

# GLOBAL TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION

## ENGLISH

Class : VII

Date: 24<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Max Marks : 100

Time : 11:00 to 12:30 p.m.

### Instructions to Candidates :

01. All questions are compulsory. First 15 minutes are for reading instructions.
02. This question paper has 50 objective questions. In addition to this question paper, you are also given an answer-sheet.
03. Read the instructions carefully for each section before attempting it.
04. For each correct answer **2 marks** will be awarded and there is no negative marking.
05. On the answer-sheet, fill up all the entries carefully in the space provided, **ONLY IN BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS.**
06. Incomplete / incorrect / carelessly filled information may disqualify your candidature.
07. On the answer-sheet, use **PENCIL / BLUE or BLACK BALL PEN.**
08. Use of calculator is not permitted.
09. No student is permitted to leave the examination hall before time is complete.
10. Use of unfair means shall invite cancellation of the test.

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*Each question has four alternatives marked (A), (B), (C) and (D), but only one of these alternatives is the correct answer. Find the correct answer.*

## SECTION A – COMPREHENSION PASSAGE

### Exploring the Titanic

*By: Robert (D) Ballard*



1. Just after midnight, on September 1, I went to my bunk for some rest, and the night shift led by Jean-Louis manned their stations. About an hour into their watch, one of the team members asked the others, "What are we going to do to keep ourselves awake tonight?" All they'd seen so far was mud and more mud, endless miles of nothing.
2. "There's something," he said, pointing to the screen. No one could believe it wasn't just another false alarm or a joke. All sorts of wreckage began to stream by on the screen. Then something different appeared ---- something large and perfectly round(D) Jean-Louis checked in a book of pictures of the Titani(C) He came across a picture of the ship's massive boilers, used to burn coal and drive the engines. He couldn't believe his eyes. He looked from book to video screen and back again. Yes, it was the same kind of boiler!
3. I scrambled out of my bunk when I got the news and ran to the control room. I didn't know what to say. I turned to Jean-Louis. The look in his eyes said everything. The Titanic has been foun(D) We'd been right all along. Word had spread throughout the ship. People were pouring into the control room.
4. It was now almost two in the morning, very close to the exact hour of the Titanic's sinking. Someone pointed to the clock on the wall. All of a sudden the room became silent. Here at the bottom of the ocean lay not only the graveyard of a great ship, but of more than 1,500 people who had gone down with her. And we were the very first people in seventy-three years to come to this spot to pay our respects. Images from the night of the disaster ----- a story I now knew by heart ----- flashed through my min(D)
5. The sky was filled with stars; the sea was calm. Except for the shining moon overhead, it was just like the night when the Titanic had gone down. I could see her as she slipped nose first into the glassy water. Around me were the ghostly shapes of lifeboats and the piercing shouts and screams of passengers and crew freezing to death in the water.

Based on your reading of the above passage, answer the following questions:

(MM=1X10=10)

- How did the crew members make certain that they had found the correct ship?
  - They sent a diver down to explore the wreckage.
  - They compared what they saw to old photographs.
  - They had an expert examine the items they picked up.
  - They saw the name of the ship on a piece of wreckage.
- Based on your reading of the text, which reason best explains why “the room became silent”?
  - The crew members realized they had a lot of work left to do.
  - The crew members did not want to wake others who were asleep.
  - The crew members were thinking about the tragedy of the Titanic(C)
  - The crew members were tired and exhausted
- Read sentences from the passage in the box below:

**...I could see her as she slipped nose first into the glassy water. Around me were the ghostly shapes of lifeboats and the piercing shouts and screams of passengers and crew freezing to death in the water.**

Which of the following best describes the sentences?

- The narrator is imagining the scene.
  - The narrator had seen the Titanic sinking and is remembering the scene
  - The narrator is relating the sinking of the ship to the crew
  - The narrator is reading from a book
- Based on your reading of the passage, the people are:
    - on a ship
    - in a submarine
    - on a diving boat
    - in a speed boat
  - In para 3, the writer “didn’t know what to say”:
    - Because he was frightened(D)
    - He was tired after staying up all night
    - He was dumbfounded and surprised
    - He was not sure if it was the Titanic’s wreckage
  - The Titanic sank at:
    - close to two in the morning.
    - at two in the morning.
    - past two in the morning.
    - None of the above

7. On the night that the Titanic sank
- (A) There was no moon in the sky. (B) There were no people on the deck.  
(C) There were no stars in the sky. (D) People died in their sleep
8. Which is the correct statement:
- (A) This was their first sighting of objects in the sea  
(B) The crew had seen other unrelated objects before this  
(C) They had seen objects of the Titanic's wreckage before this  
(D) They saw the wreckage of the Titanic floating on the ocean
9. Which word in the text describes most appropriately "people coming in large numbers"?
- (A) Streaming (B) pouring  
(C) gather (D) Scrambling
10. An hour into their watch means:
- (A) They looked at their watch after one hour.  
(B) The crew talked to each other after one hour.  
(C) They were tired after one hour  
(D) They had been looking at their monitorscreens for one hour.

### SECTION B – COMPREHENSION POETRY

Ques. Read the poem and answer the questions that follow:

(MM=1X10=10)

## The Road Not Taken

By: Robert Lee Frost

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood, (Line1)  
And sorry I could not travel both  
And be one traveler, long I stood  
And looked down one as far as I could  
To where it bent in the undergrowth; (Line 5)

Then took the other, as just as fair  
And having perhaps the better claim,  
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;  
Though as for that, the passing there  
Had worn them really about the same, (Line 10)  
And both that morning equally lay  
In leaves no step had trodden black  
Oh, I kept the first for another day! Yet  
Knowing how way leads on to way, I  
Doubted if I should ever come back. (Line 15)

I shall be telling this with a sigh  
Somewhere ages and ages hence:  
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I,  
I took the one less travelled by, and  
That has made all the difference.(Line 20)

Read the above poem and answer the following questions based on your reading:

11. According to the speaker, what “has made all the difference”? (Line-20)
- (A) He or she took the first of the two roads.
  - (B) He or she took the road less travelled by.
  - (C) He or she took the road that bent in the undergrowth.
  - (D) He or she chose a road after looking as far down it as possible.
12. What is the setting of this poem?
- (A) a quiet street on the edge of a town
  - (B) a forest in the middle of winter
  - (C) the back yard of a house in the country
  - (D) a wood with two roads in it
13. The speaker of the poem wishes that he or she did not have to make a choice between the roads. What lines from the poem support this statement?
- (A) And sorry I could not travel both/ and be one traveler, long I stood
  - (B) Though as for that, the passing there/ Had worn them really about the same
  - (C) And both that morning equally lay/ In leaves no step had trodden back
  - (D) Two roads diverged in a wood, and I,/ I took the one less traveled by
14. Based on the information in the poem, why might the second road have “wanted wear” and been “grassy”? ( stanza 2)
- (A) because the second road was close to a stream that ran through the woods
  - (B) because the second road got a lot of sunlight
  - (C) because many people had taken the second road
  - (D) because few people had taken the second road
15. What is the theme of this poem?
- (A) giving up hope
  - (B) making a choice
  - (C) enjoying the present moment
  - (D) having the courage to fight for something you believe in

16. Read these lines from the poem:

*Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,  
And sorry I could not travel both  
And be one traveler, long I stood  
And looked down one as far as I could  
To where it bent in the undergrowth;  
Then took the other, as just as fair*

Based on these lines, what does the word “diverged” probably mean?

- (A) went in different directions
  - (B) led to the same place
  - (C) continued forward in a straight line
  - (D) turned around and went backward
17. What does “this” (line-16) refer to?
- (A) the place the speaker will be ages and ages from now
  - (B) the explanation of why the speaker chose the second road
  - (C) the description of the first road bending in the undergrowth
  - (D) The old age of the speaker
18. The poet is doubtful about coming that way again because...
- (A) he will be too old to travel
  - (B) the road will be overgrown with the grass
  - (C) the network of roads leading from there will take him far away
  - (D) He will like to settle down in life
19. The poet stood long because:
- (A) he was tired
  - (B) he was unsure.
  - (C) he wanted to come back another day.
  - (D) he wanted to take the road less travelled
20. Choose one of the following statements best illustrates the idea in the poem
- (A) You should think before making choices in your life
  - (B) What most people choose is the right choice for you.
  - (C) Be careful when you choose to follow a different path.
  - (D) What most people choose may not be the right choice for you

## SECTION C – GRAMMAR USAGE

(MM=1X10=10)

21. Choose the correct answer to complete the following sentences:

I \_\_\_\_\_ that he will be in time for the show.

- (A) expect (B) am expecting  
(C) will expect (D) shall expect

22. She is suffering \_\_\_\_\_ cancer.

- (A) with (B) of  
(C) by (D) for

23. My neighbor always plays loud music on the weekend (D) "Always" is:

- (A) an adjective (B) a noun  
(C) an adverb (D) None of the above

24. I wish you -----making that noise .It is bothering me.

- (A) are going to stop (B) would stop  
(C) can stop (D) will stop

25. My dream is to travel \_\_\_\_\_ the world (D)

- (A) across (B) around  
(C) round (D) about

26. Today walkers can make----- ascent to the grassy top of Boston Harbor and explore ----- network of footpaths -----would have been impossible a few years ago.

Choose the correct sequence to fill in the blanks

- (A) their/the/that (B) for/its/which  
(C) their/it's/which (D) their/its/which

27. Choose the correctly written sentence from the following:

- (A) Although she was not feeling well yet she went to work.  
(B) Although she was not feeling well she went to work.  
(C) Although she was not feeling well, yet she went to work.  
(D) Although she was not feeling well but she went to work.

28. The college students had been toiling -----decades to shift their college to \_\_\_\_\_ area with \_\_\_\_\_ transport facilities.

- (A) Since/the /best (B) For /has a /good  
(C) For /an/better (D) Since/an/better

29. Sixteen year old Lucia \_\_\_\_\_ Switzerland \_\_\_\_\_ very special skills . She \_\_\_\_\_ tell \_\_\_\_\_ tree out \_\_\_\_\_ thousands will make \_\_\_\_\_ top quality violin.

Choose the correct answer from the group below:

- (A) from / had/will /which /of /a (B) from/has/can/which /from/an  
 (C) from/has/can/ which /of/a (D) of/has/will/a/of/a/
30. Sentence 1.Perhaps your friend came to your house while you were out.  
 Choose the best answer from below to complete the second sentence so that it is similar in meaning to the first sentence.  
 Sentence 2 .Your friend \_\_\_\_\_ to your house while you were out.  
 (A) Must have come (B) May have come  
 (C) Would have come (D) Should have come

### SECTION D – VOCABULARY

(MM=1X10=10)

31. Last night`s movie was really \_\_\_\_\_. I enjoyed it thoroughly.  
 (A) indelible (B) incredible  
 (C) terrible (D) inedible
32. Preeti has so many friends because she is a gregarious person. The word gregarious means  
 (A) polite and soft spoken (B) helpful and kind  
 (C) friendly and outgoing (D) confident and smart
33. He used the \_\_\_\_\_ of the horse to \_\_\_\_\_ in the horse when it started to \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Choose the most suitable sequence:  
 (A) reigns / rein / rain (B) reigns / rain / rein  
 (C) rain / rein / reigns (D) reins / reign / rain
34. Which one of the following don't belong to the group:  
 (A) amount /quantity (B) useless /unworthy  
 (C) evident / hidden (D) severe /harsh
35. The car was driven at \_\_\_\_\_ speed(D)  
 (A) brake neck (B) break neck  
 (C) break down (D) breaking down
36. I would like to \_\_\_\_\_ you on your beautiful voice.  
 (A) compliment (B) complement  
 (C) complimant (D) complament



37. A tall story means:  
 (A) a famous story (B) a long story  
 (C) an unbelievable story (D) an untruthful story
38. Solving Math's problems is \_\_\_\_\_ for him (Very easy)  
 (A) a piece of cake (B) a piece of candy  
 (C) a piece of mind (D) a piece of bread
39. It is always \_\_\_\_\_ to find a \_\_\_\_\_ friend who is trustworthy.  
 (A) enjoyable (B) valuable  
 (C) probable (D) lovable
40. People find it \_\_\_\_\_ that every tiger is not a man-eater  
 (A) unlikely (B) strange  
 (C) weird (D) odd

### SECTION E – LANGUAGE COMPETENCY

(MM=1X10=10)

41. Complete the following idioms:

A	B
1. Stir up	a. while the sun shines
2. A storm	b. in a soup
3. Make hay	c. a hornet's nest.
4. To be	d. in a tea cup.

- (A) 1,b; 2,a; 3,d; 4,c  
 (B) 1, c; 2, d; 3, a; 4, b  
 (C) 1,d; 2,b; 3, a; 4 ,c  
 (D) 1,a;2,c;3,b;4,d
42. Choose a phrasal verb to replace the words in bracket:  
 Juhi went to the library to (try to find) a book.  
 (A) Look outfor (B) Look after  
 (C) Look for (D) Look up
43. Which of the following sentenceis correct?  
 (A) From where are you? (B) Where are you from?  
 (C) You are from where? (D) All are correct.

44. Hospitals must be careful while disposing off their toxic waste.  
Choose the most suitable meaning of the word toxic:
- (A) poisonous
  - (B) impure
  - (C) unhealthy
  - (D) dangerous
45. Can you contact Raghav about the party?  
Can you \_\_\_\_\_ Raghav for the party?(Touch)
- (A) be in touch with
  - (B) get in touch with
  - (C) get on touch with
  - (D) get into touch with
46. To be in hot water means:
- (A) to be in trouble
  - (B) to be frightened
  - (C) to be uncomfortable
  - (D) to be worried
47. The story was too long, so the writer decided to release -----version for school children
- (A) a new
  - (B) an unabridged
  - (C) an abridged
  - (D) an edited

48. Match the following to make complete and correct sentences:

a. When Tanvi arrived to attend Fashion Week in Paris	1. as a mere ki(D)
b. An annoyed designer complained that	2. it became quite clear that some people were not happy with her fame.
c. Others dismissed her	3. some adults do not appreciate young people doing well.
d. Tanvi felt that	4. the huge hat on Tanvi's head had spoiled his view of models.

- (A) a,4; b,3; c,1;d, 2
- (B) a2;b,4;c,3; d1
- (C) a,3; b,2; c4; d1
- (D) a,2; b,4; c,1;d,3

49. Choose the best option

The engineer reported that the dilapidated building would fall at any moment. It was a disaster

- (A) going to happen
- (B) waiting to happen
- (C) sure to happen
- (D) surely going to happen

50. The café was packed with people grabbing a bite during lunch time

A café is:

- (A) a restaurant
- (B) a hotel
- (C) a coffeeshop
- (D) Snack bar

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2			C	
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4		B		
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6		B		
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