

YOUNG LIVES SECONDARY SCHOOL SURVEY

English | Wave 1

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You should have been given 2 documents: this **Test Booklet** and a separate **Answer Sheet**. Before you begin, read these instructions carefully.

మీకు రెండు పత్రాలు ఇవ్వబడ్డాయి. ఒకటి ఈ టెస్ట్ బుక్లెట్ (ప్రశ్నావళి) రెండవది సమాధాన పత్రం. ముందుగా ఈ సూచనలు క్షుణ్ణంగా చదవండి

Carefully read the questions in this **Test Booklet**. For each question, there are four options - A, B, C and D. Only one of these options is correct. Identify the option which you think best answers each question.

టెస్ట్ బుక్లెట్ (ప్రశ్నావళి) లోని ప్రశ్నలు జాగ్రత్తగా చదవండి. ప్రతి ప్రశ్నకు నాలుగు సమాధానాలు A B C మరియు D ఉన్నాయి. అందులో ఒకటి సరియైన సమాధానం. ప్రతి ప్రశ్నకు ఏది సరియైన సమాధానం అనుకుంటున్నారో దానిని ఎంపిక చేసుకోండి.

On the **Answer Sheet** given to you, find the corresponding question number and Draw a cross ('X') on the option you want to select. Only select one option for each question.

ఇచ్చిన సమాధాన పత్రం పై, ఆ ప్రశ్న సంఖ్య ఎదురుగా సరియైన సమాధానం పై 'X' గుర్తు పెట్టండి. ఒక ప్రశ్నకి ఒకటి సమాధానం ఎంచుకోండి.

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If you want to change your answer, blacken the entire square for your original answer and then write a cross ('X') on the new answer you want to select.

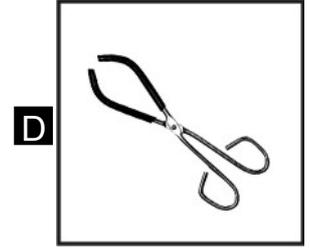
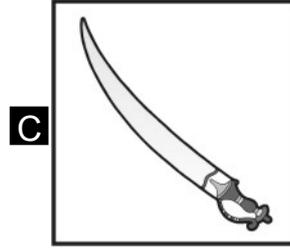
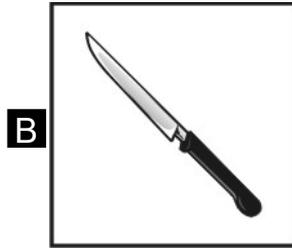
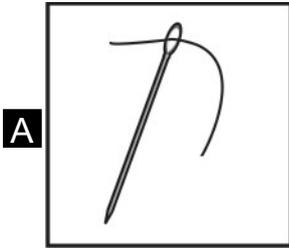
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పై 'X' గుర్తు పెట్టండి.

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Each question carries 1 mark. No marks will be cut for wrong answers.

1 Choose the object used for "stitching".



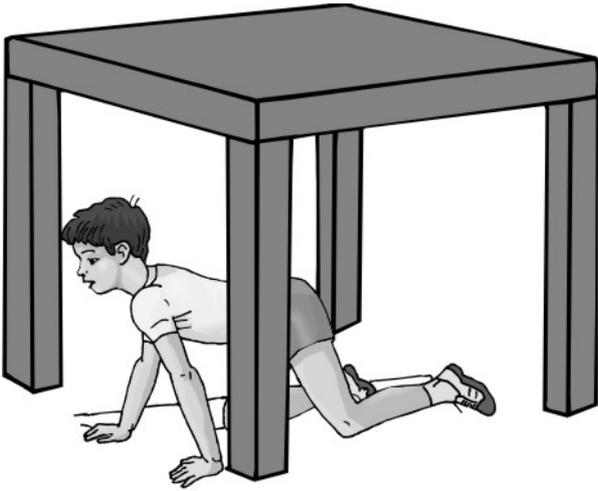
2 Choose the word that completes the sentence.

In the picture below, the first ball is big, while the second ball is _____.



- A** small
- B** tall
- C** thin
- D** fat

3 Choose the word to complete the sentence correctly for the picture.

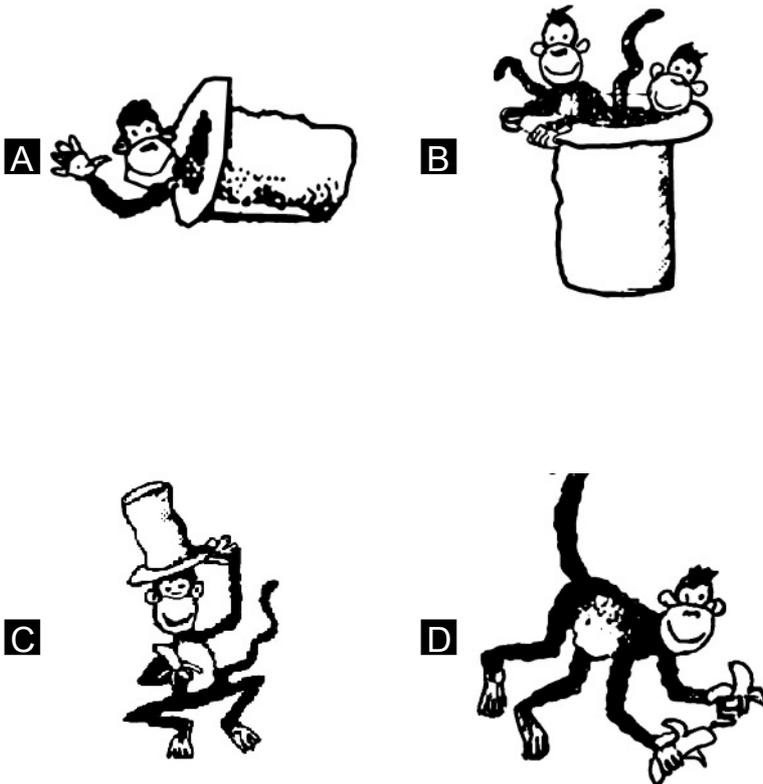


The boy is hiding _____ the table.

- A** before
- B** behind
- C** above
- D** under

4 Which option matches the sentence given below?

The monkey is about to eat the bananas.



5 Choose the word to complete the question for the given answer.

Question: _____ is the pen?

Answer: It is near the book.



- A How
- B What
- C Where
- D When

6 Choose the option that is the **OPPOSITE** of the word **start** .

- A stop
- B find
- C begin
- D hide

7 Choose the word that completes the sentence.

The person who makes iron tools is called a _____.

- A potter
- B blacksmith
- C tailor
- D carpenter

8 Which of these pairs of words are opposites?

- A wet, humid
- B hot, warm
- C sharp, blunt
- D empty, hollow

9 Choose the word that completes the sentence.

Karim likes to _____ chocolates.

- A eating
- B eat
- C ate
- D will eat

10 Choose the animal that can run fast.

- A** deer
- B** tortoise
- C** cow
- D** bear

11 Choose the word that completes the sentence.

Sheela and _____ brothers help their parents in the field.

- A** us
- B** her
- C** our
- D** their

12 Choose the option that answers the question correctly.

Would you like to have a chocolate?

- A** Yes, thank you!
- B** You're welcome.
- C** It doesn't matter.
- D** Oh, sorry. Thanks not!

13 Complete the sentence below with the appropriate option.

Neena: Is your sister there?

Sunil: Yes, _____ here.

- A** she must
- B** she is
- C** she sees
- D** she comes

14 Choose the correct word to complete the question given below.

Question: _____ will the match start?

Answer: It will start at 9 am.

- A** Why
- B** How
- C** When
- D** Where

15 Choose the word to complete the sentence.

A half _____ glass and a half full glass are the same.

- A** clear
- B** blank
- C** empty
- D** hollow

16 Choose the word to complete the sentence.

If we want to say something very softly into someone's ears, we _____ the words.

- A** scream
- B** whisper
- C** stammer
- D** spell out

17 Choose the word that completes the sentence.

Amir is a _____ person as he never completes any work on time.

- A** lazy
- B** boring
- C** selfish
- D** cruel

18 Choose the word to complete the question for the given answer.

Question: _____ did you go to Delhi?

Answer: We went by train.

- A** How
- B** Who
- C** Why
- D** When

19 "I cannot be quick", said the tortoise. From these words we know that the tortoise is _____.

- A** intelligent
- B** stupid
- C** pretty
- D** slow

20 Choose the correct option to complete the question.

Can you _____ me what time I should meet you tomorrow?

- A** give
- B** call
- C** tell
- D** say

21 Choose the CORRECT question to the answer given by Sumati to Manjula.

Manjula: _____

Sumati: Yes. I learnt it from my aunt.

- A** Won't you speak Urdu?
- B** Do you speak Urdu?
- C** Does you speak Urdu?
- D** Are you speak Urdu?

22 Choose the best option to complete the question.

_____ well can we bake a chocolate cake at home?

- A** How
- B** How much
- C** How many
- D** How often

23 Identify the correct phrase that can complete the sentence given below meaningfully.

The room fell silent _____ that there would be no water supply in the city for three days.

- A** whereas the man announced
- B** when the man announced
- C** in case the man announces
- D** even if the man announces

24 "You have to work hard, not spend time sleeping", said Ashok's mother.

His mother was asking Ashok not to be _____.

- A** slow
- B** lazy
- C** proud
- D** hardworking

25 She was one of the excellent leaders the nation had produced.

Which word can replace the underlined word?

- A** ordinary
- B** great
- C** intelligent
- D** useful

26 Since we did not know the precise meaning of many words, the teacher advised us to use the dictionary.

Identify the word which means the same as precise as used in the sentence above.

- A** exact
- B** similar
- C** uniform
- D** identical

27 Due to floods in this region, food and medical supplies have become scarce . People have to make do with whatever is left.

What does the underlined word above mean?

- A** insufficient
- B** damaged
- C** borrowed
- D** distributed

28 'Raju could not stop screaming and jumping, when India won the match'.

What does this line best describe about Raju?

- A** his greed
- B** his sadness
- C** his confusion
- D** his happiness

29 My aunt lives in a house on a steep hill. It was an arduous journey up the hill to reach her house. But seeing us puffing and panting, my aunt served us cool and refreshing lemonade.

In the above sentence "arduous" probably means _____.

- A** fun and exciting
- B** thorny and tricky
- C** difficult and tiring
- D** wild and dangerous

30 The following poster was put on a school notice board. But **the words on that poster are all jumbled up as given below.**

teeth brushing keeps away cavities daily your

Choose the option that makes the poster meaningful and **CORRECT** .

- A** Brushing your teeth keeps away cavities daily.
- B** Daily teeth brushing keeps away your cavities.
- C** Teeth brushing daily keeps your cavities away.
- D** Brushing your teeth daily keeps cavities away.

31 The four sentences given below make up a small story. But they are in the wrong order.

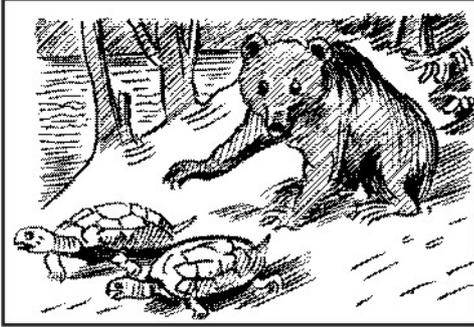
Choose the **OPTION** that gives the **CORRECT ORDER** of the sentences given.

1. His aunt was very particular about cleanliness.
2. A boy who disliked washing went to stay with his aunt.
3. After a short while, he leaned over the railings and called downstairs, "Auntie, are my ears part of my face or part of my neck?"
4. One day she sent him upstairs to wash his face.

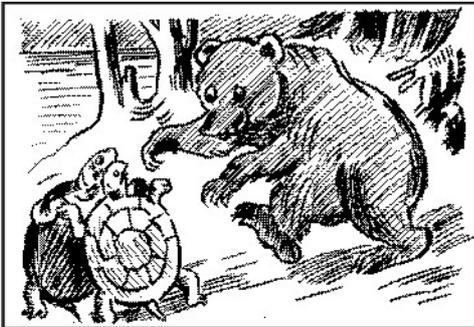
- A** 1-2-4-3
- B** 2-1-4-3
- C** 1-2-3-4
- D** 2-1-3-4

Read the story below and answer the following five questions.

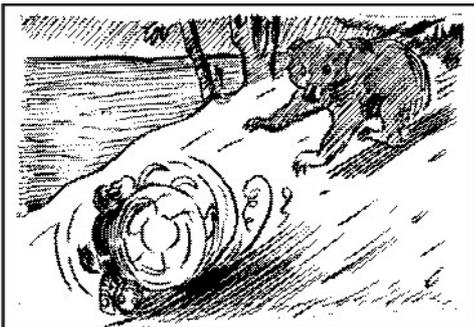
Two tortoises were playing on the riverbank when a bear saw them.



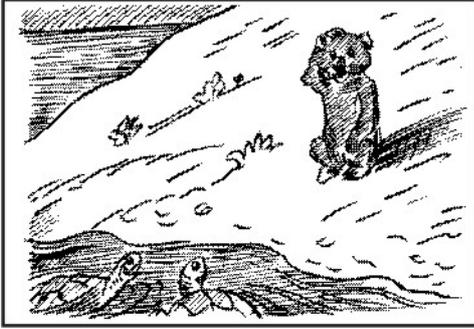
He was very hungry. He ran towards them.



The tortoises started rolling down the bank together and they rolled right into the water.



The bear fell on a rock and bumped his head.



The tortoises swam away. The bear was left holding his head.

32 What was the bear looking for?

- A** water
- B** food
- C** a place to live
- D** a tree

33 Choose the word to complete the sentence.

When the tortoises held each others' hands and feet, they could roll like a _____.

- A** box
- B** bat
- C** ball
- D** bull

34 Why did the bear run towards the tortoises?

- A** He wanted to eat them.
- B** He wanted to see them.
- C** He wanted to play with them.
- D** He wanted to talk to them.

35 How many tortoises are there in the story?

- A** one
- B** two
- C** three
- D** four

36 Choose the word to complete the sentence.

In the end, the bear is likely to have felt _____.

- A** clever and happy
- B** tired and disappointed
- C** tired and happy
- D** strong and clever

Read the passage given below and answer the following four questions.

How do Crocodiles hatch?

Crocodiles lay their eggs and cover them with sand. After three months the baby crocodiles are ready to come out of the eggs. But the babies cannot dig their way out of the sand above them. They peep out and make some sound while hatching out of their shells. At that time, the mother, who has been guarding them hears them. She then digs them free.



37 How many months after the mother crocodile has laid the eggs do the baby crocodiles come out of the eggs?

- A** One
- B** Two
- C** Three
- D** Four

38 Why does the mother crocodile dig her babies out of the sand?

- A** The babies cannot come out by themselves.
- B** She is playing a game with them.
- C** She is saving them from enemies.
- D** The babies start fighting with each other.

39 Where do the crocodiles hide their eggs?

- A** behind the stones
- B** under the sand
- C** in the water
- D** under the rocks

40 Who guards the eggs before they hatch?

- A** the brother crocodile
- B** the sister crocodile
- C** the mother crocodile
- D** the father crocodile

Read the story given below and answer the following four questions.

One evening a poor worker went to a sweet shop and stood there for some time. Then he turned to go because he did not have money to buy the sweets. Suddenly he heard the shopkeeper's voice, "Stop. You can't go away without paying."

"For what?" asked the worker.

"For the sweets," said the shopkeeper.

"But I have not eaten any," said the worker.

"But you did enjoy its smell, didn't you?" asked the shopkeeper. "Smelling is as good as eating."

The poor man was worried.

A wise man was seeing all this. He whispered something to the worker. The worker then went up to the shopkeeper and jingled a few coins in his pocket. The shopkeeper told him to pay the money.

The worker said, "I have paid it."

The shopkeeper got confused.

The worker said, "Didn't you hear the money jingling? If smelling is as good as eating, hearing is as good as **receiving** ."

41 In the story, the shopkeeper was _____ the poor worker.

- A** taking a bet with
- B** making a plan with
- C** trying to be cleverer than
- D** showing he was kinder than

42 'If smelling is as good as eating, hearing is as good as receiving.'

In this sentence, which word can **REPLACE** 'receiving'?

- A** giving
- B** getting
- C** listening
- D** watching

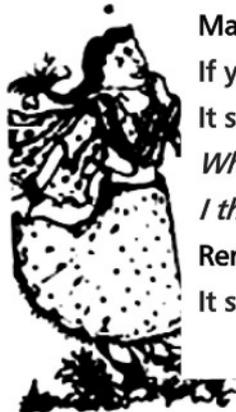
43 What could the wise man have **WHISPERED** in the worker's ear?

- A** I have a plan to help the shopkeeper.
- B** I have a plan to trick the shopkeeper.
- C** I have a plan to steal from the shopkeeper.
- D** I have a plan to hide from the shopkeeper.

44 The worker is **LIKELY** to feel _____ as he prepares to **LEAVE** the sweet shop.

- A** funny
 - B** unhappy
 - C** shocked
 - D** surprised
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Read the poster shown and answer the following six questions.



Do you ever daydream?
Do you let your mind make magic?
Do you think you are... maybe a little ant?
Maybe an astronaut whizzing through space?
If you have, quick! Write us a poem!
It should start with –
*When I close my eyes, I think
I think I am...*
Remember – The poem should be your own.
It should NOT be more than 10 lines long.



Please write
your name, age
and address on
the post card.
Send it in by
30 May, 2012.

Illustrated by Arvinder

45 What other information, that is **MISSING** in the poster, is needed to send an entry?

- A** how to send your entry
- B** where to send your entry
- C** when to send your entry
- D** what to send as your entry

46 Which of these can be sent for the contest?

- A** Asif's short story about what he will do when he grows up
- B** Reena's poem about a fire engine
- C** Salim's poem about what he really wants to be
- D** Samira's short story about how badly she wants to fly above the earth

47 The poem should be _____.

- A** long
- B** funny
- C** copied
- D** original

48 The poem should be about _____.

- A** space
- B** magic
- C** little ants
- D** your dreams

49 What do you need to do to participate in the contest?

- A** write a joke
- B** write a poem
- C** write a story
- D** write an essay

50 How do you have to send your entry?

- A** by email
- B** in a sealed envelope
- C** through a postcard
- D** give it in person