## I SEMESTER BA/BSc/BCom/BBA – 2019 ADMISSION ONWARDS

## TRANSACTIONS : *Essential English Language Skills*

### (Common course : ENG1 A01)

### MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

*I. Read the questions and choose the correct option*

**1.** The final sound in *Bridge* is a _____
   a. Vowel
   b. Consonant
   c. Monophthong
   d. Vowel glide

**2.** The vowel sound in the word *steer is* _____.
   a. /ai/
   b. /i /
   c. /ea/
   d. /i:/

**3.** The silent letter in the word *depot* is _____.
   a. /t/
   b. /o/
   c. /p/
   d. None of the above

**4.** The sound /z/ occurs in _____
   a. Loose
   b. Lose
   c. Rice
   d. Scene

**5.** Pure vowels are also called _____
   a. Monophthongs
   b. Diphthongs
   c. Vowel glides
   d. None of the above

**6.** Monosyllabic words are often stressed on _____ syllable
   a. Second
   b. Third
   c. First
   d. Last

**7.** The first sound in the word *age* is a _____.
   a. Monophthongs
   b. Diphthongs
   c. Vowel glides
   d. Both B & C

**8.** The total number of speech sounds in English is_____.

  a. 43

  b. 44

  c. 23

  d. 26

**9.** The final consonant in *rise* is_____

  a. /s/

  b. /e/

  c. /a:/

  d. /z/

*10.* The silent letter in the word *comb is* _____

  a. /m/

  b. /o/

  c. /b/

  d. None of the above

**11.** The number of letters used to represent 20 vowel sounds is _____

  a. Six

  b. Seven

  c. Eight

  d. None of the above

**12.** Consonants are produced with_____of the air.

  a. Free release

  b. Obstruction

  c. Free flow

  d. Both A and C

**13.** The varying degree of emphasis with which sounds are produced is called _____

  a. Intonation

  b. Pronunciation

  c. Stress

  d. Articulation

**14.** Another word used to refer to *negative transfer* is_____

  a. Mother tongue

  b. Exchange

  c. Transfer

  d. L1 interference

**15.** The word *content,* when used as an adjective, is stressed on the_____syllable.

  a. First

  b. Second

  c. Third

  d. None of the above

## II. *Choose the correct sound representing the underlined vowel letter(s) from the following words*

**16.** Action

   **a.** /æ/                b./e/                c. /a:/

**17.** Star

   **a.** /æ/                b./e/                c. /a:/

**18.** Pet

   **a.** /æ/                b./e/                c. /a:/

**19.** Stove

   **a.** /  /                b./e/                c. /au/

**20.** Tour

   **a.** / /                b./u:/                c. /  /

## III. *Choose the correct sound representing the underlined consonant letter(s) from the following words*

**21.** Action

   **a.** /k/                b. //                c. /a:/

**22.** Teeth

   **a.** / /                b./ð/                c. /I:/

**23.** Pet

   **a.** /b/                b. /p/                c. /e/

**24.** Stove

   **a.** /v/                b./w/                c. /au/

**25.** Think

   **a.** / /                b./ð/                c. /k/

## IV. *Circle the word which could be an antonym for the italicized word*

**26.** Raheem was much *pleased* to go to receive his sister at the airport, but the delay of the flight _____ him a lot.

   a. prosperity,
   b. disappointed,
   c. eminent,
   d. expand,

**27.** The two brothers looked really *similar* but their attitude and tastes were terribly_____.

    a. prosperity,
    b. weight
    c. different
    d. expand,

**28.** Most of the guests invited for the functions were *unknown* personalities but two of them were _____men of letters.

    a. prosperity
    b. disappointed
    c. expand
    d. eminent

**29.** A *decrease* in price generally leads to an_____in sales.

    a. Fall
    b. eminent
    c. Increase
    d. expand

*V. Circle the right word which collocates with the given word*

**30.** Fall in
a. disease,      b. love      c. anger,      d. hatred

**31.** Catch
a. disease,      b. love,      c. anger,      d. hatred

**32.** Mistake
a. did      b. started      c. cooked      d. made

**33.** Smoker
a. big      b. heavy      c. strong      d. powerful

**34.** Bus
a. lost      b. failed      c. escaped      d. missed

**35.** Injury
a. a. deep      b. large      c. grave      d. big

**36.** Access
b. a. widespread      b. outright      c. ready      d. pronounced

**37.** Accuracy
c. a. outright      b. glowing      c. careful      d. absolute

**38.** Success
a. large      b. enormous      c. heavy      d. big

**VI.  Choose the correct_ word _ from the box to complete each sentence.**

(anger     horror     tears     nostalgia     pride   pride)

**39.** Most older people feel a slight pang of _____ as they think back on their
School days.
   a. anger                    b. tears          c. nostalgia             d. pride

**40.** Carla's father was filled with _____ when he saw that she had dyed her beautiful

black hair blonde.

   a. anger                    b. tears          c. despair               d. pride

**41.** When Paul saw how harshly the poor were treated by the wealthy landowners he felt a

surge of _____

   a. anger                    b. tears          c. nostalgia             d. pride

**42.** Swelling with _____, Dan watched his daughter pick up her violin and play.

   a. anger                    b. tears          c. nostalgia             d. pride

**43.** When she saw her exam results, Kate burst into _____

   a. anger                    b. tears          c. nostalgia             d. pride

**VII.  Match the beginning of each sentence on the left with its ending on the right.**

**44.** She's having                     a.  her duty.

**45.** She's taking                     b. a lecture.

**46.** She's giving                     c. a party.

**47.** She's making                     d. an exam.

**48.** She's doing                      e. good progress.

**VIII. Guess the correct meanings of the following phrasal verbs from the context and choose the
      right answer.**

**49.** The government plans to *beef up* security at the border.
      a.  Make something weak
      b.  Make something strong
      c.  Making something eatable

**50.** During the discussion, all committee members *chipped in* with suggestions.
      a.  Disagree
      b.  Agree
      c.  Add something

**51.** My grandmother is good at *dishing out* food to all grandsons in equal measure.
      a.  Prepare
      b.  Serve
      c.  Control

**52.** Just go and talk to M. Latha. You can *count on* her for good advice.
    a. Depend
    b. Accept
    c. Find

**53.** I'm late again!!. I think I will be *told off* for this habit.
    a. Suspended
    b. Rejected
    c. Scolded

**54.** I's absent for a week. So, I couldn't *figure out* what the teacher was talking about.
    a. Listen to
    b. Understand
    c. Calculate

**55.** If you give me ten more minutes, I will *sort out* all these files.
    a. Arrange
    b. Delete
    c. Read out

**56.** My application for the position was *turned down* because of being late.
    a. Accepted
    b. Rejected
    c. Returned

**57.** Raheem *toyed with* the thought of starting a business of his own for five years.
    a. Postponed
    b. Played with
    c. Considered

**58.** Listen, I'll not *put up with* your bad behavior any longer!
    a. Accept something patiently
    b. Criticize
    c. Get angry

## IX. *Choose the correct idiom for the italicized words*

**59.** Roshan's habit of waking up very late was *a matter of dispute* between him and his wife.
    a. Run out of steam
    b. A bone of contention
    c. Wreak havoc on
    d. In leaps and bounds

**60.** On the third day of the strike, the protesters *started to lose enthusiasm*.
    a. Run out of steam
    b. A bone of contention
    c. Wreak havoc on
    d. In leaps and bounds

**61.** It was after three meetings with the Principal that Rinu *understood she was not asking the right person* for a salary hike.
    a. Run out of steam
    b. A bone of contention
    c. Wreak havoc on
    d. Barking up the wrong tree

**62.** The new foreign policy of the ruling party, experts say, have *caused harm* to the economy.
   a. Run out of steam
   b. A bone of contention
   c. Wreak havoc on
   d. Barking up the wrong tree

**63.** It was 10 years ago that Rinu decided *to marry* her own classmate Rohit.
   a. Run out of steam
   b. A bone of contention
   c. Tie the knot with
   d. Barking up the wrong tree

**IX. Choose the correct answer for the following questions**

   **64.** I'm busy at the moment _____ on the computer.

   a) I work          b) I'm work          c) I'm working          d) I working

   **65.** My friend _____ the answer to the question.

   a) is know          b) know          c) knowing          d) knows

   **66.** I think I'll buy these shoes. _____ really well.

   a) They fit          b) They have fit          c) They're fitting          d) They were fitting

   **67.** Where _____ the car?

   a) did you park          b) did you parked          c) parked you          d) you parked

   **68.** At nine o'clock yesterday morning we _____ for the bus.

   a) wait          b) waiting          c) was waiting          d) were waiting

   **69.** When I looked round the door, the baby _____ quietly.

   a) is sleeping          b) slept          c) was sleeping          d) were sleeping

   **70.** Here's my report _____ it at last.

   a) I finish          b) I finished          c) I'm finished          d) I've finished

   **71.** I've _____ made some coffee. It's in the kitchen.

   a) ever          b) just          c) never          d) yet

   **72.** We _____ to Ireland for our holidays last year.

   a) goes          b) going          c) have gone          d) went

   **73.** Robert _____ ill for three weeks. He's still in hospital.

   a) had been          b) has been          c) is          d) was

   **74.** My arms are aching now because _____ since two o'clock.

   a) I'm swimming   b) I swam   c) I swim   d) I've been swimming

   **75.** I'm very tired. _____ over four hundred miles today.

   a) I've driven          b) I'm driving   c) I've been driving          d) I drive

   **76.** When Martin _____ the car, he took it out for a drive.

   a) had repaired          b) has repaired          c) repaired          d) was repairing

   **77.** Janet is out of breath because _____

   a) she'd been running          b) she did run          c) she's been running          d) she's run

**78.** Don't worry. I_____be here to help you.

    a) not         b) will         c) willn't         d) won't

**79.** Our friends_____meet us at the airport tonight.

    a)are going to         b) are         c) go to         d) will be to

**80.** _____ a party next Saturday. We've sent out the invitations.

    a) We had         b) We have         c) We'll have         d) We're having

**81.** I'll tell Anna all the news when_____her.

    a) I'll see         b) I'm going to see     c) I see         d) I shall see

**82.** At this time tomorrow_____over the Atlantic.

    a) we flying         b) we'll be flying     c) we'll fly         d) we to fly

**83.** Where's Robert?_____a shower?

    a) Does he have     b) Has he         c) Has he got         d) Is he having

**84.** I_____like that coat. It's really nice.

    a) am         b) do         c) very         d) yes

**85.** What's the weather like in Canada? How often_____there?

    a) does it snow     b) does it snows     c) snow it     d) snows it

**86.** Which team_____the game?

    a) did it win         b) did they win     c) won     d) won it

**87.** What did you leave the meeting early_____? I didn't feel very well.

    a) away         b) because     c) for     d) like

**88.** Unfortunately the driver_____the red light.

    a) didn't saw         b) didn't see     c) no saw     d) saw not

**89.** You haven't eaten your pudding_____it?

    a) Are you no want     b) Do you no want     c) Don't want you     d) Don't you want

**90.** I really enjoyed the disco. It was great,_____?

    a) is it         b) isn't it     c) was it     d) wasn't it

**91.** Are we going the right way? I think _____

    a) indeed     b) it         c) so         d) yes

**92.** The chemist's was open, so luckily I_____buy some aspirin.

    a) can         b) can't         c) did can     d) was able to

**93.** We had a party last night_____spend all morning clearing up the mess.

    a) I must have         b) I've been to     c) I've had to     d) I've must

**94.** There was no one else at the box office. I_____in a queue.

    a) didn't need to wait     b) mustn't wait     c) needn't have waited     d) needn't wait

**95.** I carry that bag for you? ~ Oh, thank you.

    a) Do     b) Shall     c) Will         d) Would

## X. *Read the following questions and choose the correct options*

**96.** Which among the following is a suggestion?
   a.  Let's dine out today.
   b.  Could you lend me your notebook for three days?
   c.  May I take your textbook home?
   d.  We don't have to complete it before 9.0 am.

**97.** Which among the following is **NOT** a polite way of advising your friend who smokes?
   a.  If I were you, I wouldn't smoke like this.
   b.  It is high time you quit your smoking habit.
   c.  Smoking is very bad. I want you to stop it.
   d.  I believe you can easily say good bye to your smoking habit.

**98.** Which among the following sentence is an apt way of persuading?
   a.  Shall I do this work for you?
   b.  There will be no other chance like this. So try a hand.
   c.  Do you need any help to complete this homework?
   d.  How come you are here at this time!

**99.** Which among the following is another way of saying "*how are you?*"
   a.  What about you?
   b.  How about you?
   c.  How are things?
   d.  Would you mind speaking about yourself?

**100.** What is the function of the sentence *"Are you sure you can't achieve that target?"*
   a.  Suggestion
   b.  Preference
   c.  Persuading
   d.  Requesting

**101.** Which among the following expresses a preference.
   a.  I'd rather drink tea than coffee
   b.  It is better to drink coffee
   c.  I don't want to drink tea
   d.  Why don't you try coffee today?

**102.** Which among the following expresses regret?
   a.  He has repeated the same mistake. I'm going to scold him this time.
   b.  You could have taken a little more care.
   c.  He has taken much care.
   d.  He is always careless about things.

## XI. *Choose the correct sentences from those given*

**103.**  a. Reshma work at a school near her house
       b. Rinu and Rani study French as a second language
       c. Rinu has met Rani last week

**104.**  a. Where your elder brother live?
       b. Where does the new teacher reside?
       c. Where do your elder brother live?

**105.**   a. The train not stop at Tirur.

  b. The train does not stop at Feroke

  c. The train do not stop at Tirur

**106.**  a.. I'm thinking he is good man

  b. I'm thinking it's important to respect elders

  c. I'm thinking about this question now.

## XII. *Circle the correct negative of the following sentences*

**107.**  This shop sells imported cloth items.

  a.   This shop don't sell imported items

  b.   This shop doesn't sell imported items

  c.   This shop is not sell imported items

**108.**  We accept all types of cards.

  a.   We doesn't accept all types of cards

  b.   We have not accept all types of cards

  c.   We don't accept all types of cards

**109.**  This is the place for kids to play.

  a.   This are not the place for kids to play

  b.   This is not the place for kids to play

  c.   This doesn't the place for kids to paly

**110.**  You have come to the right place.

  a.   You have not came to the right place

  b.   You don't come to the right place

  c.   You have not come to the right place

**111.**  Each customer has special care here

  a.   Each customer don't have special care here

  b.   Each customer is not have special care here

  c.   Each customer doesn't have special care here.

## XIII. *Read the text and choose the correct option for the statements that follow*

Sometimes, people are not sure about what type of food is healthy, and what kind of food can be harmful to our health. The USDA (The United States Department of Agriculture) has prepared a food guide to help people learn about which types of food are the healthiest to eat. The food guide describes six basic food groups: meat (beef, fish, chicken, etc.), dairy (milk, yogurt, cheese etc.), grains (bread, cereal, rice, etc.), fruit, and vegetables. The last group is fats, oil, and sweets. The USDA also suggests how much of each food group is healthy to eat every day. Although this guide was prepared by the U.S. government, it is very useful for people all over the world. As a result of years of study, we know that too much animal fat is bad for our health. For example, Americans eat a lot of meat, but only a small amount of grain, fruit and vegetables. Because of their diet, they have a high rate of cancer and heart disease. In Japan, in contrast, people eat large amounts of grain and very little meat. Therefore, the

Japanese have a very low rate of cancer and heart disease. In fact, the Japanese live longer than anyone else in the world.

*112.* The main idea of the text is *eating too much vegetable is not healthy*

   a. True          b. false          c. not given

**113.** The food guide speaks about the harmful food to health

   a. True          b. false          c. not given

**114.** The guide is useful to the people in the US only

   a. True          b. false          c. not given

**115.** Too much animal fat is good only for some people

   a. True          b. false          c. not given

**116.** Americans are mostly non-vegetarians

   a. True          b. false          c. not given

**117.** Japanese prefer meat to vegetables

   a. True          b. false          c. not given

**Answer Key**

| 1.b | 2.b | 3.a | 4.b | 5.a | 6.c | 7.d | 8.b | 9.d | 10.c |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 11.d | 12.b | 13.c | 14.d | 15.b | 16.a | 17.c | 18.b | 19.a | 20.c |
| 21.a | 22.a | 23.b | 24.a | 25.a | 26.b | 27.c | 28.d | 29.c | 30.b |
| 31.a | 32.d | 33.b | 34.d | 35.c | 36.c | 37.d | 38.b | 39.c | 40.c |
| 41.a | 42.d | 43.b | 44.c | 45.d | 46.b | 47.e | 48.a | 49.b | 50.c |
| 51.b | 52.a | 53.c | 54.b | 55.a | 56.b | 57.c | 58.a | 59.b | 60.a |
| 61.d | 62.c | 63.c | 64.c | 65.d | 66.a | 67.a | 68.d | 69.c | 70.d |
| 71.b | 72.d | 73.b | 74.d | 75.a | 76.a | 77.c | 78.b | 79.a | 80.d |
| 81.c | 82.b | 83.d | 84.b | 85.a | 86.c | 87.c | 88.b | 89.d | 90.d |
| 91.c | 92.d | 93.c | 94.a | 95.b | 96.a | 97.c | 98.b | 99.c | 100.c |
| 101.a | 102.b | 103.b | 104.b | 105.b | 106.c | 107.b | 108.c | 109.b | 110.c |
| 111.c | 112.b | 113.b | 114.b | 115.c | 116.a | 117.b | | | |

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