

ENGLISH LANGUAGE CONTEST

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Secondary school, grades 11 & 12. The duration of the competition is 75 minutes.
The answers must reflect the competitors own work and during the competition, no help is allowed.

Good Luck!

3 point questions

1. "I'm so pretty, ?"
A) aren't I
B) am not I
C) am I
D) I'm not
2. Susan is so impatient. She isn't cut to be a nurse.
My garden looks fantastic when the flowers come
I had to do the shopping so I drew some money yesterday.
A) off
B) out
C) out of
D) up
3. **Walkover** (W.O.) means:
A) having an important meeting,
B) covering a long distance
C) no cars allowed here
D) to win without a contest
4. The man Suzie married is a retired named, appropriately, Mike Barbour.
A) hair stylist
B) fireman
C) dentist
D) teacher
5. "If I've said it once, I've said it"
A) twice
B) ten times
C) a hundred times
D) enough
6. ".....till death do us part" is at the end/a part of vows.
A) soldier
B) wedding
C) priesthood
D) friendship
7. The present Duchess of Cambridge is the wife of:
A) Prince Charles
B) Prince William
C) Prince Philip
D) Prince Harry
8. This year Martin Luther King Day was celebrated on Monday of January.
A) the 4th
B) the 11th
C) the 18th
D) the 25th
9. In **The Grapes of Wrath**, "wrath" rhymes with:
A) broth
B) bet
C) boat
D) both
10. In **The Grapes of Wrath**, the opening sentence finishes with:
"Once the last rains had come and gone, the farmers in Oklahoma could do nothing but"
A) waited
B) waiting
C) wait
D) had waited

4 point questions

11. He'd better do it, ?
A) wouldn't he
B) hadn't he
C) won't he
D) did he

12. "The long eroded lines of his face are seamed with dirt, it's the queer foreign tint of his skin"
 A) since B) because C) either that or D) no matter how
13. You strike up
 A) a protest B) a friendship C) a war D) a job
14. "If it's so bad, you should gargle", is about:
 A) painting B) a sore throat C) cheating D) selling
15. "You pay for the movie and I'll get the dinner check, or vice versa - it's"
 A) still same C) my guest
 B) neither here nor there D) my guess
16. "If there's an emergency, I mean, there won't be, but if there is, you know my telephone number"
 A) knock knock B) knock on wood C) knock the table D) knock me
17. **"If you want to earn a good salary these days, you have to gain considerable experience of working abroad. Since I've always wanted to earn a huge salary, it's obvious that I'm going to have to leave this country for some period of time."**

Which of the following most closely parallels the reasoning used in the argument above?

A) *If I had more time to spend on this project, I know that it would be very successful. I've been told that I'm not going to be given enough time, so the project isn't going to succeed.*

B) *Sam knew that if he wanted to write a film script, he'd have to learn the special techniques needed for such scripts. He has enrolled on a course to learn how to write them, so he'll soon be writing his first script.*

C) *If the doctor thinks that you should be allowed out of bed for a short while, then you must be recovering well from your operation. You have recovered much quicker than she thought you would have, so you'll be out of bed a lot from now on.*

D) *Annie says that if she really wants to win the London Marathon race, she'll have to train very hard every day. She told me that she is determined to win the London Marathon, so that means she'll be working hard on her training programme every day from now on.*

18. Martin Luther King won the Nobel Peace Prize in:
 A) 1954 B) 1958 C) 1964 D) 1968
19. According to ***The Grapes of Wrath***, there are true sentences.
 Jim Casy used to be a preacher.
 Uncle John was a widower.
 Muley Graves refused to leave his farm.
 Casy's killer hurt him by accident,
 Noah and Connie left the Joads together.
- A) 1 B) 2 C) 3 D) 4

20. According to *The Grapes of Wrath*:

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| 1. wanted to help people who were suffering. | a. Casey |
| 2. did not mean to share the family secret. | b. Rose of Sharon |
| 3. saved a man's life. | c. Tom |
| 4. got arrested. | d. Ruthie |
| 5. couldn't enter the government camp without a good reason. | e. the police |
- A) 1-b, 2-d, 3-a, 4-c, 5-e C) 1-c, 2-d, 3-b, 4-a, 5-e
B) 1-a, 2-d, 3-b, 4-c, 5-e D) 1-e, 2-d, 3-a, 4-c, 5-b

5 point questions

21. There are pairs of nouns and verbs that read differently.

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| regret – regret | report – report |
| promise – promise | rebel – rebel |
| protest – protest | excuse – excuse |
| graduate – graduate | project – project |
| concern – concern | record – record |
| progress – progress | surprise – surprise |
| intrigue – intrigue | exchange – exchange |
- A) 2 B) 4 C) 8 D) 9

22. arrival at the train station, we found out that our train had already left.
When the boss discovered that Maurice had been lying, he fired him the spot.
You have always to be guard while dealing with politicians.
Mum expects me to wait my great-aunt, who is very ill.
I thought we might call Patrick to see how he's doing without Fiona.
I think, balance, it has been a worse year than the last one.

- A) in B) on C) at D) with

23. The odd one is:

- settee, chesterfield, divan, davenport, lounge, sofa, couch, carpet**
- A) chesterfield B) divan C) lounge D) carpet

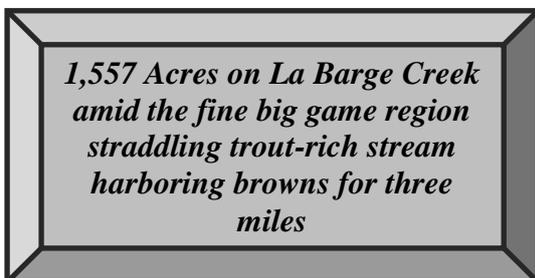
24. "After working hard all day, Alice longed to tie her crisp clean apron around her waist, peeled a pound of potatoes in three minutes and put them soaking in cold water."

- A) sharp B) flat C) quick D) nice

25. "It is 12.45 by the car clock, which has yet to be reset on daylight-saving time". It is:

- A) spring B) winter C) autumn D) a leap year

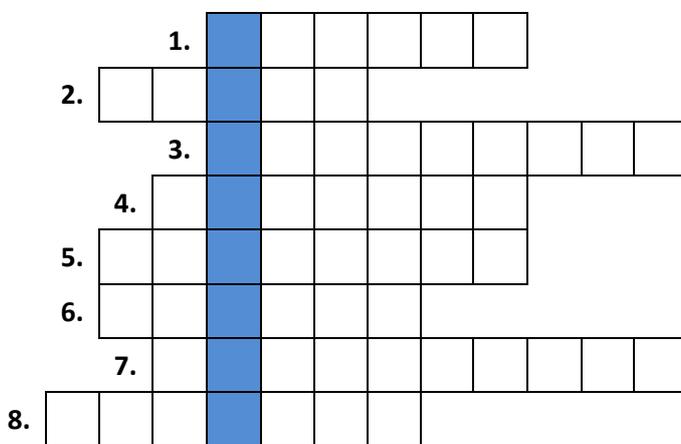
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The ad is for:

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| A) fishermen | C) fishermen and swimmers |
| B) hunters and fishermen | D) fishermen and football fans |

27. The longest reigning ruler of Great Britain has been:
 A) Queen Victoria
 B) Queen Elisabeth I
 C) Queen Elisabeth II
 D) Mary Stuart
28. On the stone above Martin Luther King's grave there are the last words of his most famous speech:
 A) "Free at last, Free at last,
 Thank God Almighty, I'm free at last."
 B) "I'm black and I'm proud."
 C) "I have a dream that one day this segregation will rise up!"
 D) "Black and white, unite and fight!"
29. In *The Grapes of Wrath*, the Joad family were travelling:
 A) west
 B) east
 C) north
 D) south
30. On the basis of *The Grapes of Wrath*, the word down is the state of being:



1. A tree that grows near water
2. To draw air into the nose with a sound
3. Cover of heavy cloth that does not allow water to pass through
4. To make a high clear sound through the curled lips
5. One-piece garment worn over other clothes to protect them
6. The letting out of a prisoner for a limited time, on condition that they return
7. One's property
8. Crowded together in a group

- A) happy
 B) frightened
 C) frustrated
 D) dried and decayed