



TNPSC Group-IV Model Question Paper

General English

Questions: 100

TNPSC VAO-001

Duration : 60mins

- Find out the odd word:
a) snake b) eagle c) sparrow d) owl
- Add suitable prefix for the word : grateful
a) in b) un c) dis d) en
- Identify the sentence:
"I am counting my calories, yet I really want dessert"
a) simple b) compound c) complex d) none of these
- Identify the tense :
"I have finished the work just now"
a) present perfect b) simple present c) present continuous d) simple future
- Fill in the blanks with suitable gerund form:
"_____ story books gives pleasure"
a) read b) to read c) reading d) the read
- Fill in the blanks with suitable infinitive :
"_____ traffic rules is a must"
a) to obey b) obey c) obeying d) the obey
- Add suitable suffix for the word :
"scholar"
a) er b) ty c) hood d) ship
- Choose the opposite of the given word:

“smoothen”

- a) soften b) pleasant c) harden d) roughen

9. *Identify the part containing an error:*

“One of the boys/ look/ happy/ in my class”

- a) one of the boys b) look c) happy d) in my class

10. *Identify the sentence :*

“ _____ lion is a ferocious animal”

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

11. *Fill in the blanks with appropriate homophones:*

“ _____ lands have no market”

- a) baron b) barron c) barren d) baren

12. *Fill in the blanks with suitable preposition:*

“My father will retire from service _____ a year”

- a) of b) on c) in d) by

13. *Identify the plural form of the given word:*

“child”

- a) child b) children c) childs d) childrens

14. *choose the correct question tag:*

“We have plenty of time”

- a) do we b) hasn't we c) have we d) haven't we?

15. *Identify the sentence:*

“This is not the house to live in”

- a) simple b) negative c) compound d) complex

16. *Identify the error:*

“Each and every one/was/present/at the wedding”

- a) each and every one b) was c) present d) at the wedding

17. *Identify the correct noun form for the given word:*

“selection”

- a) select b) selective c) selectively d) selectingly

18. *Identify the plural form of the given word:*

“Elf ”

- a) elfs b) elves c) slf d) none of these

19. *Identify the sentence pattern:*

“My sister speaks English very well”

- a) SOA b) SVO c) SVC d) SVOA

20. *Identify the synonym of the given word:*

“Fiction”

- a) essay b) fact c) reality d) story

21. *Identify the antonym of the given word:*

“Hazy”

- a) easy b) filmy c) misty d) clear

22. *Identify the correct tense form:*

“It has been raining heavily”

- a) simple past b) simple present
c) present perfect continuous d) past continuous

23. *Choose appropriate article:*

“He is ___ European”

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

24. *Identify the correct degree of the sentence:*

“No other town in Malaysia is as old as Malacca”

- a) positive b) comparative c) superlative d) none of these

25. *Find out the error in the given sentence:*

“Either suganya/ nor kanmani/has attended/the function”

- a) either suganya b) nor kanmani c) has attended d) the function

26. Match the following words given in column A with the blending words in column B and select the answer from the codes given below:

Column A

a) Electro + execute

b) Helicopter + airport

c) Smoke + fog

d) Teleprinter + exchange

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Column B

1. Heliport

2. smog

3. Telex

4. Electrocute

- a) 2 4 3 1 b) 4 1 2 3 c) 3 2 1 4 d) 1 3 4 2

27. Identify the sentence that contains the superlative form of the adjective:

- a) Soundar is one of the most helpful persons
b) very few persons are as helpful as soundar
c) soundar is more helpful than most other persons
d) No other street in this area is as busy as this one

28. *Replace the given word with its American equivalent:*

“Flat”

- a) villa b) apartment c) cottage d) bungalow

29. Find out the odd word:

- a) dew b) donkey c) draw d) dawn

30. Identify the correct sentence:

- a) He takes no care over his work b) I asked to him why he was angry
c) John said can he go home d) Leave the horse’s reigns

31. *Identify the sentence pattern:*

“You cannot do it at once”

- a) SVOC b) SVIDODO c) SVCA d) SVOA

32. *Identify the sentence pattern:*

“In 1994, we were the winners”

- a) ASVC b) ASVO c) ASVA d) ASOA

33. *Change the following adjective into noun:*

“injurious”

- a) injures b) injured c) injury d) inject

34. *Change the following noun into verb:*

“Friend”

- a) friendly b) friend c) friended d) befriend

35. *Select the correct voice:*

“Drinking water ____ before use”

- a) should be purified b) is shaken c) shall clean d) purifies

36. *Select the correct voice:*

“Rice ___(be)the staple food of India”

- a) was b) is c) would be d) will be

37. *Select the correct voice:*

“The picture ___ by Ravi now”

- a) being painted b) is painted c) is being painted d) was being painted

38. *Fill in the blanks with correct infinitive:*

“ ___ the poor is a noble need”

- a) help b) to help c) helped d) helping

39. *Fill in the blanks with correct gerund:*

“Children love ___ story books”

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

40. *Fill in the blanks with the correct participle:*

“The ___ door awakened the dog”

- a) creaked b) creak c) creaking d) creaked to

41. *Fill in the blanks with correct gerund:*

“ ___ is her pastime”

- a) to dance b) danced c) dance d) dancing

42. *Fill in the blanks with correct participle :*

“ ___ the address, he posted the letter”

- a) wrote b) writes c) will be written d) having written

43. *Select the correct question tag:*

“Let us go for lunch ___?”

- a) shall we b) do we c) don't we d) will you

44. *Select the correct question tag:*

“Have another cup of coffee ___?”

- a) will you b) wont you c) shall you d) can you

45. *Select the correct tense:*

“They ___ the bridge for several months”

- a) have been building b) are building c) were building d) built

46. *Select the correct tense:*

"Before you go to see him he ____place"

- a) will left b) is leaving c) had left d) will have left

47. *Select the correct tense:*

"Before I ____ the station, the train had left"

- a) enter b) have entered c) entered d) had entered

48. *Select the correct tense :*

"Gopal ____ at the house for a long time"

- a) is looking b) looked c) has been looking d) was looking

49. *Select the correct passive voice:*

"Keep up your promise"

- a) Your promise must be kept b) promise is kept by him
c) he kept his promise d) you kept your promise

50. *Identify the compound sentence :*

- a) As he was weak, he stayed at home
b) he was weak, so he stayed at home
c) being weak, he stayed at home
d) When he was weak , he stayed at home

51. *Identify the rhyme scheme used in this poem :*

"Laugh and be merry, remember, better the world with a song,
Better the world with a blow in the teeth of a wrong.

Laugh, for the time is brief, a thread the length of a span.

Laugh and be proud to belong to the old proud pageant of man."

- a) abab b) abba c) baab d) aabb

52. John Masefield was born in _____

- a) USA b) UK c) Russia d) Canada

53. *Mention the figure of speech used in this poem:*

"Laugh and be merry together, like brothers akin"

- a) Simile b) Metaphor c) Personification d) None of these

54. "For when you were obliged to sneeze,
Your brain would rattle from the breeze"

These lines are from which poem ?

- a) Off to outer space tomorrow morning
b) The man he killed
c) Be glad your nose is on your face
d) English words

55. Gandhiji participated in which round table conference ?

- a) First b) second c) Third d) None of these

56. "The signal was given, the pistol exploded
And so did the runners all charging ahead"

These are lines are from which poem ?

- a) Man he killed b) Off to outer space tomorrow morning
c) Nine gold medals d) Nation united

57. Leslie Norris is the author of which poem?

- a) A tiger in the zoo b) Flying wonder
c) No men are foreign d) To India

58. The story "Wooden Bowl" is written by ____

- a) Oscar Wilde b) Rob Reilly c) MacKinlay Kantor d) Leo Tolstoy

59. In "The Merchant of Venice", according to a bond that the money should be paid within _____

- a) 1 month b) 2 months c) 3 months d) 6 months

60. "A women of no importance " is a play written by _____

- a) Pearl S. Buck b) Oscar Wilde
c) Annie Louisa Walker d) William Wordsworth

61. Rudyard Kipling is the author of which poem ?

- a) Manliness b) Flying wonder c) The piano d) Earth

62. Bassanio chose _____ casket

- a) Lead b) Gold c) Silver d) Iron

63. *If you can meet with triumph and disaster:*

"And treat those two impostors just the same

Mention the figure of speech"

- a) Simile b) Metaphor c) Personification d) Assonance

64. In the senate house, the conspirators surrounded Caesar _____

Was the first person to stab him

- a) Brutus b) Casca c) Cassius d) Pompey

65. *Mention the figure of speech used in this poem:*

“Laugh till the game is played: and be you merry, my friends”

- a) Simile b) Metaphor c) Personification d) Oxymoron

66. The story, “The tears of the desert” is written by_____

- a) Oscar Wilde b) Leo Tolstoy c) Paulo Coelho d) Rudyard Kipling

67. A great English poet who claimed “Beauty is truth “.His major poems are Isabella, Lamia, The eve of St. Agnes .He died of consumption in Rome

- a) Milton b) John Keats c) T.S.Eliot d) Dante

68. To which period the poet D. H. Lawrence belong to ?

- a) 1875-1920 b) 1885-1930 c) 1895-1930 d) 1895-1920

69. During Shakespeare’s time people believed that the_____ influenced Men’s character

- a) Sun b) Moon c) Stars d) Planets

70. What kind of world is described in the poem “Migrant bird” ?

- a) Happy world b) peace world c) disturbed world d) mysterious world

71. “The home and the world” is a novel written by_____

- a) Pearl S. Buck b) H. W. Longfellow
c) William Wordsworth d) Rabindranath Tagore

72. The two temples in India dedicated to Gandhi are situated in_____

- a) Orissa and Karnataka b) Andhra and Maharashtra
c) Kerala and West Bengal d) None of these

73. *Identify the alliterated words in the poem:*

“So we must laugh and drink from the deep blue cup of the sky”

- a) laugh-blue b) blue-cup c) drink-deep d) drink-cup

74. Khalil Gibran was born in _____

- a) Brazil b) Canada c) Lebanon d) Russia

75. Assam is one of the places that face ____ problem
 a) Water b) Food c) Flood d) Poverty
76. Obedience, observed – Mention the figure of speech
 a) Metaphor b) Alliteration c) Assonance d) Onomatopoeia
77. A famous novelist from England. Sense and sensibility, pride and prejudice, Mansfield park, emma and persuasion are her important novels
 a) Dante b) Jane Austin c) F. Joanna d) Jules Verne
78. "I weep like a child for the past"
 Mention the figure of speech:
 a) Simile b) Metaphor c) Personification d) Assonance
79. "softy ,in the dusk, A woman is singing to me "
 What is the time mentioned in this line ?
 a) Morning b) Afternoon c) Evening d) Night
80. Identify the rhyme scheme used in this poem:
 "Chide me not, laborious band,
 For the idle flowers I brought:
 Every aster in my hand
 Goes home loaded with a thought."
 a) aabb b) abab c) abba d) aaab
81. "Think me not unkind and rude
 That I walk alone in grove and glen "
 These lines are taken from which poem?
 a) The Apology b) The Solitary Reaper c) The Flying wonder d) Don't Quit
82. Who is the author of the poem "Be glad your nose is on your face" ?
 a) D. H. Lawrence b) H. W. Longfellow
 c) Jack Prelutsky d) Ralph Waldo Emerson
83. Jawaharlal Nehru was sentenced to imprisonment for taking part in ____
 a) Non co-operation movement b) Quit India movement
 c) Salt Sathyagraha d) Revolutionary movement
84. Brian Patten is the author of which poem ?
 a) A tiger in the zoo b) My native land

94. "Of a strange nature is the, suit you follow;"
Portia said this to whom?
a) Antonio b) Shylock c) Duke d) Bassanio
95. "Hell is a half-filled auditorium "
Who said this?
a) John F. Kennedy b) Robert frost c) Oscar Wilde d) Henry ford
96. A famous childrens story writer from Greece. His stories contain many themes. These stories have been translated into many other world languages
a) Aesop b) Dante c) Shelley d) Homer
97. Which nationality does the poet D.H. Lawrence belong to ?
a) Canada b) Germany c) India d) Britain
98. Kalpana Chawla's planetarium situated in ____
a) Jyotisar, Kuruksheetra b) Chittoor, Andra Pradesh
c) Cuttack, Orissa d) Gurgaon, Haryana
99. Mention the figure of speech used in this poem :
Don't give up, though pace seems slow
a) Simile b) Metaphor c) Personification d) Assonance
100. Who was known as the "People's Poet" for having contributed 11,000 poems to English Literature ?
a) William Shakespeare b) William Wordsworth
c) Edgar Albert Guest d) H.W. Longfellow

Answer Key

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



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