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## Class: VIII - English

### Read the following passage carefully and choose the correct answer-

Exams have always been a way of teaching students important life- skills

For coping with future challenges. However, students must keep in mind that no one can ever define who they are or what their potential is. Yes, a poor score can be hurdle I today's educational milieu, but if you're aware of what you want from life, what your long term vision is and you're committed to your goals, then remember that one poor grade is not going to come in the way of it. What you need to do is take a positive approach, and learn from your mistakes rather than letting your result pull you down.

Explore your options- We often take a very limited and stereotypical approach to our choice of subjects and colleges. The reality is that there are more than 10,000 career options available today. Consider consulting a career counselor for guidance.

Don't isolate yourself- You may not feel like interacting with friends and family after receiving a poor grade. However, it's important that you talk about your feelings with your friends and family. Try to maintain a normal lifestyle, and don't withdraw from others.

Use this exam as a learning experience- Don't give up because of a poor result. Instead, use this examination as a learning experience. Take a positive approach and learn from the mistakes you've made this time, to ensure that you succeed the next time.

Refrain from drawing comparisons- Avoid comparing your results with those of your peers. Remember that each of us has our own abilities, weaknesses and circumstances.

Draw on your own strengths- academics may not be each person's forte. But even if you aren't a topper, you have your own share of strengths that separates you from the others.

Focus on your strengths and your true potential. Remember, no exam is the end of the world.

- 1) Exams are meant to-
  - a) teach calculation
  - b) teach philosophy of life
  - c) teach life skills
  - d) teach scientific facts
- 2) One needs to –
  - a) score the best always
  - b) have a positive approach
  - c) learn from mistakes
  - d) both ( b ) & ( c )
- 3) After scoring poorly, one should -
  - a) talk to friends & family
  - b) try to isolate themselves
  - c) stop exploring options
  - d) give up hope
- 4) In order to succeed –
  - a) avoid comparing results
  - b) identify your strengths
  - c) don't consider exams to be end of all
  - d) all of the above
- 5) Which word in the passage means the same as 'scenario'?
  - a) milieu
  - b) Forte
  - c) unprecedented
  - d) Harness

### 6. Choose the correct spelling-

- a) committee
- b) committee
- c) comitty
- d) commetee

### 7. Fill in the blanks with correct phrasal verbs-

The rotten tomatoes \_\_\_\_\_ a bad smell.

- a) gave in

- b) gave off
- c) gave into
- d) gave up

**8. Find out the correct synonym for the word 'Anguish' –**

- a) laughter
- b) extreme pain
- c) sorrow
- d) satisfaction

**9. Identify the kind of noun – 'Wisdom'**

- a) Collective noun
- b) Abstract noun
- c) Proper noun
- d) Common noun

**10. Choose the correct homophone for the following sentence –**

Ensure the \_\_\_\_\_ outside before leaving, as its a rainy season.

- a) whether
- b) wheather
- c) weather
- d) weateher

**11. Fill in the blanks with suitable preposition-**

I haven't met my friend \_\_\_\_\_ 2000.

- a) till
- b) since
- c) from
- d) for

**12. Fill in the blanks with suitable conjunction –**

\_\_\_\_\_ he has retired, he continues to do honorary teaching work.

- a) Though
- b) If
- c) Therefore
- d) When

**13. Supply suitable modal verbs –**

When I was young, I \_\_\_\_\_ swim across the Yamuna.

- a) should
- b) could
- c) would
- d) may

**14. Fill in the blanks with a suitable verb form-**

They \_\_\_\_\_ the interview by 11:30 am. (Past Perfect Tense)

- a) have finished
- b) were finished
- c) had finished
- d) were finishing

**15. Choose the correct passive form –**

- a) Did French taught in your school?
- b) Is French taught in your school?
- c) Do French is taught in your school?
- d) Does French taught in your school?

**16. Supply correct idiom for the given sentence –**

If we are attacked, we will fight \_\_\_\_\_

- a) head and shoulders
- b) tooth and nail
- c) head and toe
- d) toe and fingers

**17. Find the analogy-**

If elbow is related to arm, then knee is related to \_\_\_\_\_

- a) leg
- b) palm
- c) waist
- d) nails

**18. “The Road not Taken” is written by –**

- a) Robert Frost
- b) William Wordsworth
- c) William Shakespeare
- d) H W Longfellow

**19. ‘Portia’ is the famous character of the play-**

- a) Othello
- b) As You Like It
- c) The Merchant Of Venice
- d) The Christmas Carol

**20. ‘A Tale of Two Cities’ is a famous book by-**

- a) Mark Twain
- b) Charles Dickens
- c) P B Shelley
- d) John Keats

**21. Choose the correct synonym for ‘Hazardous’-**

- a) immense
- b) marvellous
- c) enormous
- d) dangerous

**22. Choose the correct antonym for ‘Surplus’-**

- a) general
- b) failure
- c) shortage
- d) secure

**23. Choose the author who won the noble prize for the book-**

‘The Old Man and the Sea’-

- a) Ernest Hemingway
- b) S T Coleridge

- c) R K Narayana
- d) Vikram Seth

**24. Identify the kind of tense for the given sentence-**

‘They had been digging a hole’ –

- a) Future perfect
- b) Present perfect
- c) Past perfect continuous
- d) Past perfect

**25. Choose the correct article for the given sentence-**

‘He is \_\_\_\_\_ European actor’

- a) a
- b) an
- c) the

**26. Choose the correct meaning for the given idiom-**

‘A silver lining in a dark cloud’-

- a) ray of hope
- b) amount of danger
- c) a strange person
- d) cause of quarrel

**27. Choose the correct type of adverb in the given sentence-**

I have never seen an octopus.

- a) Adverb of degree
- b) Adverb of frequency
- c) Adverb of manner
- d) Adverb of time

**28. Choose the correct figure of speech in the given sentence –**

‘Life is a journey’

- a) Metaphor
- b) Simile
- c) Irony
- d) Alliteration

**29. ‘The Solitary Reaper’ is a famous poem by –**

- a) W B Yeats
- b) T S Eliot
- c) William Wordsworth
- d) John Milton

**30. Name the poet of the given quote-**

‘A thing of beauty is a joy forever’-

- a) Jane Austen
- b) John Keats
- c) Mark Twain

Oscar Wilde