

Mock Test



ASIA R O P E O L Y M P I A D

English National Round Category 5

1. You have ninety (90) minutes to finish the test.
2. This test covers **Context Clues, Drawing Conclusion, Making Inferences; Homonyms and Homophones; Grammar; Idiomatic Expression; Figures of Speech; Listening Comprehension.**
3. There are fifty (50) Multiple-Choice Questions in this test. Each correctly answered question shall be marked two (2) points. No points shall be deducted for incorrect answers.
4. You must shade properly the ovals that correspond to the letters of your answers on the **ANSWER SHEET.**
5. You may draw illustrations or write your notes on the **TEST BOOKLET.**
6. You are **NOT ALLOWED** to use any electronic gadget during the test proper.
7. Any form of cheating is a ground for **DISQUALIFICATION.**
8. After the test, you must **SUBMIT** to the proctor both this TEST BOOKLET and the ANSWER SHEET.



I. CONTEXT CLUES

Give the meaning of the underlined words based on the context. Choose the letter of the correct answer.

- The arboretum, which housed a collection of rare and exotic trees, was a haven for botanists and nature enthusiasts.
A. A museum
B. A library
C. A botanical garden
D. A laboratory
- Despite the ominous clouds gathering on the horizon, the festival continued without interruption, as everyone hoped the weather would hold.
A. Threatening
B. Transparent
C. Colorful
D. Huge
- The cacophony of the city streets, with honking cars and shouting vendors, made it difficult for her to concentrate.
A. Silence
B. Sound
C. Noise
D. Music
- After the long hike, they reached the summit and were greeted by a panoramic view of the entire valley.
A. Narrow
B. Breathtaking
C. Comprehensive
D. Astonishing
- The rare butterfly was elusive, flitting from flower to flower, always staying out of reach.
A. Easy to find
B. Hard to catch
C. Colorful
D. Always available

II. DRAWING CONCLUSION

Read the short passage in each number, then draw conclusions based on the situations presented. Choose the letter of the correct answer.





6. During the school assembly, the principal announced that the student who demonstrated the most improvement in academic performance would receive a special award. Later that day, Colet was seen studying diligently in the library and asking teachers for extra help.

Question: What can you conclude about Colet's motivation?

- A. Colet is planning to work at the library.
 - B. Colet is striving to win the special award.
 - C. Colet is uninterested in improving her grades.
 - D. Colet is avoiding her friends so she always stays at the library.
7. Jane noticed that her plants were wilting and turning brown. She recalled that the weather had been extremely hot and dry for the past few weeks, and she hadn't watered them regularly.

Question: What can you conclude as the most likely cause of the plants' condition?

- A. The plants are overwatered.
 - B. The plants need more sunlight.
 - C. The plants are infested with insects.
 - D. The plants are not getting enough water.
8. Every weekend, Tim spends hours volunteering at the animal shelter. He helps clean the cages, feeds the animals, and even stays late to play with them. Tim talks passionately about finding homes for all the animals.

Question: What can you conclude about Tim's feelings toward animals?

- A. Tim likes animals but dislikes humans.
 - B. Tim is passionate about animal welfare.
 - C. Tim is afraid of stray animals getting on the loose.
 - D. Tim volunteers because he is indifferent to animals.
9. The local library has seen a significant increase in visitors over the past year. The library has introduced new technology, a variety of community programs, and a revamped reading area for children.

Question: What can you conclude about the reason for the increase in library visitors?





- A. The library is frequently open.
 - B. The library is now offering free snacks.
 - C. The library has fewer books available and offers free coffee.
 - D. The library has made improvements that attract more visitors.
10. Maria was always the first to arrive at the office and the last to leave. She took on extra projects and was constantly seeking feedback to improve her work. When the annual performance reviews were announced, her colleagues were not surprised to see that Maria received the highest rating.

Question: What can you conclude about Maria's work ethic?

- A. Maria is indifferent about her job.
- B. Maria is the favorite among her colleagues.
- C. Maria struggles to complete her tasks
- D. Maria is a diligent and hardworking employee.

III. MAKING INFERENCE

Read each passage and respond to the question that asks for a logical inference based on details and textual evidence.

11. At the end of the soccer game, Jenna's teammates lifted her onto their shoulders, cheering loudly. She smiled and waved at the crowd, holding the game ball tightly.

Question: What can you infer about Jenna's performance in the game?

- A. Jenna was the referee.
- B. Jenna played exceptionally well.
- C. Jenna was injured during the game.
- D. Jenna was the coach and well-loved by the team.

12. When Peter walked into the room, he immediately noticed the scent of fresh paint. He saw drop cloths on the floor and paint cans in the corner. The furniture was pushed to the center of the room and covered with plastic sheets.

Question: What can you infer about the room?

- A. The room is being painted.
- B. The room is being cleaned.
- C. The room is being prepared for a party.
- D. The room is being used for storage.





13. Mrs. Thompson looked at the empty bird feeder in her backyard and shook her head. She had just filled it yesterday, and now it was completely empty. She noticed a trail of sunflower seed shells leading to a nearby tree.

Question: What can you infer about what happened to the bird feeder?

- A. The wind blew the seeds away.
- B. Squirrels likely ate the seeds.
- C. The birds didn't like the seeds.
- D. Mrs. Thompson forgot to fill the feeder.

14. During the final exam, Mark was sweating and tapping his foot nervously. He kept glancing at the clock and biting his nails. When the teacher announced that only ten minutes were left, he started writing furiously.

Question: What can you infer about Mark's situation?

- A. Mark is confident and relaxed.
- B. Mark is bored and uninterested.
- C. Mark has already finished the exam.
- D. Mark is running out of time and feeling anxious.

15. Passage: Emily noticed that her brother, Tom, had been unusually quiet all evening. He barely touched his dinner and kept staring out the window. When she asked if he was okay, he just shrugged and said he was fine.

Question: What can you infer about Tom's behavior?

- A. Tom is feeling sick.
- B. Tom is excited about something.
- C. Tom is happy and content yet so busy.
- D. Tom is preoccupied with something on his mind.

IV. HOMONYMS AND HOMOPHONES

Choose the correct homophones/homonyms to complete the sentence.





16. The new law was designed not only to help businesses _____ their profits, but it also included _____ regulations to prevent abuse.
- A. affect, streek
B. effect, strict
C. affect, strict
D. effect, streek
17. The detective carefully examined the _____ of the crime to determine if the suspect had left any _____ evidence that could lead to a breakthrough.
- A. scene; discrete
B. sin; discreet
C. scene; descend
D. seen; dissent
18. Despite the initial _____ that the project was a failure, the team worked tirelessly to _____ the situation and turn it into a success.
- A. principle; compliment
B. principal; complement
C. principal; compliment
D. principle; complement
19. While the chef prepared the main course, the pastry chef was busy creating a _____ dessert that would delight all the _____.
- A. decadent; guess
B. decant; guests
C. decadent; guests
D. decedent; guess
20. The student council planned to _____ a fundraising event to _____ money for the school's new library.
- A. raise; raze
B. raze; raise
C. raise; raise
D. raze; raze

V. GRAMMAR AND CORRECT USAGE

Choose the correct word to complete a grammatically correct sentence.

21. The coach, along with the team captains, _____ responsible for setting team goals.
- A. is
B. are
C. am
D. were





22. The novel, with _____ intricate plot twists, kept readers engaged until the last page.
- A. it's
B. its
C. their
D. theirs
23. The committee _____ scheduled a meeting to discuss the proposed changes.
- A. has
B. have
C. has had
D. have had
24. Every student in the class _____ required to complete the assignment by Monday.
- A. was
B. were
C. are
D. has
25. My favorite hobbies include reading, hiking, and _____ during winter.
- A. skating
B. skate
C. to skate
D. is skating
26. The famous singer, along with her band members, _____ rehearsing right now on the stage for the concert tonight.
- A. is
B. are
C. were
D. was
27. On her birthday, Elsa received _____ from her parents.
- A. an expensive necklace, a bracelet and earrings
B. an expensive necklace a bracelet; and earrings
C. an expensive necklace, a bracelet, and a pair of earrings
D. an expensive necklace, a bracelet and a pair of earrings
28. The number of students attending the event _____ exceeded our expectations.
- A. has
B. have
C. was
D. were





29. The students were surprised _____ the sudden cancellation of the field trip.

- A. at
B. by
C. on
D. with

30. You can either complete the assignment early _____ request an extension.

- A. or
B. nor
C. and
D. yet

VI. IDIOMATIC EXPRESSIONS

Choose the correct meaning of the idiomatic expression used in each sentence.

31. Despite the setback, Hannah **took the bull by the horns** and confronted the issue head-on.

- A. to attack someone bravely
B. to face a challenge boldly
C. to procrastinate on a task
D. to criticize someone harshly

32. His proposal was rejected, but he decided not to **throw in the towel** and continued to pursue his dream.

- A. to give up
B. to celebrate
C. to make a compromise
D. to take a break

33. The team worked day and night to meet the deadline, and their hard work paid off when they **crossed the finish line**.

- A. to start a race
B. to achieve success
C. to win a marathon
D. to face difficulties

34. Despite her young age, Mikha is already **a big fish in a small pond** at her local theater group.

- A. Someone who is insignificant
B. Someone who is very ambitious
C. Someone who is skilled at swimming in a small pond
D. Someone who is successful in a small environment





35. When confronted with the new software, Paul **hit the ground running** and quickly became proficient in using it.

- A. to start a task without preparation
- B. to begin a race enthusiastically
- C. to learn something quickly and effectively
- D. to avoid discussing the issue

VII. FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE

Choose the correct type of figurative language used in each sentence.

36. The sun stretched its golden fingers across the horizon, painting the sky in hues of orange and pink.

- A. Simile
- B. Metaphor
- C. Personification
- D. Hyperbole

37. His words were arrows, piercing through her defenses and leaving her vulnerable.

- A. Alliteration
- B. Metaphor
- C. Personification
- D. Oxymoron

38. The silence in the library was deafening, broken only by the occasional rustle of pages.

- A. Simile
- B. Onomatopoeia
- C. Oxymoron
- D. Hyperbole

39. The bees buzzed busily around the blooming flowers.

- A. Hyperbole
- B. Metaphor
- C. Onomatopoeia
- D. Personification

40. The bittersweetness of victory left him feeling conflicted yet satisfied.

- A. Metaphor
- B. Hyperbole
- C. Oxymoron
- D. Alliteration





VIII. LISTENING COMPREHENSION

Listen carefully to the audio clip, then answer the questions that follow.

AUDIO LINK:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ExK8cTC2YmYDuh8XP_ovht06dXbcnoyl/view?usp=sharing

41. What is the main topic of the passage?
- A. The history of computing
 - B. The impact of AI on society
 - C. The development of robotics
 - D. The evolution of virtual reality
42. According to the passage, how has AI transformed industries?
- A. By reducing computer power
 - B. By increasing manual labor
 - C. By reshaping how people work
 - D. By limiting human creativity
43. What ethical concerns does the passage mention regarding AI?
- A. Concerns about cloud computing
 - B. Concerns about quantum computing
 - C. Concerns about traditional programming
 - D. Concerns about algorithmic bias and data privacy
44. What does the passage suggest about the future of AI?
- A. It will eliminate all human jobs
 - B. It will advance robotics only
 - C. It will focus on reducing computing power
 - D. It will further develop natural language processing
45. According to the passage, what are some examples of AI applications?
- A. Farming, fishing, and mining
 - B. Only virtual reality gaming
 - C. Only transportation and bitcoin
 - D. Healthcare, finance, transportation, and entertainment





46. How does AI impact everyday life according to the passage?
- A. It has no impact on everyday life at all.
 - B. It has a limited impact on entertainment.
 - C. It is reshaping how people work and interact.
 - D. It is only used in virtual reality gaming.
47. What has contributed to the advancement of AI applications in recent decades?
- A. Advances in cooking power
 - B. Advances in data analytics and computing power
 - C. Advances in animal breeding techniques
 - D. Advances in architectural design
48. According to the passage, what is essential for harnessing the full potential of AI?
- A. Limiting AI applications
 - B. Reducing data analytics
 - C. Prohibiting robotics development
 - D. Balancing innovation with responsible use
49. What fields benefit from AI according to the passage?
- A. Virtual reality, farming and fishing
 - B. Only finance and education
 - C. Healthcare, finance, transportation, and entertainment
 - D. Only transportation
50. How to ensure alignment between AI development and ethical standards?
- A. By rushing development to stay ahead of competitors
 - B. By prioritizing speed and efficiency over quality and ethical considerations
 - C. By balancing innovation with responsible use and adherence to ethical standards





D. By ignoring societal implications to focus solely on technological advancement

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