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SUBJECT : ENGLISH CLASS IX

Read the short passage and select the best answer from the options given below:

Joseph Pulitzer

Joseph Pulitzer was born in 1847 in Makó, Hungary. He emigrated to the United States when he was seventeen years old, and was naturalised on his twentieth birthday. He spent his career in journalism working in the mid-west and New York. From 1871 he was also the owner or part-owner of many newspapers. His most famous newspaper was the *New York World* (which many believe was the model for the *Daily Planet* of the *Superman* stories). The *World* campaigned against corruption, and exposed many scandals. It was also a strong supporter of the rights of the working man.

In later life, Joseph Pulitzer collapsed from overwork, and lost his sight. He became dedicated to improving the quality of journalism in America, and donated \$1 million to Columbia University to found a school of journalism. However, his most significant contribution was the establishment of the Pulitzer prizes in his will.

These prizes for excellence in journalism have been given every year since 1917 by Columbia University. Since 1942 there have been extra categories for press photography, and later still for criticism, feature writing and commentary. The prize was originally for \$500, but today the winners of the prize receive a gold medal. However, the real value of the prize is that it confirms that the journalist who has received the award is the best American journalist of the year - a fact that is worth much more than \$500 to the journalist and to the newspaper that employs him or her.

1. Joseph Pulitzer came to America because

- a) he was with his parents.
- b) he wanted to be a journalist.
- c) Hungary was being attacked by Austria.
- d) the text does not say about it.

2. The text tells us that

- a) Joseph Pulitzer became a patriotic American
- b) He became a member of Columbia University
- c) He was one of the richest men in New York
- d) He worked very hard.

3. What did the *New York World* not do?

- a) Investigate wrong doing by public officials.
- b) Establish a famous prize for journalism.
- c) Probably provide a model for a famous fictional newspaper
- d) Stand up for the common people.

4. The Pulitzer prizes are for

- a) the best writing in America.
- b) press photography and commentary.
- c) high quality journalism.
- d) none of the above.

5. This article is about

- a) journalism in America.
- b) the life of Joseph Pulitzer.
- c) the Pulitzer prize.
- d) B and C together

QII. Choose the right answer from the options given below:

6. Most of the earth surfacewith water.

- a) is covered
- b) was covered
- c) has covered
- d) None of the above

7. He gave ---- of us advice about our present goals.

- a) each b) every c) whole d) any

8. You look tired. You.....go to bed. (advice)

- a) would b) shall c) should d) None of the above

9. He held my hand I should fall.

- a) lest b) but c) and d) because

10. You must apologize him for your rude behaviour.

- a) with b) to c) at d) for

11. I here since morning.

- a) am waiting
b) have been waiting
c) had been waiting
d) has been waiting

12. I'm afraid; we have ----- of apple juice. Will an orange juice do?

- a) look forward to
b) called off
c) carried away
d) run out

13. Whenever the door slams, the lamp rocks back and forth. (Write the part of speech of the underlined word)

- a) adjective b) noun c) verb d) adverb

14. To end the smoke' means

- a) smoking too many cigarettes
b) house burnt down
c) face failure
d) religious ceremony

15. A basket of appleskept in the kitchen.

- a) is b) are c) were d)None of the above

16. Change the statement into Indirect Speech.

John said, "I love this town."

- a) John said that he will love that town.
b) John tells that he loved that town.
c) John said that he loved that town.
d) None of the above

17. Who is the writer of the book 'Sea of Poppies'?

- a) Amitav Ghosh
b) R.K. Narayan
c) Vikram Seth
d) None of the above

18. Write the antonym of SEGREGATE.

- a) Integrate b) specific c) honour d) None of the above

19. Write the synonym of GIGANTIC

- a) clever b) loyal c) massive d) None of the above

20. What is the most prestigious award for writers

- a) Book Browse Award b) Man Bookers Prize c) Both a and b d) None of the above