

English, 2008 EC, entrance exam

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MARKING KEY — CONFIDENTIAL

Time allowed: 120 minutes

Questions: 91

Total marks: 91

1. To please what do tell you they (1)
- A. Please, they tell you to do what. B. Please, you tell they what to do.
- C. ✓ **Please, do what they tell you to.** D. Please, you do tell to they what.

Answer: C

"Please, do what they tell you to" is the only grammatically correct imperative sentence formed using the given words.

2. Breakfast to bread are have going for we. (1)
- A. ✓ **We are going to have bread for breakfast.**
- B. We are going to have for breakfast bread.
- C. We are for breakfast going to have bread.
- D. We are going for bread to have breakfast.

Answer: A

The standard English word order for this sentence is subject + be going to + verb + direct object + prepositional phrase:
 "We are going to have bread for breakfast."

3. Medicine take are then instructed you never more to. (1)
- A. Take more medicine than you are never instructed to.
- B. ✓ **Never take more medicine than you are interested to.**
- C. You are interacted never to take more than medicine.
- D. You are never instructed to take more than medicine.

Answer: B

Option B represents the standard health instruction ("Never take more medicine than you are instructed to"), where
 "interested" is an erratum for "instructed".

4. Way there similar co Way there similar cold apes in humans be no which to are. (1)
- A. There could be humans which no way are in similar to apes.
- B. There are no humans which could be in way similar to apes.
- C. ✓ **There could be no way in which humans are similar to apes.**
- D. There are apes which could no way be in similar to humans.

Answer: C

"There could be no way in which humans are similar to apes" is the only grammatically correct and meaningful
 arrangement of the scrambled words.

5. Shume dog out little killed. (1)
- A. Our shume little dog killed. B. ✓ **Shume killed our little dog.**
- C. Dog killed our shume little. D. Our little dog shume killed.

Answer: B

"Shume killed our little dog" follows the correct Subject-Verb-Object word order, with "out" in the stem being a
 typographical error for "our".

6. A) Further, there are not as such any places for recreation. B) This means you will have to endure physical hard ship. C) Primary, it is often not easy to find a job that suits you. D) Living in the countryside has a number of disadvantages. E) You also have to walk to get somewhere, even long distance. (1)

A. d b e c a

B. a d e b c

C. ✓ d c a e b

D. a d b c e

Answer: C

Sentence (d) introduces the topic (disadvantages of living in the countryside), followed by the first point (c), an additional point (a), transport issues (e), and its consequence (b).

7. A. the most important of these is human creativity. B. In fact, developing a workable technology requires resource. C. Having a new technology makes life simple and comfortable. D. Unfortunately, however, this is not something readily available. E. People with such ability tremendously contribute to development. (1)

A. ✓ c d b a e

B. c b e d a

C. b d c b a

D. c b d e a

Answer: A

The paragraph introduces technology (C), notes it is not readily available (D), explains it requires resources (B), highlights human creativity as the most important resource (A), and ends with the contribution of creative people (E).

8. A. Tourism in some countries has remained static. B. This is because quality service is reportedly poor. C. That left many things disorganized and unattractive. D. What is more, the industry seems to lack effective leadership. E. In others, however it is growing whilst markets are in decline. (1)

A. ✓ a b d e c

B. a b c d e

C. a c b d e

D. a e b d c

Answer: A

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From the word given below, which one did the author use to refer to sexual abuse in paragraph V?

- | | |
|------------------|------------|
| A. empathy | B. shame |
| C. ✓ Molestation | D. painful |

Answer: C

In paragraph V, the author explicitly refers back to Oprah being sexually abused by writing, "The molestation Oprah experienced in Milwaukee ended..."

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Which one of the following was Oprah's reason to stage a fake robbery?

- | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| A. Running away from home | B. Keeping a broken puppy |
| C. ✓ Seeking attention | D. falling victim to sexual abuse |

Answer: C

Paragraph iv begins by stating that Oprah used creative ways to 'get her mother's attention,' which included staging a fake burglary when her mother refused to buy her glasses.

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- What does scene as used in..... added a bit of realism to the scene.....(Paragraph iv) refer to?

- A. The puppy attacking the robbers
C. ✓ Oprah tossing the jewellery

- B. Oprah receives \$100
D. The robbers stealing jewellery

Answer: C

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As used in Paragraph i, Which word can be the best be described as:

- | | |
|-----------------|----------------|
| A. surprising | B. Interesting |
| C. ✓ Remarkable | D. ambitious |

Answer: C

The question asks for the meaning/synonym of 'notable' from paragraph i ('makes her success notable'), which means worthy of attention or 'remarkable'.

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(1)

According to Paragraph i, which one of the following sentences is true?

- A. ✓ There are rich and powerful African American Women other than Oprah.
- B. Oprah thought being a "Queen of Talk" in the 1980s.
- C. Oprah is an African American who became a queen in the 1980s.
- D. Oprah is the first woman to host a national weekday talk in America.

Answer: A

Paragraph i describes Oprah as 'one of the richest and most powerful African American women in America', which logically implies there are other rich and powerful African American women.

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Which one of the following was the cause of the shame referred to in paragraph v?

A. Having a busy mother

B. ✓ Falling victim to sexual abuse

C. Keeping a broken puppy

D. Running away from home

Answer: B

Paragraph v explains that Oprah suffered sexual abuse as a child and felt persistent shame until realizing she was not responsible for the abuse.

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Which month can be inferred from Paragraph VII as a month when Oprah's show was rated the third highest on television?

- A. August
- B. September
- C. January
- D. ✓ February

Answer: D

The show debuted nationally in September, and 'within five months' (September to February), it became the third-highest-rated show on television.

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A. ✓ **Attacking**

B. Barking

C. Attracting

D. Grunting

Answer: A

'Fending off' means repelling or defending oneself by fighting back, which is best captured by 'attacking' among the given choices.

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Which two paragraphs discuss, in particular, the challenges Oprah faced and the attempts she made to overcome them?

A. iii and vi

B. ✓ iv and v

C. ii and iii

D. iv and vii

Answer: B

Paragraph (iv) describes the extreme and creative measures Oprah took to get her mother's attention, and paragraph (v) details the sexual abuse she suffered and how she overcame the shame by acknowledging she was not responsible.

18. Some students develop a problem of _____ to the university environment .They should be properly counselled. (1)

- A. ✓ **Maladjustment**
B. Unadjustment
C. Inadjustment
D. misadjustment

Answer: A

The correct prefix to denote bad, faulty, or inadequate adjustment is 'mal-', forming the standard psychological and general English noun 'maladjustment'.

19. It is _____ for children to talk to adults the way that little girl did, she is rude. (1)

- A. Unproper B. ill-proper
C. ✓ Improper D. improper

Answer: C

The correct negative prefix for the adjective 'proper' is 'im-', yielding 'improper', which means inappropriate or rude.

20. You did not show him any _____. Dont forget he is the boss. (1)

- A. Respectance B. Respection
C. Resectfulness D. ✓ **respect**

Answer: D

'Respect' is the correct uncountable noun to follow the quantifier 'any'. Forms like 'respectance' and 'respection' are non-existent in English.

21. Haven't you _____ anything yet? I guess that one is wonderful. (1)

- A. ✓ picked out B. Picked down
C. Picked in D. Picked up

Answer: A

The phrasal verb 'pick out' means to choose or select from a group of alternatives, matching the context of choosing an item.

22. I heard Shibiru_____ an elderly gentleman and he is now under the police custody. (1)

- A. Ran into B. Ran along
C. ✓ **Ran over** D. Ran behind

Answer: C

To 'run over' someone means to hit them with a vehicle and drive over them, which explains why the driver is in police custody.

23. We _____ all our complains to the person in charge, but he doesnt seem to care. We dont understand what good governance means. (1)

- A. Put out B. down
C. ✓ put up D. put over

Answer: C

24. It was all tiring, but we had no other option. I really hate such _____ tasks. (1)

- A. ✓ Exhausting B. Uninspiring
C. Boring D. demanding

Answer: A

The word 'exhausting' is synonymous with 'extremely tiring', perfectly matching the context of performing very tiring tasks.

25. There is a lot of _____ in the document the typed yesterday. You will need to proofread it. (1)

- A. Unaccuracy
B. Misaccuracy
C. ✓ Inaccuracy
D. Unaccurateness

Answer: C

The standard English noun formed from the adjective 'accurate' using a negative prefix is 'inaccuracy'.

26. Natural Calamity has become a challenge to most nations in developing countries. Mankind can no more ignore the issue. (1)

- A. Drought
B. Problem
C. Danger
D. ✓ **disaster**

Answer: D

A 'calamity' is an event causing great and often sudden damage or distress, which is synonymous with 'disaster'.

27. I know she is not very slim but she is not all that bulky either. (1)

- A. Huge B. Pretty
C. ✓ Slender D. tall

Answer: C

28. You came a little early for the appointment. (1)

- A. On time
B. ✓ In time
C. Late
D. exactly

Answer: B

'In time' means arriving with time to spare before an event or deadline (i.e., early), whereas 'on time' means punctually at the exact scheduled time.

29. DDT has been banned in many parts of the world, but it is still in use in Africa. (1)

- A. Banished
B. Disestablished
C. ✓ **Prohibited**
D. destroyed

Answer: C

To 'ban' an item means to officially or legally forbid it, which means to 'prohibit' it.

30. You know this is a literate society. (1)

- A. Informed
B. Intelligent
C. Skilled
D. ✓ **educated**

Answer: D

'Literate' refers to the ability to read and write and is closely associated with being 'educated'.

31. These people are so mean that they hardly give anything to charity. They are different from the other village (1)

- A. ✓ **Selfish** B. Rude
C. Unsociable D. unfriendly

Answer: A

In British and general English, 'mean' often describes someone who is tight-fisted or unwilling to share or give money to others, closely meaning 'selfish' or ungenerous.

32. I was send you the documents to review them as quickly as you can. They expect our comment early next week. (1)

- A. ✓ **Go over** B. go into
C. get over D. get into

Answer: A

The phrasal verb 'go over' means to examine, check, or review something carefully.

33. The purchasers should be accountable for what has happened. _____ piece is faulty. (1)

- A. All B. Neither
C. Both D. ✓ **Every**

Answer: D

'Every' is used with a singular countable noun ('piece') to indicate that all items in a group share a particular quality.

34. It seems she wants me to do her a favour. You Know, she has never been as nice _____ me as she is. (1)

- A. On B. With
C. ✓ **To** D. for

Answer: C

The adjective 'nice' takes the preposition 'to' when describing behavior directed toward someone (e.g., 'nice to me').

35. Visually impaired people usually use _____ watches. That makes life easy for them. (1)

- A. Speaking B. ✓ **talking**
C. feeling D. touching

Answer: B

A 'talking watch' is a standard device designed for the visually impaired that announces the time aloud at the press of a button.

36. Marijuana is sold _____ in this country. You can even be jailed if you are found with it. (1)

- A. Anywhere B. somewhere
C. ✓ **nowhere** D. everywhere

Answer: C

Because possession carries a prison sentence, marijuana is sold 'nowhere' legally or openly in the country.

37. Some people _____ set foot out of their local town. They live and die just there. (1)

- A. Always B. ✓ **never**
C. ever D. sometimes

Answer: B

The context 'they live and die just there' signifies that these individuals 'never' leave or step outside their hometown.

38. dad doesn't feel that globalization is just another way for rich countries to exploit the poor ones, he always says_____ (1)

A. hey, globalization has left us poorer.

B. No son, globalization is a bad idea.

C. ✓ **Son, globalization is a great idea.**

D. Yes son, globalization is exploitative.

Answer: C

Since the father does not believe globalization is exploitative, his view of it is favorable, making 'Son, globalization is a great idea' the only logically consistent quote.

39. Genet: haven't I seen you somewhere around Ambo? Almaz: what?_____ (1)

A. no, I used to study in Ambo university.

B. ✓ **Are you serious? You haven't**

C. No, I come from Ambo originally.

D. Are you a tourist? How did you go there yourself

Answer: B

Options A and C contradict themselves by answering 'No' while confirming a strong presence in Ambo. Option B directly rejects the speaker's premise.

40. _____you and your wife have concocted this. I have never said that. (1)

A. ✓ **Both**

B. nor

C. all

D. either

Answer: A

The correlative conjunction 'both' correctly pairs with 'and' when referring to two subjects ('you and your wife').

41. They say George is selling his new car. I_____ him a call and ask. (1)

A. Ought to give

B. am giving

C. must give

D. ✓ **will give**

Answer: D

The simple future with 'will' expresses an immediate, spontaneous decision made at the moment of speaking upon hearing the news.

42. unless we solve our internal problem, we_____ not think of challenging the enemy. (1)

A. Do

B. might

C. ✓ **can**

D. ought

Answer: C

'Can not' (cannot) correctly completes the first conditional structure ('unless we solve..., we cannot think of...'), meaning it is impossible to consider challenging the enemy. 'Ought' would require 'to'.

43. I have no doubt he would win the scholarship. He is the_____ of all. (1)

A. Very talented

B. more talented

C. most so talented

D. ✓ **most talented**

Answer: D

When comparing one individual against all members of a group ('of all'), the superlative degree 'the most talented' is required.

44. we studied together at college, but I _____ her ever since. (1)
- A. ✓ **Haven't seen** B. won't have seen
C. have seen D. didn't see

Answer: A

The time expression 'ever since' refers to a period extending from a specific past point up to the present, which requires the present perfect tense ('haven't seen').

45. my sister _____ me a parcel two weeks ago, but I received it only yesterday. (1)
- A. ✓ **Sent** B. had sent
C. has sent D. had been sent

Answer: A

The definite past time marker 'two weeks ago' requires the simple past tense 'sent'.

46. By the time you graduate , she _____ someone else and has children. Better forget her. (1)
- A. Would marry B. has married
C. ✓ **will have married** D. had married

Answer: C

A time clause introduced by 'By the time' in the present tense ('you graduate') requires the future perfect tense ('will have married') in the main clause to show an action completed before that future point.

47. If you were to be a teacher, you _____ have to join a college of education and take the necessary training. You can't jump into the profession from the street. (1)
- A. ✓ **Would** B. will
C. shall D. could

Answer: A

'If you were to be...' is an unreal/hypothetical conditional (second conditional), which takes 'would' in the main clause ('you would have to...').

48. Kebede and Yeshe are looking for a house to buy. I think, they _____ soon. (1)
- A. Marry B. ✓ **are getting married**
C. may be marrying D. will marry

Answer: B

The present continuous 'are getting married' is used for planned future arrangements indicated by present evidence (looking for a house). Furthermore, English idiomatically uses 'get married' rather than the bare intransitive 'marry'.

49. Press the button in front of you _____ you hear the bell ring. If you could do it before anyone, the money will be yours. (1)
- A. While B. ✓ **as soon as**
C. as quickly D. not too late

Answer: B

'As soon as' is a subordinating conjunction of time meaning immediately after, fitting the context of reacting promptly to a bell.

50. he sold his old house_____ buy a new one. Unfortunately, however, it didn't work out and now he has no house. (1)
- A. So that to
B. ✓ so as to
C. because of to
D. in order that to

Answer: B

The phrase 'so as to' is followed by an infinitive verb (base form) to express purpose. Conjunctions like 'so that' and 'in order that' are followed by a clause with a subject and modal verb rather than an infinitive.

51. she is genuinely broke, _____we have to contribute some for her come on, she is our friend. (1)
- A. Because of
B. so that
C. consequently
D. ✓ so

Answer: D

'So' is a coordinating conjunction used after a comma to link a cause ('she is genuinely broke') to a result ('we have to contribute some for her'). 'Consequently' is a conjunctive adverb that typically requires a semicolon or new sentence.

52. listen! She is the one sitting _____Ail. Go and get her. (1)
- A. By front of
B. behind to
C. next of
D. ✓ next to

Answer: D

The correct preposition of place is 'next to'. The other options ('by front of', 'behind to', 'next of') are grammatically non-standard forms in English.

53. Each one of us_____ help those affected by the drought. It is immoral to leave them to starve. (1)
- A. ✓ Ought to
B. must
C. will
D. can

Answer: A

'Ought to' is the modal verb specifically used to express moral obligation and duty, which directly corresponds to the context given: 'It is immoral to leave them to starve.'

54. Shuru: he stole his friend's bag. How come that we have this kind of student? Helen: _____ (1)
- A. why does one steal a bag?
B. ✓ Not only that! He also stole a book.
C. No one in the class does that.
D. He comes from Dodoo school.

Answer: B

Helen's response 'Not only that! He also stole a book' naturally builds on Shuru's shock by adding further evidence of the student's bad behavior.

55. Alambo: he is really handsome. Awando: _____ (1)
- A. He is Aster's boyfriend. Isn't he?
B. Are you saying he is handsome?
C. How do you know that? Look at him.
D. ✓ It is true. Many girls like him, don't they?

Answer: D

Option D appropriately agrees with Alambo's compliment ('It is true') and adds supporting commentary confirming that others share the same view.

56. Shitu: _____ Bosen: they also like dorowot. (1)

- A. ✓ **I am making kitfo for them.** B. Do they eat injera?
C. How about vegetables? D. Is it true they don't eat shiro?

Answer: A

Bosen's response 'they also like dorowot' introduces another Ethiopian dish that the guests like, which directly follows Shitu mentioning that he/she is preparing 'kitfo' for them.

57. Biftu: Gutu doesn't like the idea of flying there. Haile: _____ (1)

- A. flying is what many people don't like.
B. How much money do we have to spend if we fly?
C. I also think taking a bus would be uncomfortable.
D. ✓ **I don't like it either. We can hire a four-wheel drive.**

Answer: D

Haile agrees with the negative stance towards flying ('I don't like it either') and provides a practical alternative ('We can hire a four-wheel drive').

58. Son: _____ Dad: Nice to meet you, Mr. Alemu. (1)

- A. ✓ **Dad. This is my teacher, Mr. Alemu.** B. This is my Dad, Mr. Alemu.
C. Dad. Mr. Alemu is my teacher. D. Dad. That one is my teacher, Mr Alemu.

Answer: A

When introducing one person to another, the standard conversational formula is to address the first person and say, "This is [name/title]." Here, the son introduces his teacher to his father using "Dad. This is my teacher, Mr. Alemu."

59. Sosina: Do you like that funky hairstyle? Hirut: _____ (1)

- A. I see so many girls wearing it.
B. Mom always makes fun of such a style.
C. ✓ **Gosh! It is so weird to me.**
D. It is all over now! What fashion is that?

Answer: C

Sosina asks for Hirut's personal opinion about a hairstyle. Option C directly answers with Hirut's reaction ("Gosh! It is so weird to me"), indicating a dislike for it.

60. Alem: The report is not comprehensive. Ululu: _____ (1)

- A. Sure. The language is really terrible. B. I know, it is not easy to understand.
C. That is true. It has no focus at all. D. ✓ **Certainly. Send it back to her.**

Answer: D

Ululu agrees with Alem's evaluation that the report is inadequate (not comprehensive) and offers an appropriate course of action: "Certainly. Send it back to her."

61. Yodit: Would you like to join us? We're having a trip to Harar. Fraol: _____ (1)

- A. Is Harar so beautiful? B. Who proposed that idea?
C. ✓ **I would rather go to Lalibela.** D. I am afraid, you are driving.

Answer: C

"I would rather go to Lalibela" is a polite way to decline an invitation to Harar by expressing an alternative preference.

62. Kuku: Are you she is arriving this weekend? Eleni: _____ (1)

- A. ✓ **No doubt! She has her seat confirmed.**
- B. The weekend is going to be rainy.
- C. I think she is taking a plane to change at Dubai.
- D. They have prepared a lot of things to welcome her.

Answer: A

Kuku asks for confirmation of certainty ("Are you [sure] she is arriving this weekend?"), and "No doubt! She has her seat confirmed" directly expresses full certainty.

63. Student: are we having an exam next week? Teacher: _____ (1)

- A. How many units have we done?
- B. In fact, exams are approaching.
- C. Your result last time was so good.
- D. ✓ **I am not sure yet, but you might.**

Answer: D

The student asks a direct yes/no question about the possibility of an exam, and the teacher appropriately answers with their current state of planning: "I am not sure yet, but you might."

64. Aberash: she has a bad backache. _____ Nigist: of course, you should. Give it no time. (1)

- A. What shall we do?
- B. ✓ **Shall we see a doctor?**
- C. Should we ignore it?
- D. What is the cause of it?

Answer: B

Nigist's response 'Of course, you should. Give it no time' (meaning act immediately without delay) appropriately answers the question asking for advice about consulting a doctor.

65. Alene: the roof is leaking. What shall I do? Nigusu: _____ (1)

- A. I know. It will be raining soon.
- B. No wonder. This is a very old house.
- C. I thought it was also leaking last year.
- D. ✓ **May be, find someone who can fix it.**

Answer: D

Alene asks for advice on what to do about a leaking roof, and Nigusu provides a practical suggestion: 'Maybe, find someone who can fix it.'

66. Elias: you should do your homework, son. Ululu: _____ (1)

- A. doing homework takes a lot of time.
- B. ✓ **That is fine, but let me have a snack first.**
- C. My friend can answer all the questions.
- D. My friend doesn't like doing his homework.

Answer: B

Ululu accepts the father's advice to do homework while negotiating a small delay to have a snack first.

67. Yonas: shall we lend her some money, please? Wife: _____ (1)

- A. She can't be serious. She should be joking.
- B. How much did they pay her for the painting?
- C. ✓ **That is ridiculous! She didn't pay back the last one.**
- D. A cooker would cost her no less than birr 10,000.

Answer: C

The wife strongly objects to lending money, justifying her refusal by pointing out that the person never repaid the previous loan.

68. you: how can I get to the Ministry of Education? Driver: _____ (1)

- A. you mean from here or.....? B. ✓ **sorry, I am a stranger myself.**
C. Lots of people ask this questions. D. it could be in a walking distance.

Answer: B

'Sorry, I am a stranger myself' is the standard polite conversational response when you are unable to give someone directions because you do not know the area either.

69. Yodit: we're going out for lunch. Would you come? Sara: _____ (1)

- A. ✓ **I would rather do it for dinner.** B. I think, she will come?
C. Who is going for lunch now? D. I am afraid, we have no money.

Answer: A

Sara politely expresses a preference for an alternative time ('I would rather do it for dinner') in response to Yodit's lunch invitation.

70. Adam: _____ Mary: my pleasure. Just tell me what you want. (1)

- A. Shall I tell you a secret? B. Can I use your camera, please?
C. Could you buy me a battery for my watch? D. ✓ **Could you do me a favour, please?**

Answer: D

'Could you do me a favour, please?' is the standard request that prompts Mary's willing reply, 'My pleasure. Just tell me what you want.'

71. Yerom: may I give her my mobile phone? Wirtu: _____ (1)

- A. ✓ **No way! Are you crazy?** B. That is new. Isn't it?
C. She has lost everything. D. Does she buy a mobile phone?

Answer: A

'No way! Are you crazy?' is a natural colloquial exclamation expressing strong objection to giving away a valuable personal item like a mobile phone.

72. Gigi: I won five million in a lottery. Lomi: _____ (1)

- A. lottery is for lucky people. B. ✓ **Five million! Are you kidding?**
C. Did you also win one last year? D. Gigi! I also bought the ticket.

Answer: B

'Five million! Are you kidding?' is the standard natural reaction of disbelief and astonishment upon hearing that someone won the lottery.

73. Jembere: sorry sir! We close at 5:00 pm. Gashe: _____ (1)

- A. ✓ **Come on! It is only two minutes after 5:00.**
B. my friend said you were open.
C. What time did you close today?
D. I need some money for my shopping.

Answer: A

Gashe is trying to persuade the staff to serve him since it is only barely past the closing time of 5:00 pm.

74. Muse: have you heard that Belete was released? Shoa: _____ (1)

- A. I know. He severely criticizes the system.
- B. Is Belete a businessman by profession?
- C. ✓ **What good news! When was that?**
- D. Everybody likes Belete, I suppose.

Answer: C

Hearing that someone has been released from detention typically elicits relief and a follow-up question, making 'What good news! When was that?' the most natural response.

75. Yoyo: how long does it take to Dire Dawa? Yaya: _____ (1)

- A. ✓ **it depends on your driving.**
- B. Dire Dawa is very far.
- C. Not more than fifty birr.
- D. It is around 500 kilometres.

Answer: A

'How long does it take?' asks about travel time, and 'It depends on your driving' directly addresses the duration.

76. Teacher: _____ student: teacher, it is him talking. (1)

- A. Tell me, what is this boy doing?
- B. ✓ **Why don't you listen? That is really rude!**
- C. Why do students disturb the class?
- D. Would you mind coping the notes?

Answer: B

The teacher reprimands a student for not listening or making noise, prompting the student to deflect the blame by saying, 'teacher, it is him talking.'

77. Rahel: I received my computer back. Cheru: _____ (1)

- A. computer are very useful
- B. you want it for the assignment.
- C. ✓ **He has also taken my computer.**
- D. No! you now she wants it.

Answer: C

78. Receptionist: may I help you, sir? Customer: _____ (1)

- A. I am in Room 522.
- B. All the rooms are occupied.
- C. ✓ **There is no water in my room.**
- D. My room is on the first floor.

Answer: C

In response to the receptionist's offer of assistance, reporting a problem such as 'There is no water in my room' explains what help is needed.

79. Which one of the following sentences is correctly punctuated? (1)

- A. He lives on BabileHarar.
- B. He got it from Lelo his daughter.
- C. Jol is from Juba South Sudan.
- D. ✓ **We saw Halu in ilu Ababor.**

Answer: D

80. which one of the following sentences is correctly punctuated? (1)

- A. I will buy anew computer or, I will take yours.
- B. I will buy a new computer or I will take yours.
- C. ✓ **I will buy a new computer, or I will take yours.**
- D. I will buy a new computer or; I will take yours.

Answer: C

When two independent clauses are joined by a coordinating conjunction such as 'or', a comma should precede the conjunction.

81. Which one of the following sentences is correctly punctuated? (1)

- A. Admittedly, Mr. Brown, a member of the new club is very rich.
- B. Admittedly Mr. Brown, a member of the new club, is very rich.
- C. ✓ **Admittedly, Mr. Brown, a member of the new club, is very rich.**
- D. Admittedly, Mr. Brown a member of the new club, is very rich.

Answer: C

The introductory adverb 'Admittedly' requires a comma after it, and the non-restrictive appositive phrase 'a member of the new club' must be set off with commas on both sides.

82. which one of the following sentences is most likely taken from a descriptive piece of writing? (1)

- A. We got to the trip of the mountain around 11:30
- B. I wouldn't say that it was too cold at the tip of the mountain.
- C. Up at the tip of the mountain, it was too cold but it got warmer as we climbed down.
- D. ✓ **What they call a mountain in this country is just a hill elsewhere.**

Answer: D

83. Everyone seemed hungry when we got Adama. So we suggested a stopover to which all agreed. Stranger as we were, we didn't know which restaurant to go to..... What kind of writing is this most likely taken from? (1)

- A. Expository
- B. ✓ **narrative**
- C. descriptive
- D. argumentative

Answer: B

The passage recounts a sequence of personal events and actions chronologically ('when we got Adama', 'suggested a stopover', 'didn't know which restaurant to go to'), which is characteristic of narrative writing.

84. Russian fighter jets had pounded the city for three days. Everything turned into rubbles and it was difficult to image where those tall buildings were taken to. As I stood dumbstruck, I heard an agonized cry from an elderly women caught in the debris... what kind of writing is this most likely taken from? (1)

- A. ✓ **Descriptive**
- B. expository
- C. narrative
- D. argumentative

Answer: A

The passage vividly portrays the scene of devastation using sensory details (sight of rubble and missing tall buildings, the sound of an agonized cry), which is typical of descriptive writing.

85. which one of the following sentences is most likely taken from a narrative piece of writing? (1)

- A. ✓ **Having spoken for five minutes, I saw an old friend sitting among the audience.**
- B. To me, the meeting was useless and waste of time.
- C. Almost all the attendees were elderly people of over 60.
- D. the hall was full to the brim and all the seats were taken.

Answer: A

Sentence A relates an event occurring within a specific timeframe ('Having spoken for five minutes, I saw...'), indicating narrative writing that moves action forward.

86. which one of the following sentences has a correct punctuation? (1)

- A. ✓ **Shomo said, "batu, take it away!"**
- B. shomo said, "batu take it away!"
- C. shomo said, batu, "take it away!"
- D. shomo said, "batu, Take it away!"

Answer: A

Option A correctly capitalizes the subject 'Shomo', uses a comma after the reporting verb, separates the direct address with a comma ('batu,') and places the exclamation mark inside the quotation marks.

87. "it is possible to see that parental influence has a significant impact on the academic performance and social interaction of a child." Which section of a research report is this most likely taken from? (1)

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| A. ✓ Conclusion | B. body |
| C. discussion | D. introduction |

Answer: A

The phrase 'it is possible to see that parental influence has a significant impact...' summarizes the overarching findings and implications of the study, which belongs in the Conclusion section.

88. my actions and the trouble I have caused..." this is likely taken from a letter of _____ (1)

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| A. complaint | B. disappointment |
| C. enquiry | D. ✓ apology |

Answer: D

Acknowledging one's own negative actions and expressing regret for the trouble caused is characteristic of a letter of apology.

89. "stir well with abroad stirring stick," this is _____ (1)

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| A. eating instruction | B. washing instruction |
| C. a cooking instruction | D. ✓ a mixing instruction |

Answer: D

Using a broad stirring stick to stir a substance thoroughly is a typical instruction for mixing solutions, paints, or chemicals.

90. "George Washington Carver was born a slave in Missouri in 1864. In spite of his humble beginning, he managed to obtain a degree in agricultural science in 1894._____. his research showed that 300 products could be derived from the peanut." which of the following sentences fills the blank in the paragraph? (1)
- A. As a farmhand, he obtained a high school education.
 - B. Carver never patented most of his many discoveries.
 - C. Peanuts are a chief product of Alabama.
 - D. ✓ **The, he devoted hid life to research products involving southern crops.**

Answer: D

Option D logically connects Carver obtaining his agricultural science degree to his subsequent research discovering products derived from peanuts (a major southern crop).

91. "The car was speeding down the deserted highway when the accident happened. The driver fell asleep at the wheel and drove straight into a tree..." This text is likely taken from a/an_____piece of writing (1)
- A. argumentative
 - B. ✓ **narrative**
 - C. expository
 - D. descriptive

Answer: B

The text relates a chronological sequence of events (the car speeding, the driver falling asleep, the crash), which is characteristic of narrative writing.

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