

ENGLISH LANGUAGE CONTEST

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International English FOX competition



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Secondary school, grades 9 & 10. 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

- It's ages since I such a delicious ice-cream.
A) have
B) ate
C) has been eating
D) had eaten
- The postman usually comes before noon. It's 10 o'clock. You say:
A) Has he come yet?
B) Did he come?
C) Had he already come?
D) Did he came?
- Which word is the odd one out?
A) hot
B) sour
C) bitter
D) strong
- Loch is the Scottish name for:
A) a monster
B) a lake
C) a lane
D) a prison
- 'Can I use your computer?'
A) 'You must be joking.'
B) 'Do so by all means.'
C) 'Be my guest.'
D) 'Take a chance on it.'
- You are in a restaurant and want to order something to drink. You say:
A) 'Hey, you! Come over here.'
B) 'Get us some mineral water, please.'
C) 'Could you bring us a bottle of fizzy mineral water?'
D) 'Could we have a bucket of water?'
- What was the birthplace of "The Beatles"?
A) New York
B) Liverpool
C) Las Vegas
D) London
- Where is Greenwich?
A) In London
B) In Glasgow
C) In New York
D) In Washington
- Silas Marner stopped believing in a loving God when:
A) His best friend betrayed him.
B) Sara got married to William.
C) Sara decided not to marry him.
D) Eppie's mother died.
- Silas Marner kept his money in:
A) a brown pot
B) a metal pot
C) leather bags
D) two pieces of cloth

11. How many adverbs in the comparative form are there in the diagram?

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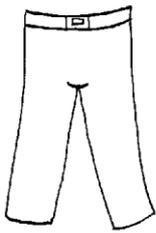
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- A) 2 B) 5 C) 7 D) 12

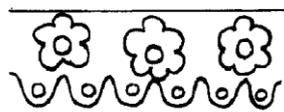
12. 'Why don't we go to the cinema tonight, Janet?' My friend

- A) advised me to go to the cinema. C) offered to take me to the cinema.
 B) suggested we go to the cinema. D) asked me to go to the cinema.

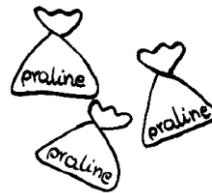
13. What can you buy in a confectionery?



A)



B)



C)



D)

14. 'This cake is delicious! Could you give me a ...'

- A) prescription. B) perscription. C) recipe. D) receipt.

15. 'Bye. I'll get in touch with you before Easter.'

- A) 'So long, then.' C) 'Yes, please.'
 B) 'You'll never do!' D) 'How nice.'

16. 'Am I supposed to keep it a secret?'

- A) 'You mustn't tell a soul.'
 B) 'How should I know?' C) 'Go for it.'
 D) 'Don't mind me.'

17. Eton is:

- A) an exclusive school. C) a famous abbey.
 B) an old castle. D) a royal ship.

18. A drowning man will clutch

- A) at straws. B) at a pipe. C) sticks. D) a razor.

19. In "Silas Marner", Nancy Cass did not want to adopt a child because:

- A) there were no children in the neighbourhood.
- B) she did not think it was the right thing to do.
- C) she wanted to have her own child.
- D) she was afraid Godfrey would stop loving her.

20. In Raveloe, weddings usually took place:

- A) at Christmas.
- B) in the spring.
- C) in the summer.
- D) in the autumn.

5 point questions

21. David can get away with a T-shirt and jeans for school.

- A) David is supposed to look smart at school.
- B) David's clothes should be very stylish even at school.
- C) David dresses smarter than his peers at school.
- D) David is allowed to wear plain clothes.

22. How many pairs do not rhyme?

BALL – PALL
FISH – DISH
WOOD – MOOD

FAIR – HARE
STOVE – DOVE
KISS – BLISS

A) 2

B) 3

C) 4

D) 5

23. What is a *flyover*?

A) A bridge that carries a road over another road.

B) A small kitchen tool used for getting juice out of fruit.

C) A quick look.

D) A picture made by sticking other pictures, photographs, cloth onto a surface.

24. I was taken aback when I heard the news yesterday.

A) I was surprised by the news.

C) I was taken to a hide-away.

B) I was deprived of the news.

D) I did not believe the news.

25. Did you know John and Sue had split up?

A) Are you pulling my leg?

C) Not a word!

B) Shall I keep my fingers crossed?

D) Surprise, surprise!

26. I'd like to apologise for the trouble.

A) Don't mention it.

C) No harm done.

B) My pleasure.

D) Don't bother.

27. How many players are there in a baseball team?

A) 5

B) 7

C) 9

D) 11

28. "The Globe" is the name of:

A) a zoo

C) a chain of supermarkets

B) a theatre

D) astronomy station

29. Silas Marner and William had been friends for ... before their friendship ended.

A) 5 years

B) 7 years

C) 9 years

D) 11 years

30. 'If a man refuses a good thing, another man will have it' is said by:

A) Silas Marner

B) Godfrey

C) Eppie

D) Squire Cass

