

Mindbenz Olympiad of English (MOE)

Sample Paper

Grade- 4

Maximum Marks: 40

Time Allowed – 45 Minutes

Section: A Grammar Basic (10 Questions × 1 mark = 10 marks)

1. Which sentence uses a preposition incorrectly?

- a) She placed the vase on the table.
- b) The cat jumped over the wall.
- c) He walked inside the room quietly.
- d) They arrived to the airport late.

2. Choose the correct pronoun to complete the sentence:

Rahul has a pet dog. ____ takes it for a walk every day.



- a) He
- b) His
- c) Him
- d) They

3. What is the verb in this sentence: The baby cried loudly.

- a) baby
- b) cried
- c) loudly
- d) the

4. Which word is an adjective in the sentence: The cold wind blew all night.

- a) blew
- b) wind
- c) cold
- d) night

5. Identify the adverb in this sentence: She danced gracefully on the stage.

- a) danced
- b) she
- c) gracefully
- d) stage

6. Which sentence contains a subtle error in article usage?

- a) She has a unique idea for the project.
- b) An hour passed before the doctor arrived.
- c) He gave me an useful suggestion.
- d) They stayed at a hotel near the beach.

7. Which preposition best fits the sentence?

We walked slowly ____ the narrow road.

- a) into
- b) at
- c) along
- d) with

8. Pick the correct conjunction:

The sun was shining, ____ the weather was still cool.

- a) and
- b) but
- c) or
- d) if

9. What is the subject in the sentence: The monkeys swung from tree to tree.

- a) swung
- b) from tree to tree
- c) The monkeys
- d) monkeys swung

10. Choose the sentence where the plural noun is used correctly:

- a) The child is playing outside.
- b) She saw many mice in the room.
- c) The women are talking in the garden.
- d) Those shoes are too big for the feet.

Section: B Vocabulary & Usage (10 Questions × 1 mark = 10 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

One sunny morning, a hungry fox was wandering through the forest. His stomach growled with hunger, and he hadn't eaten for two days. As he walked under a tall tree, he saw a crow sitting on a branch. The crow had a big chunk of cheese in her beak.

The fox's eyes sparkled. "That cheese looks delicious," he thought, licking his lips. He knew he had to be clever to get it. The fox sat beneath the tree and called out, "Good morning, beautiful crow! Your feathers shine like the sun, and I've heard your voice is sweeter than honey. Could you please sing me a song?"

The crow, flattered by the fox's words, puffed up proudly. Forgetting about the cheese, she opened her beak to sing. The moment she did, the cheese fell to the ground. The fox snatched it quickly and laughed, "Thank you, foolish crow! That was a lovely song – and an even better breakfast!"

The crow felt embarrassed and flew away in silence. The fox trotted off, his belly finally full and his trick successful.

From that day, the crow learned a valuable lesson: never trust someone who praises you too much, especially when they want something from you. The fox, on the other hand, continued his clever ways, always using his sharp mind to find food in the wild. But not all animals fell for his tricks. One day, he tried to flatter a parrot, who was too wise for such words. The parrot simply replied, "Your words may be sweet, but I see through your game."

Ashamed and defeated, the fox realized that while cleverness can help sometimes, honesty and hard work are better paths in the long run.

Questions:

11. What is the meaning of the word 'snatched' as used in the passage?

- a) Dropped slowly
- b) Threw far away
- c) Grabbed quickly
- d) Gave carefully

12. Which of the following idioms best matches the fox's behavior?

- a) Cry over spilled milk
- b) Hit the sack
- c) A wolf in sheep's clothing
- d) Kill two birds with one stone

13. Which word in the passage is a synonym of 'shiny'?

- a) Trotted
- b) Sparkled
- c) Flattered
- d) Growled

14. Which word from the passage is an antonym of 'wise'?

- a) Clever
- b) Flattered
- c) Foolish
- d) Hungry

15. Why did the fox praise the crow?

- a) To become friends with her
- b) To hear her sing
- c) To trick her and get the cheese
- d) To make her fly away

16. What lesson does this story teach us?

- a) Don't share your food
- b) Don't sing while eating

- c) Flattery can be used to deceive
- d) Always listen to foxes

17. Which of these is not a synonym of 'hungry'?

- a) Starving
- b) Full
- c) Empty
- d) Ravenous

18. What part of speech is the word 'beautiful' in the sentence: 'Good morning, beautiful crow!'?

- a) Noun
- b) Verb
- c) Adjective
- d) Pronoun

19. How did the fox feel when he saw the cheese?

- a) Surprised and sad
- b) Angry and tired
- c) Happy and hungry
- d) Clever and full

20. Fill in the blank with the best idiom: The fox used sweet words to trick the crow. He really _____.

- a) spilled the beans
- b) pulled the crow's leg
- c) buttered her up
- d) let the cat out of the bag

Section: C Language Mastery (10 Questions × 2 mark = 20 marks)

21. Which sentence uses the correct form of a plural noun?

- a) The sheeps were grazing in the field.
- b) The childs are playing outside.
- c) The mice ran across the floor.
- d) The womans are working hard.

22. Choose the sentence with the correct use of a contraction:

- a) She dont like pizza.
- b) I can't find my keys.
- c) He wonts go to school today.
- d) Youre going too late.

23. Identify the part of speech of the underlined word:

She quickly finished her homework.

- a) Adjective
- b) Preposition
- c) Verb
- d) Adverb

24. Choose the sentence that uses the correct verb tense:

- a) They eats lunch at noon.
- b) She was played in the garden.
- c) I will going to the market tomorrow.
- d) We will visit our cousins next week.

25. Select the sentence with the correct subject and predicate:

- a) Flying kites on the terrace.
- b) My little brother plays football in the park.
- c) In the park every morning.
- d) The birds in the tree.

26. Choose the correct collocation to complete the sentence:

Despite his injury, the player managed to ____ a goal in the final seconds.

- a) make
- b) hit
- c) score

d) strike

27. Which sentence contains a spelling error that is easy to overlook?

- a) The committee will reconvene after lunch.
- b) She wore a beautifull dress to the function.
- c) His explanation was completely logical.
- d) We observed several butterflies in the garden.

28. Which proverb means "Don't delay something important"?

- a) A watched pot never boils
- b) Time flies when you're having fun
- c) A stitch in time saves nine
- d) Don't bite the hand that feeds you

29. Which sentence is correctly ordered (not jumbled)?

- a) To school quickly the boy ran.
- b) Quickly the school boy to ran.
- c) The boy ran quickly to school.
- d) Ran boy school quickly the to.

30. Which of the following proverbs suggests that people should not criticize others for faults they also possess?

- a) Actions speak louder than words.
 - b) Every cloud has a silver lining.
 - c) People who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones.
 - d) The early bird catches the worm.
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Answer key:

Section A

1. d) They arrived to the airport late.
2. a) He
3. b) cried
4. c) cold
5. c) gracefully
6. c) He gave me an useful suggestion.
7. c) along
8. b) but
9. c) The monkeys
10. c) The women are talking in the garden

Section B

11. c) Grabbed quickly
12. c) A wolf in sheep's clothing
13. b) Sparkled
14. c) Foolish
15. c) To trick her and get the cheese
16. c) Flattery can be used to deceive
17. b) Full
18. c) Adjective
19. c) Happy and hungry
20. c) buttered her up

Section C

21. c) The mice ran across the floor.
22. b) I can't find my keys.
23. d) Adverb
24. d) We will visit our cousins next week.
25. b) My little brother plays football in the park.
26. c) score
27. b) She wore a beautiful dress to the function.
28. c) A stitch in time saves nine
29. c) The boy ran quickly to school.
30. c) People who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones.