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CCSE IV GENERAL ENGLISH

1. Which of the following is not included as the main goals by Dr.A.P.J. Abdul Kalam in his vision to achieve developed nation status in terms of the common people?
 - (a) Transformation of our national economy
 - (b) Bringing all - round prosperity for the people of the country
 - (c) Empowering the nation by enhancing our military power
 - (d) Providing high standard education and health facilities to people

2. The Poem “You can’t be that No you can’t be that by brain patten is about
 - (a) The importance of education to children
 - (b) The role of teachers in shaping the live of students
 - (c) Trusting, respecting and valuing our children as individuals.
 - (d) The need to appreciate nature for a happy life.

3. “You cannot rob us of the rights we cherish”
The above line is from the poem,.....
 - (a) Cry of the Children
 - (b) The Man he killed
 - (c) Women’s Rights
 - (d) O Captain! My Captain

4. When was Rabindranath Tagore born?
 - (a) 18 May 1861
 - (b) 7 May 1861
 - (c) 17 May 1816
 - (d) 17 June 1861

5. A coarse..... clock was flung over the sholders of the old beggar at Alan Trevor’s studio.
 - (a) Greay
 - (b) Black
 - (c) Blue
 - d) Brown

6. Crocodiles are more than years old.

(a) 300 million	(b) 400 million
(c) 200 million	(d) 100 million

7. What is Euphemism?
 - (a) In offensive word
 - (b) In the point of Monotony
 - (c) Individual’s name
 - (d) French word

8. Choose the correct Antonyms for the undelined word. Endowed as you are with a unique personality.
 - (a) Cursed
 - (b) denied
 - (c) blessed
 - (d) abide

9. Read the sentecne to identity grammatial error. If there is any error. Mark the part A,B,C or D as the case may be
Since you run fast you will not win the race

A	B	C	D
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 - (a) D
 - (b) A
 - (c) B
 - (d) C

10. “Democracy is for the people. by the people and of people” Who said this?
 - (a) Abraham Licoln
 - (b) William Wordsworth
 - (c) Gandhiji
 - (d) Nehru

11. Match the name of the poets under column A with Coloumn B and choose the correct code:

Column A	Column B
(a) H.W Long fellow	1. English Words
(b) Annie Louisa Walkar	2. A Noiseless patient Spider
(c) Walt Whitman	3. A Psalm of life
(d) V.K. Gokak	4. Women’s Rights

	a	b	c	d
(A)	4	2	3	1
(B)	1	3	4	2
(C)	3	4	2	1
(D)	2	3	1	4

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12. Identify the poem which is wrongly matched with its post
(a) Piano - D.H. Lawrence
(b) Manliness- Rudyard Kipling
(c) The Cry of the children - Robert Browning
(d) The Man he killed - Thomas Hardy
13. Choose the impersonal passive voice statement
(a) His request had been rejected by Raja
(b) Lots of things can be done on the internet
(c) The nets are carried in boats by fishermen
(d) The capatin was scolded by George Washington
14. If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew To serve your turn long after they are gone.
Find out the meaning for a underlined word from the options given below:
(a) limbs
(b) bone
(c) tendon
(d) Organs
15. He did not hate the now, for he knew that it was merely the spring as sleep. In “ The Selfish Giant” which season is considered by the giants as “spring asleep”
(a) Autumn
(b) Spring
(c) Monsoon
(d) Winter
16. Till the gossamer thread Fling Catch some where, O my soul, What Figure of speech can you find the underlined part of the above line
(a) Onomatopoeia
(b) Anaphora
(c) Oxymoron
(d) Apostrophe
17. In Which poem do you find the following line? “It isn’t by size that you win or you Fail”
(a) O captain! My captain
(b) The solitary Reaper
(c) Sonnet No- 116
(d) Be tge Best
18. Identify the statement which is not expressed by Dr. Karl paulnack in his essay “Music the Hope Raiser”
(a) Music is part arts and entertainment
(b) Music is a basic need of human survival
(c) Music makes sense of our lives
(d) Music is a way for us to understand things with our hearts
19. According to Gokhale what requires whole - hearted devotion?
(a) Acquiring Knowledge
(b) Spirit
(c) Instances
(d) Observation
20. “Ah darling, it’s Behrman’s masterpiece - he painted it there the night that the last leaf fell” Who said these words to whom?
(a) Behrman to doctor
(b) Sue to Johnsy
(c) Johnsy to sue
(d) Behrman to sue
21. “Why dont’t you join the other? A peculiar child you are?” Who said these words to kamala in Punishment in kindergarten”?
(a) Grandmother
(b) Mother
(c) Teacher
(d) Father
22. Here ‘tis most revered Doctor’ Who is the doctor here?
(a) Shylock
(b) Portia
(c) bassanio
(d) Duke
23. Who says this?
“My heart is in the coffin there with caesar, And I must pause till it come back to me”
(a) Calphurnia
(b) Marcus Brutus
(c) Octavius Caesar
(d) Mark Antony

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24. Identify the sentence pattern
One of the boys must go
(a) AS
(b) ASV
(c) SV
(d) SVA
25. Choose the correct synonym for the underlined word from the options given: She is known for her humane attitude, indomitable will and fearless spirit.
(a) Weak
(b) Coward
(c) Strong
(d) Bold
26. The leader craved for the power to redress the grievances of the Citizens under the care. Choose the correct meaning for the underlined word from the options given below.
(a) examine
(b) access
(c) introspect
(d) remedy
27. Select the correct questions tag for the given sentence.
Don't leave the fridge door open.....?
(a) Do you?
(b) Don't you?
(c) Will you?
(d) Won't you?
28. Choose the correct answer and complete the following sentence:
The twelve peach trees broke out into delicate blossoms of.....
(a) blue and pearl
(b) pink and pearl
(c) pink and white
(d) black and blue
29. It is twice blessed.
It blessedth him that gives and him that takes.
These are the words of.....
(a) Portia
(b) Shylock
- (c) Antony
(d) Bassanio
30. Mother Teresa won the Nobel Prize for peace in
(a) 1799
(b) 1899
(c) 1979
(d) 1976
31. "yes quaint and curious was is! you shoot a fellow down"
What is the meaning of the phrase "quaint and curious war" is
(a) War is strange and old - fashioned
(b) war is praise worthy
(c) war is condemnable
(d) war is essential
32. In "The Model Millionaire" the servant brought Hughie a card when he was at
(a) lunch
(b) breakfast
(c) dinner
(d) tea
33. Rewrite the sentence in the passive voice:
The man completed his work. His master paid him.
(a) His work is completed by the man and he is paid by his master
(b) His work was completed by the man he was paid by his master
(c) His work had completed by the man and he was paid his master
(d) His work has completed by the and he has been paid by his master
34. Identify the simple sentence from the following sentences:
(a) I am sure that I will succeed
(b) The boy saw the snake at once he ran
(c) We reached station in time but the train had left
(d) On waving the flag, the train started.

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35. Choose the sentence which has no error.
(a) He is one of the talkative boys in the class
(b) He is one of the talkative boy in the class
(c) He is the talkative boys in the class
(d) He is one of the most talkative boy in the class
36. Mark'd how to explore the vacant vast surrounding'
What figure of speech can be identified in the above line from the poem, "The Nation United"
(a) Oxymoron
(b) Assonance
(c) Synecdoche
(d) Alliteration
37. "Some books are to be tasted, others to be swallowed, and some few to be chewed and digested" - identify the author
(a) E.M.Forester
(b) Francis Bacon
(c) Ben Johnson
(d) Jane Austine
38. Annie Louisa Walker was educated in
(a) Delhi
(b) Moscow
(c) London
(d) Ontario
39. Identify the correct degree:
very few cities in India are.....(Populous)
Mumbai.
(a) as populous as
(b) more populous than
(c) the most populous
(d) populous as
40. In which year Einstein was given the Nobel Prize?
(a) 1920
(b) 1921
(c) 1934
(d) 1945
41. Match column A with Column B to form gerunds sentences:
A
(a) Eating too much
(b) Swimming
(c) Playing on the street
(d) walking on the roof
(a) (b) (c) (d)
(A) 4 3 1 2
(B) 3 4 2 1
(C) 2 3 4 1
(D) 1 4 3 2
42. "Kindoms may forget their kings
And dogs forget their bites
But not till man forgets his wings
will men forget the wrights"
Identify the poet
(a) F.Joanna
(b) Jack prelutsky
(c) Stephen Vincent Benet
(d) Paul Holmes
43. "There is no power in the Tongue of Man
To alter me I stay here on my Bond"
.....utters these words
(a) Portia
(b) Antony
(c) Shylock
(d) Bassanio
44. "Most heartily I do beseech the court to give judgement" These are words of
(a) Antonio
(b) Shylock
(c) Nerissa
(d) Bassanio
45. In the line, "Harmonic cacophony to oblivious ears" 'Harmonic cacophony' is an example of
(a) Onomatopoeia
(b) Anaphora
(c) Apostrophe
(d) Oxymoron
46. "The golbe's my world. The cloud's my Kin?"
Identify the figure of speech employed in the above line

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- (a) Simile
(b) Metaphor
(c) Apostrophe
(d) Ellipsis
47. Which among the following is a story by O'Henry?
(a) The Tears of the Desert
(b) The wooden Bowl
(c) The Face of Judas Iscariot
(d) The last Leaf
48. "The ship is anchor'd safe and sound, its voyage closed and done, From fearful trip the victor ship comes in with object won?"
(a) the end of voyage
(b) the end of the trip
(c) the end of a battle
(d) the end of the civil war
49. Which Nationality does the poet Khalil Gibran belong to?
(a) American
(b) Lebanese
(c) Canadian
(d) British
50. Who among the following is not a British poet?
(a) John Masfield
(b) Robert Frost
(c) D.H.Lawrence
(d) Elizabeth Barrett Browning
51. Match the following
- | Title (story) | | Author | |
|------------------|-----|------------------------|-----|
| (a) kaanchanai | | 1. Sundara Ramasamy | |
| (b) Reflowering | | 2. Pudumaippittan | |
| (c) The Necklace | | 3. Rabindranath Tagore | |
| (d) Holiday | | 4. Guy de Maupassant | |
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
| (a) 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| (b) 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| (c) 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 |
| (d) 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
52. Form a compound word using Noun + Adjective
- (a) Sun rise
(b) Post man
(c) Sky blue
(d) Down fall
53. Give the meaning of the idiom 'a bolt from the blue'
(a) Extremely happy
(b) Have no patience
(c) Unexpected surprise
(d) Put on airs
54. The selfish Giant is a famous short story written by
(a) R.K. Narayanan
(b) Khushwant Singh
(c) Ruskin Bond
(d) Oscar Wilde
55.built the palace.
(a) The Pandiya
(b) The Chola
(c) The Pallava
(d) The Nayaks
56.Gangadhar Rao Married
(a) Manikarnika
(b) Mala
(c) Mathi
(d) Madhavi
57. Walt Whitman's O Captain! My Captain! is awritten for the death of Abraham Lincoln.
(a) Dirge
(b) Sonnet
(c) Ballad
(d) Epic
58. Identify the poet who is not an Indian
(a) Faiz Ahmad
(b) Kamala Surayya
(c) V.K.Gokak
(d) James Kirkup
59. Which Nationality does the poet Faiz Ahmad belong to?

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- (a) Lebanese
- (b) American
- (c) British
- (d) Indian

- (a) SVC
- (b) SVO
- (c) SVAA
- (d) SV IO DO

60. Love's not Time's fools though rosy lips and cheeks'
Choose the poem where you find the above lines:

- (a) A sonnet for my Incomparable Mother
- (b) My Grand - Mother's House
- (c) Sonnet No - 116
- (d) Nine Gold Medals

65. Match the following by understanding the meaning.

Word	Meaning
(a) xenophobia	1. Fear of water
(b) Hydrophobia	2. Fear of enclosed space
(c) Claustrophobia	3. Fear of heights
(d) Acrophobia	4. Fear of strangers

61. Select correct 'Tense'
Gayathri.....(work) in this School since 2001

- (a) is working
- (b) works
- (c) has been working
- (d) had been working

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(a)	4	2	3	1
(b)	4	1	2	3
(C)	2	1	4	3
(D)	2	3	4	1

62. Choose the correct conjunction from the options give below:
He is old he walks quickly.

- (a) because
- (b) or
- (c) but
- (d) so

66. Here comes our batting hero;
Salutes the crowd,
Takes gurard
Who is the author of this poem?

- (a) Ruskin Bond
- (b) Douglas Malloch
- (c) Hope Spencer
- (d) Kamala Das

63. Fill in the blanks with suitable preposition:

- (a) I agree your proposal
- (b) Rani is worried..... his health
- (c) My uncle will visit me..... May
- (d) The cat hid.....the door.

67. Who is headman in the lesson "After the storm" by Deepa Agarwal.

- (A) Saruli
- (B) Diwa singh
- (c) Lal Singh
- (d) Radha

- 1. behind
- 2. in
- 3. about
- 4. to

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
(A)	4	3	2	1
(B)	4	2	1	3
(C)	2	1	3	4
(D)	2	4	1	3

68. The Pillared Cloisters beside the main structure have a series deities and shivalingas, worthy to be admired.

What is the meaning of underlined word Cloisters in the passage?

- (a) Art Gallery
- (b) Covered Passages
- (c) Beautiful carivings
- (d) Monolithic status

64. Identify the sentence pattern of the following sentence.
vani is going to school now

69. The Poet Jack prelutsky was born in

- (a) New York
- (b) Brooklyn

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- (c) Lebanon
(d) United state
70. Match the name of the author with the s' story:
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|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| (a) The salfish Giant | 1. Pearl S Buck |
| (b) Out in thefiels with God | 2. Oscar Wild |
| (c) The Rufugee | 3. Anton Chekhov |
| (d) The Lottery Ticket | 4. Elizabeth Barrett Browning |
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|-------|-----|-----|-----|
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
| (A) 2 | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| (B) 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 |
| (C) 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| (D) 4 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
71. Choose the appropriate antonym of the underlined word from the options givern below
"Her face had an expression of absolute serenity"
- (a) Tranquility
(b) calmness
(c) Peacefulness
(d) Unquietness
72. Which nation does stephen Vincent Benet belong to?
- (a) England
(b) America
(c) Russia
(d) Africa
73. Match the titles of the poer A with lines of the poem B:
- | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| A | B |
| (a) Art long and time is fleeting | 1. English words |
| (b) Love's not time's fool | 2. A Pslam of life |
| (c) Pinning for new agony | 3. The man he killed |
| (d) Right many a nipper kin | 4. Sonnet - 116 |
- | | | | |
|-------|-----|-----|-----|
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
| (A) 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| (B) 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| (C) 2 | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| (D) 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
74. Success is not something to wait for it is something to work for whose words are these?
- (a) Jessica Cox
(b) Anne sullivan
(c) Hellen Keller
(d) Ruskin bond
75. "I'm sick of hearing them cheep- cheep"
What is the figure of seech employed here?
- (a) Metaphor
(b) onamatopoeia
(c) Personification
(d) oxymoron
76. What does 'Hope Spencer' ask us to do when "Good luck is round the corner"?
- (a) To walk away from the place
(b) To ignore it
(c) To show a smiling face
(d) To laugh at it
77. According to karl Paulnack the first organised public expression of grief after the attack 2011 of september 11th was
- (a) Public Meeting
(b) Prayer meeting
(c) Concert
(d) peace rally
78. Match the following phrases:
- | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| A | B |
| Phrases | Meeting |
| (a) to take a new turn | 1. in the middle of |
| (b) bereft of | 2. to get used to |
| (c) to be accustomed to | 3. to begin something |
| (d) in the midst of | 4. deprived of |
- | | | | |
|-------|-----|-----|-----|
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) |
| (A) 1 | 4 | 2 | 3 |
| (B) 3 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| (C) 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| (D) 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 |
79. Complete the sentence:
No other girl in the class is..... kamala
- (a) most clever as
(b) more clever as

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- (c) as clever as
(d) most cleverest

80. Match the following blending words in Column A with their meaning in column B

Column A

Column B

- | | |
|------------------------|----------------|
| (a) Electro + exective | 1. Medicare |
| (b) Breakfast + lunch | 2. Mobike |
| (c) Motor + bike | 3. Brunch |
| (d) Medical + care | 4. Electrocute |

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

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|-------|---|---|---|
| (A) 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| (B) 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| (C) 4 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| (D) 3 | 4 | 2 | 1 |

81. Match the following words from Shakespeare's English in Column A with their member in English equivalents in column B:

Column A

Column B

- | | |
|----------|---------|
| (a) doth | 1. you |
| (b) thy | 2. do |
| (c) thou | 3. your |
| (d) dost | 4. does |

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

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|-------|---|---|---|
| (A) 4 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| (B) 2 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| (C) 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| (D) 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

82. "Ambition, according to in Julius Caesar should be made of sterner stuff

- (a) Caesar
(b) Brutus
(c) First citizen
(d) Antony

83. The book "Ignited Minds" talks about

- (a) Pranab Muharjee
(b) Abdul Kalam
(c) Chidambaram
(d) Narendra Modi

84. Dale Carnegie in his "The Road to success" insists on saying 'no' generally because

- (a) you can stay away from working hard

- (b) you can make others think high of yourself
(c) it is incompatible with the necessary work you must do to reach you main goal
(d) it is stressful to get involved in many activites

85. The selfish giant loved the little boy the best because.....

- (a) he had understood him
(b) he had been kind to him
(c) he had given him food
(d) he had kissed him

86. Match the characters in coloumn A with the story titles in column B

Column A

Column B

- | | |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| (a) sue | 1. The open window |
| (b) Ivan Dmitritch | 2. The Last Leaf |
| (c) Monsieur sauvage | 3. Lottery Ticket |
| (d) Vera | 4. Two Friends |

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

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|-------|---|---|---|
| (A) 1 | 3 | 4 | 2 |
| (B) 3 | 1 | 4 | 2 |
| (c) 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| (D) 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 |

87. Match the characters in Column A with the stroy titles in column B:

Column A

Column B

- | | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| (a) Gomathi | 1. Every living thing |
| (b) Mr.Dick | 2. Holiday |
| (c) Mme.Loisel | 3. Reflowering |
| (d) Bagha Bagadi | 4. The Necklace |

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

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|-------|---|---|---|
| (A) 3 | 1 | 4 | 2 |
| (B) 3 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| (c) 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| (D) 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 |

88. Choose the odd pair from those given below

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|------------------|------------------|
| (a) Bishrambar - | Holiday |
| (b) Della - | The gift of Magi |
| (c) Frisk - | Kaanchanai |
| (d) Rowther - | Reflowering |

89. Match the word and phrases given in Column A with Meanings in Column B

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| Column A | Column B | (a) My Native Land |
| words | phrases | (b) The Flying Wonder |
| (a) Mark | 1. Misleading | (c) Laugh and be merry |
| (b) seer | 2. listen to | (d) To India |
| (c) Delusive | 3. silenced | |
| (d) squashed | 4. visionary | 95. Identify the work which is written by william wordsworth |
| (a) (b) (c) (d) | | (a) The Lyrical Ballads |
| (A) 2 3 4 1 | | (b) Hamlet |
| (B) 1 4 2 3 | | (c) The Good Earth |
| (C) 2 4 1 3 | | (d) To India |
| (D) 3 2 1 4 | | |
90. Choose the accurate antonym for the word 'Inquisitive':
- (a) Curious (b) Incurious
(c) Notorious (d) Eager
91. Match the correct prefix with the root word
- | | |
|--------------|----------|
| (a) Operate | 1. Ig |
| (b) Clear | 2. co |
| (c) National | 3. un |
| (d) Noble | 4. multi |
- | | | | |
|-------|---|---|---|
| a | b | c | d |
| (A) 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 |
| (B) 2 | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| (C) 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| (D) 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
92. "O Such an earth my footprints
But I cannot reason why
All human roads are dark and dry
And all the other creatures die"
Identify the author
- (a) David Roth (b) Brian patten
(c) Anonymous (d) Leslie Norris
93. In which poem, do you find the following line?
'Go over the recipe, step - by- step'
- (a) A Tiger in the zoo
(b) The Apology
(c) To cook and eat
(d) No men are foreign
94. In which poem, do you find the following line?
The splendid joy of the stars: the joy of the earth.
96. "The manager will cancel the meeting"
Find the correct 'phrasal verb' to the above underlined word
- (a) call on
(b) call out
(c) call in
(d) call off
97. Find the odd one out
- (a) gradually
(b) slowly
(c) well
(d) beautiful
98. "The reddest flower would look as pale as snow"
What is the figure of speech employed in this line
- (a) Metaphor
(b) Personification
(c) Simile
(d) oxymoron
99. Which will take place of fears when some one keeps trying in the poem "Keeping on"?
- (a) worries
(b) Joy
(c) motivation
(d) success
100. "...I'm not going to be an airport pilot, a dancer a lawyer, or an MC" MC means
- (a) Municipal Councilor
(b) Marriage Contractor
(c) Master of Ceremonies
(d) Master of Chemistry