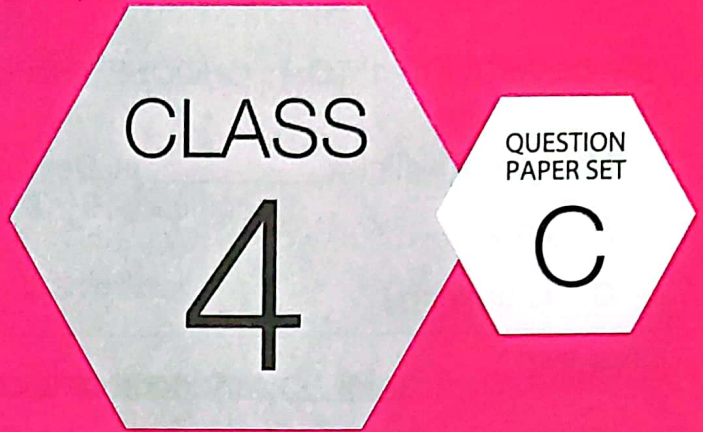


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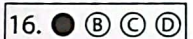
1. You will get additional ten minutes to fill up information about yourself on the OMR Sheet, before the start of the exam.
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Word and Structure Knowledge (15 Questions), **Reading** (10 Questions), **Spoken and Written Expression** (5 Questions) and **Achievers Section** (5 Questions).
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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 blank.

My father went ____ to buy some milk.

- A.** there **B.** their **C.** they're **D.** these

As the correct answer is option A, you must darken the circle corresponding to option A on the OMR Sheet.



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A. Noun

B. Adverb

C. Adjective

D. Verb

9. Monika will meet me at the cinema.

A. Adverb

B. Preposition

C. Conjunction

D. Article

FOR QUESTIONS 10 AND 11, CHOOSE THE PART OF THE SENTENCE THAT HAS AN ERROR.

10. Do you seen the bag that the lady is carrying?

A. Do you seen

B. the bag

C. that the lady

D. is carrying?

11. Look at those beautiful butterflies in the garden!

A. Look at those

B. beautiful butterflies

C. in the garden!

D. No error

FOR QUESTIONS 12 AND 13, CHOOSE THE OPTION WITH CORRECT SPELLING.

12. A. Congatulate

B. Cungartulate

C. Congratulate

D. Congretluate

13. A. Blossom

B. Bllosom

C. Bloosom

D. Blosoom

14. CHOOSE THE CORRECT SYNONYM OF WEARY.

A. Agitated

B. Tired

C. Happy

D. Fresh

15. CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANTONYM OF FRAGILE.

A. Fine

B. Weak

C. Durable

D. Breakable

READING

FOR QUESTIONS 16 TO 20, READ THE PASSAGE AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS THAT FOLLOW.

Louis Pasteur was a chemist. He was born in 1822 in a town in France. His parents were not rich. He did, however, receive a solid education. He earned a scientific degree. His Chemistry grades weren't great. But he persisted in his study of Chemistry due to his interest in the subject.

He spent a lot of time in the laboratory. He was constantly examining the germs under a microscope. He was made fun of by his professor. "They are useless to man. You are wasting your time," the professor said. But Pasteur replied, "Sir, the germs cause sickness. I must find out which kind of germs cause which diseases." "Where do germs come from?" questioned his professor.

"Sir, that I must find out," replied Pasteur.

And after much hard work, Pasteur learned the truth. Water, dirt, dust, and even the air we breathe contain germs. These germs turn milk sour. Milk is a germ-carrier. Diseases like typhoid and tuberculosis can be brought on by these germs. He experimented a lot. Finally, he found out how to kill the germs in the milk.

Pasteur didn't just work on milk. He carried on his research. The diseases rabies, diphtheria, and anthrax were all terrible. Pasteur discovered certain vaccinations. These vaccinations are able to both stop and prevent these horrible illnesses.

One day, Joseph's mother brought him to Pasteur. A crazy dog had bitten Joseph. He was 14 years old and had multiple wounds. The dog had rabies. Everyone felt bad and sorry for the young boy. They said, "The child is sure to die." Even Pasteur had no hope. But he had decided to save the boy. Pasteur had prepared a serum from a rabbit. The rabbit had died of rabies. He injected the serum into the boy's body, at first in small quantities. He increased the dosage gradually. On the ninth day, Joseph showed improvement. He was out of danger. In three months, Joseph walked out of the hospital. He then became a perfectly healthy child. It was the year 1885. Mad dogs have bitten many people. But nobody had managed to escape death.

Since 1885, numerous lives have been saved by anti-rabies medication. The entire world owes Louis Pasteur gratitude. By popular opinion, Louis Pasteur is regarded as France's finest scientist.

16. Why was Pasteur made fun of by his professor?

- A. Because he was not good in studies.
- B. Because he used to examine germs under a microscope.

C. Because he was interested in sports.

D. Because he used to stammer a lot.

17. Choose the statement which is correct.

A. Diseases like typhoid and tuberculosis can be brought on by germs present in the air, water, dust, etc.

B. Pasteur discovered vaccination only for rabies.

C. Pasteur did not want to save the boy, as he had been bitten by a mad dog.

D. Pasteur had prepared vaccines from monkey and rabbit blood.

18. According to the passage, Pasteur injected the _____ prepared by him into the boy's body.

A. poison

B. needle

C. serum

D. blood

19. How long did it take for Joseph to become a healthy child again?

A. 9 days

B. 3 years

C. 19 days

D. 3 months

20. Find a word in the passage that is opposite in meaning to the word 'thanklessness'.

A. Gratitude

B. Terrible

C. Persisted

D. Interest

FOR QUESTIONS 21 TO 25, READ THE PASSAGE AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS THAT FOLLOW.

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Pollution happens when the environment is contaminated, or dirtied, by waste, chemicals, and other harmful substances. There are three main forms of pollution: air, water, and land.

Wildfires, volcanoes, and industrial chemicals cause some air pollution. But most air pollution comes from burning fossil fuels. These include coal, oil, and natural gas. Factories, electrical plants, and automobiles burn these fuels for power. The burning of fossil fuels may release solid particles, such as ash and soot, into the air. It may also release harmful gases.

Air pollution may cause diseases such as cancer and asthma. Air pollution also leads to acid rain, or polluted rain, that can harm living things. In addition, air pollution may be a cause of global warming, which is a steady rise in the earth's average temperature. Finally, air pollution damages a part of the atmosphere called the ozone layer. The ozone layer is important because it protects earth against harmful rays from the sun.

Some causes of water pollution are easy to see. People dump garbage and sewage into creeks, rivers, ponds, lakes, and oceans. Factories or cities sometimes release oils, poisonous chemicals, and other wastes into the water.

Other causes of water pollution are not so direct. The use of chemicals in farming is one example. Farmers use some chemicals as fertilizers or substances added to soil to help crops grow. These are substances that kill pests or weeds. When these chemicals seep into the ground, they may make the groundwater unfit to drink. Chemicals may also drain into rivers and lakes, where they can harm fish and other forms of life.

Many governments, environmental groups, and ordinary people are working to control pollution. Governments have passed laws to keep people from releasing dangerous chemicals into the environment. Some companies and people are trying to use fewer fossil fuels. Instead, they are getting power from sunlight, wind, water, and other energy sources that produce less pollution. Many communities use recycling to reduce pollution. Recycling is the process of making new products out of used paper, plastic, glass, aluminium, or other materials.

21. What causes most of the air pollution according to the passage?

- A. Volcanic eruption
- B. Forests fires
- C. Burning of fossil fuels
- D. Throwing waste products into the rivers

22. Choose the statement which is incorrect.

- A. There are three main forms of pollution: air, water, and land.
- B. Factories release oils, poisonous chemicals, etc. into the water causing water pollution.
- C. Governments have passed laws to keep people from releasing dangerous chemicals into the environment.
- D. Air pollution leads to acid rain that upgrades the quality of human life.

23. According to the passage, some companies are getting power from the _____ that produce less pollution.

- A. oil, coal, and petroleum
- B. sunlight, wind, and water
- C. rain, flood, and coal
- D. fire, water, and snow

24. Why is the ozone layer important for the environment?

- A. Because it promotes global warming.
 - B. Because it leads to acid rain.
 - C. Because it protects the earth from the harmful rays of the sun.
 - D. Because it causes the destruction of the environment.
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25. Find a word in the passage that means "to make something less pure".

- A. Contaminated
- B. Ordinary
- C. Dangerous
- D. Steady

SPOKEN AND WRITTEN EXPRESSION

FOR QUESTIONS 26 TO 30, CHOOSE THE MOST SUITABLE OPTION TO COMPLETE EACH CONVERSATION.

26. Sumit : Your friends are coming for the party, _____?

Jaya : I am not sure yet.

- A. is she
 - B. are they
 - C. aren't they
 - D. don't they
-

27. Customer : Tell me about the most _____ feature of this car.

- A. uniquely
 - B. unquest
 - C. uniquer
 - D. unique
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28. Receptionist : What can I do for you, sir?

Jatin : I _____ like to meet Mr. Nitin Sharma. Has he reached yet?

- A. can
 - B. would
 - C. might
 - D. could
-

29. Mahi : I love listening _____ different types of music.

- A. for
 - B. on
 - C. to
 - D. of
-

30. Rohan : Why is the train late?

Rashmi : It must be because of some technical _____.

- A. feature
- B. face
- C. false
- D. fault

ACHIEVERS SECTION

FOR QUESTIONS 31 AND 32, CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION TO FILL IN THE BLANK.

31. Kriya was unable to understand the Korean movie, as it had no _____.

- A. lines B. titles C. labels D. subtitles

32. I can't live on _____ ₹ 2500 a month.

- A. a B. an C. the D. no article

33. CHOOSE THE PART OF THE SENTENCE THAT HAS AN ERROR.

The streets were dark and deserted, as it was quite late at night.

- A. The streets were B. dark and deserted,
C. as it was quite D. late at night.

34. CHOOSE THE SYNONYM OF DIGRESS.

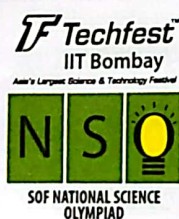
- A. Stay B. Direct C. Ponder D. Wander

35. CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION TO COMPLETE THE CONVERSATION.

Mother : Where is your brother?

Daughter : He is _____ since morning.

- A. over and out B. out and about
C. odd and even D. above and beyond



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