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ENGLISH OLYMPIAD QUESTIONS

GRADE: X (OCTOBER)

**(Q. No.1 and 2): Choose one suitable word/phrase for each blank. Make sure that you choose the correct form of the word/phrase.**

1. I am happy you are helping me with the assignment. This kind of work is not really my \_\_\_\_\_, (A) Cup and sauce (B) Cup of tea (C) Cup of coffee (D) Tea cup
2. The discussion was by no means \_\_\_\_\_. It went on for more than four hours! (A) Cut and dried (B) Chopped and dried (C) Cut and shredded (D) Dried and cut
3. **Choose the correct spelling of the word.** (A) Believe (B) Believe (C) Believ (D) Beleev
4. **Choose the correct phrase.** (A) Down and up (B) Down and out (C) Down and town (D) Out and down

**(Q. No. 5 and 6): Fill in the blanks using the correct word/phrase.**

5. A class full of very good students means \_\_\_\_\_ failures for the teachers to worry about. (A) Lesser (B) Less (C) Fewer (D) Less than
6. He seems to know a lot about you! How long have you \_\_\_\_\_ him? (A) Known (B) Knew (C) Been knowing (D) Know

**7. Spot the error in the sentence.**

Becoming a monitor / often means / to lose friends. No error

- (A) (B) (C) (D)

**8. Complete the conversation with the correct word.**

Ravi: I think it's really exciting to go to new places. Teacher: What \_\_\_\_\_ keep in mind if you are going to a new place. (A) Do you have to (B) Can you (C) Have you to (D) Must you have to

**9. Change the given direct sentence to indirect.**

"Drive carefully!" Ram said to me. (A) Ram said to me drive carefully. (B) Ram ordered me drive carefully. (C) Ram told me to drive carefully. (D) None of the above.

**(Q. No. 10 and 11) : Read the passage and answer the following questions.**

The fly was finally hers. It had taken Minihours to trap it, but now, exhausted, it buzzed and crashed

hopelessly around inside a pickle jar. Kneeling on a chair, she took a chapatti and spread it with a thick layer of butter, wiping the knife clean against the edge of the dish, the way her mother used to and savored her victory. She was again in control.

**10.** The event of trapping the fly is compared with \_\_\_\_\_. (A) The taste of chapatti and butter (B) A war followed by celebrations (C) A celebration by the victor (D) The defeat of the oppressed

**11.** Which of the following expressions would you use to describe Mini's emotions after trapping the fly? (A) On cloud ten (B) Under a cloud (C) On cloud nine (D) Every dark cloud has a silver lining.

**(Q. No. 12 and 13): Find one sentence to complete the dialogue.**

**12.** Teacher to student: I thought you had been doing your homework regularly? Why are you still so irregular with your work? (A) I will let your parents know that you have failed this year. (B) I'm afraid, at this rate, I'll have to give you a 'D' grade. (C) I'm expecting you to earn a 'D' grade. (D) I think you will do well this year.

**13.** Manasa : Vinu, it's the Maths class now! I forgot my book. (A) Could you share your book with me today. (B) Look here! Give me that book of yours! (C) Can I buy a Maths book? (D) Could I borrow your Maths notebook, please!

**(Q. No. 14 and 15) : You need to select the two sentences that will complete the paragraph. Look at the choices given below and select the best option.**

**14.** Sentence 1 : The blackbucks are mainly grazers and prefer to eat green fodder. Sentence 2 : \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence 3 : \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence 4 : Unfortunately most of their habitats are being converted to agricultural fields and this is forcing them to feed on crops. P. This has restricted their distribution to areas that are close to cultivation.

Q. They also need to drink water twice a day so they do not live far from the source of water.

R. This gives rise to man-animal conflict and hundreds of them are being killed.

(A) PQ (B) QP (C) PR (D) RP

**15.** Sentence 1 : The Pageant's Handbook of First Aid is a must for every home. Sentence 2 :

\_\_\_\_\_ Sentence 3 : \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Sentence 4 : Then seal and send this post-

paid cover back to us. P. All you have to do is write the names of 14 friends who enjoy reading. Q.

And you can get it free, with no contest or prize to be won. R. And we

will rush you the booklet free of cost. (A) PQ (B) QP (C) PR (D) QR

**16. Fill in the blank with correct modal.** Genius does what it must, and talent does what it \_\_\_\_\_.

(A) Can (B) Would (C) May (D) Should (E) None of these

**17. Identify the qualitative adjective in the given sentence.**

John takes great pleasure in reading novels.

(A) Novels      (B) Great      (C) Pleasure      (D) Reading      (E) None of these

**18. In which one of the following sentences an article is wrongly inserted?**

(A) She is one of the beautiful girls in the class. (B) An umbrella is a useful thing. (C) Police are wandering to get hold of the culprit. (D) He was reputed as a honest person. (E) None of these

**19. The correct question tag of the sentence will be:** Will you do this?

(A) Will you?    (B) Willn't you?    (C) Won't you?    (D) Shouldn't you?    (E) None of these

**20. Give the one word substitution of the sentence.** A long wandering journey

(A) Trip      (B) Odyssey      (C) Stroller      (D) Excursion      (E) None of these