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QUESTION PAPER (PHASE – I)

CLASS - IX

RPS ENGLISH LEAGUE

Q1. Neither the principal nor the teachers who were responsible for the arrangements _____ willing to accept the blame.

(A) was (B) were (C) has been (D) is

Q2. The quality of the essays submitted by the participants, along with their originality, _____ the judges considerably.

(A) impress (B) have impressed

(C) has impressed (D) were impressing

Q3. More than one candidate _____ disqualified for violating the examination rules.

(A) were (B) have been (C) was (D) are

Q4. The captain, rather than the players, _____ responsible for the team's unexpected defeat.

(A) are (B) were (C) have been (D) is

Q5. A number of proposals _____ rejected, but the number of proposals still under consideration _____ substantial.

(A) was; are (B) were; is

(C) has been; are (D) were; were

Q6. What the witnesses claimed during the investigation ___ inconsistent with the evidence.

(A) were (B) have been (C) was (D) are

Q7. By the time the rescue team reached the village, the floodwaters _____ several houses.

(A) destroy
(B) have destroyed
(C) had destroyed
(D) were destroying

Q8. This is the first time that the committee _____ such a controversial proposal.

(A) considered
(B) has considered
(C) had considered
(D) was considering

Q9. At this time tomorrow, the delegates _____ the final session of the conference.

(A) attend
(B) will have attended
(C) will be attending
(D) have attended

Q10. She _____ for nearly two hours before the doctor finally examined her.

(A) waited
(B) has waited
(C) had been waiting
(D) was waited

Q11. If you _____ the instructions carefully yesterday, you would not have made this mistake.

(A) followed
(B) had followed
(C) have followed
(D) would follow

Q12. The train _____ before we arrived at the station, so we had to wait for the next one.

(A) has departed
(B) departs
(C) had departed
(D) was departing

Q13. The teacher said to the students, "Why have you not submitted your assignments?"

(A) The teacher asked the students why they had not submitted their assignments.
(B) The teacher asked the students why had they not submitted their assignments.
(C) The teacher told the students why they have not submitted their assignments.
(D) The teacher asked the students why they did not submitted their assignments.

Q14. Riya said, "I will complete the project tomorrow."

(A) Riya said that I would complete the project tomorrow.

(B) Riya said that she would complete the project the following day.

(C) Riya told that she will complete the project the next day.

(D) Riya said that she completed the project the following day.

Q15. The officer said to the guard, "Do not allow anyone to enter the premises."

(A) The officer asked the guard that he did not allow anyone to enter the premises.

(B) The officer ordered the guard not to allow anyone to enter the premises.

(C) The officer told the guard that do not allow anyone to enter the premises.

(D) The officer said the guard not allowing anyone to enter the premises.

Q16. He said to me, "Have you ever visited the National Museum?"

(A) He asked me if I had ever visited the National Museum.

(B) He asked me had I ever visited the National Museum.

(C) He told me whether I have ever visited the National Museum.

(D) He asked me that I had ever visited the National Museum.

Q17. The doctor said to the patient, "You must avoid strenuous exercise for a week."

(A) The doctor told the patient that he must avoided strenuous exercise for a week.

(B) The doctor advised the patient that he had avoided strenuous exercise for a week.

(C) The doctor advised the patient to avoid strenuous exercise for a week.

(D) The doctor said the patient to avoid strenuous exercise for a week.

Q18. Meera said, "What a magnificent performance it was!"

(A) Meera exclaimed that it was a magnificent performance.

(B) Meera asked what a magnificent performance it had been.

(C) Meera exclaimed with admiration that it had been a magnificent performance.

(D) Meera told that what a magnificent performance it was.

Q19. You _____ have informed me about the change in schedule; I waited unnecessarily for an hour.

(A) might (B) should (C) can (D) will

Q20. The lights are off, and nobody is answering the door. They _____ have left the house.

(A) must (B) should (C) ought (D) need

Q21. Students _____ bring electronic devices into the examination hall; the rules strictly prohibit them.

(A) need not (B) would not

(C) must not (D) might not

Q22. When my grandfather was young, he _____ walk ten kilometres without feeling tired.

(A) can (B) could (C) may (D) must

Q23 You _____ have bought any refreshments; we had already arranged everything.

(A) need not (B) must not (C) cannot (D) should

Q24. All employees _____ wear their identity cards while inside the laboratory; it is a compulsory safety rule.

(A) might (B) could (C) must (D) would

Q25. There is _____ hope of recovering the missing documents because every possible location has already been searched.

(A) little (B) a little (C) few (D) a few

Q26. _____ of the two explanations accounts for all the facts; both contain serious inconsistencies.

(A) Either (B) Neither (C) Every (D) Each

Q27. The committee received _____ applications this year than it had received last year.

(A) less (B) little (C) fewer (D) fewest

Q28. Hardly _____ students had completed the assignment when the bell rang.

(A) some (B) any (C) much (D) every

Q29. She has read _____ books on the subject, but she has not yet found a satisfactory explanation.

(A) much (B) several (C) every (D) little

Q30. _____ information you provided was sufficient to resolve the dispute.

(A) Many (B) Several (C) The (D) A few

Q31. Identify the subordinate clause in the sentence: "Although the weather was unfavourable, the expedition continued as planned."

(A) the expedition continued

(B) as planned

(C) Although the weather was unfavourable

(D) the weather was unfavourable, the expedition

Q32. Identify the type of the underlined clause: "The book <u>that you recommended</u> has won an award."

(A) Noun clause (B) Adverb clause

(C) Adjective clause (D) Principal clause

Q33. Identify the noun clause in the sentence: "What the witness revealed surprised everyone in the courtroom."

(A) What the witness revealed (B) surprised everyone

(C) in the courtroom (D) everyone in the courtroom

Q34. In the sentence "We stayed indoors because the roads were flooded," the clause "because the roads were flooded" expresses:

(A) Purpose (B) Reason (C) Condition (D) Concession

Q35. Identify the clause functioning as the object of the verb in the sentence: "The committee will decide whether the proposal should be accepted."

(A) The committee (B) will decide

(C) whether the proposal should be accepted (D) the proposal

Q36. Which sentence contains an adverb clause of condition?

(A) I know where she lives.

(B) We left when the meeting ended.

(C) If you revise regularly, you will improve.

(D) The girl who won the prize is my friend.

Q37. The manager asked the employees to <u>get the ball rolling</u> before the deadline. The underlined idiom means:

(A) To delay a decision (B) To begin an activity

(C) To celebrate success (D) To avoid responsibility

Q38. Despite several setbacks, the scientist refused to <u>throw in the towel</u>. The underlined idiom means:

(A) To surrender
(B) To celebrate
(C) To criticize
(D) To negotiate

Q39. The new evidence proved to be <u>the last straw</u> for the already troubled organisation. The underlined idiom means:

(A) The first sign of success
(B) The final difficulty that makes a situation unbearable
(C) An unexpected solution
(D) A temporary inconvenience

Q40. The journalist decided to <u>call a spade a spade</u> rather than conceal the truth. The underlined idiom means:

(A) To exaggerate facts
(B) To speak frankly and directly
(C) To avoid controversy
(D) To flatter someone

Q41. The two competitors were so evenly matched that neither could <u>gain the upper hand</u>. The underlined idiom means:

(A) Gain an advantage
(B) Avoid a conflict
(C) Make a compromise
(D) Withdraw from a contest

Q42. His explanation was convincing, but it did not <u>hold water</u> when examined closely. The underlined idiom means:

(A) Remain confidential
(B) Seem reasonable or credible
(C) Become more complicated
(D) Resolve the dispute

Q43. Choose the correctly spelt word.

(A) Accomodation
(B) Accommodation
(C) Acommodation
(D) Accommadation

Q44. Choose the correctly spelt word.

(A) Conscientious
(B) Consciencious
(C) Conscientous
(D) Conscienctious

Q45. Choose the correctly spelt word.

(A) Priviledge
(B) Privelege
(C) Privilege
(D) Privilage

Q46. Choose the correctly spelt word.

(A) Entreprenuer
(B) Entrepreneur
(C) Entrepreneuer
(D) Entreprenur

Q47. Choose the correctly spelt word.

(A) Miscellaneous
(B) Miscellanous
(C) Miscelaneous
(D) Miscelleneous

Q48. Choose the correctly spelt word.

(A) Questionaire
(B) Questionnaire
(C) Questionnairre
(D) Questionnare

Q49. Identify the figure of speech: "The wind whispered secrets through the trees."

(A) Simile
(B) Personification
(C) Hyperbole
(D) Oxymoron

Q50. Identify the figure of speech: "The classroom was a zoo during the lunch break."

(A) Metaphor
(B) Alliteration
(C) Litotes
(D) Onomatopoeia

Q51. Identify the figure of speech in the expression "deafening silence."

(A) Simile
(B) Personification
(C) Oxymoron
(D) Metonymy

Q52. Identify the figure of speech: "She sells seashells beside the seashore."

(A) Alliteration
(B) Hyperbole
(C) Irony
(D) Apostrophe

Q53. Identify the figure of speech: "I have told you a million times to lock the door."

(A) Metaphor
(B) Hyperbole
(C) Litotes
(D) Transferred epithet

Q54. Identify the figure of speech: "The White House issued a statement on the matter."

(A) Simile
(B) Personification
(C) Metonymy
(D) Alliteration

Q55. Arrange the parts P, Q, R and S to form a coherent sentence.

P. because it encourages independent thinking

Q. Reading widely is essential for students

R. and broadens their understanding of the world

S. rather than merely memorising facts

(A) QPRS (B) PQRS (C) QSPR (D) RQPS

Q56. Arrange the parts P, Q, R and S to form a coherent sentence.

P. before making a final decision

Q. all the available evidence

R. A responsible investigator examines

S. and considers alternative explanations

(A) RQSP (B) QRSP (C) SRQP (D) RSPQ

Q57. Arrange the parts P, Q, R and S to form a coherent sentence.

P. the importance of preserving natural resources

Q. unless individuals recognise

R. environmental problems cannot be solved effectively

S. and change their everyday habits

(A) RQPS (B) QRSP (C) RPQS (D) PQRS

Q58. Arrange the parts P, Q, R and S to form a coherent sentence.

P. despite facing numerous obstacles

Q. the research team completed the experiment

R. within the stipulated time

S. and submitted its findings to the panel

(A) PQRS (B) QPRS (C) PSQR (D) RQSP

Q59. Arrange the parts P, Q, R and S to form a coherent sentence.

P. which are essential for informed decision-making

Q. reliable sources of information

R. in an age of widespread misinformation

S. must be evaluated critically

(A) QSPR (B) RQSP (C) QRPS (D) SQRP

Q60. Arrange the parts P, Q, R and S to form a coherent sentence.

P. not only does it improve concentration

Q. regular physical activity benefits students

R. but it also helps reduce stress

S. and promotes better sleep

(A) QPRS (B) PQRS (C) QRPS (D) QPSR