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General English for Competitive Exams

English Practice Set 1

1. The banyan tree has fallen _____ the road.

- [a] Above
- [b] in
- [c] across
- [d] between

Ans : [a] Above

2 .Do not cry the _____ spilit milk.

- [a] to
- [b] over
- [c] about
- [d] upon

Ans : [b] over

3. Sachin and Rama regularly subscribe _____ the employment news.

- [a] To
- [b] for
- [c] in
- [d] into

Ans : [a] To

4. All of us should abide _____ the laws or our country.

- [a] By
- [b] on
- [c] to
- [d] in

Ans : [a] By

5. Pratima is very much worried _____ her mother's health.

- [a] to
- [b] for
- [c] about
- [d] of

Ans : [c] about

6. Everyone in this universe is accountable_____ his actions.

- [a] For
- [b] about
- [c] of
- [d] against

Ans : [a] For

7. The gifts were divided equally _____ the orphans.

- [a] between
- [b] among

[c] in

[d] to

Ans : [b] among

8. I have been ill _____ monday last.

[a] from

[b] since

[c] on

[d] of

Ans : [b] since

9. He was ashamed _____ his mistake.

[a] at

[b] of

[c] for

[d] from

Ans : [b] of

10. I am thankful _____ your co-operation.

[a] to

[b] for

[c] at

[d] in

Ans : [a] to

11. All _____ glitters is not gold.

[a] those

[b] these

[c] that

[d] the

Ans : [c] that

12. The company managed to stave off bankruptcy for another few months. What is the meaning of the idiom ' STAVE OFF'?

[a] to delay something bad

[b] cancel

[c] implement instantly

[d] follow

Ans : [a] to delay something bad

13. Most of my children take after my husband. What is the meaning of the idiom "TAKE AFTER' ?

[a] idolize

[b] resemble

[c] disagree

[d] misunderstand

Ans : [b] resemble

14. Which word is correctly spelt?

[a] Almighty

[b] allmighty

[c] almity

[d] almighy

Ans : [a] Almighty

15. Synonym or similar word for ‘ JUVENILE’? .

- [a] rustic
- [b] rude
- [c] snug
- [d] infantile

Ans : [d] infantile

16. Antonym for the word ‘ CAPITULATE’?

- [a] summarize
- [b] disobey
- [c] resist
- [d] deride

Ans : [c] resist

17. Spot the error – If you have faith in Almighty (A) / everything will turn out (B)/ to be all right(C)/ no error (D) .

- [a] A
- [b] B
- [c] C
- [d] D

Ans : [a] A

18. Spot the error – No stronger (A)/ a figure than his(B)/is prescribed in the history (C)/No error(D)

- [a] A
- [b] B
- [c] C
- [d] D

Ans : [c] C

19. A person who searches for and collects discarded items is called-

- [a] Scavenger
- [b] pauper
- [c] beggar
- [d] bankrupt

Ans : [a] Scavenger

20. I am well versed _____ English.

- [a] for
- [b] in
- [c] about
- [d] with

Ans : [b] in

21. One who eats human flesh –

- [a] Cannibal
- [b] carnivore
- [c] herbivorous
- [d] none of these

Ans : [a] Cannibal

22. Spot the error Not only she went to Kashmir (A) / but also stayed there (B) / for a month (C) / no error(D)

- [a] A
- [b] B
- [c] C
- [d] D

Ans : [a] A

23. The best way to the children's poor test grades is to teach again the lesson and give a second test. –

- [a] Rectify
- [b] right
- [c] revise
- [d] reform

Ans : [a] Rectify

24. A soldier or sailor, who rebels or refuses to obey the orders of a person in authority -is called?

- [a] radical
- [b] anarchist
- [c] mutineer
- [d] revolutionary

Ans : [c] mutineer

25. Improve the bracketed part of the sentence – Many such mishaps can be avoided if we (are) careful.

- [a] be
- [b] might be
- [c] were
- [d] no improvement

Ans : [d] no improvement

English Grammar Practice Questions

Q.1 When the Principal entered the class, a student..... on the blackboard.

- (a) Wrote
- (b) was writing
- (c) writes
- (d) is writing

Ans . B

Q.2 She.....TV when her husband came.

- (a) watch

(b) was watching

(c) is watching

(d) WA

Ans . B

Q.3 In each of the following questions, find the correctly spelled word.

1. Reannaisance

2. Renaissance

3. Rennaisance

4. Renaissance

a. 1

b. 2

c. 3

d. 4

Ans . B

Q.4 1. Recommendation

2. Recommendation

3. Recomandation

4. Recomendation

a. 1

b. 2

c. 3

d. 4

Ans . B

Q.5 : Select Correct Word

A. Aceleration

B. Aceeleration

C. Accelaration

D. Acceleration

Ans . D

Q.6 : Select Correct Word

A. Agressive

B. Aggressive

C. Aggressiv

D. Aggressive

Ans . C

Q.7 Jawaharlal spent his childhood _____ Anand Bhawan.

(A) at

(B) in

(C) on

(D) across

Ans . D

Q.8 The boy was cured _____ typhoid.

(A) from

(B) of

(C) for

(D) through

Ans . B

Q.9 Voracious.....

(A) tenacious

(B) truthful

(C) spacious

(D) ravenous

Ans . D

Q.10 Abortive.....

(A) fruitful

(B) familiar

(C) unsuccessful

(D) consuming

Ans . C

Q11. Suguganya got —— as an officer in the State bank of India.

A. appoint

B. appointed

C. appoints

D. appointee

Ans . B

Q.12. They listened to him ——

A. spellbinded

B. spellbind

C. spellbinding

D. spellbou

Ans . D

Q.13 Basis

A. bassis

B. bases

C. basises

D. basium

Ans . B

Q.14 Flower

A. flowes

- B. flowers
- C. floweris
- D. floweries

Ans . B

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