



ENGLISH LINGUISTIC QUIZ SYLLABUS



GRADE 9 & 10

1. Which sentence contains a transitive verb?

- a) He sleeps peacefully.
- b) She reads a novel.
- c) They go home.
- d) We walk daily.

2. Which is a complex sentence?

- a) I came and she left.
- b) The sun set quickly.
- c) I left because it was dark.
- d) He washed and dried the car.

3. Which is a compound sentence?

- a) The boy ran fast.
- b) She likes tea.
- c) I was late, but he waited.
- d) He eats bread.

4. Which is a noun clause?

- a) when he came
- b) What she said was true
- c) because he was late
- d) if you go

5. Identify the adverbial clause: "He went where he was invited."

- a) He went
- b) where he was invited
- c) he was
- d) invited

6. Which is a correct relative pronoun?

- a) whom
- b) which
- c) that
- d) all of these

7. Which is a distributive pronoun?

- a) who
- b) each
- c) they
- d) ours

8. Which sentence uses a gerund correctly?

- a) He is swim.
- b) He to swim.
- c) He enjoys swimming.
- d) He swimming.

9. Which sentence uses an infinitive?

- a) I swimming.
- b) I swam.
- c) I swims.
- d) I like to swim.

10. Which is an abstract noun?

- a) stone
- b) bravery
- c) book
- d) school

11. Which is an adjective of number?

- a) tall
- b) red
- c) five
- d) strong

12. Which is an interrogative pronoun?

- a) them
- b) this
- c) who
- d) his

13. Which is an example of an intransitive verb?

- a) read
- b) give
- c) sleep
- d) build

14. Which is a linking verb?

- a) runs
- b) seems
- c) speaks
- d) walks

15. Which sentence is in the subjunctive mood?

- a) He sings well.
- b) If I were rich, I would help the poor.
- c) She is tired.
- d) They play cricket.

16. Which voice is this: "The decision has been made."

- a) Active
- b) Passive
- c) Interrogative
- d) Imperative

17. Which sentence is in active voice?

- a) The cake was eaten.
- b) The homework is done.
- c) The boy solved the sum.
- d) The wall was painted.

18. Which is a conditional sentence (Type II)?

- a) If it rains, we will stay.
- b) If I were you, I would try again.
- c) If he comes, I will go.
- d) If she studies, she passes.

19. Which is a conditional sentence (Type III)?

- a) If it rains, we stay.
- b) If I had worked hard, I would have passed.
- c) If he runs, he wins.
- d) If you go, I go.

20. Which is an example of a phrase?

- a) He is reading.
- b) When he came.
- c) in the corner
- d) She went home.

21. She said she ____ the letter.

- a) write
- b) writes
- c) had written
- d) has write

22. By next year, they ____ the syllabus.

- a) finish
- b) finished
- c) will have finished
- d) finishing

23. If he ____ earlier, he would have caught the bus.

- a) leaves
- b) leaving
- c) leave
- d) had left

24. The train ____ before we reached the station.

- a) leaves
- b) had left
- c) leave
- d) leaving

25. He said that he ____ the work.

- a) do
- b) does
- c) had done
- d) is doing

26. Correct the error: "He don't like tea."

- a) He not like tea.
- b) He didn't like tea.
- c) He doesn't like tea.
- d) He no like tea.

27. Correct the error: "They was late."

- a) They be late.
- b) They are late.
- c) They were late.
- d) They is late.

28. Correct the error: "She have finished her task."

- a) She finished her task.
- b) She has finished her task.
- c) She had finished her task.
- d) She finishing task.

29. Correct the error: "Each of the boys are ready."

- a) Each of the boy is ready.
- b) Each of the boys is ready.
- c) Each of the boys were ready.
- d) Each boys is ready.

30. Correct the error: "One of my friend lives nearby."

- a) One of my friends live nearby.
- b) One of my friends lives nearby.
- c) One of my friend live nearby.
- d) One of my friends living nearby.

31. They ____ cricket when it started raining.

- a) play
- b) played
- c) were playing
- d) are playing

32. I ____ my lunch when the bell rang.

- a) eat
- b) ate
- c) was eating
- d) eats

33. He ____ here since morning.

- a) is
- b) was
- c) has been
- d) were

34. I ____ my homework already.

- a) finish
- b) finishing
- c) have finished
- d) finished

35. She ____ English for two hours.

- a) study b) studied c) studying **d) has been studying**

36. Ali said that he ____ tired.

- a) is b) was c) **had been** d) will be

37. She said, "I am writing a letter." (Indirect)

- a) She said that she writes a letter. **b) She said that she was writing a letter.**
c) She told that she is writing a letter. d) She says she was writing.

38. He said, "I have done my work." (Indirect)

- a) He tell that he had done his work. **b) He said that he had done his work.**
c) He said he has done his work. d) He told he did his work.

39. He said, "Where are you going?" (Indirect)

- a) He asked where I will going. **b) He asked where I was going.**
c) He asked me where I am going. d) He asked me where I go.

40. He said, "Did you see the film?" (Indirect)

- a) He asked if I saw the film. **b) He asked if I had seen the film.**
c) He asked did I see the film. d) He asked had I seen film.

41. Synonym of "benevolent" is:

- a) cruel **b) kind** c) harsh d) rude

42. Antonym of "optimistic" is:

- a) hopeful **b) pessimistic** c) positive d) cheerful

43. Synonym of "glorious" is:

- a) dull **b) splendid** c) weak d) poor

44. Antonym of "compulsory" is:

- a) mandatory b) essential **c) optional** d) required

45. Synonym of "brief" is:

- a) long b) lengthy **c) short** d) extended

46. Antonym of "victory" is:

- a) success **b) defeat** c) achievement d) prize

47. Synonym of "profound" is:

- a) shallow **b) deep** c) weak d) thin

48. Antonym of "artificial" is:

- a) man-made **b) natural** c) fake d) unreal

49. Synonym of "exquisite" is:

- a) ugly b) rough **c) beautiful** d) plain

50. Antonym of "generous" is:

- a) kind **b) selfish** c) helpful d) noble

51. Synonym of "solitary" is:

- a) crowded **b) alone** c) busy d) full

52. Antonym of "expand" is:

- a) stretch **b) contract** c) enlarge d) grow

53. Synonym of "serene" is:

- a) noisy b) calm c) stormy d) angry

54. Antonym of "opaque" is:

- a) dull b) transparent c) cloudy d) thick

55. Synonym of "arduous" is:

- a) easy b) simple c) difficult d) plain

56. Antonym of "ancient" is:

- a) historic b) antique c) modern d) old

57. Synonym of "grief" is:

- a) joy b) delight c) sorrow d) laughter

58. Antonym of "fragile" is:

- a) delicate b) weak c) strong d) tender

59. Synonym of "amiable" is:

- a) rude b) harsh c) friendly d) angry

60. Antonym of "abundant" is:

- a) plenty b) scarce c) rich d) lavish

61. Correct spelling is:

- a) occurence b) occurrence c) ocurance d) occurance

62. Correct spelling is:

- a) seperate b) separate c) seprate d) sepeerate

63. Correct spelling is:

- a) commitee b) commity c) committee d) committie

64. Correct spelling is:

- a) accomodate b) acommodate c) accommodate d) accomadate

65. Correct spelling is:

- a) recomend b) reccommend c) recommend d) recamend

66. Choose the correctly punctuated sentence.

- a) She said "I am happy". b) She said I am happy.
c) She said, "I am happy." d) She said I am happy.

67. Choose the correctly punctuated sentence.

- a) Wow. b) Wow, c) Wow! d) wow

68. Choose the correctly punctuated sentence.

- a) Are you ready. b) Are you ready, c) Are you ready? d) are you ready?

69. "As light as a feather" is a:

- a) metaphor b) simile c) personification d) hyperbole

70. "The flowers danced in the wind" is:

- a) simile b) hyperbole c) personification d) irony

71. "The world is a stage" is a:

- a) simile b) metaphor c) irony d) exaggeration

72. "I've told you a thousand times" is a:

- a) metaphor b) simile c) hyperbole d) irony

73. "The silence was deafening" is an example of:

- a) simile b) metaphor c) **oxymoron** d) personification

74. "The classroom was a zoo" is:

- a) simile b) **metaphor** c) exaggeration d) simile

75. "Time is money" is a:

- a) simile b) **metaphor** c) irony d) personification

76. "The leaves whispered secrets" is:

- a) metaphor b) **personification** c) simile d) irony

77. "As brave as a lion" is:

- a) metaphor b) **simile** c) hyperbole d) irony

78. "The stars winked at night" is:

- a) simile b) metaphor c) **personification** d) exaggeration

79. "He has a heart of stone" is:

- a) simile b) **metaphor** c) hyperbole d) irony

80. "The flood swallowed the houses" is:

- a) simile b) metaphor c) **personification** d) irony

81. Meaning of "a blessing in disguise":

- a) a hidden curse b) **something good hidden in bad**
c) a clear problem d) a hidden anger

82. Meaning of "burn the midnight oil":

- a) waste time b) **study late at night** c) light lamps d) rest

83. Meaning of "at the eleventh hour":

- a) too early b) **at the last moment** c) always d) sometimes

84. Meaning of "to cut corners":

- a) walk around b) **do something cheaply or badly**
c) cut shapes d) finish puzzle

85. Meaning of "hit the sack":

- a) punch a bag b) **go to sleep** c) start working d) eat food

86. Meaning of "spill the beans":

- a) waste food b) **reveal a secret** c) plant seeds d) hide money

87. Meaning of "under the weather":

- a) happy b) **sick** c) angry d) playing

88. Meaning of "once in a blue moon":

- a) often b) **very rarely** c) always d) sometimes

89. Meaning of "break the ice":

- a) stop a game b) **start a conversation** c) crack ice d) fight

90. Meaning of "call it a day":

- a) wake up b) **stop working** c) celebrate d) name a day

91. Main idea of a paragraph is:

- a) its title b) its example c) **its central thought** d) its last sentence

92. A topic sentence usually:

- a) ends the paragraph
- b) asks a question
- c) introduces the main idea
- d) quotes evidence

93. A summary should be:

- a) long
- b) confusing
- c) short and focused
- d) detailed

94. An author's purpose in an ovelis mainly to:

- a) argue
- b) inform
- c) entertain
- d) measure

95. A fact is something that:

- a) cannot be proven
- b) can be proven
- c) is an opinion
- d) is a belief

96. Which is a skimming technique?

- a) Reading every word
- b) Reading quickly for main idea
- c) Reading slowly for detail
- d) Memorizing text

97. Which is scanning used for?

- a) Understanding all
- b) Finding specific information
- c) Summarizing
- d) Predicting

98. Which sentence has a noun clause?

- a) I know the truth.
- b) I know that he is honest.
- c) He went home.
- d) She is tall.

99. Which sentence has an adjective clause?

- a) I know that he is honest.
- b) He came when I called.
- c) The boy who is tall is my friend.
- d) She went home.

100. Which sentence has an adverbial clause?

- a) The boy who is tall is my friend.
- b) I know that he is honest.
- c) He left because it was late.
- d) I know the truth.

101. Which sentence is in passive voice?

- a) They completed the project.
- b) The project was completed by them.
- c) They will complete the project.
- d) They are completing the project.

102. Which sentence is in subjunctive mood?

- a) He plays cricket daily.
- b) If I were a king, I would help the poor.
- c) She is happy today.
- d) They enjoy music.

103. Which is a complex sentence?

- a) The sun set quickly.
- b) He left because it was raining.
- c) She danced and sang.
- d) He washed the car and dried it.

104. Which sentence has a noun clause?

- a) He runs fast.
- b) She is tall.
- c) I know that she is honest.
- d) He reached home.

105. Which sentence has an adverbial clause?

- a) He knows that I am right.
- b) The boy who is tall is my friend.
- c) We stayed inside because it was raining.
- d) The pen which is red is mine.

106. Which sentence has an adjective clause?

- a) He is strong.
- b) The boy who won the race is my friend.
- c) He plays cricket.
- d) She sings daily.

107. Which is a compound sentence?

- a) He came when I called.
- b) Because it rained, we stayed.
- c) **He was late, but he still joined us.**
- d) Playing in the park.

108. Which is a phrase?

- a) She is studying.
- b) **in the classroom**
- c) When he arrived
- d) Because it rained

109. Identify the gerund:

- a) to read
- b) read
- c) **reading**
- d) reads

110. Identify the infinitive:

- a) reading
- b) read
- c) **to read**
- d) reads

111. Which is a dangling participle error?

- a) While studying, he fell asleep.
- b) She was reading a book.
- c) **Walking down the street, the house appeared.**
- d) I like running.

112. Which sentence is correct?

- a) Each of the boys are ready.
- b) Neither of them are here.
- c) **Each of the boys is ready.**
- d) Both of them is late.

113. Which sentence is correct?

- a) She don't like tea.
- b) **She doesn't like tea.**
- c) She not likes tea.
- d) She no like tea.

114. Which sentence is correct?

- a) They was absent.
- b) She were at school.
- c) **They were absent.**
- d) He were ill.

115. Which sentence is correct?

- a) One of my friend lives here.
- b) **One of my friends lives here.**
- c) One of my friends live here.
- d) One of my friend live here.

116. Which is the correct indirect form?

- a) He said, "I am tired." → He said that he is tired.
- b) **He said that he was tired.**
- c) He said he is tired.
- d) He told that he was tired.

117. Correct indirect: He said, "Where are you going?"

- a) He asked me where I am going.
- b) **He asked me where I was going.**
- c) He told me where I was going.
- d) He asked where you are going.

118. Correct indirect: He said, "Did you see the film?"

- a) He asked had I seen film.
- b) He asked did I see film.
- c) **He asked if I had seen the film.**
- d) He asked if I see film.

119. Correct indirect: She said, "Don't be late."

- a) She said me not be late.
- b) **She told me not to be late.**
- c) She said not be late.
- d) She told me be not late.

120. Correct indirect: Teacher said, "Work hard."

- a) Teacher said us work hard.
- b) **Teacher advised us to work hard.**
- c) Teacher told work hard.
- d) Teacher said us worked hard.

121. Synonym of "industrious" is:

- a) lazy
- b) **hardworking**
- c) idle
- d) weak

122. Antonym of “complex” is:

- a) difficult b) simple c) complicated d) tough

123. Synonym of “hazard” is:

- a) safety b) danger c) protection d) secure

124. Antonym of “conceal” is:

- a) cover b) reveal c) hide d) close

125. Synonym of “vital” is:

- a) useless b) unimportant c) essential d) trivial

126. Antonym of “expand” is:

- a) grow b) shrink c) enlarge d) increase

127. Synonym of “feeble” is:

- a) strong b) weak c) hard d) powerful

128. Antonym of “scarce” is:

- a) rare b) abundant c) little d) few

129. Synonym of “chaos” is:

- a) order b) calm c) disorder d) peace

130. Antonym of “optimistic” is:

- a) cheerful b) pessimistic c) positive d) hopeful

131. Synonym of “precious” is:

- a) cheap b) useless c) valuable d) ordinary

132. Antonym of “arrogant” is:

- a) proud b) humble c) rude d) boastful

133. Synonym of “humble” is:

- a) proud b) modest c) arrogant d) rude

134. Antonym of “mourn” is:

- a) sorrow b) rejoice c) grief d) cry

135. Synonym of “obsolete” is:

- a) new b) outdated c) modern d) recent

136. Antonym of “transparent” is:

- a) clear b) opaque c) glassy d) visible

137. Synonym of “eloquent” is:

- a) silent b) fluent c) quiet d) weak

138. Antonym of “victim” is:

- a) sufferer b) winner c) loser d) weak

139. Synonym of “innocent” is:

- a) guilty b) pure c) sinful d) dishonest

140. Antonym of “rapid” is:

- a) quick b) fast c) slow d) swift

141. Correct spelling is:

- a) privilage b) privillage c) privilege d) privalige

142. Correct spelling is:

- a) enviroment b) envaironment **c) environment** d) envirnment

143. Correct spelling is:

- a) accomodate b) acommodate **c) accommodate** d) accomadate

144. Correct spelling is:

- a) seperate b) seprate **c) separate** d) sepeerate

145. Correct spelling is:

- a) goverment b) governmnet c) govarnment **d) government**

146. Correctly punctuated sentence:

- a) Ali said I am ready.
c) Ali said "I am ready".
b) Ali said, "I am ready."
d) Ali said "I am ready."

147. Correctly punctuated sentence:

- a) Are you coming.
c) Are you coming?
b) Are you coming,
d) are you coming?

148. Correctly punctuated sentence:

- a) What a match. b) What a match,
c) What a match! d) what a match.

149. Correctly punctuated sentence:

- a) hurrah. b) hurrah?
c) Hurrah! d) hurrah,

150. Correctly punctuated sentence:

- a) She asked where are you going.
c) She asked, "Where are you going?"
b) She asked, "Where are you going."
d) She asked where you are going.

151. "As wise as an owl" is a:

- a) metaphor **b) simile** c) hyperbole d) personification

152. "The trees whispered to each other" is:

- a) simile b) metaphor **c) personification** d) irony

153. "Time is a thief" is a:

- a) simile **b) metaphor** c) hyperbole d) irony

154. "Her smile was sunshine" is:

- a) simile **b) metaphor** c) exaggeration d) irony

155. "I have told you a hundred times" is:

- a) metaphor b) simile **c) hyperbole** d) irony

156. "The silence was deafening" is:

- a) simile b) metaphor **c) oxymoron** d) irony

157. "He has a heart of gold" is:

- a) simile **b) metaphor** c) personification d) exaggeration

158. "The wind howled all night" is:

- a) simile b) metaphor **c) personification** d) exaggeration

159. "As cold as ice" is:

- a) metaphor **b) simile** c) exaggeration d) irony

160. "The sun smiled at us" is:

- a) simile b) metaphor **c) personification** d) irony

161. Meaning of “the last straw”:

- a) first attempt
- c) lucky chance

- b) final problem causing failure**
- d) final exam

162. Meaning of “a hot potato”:

- a) food item
- b) controversial issue**

- c) easy task
- d) boring thing

163. Meaning of “barking up the wrong tree”:

- a) scolding
- c) feeding animals

- b) accusing the wrong person**
- d) wasting time

164. Meaning of “jump on the bandwagon”:

- a) drive a car
- b) join something popular**

- c) run fast
- d) change sides

165. Meaning of “once bitten, twice shy”:

- a) always brave
- c) always afraid

- b) cautious after a bad experience**
- d) never trust

166. Meaning of “to hit the nail on the head”:

- a) use hammer
- c) hurt someone

- b) say exactly the right thing**
- d) do something wrong

167. Meaning of “to kill two birds with one stone”:

- a) harm birds
- c) waste time

- b) achieve two goals with one effort**
- d) finish quickly

168. Meaning of “don’t cry over spilt milk”:

- a) cry loudly
- c) waste food

- b) don’t regret what cannot be changed**
- d) don’t drink milk

169. Meaning of “every cloud has a silver lining”:

- a) clouds are silver
- c) rain is coming

- b) there is good in every bad situation**
- d) sun hides in cloud

170. Meaning of “a stitch in time saves nine”:

- a) sewing clothes
- c) waste time

- b) timely action prevents bigger problems**
- d) nine is saved

171. Main idea of a text means:

- a) title
- b) example

- c) central thought**
- d) author’s name

172. Atopic sentence usually:

- a) ends the passage
- c) asks a question

- b) introduces the main idea**
- d) quotes

173. A summary should be:

- a) long
- b) confusing

- c) brief and clear**
- d) detailed

174. A fact is something that:

- a) cannot be checked
- b) can be proven**

- c) is an opinion
- d) is a belief

175. Skimming is used for:

- a) reading word by word
- c) finding details

- b) reading quickly for main idea**
- d) memorizing text

176.Scanning is used for:

- a)reading for fun
- b) skimming only
- c)finding specific information
- d) writing notes

177.Which sentence has a noun clause?

- a)She is tall.
- b) He went home.
- c)I know that he is honest.
- d) He is running.

178.Which sentence has an adjective clause?

- a)She is tall.
- b) He knows that I am right.
- c)The girl who won the prize is my friend.
- d) He came late.

179.Which sentence has an adverbial clause?

- a)I know that she is honest.
- b) I stayed home because it was raining.
- c)The boy who is tall is my friend.
- d) The pen which is red is mine.

180.Which sentence is in passive voice?

- a)The players played cricket.
- b) Cricket was played by the players.
- c)They play cricket daily.
- d) They are playing cricket.

181.Correct indirect: She said, "I will go tomorrow."

- a)She said she go tomorrow.
- b) She said that she would go the next day.
- c)She said she will go the next day.
- d) She told she would go tomorrow.

182.Correct indirect: He said, "I have done my work."

- a)He said that he has done his work.
- b) He said that he had done his work.
- c)He told that he done work.
- d) He said that he did his work.

183.Correct indirect: Teacher said, "Be honest."

- a)Teacher said us be honest.
- b) Teacher said to be honest.
- c)Teacher advised us to be honest.
- d) Teacher told us be honest.

184.Correct indirect: Ali said, "Do not make noise."

- a)Ali said do not make noise.
- b) Ali said not make noise.
- c)Ali told us not to make noise.
- d) Ali told don't make noise.

185.Correct indirect: He said, "Where do you live?"

- a)He asked where I live.
- b) He asked me where you live.
- c)He asked me where I lived.
- d) He asked where I am living.

186.Correct indirect: She said, "Who is knocking at the door?"

- a)She asked who knocks at the door.
- b) She asked me who is knocking.
- c)She asked who was knocking at the door.
- d) She asked me who knocking door.

187.Correct indirect: He said, "Can you swim?"

- a)He asked can I swim.
- b) He asked if I can swim.
- c)He asked if I could swim.
- d) He asked me I can swim.

188.Correct indirect: He said, "May I come in?"

- a)He asked may he come.
- b) He asked if he might come in.
- c)He asked may he came in.
- d) He asked if he may come in.

189. Correct indirect: She said, "Will you help me?"

- a) She asked will you help me.
- b) She asked I would help.
- c) She asked if I would help her.
- d) She asked me will I help.

190. Correct indirect: He said, "Did he arrive on time?"

- a) He asked did he arrive.
- b) He asked if he had arrived on time.
- c) He asked had he arrive.
- d) He asked he arrived.

191. Correct indirect: They said, "Have you finished your homework?"

- a) They asked had I finish.
- b) They asked if I had finished my homework.
- c) They asked I finished.
- d) They asked have I finished.

192. Correct indirect: She said, "Shut the door."

- a) She said me shut the door.
- b) She told me to shut the door.
- c) She told me shut the door.
- d) She said me to shut.

193. Correct indirect: He said, "Let's go for a walk."

- a) He said let us go walk.
- b) He told us we go for walk.
- c) He suggested that we should go for a walk.
- d) He said us to go for walk.

194. Which is a Type I conditional sentence?

- a) If I were you, I would try.
- b) If it rains, I will stay home.
- c) If I had studied, I would have passed.
- d) If he came, I would go.

195. Which is a Type II conditional sentence?

- a) If it rains, I will stay.
- b) If I were rich, I would help the poor.
- c) If I had studied, I would have passed.
- d) If he comes, I go.

196. Which is a Type III conditional sentence?

- a) If it rains, I stay.
- b) If I were you, I would go.
- c) If I had worked hard, I would have passed.
- d) If he comes, I go.

197. Which is a correct passive form: "They are writing letters."

- a) Letters was written.
- b) Letters are written.
- c) Letters are being written.
- d) Letters have written.

198. Which is a correct passive form: "They have completed the work."

- a) The work have completed.
- b) The work was completed.
- c) The work has been completed.
- d) The work completed.

199. Which is a correct passive form: "They will announce the result."

- a) The result announced.
- b) The result is announced.
- c) The result will be announced.
- d) The result announced tomorrow.

200. Which is a correct passive form: "She is cleaning the room."

- a) The room cleaned.
- b) The room has cleaned.
- c) The room is being cleaned.
- d) The room was cleaned.



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