

**Group-B (General English)**

**Directions (Questions : 1-25) :** Mark your responses on the separate OMR Answer Sheet provided.:  
(25×2=50)

1. Choose the correct spelling.  
(a) saporate ..... [ ] (b) separate ..... [ ]  
(c) sepearate ..... [ ] (d) saperate ..... [ ]
2. The antonym of 'plausible' is  
(a) implausible ..... [ ] (b) unpaluable ..... [ ]  
(c) dispaluable ..... [ ] (d) implausible ..... [ ]
3. Pour the milk \_\_\_\_\_ the cup. (Fill in the blank with the most appropriate preposition)  
(a) at ..... [ ] (b) in ..... [ ]  
(c) on ..... [ ] (d) into ..... [ ]
4. He is old \_\_\_\_\_ he can run fast.. (Fill in the blank with the most appropriate conjunction)  
(a) yet ..... [ ] (b) but ..... [ ]  
(c) and ..... [ ] (d) as well as ..... [ ]
5. My brother is \_\_\_\_\_ MLA. (Choose the correct article)  
(a) the ..... [ ] (b) a ..... [ ]  
(c) an ..... [ ] (d) all of the above ..... [ ]
6. I cannot read this handwriting. It is \_\_\_\_\_. (Choose the word which best completes the sentence)  
(a) irregular ..... [ ] (b) eligible ..... [ ]  
(c) illegal ..... [ ] (d) illegible ..... [ ]
7. The action of killing of a king. (Choose the right word)  
(a) patricide ..... [ ] (b) homicide ..... [ ]  
(c) massacre ..... [ ] (d) regicide ..... [ ]
8. Give one word for ' a person who thieves the writings of others'.  
(a) copy-cat ..... [ ] (b) plagiarist ..... [ ]  
(c) illegitimate ..... [ ] (d) philalderer ..... [ ]
9. He said, "The Earth appears round." (Change the form of speech)  
(a) He said that the Earth appeared round. [ ] (b) He says that the Earth appears round. ... [ ]  
(c) He said that the Earth appears round. . [ ] (d) He says that the Earth appeared round... [ ]
10. Call him in. (Change the voice)  
(a) Let him be called in. .... [ ] (b) Let him come in. .... [ ]  
(c) You call him in. .... [ ] (d) Tell them to call him in. .... [ ]
11. I am superior \_\_\_\_\_ him. (Choose the most appropriate preposition)  
(a) to ..... [ ] (b) than ..... [ ]  
(c) above ..... [ ] (d) on ..... [ ]
12. They said that the train was late. (Change the form of speech)  
(a) They said, "The train was late." ..... [ ] (b) They say, "The train is late." ..... [ ]  
(c) They say, "The train was late." ..... [ ] (d) They said, "The train is late." ..... [ ]

13. The plural form of the word 'phenomenon' is  
(a) phenomenons ..... [ ] (b) phenomena ..... [ ]  
(c) phenomenone ..... [ ] (d) phenomene ..... [ ]
14. Either you or I \_\_\_\_\_ to blame. (*Choose the most appropriate verb*)  
(a) am ..... [ ] (b) are ..... [ ]  
(c) is ..... [ ] (d) were ..... [ ]
15. Give the synonym of the word 'defer'.  
(a) postpone ..... [ ] (b) defy ..... [ ]  
(c) differ ..... [ ] (d) indifferent ..... [ ]
16. Give one word for 'Sounding the same but spelt differently'.  
(a) symphonious ..... [ ] (b) homophonous ..... [ ]  
(c) synonym ..... [ ] (d) samonymous ..... [ ]
17. Choose the correct sentence.  
(a) Although it was raining, but we had the picnic ..... [ ]  
(b) Although it was raining, though we had the picnic. .... [ ]  
(c) Although it was raining, yet we had the picnic. .... [ ]  
(d) None of these ..... [ ]
18. Choose the appropriate meaning of the phrase "to drive home"  
(a) to find one's roots ..... [ ] (b) back to the original position ..... [ ]  
(c) to return to place of rest ..... [ ] (d) to emphasise ..... [ ]
19. Although she searched everywhere, Mary could not find the key to her room.  
(a) Simple sentence. .... [ ] (b) Compound sentence. .... [ ]  
(c) Complex sentence. .... [ ] (d) None of these ..... [ ]
20. You are free, \_\_\_\_\_. (*Put the right question tag*)  
(a) aren't you? ..... [ ] (b) are you? ..... [ ]  
(c) don't you? ..... [ ] (d) were you? ..... [ ]
21. The chances are even. Here, 'even' is a/an  
(a) verb. .... [ ] (b) adjective. .... [ ]  
(c) noun. .... [ ] (d) adverb. .... [ ]
22. One who abandons his own faith is called  
(a) Profane. .... [ ] (b) Agnostic. .... [ ]  
(c) Prostate. .... [ ] (d) Apostate. .... [ ]
23. This house is to be let. (*Change the voice*)  
(a) Let this house be let. .... [ ] (b) This house is to let. .... [ ]  
(c) Let it be this house. .... [ ] (d) To be let is this house. .... [ ]
24. There is the man. He dug the well. (*Which word will be used to combine the sentences?*)  
(a) that. .... [ ] (b) which. .... [ ]  
(c) who. .... [ ] (d) None of these ..... [ ]

25. Rearrange these parts which are labelled P, Q, R and S to produce the correct sentence.

- (P) - for thousands of years
  - (Q) - and famous symbols of ancient civilizations
  - (R) - Monuments have been created
  - (S) - and they are often the most durable
- (a) SRQP ..... [ ]    (b) QPRS ..... [ ]  
(c) PRSQ ..... [ ]    (d) RPQS ..... [ ]

**Group-C (ESSAY WRITING) - 30 Marks**

26. Write an essay on '*any one*' of the following topics in about 400 words:

- (a) Social problems of people with disabilities.
- (b) Plastic waste management
- (c) Women empowerment
- (d) Online education - pros and cons

**Group-D (ENGLISH COMPREHENSION) - 20 Marks**

27. Read the following passage carefully answer the questions that follow:

No one can fail to realise what an important part the newspaper plays in our life. Not only does it keep us informed about our outside interest and fellowmen, but unconsciously it moulds our principles and shapes our ideas according to the opinions of this or that journal. The conscious motive in buying a newspaper, we may take it to furnish ourselves with news. And by news we mean not only accounts of the comings and goings of ambassadors and kings and the reports of the events taking place in this country and in countries across the sea, whether in or out of the pale of ordinary circumstances but also recordings of the rise and fall of the stock market, the prospective chances of our Test Team and the progress of our educational system. Not only do we satiate our appetite for news but we also divert ourselves with numerous and interesting pictures, cartoons, puzzles, which readily provide a relish for the breakfast table. Even our gardening problems meet with expert solution and our younger generation is not left unprovided for by its universal catering. But perhaps a more important influence the newspaper has is the one which, unknown to us, secretly lays siege to our opinions, overcomes them and marshals them at the orders of this or that writer. Many of us with a taste for reading find our choice superimposed, whilst the advertisement column, by its attractive slogan, makes us unconscious victims of its snares.

**Questions:**

**(5 x 4 = 20)**

- (a) What is the importance of newspapers in a man's life?
- (b) What different interests are served by newspaper?
- (c) What is the conscious motive in buying a newspaper?
- (d) How do newspapers help the younger generation?
- (e) How do advertisements make us victims of their snares?