

ENGLISH LANGUAGE 1

PART A-LEXIS AND STRUCTURE

SECTION A

From the alternatives lettered A to D, choose the one which most suitably completes each sentence.

1. Ntim's careless driving resulted a fatal road accident.

- A. in
- B. to
- C. into
- D. with

2. Abibatu takes her mother in many ways.

- A. by
- B. on
- C. up
- D. after

3. Araba goes to school foot.

- A. by
- B. in
- C. on
- D. with

4. The doctor advised the patient to abstain smoking

- A. by
- B. from
- C. upon
- D. with

5. The relationship group A and group B is cordial

- A. of
- B. with
- C. among
- D. between

6. Edwin prefers fishmeat.

- A. to
- B. for
- C. from
- D. than

7. His neighbor complained that the radio wasloud.

- A. far
- B. too
- C. much
- D. enough

8. The white horse isthan the black one.

- A. the faster
- B. very faster

- C. much the faster
- D. very much faster

9. Ihim; then I changed my mind.

- A. had told
- B. have told
- C. am telling
- D. was going to tell

10. By the end of the day, Ithe house.

- A. shall paint
- B. shall be painting
- C. shall have painted
- D. shall have been painting

11. You are a member of the society,?

- A. isn't it
- B. are you
- C. aren't you
- D. weren't you

12. Our captain is not a very reliable person,?

- A. is he
- B. isn't he
- C. does he
- D. doesn't he

13. You have been to Lagos,?

- A. did you
- B. have you
- C. didn't you
- D. haven't you

14. Joseph is thein the class.

- A. cleverer
- B. cleverest
- C. more clever
- D. very clever

15. The triplets lovevery much

- A. each other
- B. themselves
- C. theirselves
- D. one another

16.the watch is old, it is still working.

- A. Since
- B. Besides
- C. Although
- D. However

17. The students setearly on their journey.

- A. up
- B. in

- C. out
- D. about

SECTION B

Choose from the alternatives lettered A to D the one which is nearest in meaning to the underlined word in each sentence.

18. If you are a true friend you will not disclose a secret.
A. give
B. show
C. display
D. reveal
19. As John waited for the interview, he was very nervous.
A. sad
B. afraid
C. alarmed
D. uneasy
20. Patricia was satisfied with the results of the examination.
A. pleased
B. convinced
C. pampered
D. encouraged
21. The attitude of the gateman was very hostile.
A. harsh
B. strange
C. abusive
D. unfriendly
22. It was not his intention to hurt his younger brother.
A. aim
B. decision
C. interest
D. ambition

SECTION C

In each of the following sentences a group of words has been underlined. Choose from the alternatives lettered A to D the one that best explains the underlined group of words.

23. Ibrahim registered for the course at the eleventh hour.
This means that Ibrahim registered
A. at eleven o'clock
B. a few hours before closing time
C. during eleven hours of registration
D. when it was almost too late
24. Bob lives within a stone's throw of the Jubilee Park.
This means that Bob
A. travels on a stony road
B. lives in a hut in the park
C. lives very close to the park
D. often throws stone at the park

25. When James heard the sound of gun-shots, his hair stood on end.

This means that James

- A. was worried
- B. started crying
- C. was frightened
- D. became inactive

26. Mary has gone to cheer up her friend

This means that Mary has gone to

- A. shout at her
- B. give her gifts
- C. tell her stories
- D. make her happy

27. The teacher's abrupt question threw the pupil off balance.

This means that the pupil was

- A. hurt
- B. annoyed
- C. worried
- D. confused.

SECTION D

From the list of words lettered A to D, choose the one that is most nearly opposite in meaning to the word underlined in each sentence.

28. While the majority voted for a change, thewere against any change.

- A. rivals
- B. members
- C. minority
- D. opposition

29. Imported rice is expensive these days

- A. free
- B. cheap
- C. tasty
- D. scarce

30. The student was condemned for his poor work

- A. cheered
- B. praised
- C. rewarded
- D. recommended

31. Although he had applied for a permanent post, he was only given aone.

- A. useful
- B. boring
- C. labouring
- D. temporary

32. Some people pay much attention to their physical needs.

- A. basic
- B. moral
- C. financial
- D. spiritual

PART B

LITERATURE

From the list of words lettered A to D, choose the one that correctly answers each question or completes the sentence.

33. A comedy is a play that

- A. ends sadly
- B. ends happily
- C. condemns society
- D. preaches honesty

34. The main female character in a play is the

- A. hero
- B. chorus
- C. heroine
- D. persona

35. Expressions that appeal to the senses are collectively called

- A. irony
- B. devices
- C. pictures
- D. imagery

36. The purpose of a comic relief is to

- A. reduce tension
- B. teach a moral lesson
- C. set a moral standard
- D. compound a character's problems

37. A play is better enjoyed when

- A. acted
- B. read
- C. discussed
- D. memorised

38. A narrative poem usually

- A. praises actions
- B. tells a story
- C. mourns the dead
- D. condemns actions

Read the following extract below and answer Questions 39 and 40.

So fair art thou my bonnie lass
So deep in luv am I
And I will luv thee still my dear
Till all the sea gang dry

39. The last line is a/an

- A. litotes
- B. hyperbole
- C. euphemism
- D. understatement

40. The rhyme scheme of the stanza is

- A. abcd

- B. abca
- C. abcb
- D. abba