

## Mock - 20

## Practice Set

- Select the option that is the indirect form of the given sentence.  
Varun said to his friend, "I will arrive a little late."  
(a) Varun told his friend that he may arrive a little late.  
(b) Varun told his friend that he has been arriving a little late.  
(c) Varun told his friend that he arrived a little late.  
(d) Varun told his friend that he would arrive a little late.
- Identify the segment in the given sentence which contains the grammatical error.  
I heard this story in the news last night.  
(a) I heard (b) in the news  
(c) last night. (d) No Error
- Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.  
The Last Straw  
(a) A little effort now to fix something small before it gets larger and becomes more of a problem.  
(b) The last in a series of bad things that happen to make someone very upset, angry, etc.  
(c) Doing something late is better than not doing it at all.  
(d) In the long term, over a long period of time.
- Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank in the given sentence.  
Telegram \_\_\_\_\_ WhatsApp to become Russia's top messenger.  
(a) Shrivels (b) Surpasses  
(c) Sanctifies (d) Thrash
- Select the option that will improve the segment in bold of the given sentence.  
In case no improvement is needed, select 'No improvement.'  
As soon as this message is showing, it is possible to apply for the course.  
(a) As far as (b) As long as  
(c) As much as (d) No improvement
- Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.  
Docile  
(a) Boundless (b) Clever  
(c) Compliant (d) Determined
- Identify the segment in the given sentence which contains the grammatical error.  
India is comfortable placed to deal with any effect of war, says RBI governor  
(a) placed to (b) No Error  
(c) any effect (d) comfortable
- Select the option that will improve the segment in bold of the given sentence.  
In case no improvement is needed, select 'No improvement.'  
Domestic workers remain in the shadows and since it involves a crime, they and their plight are seldom talked about.  
(a) Unless (b) Whether  
(c) Yet (d) No improvement
- Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.  
Lacking the qualities or features of living beings  
(a) Impeach (b) Inanimate  
(c) Immoral (d) Imbroglio
- Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the given word.  
Consent  
(a) Teach (b) Deny  
(c) Challenge (d) Develop
- Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.  
Bashful  
(a) Withdrawn (b) Fancy  
(c) Boastful (d) Handsome
- Select the most appropriate option to fill in the blank in the given sentence.  
U.S. President Joe Biden \_\_\_\_\_ the U.S.-led alliance, including NATO, the European Union and key Asian partners, for its united front against President Vladimir Putin.  
(a) Recognizing (b) Lauded  
(c) Assaulted (d) Reprehended
- Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.  
To make somebody/something feel or look younger  
(a) Rapport (b) Rejuvenate  
(c) Recapitulate (d) Retrospect



14. Select the INCORRECTLY spelt word.  
 (a) Adjournments (b) Casualties  
 (c) Humanatarian (d) Accusations
15. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Select the option that gives the correct order.  
 A. Once upon a time in a circus, five elephants performed circus tricks.  
 B. One day, a man visiting the circus thought "Why haven't these elephants broken the rope and run away?"  
 C. The ringmaster replied: "From when they were young, the elephants were made to believe that they were not strong enough to break the ropes and escape  
 D. They were kept tied up with weak rope that they could've easily escaped, but did not.  
 (a) DBCA (b) BDAC  
 (c) CDBA (d) ADBC
16. Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the given word.  
 Abound  
 (a) Deficient (b) Fight  
 (c) Appreciate (d) Balance
17. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.  
 Ignorance is bliss  
 (a) Someone cannot use their lack of knowledge as an excuse for doing something wrong or illegal.  
 (b) To ensure that someone remains ignorant of, or misled about the truth.  
 (c) It is better not to know something.  
 (d) To prevent someone from learning specific information about someone or something.
18. Select the INCORRECTLY spelt word.  
 (a) Sovereignty (b) Belligerant  
 (c) Sanctioned (d) Culprits
19. Select the option that is the passive form of the given sentence.  
 The mother sent three little pigs out into the world to learn.  
 (a) Three Little pigs were sent out into the world by the mother to learn.  
 (b) Three Little pigs might have been sent out into the world by the mother to learn.  
 (c) Three Little pigs should be sent out into the world by the mother to learn.

(d) Three Little pigs was being sent out into the world by the mother to learn.

20. Given below are four jumbled sentences. Select the option that gives the correct order.  
 A. King Krishnadevaraya including Tenali Rama was worried about the thieves.  
 B. He decided to teach them a lesson.  
 C. In Vijayanagara, there were many incidents of thefts lately  
 D. That evening as Tenali Rama walked back from the court to his home, he noticed two figures hidden behind the big mango tree near the well in his garden.  
 (a) ABCD (b) CADB  
 (c) BDCA (d) DACB

**Directions (21-25):** In the following passage some words have been deleted. Fill in the blanks with the help of the alternatives given. Select the most appropriate option for each blank.

Manas Maozigendri Ecotourism Society (MMES) is a community \_\_\_\_\_ (21) wildlife conservation NGO \_\_\_\_\_ (22) Manas National Park in Assam, India. Established in 2003, to \_\_\_\_\_ (23) the poaching that had ravaged their wildlife, MMES has not just turned ex-poachers into protectors, they have also established a \_\_\_\_\_ (24) and renowned eco-tourism model that has brought \_\_\_\_\_ (25) impact to the local indigenous Boro community as well as Manas's resident wildlife like the Greater One-horned Rhino.

21. Select the most appropriate option for blank no. 21  
 (a) Based (b) Rural  
 (c) Broader (d) Safe
22. Select the most appropriate option for blank no. 22  
 (a) To (b) For  
 (c) By (d) At
23. Select the most appropriate option for blank no. 23  
 (a) Beat (b) Counter  
 (c) Choose (d) Credit
24. Select the most appropriate option for blank no. 24  
 (a) Amenable (b) Sustainable  
 (c) Reprogrammable (d) Visible
25. Select the most appropriate option for blank no. 25  
 (a) Repulsive (b) Positive  
 (c) Successful (d) Cultural



## Solutions

1. **(d):** The correct answer is option d.  
The given sentence is 'Direct Speech'.  
Direct Speech - Reporting the message of the speaker in the exact words as spoken by him.  
The given sentence is an 'Assertive sentence.'  
While changing it into an indirect form, we consider following rules.  
Reported Verb - 'Said to' changes to 'Told'.  
Conjunction - In an Assertive sentence conjunction 'That' is used.  
'Future simple (Subject+ will/shall+V1+object)' changes to 'Present Conditional (Subject+ would+V1+object)'.  
The sentence thus formed is - Varun told his friend that he would arrive a little late.
2. **(b):** The correct answer is option b.  
The error lies in part (b) of the sentence. Replace 'In' with 'On' to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct.  
In the news - It means, "interesting enough to be discussed in newspapers, on television etc."  
For example - Farming methods are back in the news this week.  
'In the news' is used when we want to speak about stories that are happening at the present time and are being discussed in the media.  
For example - Donald Trump was **in the news** again this week.  
'On the news' is used when talking about the news you see.  
For example - I saw an interesting report **on the news** last night.
3. **(b):** The correct answer is option b.  
The Last Straw - It is an idiomatic expression which means, the last in a series of bad things that happen to make someone very upset, angry, etc.'  
Option (b) portrays the same meaning as that of the given idiom & hence, it is the correct choice.
4. **(b):** The correct answer is option b.  
The word that can be filled in the blank is 'Surpasses'.  
Surpass - to do or be better or more than something else.  
For example - Our team's achievements surpass those of teams in earlier years.  
Shrivel - to become smaller, especially because of dry conditions.
- For example - The plants shrivelled up and died in the hot weather.  
Sanctify - to make something appear to be right, legal or acceptable or to give approval to something.  
Thrash - to defeat decisively or severely.
5. **(b):** The correct answer is option b.  
Replace 'As soon as' with 'As long as' to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct.  
We use 'as soon as' to show that something happens immediately, i.e., 'at the very moment another action is completed', or 'shortly after another action is completed'.  
For example - she will call you **as soon as** she arrives. (She will arrive and then she will call you immediately.)  
As long as - provided that.  
For example - **As long as** you fed him, he would be cooperative"  
'As much as' is used to say that two things are equal in amount or degree.  
For example - He likes hockey **as much as** he likes basketball.
6. **(c):** The correct answer is option c.  
Docile - (used about a person or animal) quiet and easy to control  
Synonyms - amenable, compliant, obedient, submissive  
Antonyms - disobedient, rebel
7. **(d):** The correct answer is option d.  
The error lies in part (d) of the sentence. Replace 'comfortable' with 'comfortably' to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct.  
In the given sentence, 'Placed' is a verb to qualify that we need an adverb 'Comfortably'.  
For example - He was **sitting comfortably** in the office.  
'Comfortable' is an adjective. Adjectives are used to modify the noun. Hence, usage of an adjective in the given sentence is inappropriate.
8. **(a):** The correct answer is option a.  
Replace 'Since' with 'Unless' to make the sentence grammatically and contextually correct.  
We use the conjunction 'Unless' to mean 'Except if'. The clause which follows unless is a subordinate clause (SC): it needs a main clause (MC) to make a complete sentence.



For example - They won't come **unless** you invite them.

Since - As a conjunction, it is used to introduce a reason.

For example - He's been back to the office a few times **since** he retired.

Whether -

Yet - Yet as a conjunction means 'but' or 'nevertheless. We use it to show contrast. It often occurs after 'and'.

For example - So many questions and **yet** so few answers.

Whether - used to express a doubt or choice between two possibilities

For example - He seemed undecided **whether** to go or stay.

9. (b): The correct answer is option b.

Inanimate - lacking the qualities or features of living beings

Impeach - to officially accuse a public official of committing a serious crime while he/she is still in office

Imbroglio - a situation that is complicated, confusing or embarrassing, especially a political or public one

immoral - (used about people or their behaviour) considered wrong or not honest by most people.

Option (b) portrays the same meaning as that of the given group of words & hence it is the correct choice.

10. (b): The correct answer is option b.

Consent - to agree to something; to allow something to happen.

Synonyms - agree, embrace, succumb, yield

Antonyms - refuse, reject, deny

11. (a): The correct answer is option a.

Bashful - shy and embarrassed

Synonyms - backward, introverted, shy, withdrawn

Antonyms - extroverted, immodest, outgoing

12. (b): The correct answer is option b.

The word that can be filled in the blank is 'Lauded'.

Laud - highly praised or admired.

13. (b): The correct answer is option b.

Rejuvenate - To make somebody/something feel or look younger

Rapport - a friendly relationship in which people understand each other very well

Recapitulate - to repeat or give a summary of what has already been said, decided, etc.

Retrospect - a survey or review of a past course of events or period of time.

Option (b) portrays the same meaning as that of the given group of words & hence it is the correct choice.

14. (c): The correct answer is option c.

The correct spelling is 'Humanitarian'.

15. (d): The correct answer is option d.

The proper arrangement is - ADBC

16. (a): The correct answer is option a.

Abound - to be copiously supplied

Synonyms - bulge, overflow, flourish

Antonyms - lack, need, want

17. (c): The correct answer is option c.

Ignorance is bliss - It is an idiomatic expression which means, 'it is better not to know something.'

Option (c) portrays the same meaning as that of the given idiom & hence, it is the correct choice.

18. (b): The correct answer is option b.

The correct spelling is, "Belligerent".

19. (a): The correct answer is option a.

The given sentence is 'Active voice sentence'.

The sentence is said to be in active voice when 'Subject' is active & does something.

Now we have to convert it into passive voice.

Passive voice - If the sentence is in passive form, the subject remains inactive. It does nothing, but allows something to be done.

The given sentence is in the past simple tense.

Structure in active voice - Subject + V2+ object

Structure in passive voice - Object+ was/were V3+ by + subject

The sentence thus formed is - Three Little pigs were sent out into the world by the mother to learn.

20. (b): The correct answer is option b.

The proper arrangement is - CADB

21. (a): The correct answer is option a.

The word that can be filled in the blank is 'Based'.

Based - used to form adjectives showing the main place or area in which something or someone works, lives, or does business:

For example - a Manchester-based company  
community-based programs

22. (d): The correct answer is option d.

The word that can be filled in the blank is 'At'.



The preposition 'At' tells us that the following noun is located at a specific point or location. It shows an exact position.

For example - She's waiting **at the entrance**.

- 23. (b):** The correct answer is option b.  
The word that can be filled in the blank is 'Counter'.
- 24. (b):** The correct answer is option b.  
The word that can be filled in the blank is 'Sustainable'.

Sustainable - involving the use of natural products and energy in a way that does not harm the environment

Amenable - liable to be brought to account.

- 25. (b):** The correct answer is option b.  
The word that can be filled in the blank is 'Positive'.  
As per the context, the word 'Positive' fits in very well & hence, it is the correct choice.

