Assam Secretariat Service-2013
Examination: Junior Administrative Assistant
Paper-1 (To be answered in OMR Sheet)

Part A : General English

In the following questions four alternatives are given for the idiom/phrase italicized in the sentence. Choose the one that best expresses the meaning of the italicized idiom/phrase:

1. Pt. Nehru was *born with a sliver spoon in his mouth*.
   
   (a) born in a family of nationalists
   (b) born in a middle class family
   (c) born in a wealthy family
   (d) born in a royal family
   Ans.(c)

2. The thief *took to his heels* when he saw the policeman on the beat.
   
   (a) had some pain in his heels
   (b) ran away from the scene
   (c) confronted the policeman
   (d) walked away
   Ans.(b)

3. The cricket match proved to be a *big draw*
   
   (a) a keen contest
(c) a lovely spectacle

(b) a huge attraction

(d) a game without any result

Ans.(b)

In the following questions out of four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences:

4. A person with a long experience of any occupation.

(a) Veteran (b) Genius (c) Seasoned (d) Experienced

Ans.(a)

5. Words Written on a tomb

(a) Epithet (b) Epigraph (c) Epitaph (d) Elegy

Ans.(c)

6. Severely abusive writing in journals.

(a) Imaginary (b) Speculative (c) Scurrilous (d) Sarcastic

Ans.(c)

7. Fear of being enclosed in a small closed

(a) Agoraphobia (b) Claustrophobia (c) Xenophobia (d) Paranoia

Ans.(b)

8. Stealthily done
(a) Devious (b) Nefarious (c) Surreptitious (d) Villainous

Ans. (c)

Read the sentences below to find out whether there is any error in them. The error, if any, will be in one part of a sentence. The number of that part is the answer.

9. One of the reasons / of my leaving earlier company/ was lack of / facilities provided there

(a) (b) (c) (d)

Ans. (b)

10. Can you explain to me / Why did he not / comply with the instruction/ I gave him.

(a) (b) (c) (d)

Ans. (a)

11. If you would have / told me earlier / would not have / submitted my papers.

(a) (b) (c) (d)

Ans. (c)

12. Given a choice / I will prefer working / in field / to working in office

(a) (b) (c) (d)

Ans. (d)

13. I want to know / as to why / you did not / attend your office yesterday

(a) (b) (c) (d)

Ans. (c)

14. He went there / with a view to / find out the truth/about yesterday's meeting

(a) (b) (c) (d)

Ans. (b)
15. We threw out some old furniture so that the new TV set has enough space

(a) (b) (c) (d)

Ans. (d)

Choose from the answer choices given below the word which is same in meaning as the word given in capital letter:

16. ILLICIT

(a) abnormal (b) secret (c) unlawful (d) adulterated

Ans. (c)

17. RANDOM

(a) objective (b) chance (c) subjective (d) planned

Ans. (c)

18. CANDID

(a) sweet (b) pleasing (c) frank (d) dishonest

Ans. (c)

19. PRUDENT

(a) skilled (b) experienced (b) weaken (c) cautious (d) criminal

Ans. (c)

20. SHUN

(a) destroy (b) weaken (c) avoid (d) include

Ans. (c)

In each of the following sentences there is a blank. Fill in the blank with one of the four alternatives:
21. Please ______________ the candle before you go to sleep.

(a) blow out (b) blow off (c) blow up (d) blow down

Ans. (a)

22. She is trying to ______________ a settlement between her two sons.

(a) bring out (b) bring forth (c) bring about (d) bring

Ans. (c)

23. The cost of this journey has __________ our small store of money.

(a) destroyed (b) damaged (c) affected (d) depleted

Ans. (c)

24. The German force lost no time in retreat lest they ___________ be cut off and then surrounded.

(a) would (b) should (c) might (d) could

Ans. (d)

25. He was frightened ______________

(a) to be killed (b) to being killed (c) for being killed (d) of being killed

Ans. (d)

In each of the following questions, there is a sentence, of which some parts are jumbled up. Rearrange these parts which are labelled PQRS to produce the correct sentence. Choose the proper sequence from the alternatives given below:

26. The man looked...

P to make sure

Q all around him
R as if anxious
S that he was not being watched
(a) RPQS (b) RQSP (c) QSRP (d) QRPS
Ans. (d)

27. An explorer....

P must study his map
Q efficiently
R so that he will be able to plan his trip
S very carefully
(a) PSRQ (b) RSPQ (c) PQRS (d) RQPS
Ans. (a)

28. The girl....

P declined to marry John
Q who was both beautiful and intelligent
R although he loved her truly
S because he was poor
(a) PRSQ (b) QPSR (c) PSRQ (d) QPRS
Ans. (b)

29. Modern advertising techniques
.....

P by their day-dreaming qualities
Q just as the movies do
R give the customers
S certain vicarious satisfaction

(a) PRQS (b) RSPQ (c) RPQS (d) PQRS

Ans.(b)

30. Finally my mother comes downstairs
.....

P and my father being engaged in conversation with my
grandfather

Q becomes uneasy

R all dressed up

S not knowing whether to greet my mother or continue the
conversation.

(a) RPQS (b) RQSP (c) QRPS (d) QRSP

Ans.(a)

Part B: General Knowledge

31. Which Article of the Constitution of India provides the Parliament the power to amend the
Constitution?
(a) Article 370 (b) Article 390 (c) Article 376 (d) Article 368

Ans.(d)

32. One difference between the Fundamental Rights and the Directive Principles in Indian
Constitution is—

(a) Fundamental Rights are better than Directive
Principles.

(b) Fundamental Rights are part of the Indian Constitution, but Directive Principles are
not.

(c) Fundamental Rights are justiceable, while Directive Principles are
not.
(d) Directive Principles are not subject to Fundamental Rights

Ans.(c)

33. ‘Zero Hour’ originally refers to the expected time of attack in war. The term in Parliament is now used to mean-

(a) the period after a Parliament session begins.
(b) the period before a Parliament session begins.
(c) the period just before a Parliament session ends.
(d) the period just after a Parliament session ends.

Ans.(b)

34. Tides in the oceans are caused by

(a) revolution of earth (c) gravitational pull of moon and sun (b) gravitational pull of earth (d) spherical shape of earth.

Ans.(c)

35. Black Holes are celestial bodies which have a strong-

(a) electric force (c) gravitational force (b) magnetic force (d) cosmic force

Ans.(b)

36. In the famous Einstein Equation E=mc², c denotes-

(a) velocity of light (b) wavelength of light (c) velocity of sound (d) a constant factor

Ans.(a)

37. 'Sustainable development' is-
(a) the unsustainable exploitation of a resource.

(b) usually associated with neo-liberal economics.
(c) a concept that refers to meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

(d) related to the resources open for use by the international community.

Ans.(c)

38. Intellectual Property Rights mean-

(a) policies that prohibit anti-competitive behaviour.

(b) the use of the internet to get people to buy property

(c) the rules that protect the owners of content through copyright patents trade marks etc.

(d) the software built on the idea that it should be free to use.

Ans.(c)

39. Sir C. V. Raman was awarded Nobel Prize for Physics in 1929 for—

(a) his theory of Stellar Evolution (b) invention of Raman Effect’ (c) his contribution to spectrum analysis (d) his invention of Cyclotron

Ans.(b)

40. The difference between Indian Standard Time and Greenwich Mean Time is :

(a) 5 ½ hour (b) 4 hours (c) 5 hours (d) 6 hours

Ans.(a)

41. Every year World Environment Day is observed on—
(a) 22 April (b) 19 April (c) 22 June (d) 5 June

Ans. (d)

42. The cause of earthquakes is mainly due to—

(a) Weathering (b) Denudation (c) Tectonic forces (d) Erosion

Ans.(c)

43. The rising of the sun in the east and setting in the west is due to—

(a) spherical shape of the earth. (c) movement of the sun. (b) revolution of earth around the sun. (d) rotation of the earth about its axis.

Ans.(d)

44. The Right to information Act' came into force on-

(a) October 12, 2005 (c) October 12, 2003 (b) October 12, 2004 (d) October 12, 2006

Ans.(a)

46. The United Nations Organisation was established in—

(a) 1945 (b) 1943 (c) 1941 (d) 1940

Ans.(a)

46. ‘Yandaboo Treaty’ between the Burmese and the British was signed on—

(a) February 24, 1826 (c) December 31, 1825 (b) February 14, 1827 (d) December 31, 1827

Ans.(a)

47. The first Viceroy of India after power was transferred from the East India Company to the Crown was—.
48. The Assamese novel ‘Mayabritta’ has been authored by-
(a) Anuradha Sarma Pujari (b) Rita Choudhury (c) Manikuntala Bhattacharya (d) Chandana Gowami
Ans.(c)

49. Who has directed the film ‘Maine Gandhi Ko Nahin Mara’?
(a) Anupam Kher (b) Mahesh Bhat (c) Jahnu Barua (d) Mani Ratnam
Ans.(c)

50. Dr. Bhupen Hazarika was conferred upon Dada Saheb Phalke award in the year:
(a) 1989 (b) 1990 (c) 1991 (d) 1992
Ans.(d)

51. Prasar Bharati came into existence with AIR and Doordarshan as its constituents in the
(a) 1997 (b) 2000 (c) 1995 (d) 1991
Ans.(a)

52. As per the 2011 Census, total population of India is:
(a) 1000 million (b) 1207 million (c) 1010 million (d) 111.2 million
Ans.(b)

53. What is 49th parallel?
(a) the boundary line between North Korea and South Korea
(b) the boundary line between USA and Canada.
(c) the boundary line between North Vietnam and South Vietnam
(d) the boundary line between India and Afghanistan

Ans. (b)

54. Pituitary gland is located at the base of-

(a) Stomach (b) Brain (c) Heart (d) Liver

Ans. (b)

55. In computer, 1 gigabyte is equal to-

(a) 1024 MB (b) 100 MB (c) 10 MB (d) 106 MB

Ans. (a)

56. ‘Junk mail’ in computer language, refers to-

(a) Identified mail (b) Draft mail (c) Unidentified mail (d) Stored mail

Ans. (c)

57. Who of the following is not an Indian author writing in English?

(a) Amp Kumar Dutta (c) Sunil Gangopadhyaya (b) Sanjoy Hazrika (d) Amitabh Ghosh

Ans. (c)

58. Who is currently the Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission of India?
59. When did India initiate the process of economic reform in a comprehensive way?
   (a) 1980  (b) 1991  (c) 1999  (d) 2000
   Ans.(b)

60. What is Agmark?
   (a) Technique to increase agriculture productivity
   (b) Green Revolution
   (c) A mark in the number of production of an agricultural product
   (d) Test of purity in the production of vegetable oil, etc.
   Ans.(d)

61. In the context of globalization, BPO means-
   (a) British Passport Office  (b) Business Process Orientation  (c) Business Process Outsourcing
   (d) Budgeting Process Orientation
   Ans.(c)

62. Who was the President of the first session of the Assam Sahitya Sabha held at Sivasagar in 1917?
   (a) Laxminath Bezbaruah
(b) Padmanath Gohain Baruah
(c) Krishna Kanta Handique
(d) Nalini Bala Devi

Ans. (b)

63. The book 'Long Walk to Freedom' is authored by-

(a) Dalai Lama (c) M. K. Gandhi (b) Martin Luther King (Junior) (d) Nelson Mandela

Ans. (d)

64. Buddhist literature was written in-

(a) Sanskrit (b) Prakrit (c) Magadhi (d) Pali

Ans. (d)

65. What does NCERT stand for?

(a) National Committee for Educational Research and Training
(b) National Council for Education Research and Technology.
(c) National Council for Educational Research and Training.
(d) National Committee for Empowerment, Rehabilitation and Training

Ans. (c)

66. What does ISBN stand for?
(a) Indian Standard Bureau Number
67. Who is India's first ever Individual Olympic gold medalist?

(a) Milkha Singh in 1960 Rome Olympic

(b) P.T. Usha in 1984 Los Angeles Olympic

(c) Abhivav Bindra in 2008 Beijing Olympic

(d) Sushil Kumar in 2008 Olympic

Ans. (c)

68. Where will the 17th Asian games be held in 2014?

(a) Bangkok in Thailand (b) incheon in South Korea (c) Doha in Qatar (d) Jakarta in Indonesia

Ans. (c)

69. The captain of the Indian Football Team in 1948 London Olympic was from Assam. Who was he? (a) Sunil Goswami (b) P.K. Banerjee (c) Babul Burmese (d) Teli Meran Ao

Ans. (d)

70. How many Players are there in a Basketball team?

(a) 05 (b) 06 (c) 04 (d) 07

Ans. (d)
Part C : Quantitative Aptitude

71. In a class of 50 students, 10 take music, 26 take art, and 2 take both art and music. How many students in the class are not enrolled in either music or art?

(a) 6 (b) 8 (c) 16 (d) 24

Ans.(c)

72. In a village, the ratio of male to female members is 7 to 3. If there are 210 female members in the village, what is the number of male members in the village?

(a) 90 (b) 147 (c) 280 (d) 490

Ans.(d)

73. The ratio of the corresponding sides of two similar squares is 1 to 4. What is the ratio of the area of the smaller square to the area of the larger square?

(a) 1:2 (b) 1:4 (c) 1:8 (d) 1:16

Ans.(d)

74. Which of the following is a rational number?

(a) pi (b) square root of 2 (c) square root of 64 (d) none of these

Ans.(c)

75. 'It has two pairs of opposite sides parallel'. Which of the following make this open sentence true?

(a) parallelogram (b) trapezoid (c) rectangle (d) both (a) and (c)

Ans.(d)

76. A total of Rs. 450 is divided into equal shares. If Ridip receives four shares, Pradip receives three shares, and Bidisha receives the remaining two shares, how much money did Pradip receive?

(a) Rs. 100 (b) Rs. 150 (c) Rs. 200 (d) Rs.250
77. If you multiply an inequality by a negative number when should you reverse the inequality symbol?

(a) Always (b) Never (c) sometimes (d) Only when the negative number is a fraction

Ans. (a)

78. Write $\sqrt[3]{8} = 2$ in its equivalent logarithmic form-

(a) $\log_2(8) = 3$ (b) $\log_8(2) = 1/3$ (c) $\log_2(2) = 8$ (d) $
\log_3(1/3) = 2$

Ans. (a)

79. At what percent rate per annum simple interest will be a sum of money three times in 25 years?

(a) 6% (b) 7% (c) 8% (d) 10%

Ans. (c)

80. What is the market price of an article which is purchased at Rs. 800 and sold at a profit of 20% with 20% discount?

(a) Rs. 1100 (b) Rs. 2100 (c) Rs. 1200 (d) Rs. 1900

Ans. (c)

81. If cos A = 4/5 then the value of tan A is-

(a) 3/5 (b) 3/4 (c) 4/3 (d) 5/3

Ans. (b)

82. If a pole 6 m high casts a shadow $2\sqrt{3}$m long on the ground, then the Sun's elevation is-

(a) 60° (b) 45° (c) 30° (d) 90°

Ans. (a)
83. Find the two numbers whose product is 143 and sum is 24.

(a) 13, 11 (b) 12, 12 (c) 8, 16 (d) none of these

Ans. (a)

84. 300 marbles are distributed among a certain number of students. Had there been 10 more students, each would have received one marble less. Find the number of students.

(a) 40 (b) 50 (c) 60 (d) 70

Ans. (b)

85. The content of 3 cylinders each of radius 2 cm and height 1 cm is to be poured into a cone of height 9 cm. What is the radius of the cone?

(a) 2 cm (b) 4 cm (c) 6 cm (d) 1 cm

Ans. (a)

86. What is the area of the sphere whose radius is 4 cm?

(a) \(32\pi\) cm\(^2\) (b) \(16\pi\) cm\(^2\) (c) \(4\pi\) cm\(^2\) (d) \(65\pi\) cm\(^2\)

Ans. (b)

87. If \(n\) is an odd integer, which of the following must be an odd Integer?

(a) \(n-1\) (b) \(n+2\) (c) \(3n+1\) (d) \(4n+1\)

Ans. (b)

88. If the arithmetic mean of 6, 8, 10, \(x\), 7 is 8, the value of \(x\) will be—

(a) 7 (b) 9 (c) 10 (d) 8

Ans. (b)

89. \(\frac{[(389+99)^2 - (389-99)^2]/389x99}{588899}\) is equal to—
90. Which of the following is the divisibility test of 3?

(a) one’s place digit to even number (b) one’s place digit is zero (c) the sum of its digits is divisible by 3 (d) last two digits are even number

Ans. (c)

91. The hypotenuse of a right angled triangle is 6 cm more than twice the shortest side. If the third side is 2 cm less than the hypotenuse, what are the sides of the triangle in cm?

(a) 10, 24, 26 (b) 4, 6, 8 (c) 3, 4, 5 (d) 3, 12, 13

Ans. (a)

92. Find two consecutive odd positive integers, sum of whose squares is 290—

(a) 13, 15 (b) 11, 13 (c) 17, 19 (d) 7, 9

Ans. (b)

93. A motor boat whose speed is 18 km/h in still water takes 1 hour more to go 24 km upstream than to return downstream to the same spot. What is the speed of the stream?

(a) 4 km/h (b) 5 km/h (c) 6 km/h (d) 8 km/h

Ans. (d)

94. A rectangular park has perimeters 80 m and the area 375 m$^2$. Find the length and breadth of the park in metres—

(a) 40, 10 (b) 20, 30 (c) 15, 25 (d) none of these

Ans. (c)

95. Determine k such that the quadratic equation $k(x - 2)x + 6 = 0$ has equal roots—

(a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 5 (d) 6

Ans. (d)
96. The arithmetic mean of the set of observations 1, 2, 3, 4,.....n is

(a) (n +1)/2 (b) (n/2) + 2 (c) n/2 (d) (n - 1)/2
Ans. (a)

97. If each interior angle of a regular polygon is 150 degrees, then it is—

(a) Octagon (b) Decagon (c) Dodecagon (d) Tetrahedron
Ans.(c)

98. In how many different ways can the letters of the word 'PRIDE' be arranged?

(a) 60 (b) 120 (c) 50 (d) 360
Ans.(b)

99. If 20 men can build a wall 112 meters long in 6 days, what length of a similar wall can be built by 25 men in 3 days?

(a) 140 meters (b) 44.8 meters (c) 70 meters (d) 105 meters
Ans.(c)

100. A car travels 50 meters in 5 seconds. The rate in kilometre per hour is—/

(a) 42 (b) 36 (c) 30 (d) 24
Ans.(b)

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