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## COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH (MIL)

Paper : ENGM - AEC - 2

[For Arts (General) Candidates]

(CBCS)

Set - I

Full Marks : 40

Time : One Hour

Each question carries 1 Mark.

### Unit - I

1. He confided \_\_\_\_\_ me.
  - (A) about
  - (B) in
  - (C) on
  - (D) of
  
2. Please meet me at the train station in \_\_\_\_\_ hour from now.
  - (A) a
  - (B) an
  - (C) the
  - (D) none
  
3. Sorry I'm late, I \_\_\_\_\_ drop the kids off at school.
  - (A) must
  - (B) must have
  - (C) had to
  - (D) should have

4. Which modal/auxiliary verb express advisability?
- (A) would [+ rather]
  - (B) must
  - (C) should
  - (D) can
5. A goat was killed by five —
- (A) wolf
  - (B) wolfs
  - (C) wolves
  - (D) both (B) and (C)
6. The noun 'honesty' belongs to —
- (A) neuter gender
  - (B) masculine gender
  - (C) feminine gender
  - (D) none of the above
7. "I listened carefully to everything that she said."
- What type of subordinate clause is found in the above sentence?
- (A) Adverbial Clause
  - (B) Relative Clause
  - (C) Comparative Clause
  - (D) Prepositional Clause

8. Which of the following is a coordinating conjunction?
- (A) But
  - (B) While
  - (C) After
  - (D) Because
9. The earthquake caused \_\_\_\_\_ damage to the city.
- (A) Extend
  - (B) Extended
  - (C) Extension
  - (D) Extensive
10. Which one of the following words is a noun?
- (A) Knowledge
  - (B) Knowingly
  - (C) Knew
  - (D) Known

### Unit - II

11. Find out the synonym of the word 'reprove' —
- (A) prevail
  - (B) rebuke
  - (C) ascertain
  - (D) prove false

12. Which of the following words is an antonym of the word 'cautious'?
- (A) agreement
  - (B) error
  - (C) mindful
  - (D) rash
13. "Her sobs could be heard in the still of night by still water of the lake." —  
The word 'still' in the above sentence has been used as both —
- (A) Adjective and Verb
  - (B) Noun and Adjective
  - (C) Adverb and Adjective
  - (D) Conjunction and Adjective
14. "The porter was killed by the down train when he was rushing down the hill." —  
The word 'down' in the above sentence has been used as both —
- (A) Adjective and Noun
  - (B) Verb and Adverb
  - (C) Adjective and Preposition
  - (D) Verb and Noun
15. "We should work on certain \_\_\_\_\_ in our life."  
Fill in the gap of the above sentence with the correct option from following homonyms —
- (A) principals
  - (B) principles
  - (C) principled
  - (D) none of the above

16. Fill in the gap with correct option from the following homophones :

“I \_\_\_\_\_ him very well.”

- (A) now
- (B) no
- (C) know
- (D) none

17. Fill in the gap with correct option from the following homographs :

“ \_\_\_\_\_ be here in a few minutes.”

- (A) He'll
- (B) Heel
- (C) Heal
- (D) Heale

18. Choose the correct word (One Word Substitution) :

“One who abandons his religious faith” —

- (A) Apostate
- (B) Prostate
- (C) Profane
- (D) Agnostic

19. Fill in the gap with the correct option :

“In \_\_\_\_\_ years we have experienced a rise in the number of cars on the road.” —

- (A) last
- (B) latest
- (C) past
- (D) recent

20. Fill in the gap with the correct option :

“The police said that the \_\_\_\_\_ details of what happened are still not available.” —

- (A) precise
- (B) really
- (C) best
- (D) exactly

### Unit - III

Read the passage below and answer the following questions :

The hotel at Nefta is a long low building, occupying one whole side of the market-square. From your bedroom window you watch the Arabs living; they do it unhurriedly and with a dignified inefficiency. Endlessly haggling, they buy and sell. The vendor offers a mutton chop, slightly soiled; the buyer professes himself outraged by a price which would be exorbitant if the goods were spotlessly first-hand. It takes them half an hour to come to a compromise. On the ground white bundles doze in the sun; when the sun grows too hot, they roll a few yards and doze again in the shade. The notables of the town, the rich proprietors of palm trees, stroll past with the dignity of Roman senators. Their garments are of the finest wool; they carry walking sticks; they wear European shoes and socks, and on their bare brown calves — a little touch entirely characteristic of the real as opposed to the literary East — pale mauve or shell-pink sock suspenders. Wild men ride in from the desert. Some of them, trusting to common sense as well as Allah to preserve them from ophthalmia, wear smoked motor goggles. With much shouting, much reverberant thumping of dusty, moth-eaten hides, a string of camels is driven in. They kneel, they are unloaded. Supercilious and haughty, they turn this way and that, like the dowagers of very aristocratic families at a plebeian evening party. Then, all at once, one of them stretches out its long neck limply along the ground and shuts its eyes. The movement is one of hopeless weariness; the grotesque animal is

suddenly pathetic. And what groanings, what gurglings in the throat, what enormous sighs when their masters begin to reload them! Every additional package evokes a bubbling protest, and when at last they have to rise from their knees, they moan as though their hearts were broken. Blind beggars sit patiently awaiting the alms they never receive. Their raw eyelids black with flies, small children play contentedly in the dust. If Allah wills it, they too will be blind one day : blessed be the name of Allah.

21. Which of the following statements is False —
- (A) The vendor offers a mutton chop.
  - (B) Every additional package evokes a bubbling protest.
  - (C) Small children play contentedly in the dust.
  - (D) Their raw eyelids were black with flies.
22. Which of the following statements is True —
- (A) Every additional package evokes a bubbling protest.
  - (B) The movement is one of hopeful weariness.
  - (C) If Allah does not will it, they too will be blind one day.
  - (D) The grotesque sheep is suddenly pathetic.
23. “Endlessly haggling, they buy and sell.”
- “They” here are referred to —
- (A) The British
  - (B) The Romans
  - (C) The Greek
  - (D) The Arabs

24. Wild men ride in from the —
- (A) forest
  - (B) ocean
  - (C) island
  - (D) desert
25. Ophthalmia is a disease of —
- (A) Ear
  - (B) Nose
  - (C) Eye
  - (D) Brain
26. “motor goggles” were —
- (A) Watery
  - (B) Dusty
  - (C) Smoked
  - (D) Dirty
27. The word “mauve” is associated with —
- (A) Colour
  - (B) Sky
  - (C) Earth
  - (D) Water
28. “Supercilious” means —
- (A) behaving as though one thinks one is inferior to others.
  - (B) behaving as though one is very poor.
  - (C) behaving like a lame man.
  - (D) behaving as though one thinks one is superior to others.

29. The stem word of “unhurriedly” is —

- (A) Unhurried
- (B) Hurry
- (C) Hurried
- (D) Hurriedly

30. Antonym of the word ‘wild’ is —

- (A) Jungle
- (B) Deserted
- (C) Domestic
- (D) Angry

#### **Unit - IV**

Read the passage below and answer the following questions :

At a slightly slothful pace

A silent man quietly walks across the meadows

His autumn passes by mostly propped on two legs

With a mouthful of still shadow of a plough and ox.

To his own water, the Bhagirathi is a close relative.

He responds to none from his secret den.

A magpie robin whistles out of mind —

cold from the earth’s last afternoon

perched on the roof of a post-mortem cell.

Whose corpse was it? Who dissected?

Why the world today bleeds so much?

The violin goes on playing the chorus.

Twilight though, the rustic man walks as if basking in the sun  
Nonexistent, yet a woman becomes visible.  
When the magpie blows away the dissected corpse  
I can feel the advent of a primordial magpie.

31. Which of the following is True —
- (A) The season referred to here is winter.
  - (B) The season referred to here is spring.
  - (C) The season referred to here is autumn.
  - (D) The season referred to here is summer.
32. Which is of the following is False —
- (A) A magpie robin whistles out of mind.
  - (B) The violin does not go on playing the chorus.
  - (C) A woman becomes visible.
  - (D) I can feel the advent of a primordial magpie.
33. The man who walks as if basking in the sun is from —
- (A) A rural area
  - (B) A hill
  - (C) A desert
  - (D) A city
34. The time referred to in the passage is —
- (A) Noon
  - (B) Night
  - (C) Day
  - (D) Twilight

35. The central figure in the poem is —
- (A) A river
  - (B) A farmer
  - (C) An ox
  - (D) A bird
36. “... the Bhagirathi is a close relative.” — Here Bhagirathi is the name of —
- (A) A river
  - (B) A man
  - (C) A robin
  - (D) A magpie
37. “Two legs” referred to in the passage belong to —
- (A) A bird
  - (B) A Woman
  - (C) A Man
  - (D) Bhagirathi
38. ‘Corpse’ means —
- (A) Corns
  - (B) Birds
  - (C) Dead body
  - (D) Man

39. The word “bleeds” is —

- (A) A plural noun
- (B) An adjective
- (C) A verb form
- (D) An adverb

40. “Response” is the noun form of the following word —

- (A) Repose
  - (B) Respond
  - (C) Repentance
  - (D) Repression
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