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SHAPE DISCIPLINES - ENGLISH

CATEGORY 2 (GRADES 5–6)

PRELIMINARY ROUND

SAMPLE 1



50 questions; 75 minutes; 100 points; no negative marking.

All questions are multiple-choice or multiple-response questions and are automatically marked. The number in square brackets after each question number indicates the point value of the question: [1] Easy, [2] Normal, [3] Difficult.

Part A: Grammar in Context (Questions 1–15) — 30 points

Section A1.

Choose the correct answer.

1. [1] There _____ two windows in my room.

a) am b) be c) is d) are

2. [1] Look! It _____ snowing.

a) does b) are c) has d) is

3. [1] One foot — two _____.

a) feets b) foots c) feet d) footes

4. [1] My sister _____ her homework every evening.

a) do b) doing c) done d) does

5. [2] School starts _____ eight o'clock.

a) at b) on c) in d) by

6. [2] _____ your sister like ice cream?

a) Is b) Are c) Does d) Do

7. [2] We _____ to the museum last Saturday.

a) went b) go c) goes d) gone

8. [3] Ali runs _____ than his brother.

a) fast b) fastest c) faster d) more fast

9. [3] If it _____ tomorrow, we will stay at home.

a) will rain b) rains c) rained d) is raining

Section A2.

Read the text and choose the correct answer for each gap.

> My uncle Ravshan (10) _____ a small shop near our house. He sells fruit and sweets. My brother is older (11) _____ me, so he helps (12) _____ at the shop on Saturdays. Every Sunday my mother (13) _____ to the market with us. Last week my grandparents (14) _____ us from the village. Now I want to (15) _____ a present for them at my uncle's shop.

10. [1] a) have b) has c) having d) haves

11. [2] a) that b) then c) than d) from

12. [2] a) him b) he c) his d) himself

13. [3] a) go b) is going c) has gone d) goes

14. [3] a) visited b) visit c) visits d) visiting

15. [3] a) buys b) buying c) buy d) bought

Part B: Vocabulary and Collocation (Questions 16–31) — 32 points

Section B1.

Choose the correct answer.

16. [1] What is the opposite of open?

a) near b) broken c) full d) closed

17. [1] Which word is a month?

a) Sunday b) April c) morning d) summer

18. [1] Which word is a vegetable?

a) cherry b) butter c) onion d) honey

19. [1] Which word is a job?

a) engineer b) kitchen c) quickly d) yellow

20. [2] Please don't forget to _____ your homework tonight.

a) make b) take c) do d) put

21. [2] Which of these four words is different?

a) doctor b) nurse c) dentist d) hospital

22. [2] The film was really _____ — I laughed all the way through it.

a) boring b) funny c) serious d) quiet

23. [2] Could you please _____ the light? It's dark in here.

a) turn off b) turn on c) turn over d) turn up

24. [3] My little sister is _____ of the dark.

a) afraid b) worried c) nervous d) angry

25. [3] In which pair are the two words opposites?

a) quick – fast b) shout – call c) huge – enormous d) ancient – modern

26. [3] My cousin is very _____ — she never stops talking to new people.

a) unfriendly b) serious c) quiet d) friendly

Section B2.

Choose the correct meaning of each word.

27. [1] begin

a) to end b) to run fast c) to start d) to sleep long

28. [2] finish

a) to end b) to start c) to look happy d) to speak very loudly

29. [2] shout

a) to speak quietly b) to speak loudly c) to look happy d) to run quickly

30. [3] smile

a) to make a tired face b) to make an angry face c) to make a worried face d) to make a happy face

31. [3] rescue

a) to help someone who is hurt b) to save someone from danger c) to find a lost object d) to carry something very heavy

Part C: Reading — Locating Detail (Questions 32–40) — 16 points

Read the story and answer the questions.

> My grandpa has a big garden behind his house. He grows tomatoes, carrots, and yellow flowers. Every morning he waters the plants before breakfast. In summer, I help him pick the vegetables. We put them in a big basket and give some to the neighbours. Grandpa's cat, Misha, likes to sleep under the apple tree while we work. Last year, Grandpa won first prize at the town garden show for his big pumpkin! It was bigger than a football. The photograph of Grandpa and his pumpkin is still on the wall in his kitchen. This summer, we want to grow watermelons for the first time. Grandpa says, "A garden is like a friend — take care of it, and it will make you happy."

32. [1] Which vegetables does Grandpa grow?

a) tomatoes and carrots b) apples and green beans c) rice and sweet corn d) onions and potatoes

33. [1] Who is Misha?

a) the neighbour b) a bird c) Grandpa's cat d) the writer's brother

34. [1] Who do they give some of the vegetables to?

a) the neighbours b) the school c) the market d) nobody

35. [2] When does Grandpa water the plants?

a) on Sundays b) before breakfast c) after lunch d) in the evening

36. [2] What did Grandpa win first prize for?

a) his tomatoes b) his giant pumpkin c) his carrots d) his yellow flowers

37. [2] How big was the pumpkin?

a) bigger than a football b) as big as a basket c) smaller than an apple d) as big as a door

38. [2] Where does Misha like to sleep?

a) under the apple tree b) in the house c) in a basket d) in the garden shed

39. [2] Where is the photograph of Grandpa and his pumpkin?

a) in the garden b) at the town show c) in a photo book d) in his kitchen

40. [3] What do they want to grow this summer?

a) pumpkins b) apples c) watermelons d) potatoes

Part D: Reading — Main Idea and Inference (Questions 41–50) — 22 points

Read the text and answer the questions.

Multiple Response: Select all correct choices. Points are awarded only if all correct answers and no incorrect answers are selected.

> Every Friday afternoon, the children of Class 5B leave their school bags in the classroom and walk to the small library at the end of the street. They are not going there to borrow books. For one hour, each of them sits with an older person who lives nearby and reads aloud.
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> The idea started two years ago, when the librarian saw that many older visitors came in almost every day but rarely spoke to anyone. She asked a teacher if her pupils would like to read to them. Only four children came the first week. Now there is a waiting list.
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> The children say the hardest part was not the reading — it was choosing what to read. “You cannot just pick your favourite story,” explains Dilnoza, who is eleven. “You have to ask first.” Her reading partner, Mr Karimov, is eighty-three and prefers books about ships.
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> Nobody planned the rest. The older visitors began bringing biscuits. The children started asking questions about the past. The librarian now says that the quietest room in the street has become the noisiest.

41. [1] Which of these would make the best title for the text?

a) A New Library b) Reading Together c) How to Choose a Book d) The Quiet Street

42. [1] How long does each child read for?

a) ten minutes b) one hour c) half an hour d) the whole afternoon

43. [2] Why do the children go to the library?

a) to borrow books b) to study for their exams c) to help the librarian tidy up d) to read to older people

44. [2] What did the librarian notice two years ago?

a) The library had too few books for visitors.

b) Older visitors came often but rarely spoke.

c) The children were too noisy in the library.

d) Nobody visited the library during the week.

45. [2] Multiple Response — Choose ALL the statements that are true according to the text.

a) Only four children came in the first week.

b) The children go to the library to borrow books.

c) There is now a waiting list.

d) Mr Karimov is eleven years old.

46. [2] According to Dilnoza, what was the hardest part?

a) reading aloud b) walking to the library c) choosing what to read d) speaking to adults

47. [3] What does Dilnoza mean by “You have to ask first”?

a) The children must ask the librarian for a book.

b) The children must ask their teacher to choose.

c) The children must ask their partner first.

d) The children must ask before they speak.

48. [3] Multiple Response — Choose ALL the things that happened without anyone planning them.

a) Older visitors started bringing biscuits.

b) The librarian asked a teacher for help.

c) Children started asking about the past.

d) The library became noisier over time.

e) The children started visiting the library every Friday.

49. [3] What does the librarian mean when she says the quietest room has become the noisiest?

a) The library is now full of conversation.

b) The children shout too much.

c) The library needs stricter rules.

d) The street outside has become very loud.

50. [3] Multiple Response — Choose ALL the things the text tells us about Mr Karimov.

a) He is Dilnoza's grandfather.

b) He likes books about ships.

c) He is eighty-three years old.

d) He brings biscuits for the children.

e) He reads with Dilnoza.

Answer Key – Preliminary Round

Preliminary Round — Questions 1–50

Questions	Answer	Questions	Answer
1	d	26	d
2	d	27	c
3	c	28	a
4	d	29	b
5	a	30	d
6	c	31	b
7	a	32	a
8	c	33	c
9	b	34	a
10	b	35	b
11	c	36	b
12	a	37	a
13	d	38	a
14	a	39	d
15	c	40	c
16	d	41	b
17	b	42	b
18	c	43	d
19	a	44	b
20	c	45	a c
21	d	46	c
22	b	47	c
23	b	48	a c d
24	a	49	a
25	d	50	b c e