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GUYANA DEFENCE FORCE
ACADEMIC EDUCATION PROGRAMME
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
LEVEL 1 PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATION

(Time:90 mins.)

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

1) Identify which sentence is written in the present tense.

- a. Mother made fudge on Tuesdays.
- b. Mother makes fudge on Tuesdays.
- c. Mother was making fudge on Tuesdays.
- d. Mother is making fudge on Tuesdays.

2) Identify which sentence is written in the present tense.

- a. My friend threw a basketball.
- b. My friend bought a basketball.
- c. My friend throws a basketball.
- d. My friend had a basketball.

3) Identify which sentence is written in the present tense.

- a. The passengers take their luggage.
- b. The passengers took their luggage.
- c. The passengers will take their luggage.
- d. The passengers packed their luggage.

4) Identify which sentence is written in the present tense.

- a. My teacher wrote me an interesting story.
- b. My teacher told me an interesting story.
- c. My teacher was telling me an interesting story.
- d. My teacher tells me an interesting story.

For each of the questions from 5-8 identify the sentence that has been written correctly.

5) Identify the sentence that has been written correctly.

- a. The team win the tournament last week.
- b. The team won the tournament last week.
- c. The team plays the tournament last week.
- d. The team play the tournament last week.

6) Identify the sentence that has been written correctly.

- a. All the ladies is invited.
- b. All the ladies was invited.
- c. All the ladies has been invited.
- d. All the ladies are invited.

7) Identify the sentence that has been written correctly.

- a. I had ate fresh bread.
- b. I have ate fresh bread.
- c. I likes to eat fresh bread.
- d. I like to eat fresh bread.

8) Identify the sentence that has been written correctly.

- a. His brother learnt him a lot.
- b. His brother have learnt him a lot.
- c. His brother taught him a lot.
- d. His brother teach him a lot.

9) Identify the correct sentence in each of the questions from 9 to 13.

Identify the correct sentence from the group of sentences below.

- a. Jane is smarter than me.
- b. Jane is more smart than me.
- c. Jane is more smarter than me.
- d. Jane is most smartest than me.

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10) **Identify the correct sentence from the group of sentences below.**

- a. Mr. Tom is the wiser man in our village.
- b. Mr. Tom is the wise man in our village.
- c. Mr. Tom is the wisest man in our village.
- d. Mr. Tom is the most wisest man in our village.

11) **Identify the correct sentence from the group of sentences below.**

- a. Which one is the more pretty?
- b. Which one is the prettiest?
- c. Which one is the most pretty?
- d. Which one is the more prettier?

12) **Identify the correct sentence from the group of sentences below.**

- a. Frank is older than Susan.
- b. Frank is more older than Susan.
- c. Frank is oldest than Susan.
- d. Frank is most oldest than Susan.

13) **Identify the correct sentence from the group of sentences below.**

- a. Between the two, I like her the best.
- b. Between the two, I like her better.
- c. Between the two, I like her more better.
- d. Between the two, I like her best.

14) **Choose the correct verb to complete the sentence below.**

He was _____ with himself yesterday.

- a. hurted
- b. unhappy
- c. hurting
- d. hurts

15) Choose the correct verb to complete the sentence below.

We _____ the game because of the muddy ground.

- a. lost
- b. loose
- c. loosing
- d. loss

16) Choose the correct verb to complete the sentence below.

Patting stray dogs _____ very silly.

- a. were
- b. are
- c. is
- d. am

17) Choose the correct verb to complete the sentence below.

If I _____ you, I'd go home.

- a. was
- b. is
- c. am
- d. were

18) Choose the correct verb to complete the sentence below.

He has _____ from Lethem.

- a. drive
- b. driven
- c. drove
- d. driving

From the options below, select the collective noun that will complete the sentence correctly.

19) A _____ of kittens slept in the box under the table.

- a. brood
- b. litter
- c. pack

d. bunch

From the options below, select the collective noun that will complete the sentence correctly.

20) The _____ of musicians travelled by air.

- a. band
- b. convoy
- c. bench
- d. school

From the options below, select the collective noun that will complete the sentence correctly.

21) A _____ of furniture was delivered to that house.

- a. suite
- b. suit
- c. group
- d. collection

From the options below, select the collective noun that will complete the sentence correctly.

22) The _____ of players arrived late.

- a. pack
- b. class
- c. gang
- d. team

From the options below, select the collective noun that will complete the sentence correctly.

23) The _____ of oxen was hired to plough the fields.

- a. troupe
- b. herd
- c. team
- d. swarm

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Read the entry below then answer the question that follows.

Trees and plants are living things. As the human being needs air, water, food and heat to stay alive, so plants need air, water, food and sunshine to keep alive.

24) Plants need _____ to stay alive.

- a. air and water
- b. food and sunshine
- c. air and light
- d. air, water, food and sunshine.

Read the entry below then answer the question that follows.

A plant feeds through its roots. Some plants, like the mango tree, send their roots deep into the ground in search of food.

25) A plant feeds through its _____.

- a. leaves
- b. stem
- c. roots
- d. branches

26) Read the entry below then answer the question that follows.

On the leaves of plants can be seen tiny holes or pores. Through these, the plant breathes and gives off water.

Plants _____ through the tiny holes on their leaves.

- a. breathe
- b. feed
- c. feed and breathe
- d. breathe and give off water

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27) Two parts of a plant are _____ and _____.

- a. roots and air
- b. water and trunk
- c. leaves and roots
- d. holes and leaves.

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28) Tiny holes on leaves are called _____.

- a. leaves
- b. pores
- c. roots
- d. stems

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29) Trees and plants are _____ things.

- a. dead
- b. swinging
- c. living
- d. climbing

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30) The _____ of the plants keep them upright and firm.

- a. branches
- b. leaves
- c. roots
- d. flowers

Select the correct tense of the verbs underlined.

31) We had begun school the previous week.

- a. present tense
- b. past tense
- c. present participle
- d. past participle

Select the correct tense of the verbs underlined.

32) Our knowledge of dinosaurs comes from the fossil remains.

- a. present tense
- b. past tense
- c. present participle
- d. past participle

Select the correct tense of the verbs underlined.

33) In time, the bones became part rock.

- a. present tense
- b. past tense
- c. present participle
- d. past participle

Select the correct tense of the verbs underlined.

34) They were practising for the drama production.

- a. present tense
- b. present continuous tense
- c. past tense
- d. past continuous tense

Select the correct tense of the verbs underlined.

35) We are beginning school today.

- a. present tense
- b. present continuous tense
- c. past tense
- d. past continuous tense

Select the correct tense of the verbs underlined.

36) I am reading an interesting book.

- a. present tense
- b. present continuous tense
- c. past tense
- d. past continuous tense

Identify the verb that correctly completes the sentence.

37) Who _____ this drawing book.

- a. tear
- b. tearing
- c. torn
- d. tore

Identify the verb that correctly completes the sentence.

38) I was _____ for the shop assistant.

- a. mistaken
- b. mistook
- c. mistaking
- d. taken

Identify the verb that correctly completes the sentence.

39) They blew the balloon up yesterday and it _____.

- a. bursts
- b. bursted
- c. bursting
- d. burst

Identify the verb that correctly completes the sentence.

40) Paul Keens Douglas _____ Tim Tim.

- a. writes.
- b. write
- c. wrote
- d. written

Identify the verb that correctly completes the sentence.

41) The market clock is _____ once a week.

- a. winded
- b. wind
- c. wound
- d. winding

Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

42) The girls, accompanied by their mother _____ shopping for shoes.

- a. goes
- b. gone
- c. going
- d. go

Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

43) Nobody _____ about the stray animals.

- a. caring
- b. cares
- c. care
- d. are caring

Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

44) Sue, along with her friends _____ arrived in Guyana.

- a. has
- b. have
- c. is
- d. are

Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

45) Road repair programmes _____ employment for many people.

- a. providing
- b. provide
- c. provides
- d. is providing

Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

46) Dominica, as well as Grenada, _____ bananas to the United Kingdom.

- a. export
- b. exports
- c. are exporting
- d. exports

From the options below, identify the common noun that matches the proper noun in bold.

47) The Canje Pheasant _____

- a. tree
- b. school
- c. bridge
- d. bird

From the options below, identify the common noun that matches the proper noun in bold.

48) Saturn _____

- a. stone
- b. space
- c. man
- d. planet

From the options below, identify the common noun that matches the proper noun in bold.

49) The Atlantic _____

- a. sea
- b. ocean
- c. river
- d. stream

From the options below, identify the common noun that matches the proper noun in bold.

50) Saint George's Cathedral

- a. priest
- b. man
- c. church
- d. house

From the options below, identify the common noun that matches the proper noun in bold.

51) Main Stay Lake

- a. hotel
- b. resort
- c. river
- d. region

Select the opposite gender of the word underlined

52) The seamstress missed the bus to Lethem.

- a. tailor
- b. lady
- c. spinster
- d. landlord

Select the opposite gender of the word underlined.

53) The fox ate the chicken.

- a. wolf
- b. cock
- c. duck
- d. vixen

Select the opposite gender of the word underlined.

54) The buck was sold to the miner.

- a. heifer
- b. sow
- c. doe
- d. stag

Select the opposite gender of the word underlined.

55) The matron stared at the man strangely.

- a. patron
- b. mayor
- c. host
- d. governor

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Read the entry carefully and answer the question which follows.

56) Nobody knows how many islands there are in the Caribbean. Many of them are little more than barren, uninhabited coral or volcanic rocks dotted about in the blue sea.

- a. 300
- b. ,000
- c. 350
- d. not known

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57) The word **barren** means _____.

- a. infertile
- b. rocky
- c. inhabited
- d. deserted

Read the entry carefully and answer the question which follows.

The Bahamas, for example are in archipelago of some 3,000 islands, small cays and rocks. People visiting the Caribbean on a short holiday are often amazed at the relatively high standard of living in what is after all a developing area.

58) Which of the following refers to the Bahamas?

- a. small cays
- b. 300 islands
- c. sandy soil
- d. a developed area

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59) Visitors to the Caribbean are amazed by the _____.

- a. unemployment
- b. serious economic problems

- c. high standard of living
- d. number of islands

Read the entry carefully and answer the question which follows.

All this apparent affluence hides the Caribbean's most serious economic problem, one which it shares with the rest of the Third World- a very high level of unemployment and underemployment.

60) What does the phrase **apparent affluence suggest?**

- a. poverty
- b. abundance
- c. prosperity
- d. happiness

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61) The phrase **Third World refers to _____.**

- a. another world
- b. developed countries
- c. developing countries
- d. uninhabited islands

62) Identify which sentence is written in the past tense.

- a. I saw my friend.
- b. I see my friend.
- c. I will see my friend.
- d. I am seeing my friend.

63) Identify which sentence is written in the past tense.

- a. The small boat will capsize in the river.
- b. The small boat capsizes in the river.
- c. The small boat capsized in the river.
- d. The small boat capsize in the river.

64) Identify which sentence is written in the past tense.

- a. The pupils collect data on the project.
- b. The pupils collected data on the project.
- c. The pupils will collect data on the project.
- d. The pupils are collecting data on the project.

65) Identify which sentence is written in the past tense.

- a. Smoking will be prohibited on the bus.
- b. Smoking was prohibited on the bus.
- c. Smoking is prohibited on the bus.
- d. Smoking can be prohibited on the bus.

66) Identify which sentence is written in the past tense.

- a. His reaction is rather surprising.
- b. The soldiers are at lunch.
- c. His reaction was rather surprising.
- d. The soldiers are on the drill square.

67) Identify which sentence is written in the past tense.

- a. The lion is the king of the jungle.
- b. The mountains are far away.
- c. The wicked boy stole five hundred dollars.
- d. My feet are cold.

68) Identify which sentence is written in the past tense.

- a. Phil threw the ball.
- b. The owl sits on the same tree every night.
- c. Susan bites her fingernails.
- d. They are happy.

69) Identify the sentence that is written correctly.

- a. I don't want no money from him.
- b. I don't want any money from him.
- c. I had ate the nuts.
- d. He ain't coming to the party.

70) Identify the sentence that is written correctly.

- a. Write up a report.
- b. The man had to write down the directions to my house.
- c. Being that she was in my class, I lent her my book.
- d. Since he was in my class, I lent him my book.

71) Identify the sentence that is written correctly.

- a. We like these kind of movies.
- b. I and my friend go to the cinema.
- c. The reason I am late is because there was a lot of traffic.
- d. My friend and I are going to the cinema.

72) Identify the sentence that is written correctly.

- a. Let you and I go to the National Park.
- b. These oranges are to be shared between the three of you.
- c. Roy can run faster than I.
- d. She and me will be attending music classes.

73) Identify the sentence that is written correctly.

- a. Each of the ladies wears a pretty coat.
- b. Have you did your home assignment?
- c. We have went to the cinema.
- d. Neither the boy nor the girl have the correct answer.

74) Identify the sentence that is written correctly.

- a. We ain't worrying.
- b. I'm not going to do it.
- c. I ain't going to do it.
- d. It is a secret between Tom and I.

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Select from the options below, the antonym of the word underlined in the sentence.

75) He intends to work harder in the _____ than he has in the past.

- a. future
- b. past
- c. years
- d. present

Select from the options below, the antonym of the word underlined in the sentence.

76) A rabbit is relatively tame compared with a lion that is absolutely _____.

- a. calm
- b. timid
- c. wild
- d. foolish

Select from the options below, the antonym of the word underlined in the sentence.

77) Mr. Sam is quite a humble man but his wife is extremely _____.

- a. polite
- b. proud
- c. stupid
- d. hostile

Select from the options below, the antonym of the word underlined in the sentence.

78) One of the twins was healthy but the other was _____.

- a. unhealthy
- b. weak
- c. feeble
- d. bashful

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Select from the options below, the antonym of the word underlined in the sentence.

79) Isn't he an optimist?

- a. general
- b. president
- c. pessimist
- d. chief

Select from the options below, the antonym of the word underlined in the sentence.

80) There was a scarcity of new cars on the market.

- a. decrease
- b. bundance
- c. shortage
- d. sales

Read the entry carefully then answer the question which follows.

Select a word from the options that can be used in place of the word in heavy type.

I read this story when I was seven years old and I have never forgotten it. The story was about a boy named Jack, whose mother gave him a cow to sell but he **bartered** it for some magic beans. When Jack's mother heard what he had done, she scolded him soundly and threw the beans outside.

81) His mother gave him a cow to sell, but he **bartered** it for some magic beans.

- a. displayed
- b. exchanged
- c. sold
- d. rejected

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The beans sprouted and grew overnight. When Jack saw the thick, tall beanstalk, he decided to climb it. Up and up he went, until, he reached the top. He was astonished to find himself in a grand castle.

82) The beans **sprouted** and grew overnight.

- a. sprayed
- b. heightened
- c. fertilized
- d. germinated

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83) He was **astonished** to find himself in a grand castle.

- a. delighted
- b. amazed
- c. dismayed
- d. happy

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Read the entry carefully then answer the question which follows.

Select a word from the options that can be used in place of the word in heavy type.

In the castle, Jack met the kind generous wife of a mean giant, whose prized possessions were his golden harp, his bags of gold, and a hen that laid golden eggs. Jack managed to get hold of these and made a brave dash to freedom.

84) Jack met the kind generous wife of a **mean** giant.

- a. serious
- b. stern
- c. miserly
- d. wealthy

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85) Clutching the giant's **prized possessions**, Jack raced down the beanstalk with the giant in close pursuit.

- a. treasured belongings
- b. priceless items
- c. meagre belongings
- d. valuable prizes

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86) Jack raced down the beanstalk with the giant in **close pursuit.**

- a. strolling nearby
- b. racing closely behind
- c. jogging leisurely behind
- d. closing the gap

Read the entry carefully then answer the question which follows.

Select a word from the options that can be used in place of the word in heavy type.

Clutching the giant's prized possessions, Jack raced down the beanstalk with the giant in close pursuit. Being quite nimble and small, Jack was able to reach the ground first.

87) Being quite **nimble and small, Jack was able to reach the ground first.**

- a. clever
- b. tiny
- c. numb
- d. agile

Read the entry carefully then answer the question which follows.

Select a word from the options that can be used in place of the word in heavy type.

I enjoyed this story because it was about a boy just like me; a bit disobedient sometimes. This character was very interesting. I thought that the mean giant was rather fortunate to have such a docile, loving wife.

88) I thought that the mean giant was rather **fortunate to have such a docile, loving wife.**

- a. thrilled

- b. wealthy
- c. lucky
- d. happy

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89) The giant was fortunate to have a **docile, loving wife.**

- a. aggressive
- b. caring
- c. easy-going
- d. uncouth

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select a word from the options that can be used in place of the word in heavy type.

The story had a happy ending and I felt relieved after Jack's narrow escape. I also felt happy that Jack and his mother were able to afford a better life.

90) The story had a happy ending and I felt **relieved after Jack's narrow escape.**

- a. dejected
- b. relaxed
- c. anxious
- d. tense

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Read the entry carefully then answer the question which follows.

The best story I ever read was Jack and the Beanstalk. I read this story when I was seven years old and I have never forgotten it.

- 91) The writer was _____ years old when she read the story.
- a. hundred
 - b. five
 - c. six
 - d. seven

Read the entry carefully then answer the question which follows.

The story was about a boy named Jack, whose mother gave him a cow to sell but he bartered it for some magic beans.

- 92) In the story, Jack is described as _____ .
- a. lazy boy
 - b. stupid boy
 - c. disobedient boy
 - d. obedient boy

Read the entry carefully then answer the question which follows.

I enjoyed the story because it was about a boy just like me; a bit disobedient sometimes. This character was very interesting.

- 93) The writer felt that Jack was _____ .
- a. an interesting character
 - b. a stupid character
 - c. a wicked character
 - d. a mean character

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Read the entry carefully then answer the question which follows.

I particularly enjoyed the part when the giant woke up to see Jack running off with his fortune. That part was full of drama and suspense. The story had a happy ending and I felt relieved after Jack's narrow escape. I also felt happy that Jack and his mother were able to afford a better life.

94) Which part of the story the writer found to be full of suspense?

- a. When Jack chopped the tree while the giant was climbing down
- b. when the giant woke and saw Jack running off with his fortune
- c. When the bean germinated
- d. When Jack and his mother acquired the fortune

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95) How did the writer feel after Jack's narrow escape?

- a. relieved
- b. caring
- c. timid
- d. serious

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96) What aspect of the story made the writer happy?

- a. That Jack got away from the giant
- b. That the giant was swallowed by the earth
- c. That Jack was seven years too
- d. That Jack and his mother were able to afford a better life