



# NATIONAL ENGLISH LINGUISTICS CONTEST

## SENIORS (GRADE 11 & 12)

*TIME ALLOWED : 90 MINUTES*

*MAXIMUM MARKS : 90*

*TOTAL QUESTIONS : 30 MCQS*

## INSTRUCTIONS

1. DON'T START ATTEMPTING THE PAPER UNTIL INSTRUCTED BY THE INVIGILATORS.
2. INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE EXAMINATION INVIGILATORS MUST BE CARRIED OUT PROMPTLY.
3. WRITE YOUR NAME, FATHER NAME, SCHOOL NAME, ADDRESS ETC AT THE BUBBLE SHEET ONLY.
4. RECORD ALL ANSWERS ON THE BUBBLE SHEET ONLY. SELECT BEST ANSWER FROM THE FOUR GIVEN OPTIONS AND MARK ONLY ONE OPTION IN EACH QUESTION.
5. USE BLUE / BLACK INK TO FILL UP THE CIRCLES FOR YOUR ANSWERS ON THE BUBBLE SHEET. USE OF LEAD PENCIL IS NOT ALLOWED.
6. USE OF ANY HELPING MATERIAL INCLUDING CELL PHONES AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.
7. EVERY CORRECT ANSWER EARNS THREE POINTS. THERE WOULD BE NEGATIVE MARKING. ONE POINT WOULD BE DEDUCTED FOR EVERY INCORRECT ANSWER.
8. CANDIDATES MAY NOT LEAVE THE EXAMINATION ROOM UNESCORTED FOR ANY REASON, AND THIS INCLUDES USING THE WASHROOM.
9. THERE ARE SIX CATEGORIES OF THE CONTEST AS UNDER:
  - A. TODDLERS (GRADE 1 & 2)
  - B. KIDS (GRADE 3 & 4)
  - C. JUNIORS (GRADE 5 & 6)
  - D. JUVENILES (GRADE 7 & 8)
  - E. ADOLESCENTS (GRADE 9 & 10 / O-LEVELS)
  - F. SENIORS (GRADE 11 & 12 / A-LEVELS)
10. ONLY REGISTERED STUDENTS CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE CONTEST.
11. NO CANDIDATE SHALL TAKE OUT OF THE HALL ANY ANSWER BOOK(S) OR PART OF AN ANSWER BOOK, WHETHER USED OR UNUSED, OR OTHER SUPPLIED MATERIAL.
12. IF A PARTICIPANT DOES NOT UNDERSTAND A WORD OR PHRASE ON THE EXAM PAPER, NEITHER EXAMINER NOR INVIGILATOR IS PERMITTED TO ANSWER.
13. FOR INFORMATION ABOUT UPCOMING CONTESTS OR PROVIDING VALUABLE FEEDBACK, PLEASE VISIT [WWW.CATSCONTESTS.ORG](http://WWW.CATSCONTESTS.ORG)
14. ANY ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT OR MALPRACTICE MUST BE REPORTED TO INTERNATIONAL CATS CONTESTS AT [INFO@CATSCONTESTS.ORG](mailto:INFO@CATSCONTESTS.ORG)

**READ THE PASSAGE AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS 1 - 5**

The object underlying the rules of natural justice "is to prevent miscarriage of justice" and secure "fair play in action" As pointed out earlier the requirement about recording of reasons for its decision by an administrative authority exercising quasi-judicial functions achieves his object by excluding changes of arbitrariness and ensuring a degree of fairness in the process of decision making. Keeping in view the expanding horizon of the principle of natural justice which govern exercise of power by administrative authorities. The rules of natural justice are not embodied rules. The extent of their application depends upon the particularly statutory framework where under jurisdiction has been conferred on the administrative authority. with regard to the exercise of particular power by an administrative authority including exercise of judicial or quasi-judicial functions the legislature, while conferring the said power, may feel that it would not be in the larger public interest that the reasons for the order passed by the administrative authority be recorded in the order and be communicated to the aggrieved party and it may dispense with such a requirement.

**Q1. "The rules of the natural justice are not embodies rules" means that these rules**

- A) are left deliberately vague
- B) cannot be satisfactorily interpreted
- C) are flexible
- D) cannot be visualized

**Q2. From the passage it is clear that it is the legislature that**

- A) invests the administrative authority with enormous powers
- B) embodies rules
- C) has the larger interests of public welfare
- D) leaves administrative authority enough discretion to interpret rules

**Q3. According to the passage, there is always a gap between**

- A) rules of natural justice and their application
- B) conception of a rule and its concretization
- C) demand for natural justice and its realization
- D) intention and execution

**Q4. "To dispense with a requirement" means**

- A) to do without the demand
- B) to drop the charge
- C) to cancel all formal procedure
- D) to alter the provisions of the case

**Q5. According to the passage, natural justice can be brought about by**

- A) administrative authority remaining vigilant
- B) administrative authority upholding rules of natural justice
- C) administrative authority farming rules suitably
- D) administrative authority observing the rules of fair play



**READ THE PASSAGE AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS 6 - 9**

Harold a professional man who had worked in an office for many years had a fearful dream. In it, he found himself in a land where small slug-like animals with slimy tentacles lived on people's bodies. The people tolerated the loathsome creatures because after many years they grew into elephants which then became the nation's system of transport, carrying everyone wherever he wanted to go. Harold suddenly realized that he himself was covered with these things, and he woke up screaming. In a vivid sequence of pictures this dream dramatized for Harold what he had never been able to put in to words; he saw himself as letting society feed on his body in his early years so that it would carry him when he retired. He later threw off the "security bug" and took up freelance work.

**Q6. In his dream Harold found the loathsome creatures**

- A) in his village
- B) in his own house
- C) in a different land
- D) in his office

**Q7. Which one of the following phrases best helps to bring out the precise meaning of 'loathsome creatures'?**

- A) Security bug and slimy tentacles
- B) Fearful dream and slug-like animals
- C) Slimy tentacles and slug-like animals
- D) slug-like animals and security bug

**Q8. The statement that 'he later threw off the security bug' means that**

- A) Harold succeeded in overcoming the need for security
- B) Harold stopped giving much importance to dreams
- C) Harold started tolerating social victimization
- D) Harold killed all the bugs troubled him

**Q9. Harold's dream was fearful because**

- A) it brought him face to face with reality
- B) it was full of vivid pictures of snakes
- C) he saw huge elephant in it
- D) in it he saw slimy creatures feeding on people's bodies

**Q10. Translate from an imaginary language into English.**

**Then, look for the word elements that appear both on the list and in the answer choices.**

**Here are some words translated from an artificial language.**

**jalkamofti means happy birthday**

**moftihoze means birthday party**

**mentogunn means goodness**

**Which word could mean "happiness"?**

- A) jalkagunn
- B) mentohoze
- C) moftihoze
- D) Hozemento

**Q11. .Read paragraph carefully and answer the question given below it.**

**To forgive an injury is often considered to be a sign of weakness; it is really a sign of strength. It is easy to allow oneself to be carried away by resentment and hate into an act of vengeance; but it takes a strong character to restrain those natural passions. The man who forgives an injury proves himself to be the superior of the man who wronged himself and puts the wrong-doer to shame.**

**The passage best supports' the statement that:**

- A) the sufferer alone knows the intensity of his sufferings.
- B) people tend to forgive the things happened in the past.
- C) natural passions are difficult to suppress.
- D) mercy is the noblest form of revenge.

**Q12. Read each definition and all four choices carefully, and find the answer that provides the best example of the given definition.**

**Erratic Behavior occurs when an individual acts in a manner that lacks consistency, regularity, and uniformity. Which situation below is the best example of Erratic Behavior?**

- A) Julia cannot contain her anger whenever the subject of local politics is discussed.
- B) Martin has just been told that he is being laid off. Before leaving his supervisor's office, he punches a hole in the door.
- C) Rhonda has visited the dealership several times, but she still cannot decide which car to buy.
- D) In the past month, Jeffrey, who has been a model employee for three years, has repeatedly called in sick, forgotten important meetings, and been verbally abusive to colleagues.

**Q13. Find the statement that must be true according to the given information.**

**On weekends, Mr. Sanchez spends many hours working in his vegetable and flower gardens. Mrs. Sanchez spends her free time reading and listening to classical music. Both Mr. Sanchez and Mrs. Sanchez like to cook.**

- A) Mr. Sanchez enjoys planting and growing vegetables.
- B) Mr. Sanchez does not like classical music.
- C) Mrs. Sanchez cooks the vegetables that Mr. Sanchez grows.
- D) Mrs. Sanchez enjoys reading nineteenth century novels.

**Q14. Each question has an underlined word followed by four answer choices. You will choose the word that is a necessary part of the underlined word.**

**knowledge**

- A) school
- B) teacher
- C) textbook
- D) learning

**Q15. In given question rearrange the given sentences in proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph; then, mark the correct sequence as answer.**

1. Participation involves more than the formal sharing of decisions.
2. Through anticipation, individuals or organizations consider trends and make plans, shielding institutions from trauma of learning by shock.
3. Innovative learning involves both anticipation and participation.
4. It is an attitude characterized by cooperation, dialogue and empathy.

- A) 2314
- B) 1243
- C) 4132
- D) 3214

**In question 16-17, an incomplete statement (Stem) followed by fillers is given. Pick out the best one which can complete incomplete stem correctly and meaningfully.**

**Q16. "You are thinking very highly about Ravi but he is not so" means .....**

- A) Ravi is as good as you think about him
- B) You have a good opinion about Ravi but he is not as good as you think
- C) Your view about Ravi is philosophical, keep it up
- D) Ravi is much better, than what you think of him
- E) You have a good opinion about Ravi but he does not have a good opinion about you

**Q17. "Anand stuck up a friendship with Mahesh in just 2 days" means.....**

- A) Anand friendship with Mahesh came to an end recently
- B) Anand found out the other friends of Mahesh
- C) Anand fixed a deal with Mahesh in 2 days
- D) Anand's friendship with Mahesh lasted for 2 years
- E) Anand became a friend of Mahesh in less than 2 days

**Each question consist of two words which have a certain relationship to each other followed by four pairs of related words, Select the pair which has the same relationship.**

**Q18. AFTER:BEFORE**

- A) first:second
- B) present:past
- C) contemporary:historic
- D) successor:predecessor

**Q19. In the following questions choose the word which is the exact OPPOSITE of the given words.**

**QUIESCENT**

- A) ACTIVE
- B) Dormant
- C) Weak
- D) Unconcerned

**Q20. Choose the one alternative out of four which can be substituted for the given word/sentence.**

**A paper written by hand**

- A) Handicraft
- B) Manuscript
- C) Handiwork
- D) Thesis

**Q21. Choose the one alternative out of four which can be substituted for the given word/sentence.**

**A place that provides refuge**

- A) Asylum
- B) Sanatorium
- C) Shelter
- D) Orphanage



In questions given below, a part of the sentence is italicized and underlined. Below are given alternatives to the italicized part which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative.

**Q22. Realizing is the significance of technical education for developing country, the government laid aside a large sum on it during the last plan-period.**

- A) laid up
- B) set aside
- C) laid out
- D) No improvement

**Q23. The more they earn, more they spend.**

- A) More they earn, more they spend
- B) More they earn, the more they spend
- C) The more they earn, the more they spend
- D) No improvement

**Q24. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of idiom/phrase.**

**He passed himself off as a noble man.**

- A) Was regarded as
- B) Pretended to be
- C) Was thought to be
- D) Was looked upon

**Q25. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of idiom/phrase.**

**This matter has been hanging fire for the last many months and must therefore be decided one way or the other.**

- A) going on slowly
- B) hotly debated
- C) stuck up
- D) ignored

**Fill in the blanks with appropriate options from the relevant number and answer question 26-30 Let children learn to judge their own work.**

**A child ...(1)... to talk does not learn ...(2)... being corrected all the time ...(3)... corrected too much, he will ...(4)... talking. He notices a thousand times a day the difference between the ...(5)... he uses and the language those around him use.**

**Q26. Fill in the blanks ...(1)...with one of the following options.**

- A) endeavoring
- B) learning
- C) experimenting
- D) experiencing



**Q27. Fill in the blanks ...(2)...with one of the following options.**

- A) in
- B) on
- C) by
- D) to

**Q28. Fill in the blanks ...(3)...with one of the following options.**

- A) unless
- B) being
- C) until
- D) if

**Q29. Fill in the blanks ...(4)...with one of the following options.**

- A) stop
- B) halt
- C) avoid
- D) shun

**Q30. Fill in the blanks ...(5)...with one of the following options.**

- A) speech
- B) language
- C) talk
- D) skill