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2017

GENERAL ENGLISH WITH GENERAL STUDIES

Time Allowed : 3 Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 300

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1. Choose the correct compound word for

Noun + Noun

(A) hand writing (B) over write
(C) sun rise (D) shop owner

2. Identify the superlative degree of comparison

(A) Many people are not so helpful as Mr. Soundar
(B) Mr. Soundar is one of the most helpful persons
(C) Mr. Soundar is more helpful than most other persons
(D) Very few persons are as helpful as Mr. Soundar

3. Choose the correct sentence for the pattern SVC

(A) He would not take the crown
(B) The white rose looks beautiful
(C) Cow gives us milk
(D) It will make you mad.

4. Choose the correct sentence from the given option

(A) Mathematics are my favourite subject
(B) Mathematics is my favourite subject
(C) Mathematics.is my favourite subjects.
(D) Mathematics were my favourite subject

5. Which of the following is an adjective?

(A) badly (B) bad
(C) intelligently (D) remove

6. Which of the following compound word is not formed by combining verb and adverb?

(A) washout (B) incoming
(C) flashback (D) make-over

7. Use the correct degree in the blank.

Your pencil is _____ (sharp) than mine.

8. Choose the correct option given below to complete the sentence.

_____ we practice well, we cannot win the match.

(A) Unless (B) Though
(C) As (D) If

9. Match the sentence in Column 'A' with Column 'B' and select the correct answer from the options given :

Column 'A'	Column 'B'
(a) We must eat to live	1. Complex sentence
(b) He wrote me a letter	2. Passive voice
(c) The letter was written by me	3. Active voice
(d) Though I like tea, I prefer coffee	4. Simple sentence

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A) 4	3	2	1
(B) 4	3	1	2
(C) 3	4	2	1
(D) 3	4	1	2

10. Match the sentence with their patterns:

(a) The white rose looks beautiful	1. SVOC
(b) They elected her the class leader	2. SVIODO
(c) Kumar gave Janani a rose	3. SV
(d) Gold glitters	4. SVC

(a) (b) (c) (d)

(A) 4 2 1 3
 (B) 4 1 2 3
(C) 1 2 3 4
(D) 2 1 3 4

11. _____ it not rained, we would have gone to the theatre.

(A) Has (B) Was
 (C) Had (D) Were

12. Choose the correct question tag for the blank.

'Let's discuss the matter, _____?'
(A) Shall they? (B) Will you?
(C) Let's n't? (D) Shall we?

13. Fill in the blanks with correct prepositions.

"Leave your books _____ the table at the centre of the room. Then go to the room _____ the staircase. Wait there. _____ I come. There is not enough space _____ the desk and the bench".

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A) on	beside	between	until
(B) beside	on	until	between
(C) until	between	on	beside
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (D) on	beside	until	between

14. Match the synonyms with their meanings.

(a) Stagger	1. Species that has died out
(b) Dyslexia	2. Unsteady movement
(c) Extinct	3. Difficulty with reading and spelling
(d) Incredible	4. Unbelievable

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A) 1	2	4	3
(B) 2	3	4	1
(C) 2	3	1	4
(D) 4	2	1	3

15. Match the words under Column A with the meaning in Column B and choose the correct code :

Column A Phrases	Column B Meanings
(a) get on	1. keep for future use
(b) give up	2. yield
(c) give in	3. abandon an attempt to do something
(d) lay by	4. cope with

Codes :

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A) 4	3	1	2
(B) 2	1	4	3
(C) 4	3	2	1
(D) 3	4	2	1

16. Choose the correct meaning of the underlined word.

He worshipped me with utmost reverence.

(A) disrespect	(B) respect
(C) pretext	(D) false

17. Find out the figure of speech in the following line.

"O, no! it is an ever - fixed mark"

18. I take this offer then pay the bond thrice

And let the Christian go

Here the Christian refers to _____

19. ... not that I loved Caesar less but that I loved

Rome more....

These are the words of —

(A) Antony (B) Cassius
(C) Casca (D) Brutus

20. "Or, all day we drive the wheels of iron

In the factories round and round"

Who does "We" refer to?

(A) Children (B) Friends
 (C) Neighbours (D) Relatives

21. "Appearances can be deceptive"

In which poem this line occurs?

(A) Beautiful inside
(B) Going for water
(C) Earth
(D) Laugh and Be Merry

22. In which of the poem the following lines occur?

And close my eyes against the sun

To dream my dreams and make them last

(A) Shilpi
 (B) Migrant Bird
(C) The piano
(D) The cry of the children

23. Identify the personality who uttered the following.

"Take up one idea. Make the one idea your life – think of it, dream of it, live on that idea success"

(A) Mahatma Gandhi
(B) Douglas Malloch
 (C) Swami Vivekananda
(D) Norman Nicholson

24. 'To seek the brook if still it ran'.

The children mentioned in the poem search for

(A) sea (B) stream
(C) well (D) lake

25. Match the following British English (A) with Correct American English (B) :

A	B
(a) Torch	1. Crib
(b) Wash basin	2. Jelly
(c) Jam	3. Sink
(d) Cot	4. Flash light

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A) 4	3	2	1
(B) 4	3	1	2
(C) 1	2	3	4
(D) 3	4	2	1

26. Find out the figure of speech in the following line.

"In solitary confinement as complete as any goal"

27. "If you can't be a muskier, then just be a bass".

“What is meant by “bass”?

(A) Fish (B) Plant
 (C) Seed (D) Animal

28. "Friends, Romans, Country men, Lend me your ears. I come to bury Caesar, not to praise him". These are the words of

29. The giant thought that the lovely music he heard must be the _____ passing by.

(A) Linnet King's musician
(C) Solitary Reaper (D) Hail

30. The Little child was standing in the _____ of the garden.

- (A) Nearest corner
- (B) Middle
- (C) Innermost corner
- (D) Farthest corner

31. Find the American English equivalent for Windscreen.

- (A) Windmill
- (B) Windsail
- (C) Windshield
- (D) Windsock

32. Helen's parents took her to

- (A) Davinci
- (B) Edison
- (C) Graham Bell
- (D) Albert Einstein

33. Flu is formed by the process of

- (A) Back clipping
- (B) Front clipping
- (C) Front and back clipping
- (D) Blending

34. In Sonnet-116 Shakespeare celebrates the constancy of

- (A) Friendship
- (B) Lust
- (C) True Love
- (D) Honesty

35. The children entered the _____ garden through a little hole in the wall.

- (A) Friend's
- (B) Enemy's
- (C) The little boy's
- (D) Giant's

36. When is World Environment Day observed every year?

- (A) March 8
- (B) March 22
- (C) June 5
- (D) April 23

37. Let us remember, whenever, we are told To hate our brothers

These lines occur in the poem

- (A) Cooking
- (B) You can't be that, No, you can't be that
- (C) No men are foreign
- (D) My Grandmother's House

38. "The barren boughs without the leaves.

The season mentioned here is

- (A) Winter
- (B) Autumn
- (C) Summer
- (D) Spring

39. Match the Column (A) with Column (B) :

A

(a)	Kesavan Nair	1.	Arch diplomat
(b)	Outhak Kutty	2.	500 coconuts
(c)	Kutty Mappila	3.	Four sons
(d)	Kutty Chovan	4.	Fifty para

B

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A)	4	2	3
(B)	3	2	4
(C)	4	1	2
(D)	4	1	3

40. Match the following characters with their respective ideas:

A

(a)	Antonio	1.	Lover of Portia
(b)	Bassanio	2.	Merchant of Venice
(c)	Shylock	3.	Lawyer
(d)	Portia	4.	Money lender

B

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A)	4	2	1
(B)	1	2	4
(C)	2	1	3
(D)	2	1	4

41. 'This was the most unkindest cut of all' :

Who made this cut?

(A) Brutus
(C) Shylock

(B) Antonio
(D) Antony

42. Match the following authors with their respective titles :

Authors		Title
(a) O'Henry	1	Kaanchanai
(b) Pudhumai Piththan	2	The Gift of the Magi
(c) Guy de Maupassant	3	The Necklace
(d) Sundara Ramasamy	4	Reflowering

(a) (b) (c) (d)
 (A) 2 1 3 4
(B) 2 1 4 3
(C) 1 2 3 4
(D) 4 2 3 1

43. Match the poems with poets :

Poems		Poets
(a) Beautiful Inside	1	Kamala Das
(b) A Sonnet for my incomparable mother	2	F. Joanna
(c) No Men are Foreign	3	Paul Holmes
(d) Punishment in Kinder Karten	4	James Kirkup

(a) (b) (c) (d)
 (A) 3 2 1 4
(B) 1 4 3 2
(C) 2 3 4 1
(D) 3 2 4 1

44. Match the poems with poets :

Poems		Poets
(a) Prayer of a sportsman	1	Leslie Norris
(b) Where the mind is without fear	2	Berton Braley
(c) A Tiger in the zoo	3	David Roth
(d) Nine Gold medals	4	Rabindranath Tagore

(a) (b) (c) (d)
 (A) 2 4 1 3
(B) 1 2 3 4
(C) 2 3 1 4
(D) 2 1 4 3

45. Kari used to eat _____ pounds of twigs a day.

(A) Thirty pounds
(C) Forty kilos
 (D) Forty pounds
(D) Forty five pounds

46. Match the following :

(A)	(B)		
(a) Going for water	1.	William Shakespeare	
(b) A Psalm of life	2.	William Wordsworth	
(c) Sonnet No. 116	3.	Robert Frost	
(d) The Solitary Reaper	4.	H.W. Longfellow	
(a) 3	(b) 4	(c) 2	(d) 1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (A) 3	4	1	2
(C) 4	3	1	2
(D) 2	1	3	4

47. this strict court of Venice 'Must needs give sentence 'gainst the merchant there'.

The word 'merchant' stands for

(A) Olivia
(C) Shylock
 (D) Antonio
(D) Duke

48. The poem "Be the Best" is written by

(A) A.L. Walker
(C) Tagore
 (B) Douglas Malloch
(D) Walt whitman

49. The poem O captain ! My captain is written by

(A) Thomas Hardy
 (C) Walt Whitman
 (B) V.K. Gokak
(D) Tagore

50. 'There was a quarrel between Kesavan Nair and _____ upon the mud-bund.

(A) Kutt Mappila
 (C) Outhak Kutty's servant
 (B) Kuttichovan
(D) Kesavan Nair's wife

51. Choose the Antonym of underlined word

Balu is not unruly

(A) arrogant (B) haughty
✓ (C) disciplined (D) gentle

52. Match the correct prefixes with the root words:

Prefixes	Root words		
(a) mis	1. line		
(b) semi	2. use		
(c) under	3. like		
(d) dis	4. circle		
(a) 2	(b) 4	(c) 1	(d) 3
(A) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2	4	1
(B) <input type="checkbox"/>	2	1	3
(C) <input type="checkbox"/>	2	3	4
(D) <input type="checkbox"/>	1	4	2

53. Fill in the Blanks with correct homophones.

It's very hard to say ————— to a person whom you ————— very well.

(A) Know, No
(B) Known, Knew
 (C) No, Know
(D) Know, Known

54. Before the names of the rivers article _____ is used.

(A) a the
(C) an some

55. Infomercial is the blended form of

- (A) Informative + Commercial
- (B) Information + Commerce
- (C) Information + Commercial
- (D) Commercial + informative

56. Find out the correct sentence.

- (A) Very few buildings in this street are taller than this
- (B) The cream cake is most expensive of the plain cake
- (C) Raja is one of the tallest boys in this group
- (D) Ravi is more capabable as the other boys

57. Identify the type of the following sentence.

If I were a butterfly, I would fly happily

- (A) Simple
- (B) Compound
- (C) Conditional clause
- (D) Exclamatory

58. Match the Column 'A' with Column 'B':

Column 'A'	Column 'B'
(a) index	1. data
(b) datum	2. errata
(c) radius	3. indexes
(d) erratum	4. radii

(a) (b) (c) (d)

- (A) 3 1 4 2
- (B) 1 3 4 2
- (C) 3 1 2 4
- (D) 1 4 2 3

59. Choose the correct plural form of the following compound word.

'grown – up'

(A) grown – ups

(B) grown – up

(C) grown – ups

(D) grownes – up

60. Find out the odd word

(A) popular

(B) tell

(C) go

(D) walk

61. Choose the correct sentence from the given options

(A) The work will be over on this evening

(B) The work will be over at this evening

(C) The work will be over for this evening

(D) The work will be over by this evening

62. Fill in the blanks with correct Homophones.

My mother received the _____ which was _____ from Bombay for her birthday.

(A) Sent, scent

(B) Scent, sent

(C) Send, sent

(D) Sent, send

63. Generally the tag will contain a/an

(A) Adverb

(B) Adjective

(C) Pronoun

(D) Noun

64. Match the correct prefixes A with the root words B

A. Prefix

B. Root word

(a) contra

1. Logue

(b) dia

2. Indian

(c) fore

3. Diction

(d) pan

4. Tell

(a) (b) (c) (d)

(A) 3 1 4 2

(B) 1 2 3 4

(C) 4 3 2 1

(D) 3 2 4 1

65. 'Beni Madhav Das' was the guru of

- (A) Manoj Das
- (B) Kamala Das
- (C) Netaji Subash Chandra Bose
- (D) Tagore

66. At the age of _____ Gandhi got married.

- (A) Eleven
- (B) Twelve
- (C) Thirteen
- (D) Fifteen

67. Shakespeare married Anne Hathaway in

- (A) 1582
- (B) 1528
- (C) 1586
- (D) 1558

68. "Envy is ignorance and imitation is suicide"? Who said this?

- (A) Emerson
- (B) E.M. Forster
- (C) Anton Chekhov
- (D) Oscar Wilde

69. 'Because the autumn eve was fair'

The time mentioned in the line is _____.

- (A) morning
- (B) night
- (C) evening
- (D) noon

75. _____ is about the study of birds.

- (A) Ophthalmology
- (B) Ornithology
- (C) Psychology
- (D) Geology

76. Match the following and find the correct code.

A

- (a) Cornish Ogre
- (b) Linnet
- (c) Giant's stay
- (d) The little boy

B

- 1. Jesus Christ
- 2. Seven years
- 3. A small bird
- 4. Giant's friend

Codes:

(a) (b) (c) (d)

- (A) 4 3 2 1
- (B) 4 2 3 1
- (C) 1 3 2 4
- (D) 3 2 1 4

77. Match the following

Names

- (a) Alan Trevor
- (b) Baron Hausberg
- (c) Laura Merton
- (d) Hughie

Characters

- 1. Rich man
- 2. Colonel's daughter
- 3. Painter
- 4. Young lover

(a) (b) (c) (d)

- (A) 3 1 4 2
- (B) 1 2 3 4
- (C) 4 3 2 1
- (D) 3 1 2 4

78. The beggar man learnt on a rough

(A) Stick (B) Table
(C) Rock (D) Rod

79. Yetram were extensively used to draw water from

(A) River (B) Sea
(C) Well (D) Rain

80. Match the following A (British English) with B (American English) :

A	B
(a) Happy	1. Mail
(b) Tin	2. Diaper
(c) Post	3. Potato chips
(d) Crisps	4. Can
(a) (b) (c) (d)	
(A) 2 4 3 1	
(B) 4 2 1 3	
(C) 4 2 3 1	
(D) 2 4 1 3	

81. In which of the poem "The following line occurs?

If you can't be the Sun, be a Star

(A) Be the Best
(B) Going for water
(C) A noiseless patient spider
(D) Migrant Bird

82. The old man who posed as a beggar was actually

- (A) A Millionaire
- (B) A Billionaire
- (C) A Pauper
- (D) A Beggar

83. Hélen Keller lost her sight and hearing ability when she was _____ years old.

- (A) Three
- (B) One
- (C) One and half
- (D) Two

84. Portia says that _____ is enthroned in the heart of kings.

- (A) Justice
- (B) Mercy
- (C) Money
- (D) Business

85. 'Love alters not with his brief hours and weeks'

Mention the poem in which these lines occur.

- (A) Sonnet No. 116
- (B) The Solitary Reaper
- (C) Be the Best
- (D) Going for water

86. Match the following column (A) with column (B) :

A		B	
(a)	Netaji	1.	My experiments with truth
(b)	Rani of Jhansi	2.	NASA
(c)	Kalpana Chawla	3.	Indian National Army
(d)	Mahatma Gandhi	4.	Sepoy mutiny

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A)	2	3	4	1
(B)	1	3	2	4
(C)	3	4	2	1
(D)	3	1	2	4

87. Form a compound word using.

Adjective + Noun

(A)	White wash	(B)	Black board
(C)	Life long	(D)	Up set

88. To which nationality does the Poet H.W. Long Fellow belong?

(A)	Africa	(B)	America
(C)	France	(D)	Canada

89. Match the following characters with their titles :

Characters		Title	
(a)	Noodle vendor	1.	The Necklace
(b)	Rowther	2.	Holiday
(c)	Matilda	3.	Reflowering
(d)	Phatik	4.	The Refugee

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A)	4	3	2	1
(B)	3	4	1	2
(C)	1	2	3	4
(D)	4	3	1	2

90. Match the poems with the poets:

(a) A psalm of Life	1. Thomas Hardy
(b) Snake	2. H.W. Longfellow
(c) The man he killed	3. V.K. Gokak
(d) English words	4. D.H. Lawrence

(a) (b) (c) (d)

(A) 1	2	3	4
(B) 2	3	4	1
(C) 4	2	1	3
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (D) 2	4	1	3

91. 'But in the cutting it, if thou dost Shed one drop of Christian blood'

Whose Christian blood is referred to have?

(A) Shylock	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (B) Antonio
(C) Bassanio	(D) Portia

92. 'Then must the Jew be merciful'

This line is uttered by

(A) Duke	(B) Shylock
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (C) Portia	(D) Antonio

93. 'My deeds upon my head ! I crave the law'

Who craves the law?

(A) Portia	(B) Antonio
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (C) Shylock	(D) Bassanio

94. Identify the personality who uttered the following.
"Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection"
(A) Rudyard Kipling (B) Berton Braley
 (C) Rabindranath Tagore (D) Ruskin Bond

95. Whose words are these?
"It is you who keep me alive. I live in you; I live with you; I live for you!"
(A) Hughie (B) Kalpana Chawla
(C) Saralabehn (D) Gaia

96. Read the poetic line and answer the question given below:
The globe's my world. The cloud's my kin.
Who claims the globe?
(A) Snake (B) Migrant bird
(C) Tiger in the zoo (D) Bat

97. From whose poem this line occurs?
"Yes; quaint and curious was I!"
(A) Wilfred Owen (B) Wordsworth
 (C) Thomas Hardy (D) D.H. Lawrence

98. Who said this?
"To call woman the weaker sex is a libel, it is man's injustice to woman."
(A) Indira Gandhi (B) Kiran Bedi
(C) Kamala Das (D) Gandhiji

99. Guesting a while in the rooms of a beautiful inn
This line occurs in the poem
(A) The apology (B) Laugh and be merry
(C) No men are foreign (D) To cook and eat

100. 'Someone has approached me with an offer to take the land on increased rate of rent'.
This line occurs in
(A) Vision for the Nation (B) The elephant
 (C) The farmer (D) My grandmother's house