



PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT  
PROFICIENCY EXAM  
QUESTION BOOKLET

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INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS

1. Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.
2. READ THE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE YOU DO ANYTHING ELSE.
3. Check that each page is printed. The question paper consists of 10 (**ten**) printed pages.
4. Mark/Write your name, number and your answers on the **OPTICAL ANSWER SHEET**. Use a soft pencil.
5. Use an eraser (rubber) to change your answers on the OPTICAL ANSWER SHEET. Correcting fluid should not be used.
6. Don't tear or separate the pages of the TEST BOOKLET.
7. Don't use a dictionary, a language translator or any other unfair means.
8. Don't talk to other candidates while the examination is in progress.
9. Don't use your mobile telephone or other electronic devices.
10. Don't ask the invigilator(s) any questions about the content of the test.
11. You are not allowed to leave the examination room during the first 30 minutes.
12. On your way out hand in your TEST BOOKLET together with your OPTICAL ANSWER SHEET to the invigilator(s).
13. Don't talk in the corridors when leaving the building.

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**Duration of the exam:** 120 minutes **Materials provided:** A test booklet and an optical answer sheet

## PART I: GRAMMAR

Choose the best alternative for the missing part in each sentence. Mark your answers on the OPTICAL ANSWER SHEET.

1. The car was empty but the engine \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) is running      b) runs      c) has run      d) was running
2. Tom \_\_\_\_\_ in New York a few weeks ago.  
a) arrives      b) is arriving      c) arrived      d) has arrived
3. Jane had an accident and \_\_\_\_\_ to hospital.  
a) took      b) had been taken      c) was taken      d) has taken
4. Our children will be pleased when they \_\_\_\_\_ the new toys.  
a) see      b) would see      c) will have seen      d) are seeing
5. If I \_\_\_\_\_ rich, I would buy a fine house.  
a) would be      b) should be      c) am      d) were
6. If he \_\_\_\_\_ worked harder, he would have passed the exams.  
a) would have      b) had      c) would      d) had have
7. It rained all day yesterday, \_\_\_\_\_ it?  
a) was      b) wasn't      c) did      d) didn't
8. I don't know where she is, she hasn't arrived \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) still      b) yet      c) already      d) since
9. Would you mind \_\_\_\_\_ the window, please?  
a) open      b) to open      c) I open      d) opening
10. The teacher warned us \_\_\_\_\_ eat in the class.  
a) not to      b) don't      c) shouldn't      d) couldn't to
11. In his spare time he works \_\_\_\_\_ a salesman for an insurance company.  
a) like      b) at      c) as      d) out
12. I'm very tired. I \_\_\_\_\_ all morning.  
a) work      b) had been working      c) have been working      d) am working
13. Tonight he will come \_\_\_\_\_ home late.  
a) at      b) ---      c) to      d) to the
14. I took a shower and \_\_\_\_\_ went to bed.  
a) than      b) then      c) after      d) thereby

15. It was Saturday afternoon and the shops were full \_\_\_\_\_ customers.  
a) with                      b) in                      c) by                      d) of
16. I have got \_\_\_\_\_ friends in the school so I am lonely.  
a) few                      b) a few                      c) little                      d) a little
17. She is used \_\_\_\_\_ a car.  
a) driving                      b) drive                      c) to drive                      d) to driving
18. He was \_\_\_\_\_ a fat man he couldn't walk.  
a) too                      b) such                      c) so                      d) very
19. Next summer, I \_\_\_\_\_ to New York. My sister lives there and she has bought me a plane ticket for my birthday.  
a) travelled                      b) travel                      c) am going to travel                      d) will travel
20. Don't phone between 6.00 and 8.00 as we \_\_\_\_\_ supper then.  
a) will have had                      b) will be having                      c) have                      d) had
21. I \_\_\_\_\_ have passed the level exam. I'm sure I did all the questions correctly.  
a) must                      b) may                      c) might                      d) could
22. My friend Tom, \_\_\_\_\_ son you have met, is an English teacher.  
a) who                      b) whose                      c) which                      d) that
23. I wish I \_\_\_\_\_ thinner! My clothes don't fit me.  
a) would be                      b) am                      c) was                      d) could
24. The traffic \_\_\_\_\_ awful during the rush hour.  
a) be                      b) were                      c) is                      d) are
25. He doesn't \_\_\_\_\_ a businessman.  
a) look                      b) look as if                      c) smell                      d) look like

## PART II: VOCABULARY

Choose the best alternative for the missing part in each sentence. Mark your answers on the OPTICAL ANSWER SHEET.

26. Where's the nearest phone? This one's out of \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) danger                      b) sight                      c) order                      d) control
27. I'd like to \_\_\_\_\_ a pop group one day.  
a) join                      b) play                      c) practice                      d) connect
28. Could you \_\_\_\_\_ in this form for me, please?  
a) make                      b) fill                      c) note                      d) give
29. I stopped gardening when the rain started. I didn't want to get \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) wet                      b) warm                      c) windy                      d) dry
30. Have you \_\_\_\_\_ your homework yet?  
a) made                      b) worked                      c) done                      d) turned
31. I felt quite excited as the plane took \_\_\_\_\_ from Heathrow.  
a) up                      b) on                      c) out                      d) off
32. Can you please \_\_\_\_\_ me to phone Tom before we go out.  
a) expect                      b) forget                      c) remember                      d) remind
33. You'll have to think very \_\_\_\_\_ before making any decision.  
a) immediately                      b) carefully                      c) safely                      d) correctly
34. The history teacher writes very \_\_\_\_\_ and makes a lot of spelling mistakes.  
a) patiently                      b) comfortably                      c) fortunately                      d) carelessly
35. I work in a bank and I \_\_\_\_\_ €1500 a month.  
a) earn                      b) win                      c) borrow                      d) lend
36. The reason there are no busses is because the drivers are on \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) strike                      b) hit                      c) stop                      d) play
37. Although English is his second language, he speaks it with a BBC \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) speed                      b) ability                      c) accent                      d) reason
38. We'll need to fill \_\_\_\_\_ with petrol. We've got a long journey ahead of us.  
a) over                      b) up                      c) in                      d) on

39. After ten hours of questioning, Tom \_\_\_\_\_ stealing all the money from the safe.  
 a) informed            b) reminded            c) agreed            d) admitted
40. Harley got a twenty percent \_\_\_\_\_ when she bought her vacuum cleaner during the sales.  
 a) bill            b) fine            c) discount            d) tax
41. She was \_\_\_\_\_ of the direction, and unfortunately she didn't have a map.  
 a) unsure            b) unconscious            c) definite            d) accurate
42. This young boy has good manners because he has been \_\_\_\_\_ well.  
 a) brought up            b) looked up            c) looked after            d) brought about
43. Don't give Henry any nuts. He's allergic \_\_\_\_\_ them.  
 a) for            b) with            c) at            d) to
44. Everything happened so \_\_\_\_\_. We had to move to California in less than a month.  
 a) finally            b) suddenly            c) angrily            d) loudly
45. The sun is shining and the snow is starting to \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a) sweat            b) melt            c) settle            d) fall

### PART III: ERROR DETECTION

Find the mistake in each sentence and mark your answers on the **OPTICAL ANSWER SHEET**.

46. Tom was quite amusing when he heard what had happened.

A            B            C            D

47. After a few minutes, I look up and saw that it was getting dark.

A            B            C            D

48. Parents need to spend more time in their children.

A            B            C            D

49. How long have you known your the best friend?

A            B            C            D

50. Your hair needs to cut. It's really long!

A            B            C            D

51. If you go I'm sure you will find it enjoy.

A            B            C            D

52. Every furniture in that room is made of wood.

A            B            C            D

53. Things leave behind by the visitors were handed to him.  
A B C D

54. The teacher told me on because I hadn't done my homework.  
A B C D

55. When we breath out, how many of that air is oxygen?  
A B C D

#### PART IV: CLOZE TEST

Choose the best alternative for the missing part. Mark your answers on **THE OPTICAL ANSWER SHEET**.

##### Text 1

The Wall Street Journal newspaper reported Tuesday that some researchers have questions \_\_56\_\_ the experiment. They say they want more evidence to show \_\_57\_\_ a single cell can be used to create a stem cell line. Nature magazine released the study online on August twenty-third. Nature had to correct its own press \_\_58\_\_ about the experiment two times. Advanced Cell Technology became an independent company early last year. It does not sell any products \_\_59\_\_. Two days after its report appeared, the company announced two financing deals with existing investors. These deals could bring more \_\_60\_\_ thirteen million dollars to the company.

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|----------------|-------------|---------|------------|
| 56. a) about   | b) of       | c) in   | d) at      |
| 57. a) what    | b) whatever | c) how  | d) however |
| 58. a) book    | b) table    | c) line | d) release |
| 59. a) already | b) yet      | c) too  | d) either  |
| 60. a) and     | b) less     | c) than | d) over    |

##### Text 2

Each year, about 7.000 people in the United States are bitten \_\_61\_\_ poisonous snakes. Fewer than a dozen of these persons die, but many \_\_62\_\_ with disability of a limb and scarring at the site of the bite. Persons at \_\_63\_\_ risk are those who handle snakes for purposes of entertainment, religion or science. Outside the high-risk group, hunters, farmers and fishermen are the most \_\_64\_\_ to be bitten. The best way to tell the difference between a poisonous and a non-poisonous bite is to \_\_65\_\_ the snake. A non-poisonous bite doesn't usually cause much pain or swelling, though the wound may bleed freely. When there is any doubt as to whether the snake is venomous, presume that the bite was poisonous and take precautions.

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|------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| 61. a) with      | b) by       | c) through     | d) along    |
| 62. a) have left | b) had left | c) left        | d) are left |
| 63. a) greatest  | b) greater  | c) as great as | d) so great |

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|----------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| 64. a) kindly  | b) vitally | c) likely   | d) quietly |
| 65. a) declare | b) blend   | c) identify | d) inform  |

### **PART V: SITUATION**

Read the following situations and choose the best answer. Mark your answers on the **OPTICAL ANSWER SHEET**.

66. You are not at all satisfied with the way your car has been serviced. So you take it back to the mechanic and say to him:
- a) I haven't had my car serviced lately. Could you have a look at it tomorrow?
  - b) You worked hard on my car and I am extremely pleased with it.
  - c) How long have you been working as a mechanic? Clearly you've had a great deal of experience in servicing.
  - d) I must say I am disappointed in the way my car has been performing since it was last serviced by you. Please look at it again.
67. You are doing research on the new safety measures to be introduced into the country's railway system. The funds available for the research are far from being sufficient. So you raise the matter with the railway authorities and ask for their support:
- a) Without your support this research, which is so vital for the railway system, can never be completed, and I would greatly appreciate for your further support.
  - b) The railway system is so outdated and so inefficient that you must do what you can to modernize it.
  - c) The research project I have undertaken will take some months, and I hope you are not disappointed with my work.
  - d) The research I have carried out about the safety of the railways is about to be completed, and I am grateful for the support you have given me.
68. Your friend wants you to come for dinner tonight and meet her relatives who are visiting from another city. You have a very important university assignment due the next day and it isn't ready. Your friend is very persuasive and you hate to disappoint her but it is also very important to finish your assignment. Finally, you suggest to her:
- a) I'm really stuck because I have to finish my assignment which is due tomorrow. How about if I just stop for a quick coffee?
  - b) Why don't you bring your relative to school tomorrow so that I can meet them for lunch?
  - c) I'm so sorry but I'm late with my university assignment and just can't make it tonight. What about this weekend?
  - d) If they can help me write my paper than I'll come right away for dinner too.

69. Some time ago, a friend persuaded you to employ his son in the personnel department of the firm of which you are a director. Within a short time you began to regret having done so, for the young man had turned out to be lazy and unprincipled. You express your regrets to a colleague, saying:
- Oh well, we can send him to another department if that is what you want.
  - I don't suppose any of the other candidates would have been any better.
  - If I had known then what he was like, I would have never taken him on.
  - I'm glad I was able to help a friend in this way.
70. You have accepted an invitation to give a lecture to a group of geologists. You have been looking forward to this but, on the morning of the day your talk has been scheduled for, your wife is suddenly taken seriously ill so you cannot leave her. You call the organizers immediately to cancel your lecture and express your apologies. You say:
- Due to my wife's ill health, I am reluctantly giving up all my lecture engagements.
  - I'm sorry to have to let you know that I cannot possibly give my talk today owing to my wife's unexpected illness this morning.
  - Unfortunately my wife has not recovered as fast as I expected, so I have to cancel my talk today.
  - Since my wife is suffering from a serious illness suggest you must postpone today's talk.

#### **PART VI: SENTENCE COMPLETION**

Choose the option which completes the sentence best. Mark your answers on the **OPTICAL ANSWER SHEET**.

71. It means that the younger a businessman, \_\_\_\_\_.
- thus he is more competent in communication
  - he can make more contract with other companies
  - the more successful he is in business world
  - most of whom are employed by holdings
72. As the payments are related to achievements, \_\_\_\_\_.
- research at this firm is highly competitive
  - all the participants would have been confident
  - no one will have foreseen such a dilemma
  - few people were interested in studying here
73. \_\_\_\_\_ unless he does very poorly in the final examination.
- Christian has only done very little work for his finals
  - Graham is certain to do well in his course
  - Joshua couldn't have answered that question
  - Morgan has never been very good at taking exams

74. \_\_\_\_\_, even though she knew that she was not fully prepare to do.
- I was expecting her to tell me all her secrets
  - She arrived on the day of the final exam to take it
  - Kim tells me almost everything that happens at school
  - I've tried to make my daughter talk to me
75. When the balance of nature is disturbed, \_\_\_\_\_.
- the result would usually have been due to man's interference
  - there has clearly been a great reason for concern
  - the struggle to exist in the world has always continued
  - this may result in a lot of possibly unforeseen effects

### PART VII: WORD FORMATION

Choose the best alternative for the missing part in each sentence. Mark your answers on the OPTICAL ANSWER SHEET.

76. I get very \_\_\_\_\_ when I speak French and people don't understand me.
- frustrate
  - frustrating
  - frustrated
  - frustration
77. They set up an IT company, but it was \_\_\_\_\_ and it closed down last year.
- succeed
  - successful
  - unsuccessfully
  - unsuccessful
78. There was a \_\_\_\_\_ of 100,000 in the centre of London today.
- demonstration
  - demonstrate
  - demonstrative
  - demonstrator
79. There is one important \_\_\_\_\_ between Sean and Katie. They both really enjoy discussing politics.
- similar
  - similarity
  - similarly
  - dissimilar
80. I \_\_\_\_\_ think that there's no point in arguing with him. Just ignore him.
- honest
  - honestly
  - dishonesty
  - dishonest
81. Have you made up your mind? We need to know your \_\_\_\_\_ as soon as possible.
- decision
  - decide
  - decisively
  - decisive
82. We need to find a \_\_\_\_\_ to the problem as soon as possible.
- solve
  - solvable
  - soluble
  - solution
83. Harry is very \_\_\_\_\_. He wants to be number one at everything.
- compete
  - competitively
  - competitive
  - competition
84. The fans waved \_\_\_\_\_ as the film star stepped out of the limousine.
- excite
  - excitedly
  - excitement
  - exciting

85. If you are \_\_\_\_\_ to come to the party, everyone will be really happy to see you.  
a) unable                      b) ability                      c) inability                      d) able

### PART VII: ODD ONE OUT

Circle the word that is different. Mark your answers on the **OPTICAL ANSWER SHEET**.

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|------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| 86. a) chilly    | b) cool       | c) freezing   | d) scorching |
| 87. a) amazed    | b) anxious    | c) astonished | d) surprised |
| 88. a) kidney    | b) lung       | c) liver      | d) hip       |
| 89. a) horoscope | b) newsreader | c) editor     | d) presenter |
| 90. a) silk      | b) cotton     | c) smart      | d) fur       |

### PART VIII: READING

Read the following texts and answer the questions. Mark your answers on the **OPTICAL ANSWER SHEET**.

#### Text 1

Every summer many people, girls and women as well as boys and men, try to swim from England to France or from France to England. The distance at the nearest points is only about twenty miles, but because of the strong currents the distance that must be swum is usually more than twice as far. The first man to succeed in swimming across the Channel was Captain Webb, an Englishman. This was in August 1875. He landed in France 21 hours 45 minutes after entering the water at Dover. Since then there have been many successful swims and the time has been shortened. One French swimmer **crossed** in 11 hours and 5 minutes.

91. Swimming the channel is not as easy as it might seem \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) as the distance between the two countries is far too much  
b) and only two people have managed to do it so far  
c) so few people even try to swim it  
d) for there are very strong currents
92. The time Captain Webb needed to swim across the channel \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) still remains a record  
b) was thought to be far too long  
c) has since been nearly reduced to half  
d) hasn't been equaled by any French swimmer
93. What does "**crossed**" mean in line 7?  
a) occurred to someone's mind  
b) went from one side to another  
c) made someone angry  
d) drew lines

## Text 2

Carbon tetrachloride is a colorless and inflammable liquid that can be produced by combining carbon disulfide and chlorine. This compound is **widely** used in industry today because of its effectiveness as a solvent as well as its use in the production of propellants.

Despite its widespread use in industry, carbon tetrachloride has been **banned** for home use. In the past, carbon chloride was a common ingredient in cleaning compounds that were used throughout the home, but it was found to be dangerous; when heated, **it** changes into a poisonous gas that can cause severe illness and even death if it is **inhaled**. Because of this dangerous characteristic, the United States **revoked** permission for the home use of carbon tetrachloride in 1970. The United States has taken similar action with various other chemical compounds.

94. The main point of this passage is that:
- a) carbon tetrachloride can be very dangerous when it is heated.
  - b) the government banned carbon tetrachloride in 1970.
  - c) although carbon tetrachloride can legally be used in industry, it is not allowed in home products.
  - d) carbon tetrachloride used to be a regular part of cleaning compounds.
95. The word “**widely**” in line 2 could most easily be replaced by:
- a) extensively
  - b) hugely
  - c) largely
  - d) grandly
96. The word “**banned**” in line 4 is closest in meaning to:
- a) allowed
  - b) suggested
  - c) instituted
  - d) forbidden
97. It is stated in the passage that when carbon tetrachloride is heated, it becomes \_\_\_\_\_.
- a) harmful
  - b) colourless
  - c) a cleaning compound
  - d) inflammable
98. The word “**inhaled**” in line 7 is closest in meaning to:
- a) warm
  - b) breathed in
  - c) carelessly used
  - d) blown
99. The word “**revoked**” in line 8 could most easily be replaced by :
- a) gave
  - b) granted
  - c) instituted
  - d) took away
100. What does “**it**” refer to in line 6?
- a) dangerous
  - b) illness
  - c) carbon tetrachloride
  - d) gas