

**BA ENGLISH**  
**SECOND SEMESTER**  
**ENGLISH LANGUAGE FOR COMPETITIVE EXAMS**  
**MOOCs**  
**[USE OMR SHEET]**

Duration: 1hr. 30 mins.

Full Marks: 35

Choose the correct answer from the following:

1×35=35

1. What is the most appropriate synonym for the word "Herculean" in the context of "Herculean task"?
  - a. Difficult
  - b. Easy
  - c. Intricate
  - d. Simple
2. What is the most accurate definition of the word "effervescent"?
  - a. Showing strong-will and determination
  - b. Having lively and vivacious personality
  - c. Demonstrating coldness and indifference
  - d. Sad and depressed
3. What does the phrase "Pandora's box" symbolize or represent in common usage?
  - a. A symbol of good fortune
  - b. A mysterious and enchanting discovery
  - c. A situation that triggers unforeseen and undesirable consequences
  - d. A repository of ancient wisdom and knowledge.
4. What is the synonym of "ephemeral"?
  - a. Elusive
  - b. Eloquent
  - c. Permanent
  - d. Transitory
5. A \_\_\_\_\_ is an independent-minded and unorthodox person who doesn't conform to social norms
  - a. Maverick
  - b. Genius
  - c. Masochist
  - d. Idiot
6. Stance: "Schools should have a longer summer vacation to give students a well deserved break." Which of the following would be a reason against the given stance?
  - a. Longer breaks can lead to academic regression and loss of knowledge
  - b. Students would have more time for relaxation and leisure activities
  - c. A longer vacation would align with the needs of working parents
  - d. Extended vacation could improve students' well being
7. The manager's reaction to the project proposal was \_\_\_\_\_. She rejected it \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Abrupt, violently
  - b. Inevitable, Vehemently
  - c. Clever, Abruptly
  - d. Sympathetic, Scarily

8. What does the word "inconspicuous" mean?
- Drawing a lot of attention
  - Being admired by everyone
  - Going unnoticed and not standing out
  - Leading an extravagant lifestyle
9. What is the primary role of the Introduction in a persuasive essay?
- To conclude the essay and summarize the main points
  - To present the opposing view
  - To provide a detailed analysis
  - To engage the reader's interest and present the main arguments.
10. Which of the following are relevant to academic writing?
- An argumentative essay should have a
- three part Introduction, Body, Conclusion structure
  - Organization is the most crucial aspect of any form of writing
  - Conclusion should logically follow from preceding arguments
  - All of the above
11. Which is the analogy similar to that in the following pair? Ocean: Water
- Sky: Cloud
  - Tree: Leaf
  - Car: Engine
  - Desert: Sand
12. Complete the analogy: A Spark is to an inferno as a flicker is to \_\_\_\_\_
- Blaze
  - Deluge
  - Ignite
  - Flash
13. This is my application \_\_\_\_\_ leave
- For
  - From
  - On
  - In
14. English is the mother tongue of \_\_\_\_\_ English
- The
  - A
  - An
  - None
15. He promised to *look into* the matter. *Look Into* means \_\_\_\_\_
- Investigate
  - Read
  - Question
  - Take care of
16. Choose the correct option for the analogy  
School: Student  
Hospital: \_\_\_\_\_
- Doctor
  - Nurse
  - Patient
  - Compounder
17. Choose the correct option for the analogy  
Flow: River  
Stagnant: \_\_\_\_\_
- River
  - Canal
  - Pool
  - Sea
18. Choose the correct option for the analogy  
University: Vice Chancellor  
Newspaper: \_\_\_\_\_

- a. Journalist  
c. Editor
- b. Printer  
d. Distributor
- 19 Choose the correct option for the analogy  
Safe: Secure  
Protect:\_\_\_\_\_
- a. Lock  
c. Guard
- b. Conserve  
d. Sure
- 20 Choose the correct option for the analogy  
Melt: Liquid  
Freeze:\_\_\_\_\_
- a. Ice  
c. Solid
- b. Water  
d. Condense
- 21 Write the homonym (similar) of *precarious*
- a. assured  
c. deceptive
- b. mischeavous  
d. doubtful
- 22 Write the homonym of *reluctant*.
- a. eager  
c. radical
- b. anxious  
d. cautious
- 23 Write the homonym of *rustic*
- a. Cultured  
c. Elegant
- b. Civilized  
d. Rural
- 24 Write the homonym of *Trivial*
- a. Significant  
c. Urgent
- b. Perfect  
d. Insignificant
- 25 Write the antonym (opposite) of *pacify*
- a. release  
c. peacefulness
- b. irritate  
d. appease
- 26 Write the antonym of *Frugality*
- a. Resourceful  
c. Clever
- b. Miserly  
d. Lavishness
- 27 Write the antonym of *Concede*
- a. Accept  
c. Run
- b. Speak  
d. Reject
- 28 Write the antonym of *Benign*
- a. Malignant  
c. Benevolent
- b. Harmless  
d. Kneel down
- 29 Write the antonym of *Adversity*.
- a. Fortune  
c. Diversity
- b. Misfortune  
d. Unity

- 30 Which of the following is not a persuasive technique used in writing an essay?
- a. Rhetorical questions
  - b. Neutral Language
  - c. Personal anecdotes
  - d. Statistical data
- 31 What is the meaning of the word "Mellifluous"?
- a. evil
  - b. Sweet sounding
  - c. pretty
  - d. tasty
- 32 What does the word "evade" mean?
- a. permit
  - b. eat
  - c. avoid
  - d. promise
- 33 In Shakespearean tragedy, Macbeth, the protagonist's \_\_\_\_ ambition and desire for power led to his \_\_\_\_ downfall. Chose the correct pair.
- a. Modest-inevitable
  - b. Noble-victorious
  - c. Insatiable- tragic
  - d. Reckless- celebrated
34. The detective's keen \_\_\_\_ led to the breakthrough in the complex case, uncovering evidence that had confused others for months.
- a. incompetence
  - b. indifference
  - c. incredibility
  - d. intuition
35. Choose the correct for the given analogy:
- Book: Cover
- Painting: \_\_\_\_\_
- a. Example
  - b. Wall
  - c. Colour
  - d. Frame