

### {ENGLISH TEST 7}

Directions: Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

When Rose woke next morning, she was not sure whether she had dreamed what occurred the night before, or it had actually happened. So she hopped up and dressed, although it was an hour earlier than she usually rose, for she could not sleep any more, being possessed with a strong desire to slip down. She seemed to remember tumbling over the stairs when she went to bed, for the aunts had sent her off very punctually, because they wanted their pet nephew all to themselves.

The sun was shining, and Rose opened her window to let in the air fresh from the sea. As she leaned over her little balcony, watching an early bird get the worm, and wondering how she should like Uncle Alec, she saw a man leap over the garden wall and come whistling up the path. At first she thought it was some trespasser, but a second look showed her that it was her uncle returning from an early dip into the sea. She had hardly dared to look at him the night before, because whenever she tried to do so she always found a pair of keen blue eyes looking at her.

A brown, breezy man, in a blue jacket, with no hat on the curly head, which he shook now and then; broad-shouldered, alert in his motions, and with a general air of strength and stability about him which pleased Rose, though she could not explain the feeling of comfort it gave her. She said to herself, with a sense of relief, "I guess I shall like him, though he looks as if he made people mind."

There was a merry breakfast and a successful fishing expedition. There was nothing Uncle Alec could not do in the water, and the boys tried their best to equal him in strength and skill, so there was a great diving and ducking, for every one was bent on distinguishing himself. Rose swam out far beyond her depth, with uncle to float her back.

Nothing but hot soup would have lured them from their games in the sea; that time-honoured dish demanded the action of several people, so everyone came ashore and fell to cooking. It is unnecessary to say that, when done, it was the most remarkable soup ever cooked, and the quantity eaten would have amazed the world if the secret had been divulged. After this exertion a nap was considered the thing, and people lay about in tents or out as they pleased. The elders had just settled to a comfortable nap when the youngsters rose, refreshed and ready.

**Q1. Which of the following descriptions of Uncle Alec is TRUE as per the passage?**

- I. He was alert in his movements.
  - II. He had an air of strength and stability.
  - III. He was broad-shouldered.
- A. Only II    B. Only I and II    C. Only I and III    D. Only II and III    E. All I, II and III

**Q2. Which of the following activities did everyone engage in right after they finished their swimming?**

- A. an afternoon nap    B. reading aloud    C. cooking hot soup    D. grilling freshly caught fish  
E. playing hide and seek

**Q3. What did Rose see from the balcony after waking up in the morning?**

- A. her aunt driving away a cow that had got inside the garden
- B. her cousins playing outside
- C. a trespasser coming in through the gate
- D. a man leap over the garden wall and walk up the path
- E. her uncle going off to work

**Q4. Why had Rose's aunts sent her off to bed early the previous night?**

- A. She had had a long journey and was tired.
- B. She had to wake up early the next morning.
- C. She had fallen asleep during dinner.
- D. They wanted to discuss something in her absence.
- E. They wanted their pet nephew all to themselves.

**Q5. Which of the following best describes Uncle Alec's swimming skills?**

- A. He could do anything in the water.
- B. He could barely swim.
- C. He was able to dive from great heights.
- D. He knew how to swim, but only in shallow water.
- E. He was able to swim even against strong currents.

**Q6. Which of the following is closest in meaning to **AMAZED** as used in the passage?**

- A. elderly    B. sick    C. begged    D. scared    E. surprised

**Q7. Which of the following is opposite in meaning to **COMFORT** as used in the passage?**

- A. fortune    B. task    C. unease    D. courage    E. shape

**In the question below, a sentence is given, four words have been highlighted in bold. Find out if the words are appropriate (grammatically and contextually). Only one word will be inappropriate, mark that as your answer. If all are appropriate, mark "All are correct".**

**Q8. He used to **cling** close to his father, **trembling** all over when he **met** the **strange** men.**

- A. cling    B. trembling    C. met    D. strange    E. All are correct

**Q9. Near the **entrance** of the tavern stood a cart, **laden** with **casks** of wine or other heavy goods.**

- A. near    B. entrance    C. laden    D. casks    E. All are correct

**Q10. He **rose** to his feet, looked round in **wander** at **finding** himself in this **place**.**

- A. rose    B. wander    C. finding    D. place    E. All are correct

**Q11. He passed **softly**, **unnoticed**, trying not to **miss** a word that was being **said**.**

- A. softly    B. unnoticed    C. miss    D. said    E. All are correct

**Q12. When he **founded** the old woman he felt a **strong dislike** for her at the first **glance**.**

- A. founded    B. strong    C. dislike    D. glance    E. All are correct

**In each of the questions given below a sentence is given with three words in bold. Choose the option which gives the correct sequence of these words to make the sentence**

**grammatically and contextually correct.**

**Q13. She (A) undertook such (B) honest and was frequently employed, as she was very (C) jobs.**

- A. ABC    B. ACB    C. BAC    D. CBA    E. None of the above

**Q14. (A) know him at the next table, a student was (B) sitting, whom he did not (C) beside and had never seen.**

- A. ACB    B. BCA    C. BAC    D. CBA    E. None of the above

**Q15. She did not dare to (A) kind an order of any (B) permission without her sister's (C) accept.**

- A. BCA    B. CAB    C. BAC    D. CBA    E. None of the above

**Directions: Given below is a set of sentences, which when properly sequenced, form a coherent paragraph. Arrange the sentences in the correct sequence, and answer the questions that follow.**

P. It's simple arithmetic!

Q. One death, and a hundred lives in exchange.

R. Besides, what value has the life of that sickly, stupid, ill-natured old woman in the balance of existence!

S. Kill her, take her money and with the help of it devote oneself to the service of humanity and the good of all.

T. Would not one tiny crime be wiped out by thousands of good deeds?

**Q16. Which of the following will be the FIRST sentence after rearrangement?**

- A. R    B. P    C. Q    D. S    E. T

**Q17. Which of the following will be the SECOND sentence after rearrangement?**

- A. P    B. Q    C. R    D. S    E. T

**Q18. Which of the following will be the THIRD sentence after rearrangement?**

A.Q B.R C.S D.P E.T

**Q19. Which of the following will be the FOURTH sentence after rearrangement?**

A.P B.R C.Q D.S E.T

**Q20. Which of the following will be the FIFTH (LAST) sentence after rearrangement?**

A.R B.Q C.T D.S E.P

**In the following question, one part of the sentence may have an error. Find out which part of the sentence has an error and select the appropriate option. If the sentence is free from error, select 'No Error'.**

**Q21.** A.He flung himself

B.on the sofa and sat

C.for a whole hour

D.without stirring.

E.No error

**Q22.** A.Nastasha, coming into

B.his room at ten o'clock

C.the next morning,

D.had difficult in awakening him.

E.No error

**Q23.** A.After his meal he

B.stretched himself on

C.the sofa again, but

D.now he could not slept.

E.No error

**Q24.** A.He rushed to the door,

B.listened, and began

C.to descending the

D.staircase cautiously.

E.No error

**Q25.** A.Why are almost

B.all crimes so

C.bad concealed and

D.so easily detected?

E.No error

**In the question below, a sentence is given with a part missing. From the options, choose the word that will fit in the sentence to make it correct.**

**He walked along \_\_\_\_\_ to avoid awakening suspicion.**

**Q26.**A.quietly B.command C..rarely D.fell E.dully

**Q27. He drew the door towards him to \_\_\_\_\_ the woman from attempting to shut it again.**

A.break B.devote C.prevent D.reside E.complete

**Q28. She stepped back in \_\_\_\_\_ and tried to say something.**

A.gift B.joy C.usual D.damp E.fear

**Q29. His hands were \_\_\_\_\_ and he felt them every moment growing more numb.**

A.simple B.weak C.often D.clear E.answer

**Q30. He laid the axe on the ground \_\_\_\_\_ the dead body.**

A.firm B.shy C.remote D.near E.arrive

### **Doctors decide: On legal abortion**

Decisions to go for abortion must be guided by sound medical advice. With freedom comes great responsibility; decisions made as a consequence of any freedom must be informed by reasonable awareness of the fall out. In seemingly vesting reproductive autonomy with the woman, the Supreme Court might have edged out the essential role of a clinical review of the situation. The Court asked the Union government to amend the abortion law to remove the time limit on medical termination of unwanted pregnancies in the case of minor rape victims. The Bench of the Chief Justice of India, Surya Kant, and Justice Joymalya Bagchi made the observation while refusing to entertain a petition against an earlier Court decision allowing a 15-year-old survivor of rape to terminate the pregnancy during the 30th week. In the original judgment on the case, which was on curative appeal, the judges remarked that the right of the minor child to continue a pregnancy that is illegitimate must be considered, to safeguard a woman's right to reproductive autonomy. The Bench of Justices B.V. Nagarathna and Ujjal Bhuyan had noted that the minor had shown a clear and consistent unwillingness to continue the pregnancy. The Court cannot compel any woman, much less a minor, to complete her pregnancy if she otherwise did not intend to do so, they said. They also indicated that if the legal routes were closed, women might take the dangerous path to quacks, risking life. However, counsel for the All India Institute of Medical Sciences stoutly opposed the termination, and the curative petition; leveraging the same safety consideration. Terminating the pregnancy at an advanced stage — 30 weeks — would be inimical to the health of the teenage mother. Currently, Indian law allows for the termination of pregnancy up to 24 weeks of gestation. The entire argument hinges on gestational age, which, as an indicator of how far along the pregnancy is, is crucial to deciding whether an abortion would be safe. Most countries that have legalised abortion restrict the period of safe abortion to 24 weeks of gestation, primarily because of the negative implications for the life and health of the mother, after that. But, central to legal abortion is a medical assessment of risks. Will a child or her parents alone, with lay knowledge, be able to make a studied assessment of such risk? While the minor expresses her desire to be rid of a forced pregnancy, it is the role of her parents and the system to provide her with safe options, within the permissible period. Making an uninformed decision at this stage could be counterproductive, if it compromises her health or life, while allowing the right to bodily autonomy.

1.E

**Solution**

All I, II and III are suggested by the author. Refer to the lines: *“A brown, breezy man, in a blue jacket, with no hat on the curly head, which he shook now and then; broad-shouldered, alert in his motions, and with a general air of strength and stability about him which pleased Rose, though she could not explain the feeling of comfort it gave her.”* Thus, E is the right answer.

2. C

**Solution**

Refer to the lines: *“Nothing but hot soup would have lured them from their games in the sea; that time-honoured dish demanded the action of several people, so everyone came ashore and fell to cooking. It is unnecessary to say that, when done, it was the most remarkable soup ever cooked, and the quantity eaten would have amazed the world if the secret had been divulged.”* Thus, C is the right answer.

The other options are not discussed in the passage.

3.D

**Solution**

Refer to the lines: *“The sun was shining, and Rose opened her window to let in the air fresh from the sea. As she leaned over her little balcony, watching an early bird get the worm, and wondering how she should like Uncle Alec, she saw a man leap over the garden wall and come whistling up the path. At first she thought it was some trespasser, but a second look showed her that it was her uncle returning from an early dip into the sea.”* Thus, D is the right answer.

The other options are not discussed in the passage.

4.E

**Solution**

Refer to the lines: *“She seemed to remember tumbling over the stairs when she went to bed, for the aunts had sent her off very punctually, because they wanted their pet nephew all to themselves.”* Thus, E is the right answer.

The other options are not mentioned in the passage.

5.A

**Solution**

Refer to the lines: *“There was nothing Uncle Alec could not do in the water, and the boys tried their best to equal him in strength and skill, so there was a great diving and ducking, for every one was bent on distinguishing himself. Rose swam out far beyond her depth, with uncle to float her back.”* Thus, A is the right answer.

The other options are not discussed in the passage.

6.E

**Solution**

AMAZED means astonished. SURPRISED is its synonym. Thus, E is the right answer.

Elderly - old. Sick - unwell. Begged - pleased. Scared - frightened.

7.C

**Solution**

COMFORT means ease or relief. UNEASE (discomfort) is its antonym. Thus, C is the right answer.

Fortune - luck. Task - job. Courage - bravery. Shape - form.

8.A

**Solution**

The sentence tells us how he used to hold on tightly to his father, trembling (shivering) all over when he met (encountered) the strange (odd) men. A is incorrectly spelled. The correct spelling of the word is CLING (hold on to something tightly). Thus, A is the right answer.

9.B

**Solution**

The sentence tells us how near (close to) the doorway of the tavern stood a cart, laden (piled) with casks (barrels). B is incorrectly spelled. The correct spelling of the word is ENTRANCE.

Thus, B is the right answer.

10.B

**Solution**

The sentence tells us how he rose (stood) to his feet, looked around in awe at finding (seeing) himself in this place (location). WANDER (roam) is contextually inappropriate here, and should be replaced with WONDER (surprise). Thus, B is the right answer.

11.E

**Solution**

The sentence tells us how he passed softly (gently), unnoticed (unseen), trying not to miss (fail to hear) a word that was being said (uttered). All the words are contextually apt and correctly spelled. Thus, E is the right answer.

12.A

**Solution**

The sentence tells us how when he discovered the old woman, he felt a strong (intense) dislike (aversion) for her at the first glance (look). FOUNDED (established) is contextually inappropriate and should be replaced with FOUND (discovered; saw). Thus, A is the right answer.

13.B

**Solution**

The sentence tells us how she undertook (engaged) such jobs (tasks) and was frequently employed as she was very honest (sincere). ACB is the correct order of words in the sentence. Thus, B is the right answer.

14.D

**Solution**

The sentence tells us how beside (next to) him at the next table, there was a student sitting (seated) whom he did not know (was unfamiliar with). CBA is the correct order of words in the sentence. Thus, D is the right answer.

15.B

**olution**

The sentence tells us how she did not dare to accept (take) an order of any kind (type) without her sister's permission (consent). CAB is the correct order of words in the sentence. Thus, B is the right answer.

16.D

**Solution**

STQPR is the final order. S begins the passage by introducing the main topic that is being discussed - the possibility of killing her, taking her money to devote it to the service of humanity

and the good of all. T poses the question as to whether the crime of killing one person can be wiped out by thousands of good deeds. QP follow as a pair: Q tells us how one would be exchanging one life for a hundred. P tells us that it is simple arithmetic. R ends by telling us how the life of the sickly, stupid, old woman had no value anyway. Thus, D is the right answer.

17.E

**Solution**

STQPR is the final order. S begins the passage by introducing the main topic that is being discussed - the possibility of killing her, taking her money to devote it to the service of humanity and the good of all. T poses the question as to whether the crime of killing one person can be wiped out by thousands of good deeds. QP follow as a pair: Q tells us how one would be exchanging one life for a hundred. P tells us that it is simple arithmetic. R ends by telling us how the life of the sickly, stupid, old woman had no value anyway. Thus, E is the right answer.

18.A

**Solution**

STQPR is the final order. S begins the passage by introducing the main topic that is being discussed - the possibility of killing her, taking her money to devote it to the service of humanity and the good of all. T poses the question as to whether the crime of killing one person can be wiped out by thousands of good deeds. QP follow as a pair: Q tells us how one would be exchanging one life for a hundred. P tells us that it is simple arithmetic. R ends by telling us how the life of the sickly, stupid, old woman had no value anyway. Thus, A is the right answer.

19.A

**Solution**

STQPR is the final order. S begins the passage by introducing the main topic that is being discussed - the possibility of killing her, taking her money to devote it to the service of humanity and the good of all. T poses the question as to whether the crime of killing one person can be wiped out by thousands of good deeds. QP follow as a pair: Q tells us how one would be exchanging one life for a hundred. P tells us that it is simple arithmetic. R ends by telling us how the life of the sickly, stupid, old woman had no value anyway. Thus, A is the right answer.

20.A

**Solution**

STQPR is the final order. S begins the passage by introducing the main topic that is being discussed - the possibility of killing her, taking her money to devote it to the service of humanity and the good of all. T poses the question as to whether the crime of killing one person can be wiped out by thousands of good deeds. QP follow as a pair: Q tells us how one would be exchanging one life for a hundred. P tells us that it is simple arithmetic. R ends by telling us how the life of the sickly, stupid, old woman had no value anyway. Thus, A is the right answer.

21.E

**Solution**

The sentence is grammatically correct and free of error. Thus, E is the right answer.

22.D

**Solution**

In D, replace the adjective DIFFICULT with the noun DIFFICULTY as it forms the object of the verb HAD. Thus, D is the right answer.

23.D

**Solution**

In D, replace the second form verb SLEPT with SLEEP as the modal verb COULD will take the base form of the main verb that follows it. Thus, D is the right answer.

24.C

**Solution**

In C, replace the continuous form verb DESCENDING with DESCEND as the TO + VERB infinitive construction will take the base form of the verb. Thus, C is the right answer.

25.C

**Solution**

In C, replace the adjective BAD with the adverb BADLY as it is being used to modify the adjective CONCEALED. Thus, C is the right answer.

26.A

**Solution**

We need an adverb to modify the verb WALKED. QUIETLY (silently) will fit here as the sentence tells us how he walked without making much noise in order to avoid awakening suspicion. Thus, A is the right answer.

Command (verb) - order. Rarely - seldom. Fell (verb) - collapsed. Dully - in an uninteresting manner.

27.C

**Solution**

We need a base form verb to fit in the TO + VERB infinitive construction. PREVENT (stop) will fit here as the sentence tells us how he pulled the door towards him to stop the woman from trying to shut it. Thus, C is the right answer.

Break - shatter. Devote - dedicate. Reside - live. Complete - finish.

28.E

**Solution**

We need a noun to form the object of the preposition IN. FEAR (worry) will fit here as the sentence tells us how he stepped back in fright and tried to say something. Thus, E is the right answer.

Gift - present. Joy - happiness. Usual (adj.) - common. Damp (adj.) - slightly wet; moist.

29.B

**Solution**

We need an adjective to modify the noun HANDS. WEAK (lacking strength) will fit here as the sentence tells us how the speaker felt that his hands lacked strength. Thus, B is the right answer.

Simple - easy. Often - frequent. Clear - evident. Answer (verb/ noun) - response; reply.

30.D

**Solution**

We need an adverb to modify the verb LAID. NEAR (close to) will fit here as the sentence tells us how the speaker put the axe close to the dead body. Thus, D is the right answer.

Firm (adj.) - resolute; strict. Shy (adj.) - meek. Remote (adj.) - far; distant. Arrive (verb) - reach.