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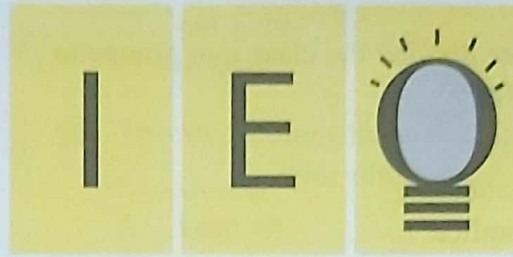
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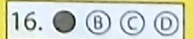
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3. The Question Paper comprises four sections:
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Each question in Achievers Section carries 3 marks, whereas all other questions carry one mark each.
4. All questions are compulsory. There is no negative marking.
5. There is only ONE correct answer. Choose only ONE option for an answer.
6. To mark your choice of answers by darkening the circles on the OMR Sheet, use **HB Pencil** or **Blue / Black ball point pen** only. E.g.

Q.16: Fill in the blanks.

Please teach my dog _____ a ball.

- A.** to fetch **B.** learn **C.** show **D.** to learn



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WORD AND STRUCTURE KNOWLEDGE

FOR QUESTIONS 1 TO 24, CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION TO FILL IN THE BLANK.

1. The administration asked all the students to submit the attested _____.
A. adjustments
B. documents
C. fillings
D. bribes

2. The teacher divided the class into groups to conduct a/an _____.
A. activity
B. understanding
C. accomplice
D. picture

3. The comedians walked up the stage dressed in a variety of _____.
A. cosmopolitans
B. costumes
C. campaigns
D. components

4. The student _____ was called to the principal's office regarding some work.
A. commuter
B. institution
C. representative
D. commissioner

5. The Ursa Major _____ like a ladle and is known as Big Dipper.
A. shape
B. are shaped
C. were shaped
D. is shaped

6. I _____ to Mahabalipuram, in the southeastern state of India.
A. has been
B. have been
C. are been
D. did been

7. The old man was quick _____ that there were many changes done to his room.
A. noticed
B. is noticed
C. to notice
D. did noticed

8. The book _____ because the papers were coming off.
A. had to be rebound
B. has rebound
C. was rebounding
D. were rebounded

9. The pink flamingoes _____ to Mumbai for many years, between November and May.
A. was flocking
B. were flock
C. have been flocking
D. will flocked

10. Every year _____ of electronic waste material is generated.
A. packets
B. volume
C. litres
D. tons

11. The croissants that her mom made were soft and _____.
A. crispy
B. moisture
C. wetly
D. powder

12. The doctor wrote the medical prescriptions _____.
A. dangerously
B. furious
C. illegibly
D. fruitfully

13. The writer had written the essay _____.

- A. fundamental
- B. comically
- C. namely
- D. visually

14. John was delighted to see his friend _____ his way back home.

- A. because of
- B. on
- C. among
- D. in place of

15. The tea cups and saucers were neatly arranged _____ the cupboard shelf.

- A. between
- B. around
- C. inside
- D. because of

16. The local politician paid lip service to the people's problems during the elections _____ get votes.

- A. instead of
- B. in regard to
- C. in spite of
- D. in order to

17. The baby kittens were too tiny and weak _____ even walk.

- A. to
- B. of
- C. through
- D. from

18. I will come to your place _____ the rain stops.

- A. either
- B. only
- C. where
- D. as soon as

19. The farmer finished his work _____ the sunset.

- A. if
- B. unless
- C. before
- D. as if

20. We were not sure _____ it was our turn to go or not.

- A. though
- B. for
- C. whether
- D. because

21. Sunil went out for shopping _____ Suresh played chess with his friend.

- A. where
- B. while
- C. not only
- D. unless

22. The two committees decided to meet, to _____ their differences.

- A. keep on
- B. iron out
- C. hold on
- D. look down

23. The poor man had nothing to _____.

- A. fall in with
- B. fall through
- C. fall back on
- D. fall out

24. 'Make both ends meet' means _____.

- A. earn enough
- B. resolve problems
- C. avoid differences
- D. forcing a conclusion

FOR QUESTIONS 25 AND 26, CHOOSE THE CORRECT SYNONYM OF THE GIVEN WORD.

25. Intimidate

- A. Frighten
- B. Help
- C. Intimate
- D. Intricate

26. Requisite

- A. Recreate
- B. Refrain
- C. Necessity
- D. Rescue

FOR QUESTIONS 27 AND 28, CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANTONYM OF THE GIVEN WORD.

27. Conditioning
- A. Influencing
 - B. Fluent
 - C. Continuing
 - D. Confusing
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28. Tangible
- A. Steep
 - B. Certain
 - C. Abstract
 - D. Righteous

FOR QUESTIONS 29 AND 30, CHOOSE THE OPTION WITH CORRECT SPELLING.

29. How do you spell the word that means 'to integrate'?
- A. Sinchronize
 - B. Synchronize
 - C. Synchronise
 - D. Synchronice
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30. How do you spell the word that means 'at the most basic and important level'?
- A. Rapidly
 - B. Gradually
 - C. Ultimately
 - D. Initially

READING

FOR QUESTIONS 31 TO 35, READ THE PASSAGE AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS THAT FOLLOW.

Gaming is popular within every age group. Older people say they play games as it alleviates loneliness and puts them in contact with others. Statistics reveal that 41% of gamers are women and more than 43% gamers are aged between 25 to 49.

Players can choose between stored games and online games. Stored games are played on consoles while online games are played on computer using either a broadband or dial up Internet connection. And, that gaming is serious as confirmed by the hosting of international conferences devoted to gaming and the formation of "Casual Games Special Interest Group".

Gaming captures the imagination of the players and uses the senses: sight, sound, as well as touch. Most of the games require the use of intelligence as well as strategy. Complex graphics, colours, high quality virtual realities are all set to grab as well as hold the attention of players.

Multi-player gaming takes the interest to the next level – offers challenges as well as new horizons to be conquered.

Games played on the Internet are such that clever participants find ways to push the game beyond its visible limits, one can even device cheats to circumvent problems posed by the game. Games test the skills, intelligence, concentration ability as well as technique.

Online gaming architecture has six business aspects: the subscriber; the advertiser; the gaming platform provider; the broadband service provider; the network service provider; and the gaming content provider. However, there is a downside, gaming can become addictive and affect normal life-style. Kids stop studying, housewives neglect their daily routine, and people are tempted to play games even at work. It can lead to mental imbalance as well as destroy careers. Gamers become recluses and rarely make social contact outside their gaming groups.

Addiction studies indicate that excessive gaming can result in: obsession with games, neglecting everything/everyone, lying, socially unacceptable behaviours, carpal tunnel syndrome, dry eyes, neglecting personal hygiene, as well as sleep disorders.

The future according to Peter Molyneux, is in developing games that reward a player for "out of the box" thinking and creativity. Games must encourage players to be interactive and decide the direction the game will take.

31. Choose the best title or heading for the passage.
- A. Types of Games
 - B. Gaming not for all
 - C. Online Gaming – Advantages and Disadvantages
 - D. Addictions
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32. According to the passage, what percentage of games are played by women?
- A. 40%
 - B. 41%
 - C. 45%
 - D. 44%
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33. What is required for playing games online?
- A. Computer using either a broadband or dial up Internet connection
 - B. Consoles
 - C. Poor connectivity
 - D. Cell phones without a dial up Internet connection
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34. According to the addiction studies, what are the consequences of playing games excessively?
- 1. Obsession with games
 - 2. Neglecting everything /everyone
 - 3. Socially acceptable behaviours
 - 4. Carpal Tunnel Syndrome
 - 5. Good health and hygienic appearance
- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
 - B. 3 and 5 only
 - C. 1, 2 and 4 only
 - D. 4 and 5 only

35. What is the meaning of the word 'recluse'?
- A. A person who avoids other people
 - B. A person who is social
 - C. A person who talks a lot
 - D. A person who helps everyone

FOR QUESTIONS 36 TO 40, READ THE PASSAGE AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS THAT FOLLOW.

Childhood obesity is constantly on the rise and we have failed to do anything about it. Of course, there have been numerous attempts to reduce the obesity rate in children but these attempts are more focused on secondary and tertiary prevention. We are focusing too much on reversing the effects of obesity and not on preventing obesity in the first place. If we inform our community of the health risks, that they are entering, when they are obese we can teach them how they can prevent this situation. We must target the parents and not the children. Parents are the source of food for children and at a young age they must be properly fed and should be active so that these preventable diseases do not occur later on. Physical education in schools must be more active and less optional. We must actually teach physical education rather than allow students to roam freely among themselves and choose whether or not they will be active.

Children are unable to make life decisions surrounding their health and as adults we should be assuring that the children in our communities are in their best health. Poor communities are just as capable of living healthy lifestyles as middle or higher class, but not without the understanding of how to do so, they will reason their lack of health to their financial standings. Community leaders must provide options for parents to seek out in order to keep their children healthy. Community health groups, activities, or even a park would be

helpful. If we can get our kids out of the house and into the yard, we are making progress. By lowering childhood obesity, we are able to prevent the likelihood of strokes, high blood pressure, diabetes, cancers, and heart diseases. All of these major issues are linked to obesity and something has to be done to lower the rates. Obesity has risen from 7% in 1980 to 18% in 2012. That is not a good ladder to climb with our generations to come. The problem lies in people not knowing that they are obese or thinking that obesity is just a word, that more fit people call less fit people.

We must explain to people why they are classified as obese and the health risks that are associated with obesity. Most people hear obesity and think of it as an insult. We fear telling others that they are obese because it sounds hurtful and parents despise being told that their child is obese. The truth of the matter is obesity is here and is rising. There is no need to sugarcoat the facts. We can continue to act as if it is not an important issue, and the rates will continue to increase as the years go on. Children should not have high blood pressure, or any other disease associated with overweight. This issue will not change until we start to make it a priority. I believe this to be the most important issue for our community health because people fear the outcome of bringing childhood obesity up around the parents. It is also critical to point out that you don't have to be rich or extremely wealthy to eat healthier foods and be active. Parents should be more involved in their children's lives and encourage them to be more active on a day to day basis. Restrict TV time and increase the time spent outside. Make better food choices

when feeding kids. Teach the importance of nutrition and fitness and why it should matter to them.

These are the ways in which we can help make a turnaround in our communities for the better. We must focus on the now and not the later. When flu season comes around we get flu shots weeks before the virus is actually being accounted for. We vaccinate because it prevents us from getting the flu. It does no good to get a flu shot once you are infected with the flu virus. This is true for obesity too. We must take the necessary steps beforehand to prevent the disease from affecting children.

36. Choose the best title or heading for the passage.
- A. Obesity Leads to a Better Lifestyle
 - B. Childhood Obesity : The Overlooked Epidemic
 - C. Junk Food is the New Healthy
 - D. Benefits of Being Obese
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37. According to the passage, what requires more attention in the schools?
- A. Maths
 - B. Science
 - C. Physical education
 - D. English
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38. Which diseases are associated with obesity?
- 1. High blood pressure
 - 2. Diabetes
 - 3. Cancer
 - 4. Heart diseases
- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
 - B. 2, 3 and 4 only
 - C. 1 and 4 only
 - D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
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39. In what ways can parents help in lowering the rate of obesity?
- 1. Restrict TV time and increase the time spent outside
 - 2. Make better food choices when feeding kids

3. Teach the importance of nutrition and fitness
4. Allow kids to eat junk food
5. Parents should play video games with their kids
- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 3, 4 and 5 only

- C. 1, 2 and 5 only
- D. 2, 3 and 4 only

40. What is the synonym of the word 'optional'?
- A. Obligatory
- B. Non-compulsory
- C. Restriction
- D. Benefit

SPOKEN AND WRITTEN EXPRESSION

FOR QUESTIONS 41 TO 45, CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION TO COMPLETE EACH CONVERSATION.

41. Nitin : The police were deployed to _____ of the situation.
- A. take out
- B. take away
- C. take stock
- D. take off
42. Mary : There is a strong _____ between the musical notes and the lines of the song.
- A. syntax
- B. synchronicity
- C. syndrome
- D. systematic
43. Maria : I prefer the blue flowers _____ the red ones.

- A. of
- B. off
- C. far
- D. to

44. Pooja : The cold weather _____ my asthma again.
- A. was exacerbate
- B. has exacerbated
- C. has been exacerbate
- D. are exacerbating
45. George : The cat squirmed its way _____ the door and ran out.
- A. onto
- B. at
- C. apart
- D. under

ACHIEVERS SECTION

FOR QUESTIONS 46 AND 47, CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION TO FILL IN THE BLANK.

46. We had an _____ meeting about the project.
- A. impoverish
- B. import
- C. indication
- D. impromptu
47. He ate raw fruits or vegetables _____ every _____ day of the week.

- A. alternately, alternate
- B. alternate, alternately
- C. alter, altering
- D. altering, alternated

48. CHOOSE THE CORRECT SYNONYM OF THE GIVEN WORD.

Astute

- A. Inspire
- B. Naive
- C. Adroit
- D. Imbecile

49. CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANTONYM OF THE GIVEN WORD.

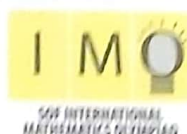
Antagonistic

- A. Agnostic
- B. Gnostic
- C. Hospitable
- D. Hostile

50. CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION TO COMPLETE THE CONVERSATION.

Julia : The little boy _____ when he noticed that a dog was running towards him.

- A. took a run
- B. took to his heels
- C. took through
- D. took it to heart



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