



IEO Class 09

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1. Choose the most appropriate synonym for 'obsequious'.
A) Arrogant B) Servile
C) Dominant D) Casual
2. Identify the figure of speech: "The silence was deafening as they awaited the verdict."
A) Oxymoron B) Paradox
C) Metaphor D) Irony
3. Select the correct sentence.
A) The data, which was collected over three years, show a significant trend.
B) The data, which was collected over three years, shows a significant trend.
C) The data, which were collected over three years, shows a significant trend.
D) The data, which were collected over three years, show a significant trend.
4. Find the correctly spelled word.
A) Manouver B) Maneuver
C) Manouvre D) Manuever
5. A political system where the wealthy rule is a ____.
A) plutocracy B) theocracy
C) meritocracy D) gerontocracy
6. Her arguments were replete ____ logical fallacies.
A) of B) from C) with D) by
7. Which of these words is an antonym for 'cacophony'?
A) Discord B) Harmony
C) Noise D) Din
8. A situation or statement that seems to contradict itself but contains a hidden truth is a ____.
A) hyperbole B) paradox
C) fallacy D) tautology
9. What is a group of peacocks called?
A) A parliament B) A pride
C) A murder D) An ostentation
10. ____ I known you were coming, I would have baked a cake.
A) If B) When C) Had D) Should
11. Choose the word that completes the analogy: Lexicon is to Words as Anthology is to ____.
A) Maps B) Poems
C) Stars D) Animals
12. The term for a word that is no longer in common use is ____.
A) neologism B) archaic
C) colloquial D) vernacular
13. Which sentence uses the semicolon correctly?
A) I have a big test tomorrow; I can't go out tonight.
B) I have a big test tomorrow; so I can't go out tonight.
C) I have a big test tomorrow, so; I can't go out tonight.



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- D) I have a big test; and I can't go out tonight.
14. What does the Latin phrase 'ipso facto' mean?
- A) By the fact itself B) For the public good
C) In good faith D) Word for word
15. The study of the origin and history of words is ____.
- A) etymology B) entomology
C) philology D) semantics
16. What is the plural of 'addendum'?
- A) Addendums B) Addendi
C) Addenda D) Addendae
17. He said, "Shall I ever win a gold medal?"
Change to indirect speech.
- A) He asked that if he would ever win a gold medal.
B) He wondered if he would ever win a gold medal.
C) He exclaimed whether he will ever win a gold medal.
D) He said that he should win a gold medal.
18. What is the opposite of 'esoteric'?
- A) Obscure B) Arcane
C) Commonplace D) Mysterious
19. A government run by the worst and most unprincipled citizens is a ____.
- A) kakistocracy B) kleptocracy
C) ochlocracy D) aristocracy
20. A 'pyrrhic victory' is one that is ____.
- A) won easily
B) achieved at too great a cost
C) celebrated with a parade
D) completely unexpected
21. What is the feminine gender of 'stallion'?
- A) Doe B) Ewe C) Mare D) Sow
22. A fourteen-line poem with a fixed rhyme scheme is a ____.
- A) Sonnet B) Haiku
C) Limerick D) Epic
23. Choose the odd one out based on its origin.
- A) Kindergarten B) Zeitgeist
C) Angst D) Pro bono
24. This is the house ____ I was born.
- A) which B) that
C) where D) in that
25. The act of looking back on or reviewing past events is ____.
- A) introspection B) circumspection
C) prospection D) retrospectation
26. The captain, as well as the players, ____ anxious.
- A) were B) was
C) are D) have been
27. Find the correctly spelled word.
- A) Idiosyncracy B) Idiosyncrasy
C) Idiosyncracy D) Ideosyncrasy



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28. The use of a word that imitates the sound it describes is ____.
- A) onomatopoeia B) alliteration
C) assonance D) consonance
29. A young salmon that has migrated to the sea for the first time is a ____.
- A) Fry B) Smolt
C) Parr D) Alevin
30. Which word means 'to renounce a belief or claim'?
- A) Adhere B) Abjure
C) Advocate D) Assert
31. Choose the sentence with the correct verb form.
- A) If I was you, I wouldn't accept the offer.
B) If I were you, I wouldn't accept the offer.
C) If I had been you, I wouldn't accept the offer.
D) If I am you, I wouldn't accept the offer.
32. Someone who is incapable of making mistakes is ____.
- A) infallible B) incorrigible
C) invincible D) inevitable
33. What is the central part of an atom called?
- A) Electron B) Proton
C) Nucleus D) Neutron
34. A long, angry speech of criticism or accusation is a ____.
- A) panegyric B) eulogy
C) tirade D) commendation
35. What is the opposite of 'sanguine'?
- A) Hopeful B) Cheerful
C) Optimistic D) Pessimistic