

2007 WASSCE PRIVATE ENGLISH LANGUAGE 1

Paper One

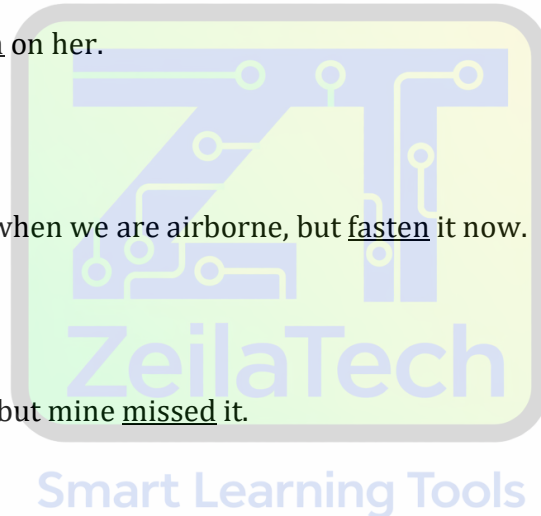
PART A

LEXIS AND STRUCTURE

SECTION 1

*In each of the following sentence, there is one word or group of words underlined word and one gap. From the list of words or group of words lettered A to D, choose the one that is **most nearly opposite** in meaning to the underlined word or group of words and that will, at the same time, correctly fill the gap in the sentence.*

1. There are so many false prophets that we don't know which ones are.....
 - A. devoted.
 - B. true
 - C. confirmed
 - D. ordained.
2. Samson has no faith in politicians so all of them.
 - A. rejects
 - B. hates.
 - C. disrespects
 - D. mistrusts.
3. Be..... ;don't be too harsh on her.
 - A. wrongous
 - B. lenient
 - C. good
 - D. forgiving
4. You will your seat-belt when we are airborne, but fasten it now.
 - A. open
 - B. release
 - C. loosen
 - D. free
5. His dart the bull's eye but mine missed it.
 - A. knocked
 - B. reached
 - C. crashed
 - D. hit.
6. Ayo's business which collapsed last year has started to
 - A. flourish
 - B. succeed
 - C. rebuild
 - D. recover.
7. Her beauty is fading, while her younger sister's is.....
 - A. blossoming
 - B. shining
 - C. increasing
 - D. growing.
8. Lift the in your life and be happy.
 - A. darkness
 - B. misery
 - C. bitterness
 - D. burden.
9. The effect of the balm relieved me of excruciating pain.
 - A. calming
 - B. charming

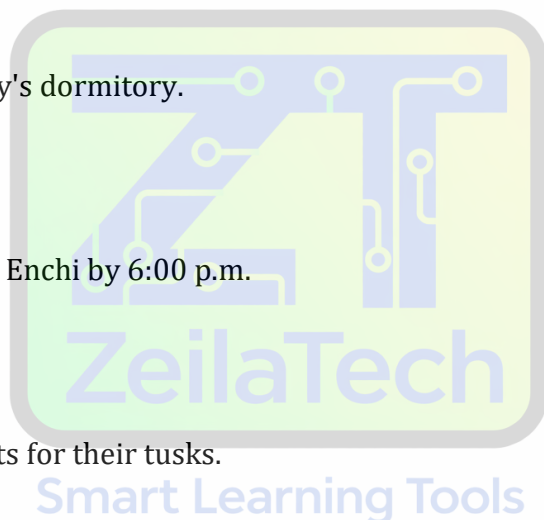


- C. soothing
 - D. softening.
10. Don't..... any error. Make sure that you detect all of them.
- A. overlook
 - B. excuse
 - C. avoid
 - D. forget.

SECTION II

From the list of words lettered A to D, choose the one that best completes each of the following sentences.

11. The fees you owe the school are
- A. pending
 - B. late
 - C. overdue
 - D. overstretched
12. Daniel who derives.....from torturing junior students has been expelled.
- A. pleasure
 - B. kindness
 - C. peace
 - D. benefits.
13. Dirty clothes..... the boy's dormitory.
- A. covered
 - B. soiled
 - C. littered
 - D. spoiled.
14. We.....that we'd arrive at Enchi by 6:00 p.m.
- A. evaluated
 - B. guessed
 - C. proposed
 - D. reckoned.
15. Illegal hunters.....elephants for their tusks.
- A. poach
 - B. gather
 - C. kill
 - D. murder.
16. minds accept criticisms.
- A. Mature
 - B. Adult
 - C. Old
 - D. Strong
17. Can you discuss HIV/AIDS with your children?
- A. kindly
 - B. openly
 - C. clearly
 - D.
18. The truck has.....blocked access to the house.
- A. partially
 - B. half
 - C. largely
 - D. hugely.
19. When the firing started, everyone..... for cover.
- A. stalked



- B. jumped
 - C. walked
 - D. scrambled
20. The bodies recovered from the flood were buried in a grave.
- A. small
 - B. large
 - C. mass
 - D. marked

SECTION III

Choose from the alternatives lettered A to D the one which is nearest in meaning to the underlined word or expression in each sentence

21. She was so engrossed in the story that she forgot it was time for lunch.
- A. hidden
 - B. interested
 - C. distracted
 - D. absorbed
22. We condemn Harry's vindictive nature.
- A. wicked
 - B. unforgiving
 - C. criminal
 - D. uncooperative
23. Be vigilant in the market because there are pick-pockets there.
- A. alert
 - B. active
 - C. awake
 - D. serious
24. Kojo swindled the woman to the tune of one hundred million cedis.
- A. cheated
 - B. fooled
 - C. deceived
 - D. lured
25. There is no tangible improvement in Ama's academic performance.
- A. clear
 - B. evident
 - C. acceptable
 - D. credible
26. The doctor placed a tender hand on the baby and she fell asleep.
- A. calm
 - B. gentle
 - C. soothing
 - D. light.
27. To take up the ministerial post Aisha renounced her membership of the opposition party.
- A. denied
 - B. rejected
 - C. relinquished
 - D. condemned
28. After the floods, the market was a repulsive sight.
- A. unhealthy
 - B. disgusting
 - C. wronging
 - D. ugly

29. I'll-health stopped Ali from active participation in the demonstration.

- A. involvement
- B. association
- C. discussion
- D. interest

30. As they ran from the building, the dogs pursued them.

- A. followed
- B. wronged
- C. chased
- D. led

SECTION IV

After each of the following sentences, a list of possible interpretations of all or part of the sentence is given. Choose the interpretation you consider most appropriate for each sentence.

31. The embattled leader resigned of his own accord. This means that the leader

- A. resigned willingly.
- B. agreed with us to resign.
- C. resigned without a fight.
- D. resigned in order to fight.

32. It will work to your advantage if you see the manager ahead of the interview. This means that

- A. you will work hard to get an advantage
- B. the manager will see your advantage if you see him.
- C. it will benefit you if you see the manager.
- D. you need to have an advantage to see the manager.

33. After his discharge from hospital, the baby is now alive and kicking. This means that the baby

- A. is very active
- B. is not dead.
- C. now plays a ball.
- D. has been crying.

34. Don't bare your soul to Mercy because she can't keep secrets. This means that you should not

- A. welcome her openly.
- B. reveal your feelings to her.
- C. confess your sins to her.
- D. bar her from your presence.

35. Benevolence runs in their blood. This means that benevolence

- A. has become part of their family.
- B. is difficult for them to practise.
- C. comes naturally to them.
- D. has made them popular.

36. Benedicta was the only student who could buck the system in the school. This means that she

- A. understood the regulations
- B. supported the authorities.
- C. challenged the authorities.
- D. applied regulations.

37. Kevin must have a charmed life to have survived this accident. This means that Kevin

- A. charmed the car..
- B. uses charms for protection.
- C. is a magician
- D. is very lucky.

38. You are off-colour, Carol," said Mrs Opoku. This means that Carol

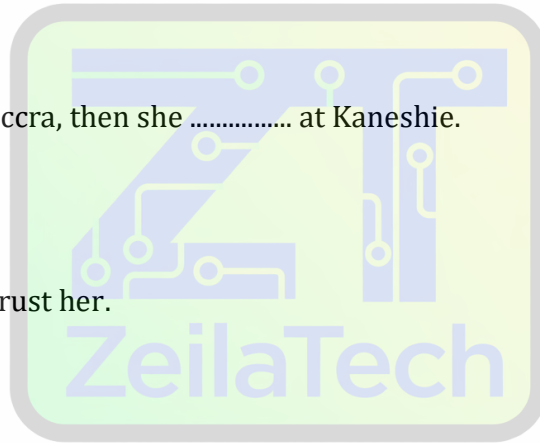
- A. has not painted her face.
- B. looks different.

- C. doesn't look well.
- D. has not used make-up.

SECTION V

From the words or groups of words lettered A to D, choose the one that best completes each of the following sentences.

39. It is important that students abide..... the school rules.
- A. with
 - B. by
 - C. at
 - D. in
40. The bus was travelling.....100 kilometres per hour at the time of the accident.
- A. with.
 - B. in
 - C. on
 - D. at
41. We organized a fund-raising dinner..... aid of the building project.
- A. as
 - B. in
 - C. with
 - D. for
42. If it's true that Fafa is in Accra, then she at Kaneshie.
- A. must stay
 - B. stays
 - C. is staying
 - D. would stay
43. If I..... it bluntly, I don't trust her.
- A. put
 - B. will put
 - C. have put
 - D. may put
44. Does the man know books you like to read?
- A. whichever
 - B. which
 - C. whatever
 - D. that
45. You be dreaming if you think I'll leave the car for you.
- A. may
 - B. should
 - C. could
 - D. must
46. My mother insisted that we.....stay overnight.
- A. might
 - B. would
 - C. should
 - D. could
47. Anita.....home last week but she didn't.
- A. should have visited
 - B. had had to visit
 - C. would have to visit
 - D. had visited



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48. Corn from the United Kingdom and France arrived for sale next week.

- A. have
- B. are
- C. has
- D. is

49. Though both Sam and Tom are eligible, neither.....interested.

- A. was
- B. are
- C. were
- D. is

50. Jacob said that the girl would recognize the ca?

- A. didn't he?
- B. wouldn't he
- C. wasn't it
- D. will she

51. We ought to build a gutter, ... we?

- A. should
- B. oughtn't
- C. didn't
- D. can't

52. he studied hard, he failed.

- A. However
- B. Though
- C. Actually
- D. Since

53. I can't give you the money....you show me the bill.

- A. unless
- B. before
- C. as
- D. since

54. If you have promised to visit,..... redeem your promise.

- A. thus
- B. next
- C. at last
- D. then

55. Kwame was.....up by his aunt.

- A. taken
- B. brought
- C. trained
- D. put

56. The police have set.....a new unit to handle economic crimes.

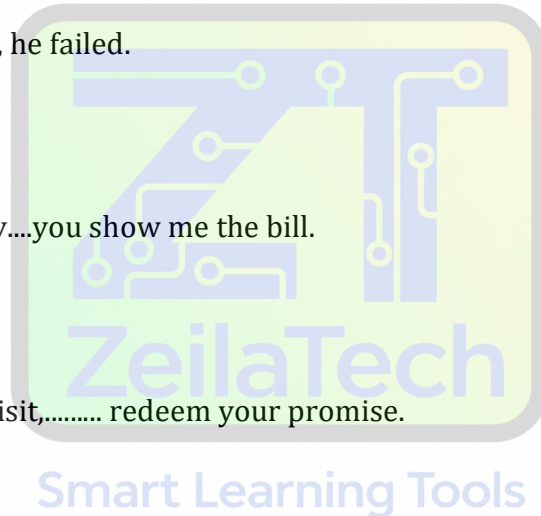
- A. out
- B. in
- C. on
- D. up

57. You must into the case to find out the truth.

- A. get
- B. go
- C. break
- D. turn

58. Ohenewaa has assured us that she the cup next time.

- A. would win
- B. Wins



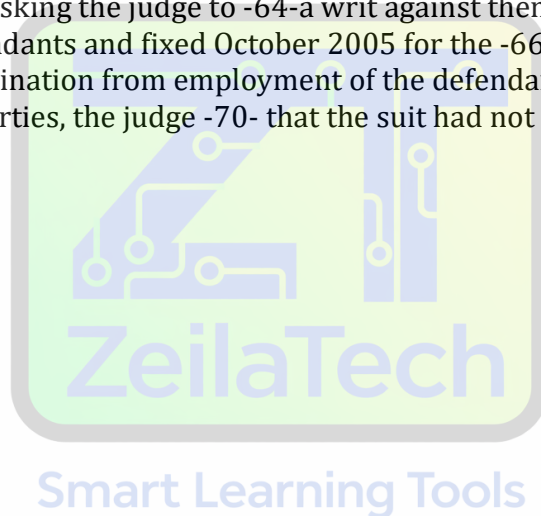
- C. could win
 - D. will win
59. It's about time the coach that player.
- A. relieved
 - B. relieves
 - C. should relieve
 - D. relieve
60. You had better the table you broke.
- A. repaired
 - B. repair
 - C. to repair
 - D. repairing

SECTION VI

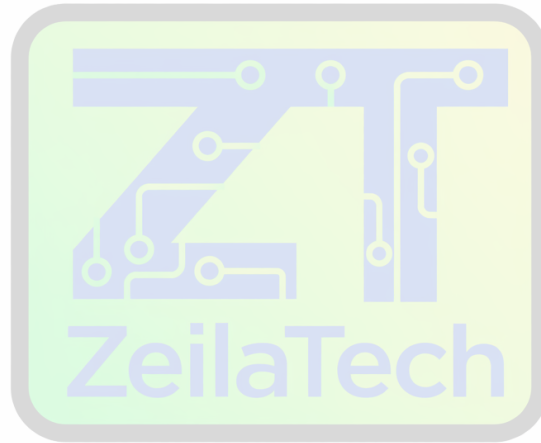
In the following passage, the numbered gaps indicate missing words. Against each number in the list below the passage, four choices are offered in columns lettered A to D. For each numbered gap, choose from the options provided for that number, the word that is most suitable to fill the gap.

A Ho High Court, -61-by Mr. Justice Lee Agawu, has -62- a motion jointly -63- by Paul Acquaaah and Koku Wilson. The motion is asking the judge to -64-a writ against them. The court awarded #5 million -65- against the defendants and fixed October 2005 for the -66-of the case. In the-67-itself, the plaintiff has -68- his termination from employment of the defendants. Ater listening to the 69- by the counsels to the two parties, the judge -70- that the suit had not been properly presented

- 61.
 - A. chaired
 - B. presided over
 - C. handled
 - D. listened to
- 62.
 - A. rejected
 - B. cancelled
 - C. dismissed
 - D. deleted
- 63.
 - A. arranged
 - B. presented
 - C. listed
 - D. filed
- 64.
 - A. strike out
 - B. release
 - C. condemn
 - D. stand down
- 65.
 - A. fines
 - B. payment
 - C. costs
 - D. money
- 66.
 - A. audition
 - B. hearing
 - C. acquittal
 - D. summoning



- 67.
- A. substantive
 - B. proper
 - C. main
 - D. trial
- 68.
- A. confronted
 - B. challenged
 - C. defied
 - D. doubted
- 69.
- A. appeals
 - B. submissions
 - C. points
 - D. pleadings.
- 70.
- A. ordered
 - B. decided
 - C. tried
 - D. ruled



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