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**Pattern and Marking Scheme**

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**Each question carries 1 mark (Total duration: 60 min. including Rapid Fire of 5 min.)**

Spell-o-Spell

1. Find out the meaning of the correctly spelt word from the given alternatives:
  1. consequence 2. comparative 3. synthesises 4. indistructible
  - (a) a mixture or combination of ideas, beliefs, styles, etc.
  - (b) judged by estimating the similarity or dissimilarity between one thing and another
  - (c) not able to be destroyed
  - (d) a result of something that has happened

Spell-o-Spell

2. Find out the meaning of the correctly spelt word from the given alternatives:
  1. dialoge 2. encouerge 3. perceive 4. comittee
  - (a) a group of people appointed for a specific function
  - (b) become aware of something
  - (c) a conversation between two or more people
  - (d) give support, confidence, or hope to someone

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Spell-o-Spell

3. Find out the meaning of the correctly spelt word from the given alternatives:

1. sieze 2. releive 3. hiefer 4. specimen

- (a) an example of something regarded as typical of its class
  - (b) a cow that has not borne a calf
  - (c) to become less severe or serious
  - (d) take hold of something suddenly and forcibly
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Spell-o-Spell

4. Find out the meaning of the incorrectly spelt word from the given alternatives:

1. concession 2. monarchy 3. shepherd 4. characterstic

- (a) a person whose job is to take care of sheep
  - (b) very typical of something or of somebody's character
  - (c) something good that first appears to be bad
  - (d) a thing that is granted, especially in response to demands
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Spell-o-Spell

5. Find out the meaning of the incorrectly spelt word from the given alternatives:

1. appreciation 2. concious 3. glitter 4. benefactor

- (a) a person who gives money or other help to a person or cause
  - (b) aware of something
  - (c) to shine brightly
  - (d) recognition of the good qualities of someone or something
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Spell-o-Spell

6. Find out the meaning of the incorrectly spelt word from the given alternatives:

1. grammer 2. soldier 3. persevere 4. Glutton

- (a) an excessively greedy person
- (b) to continue trying to do or achieve something despite difficulties
- (c) a person who serves in army
- (d) the whole system and structure of a language

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Word Connection

7. Find out the antonym of the word marked in bold in the given sentence:

His murder was an **outrageous** and barbarous act.

- (a) abominable (b) dazzling  
(c) courageous (d) delightful
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Word Connection

8. Find out the antonym of the word marked in bold in the given sentence:

The screaming **tempest** whipped into the house, hurling furniture across the room.

- (a) upheaval (b) uproar  
(c) calm (d) impulse
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Word Connection

9. Find out the antonym of the word marked in bold in the given sentence:

He made one mistake and his career came to an **ignominious** end.

- (a) glorious (b) insignificant  
(c) humiliating (d) discreditable
- 

Word Connection

10. Find out the antonym of the word marked in bold in the given sentence:

She wished to work on her novel in **solitude**.

- (a) seclusion (b) company  
(c) attitude (d) aptitude
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Word Connection

11. Find out the synonym of the word marked in bold in the given sentence:

The article was a **savage** attack on the government's record.

- (a) remarkable (b) fierce  
(c) indigenuous (d) sophisticated

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Word Connection

12. Find out the synonym of the word marked in bold in the given sentence:

People love dogs because they are **sagacious** animals.

- (a) furious (b) loyal  
(c) violent (d) astute
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Word Connection

13. Find out the synonym of the word marked in bold in the given sentence:

Everybody was very happy to hear that the **wicked** woman passed off

- (a) dangerous (b) elderly  
(c) evil (d) decent
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Word Connection

14. Find out the synonym of the word marked in bold in the given sentence:

His **pecuniary** troubles were now at an end.

- (a) family (b) remarkable  
(c) peculiar (d) monetary
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Word Makeup

15. Choose the word from which a meaningful word can be formed using the given suffix:

eous

- (a) envy (b) endure  
(c) study (d) court
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Word Makeup

16. Choose the word from which a meaningful word cannot be formed using the given suffix:  
ment

(a) despair (b) appoint  
(c) astonish (d) abandon

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Word Makeup

17. Choose the word from which a meaningful word cannot be formed using the given suffix.  
tion

(a) contribute (b) emit  
(c) constitute (d) conjugate

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Word Makeup

18. Choose the word from which a meaningful word cannot be formed using the given prefix.  
in

(a) frequent (b) equality  
(c) equivalent (d) action

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Word Makeup

19. Choose the word from which a meaningful word cannot be formed using the given prefix:  
im

(a) practical (b) pulse  
(c) probable (d) perversity

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Word Makeup

20. Choose the word from which a meaningful word cannot be formed using the given prefix:

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- (a) solve
- (c) frain

- (b) volve
  - (d) cede
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Word Makeup

21. From the given alternatives, choose the correct compound word:

- (a) blackbaord
- (c) countriside

- (b) buyproduct
  - (d) churchgoer
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Word Makeup

22. From the given alternatives, choose the correct compound word:

- (a) copyright
- (c) earthwarm

- (b) playwright
  - (d) eyedled
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Word Makeup

23. From the given alternatives, choose the correct compound word:

- (a) driveway
- (c) driveaway

- (b) flochart
  - (d) homemade
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Word Makeup

24. From the given alternatives, choose the correct compound word:

- (a) icebroker
- (c) iceberg

- (b) headqaurter
  - (d) haystack
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Mingle-Mangle

25. Identify the word with jumbled letters in the given sentence:

The doctor carefully evaluates the laudividni needs of her patients.

- (a) delusion (b) individual  
(c) definite (d) validity
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Mingle-Mangle

26. identify the word with jumbled letters in the given sentence:

There is a nrefuteq bus service to the centre of town.

- (a) frequent (b) fervent  
(c) frequency (d) frequent
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Mingle-Mangle

27. Identify the word with jumbled letters in the given sentence:

The rtvecid was set aside by an appellate court.

- (a) verdant (b) convict  
(c) victim (d) verdict
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PictureSpeak

28. select the correct spelling for the given image:



- (a) chauffeir (b) chauffier  
(c) chauffeur (d) chaffer
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PictureSpeak

29. Select the correct spelling for the given image:



- (a) mekanic
- (c) mechanik

- (b) mekhanic
  - (d) mechanic
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PictureSpeak

30. Select the correct spelling for the given image:



- (a) hyefer
- (c) hiefer

- (b) heifer
  - (d) hypher
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Word Cookie

31. Insert the missing letters in the given word:  
m\_sc\_ll\_neous

- (a) i, e, a
- (c) i, i, a

- (b) i, a, e
- (d) e, i, a



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Word Cookie

32. Insert the missing letters in the given word:

outr\_g\_ous

(a) e, i  
(c) a, e

(b) a, i  
(d) e, e

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Word Cookie

33. Insert the missing letters in the given word:

abh\_r\_ence

(a) a, i  
(c) a, r

(b) e, i  
(d) o, r

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Word Cookie

34. Find the extra letter in the given word from the alternatives:

receitation

(a) i  
(c) a

(b) e  
(d) t

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Word Cookie

35. Find the extra letter in the given word from the alternatives:

recommendation

(a) c  
(c) d

(b) m  
(d) i

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Word Cookie

36. Find the extra letter in the given word from the alternatives:

altruism

- (a) l
- (c) i

- (b) t
  - (d) u
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Word Cookie

37. Find the misspelt word in the given sentence:

Till the middle of the eighteenth century, cricket bats were roughly the same shape as those of hockey sticks.

- (a) hockey
- (c) eighteenth

- (b) roughly
  - (d) middle
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Word Cookie

38. Find the misspelt word in the given sentence:

He showed remarkable endurance throughout his illness.

- (a) throughout
- (c) endurance

- (b) remarkable
  - (d) illness
- 

Word Cookie

39. Find the misspelt word in the given sentence:

Every day the schoolchildren pledge an oath of allegiance to thier country.

- (a) allegiance
- (c) pledge

- (b) thier
  - (d) sophisticated
- 

Word Cookie

40. Find the misspelt word in the given sentence:

The governer made only a passing reference to the problem of unemployment.

- (a) governer
- (c) reference

- (b) problem
  - (d) unemployment
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Word Melody

41. Find the phonetic of the given word:

evanescent

- (a) /'ɛvɪd(ə)nt/  
(c) /ɛvə'nɛs(ə)nt

- (b) /ɛvə'la:stɪŋ/  
(d) /əd'vɑ:nsm(ə)nt/
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Word Melody

42. Find the phonetic of the given word:

profession

- (a) /prə'sɛf(ə)n/  
(c) /pə'zɛf(ə)n/

- (b) /prə'fɛf(ə)n/  
(d) /pɪ'sɛf(ə)n/
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Word Melody

43. Find the phonetic of the given word:

reflection

- (a) /rɪ'sɛf(ə)n/  
(c) /rɪ'flɛkʃ(ə)n/

- (b) /rɪ'grɛf(ə)n/  
(d) /rɪ'tɛnʃ(ə)n/
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Word Melody

44. Find the phonetic of the given word:

attention

- (a) /ə'tɛnʃ(ə)n/  
(c) /ə'tɛntɪvn/

- (b) /ə'tɛntɪv/  
(d) /ə'trɛf(ə)n/
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Word Ensemble

45. Find out the meaning of the given idiom:

blessing in disguise

- (a) wishing something bad for others
  - (b) a curse which seems to be blessing
  - (c) something good that first appears to be bad
  - (d) pretending to be good
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Word Ensemble

46. Find out the meaning of the given idiom:

vote with one's feet

- (a) to criticize someone
  - (b) to show that you do not support something
  - (c) to be loyal to someone
  - (d) to argue about something
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Word Ensemble

47. Find out the meaning of the idiom used in the given sentence:

Your friend who is always giggling might be a little **feather brained**.

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|------------------------|---------------------------|
| (a) proud              | (b) arrogant              |
| (c) gentle or friendly | (d) empty headed or silly |
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Word Ensemble

48. Find out the meaning of the idiom used in the given sentence:

After second heart attack, she decided it would be best to follow her doctor's advice and **call it a day**.

- (a) decide or agree to stop doing something
  - (b) to enjoy a day
  - (c) to feel relaxed
  - (d) to decide to do something new
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Word Ensemble

49. Complete the given proverb:

Lie down with dogs, \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) wake up with flies
  - (b) wake up with fleas
  - (c) woke up with dirt
  - (d) wake up with problems
- 

Word Ensemble

50. Complete the given proverb:

Opportunity seldom \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) knocks once
  - (b) knocks
  - (c) knocks twice
  - (d) knocks never
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Word Ensemble

51. Complete the given proverb:

Don't count your chickens \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) before they hatch
  - (b) before they fry
  - (c) before they catch
  - (d) before they snatch
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Word Ensemble

52. Complete the given proverb:

If you snooze, \_\_\_\_\_

- (a) your loss
- (c) you lose

- (b) you freeze
- (d) you sneeze

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Mathlish

53. Find the number of misspelt words in the given set of words:

pique, orthodox, resentment, acclaim, crouch, enamoured

- (a) 1
- (c) 3

- (b) 2
- (d) 4

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Mathlish

54. Find the number of misspelt words in the given set of words:

converse, saucer, privail, furnish, render, inscite

- (a) 6
- (c) 4

- (b) 5
- (d) 3

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Mathlish

55. Find the number of misspelt words in the given set of words:

amileorate, feeble, comprehensive, delectate, ludicrous, vanish

- (a) 2
- (c) 3

- (b) 1
- (d) 4

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Mathlish

56. Find the number of misspelt words in the given set of words:

moderate, fiend, invigorate, descendent, mirth, acquire

- (a) 3
- (c) 1

- (b) 2
  - (d) 5
- 

Mathlish

57. Find the number of correctly spelt words from the given set:

consistant, indigestable, rouse, gratify, swallow, muscle

- (a) 3
- (c) 4

- (b) 2
  - (d) 5
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Mathlish

58. Find the number of correctly spelt words from the given set:

insolant, architect, knell, gaurdian, opress, mortle

- (a) 3
- (c) 2

- (b) 4
  - (d) 1
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Mathlish

59. Find the number of correctly spelt words from the given set:

harvest, admiration, torpor, melancholy, esteam, pershuade

- (a) 2
- (c) 3

- (b) 5
  - (d) 4
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Mathlish

60. Find the number of correctly spelt words from the given set:

interfear, restraint, clamaur, companion, restoration, flutter

- (a) 3
- (c) 5

- (b) 4
- (d) 6

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## Rapid Fire Section (Audio Round)

5 min.

Please listen to the audio and write the correct spelling (you need a headphone to attempt this round):

61. uninhabited



62. simultaneously



63. vengeance



64. counterfeit



65. negligent



66. melancholy



67. hilarious



68. gruesome



69. despondent













70. susceptible





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71. accessible 
72. mosque 
73. eminent 
74. poisonous 
75. reluctant 
76. observance 
77. acquaintance 
78. predilection 
79. amicable 
80. beneficial 

## Answers

1. (d), 2. (b), 3. (a), 4. (b), 5. (b), 6. (d), 7. (d), 8. (c), 9. (a), 10. (b), 11. (b), 12. (d), 13. (c), 14. (d), 15. (d), 16. (a), 17. (b), 18. (c), 19. (d), 20. (c), 21. (d), 22. (b), 23. (a), 24. (c), 25. (b), 26. (a), 27. (d), 28. (c), 29. (d), 30. (b), 31. (a), 32. (c), 33. (d), 34. (b), 35. (a), 36. (d), 37. (c), 38. (c), 39. (b), 40. (a), 41. (c), 42. (b), 43. (c), 44. (a), 45. (c), 46. (b), 47. (d), 48. (a), 49. (b), 50. (c), 51. (a), 52. (c), 53. (b), 54. (b), 55. (a), 56. (c), 57. (a), 58. (c), 59. (d), 60. (a)