy (4) Anthony Trollope
84. Which playwright wrote the absurdist play "Waiting for Godot," a cornerstone of modern drama ?
- (1) Harold Pinter (2) Samuel Beckett
(3) Tom Stoppard (4) Edward Albee
85. Who wrote the long poem "Aurora Leigh," which is considered a significant work of Victorian literature ?
- (1) Elizabeth Barrett Browning (2) Alfred, Lord Tennyson
(3) Christina Rossetti (4) Robert Browning
86. Which modernist writer penned "The Sound and the Fury," a novel known for its innovative narrative techniques and complex structure ?
- (1) F. Scott Fitzgerald (2) Ernest Hemingway
(3) William Faulkner (4) James Joyce
87. Who wrote "The Importance of Being Earnest," a play that satirizes the social norms and attitudes of Victorian society ?
- (1) George Bernard Shaw (2) Oscar Wilde
(3) J. M. Barrie (4) W. B. Yeats

- 88.** Identify the author of the postcolonial novel "Things Fall Apart," which examines the impact of European colonialism on African societies.
- (1) Chinua Achebe (2) Ngũgĩ wa Thiong'o
(3) Wole Soyinka (4) J. M. Coetzee
- 89.** In "The Merchant of Venice," what is the significance of the three caskets in the subplot involving Portia's suitors ?
- (1) They symbolize different virtues
(2) They represent the elements (earth, water, fire)
(3) They contain clues to solve a mystery
(4) They are part of a treasure hunt
- 90.** What is the role of the character Ratna in "Kanthapura" ?
- (1) She is Moorthy's love interest
(2) She is the village elder
(3) She is a British sympathizer
(4) She is a revolutionary leader
- 91.** Which theme is prominently explored in both "Kanthapura" and "The Merchant of Venice" ?
- (1) Love and betrayal
(2) Social justice and prejudice
(3) Family relationships
(4) Personal ambition and greed
- 92.** Which of these novels is considered a seminal work of Postmodern literature, known for its fragmented narrative and intertextual references ?
- (1) The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald
(2) Gravity's Rainbow by Thomas Pynchon
(3) Brave New World by Aldous Huxley
(4) The Sun Also Rises by Ernest Hemingway

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93. In Modernist literature, what technique is often used to present the thoughts and feelings of characters in a continuous flow ?
- (1) Stream of consciousness
 - (2) Free indirect discourse
 - (3) Third-person omniscient narration
 - (4) Objective correlative
94. Which Postmodern author is known for their use of metafiction and authored the novel "Slaughterhouse-Five" ?
- (1) Kurt Vonnegut
 - (2) Joseph Heller
 - (3) Don DeLillo
 - (4) Vladimir Nabokov
95. What is a common theme explored in Postmodern literature ?
- (1) The quest for spiritual enlightenment
 - (2) The stability and coherence of identity
 - (3) The instability of meaning and the constructed nature of reality
 - (4) The natural beauty of rural landscapes
96. Who wrote the influential Neoclassical dictionary "A Dictionary of the English Language," published in 1755 ?
- (1) Samuel Johnson
 - (2) Jonathan Swift
 - (3) John Dryden
 - (4) Alexander Pope
97. Which Renaissance play by Ben Jonson features the character Volpone, a wealthy con artist who feigns illness to dupe others out of their fortunes ?
- (1) The Alchemist
 - (2) Every Man in His Humour
 - (3) Volpone
 - (4) Bartholomew Fair

98. Which novel by Bharati Mukherjee follows the life of an Indian woman who moves to America and struggles with cultural assimilation ?
- (1) Jasmine
 - (2) The Tiger's Daughter
 - (3) Wife
 - (4) Desirable Daughters
99. Who wrote "The Buddha of Suburbia," a novel that explores race, identity, and cultural hybridity in 1970s London ?
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| (1) Salman Rushdie | (2) Hanif Kureishi |
| (3) V. S. Naipaul | (4) Amitav Ghosh |
100. Which collection of short stories by Jhumpa Lahiri won the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction and examines the lives of Indian immigrants in America ?
- (1) Interpreter of Maladies
 - (2) Unaccustomed Earth
 - (3) The Namesake
 - (4) The Lowland

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 - (3) The Victorian Era
 - (4) The Modernist Period
3. Which novel is considered one of the earliest examples of the Epistolary novel ?
 - (1) Pamela by Samuel Richardson
 - (2) Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe
 - (3) Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen
 - (4) Wuthering Heights by Emily Brontë
4. Who is the author of "The Waste Land," a seminal Modernist Poem ?
 - (1) W. B. Yeats
 - (2) T. S. Eliot
 - (3) Ezra Pound
 - (4) James Joyce
5. Who wrote the novel "1984," a dystopian social science fiction work ?
 - (1) Aldous Huxley
 - (2) George Orwell
 - (3) H. G. Wells
 - (4) J. R. R. Tolkien
6. Who wrote the "Essay on Criticism," which contains the famous line "To err is human, to forgive divine" ?
 - (1) Samuel Johnson
 - (2) John Dryden
 - (3) Alexander Pope
 - (4) Jonathan Swift
7. Which poet wrote the long autobiographical poem "The Prelude" ?
 - (1) William Wordsworth
 - (2) Samuel Taylor Coleridge
 - (3) Lord Byron
 - (4) Percy Bysshe Shelley
8. Identify the author of the Victorian novel "Middlemarch," considered one of the greatest novels in the English language.
 - (1) George Eliot
 - (2) Charles Dickens
 - (3) Thomas Hardy
 - (4) Anthony Trollope

9. Which work by James Joyce is known for its stream-of-consciousness technique and its intricate structure, often considered one of the most challenging novels in English literature ?
- (1) Dubliners
 (2) A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man
 (3) Ulysses
 (4) Finnegans Wake
10. Which Metaphysical poet wrote the poem "The Flea," known for its complex metaphors and wit ?
- (1) John Donne
 (2) George Herbert
 (3) Andrew Marvell
 (4) Richard Crashaw
11. Name the author who was awarded the Sahitya Akademi Award in 2019 for the novel "Jasmine Days".
- (1) Benyamin
 (2) Jeet Thayil
 (3) Jerry Pinto
 (4) Anuradha Roy
12. Which of the following books won the DSC Prize for South Asian Literature in 2018 ?
- (1) "The Ministry of Utmost Happiness" by Arundhati Roy
 (2) "No Presents Please" by Jayant Kaikini
 (3) "The White Tiger" by Aravind Adiga
 (4) "Our Lady of Alice Bhatti" by Mohammed Hanif
13. In which year was the literary festival 'JLF (Jaipur Literature Festival)' first held ?
- (1) 2004
 (2) 2006
 (3) 2008
 (4) 2010
14. Who won the JCB Prize for Literature in 2022 for the novel "The Paradise of Food" ?
- (1) Khalid Jawed
 (2) Jeet Thayil
 (3) Arundhati Roy
 (4) Amitav Ghosh

15. Which award did the novel "Tomb of Sand" by Geetanjali Shree win in 2022 ?
- (1) Man Booker Prize
(2) JCB Prize for Literature
(3) International Booker Prize
(4) Pulitzer Prize
16. Who is known as the 'Father of Indian Renaissance' for his role in the Bengal Renaissance ?
- (1) Swami Vivekananda
(2) Raja Ram Mohan Roy
(3) Rabindranath Tagore
(4) Bankim Chandra Chatterjee
17. Which Veda is primarily concerned with rituals and sacrifices ?
- (1) Rigveda
(2) Samaveda
(3) Yajurveda
(4) Atharvaveda
18. Who authored the famous historical novel "Anandamath" which includes the national song "Vande Mataram" ?
- (1) Rabindranath Tagore
(2) Bankim Chandra Chatterjee
(3) Sarat Chandra Chattopadhyay
(4) R. K. Narayan
19. The famous painting "Bharat Mata" was created by which artist ?
- (1) Raja Ravi Varma
(2) M. F. Husain
(3) Abanindranath Tagore
(4) Jamini Roy
20. The Sangam literature was written in which language ?
- (1) Sanskrit
(2) Prakrit
(3) Tamil
(4) Kannada

21. Identify the sentence that contains a misplaced modifier :
- (1) The chef prepared a gourmet meal for the guests that was delicious.
 - (2) The guests that the chef prepared a gourmet meal for were delighted.
 - (3) The chef, preparing a gourmet meal for the guests, was praised.
 - (4) The gourmet meal that the chef prepared for the guests was delicious.
22. Choose the sentence that correctly uses a subjunctive verb form :
- (1) If he was here, we would start the meeting.
 - (2) If she is to win, she would have to train harder.
 - (3) If I were you, I would apologize immediately.
 - (4) If they was aware, they would have acted differently.
23. Select the sentence that correctly uses an absolute phrase :
- (1) The sun setting, we decided to head back.
 - (2) The sun sets, we decided to head back.
 - (3) The sun setting down, we decided to head back.
 - (4) As the sun sets, we decided to head back.
24. Identify the type of clause in the following sentence :
- "Whoever leaves last should turn off the lights."
- (1) Noun clause
 - (2) Adjective clause
 - (3) Adverbial clause
 - (4) Independent clause

25. Which sentence demonstrates correct parallel structure ?
- (1) She likes to swim, biking, and to run.
 - (2) She likes swimming, biking, and to run.
 - (3) She likes to swim, to bike, and to run.
 - (4) She likes swimming, biking, and running.
26. What is the meaning of "Persona non grata" ?
- (1) An unwelcome person
 - (2) A beloved friend
 - (3) A trusted advisor
 - (4) A respected leader
27. What does "Quid pro quo" signify ?
- (1) Something given in exchange for something else
 - (2) Equal distribution
 - (3) A spontaneous gesture
 - (4) An unexpected outcome
28. Choose the sentence that correctly uses the past perfect tense :
- (1) By the time he arrives, I had finished the report.
 - (2) By the time he arrived, I had finished the report.
 - (3) By the time he had arrived, I finished the report.
 - (4) By the time he arrives, I finish the report.
29. Select the sentence that demonstrates the correct use of a semicolon :
- (1) She loves to read; and her favourite genre is historical fiction.
 - (2) She loves to read; her favourite genre is historical fiction.
 - (3) She loves to read; however, her favourite genre is historical fiction.
 - (4) She loves to read; however her favourite genre is historical fiction.

30. Identify the sentence that contains a gerund phrase :
- (1) To swim in the ocean is my favourite activity.
 - (2) Swimming in the ocean is my favourite activity.
 - (3) Swim in the ocean is my favourite activity.
 - (4) Swims in the ocean is my favourite activity.
31. Choose the correct form of the verb to complete the sentence :
- By this time next year, I completed my degree.
- (1) will have
 - (2) will has
 - (3) will be
 - (4) would have
32. Which sentence uses the correct form of the comparative adjective ?
- (1) This book is the more interesting of the two.
 - (2) This book is interestinger than the other.
 - (3) This book is more interesting than the other.
 - (4) This book is most interesting than the other.
33. Choose the correct modal verb to complete the sentence :
- You finish your homework before you go out.
- (1) might
 - (2) could
 - (3) must
 - (4) may

34. Identify the sentence with the correct use of an adverb :
- (1) She sings beautiful.
 - (2) She sings beautifully.
 - (3) She beautifully sings.
 - (4) She is sings beautifully.
35. Choose the correct form of the verb to complete the sentence :
I wish I him at the party last night.
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| (1) saw | (2) had seen |
| (3) have seen | (4) will see |
36. Which sentence correctly uses the past perfect tense ?
- (1) By the time we arrived, the movie had started.
 - (2) By the time we arrived, the movie started.
 - (3) By the time we arrived, the movie starts.
 - (4) By the time we arrived, the movie is starting.
37. Choose the correct conjunction to complete the sentence :
She studied hard she could pass the exam.
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| (1) but | (2) and |
| (3) so that | (4) or |
38. Identify the sentence with the correct use of the gerund :
- (1) I enjoy to read books
 - (2) I enjoy reading books.
 - (3) I enjoy to reading books.
 - (4) I enjoy read books.

39. Identify the sentence with the correct use of prepositions :
- (1) He is good in playing chess.
 - (2) He is good at playing chess.
 - (3) He is good on playing chess.
 - (4) He is good for playing chess.
40. Identify the sentence with the correct use of prepositions :
- (1) They arrived at the airport on time.
 - (2) They arrived in the airport on time.
 - (3) They arrived on the airport at time.
 - (4) They arrived to the airport at time.
41. Which theme is prominently explored in both "Kanthapura" and "The Merchant of Venice" ?
- (1) Love and betrayal
 - (2) Social justice and prejudice
 - (3) Family relationships
 - (4) Personal ambition and greed
42. Which of these novels is considered a seminal work of Postmodern literature, known for its fragmented narrative and intertextual references ?
- (1) The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald
 - (2) Gravity's Rainbow by Thomas Pynchon
 - (3) Brave New World by Aldous Huxley
 - (4) The Sun Also Rises by Ernest Hemingway

43. In Modernist literature, what technique is often used to present the thoughts and feelings of characters in a continuous flow ?
- (1) Stream of consciousness
 - (2) Free indirect discourse
 - (3) Third-person omniscient narration
 - (4) Objective correlative
44. Which Postmodern author is known for their use of metafiction and authored the novel "Slaughterhouse-Five" ?
- (1) Kurt Vonnegut
 - (2) Joseph Heller
 - (3) Don DeLillo
 - (4) Vladimir Nabokov
45. What is a common theme explored in Postmodern literature ?
- (1) The quest for spiritual enlightenment
 - (2) The stability and coherence of identity
 - (3) The instability of meaning and the constructed nature of reality
 - (4) The natural beauty of rural landscapes
46. Who wrote the influential Neoclassical dictionary "A Dictionary of the English Language," published in 1755 ?
- (1) Samuel Johnson
 - (2) Jonathan Swift
 - (3) John Dryden
 - (4) Alexander Pope
47. Which Renaissance play by Ben Jonson features the character Volpone, a wealthy con artist who feigns illness to dupe others out of their fortunes ?
- (1) The Alchemist
 - (2) Every Man in His Humour
 - (3) Volpone
 - (4) Bartholomew Fair

48. Which novel by Bharati Mukherjee follows the life of an Indian woman who moves to America and struggles with cultural assimilation ?
- (1) Jasmine
 - (2) The Tiger's Daughter
 - (3) Wife
 - (4) Desirable Daughters
49. Who wrote "The Buddha of Suburbia," a novel that explores race, identity, and cultural hybridity in 1970s London ?
- (1) Salman Rushdie
 - (2) Hanif Kureishi
 - (3) V. S. Naipaul
 - (4) Amitav Ghosh
50. Which collection of short stories by Jhumpa Lahiri won the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction and examines the lives of Indian immigrants in America ?
- (1) Interpreter of Maladies
 - (2) Unaccustomed Earth
 - (3) The Namesake
 - (4) The Lowland
51. Which ancient Indian text is considered the earliest work of literary criticism in India ?
- (1) Ramayana
 - (2) Mahabharata
 - (3) Natya Shastra
 - (4) Arthashastra
52. Who wrote the famous play "Shakuntala" ?
- (1) Kalidasa
 - (2) Bhasa
 - (3) Bhavabhuti
 - (4) Harsha
53. Which Indian classical dance form originated in the temples of Tamil Nadu ?
- (1) Kathak
 - (2) Odissi
 - (3) Bharatanatyam
 - (4) Kathakali

54. The art of Madhubani painting originates from which Indian state ?
- (1) Gujarat (2) Bihar
(3) Rajasthan (4) West Bengal
55. Which monument in India is an example of Indo-Islamic architecture and is known for its intricate marble work ?
- (1) Qutub Minar
(2) Humayun's Tomb
(3) Red Fort
(4) Taj Mahal
56. The famous caves of Ajanta and Ellora are located in which Indian state ?
- (1) Maharashtra (2) Madhya Pradesh
(3) Karnataka (4) Andhra Pradesh
57. The "Gita Govinda," a work of lyrical poetry, was composed by which poet ?
- (1) Kabir (2) Jayadeva
(3) Surdas (4) Tulsidas
58. Who is known as the 'Nightingale of India' for her contributions to Indian classical music and playback singing ?
- (1) Lata Mangeshkar (2) M. S. Subbulakshmi
(3) Noor Jehan (4) Kishori Amonkar
59. The ancient university of Nalanda was a significant centre for the study of which religion ?
- (1) Hinduism (2) Buddhism
(3) Jainism (4) Sikhism
60. Which philosophy of Indian origin comes close to western idea of "carpe diem" ?
- (1) Sankhay (2) Gyan Mimansa
(3) Advaitwad (4) Charwak

61. Who is the author of the modernist novel "To the Lighthouse," which explores themes of time and change ?
- (1) James Joyce (2) Virginia Woolf
(3) D. H. Lawrence (4) E. M. Forster
62. Which Romantic poet wrote the collection "Songs of Innocence and of Experience," exploring the dualities of human nature ?
- (1) William Wordsworth (2) Samuel Taylor Coleridge
(3) William Blake (4) Lord Byron
63. Identify the author of the Victorian novel "Tess of the d'Urbervilles," which critiques societal norms and moral values.
- (1) Charles Dickens (2) George Eliot
(3) Thomas Hardy (4) Anthony Trollope
64. Which playwright wrote the absurdist play "Waiting for Godot," a cornerstone of modern drama ?
- (1) Harold Pinter (2) Samuel Beckett
(3) Tom Stoppard (4) Edward Albee
65. Who wrote the long poem "Aurora Leigh," which is considered a significant work of Victorian literature ?
- (1) Elizabeth Barrett Browning (2) Alfred, Lord Tennyson
(3) Christina Rossetti (4) Robert Browning
66. Which modernist writer penned "The Sound and the Fury," a novel known for its innovative narrative techniques and complex structure ?
- (1) F. Scott Fitzgerald (2) Ernest Hemingway
(3) William Faulkner (4) James Joyce
67. Who wrote "The Importance of Being Earnest," a play that satirizes the social norms and attitudes of Victorian society ?
- (1) George Bernard Shaw (2) Oscar Wilde
(3) J. M. Barrie (4) W. B. Yeats

68. Identify the author of the postcolonial novel "Things Fall Apart," which examines the impact of European colonialism on African societies.
- (1) Chinua Achebe (2) Ngũgĩ wa Thiong'o
(3) Wole Soyinka (4) J. M. Coetzee
69. In "The Merchant of Venice," what is the significance of the three caskets in the subplot involving Portia's suitors ?
- (1) They symbolize different virtues
(2) They represent the elements (earth, water, fire)
(3) They contain clues to solve a mystery
(4) They are part of a treasure hunt
70. What is the role of the character Ratna in "Kanthapura" ?
- (1) She is Moorthy's love interest
(2) She is the village elder
(3) She is a British sympathizer
(4) She is a revolutionary leader

Read the passage below and answer the questions from 71 to 75.

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 - (2) Grotesque
 - (3) Nostalgic
 - (4) Euphoric
74. The character of grandmother, after reading the passage, emerges as :
- (1) Reserved
 - (2) Clandestine
 - (3) Obscure
 - (4) Manipulative

75. What is the author's purpose in writing this excerpt ? How does the narrative style and tone help achieve this purpose ?
- (1) To entertain and amuse
 - (2) To inform and educate
 - (3) To provoke thought and reflection
 - (4) To persuade and argue

Read the poetic piece below and answer the questions from 76 to 80 :

In the quiet of the morning dew,
Where sunlight breaks and shadows strew,
The whisper of the leaves proclaims,
The secrets of the night remains.
A river's song, a gentle breeze,
The rustling of the ancient trees,
Nature's symphony does blend,
A melody that has no end.
The poet stands on this serene ground,
Where peace and solace can be found,
With pen in hand, a heart so light,
He captures dawn's ethereal light.

Yet, in his lines, there lies a sorrow,
A yearning for a brighter morrow,
His words, though soft, hold weight so deep,
Of dreams he had, and those to keep.

And as the world begins to wake,
The poet ponders what to make,
Of fleeting moments, life's short breath,
The dance of time, the shadow of death.

76. What is the central theme of the poem ?
- (1) The beauty of nature
 - (2) The passage of time and its impact on life
 - (3) The joy of solitude
 - (4) The power of dreams
77. How would you describe the overall tone and mood of the poem ?
- (1) Joyful and celebratory
 - (2) Melancholic and reflective
 - (3) Angry and rebellious
 - (4) Excited and hopeful
78. Identify the use of two literary devices in the line :
The whisper of the leaves proclaims/The secrets of the night remains.
- (1) Metaphor and irony
 - (2) Simile and hyperbole
 - (3) Alliteration and personification
 - (4) Onomatopoeia and oxymoron
79. What can be inferred about the poet's view of nature based on the poem above ?
- (1) He sees nature as chaotic and unpredictable
 - (2) He views nature as a source of inspiration and solace
 - (3) He finds nature frightening and intimidating
 - (4) He believes nature is indifferent and detached
80. What is the poet's purpose in writing this poem ? How does the language and imagery help achieve this purpose ?
- (1) To entertain and amuse
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81. Choose the grammatically correct response :

Boy : I love you !

Girl

- (1) I also
- (2) I love you too
- (3) I too love you
- (4) I am loving it

82. Choose the word that best completes the sentence :

The professor's lecture was so that several students fell asleep.

- (1) invigorating
- (2) soporific
- (3) dynamic
- (4) exhilarating

83. Select the synonym for "aberration" :

- (1) consistency
- (2) anomaly
- (3) regularity
- (4) norm

84. Identify the correct definition of "obfuscate" :

- (1) to clarify
- (2) to confuse
- (3) to illuminate
- (4) to reveal

85. Choose the word that best completes the sentence :

The CEO's attitude made it difficult for employees to approach him with their concerns.

(1) affable

(2) approachable

(3) aloof

(4) congenial

86. Select the antonym for "venerate" :

(1) revere

(2) respect

(3) disdain

(4) admire

87. Choose the word that best completes the sentence :

Her manners at the dinner table were a source of embarrassment for her family.

(1) urbane

(2) boorish

(3) sophisticated

(4) genteel

88. Select the synonym for "quixotic" :

(1) pragmatic

(2) realistic

(3) idealistic

(4) sensible

89. Identify the correct definition of "laconic" :

(1) verbose

(2) taciturn

(3) garrulous

(4) loquacious

90. Choose the word that best completes the sentence :

The lawyer's arguments failed to convince the jury.

(1) cogent

(2) specious

(3) compelling

(4) persuasive

91. Identify the sentence with the correct subject-verb agreement :
- (1) The bouquet of roses are beautiful.
 - (2) The bouquet of roses is beautiful.
 - (3) The bouquet of roses were beautiful
 - (4) The bouquet of roses be beautiful.
92. Choose the correct word to complete the sentence :
He has lived here ten years.
- (1) since
 - (2) from
 - (3) for
 - (4) during
93. Which sentence uses the correct form of the adjective ?
- (1) She is more smarter than her brother.
 - (2) She is smarter than her brother.
 - (3) She is the more smarter than her brother.
 - (4) She is the smarter than her brother.
94. Which sentence is in the passive voice ?
- (1) The chef cooked the meal.
 - (2) The meal was cooked by the chef.
 - (3) The chef is cooking the meal.
 - (4) The meal is cooking by the chef.
95. Choose the correct form of the pronoun to complete the sentence :
Neither John nor Maria has finished homework.
- (1) his
 - (2) her
 - (3) their
 - (4) its

96. Identify the sentence with the correct use of the infinitive :
- (1) She wants to going to the concert.
 - (2) She wants to go to the concert.
 - (3) She wants go to the concert.
 - (4) She wants going to the concert.
97. Choose the correct conjunction to complete the sentence :
- I will call you I arrive.
- (1) until
 - (2) as soon as
 - (3) although
 - (4) unless
98. Identify the sentence with the correct use of the conditional :
- (1) If I was rich, I would travel the world.
 - (2) If I were rich, I would travel the world.
 - (3) If I am rich, I would travel the world.
 - (4) If I be rich, I would travel the world.
99. Identify the sentence with the correct use of the subjunctive mood :
- (1) If she was here, she would know what to do.
 - (2) If she were here, she would know what to do.
 - (3) If she be here, she would know what to do.
 - (4) If she is here, she would know what to do.
100. Choose the correct relative pronoun to complete the sentence :
- The man you met yesterday is my uncle.
- | | |
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| (1) which | (2) whom |
| (3) whose | (4) who |

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- (1) To entertain and amuse
 - (2) To inform and educate
 - (3) To provoke thought and reflection
 - (4) To persuade and argue

Read the poetic piece below and answer the questions from 6 to 10 :

In the quiet of the morning dew,
Where sunlight breaks and shadows strew,
The whisper of the leaves proclaims,
The secrets of the night remains.
A river's song, a gentle breeze,
The rustling of the ancient trees,
Nature's symphony does blend,
A melody that has no end.
The poet stands on this serene ground,
Where peace and solace can be found,

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With pen in hand, a heart so light,
He captures dawn's ethereal light.

Yet, in his lines, there lies a sorrow,
A yearning for a brighter morrow,
His words, though soft, hold weight so deep,
Of dreams he had, and those to keep.

And as the world begins to wake,
The poet ponders what to make,
Of fleeting moments, life's short breath,
The dance of time, the shadow of death.

6. What is the central theme of the poem ?

- (1) The beauty of nature
- (2) The passage of time and its impact on life
- (3) The joy of solitude
- (4) The power of dreams

7. How would you describe the overall tone and mood of the poem ?

- (1) Joyful and celebratory
- (2) Melancholic and reflective
- (3) Angry and rebellious
- (4) Excited and hopeful

8. Identify the use of two literary devices in the line :

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- (1) Metaphor and irony
- (2) Simile and hyperbole
- (3) Alliteration and personification
- (4) Onomatopoeia and oxymoron

13. Select the synonym for "aberration" :

- (1) consistency
- (2) anomaly
- (3) regularity
- (4) norm

14. Identify the correct definition of "obfuscate" :

- (1) to clarify
- (2) to confuse
- (3) to illuminate
- (4) to reveal

15. Choose the word that best completes the sentence :

The CEO's attitude made it difficult for employees to approach him with their concerns.

- (1) affable
- (2) approachable
- (3) aloof
- (4) congenial

16. Select the antonym for "venerate" :

- (1) revere
- (2) respect
- (3) disdain
- (4) admire

17. Choose the word that best completes the sentence :

Her manners at the dinner table were a source of embarrassment for her family.

- (1) urbane
- (2) boorish
- (3) sophisticated
- (4) genteel

18. Select the synonym for "quixotic" :

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| (1) pragmatic | (2) realistic |
| (3) idealistic | (4) sensible |

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| (1) verbose | (2) taciturn |
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The lawyer's arguments failed to convince the jury.

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- (1) The bouquet of roses are beautiful.
- (2) The bouquet of roses is beautiful.
- (3) The bouquet of roses were beautiful
- (4) The bouquet of roses be beautiful.

22. Choose the correct word to complete the sentence :

He has lived here ten years.

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| (1) since | (2) from |
| (3) for | (4) during |

23. Which sentence uses the correct form of the adjective ?

- (1) She is more smarter than her brother.
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- (2) The meal was cooked by the chef.
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Neither John nor Maria has finished homework.

- (1) his
- (2) her
- (3) their
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- (1) She wants to going to the concert.
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I will call you I arrive.

- (1) until
- (2) as soon as
- (3) although
- (4) unless

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(3) Natya Shastra (4) Arthashastra
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- (1) Kalidasa (2) Bhasa
(3) Bhavabhuti (4) Harsha
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- (1) Kathak (2) Odissi
(3) Bharatanatyam (4) Kathakali
44. The art of Madhubani painting originates from which Indian state ?
- (1) Gujarat (2) Bihar
(3) Rajasthan (4) West Bengal
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- (1) Qutub Minar (2) Humayun's Tomb
(3) Red Fort (4) Taj Mahal

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(1) Maharashtra (2) Madhya Pradesh
(3) Karnataka (4) Andhra Pradesh
47. The "Gita Govinda," a work of lyrical poetry, was composed by which poet ?
(1) Kabir (2) Jayadeva
(3) Surdas (4) Tulsidas
48. Who is known as the 'Nightingale of India' for her contributions to Indian classical music and playback singing ?
(1) Lata Mangeshkar (2) M. S. Subbulakshmi
(3) Noor Jehan (4) Kishori Amonkar
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(1) Hinduism (2) Buddhism
(3) Jainism (4) Sikhism
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(1) Sankhay (2) Gyan Mimansa
(3) Advaitwad (4) Charwak
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(1) The chef prepared a gourmet meal for the guests that was delicious.
(2) The guests that the chef prepared a gourmet meal for were delighted.
(3) The chef, preparing a gourmet meal for the guests, was praised.
(4) The gourmet meal that the chef prepared for the guests was delicious.
52. Choose the sentence that correctly uses a subjunctive verb form :
(1) If he was here, we would start the meeting.
(2) If she is to win, she would have to train harder.
(3) If I were you, I would apologize immediately.
(4) If they was aware, they would have acted differently.

53. Select the sentence that correctly uses an absolute phrase :

- (1) The sun setting, we decided to head back.
- (2) The sun sets, we decided to head back.
- (3) The sun setting down, we decided to head back.
- (4) As the sun sets, we decided to head back.

54. Identify the type of clause in the following sentence :

"Whoever leaves last should turn off the lights.

- (1) Noun clause
- (2) Adjective clause
- (3) Adverbial clause
- (4) Independent clause

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- (1) She likes to swim, biking, and to run.
- (2) She likes swimming, biking, and to run.
- (3) She likes to swim, to bike, and to run.
- (4) She likes swimming, biking, and running.

56. What is the meaning of "Persona non grata" ?

- (1) An unwelcome person
- (2) A beloved friend
- (3) A trusted advisor
- (4) A respected leader

57. What does "Quid pro quo" signify ?

- (1) Something given in exchange for something else
- (2) Equal distribution
- (3) A spontaneous gesture
- (4) An unexpected outcome

58. Choose the sentence that correctly uses the past perfect tense :
- (1) By the time he arrives, I had finished the report.
 - (2) By the time he arrived, I had finished the report.
 - (3) By the time he had arrived, I finished the report.
 - (4) By the time he arrives, I finish the report.
59. Select the sentence that demonstrates the correct use of a semicolon :
- (1) She loves to read; and her favourite genre is historical fiction.
 - (2) She loves to read; her favourite genre is historical fiction.
 - (3) She loves to read; however, her favourite genre is historical fiction.
 - (4) She loves to read; however her favourite genre is historical fiction.
60. Identify the sentence that contains a gerund phrase :
- (1) To swim in the ocean is my favourite activity.
 - (2) Swimming in the ocean is my favourite activity.
 - (3) Swim in the ocean is my favourite activity.
 - (4) Swims in the ocean is my favourite activity.
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| (1) The Renaissance | (2) The Romantic Period |
| (3) The Victorian Era | (4) The Modernist Period |
63. Which novel is considered one of the earliest examples of the Epistolary novel ?
- (1) Pamela by Samuel Richardson
 - (2) Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe
 - (3) Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen
 - (4) Wuthering Heights by Emily Brontë

64. Who is the author of "The Waste Land," a seminal Modernist Poem ?
(1) W. B. Yeats (2) T. S. Eliot
(3) Ezra Pound (4) James Joyce
65. Who wrote the novel "1984," a dystopian social science fiction work ?
(1) Aldous Huxley (2) George Orwell
(3) H. G. Wells (4) J. R. R. Tolkien
66. Who wrote the "Essay on Criticism," which contains the famous line "To err is human, to forgive divine" ?
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(1) Dubliners
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(4) Finnegans Wake
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(1) John Donne (2) George Herbert
(3) Andrew Marvell (4) Richard Crashaw

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- (1) James Joyce (2) Virginia Woolf
(3) D. H. Lawrence (4) E. M. Forster
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(3) Tom Stoppard (4) Edward Albee
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- (1) Elizabeth Barrett Browning (2) Alfred, Lord Tennyson
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- (1) Chinua Achebe (2) Ngũgĩ wa Thiong'o
(3) Wole Soyinka (4) J. M. Coetzee
79. In "The Merchant of Venice," what is the significance of the three caskets in the subplot involving Portia's suitors ?
- (1) They symbolize different virtues
(2) They represent the elements (earth, water, fire)
(3) They contain clues to solve a mystery
(4) They are part of a treasure hunt
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- (2) "No Presents Please" by Jayant Kaikini
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- (4) "Our Lady of Alice Bhatti" by Mohammed Hanif

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(3) The Victorian Era (4) The Modernist Period
23. Which novel is considered one of the earliest examples of the Epistolary novel ?
(1) Pamela by Samuel Richardson
(2) Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe
(3) Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen
(4) Wuthering Heights by Emily Brontë
24. Who is the author of "The Waste Land," a seminal Modernist Poem ?
(1) W. B. Yeats (2) T. S. Eliot
(3) Ezra Pound (4) James Joyce
25. Who wrote the novel "1984," a dystopian social science fiction work ?
(1) Aldous Huxley (2) George Orwell
(3) H. G. Wells (4) J. R. R. Tolkien
26. Who wrote the "Essay on Criticism," which contains the famous line "To err is human, to forgive divine" ?
(1) Samuel Johnson (2) John Dryden
(3) Alexander Pope (4) Jonathan Swift
27. Which poet wrote the long autobiographical poem "The Prelude" ?
(1) William Wordsworth (2) Samuel Taylor Coleridge
(3) Lord Byron (4) Percy Bysshe Shelley
28. Identify the author of the Victorian novel "Middlemarch," considered one of the greatest novels in the English language.
(1) George Eliot (2) Charles Dickens
(3) Thomas Hardy (4) Anthony Trollope

29. Which work by James Joyce is known for its stream-of-consciousness technique and its intricate structure, often considered one of the most challenging novels in English literature ?
- (1) Dubliners
(2) A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man
(3) Ulysses
(4) Finnegans Wake
30. Which Metaphysical poet wrote the poem "The Flea," known for its complex metaphors and wit ?
- (1) John Donne
(2) George Herbert
(3) Andrew Marvell
(4) Richard Crashaw
31. Name the author who was awarded the Sahitya Akademi Award in 2019 for the novel "Jasmine Days".
- (1) Benyamin
(2) Jeet Thayil
(3) Jerry Pinto
(4) Anuradha Roy
32. Which of the following books won the DSC Prize for South Asian Literature in 2018 ?
- (1) "The Ministry of Utmost Happiness" by Arundhati Roy
(2) "No Presents Please" by Jayant Kaikini
(3) "The White Tiger" by Aravind Adiga
(4) "Our Lady of Alice Bhatti" by Mohammed Hanif
33. In which year was the literary festival 'JLF (Jaipur Literature Festival)' first held ?
- (1) 2004
(2) 2006
(3) 2008
(4) 2010
34. Who won the JCB Prize for Literature in 2022 for the novel "The Paradise of Food" ?
- (1) Khalid Jawed
(2) Jeet Thayil
(3) Arundhati Roy
(4) Amitav Ghosh

35. Which award did the novel "Tomb of Sand" by Geetanjali Shree win in 2022 ?
- (1) Man Booker Prize
 - (2) JCB Prize for Literature
 - (3) International Booker Prize
 - (4) Pulitzer Prize
36. Who is known as the 'Father of Indian Renaissance' for his role in the Bengal Renaissance ?
- (1) Swami Vivekananda
 - (2) Raja Ram Mohan Roy
 - (3) Rabindranath Tagore
 - (4) Bankim Chandra Chatterjee
37. Which Veda is primarily concerned with rituals and sacrifices ?
- (1) Rigveda
 - (2) Samaveda
 - (3) Yajurveda
 - (4) Atharvaveda
38. Who authored the famous historical novel "Anandamath" which includes the national song "Vande Mataram" ?
- (1) Rabindranath Tagore
 - (2) Bankim Chandra Chatterjee
 - (3) Sarat Chandra Chattopadhyay
 - (4) R. K. Narayan
39. The famous painting "Bharat Mata" was created by which artist ?
- (1) Raja Ravi Varma
 - (2) M. F. Husain
 - (3) Abanindranath Tagore
 - (4) Jamini Roy
40. The Sangam literature was written in which language ?
- (1) Sanskrit
 - (2) Prakrit
 - (3) Tamil
 - (4) Kannada

41. Identify the sentence that contains a misplaced modifier :

- (1) The chef prepared a gourmet meal for the guests that was delicious.
- (2) The guests that the chef prepared a gourmet meal for were delighted.
- (3) The chef, preparing a gourmet meal for the guests, was praised.
- (4) The gourmet meal that the chef prepared for the guests was delicious.

42. Choose the sentence that correctly uses a subjunctive verb form :

- (1) If he was here, we would start the meeting.
- (2) If she is to win, she would have to train harder.
- (3) If I were you, I would apologize immediately.
- (4) If they was aware, they would have acted differently.

43. Select the sentence that correctly uses an absolute phrase :

- (1) The sun setting, we decided to head back.
- (2) The sun sets, we decided to head back.
- (3) The sun setting down, we decided to head back.
- (4) As the sun sets, we decided to head back.

44. Identify the type of clause in the following sentence :

"Whoever leaves last should turn off the lights.

- (1) Noun clause
- (2) Adjective clause
- (3) Adverbial clause
- (4) Independent clause

45. Which sentence demonstrates correct parallel structure ?
- (1) She likes to swim, biking, and to run.
 - (2) She likes swimming, biking, and to run.
 - (3) She likes to swim, to bike, and to run.
 - (4) She likes swimming, biking, and running.
46. What is the meaning of "Persona non grata" ?
- (1) An unwelcome person
 - (2) A beloved friend
 - (3) A trusted advisor
 - (4) A respected leader
47. What does "Quid pro quo" signify ?
- (1) Something given in exchange for something else
 - (2) Equal distribution
 - (3) A spontaneous gesture
 - (4) An unexpected outcome
48. Choose the sentence that correctly uses the past perfect tense :
- (1) By the time he arrives, I had finished the report.
 - (2) By the time he arrived, I had finished the report.
 - (3) By the time he had arrived, I finished the report.
 - (4) By the time he arrives, I finish the report.
49. Select the sentence that demonstrates the correct use of a semicolon :
- (1) She loves to read; and her favourite genre is historical fiction.
 - (2) She loves to read; her favourite genre is historical fiction.
 - (3) She loves to read; however, her favourite genre is historical fiction.
 - (4) She loves to read; however her favourite genre is historical fiction.

50. Identify the sentence that contains a gerund phrase :

- (1) To swim in the ocean is my favourite activity.
- (2) Swimming in the ocean is my favourite activity.
- (3) Swim in the ocean is my favourite activity.
- (4) Swims in the ocean is my favourite activity.

51. Choose the grammatically correct response :

Boy : I love you !

Girl

- (1) I also
- (2) I love you too
- (3) I too love you
- (4) I am loving it

52. Choose the word that best completes the sentence :

The professor's lecture was so that several students fell asleep.

- (1) invigorating
- (2) soporific
- (3) dynamic
- (4) exhilarating

53. Select the synonym for "aberration" :

- (1) consistency
- (2) anomaly
- (3) regularity
- (4) norm

54. Identify the correct definition of "obfuscate" :

- (1) to clarify
- (2) to confusc
- (3) to illuminate
- (4) to reveal

55. Choose the word that best completes the sentence :

The CEO's attitude made it difficult for employees to approach him with their concerns.

- (1) affable
- (2) approachable
- (3) aloof
- (4) congenial

56. Select the antonym for "venerate" :

- (1) revere
- (2) respect
- (3) disdain
- (4) admire

57. Choose the word that best completes the sentence :

Her manners at the dinner table were a source of embarrassment for her family.

- (1) urbane
- (2) boorish
- (3) sophisticated
- (4) genteel

58. Select the synonym for "quixotic" :

- (1) pragmatic
- (2) realistic
- (3) idealistic
- (4) sensible

59. Identify the correct definition of "laconic" :

- (1) verbose
- (2) taciturn
- (3) garrulous
- (4) loquacious

60. Choose the word that best completes the sentence :

The lawyer's arguments failed to convince the jury.

(1) cogent

(2) specious

(3) compelling

(4) persuasive

Read the passage below and answer the questions from 61 to 65.

In the dimly lit room, the flickering candle cast elongated shadows on the weathered walls, whispering secrets of the past. Amelia sat in the corner, her fingers tracing the intricate patterns of an old, leather-bound journal. The air was thick with the scent of aged paper and dust, a testament to the years of neglect this place had endured. She had come here seeking answers, drawn by the cryptic letters her grandmother had left behind.

Each page she turned revealed more about a life she never knew - a life filled with clandestine meetings, unspoken promises, and a love that defied the conventions of its time. Amelia's heart ached as she pieced together the story of a woman torn between duty and desire, a woman who had lived in the shadows, her true self hidden from the world.

Her grandmother's words were laden with metaphors, painting vivid pictures of a bygone era where love was both a beacon and a burden. As the night wore on, Amelia felt a growing connection to this enigmatic figure, a kinship that transcended time and space. The journal was not just a record of the past; it was a mirror reflecting her own struggles and dreams.

Suddenly, a gust of wind swept through the room, extinguishing the candle and plunging Amelia into darkness. She closed the journal, holding it close to her chest, and sat in silence, the echoes of her grandmother's life resonating in the quiet. In that moment, she understood the power of her legacy - a legacy of resilience, love, and the relentless pursuit of truth.

61. What is the central theme of the prose piece ?

(1) The inevitability of fate

(2) The struggle for identity

(3) The conflict between tradition and modernity

(4) The transient nature of human relationships

62. Examine the primary character's motivations in the excerpt. What drives their actions and decisions ?
- (1) A desire for power
 - (2) A need for validation and acceptance
 - (3) Fear of failure
 - (4) A quest for truth and understanding
63. What one word describes the atmosphere of the passage ?
- (1) Romantic
 - (2) Grotesque
 - (3) Nostalgic
 - (4) Euphoric
64. The character of grandmother, after reading the passage, emerges as :
- (1) Reserved
 - (2) Clandestine
 - (3) Obscure
 - (4) Manipulative
65. What is the author's purpose in writing this excerpt ? How does the narrative style and tone help achieve this purpose ?
- (1) To entertain and amuse
 - (2) To inform and educate
 - (3) To provoke thought and reflection
 - (4) To persuade and argue

Read the poetic piece below and answer the questions from 66 to 70 :

In the quiet of the morning dew,
Where sunlight breaks and shadows strew,
The whisper of the leaves proclaims,
The secrets of the night remains.

A river's song, a gentle breeze,
The rustling of the ancient trees,
Nature's symphony does blend,
A melody that has no end.
The poet stands on this serene ground,
Where peace and solace can be found,
With pen in hand, a heart so light,
He captures dawn's ethereal light.

Yet, in his lines, there lies a sorrow,
A yearning for a brighter morrow,
His words, though soft, hold weight so deep,
Of dreams he had, and those to keep.

And as the world begins to wake,
The poet ponders what to make,
Of fleeting moments, life's short breath,
The dance of time, the shadow of death.

66. What is the central theme of the poem ?

- (1) The beauty of nature
- (2) The passage of time and its impact on life
- (3) The joy of solitude
- (4) The power of dreams

67. How would you describe the overall tone and mood of the poem ?

- (1) Joyful and celebratory
- (2) Melancholic and reflective
- (3) Angry and rebellious
- (4) Excited and hopeful

68. Identify the use of two literary devices in the line :
The whisper of the leaves proclaims/The secrets of the night remains.
- (1) Metaphor and irony
 - (2) Simile and hyperbole
 - (3) Alliteration and personification
 - (4) Onomatopoeia and oxymoron
69. What can be inferred about the poet's view of nature based on the poem above ?
- (1) He sees nature as chaotic and unpredictable
 - (2) He views nature as a source of inspiration and solace
 - (3) He finds nature frightening and intimidating
 - (4) He believes nature is indifferent and detached
70. What is the poet's purpose in writing this poem ? How does the language and imagery help achieve this purpose ?
- (1) To entertain and amuse
 - (2) To inform and educate
 - (3) To provoke thought and reflection
 - (4) To persuade and argue
71. Which ancient Indian text is considered the earliest work of literary criticism in India ?
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| (1) Ramayana | (2) Mahabharata |
| (3) Natya Shastra | (4) Arthashastra |
72. Who wrote the famous play "Shakuntala" ?
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| (1) Kalidasa | (2) Bhasa |
| (3) Bhavabhuti | (4) Harsha |
73. Which Indian classical dance form originated in the temples of Tamil Nadu ?
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| (1) Kathak | (2) Odissi |
| (3) Bharatanatyam | (4) Kathakali |

74. The art of Madhubani painting originates from which Indian state ?
- (1) Gujarat (2) Bihar
(3) Rajasthan (4) West Bengal
75. Which monument in India is an example of Indo-Islamic architecture and is known for its intricate marble work ?
- (1) Qutub Minar
(2) Humayun's Tomb
(3) Red Fort
(4) Taj Mahal
76. The famous caves of Ajanta and Ellora are located in which Indian state ?
- (1) Maharashtra (2) Madhya Pradesh
(3) Karnataka (4) Andhra Pradesh
77. The "Gita Govinda," a work of lyrical poetry, was composed by which poet ?
- (1) Kabir (2) Jayadeva
(3) Surdas (4) Tulsidas
78. Who is known as the 'Nightingale of India' for her contributions to Indian classical music and playback singing ?
- (1) Lata Mangeshkar (2) M. S. Subbulakshmi
(3) Noor Jehan (4) Kishori Amonkar
79. The ancient university of Nalanda was a significant centre for the study of which religion ?
- (1) Hinduism (2) Buddhism
(3) Jainism (4) Sikhism
80. Which philosophy of Indian origin comes close to western idea of "carpe diem" ?
- (1) Sankhay (2) Gyan Mimansa
(3) Advaitwad (4) Charwak

- 81.** Identify the sentence with the correct subject-verb agreement :
- (1) The bouquet of roses are beautiful.
 - (2) The bouquet of roses is beautiful.
 - (3) The bouquet of roses were beautiful
 - (4) The bouquet of roses be beautiful.
- 82.** Choose the correct word to complete the sentence :
- He has lived here ten years.
- (1) since
 - (2) from
 - (3) for
 - (4) during
- 83.** Which sentence uses the correct form of the adjective ?
- (1) She is more smarter than her brother.
 - (2) She is smarter than her brother.
 - (3) She is the more smarter than her brother.
 - (4) She is the smarter than her brother.
- 84.** Which sentence is in the passive voice ?
- (1) The chef cooked the meal.
 - (2) The meal was cooked by the chef.
 - (3) The chef is cooking the meal.
 - (4) The meal is cooking by the chef.
- 85.** Choose the correct form of the pronoun to complete the sentence :
- Neither John nor Maria has finished homework.
- (1) his
 - (2) her
 - (3) their
 - (4) its

86. Identify the sentence with the correct use of the infinitive :

- (1) She wants to going to the concert.
- (2) She wants to go to the concert.
- (3) She wants go to the concert.
- (4) She wants going to the concert.

87. Choose the correct conjunction to complete the sentence :

I will call you I arrive.

- (1) until
- (2) as soon as
- (3) although
- (4) unless

88. Identify the sentence with the correct use of the conditional :

- (1) If I was rich, I would travel the world.
- (2) If I were rich, I would travel the world.
- (3) If I am rich, I would travel the world.
- (4) If I be rich, I would travel the world.

89. Identify the sentence with the correct use of the subjunctive mood :

- (1) If she was here, she would know what to do.
- (2) If she were here, she would know what to do.
- (3) If she be here, she would know what to do.
- (4) If she is here, she would know what to do.

90. Choose the correct relative pronoun to complete the sentence :

The man you met yesterday is my uncle.

- (1) which
- (2) whom
- (3) whose
- (4) who

91. Who is the author of the modernist novel "To the Lighthouse," which explores themes of time and change ?
- (1) James Joyce (2) Virginia Woolf
(3) D. H. Lawrence (4) E. M. Forster
92. Which Romantic poet wrote the collection "Songs of Innocence and of Experience," exploring the dualities of human nature ?
- (1) William Wordsworth (2) Samuel Taylor Coleridge
(3) William Blake (4) Lord Byron
93. Identify the author of the Victorian novel "Tess of the d'Urbervilles," which critiques societal norms and moral values.
- (1) Charles Dickens (2) George Eliot
(3) Thomas Hardy (4) Anthony Trollope
94. Which playwright wrote the absurdist play "Waiting for Godot," a cornerstone of modern drama ?
- (1) Harold Pinter (2) Samuel Beckett
(3) Tom Stoppard (4) Edward Albee
95. Who wrote the long poem "Aurora Leigh," which is considered a significant work of Victorian literature ?
- (1) Elizabeth Barrett Browning (2) Alfred, Lord Tennyson
(3) Christina Rossetti (4) Robert Browning
96. Which modernist writer penned "The Sound and the Fury," a novel known for its innovative narrative techniques and complex structure ?
- (1) F. Scott Fitzgerald (2) Ernest Hemingway
(3) William Faulkner (4) James Joyce
97. Who wrote "The Importance of Being Earnest," a play that satirizes the social norms and attitudes of Victorian society ?
- (1) George Bernard Shaw (2) Oscar Wilde
(3) J. M. Barrie (4) W. B. Yeats

98. Identify the author of the postcolonial novel "Things Fall Apart," which examines the impact of European colonialism on African societies.
- (1) Chinua Achebe (2) Ngũgĩ wa Thiong'o
(3) Wole Soyinka (4) J. M. Coetzee
99. In "The Merchant of Venice," what is the significance of the three caskets in the subplot involving Portia's suitors ?
- (1) They symbolize different virtues
(2) They represent the elements (earth, water, fire)
(3) They contain clues to solve a mystery
(4) They are part of a treasure hunt
100. What is the role of the character Ratna in "Kanthapura" ?
- (1) She is Moorthy's love interest
(2) She is the village elder
(3) She is a British sympathizer
(4) She is a revolutionary leader

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