

English, 2016 EC, Grade 6 model exam

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MARKING KEY — CONFIDENTIAL

Time allowed: 120 minutes

Questions: 46

Total marks: 46

1. Laureate Tsegaye Gebremedhin was attended his higher education in: _____ (1)
- A. General Wingate school B. Ambo Town
- C. ✓ **Black stone school** D. In Boda

Answer: C

Laureate Tsegaye Gebremedhin studied law through the Blackstone School of Law in Chicago, making 'Black stone school' the correct answer representing his higher education institution.

2. In paragraph 1 line 4 the pronoun 'He' refers _____ (1)
- A. Ethiopian National Theatre B. ✓ **Laureate Tsegaye Gebremedhin**
- C. Chicago D. General Wingate

Answer: B

In a biographical passage about Laureate Tsegaye Gebremedhin, the pronoun 'He' refers directly to the main subject, who is Tsegaye himself.

3. Laureate Tsegaye was a known: _____ (1)
- A. player B. ✓ **poet**
- C. Doctor D. King

Answer: B

Tsegaye Gebremedhin is internationally recognized as Ethiopia's Poet Laureate, making 'poet' the correct designation among the choices.

4. In paragraph 1 at the last line the word died means: _____ (1)
- A. encountered B. Live
- C. Elicit D. ✓ **Passed away**

Answer: D

'Passed away' is a widely used polite euphemism that means the same as 'died'.

5. They must ----- the traffic rules. (1)
- A. break B. ✓ **obey**
- C. disobey D. expect

Answer: B

The modal verb 'must' coupled with 'traffic rules' dictates the obligation to 'obey' them for safety.

6. Where do they usually ----- the new year, at home or outside home? (1)
- A. ✓ **celebrate** B. dance
- C. visit D. see

Answer: A

The verb 'celebrate' is the standard term used to describe observing a festive occasion like the New Year.

7. My grandfather always advises me to be kind and ----- what I have to the poor. (1)
- A. mean
B. cruel
C. ✓ **share**
D. jealous

Answer: C

Being kind to the poor involves giving or 'sharing' what one has with them.

8. The doctor told her that she is ----- with HIV AIDS. (1)
- A. ✓ **infected**
B. exposed
C. detain
D. lucky

Answer: A

In medical contexts, a person is described as being 'infected' with a disease-causing agent like HIV.

9. Bekele is an intelligent student from his classroom. He scores a good result. Intelligent means :----- (1)
- A. ✓ **Clever**
B. dull
C. lazy
D. happy

Answer: A

The word 'intelligent' means having or showing intelligence or mental capacity, which is synonymous with 'clever'.

10. Success in agriculture comes from understanding the climate. Climate means :--- (1)
- A. Creatures
B. ✓ **Weather condition**
C. soil texture
D. Crop production

Answer: B

'Climate' refers to the prevailing weather conditions of a region over a long period.

11. The accident was occurred on the big road by vehicles. (1)
- A. ✓ **an unpleasant event**
B. Interaction
C. Pollution
D. hunting

Answer: A

An 'accident' is defined as an unfortunate, unexpected, and unpleasant event that typically results in damage or injury.

12. "A good reader is a leader ," said the person. The underlined word means----- (1)
- A. ✓ **A person who read different book**
B. Newspapers
C. Book
D. Magazines

Answer: A

A 'reader' is a person who reads, so 'A person who read different book' (despite the minor grammatical error) is the only option that defines the term.

13. --- they wash their clothes? (1)
- A. Is
B. ✓ **Do**
C. Has
D. Does

Answer: B

The subject 'they' is plural, so the auxiliary verb 'Do' is used to form the present simple question.

14. When her mother entered to the room, she --- the watt. (1)

- A. was cook
B. ✓ was cooking
C. is cooking
D. are cooking

Answer: B

The past continuous tense ('was cooking') is used to describe an action that was in progress when another past action ('entered') interrupted it.

15. This is the --- mark I have ever got. (1)

- A. most
B. ✓ highest
C. high
D. higher

Answer: B

The phrase 'I have ever got' indicates a superlative comparison, requiring the superlative adjective 'highest' preceded by the article 'the'.

16. She --- speak Arabic. (1)

- A. ✓ can
B. was able to
C. is
D. could

Answer: A

'Can' is the correct modal verb used to express general ability in the present tense.

17. Tola: Have you ever seen Math's Teacher? Dandi: No, I haven't. He--- at staff. (1)

- A. must be
B. ✓ may be
C. should be
D. can be

Answer: B

Since Dandi has not seen the teacher, he is making a tentative guess, which is best expressed using the modal of possibility 'may be'.

18. Students --- read their text book to pass their exam. (1)

- A. ✓ have to
B. ought to
C. Should
D. will

Answer: A

'Have to' is used to express strong obligation or necessity, which fits the requirement of reading textbooks to pass an exam.

19. I --- sport teacher in the market yesterday. (1)

- A. sees
B. ✓ saw
C. seen
D. have seen

Answer: B

The past time marker 'yesterday' requires the simple past form of the verb 'see', which is 'saw'.

20. Dandi: --- were you born? Jiregna: I was born in Nekemte. (1)

- A. Why
B. ✓ Where
C. When
D. Whose

Answer: B

The answer 'in Nekemte' specifies a location, so the corresponding question word must be 'Where'.

21. Dibora: The mobile is ringing. Chala: I---it. (1)

- A. ✓ **will answer** B. am answering
C. going to D. answer

Answer: A

We use 'will' (simple future) for spontaneous decisions made at the moment of speaking, such as answering a ringing phone.

22. Gemechu is --- than Bekele. (1)

- A. tall B. ✓ **taller**
C. tallest D. shortest

Answer: B

The word 'than' indicates a comparison between two people, which requires the comparative form 'taller'.

23. He --- in Addis International Bank (1)

- A. working B. work
C. work D. ✓ **works**

Answer: D

The subject 'He' is third-person singular, which requires the verb 'works' ending in '-s' in the present simple tense.

24. The students haven't learned Civic --- December 21, 2021. (1)

- A. for B. ✓ **since**
C. just D. already

Answer: B

'Since' is used with the present perfect tense to refer to a specific starting point in time ('December 21, 2021').

25. If you eat fruit and vegetables, you--- (1)

- A. ✓ **will be healthier** B. would have healthier
C. would be healthier D. Should be healthier

Answer: A

This is a type 1 conditional sentence, which uses the simple present tense ('eat') in the if-clause and the simple future tense ('will be') in the main clause to describe a likely future outcome.

26. I --- class when I was six years old. (1)

- A. starts B. start
C. starting D. ✓ **started**

Answer: D

The phrase 'when I was six years old' establishes a specific time in the past, which requires the simple past tense form 'started'.

27. He --- speaks Afan Oromo --- he --- speak English and Amharic. (1)

- A. can/but/can B. can/and/can't
C. can't/but/can't D. ✓ **can/but/can't**

Answer: D

Despite the typographical error 'speaks' instead of the infinitive 'speak' in the stem, 'can ... but ... can't' is the only option that correctly expresses contrast between his abilities using appropriate conjunctions and modals.

28. The Professor has --- a number of books on education. (1)

- A. wrote
B. ✓ written
C. writing
D. writes

Answer: B

The present perfect tense construction uses the auxiliary verb 'has' followed by the past participle of the main verb, which is 'written'.

29. I met him while he --- for a bus. (1)

- A. is waiting
B. ✓ was waiting
C. has waited
D. was wait

Answer: B

The past continuous 'was waiting' is used with 'while' to describe an ongoing background action that was interrupted by a shorter, completed action in the simple past ('met').

30. Before you start doing this exam, --- carefully. (1)

- A. use mobile phone
B. ✓ read the instruction
C. brush your teeth
D. do your home work

Answer: B

Based on the context of taking an exam, reading the instructions carefully is the logical and necessary action to perform before starting.

31. Our English teacher --- give us an assignment today, but I am not sure. (1)

- A. must
B. ✓ may
C. should
D. ought to

Answer: B

The clause 'but I am not sure' indicates a lack of certainty, making 'may' the correct modal verb to express a weak possibility.

32. She found the duster --- She had left it. (1)

- A. when
B. ✓ where
C. Why
D. which

Answer: B

The adverb 'where' is used to introduce an adverbial clause of place, indicating the location where the duster was left.

33. Sara: --- do you usually watch football? Ujulu: During the night. (1)

- A. Why
B. ✓ When
C. who
D. Where

Answer: B

The response 'During the night' specifies a time, which means the question must begin with the question word 'When'.

34. Active: Children eat some Mangoes. Passive: Some mangoes --- by children. (1)

- A. ✓ are eaten
B. Were eaten
C. are being eaten
D. have been eaten

Answer: A

The active sentence is in the simple present tense ('eat'). In the passive voice, the present plural form of the auxiliary 'to be' ('are') combined with the past participle ('eaten') is required for the plural subject 'Some mangoes'.

35. Dibora: Do you know Bontu? Yerosan: Sure, She is in my classmate. I sit with --- (1)

- A. she
B. ✓ her
C. she
D. hers

Answer: B

The preposition 'with' must be followed by an object pronoun, which is 'her' (referring to Bontu).

36. You --- stop when the traffic lights turn red. (1)

- A. should
B. ✓ must
C. might
D. shouldn't

Answer: B

Stopping at a red traffic light is a strict legal obligation, which is best expressed by the modal verb 'must'.

37. A paragraph which describes an activity that occurred in the past is called----- (1)

- A. argumentative paragraph
B. expository paragraph
C. ✓ narrative paragraph
D. descriptive paragraph

Answer: C

A narrative paragraph is used to tell a story or describe a sequence of events and activities that took place in the past.

38. A letter that has written to your best friend is an example of----- (1)

- A. request letter
B. business letter
C. ✓ informal letter
D. formal letter

Answer: C

Letters written to close acquaintances, friends, or family members use personal and casual language, classifying them as informal letters.

39. How many children have been supported by Abebech Gobena? (1)

- A. ✓ Over 12,000
B. Below 12,000
C. Over 120,000
D. Below 120,000

Answer: A

Abebech Gobena's NGO, AGOHELMA, has famously provided care and support to over 12,000 needy children over its operational history.

40. When she headed to fetch water, she founded --- (1)

- A. ✓ A child in the arms of his dying father
B. A child who is playing
C. Found her Families
D. found her friends

Answer: A

During her pilgrimage to Gishen Mariam, she went to fetch water and discovered a baby next to a deceased mother, as well as another child in the arms of his dying father.

41. When was Abebech was married? (1)

- A. in 1938
B. ✓ at the age of ten
C. in 1980
D. at the age of twelve

Answer: B

Biographical texts note that Abebech Gobena was married without her consent at the young age of ten, from which she later escaped.

42. Which statement is false according to the passage?

(1)

- A. ✓ **Abebech was born in urban area.**
- B. Abebech was nine age when her father died.
- C. She was born in 1938
- D. She was married without agreement

Answer: A

Abebech Gobena was born in Shebel, which is a rural area, making the claim that she was born in an urban area false.

43. When was she born?

(1)

- A. In 1980
- B. In 1439
- C. ✓ **In 1938**
- D. In 2016

Answer: C

Abebech Gobena, often referred to as the Mother Teresa of Africa, was born in 1938.

44. After her father died, she has taken to ---

(1)

- A. her friends
- B. ✓ **her grandparents**
- C. to her schools
- D. to Gishen mariam

Answer: B

Following the death of her father during the Ethio-Italian war, she was brought up and raised by her grandparents.

45. The Title of the paragraph could be ---

(1)

- A. ✓ **History of Abebech Gobena**
- B. History of HIV/AIDS
- C. About English Subject
- D. Ethio-Italian war

Answer: A

Since the text describes her birth, marriage, family, and early humanitarian deeds, 'History of Abebech Gobena' is the most suitable title.

46. What was an activity hasn't done by her?

(1)

- A. Traveled to Gishen Mariam
- B. ✓ **Married voluntary**
- C. Married un voluntary
- D. She was married at the age of ten

Answer: B

She did not marry voluntarily; her marriage at the age of ten was arranged without her agreement or consent.

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