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DURATION: 2 HOURS

SECTION A
COMPREHENSION.

INSTRUCTION: Read the passage carefully and answer the questions below:

Aristotle, an ancient Greek philosopher made a study of animals and showed great interest in the creatures of the sea. He described the catfish which lived in the water near his home, telling us how the male guarded the eggs until they hatched. He also discovered that fishes can make noise, not in their throats, but by rubbing together some scales of their skin and making a kind of squeak.

Later, scientists simply disbelieved this. They even laughed at it until recently an American found out what Aristotle had said was true.

Another good example of exact observation by him is his account of the whale, which he wrote after examining a dead one. He noted that in spite of their outward likeness to fishes, they differ from them because they have red blood and feed their young ones on milk. No other scientist had discovered this fact for nearly two thousand years.

Whenever Aristotle wrote about animals, which he himself was able to observe, his work was remarkable for exactness which has seldom been equalled. When we remember that Aristotle lived more than two thousand years ago, his results seem really wonderful.

QUESTIONS.

1. Where did Aristotle live?
(a) He lived in America (b) He lived in New Zealand
(c) He lived in Guinea (d) He lived in Greece
2. Where did Aristotle show great interest?
(a) In outward likeness of fishes (b) In the creatures of the sea
(c) In making a kind of squeak (d) In other scientists statements
3. Why was Aristotle able to study the catfish well?
(a) The fish can make a noise Aristotle could hear
(b) Aristotle was a philosopher and could understand
(c) It lived in the water near Aristotle's home
(d) Aristotle saw the male which guarded the egg
4. How does the catfish make a noise?
(a) By rubbing together some scales of their skin

- (b) By their throats as they swim in water
- (c) By making a kind of squeak with their tails
- (d) By the males that guard the egg

5. Who disbelieved what Aristotle said?

- (a) Philosophers
- (b) Americans
- (c) Scientists
- (d) Engineers

PASSAGE- B

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions below.

Last month, my brother came home from Lagos, unexpectedly in an unusual way. He had just bought a new car that day and he was very anxious that the rest of us should see it. He was so excited about it that he could not wait till another day to make the long journey.

So he set off from Lagos at about three O'clock in the afternoon. Ibillo is about six hundred kilometres from Lagos, and it is beyond Ore and Benin. The road passed through 'dense' forests with tall trees and green leaves. And the road is very rough.

My brother drove for eight hours and when he finally arrived at Ibillo rather worn out, all the village was already asleep. My brother is always very considerate, he therefore decided to sleep in his car rather than wake everybody up. He parked his car close to the wall of the house and slept off.

Next morning, my mother got up early as she usually does to clean the compound. As she opened the front door of the house, she saw a strange car and a familiar figure lying inside, she immediately shouted for help and the noise woke my brother up.

QUESTIONS

6. Why did the writer's brother go home?

- (a) His parents had asked him to come home
- (b) He likes driving very much
- (c) He wanted to sleep at home that night
- (d) He wanted to show his new car to his relatives back at home

7. Which other word has the same meaning as dense forest

- (a) thick
- (b) evil
- (c) scattered
- (d) wood

8. Where is the brother's home town?

- (a) Ibillo
- (b) Benin
- (c) Ore
- (d) Lagos

9. Why didn't the writer's brother wake up his parents?

- (a) He likes sleeping in cars
- (b) He could not leave his new car
- (c) He didn't like to disturb people who were already sleeping
- (d) He was too tired to knock at the front door

10. What does the write's mother do every morning?

- (a) She inspects the compound
- (b) She wakes up everyone else in the house
- (c) She shouts every morning
- (d) She keeps the house surroundings tidy

SECTION-B

*Choose from the given list of words lettered A-D, the ones which have almost the **opposite** meaning to the underlined words in the sentences.*

11. It took us three days to reach the summit of that hill.

- (a) boundary
- (b) zenith
- (c) bottom
- (d) side

12. Biola is the genius in his class.
 (a) mediocre (b) dullard (c) captain (d) prefect
13. David gave the teacher an accurate answer to the question.
 (a) example (b) wrong (c) exact (d) good
14. Jide accepted the man's gift.
 (a) helped (b) collected (c) beat (d) rejected
15. The speaker used the microphone very well.
 (a) usher (b) gate-keeper (c) listener (d) spectator

Choose from the list of words lettered A-D, the one which have **almost the same meaning** as the word underlined in each sentences.

16. The guests are expected anytime from now.
 (a) hosts (b) inspectors (c) strangers (d) visitors
17. The children were curious to see their parents.
 (a) eager (b) happy (c) prepared (d) ready
18. I am confident of success in the examination.
 (a) ashamed (b) sure (c) afraid (d) peaceful
19. He was awarded a prize for honesty.
 (a) left (b) shown (c) given (d) found
20. The Head teacher commended to the pupils' actions.
 (a) commanded (b) ordered (c) admitted (d) praised

SECTION C.

Choose from the **alternatives** lettered A-D, the word that is **correctly spelt**.

21. (a) Chemicall (b) Chemical (c) Kemical (d) Chemicalh
22. (a) Opportunity (b) Oportunity (c) Opputunity (d) Opotunity
23. (a) Dangros (b) Dangeris (c) Denigerious (d) Dangerous
24. (a) Sawgean (b) Surgeon (c) Surgion (d) Surgecon
25. (a) Head techer (b) Head tacher (c) Head teacher (d) Head teher

SECTION D.

Complete each of the following statements with the most **appropriate** options lettered A-D.

26. The criminal case was decided at the.....
 (a) bar (b) chambers (c) hospital (d) lawcourt
27. After a long trial, the judge.....the innocent man.
 (a) acquitted (b) convicted (c) dismissed (d) remanded

28. It is always good to.....a qualified doctor when one is ill.
 (a) approach (b) consult (c) inform (d) visit
29. I'm trying to make my writing.....so that people can read it without difficulty.
 (a) appropriate (b) bold (c) legible (d) suitable
30. Please.....that radio to FRCN, I want to listen to the national news.
 (a) move (b) roll (c) switch (d) tune

From the options lettered A-D, choose the best **interpretations** for the statements.

31. My friend arrived at the venue of our meeting in the nick of time. This means he came.....
 (a) at the exact time (b) just a bit early
 (c) just a little late (d) too early
32. My uncle set his face against the proposal. This means he.....the proposal.
 (a) did not respect (b) disregarded
 (c) was opposed to (d) put up
33. Mary's people see her once in a blue moon. This means they see her.....
 (a) every full moon (b) often
 (c) very rarely (d) once in a month
34. Haruna is the black sheep of the family. This means Haruna is.....
 (a) dark skinned (b) a jewel
 (c) a disgrace (d) a pride
35. Moses was the fly in the ointment in the family. This means that Moses was thein the family.
 (a) only adventurous (b) only bad boy
 (c) only flying captain (d) pride of everyone

From the options given below, choose the words that best fill the following spaces.

The roots of most plants grow in the.....[36]....., They do not just sit there, but seem to[37]..... out in the soil to help the plant.....[38]..... By stretching out their tips,.....[39].....are always coming in touch with new.....[40].....of soil.

36. (a) plant (b) soil (c) river (d) ground
37. (a) grow (b) absorb (c) hang (d) reach
38. (a) inserted (b) digged (c) pulled (d) layer
39. (a) tap-root (b) plant (c) rotten (d) leaf
40. (a) part (b) pattern (c) plain (d) place