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**ENTRANCE EXAMINATION 2007/2008 ACADEMIC SESSION**

SUBJECT: ENGLISH LANGUAGE

CLASS: JSS. 1

TIME: 1hr.

**SECTION A: OBJECTIVE (25 marks)**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Read this passage and answer all the questions.

Blood is a red liquid that is pumped around the body by an organ called the heart. An average man has between 5 and 6 litres of blood in his body.

Different people have different kinds of blood. The four main types or groups are O, A, B and AB, but there are other, rarer blood groups too.

If someone has an accident and loses a lot of blood, his life can be saved by pumping more blood from someone else's body into him. This is called blood transfusion. It is very important that patients are given blood of the right group – that is, the same kind of blood that they have in their bodies; otherwise the blood may stick together, and the patient may die.

1. Which organ pumps blood round the body? (a) the liver (b) the veins (c) the heart (d) the intestines.
2. How many litres of blood should an average man have? (a) Between 4 and 5 litres (b) Between 5 and 6 litres (c) Between 6 and 7 litres (d) Between 7 and 8 litres.
3. Which of the following is true according to the passage? (a) There are only four types of blood groups (b) There are only five types of blood groups (c) There are not enough blood groups in the world (d) There are more than four types of blood groups.
4. How can someone who has lost a lot of blood be saved? (a) By pumping his blood into someone else's body (b) By giving him a lot of vitamins (c) By pumping someone else's blood into him (d) By giving him a lot of fruits and vegetables.
5. What happens if someone is given a different type of blood from what he has in his body? (a) The person may die (b) The person will live (c) Nothing bad will happen (d) The person will be discharged from the hospital.
6. What is the best title for the passage? (a) Accidents (b) Blood groups (c) Death (d) Human blood.

Fill the blank gaps with the most suitable option.

7. I have never missed-----to church with my parents. (a) go (b) goes (c) going (d) gone
8. Please give me-----rice (a) a few (b) few (c) many (d) some
9. My aunty's daughter is my----- (a) Sister (b) niece (c) cousin (d) nephew
10. Give this biro to John, it is----- (a) her (b) hers (c) his (d) him
11. The Principal smiled-----the new student (a) at (b) from (c) by (d) with

Choose the correct spelling from the options.

12. (a) Stoborn (b) Stuburn (c) Stubborn (d) Sturbon

13. (a) Willing (b) Wiling (c) Weeling (d) Welling  
 14. (a) Bueatiful (b) Beautiful (c) Beautifol (d) Beautifull

From the list, choose the word that best completes each of the following sentences: (a) a (b) an (c) the (d) some (e) any

15. -----sun was shining  
 16. It was-----bright day  
 17. Obi and Bisi were going on-----picnic  
 18. Mother and father prepared-----food  
 19. They did not carry-----umbrella  
 20. What-----exciting day!

There are three sentences in each of the following questions. Read them carefully and choose which one should come first, which one second and which one third.

Example:

1. A paper fell into it  
 2. The paper got wet  
 3. There was some water in the bucket (a) 1,2,3 (b) 1,3,2 (c) 3,1,2 (d) 2,3,1

The correct answer is C, that is

3. There was some water in the bucket,  
 1. A paper fell into it  
 2. The paper got wet.  
 21. 1. The Principal expelled him  
     2. He was caught by the gateman  
     3. A student jumped through the fence (a) 3,2,1 (b) 1,2,3 (c) 3,1,2 (d) 2,1,3  
 22. 1. John worked hard all day  
     2. He was very tired  
     3. He fell asleep as soon as he got home. (a) 3,1,2 (b) 1,2,3 (c) 3,2,1 (d) 213  
 23. 1. The teacher flogged us  
     2. We were late to school  
     3. The teacher was angry with us (a) 1,3,2 (b) 3,1,2 (c) 2,1,3 (d) 231  
 24. 1. Grandpa was very sick  
     2. He was rushed to the hospital  
     3. Grandpa died two days ago (a) 1,2,3 (b) 2,1,3 (c) 3,1,2 (d) 2,3,1  
 25. 1. He has a store in David's town  
     2. His store is full of things to sell  
     3. Mr. Giwa is a trader. (a) 1,2,3 (b) 2,1,3 (c) 3,2,1 (d) 3,1,2

In each of the following questions, choose the word that CANNOT be formed by an arrangement of some or all of the letters of the word written in capital letters. DO NOT use any letter more than it appears in the word written in capital letters

- Example: TAILOR  
 (a) rail  
 (b) ratio  
 (c) toll  
 (d) trail

The word that CANNOT be formed by an arrangement of some or all of the letters of the word TAILOR is option 'D' toll.

26. EDUCATION.

- (a) cute (b) done (c) none (d) noted

27. ECONOMY

- (a) come (b) money (c) name (d) one

28. DETERGENT

- (a) dent  
(b) net  
(c) rent  
(d) grunt

29. APPROPRIATE

- (a) proper  
(b) apron  
(c) rite  
(d) eat

30. HOME WORK

- (a) week  
(b) work  
(c) mew  
(d) worm

In each of the following questions, there is a pair of words followed by another pair which is not complete. Study the first pair carefully and choose from the options lettered A – D the one that best completes the second pair.

Example:

Books and Library, Animals and ---- (a) cage (b) forest (c) hole (d) zoo

The word that best completes the second pair is zoo, option D.

31. Teacher and school; warder and ---- (a) prison (b) court (c) stadium (d) station

32. Car and wheel; aeroplane and----(a) driver (b) driver (c) driver (c) seats (d) wings

33. Fan and ceiling; carpet and----(a) rug (b) floor (c) bed (d) wall

34. Fish and swim; horse and----(a) gallop (b) run (c) walk (d) jump

35. Floor and broom; teeth and----(a) stick (b) tooth pick (c) brush (d) rag

36. Frog and croak; ape and----

- (a) gibber  
(b) mew  
(c) hoot  
(d) laugh

37. Dog and bark; donkey and-----

- (a) buzz  
(b) hoot  
(c) coo  
(d) bray

38. Cats and mew; owl and -----

- (a) hoot
- (b) crow
- (c) hiss
- (d) bleat

In the following question pick out one word that does NOT belong to the group

Example (a) dog (b) cat (c) elephant (d) yam.

The word 'yam' does not belong to the group

- 39. (a) lorry (b) car (c) aeroplane (d) passenger (e) boat
- 40. (a) Airforce (b) Boy's scout (c) Navy (d) Army (e) Police force
- 41. (a) desk (b) blackboard (c) bed (d) locker (e) table
- 42. (a) tiny (b) minute (c) enormous (d) small (e) little

Complete each of the following statements with the most appropriate of the options lettered A – E.

- 43. I met my friend when I----to his house (a) am going (b) go (c) had gone (d) was going
- 44. Our school headmaster----to Abuja every week. (a) have travelled (b) is travelling (c) travelled (d) travels.
- 45. Is this the pencil you bought for me? (a) No, it is (b) No, it was (c) Yes, it isn't (d) Yes, it is.
- 46. We all know that a six-month-old baby----not walk (a) can (b) must (c) should (d) will.

Choose from the list of words lettered A to D the word or words which have almost the same Meaning as the word or words underlined in these sentences

- 47. Haruna is an unfortunate man. (a) impatient (b) impolite (c) angry (d) unlucky
- 48. As I was coming home, I ran into an old friend. (a) clashed with (b) met (c) avoided (d) pushed
- 49. A leopard and a tiger are similar (a) slim (b) different (c) alike (d) large
- 50. It is good to appreciate God for all his benefits. (a) hate (b) thank (c) like (d) welcome.

## SECTION B: THEORY

COMPREHENSION: (30 marks)

1. Read the passage carefully and then answer the questions on it.

One day, a farmer's donkey fell into a well. The animal cried piteously for hours as the farmer tried to figure out what to do. Finally, he decided the animal was old. And the well needed to be covered up anyway; it just wasn't worth it to bring the donkey out.

He invited all his neighbours to come and help him. They all grabbed shovels and began to throw dirt into the well. At first, the donkey realized what was happening and cried horribly.

Then, to everyone's amazement, he quieted down. A few shovel loads later, the farmer looked down the well. He was surprised at what he saw; with each shovel of dirt that hit his back, the donkey was doing something amazing. He would shake it off and take a step up.

As the farmer's neighbours continued to throw dirt on top of the animal, he would shake it off and take a step up. Pretty soon; everyone was amazed as the donkey stepped up over the edge of the well and happily trotted off.

As you grow older, life is going to throw a lot of dirt on you. The trick to getting out of the well is to shake it off and take a step up. Use each of your troubles as a stepping stone. You can get out of the deepest wells just by not stopping; never give up!

Questions:

- (a) What did the farmer decide to do when his donkey fell into the well?
- (b) Why did the farmer take this decision?
- (c) Why did the farmer invite all his neighbours to help him?
- (d) Did the neighbours succeed in their intention?
- (e) Why do you think so?
- (f) What two lessons do you learn from the story?

2. Fill the table with the appropriate words (15 marks)

|     | Present | Continuous | Past  | Past Participle |
|-----|---------|------------|-------|-----------------|
| (a) | take    | -----      | ----- | -----           |
| (b) | -----   | -----      | Wrote | -----           |
| (c) | -----   | -----      | ----- | Killed          |
| (d) | -----   | Eating     | ----- | -----           |
| (e) | Cut     | -----      | ----- | -----           |

3. COMPOSITION: (30 marks)

Write a composition of not less than ten lines on the topic "My Best Friend" in the space provided below.