

1. "Friends, Romans and countrymen, lend me your ears" is a \_\_\_\_\_
- a. Monologue by Cleopatra
  - b. Monologue by Coriolanus
  - c. monologue by Marc Antony
  - d. Monologue by Brutus

2. Who called Shakespeare "An upstart crow"?

- a. Robert Laffan
- b. Annat Jolianna
- c. Lucrence
- d. Robert Greene

3. "Cowards die many times before their deaths; the valiant never taste of death but once." This is an extract from:

- a. King Lear
- b. Hamlet
- b. Julius Caesar
- c. The merchant of venice

4. In 1609, Thomas Thorpe published "Shakespeare's Sonnets" and noted that they were "Never before Imprinted." How many sonnets appear in the book?

- a. 100
- b. 154
- b. 123
- d. 201

5. Which of the following statements about hypothesis is/are true?

- i. Hypothesis is not always correct
  - ii. Results of an experiment need not support the original hypothesis
  - iii. Researchers cannot draw a hypothesis from a specific theory or build on previous research.
  - iv. Experimentation cannot confirm or disprove hypothesis
- a. i and ii are incorrect
  - b. ii and iii are correct
  - c. iii is incorrect
  - d. iii and iv are incorrect.

6. Bibliographic entry is generally presented in \_\_\_\_\_

- a. Skeletal indention form
- b. Supra indention form

c. hanging indention form

d. double indention form

7. Mark the sentence with correct punctuation

- a. “The problem with opinions”, Paula explained, “is that everyone has one.”
- b. ‘The problem with opinions’, Paula explained, “is that everyone has one.”
- c. “The problem with opinions”, Paula explained, ‘is that everyone has one.’
- d. “The problem, with opinions”, Paula explained, “is that everyone has one.”

Complete the following sentences using appropriate choice.

8. Besides being educated, he is intelligent. He is \_\_\_\_\_

- a. neither intelligent nor educated
- b. either intelligent or educated
- c. more intelligent and educated.
- d. not only intelligent but also educated

9. Should I start just now I will reach there in time. \_\_\_\_\_ I will reach there in time

- a. If I start now
- b. Unless I start just now
- c. Until I start just now
- d. Supposing, I start just now

Choose the word which conveys same meaning as the italicised word in the following sentence

10. The doctor prescribed a *therapeutic* diet.

- a. Light
- b. balanced
- c. with low fat
- d. curative

Select the word which is closest to the opposite in meaning of the italicised word

11. Her *modesty* prevented her from making her feelings known to him

- a. Superiority
- b. . hypocrisy

c. vanity

d. arrogance

12. Who is the Greek philosopher quoted by Bacon in his "Of Love"?

a. Socrates

b. Plutarch

c. Epicurus

d. Aristotle

13. Bacon compares Truth to \_\_\_\_\_

a. Rock and water

b. Gold and diamond

c. Divinity and conscience

d. Pearl and day light

14. Choose the renaissance elements/ element in Dr. Faustus

a. Revival of Learning

b. Geographical discoveries and Rebellion

c. Medieval pattern of living

d. All the above

15. What does Donne's metaphor, 'The compass' signify?

a. Integrity

b. Harmony

c. Spiritual Love

d. Compatibility

16. What is Mark Twain's real name?

a. William Jennings Bryan

b. Henry Williams Norris

c. William Dean Howells

d. Samuel Clemens

17. Which of the following statements is /are true about "The American Scholar"

i. American Scholar is not a particular individual but an ideal

ii. It is originally titled "Man Thinking: An Oration"

iii. It is one of the essays in 'Nature; Addresses and Lectures'

iv. It asserts that every book is inevitably a complete truth

- a. All the below
- b. i and iii
- b. i. only
- d. ii and iii

18. Arthur Miller is making a statement about achieving the American dream by any means through\_\_\_\_\_

- a. Dr. Jim
- b. Chris keller
- c. Larry
- d. . Joe keller

19. Swift, in his 'Battle of books' repeatedly attributes the adjective 'swollen' to the spider to point at the fact that the spider is swollen with\_\_\_\_\_.

- a. arrogance
- b. supremacy
- c. pride
- d. . wealth

20. The Spectator illustrates which of the following models of essay writing?

- a. Description
- b. narration
- c. Satire
- d. All the above

21. 'She stoops to conquer' demonstrates how seriously young people take love, and how foolishly it makes them behave, which is similar to Shakespeare's

- a. Romeo Juliet
- b. Antony and Cleopatra
- c. Twelfth Night
- d. A Midsummer Night's Dream

22. Samuel Johnson, whose famous 'Dictionary of the English Language' is associated with

\_\_\_\_\_

- a. Jacobean Age
- b. Augustan age
- b. Renaissance Era
- d. Victorian Age

23. To which Greek mythological character is Faustus compared in the Prologue?

- a. Hercules
- b. Perseus
- c. Icarus
- d. Theseus

24. What is Milton's stated purpose in Paradise Lost?

- a. To assert his superiority to other poets
- b. To argue against the doctrine of predestination
- c. To justify the ways of God to men
- d. To make his story hard to understand

25. Dryden wrote 'Absalom and Ahithophel' against \_\_\_\_\_

- a. The Earl of Shaftesbury
- b. King Charles II
- c. The Earl of Southampton
- d. King James

26. In 'Jane Eyre', What does Jane do immediately after finishing her studies at Lowood?

- a. She answers an advertisement for a governess at Thornfield.
- b. She becomes a teacher there.
- c. She burns down the building.
- d. She is forced to wander penniless and starving across the moors.

27. What are the two main aspects of Romanticism that Wordsworth uses in the poem, "Tintern Abbey?"

- a. Anti Materialism
- b. Nature
- c. Past
- d. . b and c

28. Which of the following statements about Lyrical Ballads are incorrect ?

- i) It emphasizes the Romantics' belief in Art for the sake of life
  - ii) Preface to Lyrical Ballads was added and extended two years later
  - iii) Wordsworth does not disagree with the Classicists' idea of poetry and art.
  - iv) Wordsworth opines that man and nature cannot adapt to each other.
- a. iii and ii
  - b. i and iii
  - c. iii and iv
  - d. i and ii

29. What is the adjective used by Blake to describe the 'tyger'?

- a. Bold
- b. terrifying
- c. a and b
- d. None of the above

30. Which of the following painters is NOT someone to whom Andrea compares himself?

- a. Raphael
- b. Michelangelo
- c. Leonardo da Vinci
- d. Titian

31. According to Mathew Arnold, ".....most of what passes with us for religion and philosophy will be replaced by \_\_\_\_\_".

- a. Science
- b. Poetry
- c. History
- d. Politics

32. What is the stone monument called, on which Alec makes Tess swear? In Tess of the D'urbervilles?

- a. Stonehenge
- b. Poor Man's Pass
- c. Cross-in-Hand
- d. The Rosetta Stone

33. What does Algernon mean when he says that Lady Bracknell rings the doorbell in a "Wagnerian manner"? in 'The Importance of being Ernest'?

- a. That she is humming "The Ride of the Valkyrie"
- b. That she is dressed up like one of the Valkyries
- c. That she rings insistently, leaving her finger on the bell for a long time
- d. That she has a tendency to burst into song

34. The novel 'A bend in the River' by V.S. Naipaul echoes \_\_\_\_\_ in structure and spirit.

- a. 'The Metamorphosis' by Franz kafka

- b. 'Song of Solomon' by Tony Morrison
- c. 'The Color Purple' by Alice Walker
- d. Conrad's earlier Heart of Darkness

35. In 'Wife', by Bharathi Mukherjee, Dimple's destructive tendency is evident when

- a. She breaks a flower pot
- b. She kills gold fish in a bowl
- c. She kills a rat
- d. b and c

36. Who is referred to as "the wrong miracle" in Salman Rushdie's 'Shame'?

- a. Omar
- b. Sufiya
- c. Munee
- d. Bunny

37. Choose the correct option about the diasporic characters.

- i. The migrants suffer from the pain of being far off from their homes, the memories of their motherland
  - ii. they continue to relate personally or vicariously, to the homeland in a way or another
  - iii. Their attempts of adaptation and adjustment are not without their concern to maintain their original culture and identity
  - iv. They are torn between the two places and two cultures and often languages.
- a. Statement (ii) is correct, but not the correct explanation of (i)
  - b. statement (iii) is incorrect
  - c. Statement (i) is correct and (ii) is the correct explanation of (i)
  - d. Statement (iv) is the correct explanation of (iii)

38. Medea's divine ancestor is:

- a. Zeus
- b. Sisyphus
- c. Hecate
- d. Hyperion

39. She is carried away by 'Menaka' to the abode of the demi-gods; she is never delineated beyond the figure of the pativrata, the ideal wife ; she is constrained within the subject positions conferred on her by patriarchy. Who is she?

- a. Draupadi
- b. Sita
- c. Shakuntala
- d. Soorpanaka

40. Simon De Beauvoir cites the German philosopher, \_\_\_\_\_ who said, "a fundamental hostility to any other consciousness is found in consciousness itself.

- a. Karl Marx
- b. Hegel
- c. Nietzsche
- d. Walter Benjamin

41. The Manuscript of 'Gitanjali' was so appealing to \_\_\_\_\_ that he wrote an introduction and recommended it for Nobel prize.

- a. W.B. Yeats
- b. Auden.
- c. T.S. Eliot
- d. Larkin

42. Which of the following statement / statements about 'Night of the Scorpion' is/ are true?

- a. There is a contrast between the world of irrationality represented by the villagers and the world of rationalism represented by the father
- b. the poem is about the pertinent question as to what can conquer evil
- c. the self-effacing love of a mother had its say.
- d. all the above.

43. \_\_\_\_\_ has served as a prime justification for the conquest of other cultures and their enslavement, as part of the European colonial project.

- a. Wealth
- b. Religion
- c. Knowledge
- d. civilization

44. To which of the following neurotic disorders can Lady Macbeth be associated to?

- a. Anxiety
- b. Depression
- c. Obsessive compulsive disorder
- d. Hysteria



45. Which of the following statements about 'The Direct method' of teaching English is incorrect?

- a. In this method, the teaching is done entirely in the target language.
- b. New language is first heard and extensively drilled before being seen in its written form.
- c. Grammar rules are avoided and there is emphasis on good pronunciation.
- d. The learner is not allowed to use his or her mother tongue.

46. Choose the best option:

i. English is considered a stressed language while many other languages are considered syllabic

ii. In English, we give stress to certain words while other words are quickly spoken

iii. Intonation and stress refer to the music of the English language.

iv. Correct intonation and stress are the key to speaking English fluently with good pronunciation.

a. Statement (iv) is true and (iii) is the correct explanation of (iv)

b. Statement (i) is true and (iii) is the correct explanation of (i)

c. Statement (i) is true and (ii) is the correct explanation of (i)

d. Statement (iii) is true and (iv) is the incorrect explanation of (iii)

47. The language of the Britons driven west by the Anglo-Saxons during the 5th-6th century was \_\_\_\_\_

- a. Gaelic
- b. Brythonic
- c. Scottish
- d. Celtic

48. \_\_\_\_\_ is/are the basic approach/approaches to Thematology

- a. Theme as a subject
- b. Theme as an idea
- c. Theme as a story

d. all the above

Spot the error in the following sentences and mark no error for correct sentences.

49. The (a) jury(b) / is arguing among(c) / themselves (d) / No error(e)

50. Between you and I, (a)/ I am convinced (b)/ that this painting by Neetu shows greater (c)/ artistry than that of Reshma. (d) / no error (e)