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Instructions for the Candidates

1. For filling up information about yourself on the OMR sheet, you will be given additional ten minutes before the start of the examination.
2. Write your 12-digit iOEL Enrollment Number and your name on top of the Question Paper in the given space.
3. Do not forget to sign the OMR sheet. Also, write your Roll No. on the Question Paper Booklet, and do not take this home.
4. The Question Paper Booklet comprises 35 questions, divided into five sections.
5. Section-A: Reading and Comprehension Skill (3 questions); Section-B: Writing and Speaking Ability (7 questions); Section-C: Correct Application of Grammar (12 questions); Section-D: Vocabulary Knowledge (8 questions); Section-E: Brilliance Zone (5 questions).
6. Each question of Section-A, Section-B, Section-C, Section-D carries 2.5 marks and that of Section-E carries 5 marks.
7. All the questions are compulsory, and there is no negative marking.
8. Use of a calculator or any other devices in the examination is strictly prohibited.
9. Choose only ONE OPTION as an answer.
10. BLUE/BLACK ball pen is preferred to darken the circle; however, in case of non-availability, an HB pencil can be used. Mark your choice of answer in the OMR sheet by darkening a circle, as shown below.



Section-A: (Reading and Comprehension Skill)

Direction for questions 1 to 3: Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

India, a land of diverse cultures and traditions, is on a remarkable journey towards development. In recent years, the nation has been making substantial strides in various sectors, propelling it forward on the global stage. India's development encompasses improvements in infrastructure, education, healthcare, and technology, aiming to enhance the quality of life for its citizens. Infrastructure development is a cornerstone of India's progress. Modern highways, bridges, and transportation networks are connecting previously remote areas, fostering economic growth and accessibility. These developments create new opportunities for trade and investment, benefitting both urban and rural populations. The education sector is another crucial focus of India's development. By investing in quality education, the country equips its youth with the skills and knowledge needed to succeed in a competitive world. Initiatives like digital classrooms and vocational training programs are empowering the next generation to contribute effectively to India's growth story. Healthcare advancements are also transforming the nation. Improved medical facilities, better access to healthcare services, and a focus on preventive measures contribute to a healthier population. This, in turn, increases workforce productivity and overall well-being. Technological innovation plays a pivotal role in India's development journey. The country has emerged as a global hub for information technology, contributing significantly to

its economic growth. Initiatives like Digital India promote widespread technological literacy and facilitate digital governance. In conclusion, India's path to development is marked by strides in infrastructure, education, healthcare, and technology. These efforts are shaping a brighter future for its citizens and positioning the nation as a key player on the international stage.

1. What is the significant focus of India's development efforts?
 - A. Culture and traditions
 - B. Political alliances
 - C. Infrastructure, education, healthcare, and technology
 - D. Religious practices
2. How does improved healthcare contribute to development?
 - A. It decreases workforce productivity
 - B. It increases medical expenses
 - C. It enhances workforce productivity and overall well-being
 - D. It leads to overpopulation
3. Which sector has helped India become a global IT hub?
 - A. Agriculture
 - B. Education
 - C. Healthcare
 - D. Information technology

Section-B: (Writing and Speaking Ability)

4. Identify the type of the sentence given below.
As soon as I went out of the house, it started raining heavily.
 - A. Compound sentence
 - B. Complex sentence
 - C. Simple sentence
 - D. None of these
5. Change the voice.
Please give me a glass of water.
 - A. You are ordered to give me a glass of water.
 - B. You are requested to give me a glass of water.
 - C. Let a glass of water be given to me.
 - D. I should be given a glass of water.

Direction for questions 6 and 7: Choose the options which may improve the underlined parts of the following sentences:

6. Unless we are not sure of our goals, we cannot achieve them.
 - A. No improvement required
 - B. Unless we are sure

- C. Not until we are sure
 - D. Except if we are sure
7. You have better see the doctor.
 - A. No improvement
 - B. had better
 - C. was better
 - D. has better
8. Give the correct question tag _____?
He made a mistake.
 - A. has he
 - B. isn't he
 - C. didn't he
 - D. doesn't he
9. Change the direct sentence into an indirect one.
My friend said to me, "Why don't you buy an umbrella?"
 - A. My friend told me to buy an umbrella.
 - B. My friend advised me why did I not buy an umbrella.
 - C. My friend asked me why I did not buy an umbrella.
 - D. My friend suggested me that I must buy an umbrella.

10. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Arrange them to form a meaningful paragraph.
- Mulla Nasruddin opened a hair-cutting salon and was ready to welcome his customers.*
 - "Mulla," he said sheepishly, "my new wife is coming home today."*
 - "Just take out all the grey strands from my beard and make me look very young."*

- Being the first day, a lot of people came and among them was a man in his early fifties with a flowing beard.*
- bdac
 - adbc
 - dbca
 - cdab

Section-C: (Correct Application of Grammar)

11. Fill in the blank with the correct order of pronouns.
_____ are responsible for the loss.

- He, I and you
- I, he and you
- You, he and I
- I, you and he

12. Fill in the blank with the most appropriate modal.
Harish is very laborious. He _____ work 16 hours a day.

- may
- could
- should
- can

13. Fill in the blank with an appropriate proposition.
Some people are slave _____ gambling.

- with
- on
- to
- for

14. Find the kind of tense.
Until a few years ago, access to technology was considered a privilege restricted to the urban elite.

- Present perfect
- Past perfect continuous
- Past perfect
- Simple past

15. Fill in the blank as per the subject-verb agreement.
Neither he nor his parents _____ literate.

- are
- is
- has
- have

16. Given below is a sentence in four parts. One of the parts contains a grammatical error. Find the part.

She is 1 / married with 2 / a businessman. 3/ No error/4

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4

Direction for questions 17 and 18: Identify the usage of the words underlined in the given sentences.

17. I have no information.

- Adjective
- Adverb
- Noun
- Conjunction

18. Japanese cars are cheap.

- Gerund
- Noun
- Adverb
- Adjective

19. Fill in the blank with the correct degree of adjective.
Ladakh is one of the _____ places in India.

- cold
- colder
- coldest
- None of these

20. Find the sentence with the incorrect use of an article.

- Please give me an orange to eat.
- Mr. Sharma is a MLA.
- He visited the India Gate yesterday.
- The book you are reading is mine.

21. Fill in the blanks with the correct articles.

_____ director and _____ producer has come for the shooting.

- The, the
- A, the
- No article required, the
- The, no article required.

22. Fill in the blank with the correct collective noun.

A _____ of stars.

- basket
- bunch
- galaxy
- flock

Section-D: (Vocabulary Knowledge)

Direction for questions 23 and 24: Give the antonyms of the words given in the questions.

23. Snooty

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| A. Mean | B. Egotistic |
| C. Humble | D. Arrogant |

24. Undue

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| A. Unfair | B. Appropriate |
| C. Risky | D. Both A & C |

Direction for questions 25 and 26: Find the one word substitution:

25. Of average quality

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| A. Humdrum | B. Mediocre |
| C. Superior | D. Honorific |

26. One who does not tire easily

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| A. Infallible | B. Indefatigable |
| C. Inevitable | D. Indelible |

Direction for questions 27 and 28: Give the synonyms of the words given in the questions.

27. Farcical

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| A. Sensible | B. Serious |
| C. Logical | D. Comical |

28. Fervent

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| A. Enthusiastic | B. Apathetic |
| C. Dull | D. Laziness |

Direction for questions 29 and 30: Find the meaning of the idioms/phrases given in the questions:

29. Touch all bases

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| A. Stretch your hands high |
| B. Include everything |
| C. Force someone to do something |
| D. Quit something |

30. Throw in the towel

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| A. Face the situation |
| B. Think of a solution |
| C. Admit defeat |
| D. Challenge someone |

Section-E: (Brilliance Zone)

31. In a certain code language, "CROWN" is written as "DTRAS" and "BLEAK" is written as "CNHEP". How is "STUMP" written in that code language?

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| A. SUWPT | B. VUWQT |
| C. TUWQT | D. TVXQU |

32. When a sentence starts with 'A large number of',

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| A. it takes singular noun and a plural verb |
| B. it takes plural noun and a singular verb |
| C. it takes plural noun and a plural verb |
| D. it takes singular noun and a singular verb |

33. Who among the following is correct?

Rohan:

Complacent means self-contented

Complaisant means submissive, compliant

Shyam:

Complacent means submissive, compliant

Complaisant means self-contented

A. Both are incorrect.

B. Both are correct.

C. Shyam

D. Rohan

34. Find the missing term.

UJ, YN, CR, GV, __?

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| A. KY | B. JY |
| C. KZ | D. JZ |

35. Fill in the blanks with the most appropriate filler.

Research has _____ that babies can _____ their mother's voice very soon after the birth.

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| A. demonstrated, recognize |
| B. revealed, confess |
| C. denoted, appreciate |
| D. specified, grant |