

CLASS – VIII
ENGLISH

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	<p>Read the following passage carefully and choose the correct answer-</p> <p>Ever since the game was invented, the sixer has held an exalted position among its fans. Was it because it was laced with a streak of danger, just like all other deathly thrills? Or did that soaring ball simply fulfil our desperate urge to fly in the skies?</p> <p>If you are inclined towards batsmen, there is nothing more delightful than an exquisite cover-drive. Imagine: left foot forward, knees slightly bent and the bat resting on his shoulder in the follow-through while the ball is screeching.</p> <p>All these are sights that make cricket such an enthralling, even intriguing, sport. Almost every act demand skill, craft, control, confidence and hours of practice to attain some degree of perfection. Interestingly, even though the game has changed beyond recognition over the years, you still see all these unfolding in almost every match.</p> <p>The sixer though, has undergone a total change, turning the very art of batsmanship and the game’s soul itself on its head. Initially, spectators considered themselves blessed to witness a six: it came mostly against the spinner.</p> <p>There was an adventurous facet to it which added to its romance: miscue it and you get caught; miss it and you get stumped.</p> <p>As the game evolved some more, and the bowler devised the Yorker and the slower one, the batsman improvised too: he hit sixes still, but mostly by creating room for himself or jumping out of the crease, and hurling his bat around. The spinner was dead meat.</p> <p>Today, of course, you see all kinds of sky-scorchers: the tap over third man, the scoop over fine leg, the reverse sweep, the helicopter shot, inside out. Crowds love it; commentators go mad; is it a surprise that T20 is such a huge hit?</p> <p>1) The sixer, in the game, is given utmost importance because-</p> <p>a) it is a risky attempt b) it symbolises our urge to fly c) it is difficult to deliver d) all of the above</p>	<p>(5X1=5)</p>

	<p>2) While hitting a six–</p> <p>a) batsman has to keep his left foot forward b) batsman has to bend his knees slightly c) both a) & b) d) batsman has to run up and down the pitch.</p> <p>3) Every act on the pitch demands -</p> <p>a) confidence & control b) money & influence c) time & experience d) energy & stamina</p> <p>4) The six was usually delivered against a –</p> <p>a) fast medium bowler b) spinner c) swing d) medium bowler</p> <p>5) Which word in paragraph 1 means the same as ‘a wish’?</p> <p>a) streak b) exalted c) urge d) thrills</p> <p>6. Choose the correct spelling-</p> <p>a) vacuum b) vaccum c) vaccuum d) vacume</p> <p>7. Fill in the blanks with correct phrasal verbs- If everyone _____ we can get the new music system soon.</p> <p>a) chips in b) chip off c) chip into d) chips up</p> <p>8. Find out the correct synonym for the word ‘procrastinate’ –</p> <p>a) to delay in taking action b) extreme pain c) to discover d) surprise</p> <p>9. Identify the kind of noun – ‘Humour’</p> <p>a) Collective noun b) Abstract noun c) Proper noun d) Common noun</p> <p>10. Choose the correct homophone for the following sentence – You are not _____ to leave this campus.</p> <p>a) aloud b) allowed c) alloud d) aloude</p>	<p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p>
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	<p>11. Fill in the blanks with suitable preposition- My friend is standing _____ the car</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) ofb) byc) fromd) into <p>12. Fill in the blanks with suitable conjunction – She likes her dance class _____ doesn't like art much.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) thoughb) butc) andd) because <p>13. Supply suitable modal verbs – She _____ be over 90 years old when she left the world.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) shouldb) couldc) mustd) may <p>14. Fill in the blanks with a suitable verb form- They _____ the interview by 11:30 am. (Past Perfect Tense)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) have finishedb) were finishedc) had finishedd) were finishing <p>15. Choose the correct passive form –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) By whom was this book written?b) Who wrote this book?c) Who has written this book?d) By whom is the book written? <p>16. Supply correct idiom for the given sentence – The company was undergoing a major loss. The union employees were the first to _____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) dead woodb) tooth and nailc) get the axed) get ducks in a row <p>17. Find the analogy- If melt is related to liquid, then freeze is related to _____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) iceb) condensec) solidd) crystal	<p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p>
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	<p>18. "Paradise Lost" is written by –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Robert Frostb) John Miltonc) William Shakespeared) H W Longfellow <p>19. 'Snowball' is the famous character of the play-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Animal Farmb) Huckleberry Finnc) The Merchant Of Veniced) As You Like It <p>20. 'Pride & Prejudice' is a famous book by-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Jane Austenb) Charles Dickensc) T S Elliotd) John Keats <p>21. Choose the correct synonym for 'Tangible'-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) touchableb) hugec) suitabled) dangerous <p>22. Choose the correct antonym for 'Arrogant'-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) confidentb) humblec) ruded) crazy <p>23. Choose the author who won the noble prize in literature in 2017-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Salman Rushdieb) Kiran Desaic) Kazuo Ishigurod) J K Rowling <p>24. Identify the kind of tense for the given sentence- 'She had studied German before she moved to Germany' –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Future perfectb) Present perfectc) Past perfect continuousd) Past perfect <p>25. Choose the correct article for the given sentence- My new phone has _____ unique feature.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) ab) anc) the	<p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p>
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	<p>26. Choose the correct meaning for the given idiom- ‘Cry over spilt milk’ -</p> <p>a) complain about a loss from the past b) all the advantages c) without any hesitation d) feeling slightly ill</p> <p>27. Choose the correct type of adverb in the given sentence- My friend’s brother was driving the car carelessly.</p> <p>a) Adverb of degree b) Adverb of frequency c) Adverb of manner d) Adverb of time</p> <p>28. Choose the correct figure of speech in the given sentence – ‘The world is a stage’</p> <p>a) Metaphor b) Simile c) Irony d) Alliteration</p> <p>29. Who received the ‘Man Booker Prize 2017’ –</p> <p>a) George Saunders b) Ali Smith c) Mohsin Hamid d) Vikram Seth</p> <p>30. Choose the correct option to complete the stanza of this poem- ‘The woods are lovely, dark and deep, But I have promises to keep, ----- -----</p> <p>a) And a long journey to keep b) And miles to go before I sleep c) And there are books to read d) And we have families to see</p>	<p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p>
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