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Question Paper Version : A

First/Second Semester B.E./B.Tech. Degree Examination, June/July 2026 Professional Writing Skills in English

Time: 1 hr.

Max. Marks: 50

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES

1. Answer all the **fifty** questions, each question carries one mark.
2. Use only **Black ball point pen** for writing / darkening the circles.
3. **For each question, after selecting your answer, darken the appropriate circle corresponding to the same question number on the OMR sheet.**
4. Darkening two circles for the same question makes the answer invalid.
5. **Damaging/overwriting, using whiteners** on the **OMR** sheets are strictly prohibited.

Choose the appropriate verb that agrees with the subject :

1. It was found that some students _____ not attending their classes.
a) was b) were c) is d) never
2. Neither the teacher nor the student _____ how to behave.
a) know b) knows c) were d) had known
3. The horse and the carriage _____ ready.
a) have b) been c) are d) is
4. Besides the Minister, the bodyguard too _____ killed.
a) were b) was c) been d) had
5. The news _____ rather depressing
a) has b) being c) been d) was
6. Someone _____ left their luggage outside.
a) has b) have c) is d) was
7. The CEO as well as his secretary _____ reaching here in an hour.
a) are b) is c) was d) None of these
8. At the last moment there _____ a change in the venue of the event.
a) is b) are c) was d) were
9. What actually scared as _____ the fact that there was no one around to help us?
a) were b) may c) was d) is

10. In addition to the mistakes the report also _____ several anomalies.
 a) has b) have c) had d) is

Choose that confirms with correct noun – pronoun agreement :

11. The Committee settled the matter without getting up from _____ seats.
 a) his b) her c) their d) its
12. I am a fool _____
 a) am I not b) aren't I c) Is it not d) is it
13. The Jury were at sixes and sevens _____ could not decide a thing.
 a) It b) their c) they d) None of these
14. One of the girls could not mark _____ attendance.
 a) their b) theirs c) her d) its
15. A group of scientists is working on this project. Each of them _____ in their twenties.
 a) is b) are c) were d) None of these

Give the correct analogies for the following :

16. Equality : Democracy :: one ruler : _____
 a) Kingdom b) Republic c) Monarchy d) Dictatorship
17. Write : Scribble :: _____ speak.
 a) Stammer b) Walk c) Dance d) Play
18. Plane : Hangar :: Surf board : _____
 a) Port b) Beach c) Aerodrome d) Harbour
19. Eye : Conjunctivitis :: Teeth : _____
 a) Eczema b) Glaucoma c) Trachoma d) Plague
20. Kick : Soccer :: _____ : basket ball.
 a) put b) drop c) shot d) dribble

Give the meaning of the following idioms :

21. Under the weather
 a) brittle b) under the bed c) unwell d) dirty
22. Butter fingers
 a) clumsily b) clean c) soft d) rough
23. Heard it on the grapevine means
 a) source b) rumour c) bang on d) to convince
24. Tick all boxes
 a) waiting b) to satisfy
 c) damage beyond repair d) anxious

25. Every cloud has a silver lining means

- a) good things comes after bad b) do something senseless
c) to ignore d) being rich

Give the synonym for the following :

26. Abrogate

- a) to give up b) to run c) to abolish d) to create

27. Destitute

- a) poor b) rich c) speed d) fantastic

28. Absolute

- a) Divide b) Complete c) Small d) less

Give the Antonym for the following :

29. Civilized

- a) Bright b) Artificial c) Argue d) Barbarous

30. Brave

- a) coward b) give c) gain d) acheive

Answer the following :

31. Which of these must be avoided in a speech?

- a) Clarity b) Pauses c) Rudeness d) Confidence

32. Which of these is not a feature of a paragraph?

- a) Length b) Unity c) Incoherence d) Correctness

33. The average length of sentence in a paragraph should be

- a) 25 to 30 words b) 15 to 20 words c) 5 to 10 words d) No limit

34. Resume is called as curriculum vitae in ____

- a) N. America b) India c) France d) Italy

35. In technical writing, starting point of a resume must have

- a) Qualification b) Details of education
c) Name and address d) Career objective

36. Which of these is not a type of essay?

- a) Narrative b) Descriptive c) Argumentative d) Personal

37. Indirect speech is also called as ____

- a) Simple speech b) Principal speech c) Reported speech d) Quoted speech

38. Among the following what is desired from the candidate appearing at job interview.

- a) Effective display of body language b) Fluency in communication
c) Maturity d) All of these

39. Give the correctly spelt word in the following :

- a) Aparent b) Aparrent c) Apparant d) Apparent

40. Give the correct spelling of :

- a) Acknowledgment b) Acknowledgement
c) Acknowldgement d) Acknowleedgement

41. Give the correct sentence :

- a) Although he was hurt, but he continued to walk
b) Although he was hurt, he continued to walk
c) He was hurt, he continued to walk
d) Although he continued to walk, he was hurt

Choose the correct article in the sentence given below :

42. Oranges are grown in Nagpur.

- a) A b) no article c) an d) The

Choose article if required in the sentence given below :

43. I saw _____ bird sitting on the tree.

- a) an b) a c) the d) no article

44. Correct the sentence which confirms to standard English :

- a) Anu & Me went to college b) Anu & I went to college
c) I & Anu went to college d) Anu & I went to college

Choose the correct answer :

45. He crossed the broken bridge _____ warning.

- a) Inspite of b) Inspite off c) about d) on

46. Choose the correct answer :

- a) She is senior than me b) She is senior of me
c) She is senior to me d) She is senior then me

Choose the correct answer in the following and fill in the blanks in the paragraph :

If Children are _____ (47) _____ for the good work they do, it creates on them a very good impact , Appreciation in a way is a _____ (48) _____ for a sense of _____ (49) _____ which _____ (50) _____ into our behavior since childhood.

Options :

47. a) Complimented b) Complemented c) Completed d) Contrasted
48. a) Pategryics b) panoroma c) panacea d) punishment
49. a) inadequacy b) ingratitude c) ordinariness d) disjuncture
50. a) induce b) creeps c) fractify d) advance
