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Multiple Choice Questions:

1. The Bow-Wow theory holds that language originated in the primitive men's imitation of the _____ of animals.

- (a) sounds
- (b) gestures
- (c) figures
- (d) actions

2. The _____ theory derives its name from the barking sound of the dog.

- (a) Ding-Dong
- (b) Bow-wow
- (c) Pooh-Pooh
- (d) Gesture

3. The Ding Dong theory is associated with the name of _____ .

- (a) Max Muller
- (b) Wilhelm Wundt
- (c) Noam Chomsky
- (d) Roman Jakobson

4. The _____ theory traces the origin of language to involuntary emotional interjections.

- (a) Ding-Dong
- (b) Bow-wow
- (c) Pooh-Pooh
- (d) Gesture

5. Max Muller was a German _____ .

- (a) philologist
- (b) psychologist
- (c) historian
- (d) scientist

6. The expression pooh-pooh indicates _____ .

- (a) disgust
- (b) love
- (c) happiness
- (d) fear

7. The _____ theory holds that man passed from sign language to spoken language.

- (a) Ding-Dong
- (b) Bow-wow
- (c) Pooh-Pooh

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8. The Sanskrit word “Arya” means _____ .

- (a) noble
- (b) idle
- (c) peaceful
- (d) frank

9. There are _____ groups of Indo-European family of languages.

- (a) Five
- (b) Nine
- (c) Four
- (d) Eight

10. The _____ group is also a part of Indo-European family.

- (a) French
- (b) Germanic
- (c) Albanian
- (d) Armenian

11. The Eastern group of languages in Indo-European family is called _____ languages.

- (a) Foreign
- (b) Local
- (c) Satem
- (d) Centum

12. Greek and Latin belong to the _____ group.

- (a) Eastern
- (b) Western
- (c) Southern
- (d) Northern

13. Which one of the following kings of England commissioned an official English Language Bible?

- (a) Henry VIII
- (b) Henry V
- (c) Richard III
- (d) John

15. The official English Language Bible commissioned by King of England Henry VIII is known as _____ .

- (a) Tyndale Bible
- (b) The Great Bible
- (c) The Bishop’s Bible
- (d) Geneva Bible

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16. 'The Great Bible' commissioned by the King of England Henry III, heavily drew on _____ .
(a) Wycliffe's Bible
(b) Latin Vulgate Bible
(c) Geneva Bible
(d) Tyndale's version of the Bible
17. 'The Great Bible' commissioned by the king of England Henry VIII is also known as _____ .
(a) New English Bible
(b) Tyndale Bible
(c) Hebrew Bible
(d) The King James Bible
18. _____ is the most printed book in history.
(a) The Lord of the Rings Trilogy
(b) Paulo Coelho's The Alchemist
(c) The King James Bible
(d) Quotations from the Works of Mao Tse-tung
19. _____ is often described as the most important book in the English language that has had the deepest influence on the way English has evolved over the last 400 years.
(a) Tyndale's version of the Bible
(b) The King James Bible
(c) The Bishop's Bible
(d) Geneva Bible
20. By whose efforts does the King James Bible remain the most widely read version of the Bible in the United States?
(a) Pope John II
(b) Martin Luther
(c) Pilgrim Fathers
(d) Archbishop of Canterbury
21. Which one of the common idiomatic phrases belongs to the King James Bible?
(a) A penny for your thoughts
(b) Action speaks louder than words
(c) Salt of the earth
(d) Blessing in disguise
22. The King James Bible was first published in _____.
(a) 1600
(b) 1604
(c) 1611

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23. Which translated version of the Bible, King James thought, criticized the divine right of the royal throne?

- (a) **Geneva Bible**
- (b) The Bishop's Bible
- (c) Wycliffe Bible
- (d) Tyndale Bible

24. The name of the Archbishop of London who set down a series of strict rules for the translation of King James Bible was _____.

- (a) John Stuart
- (b) Matthews
- (c) **Richard Bancroft**
- (d) Richardson

25. The Bible which was supposed to be thought as a model for the King James' Bible was _____.

- (a) Geneva Bible
- (b) **The Bishop's Bible of 1568**
- (c) New English Bible
- (d) Tyndale Bible

26. The King James Bible was first printed by _____.

- (a) Robert bridges
- (b) Robert Watson
- (c) Robert Parker
- (d) **Robert Barker**

27. The special contribution of the King James Bible was that it _____.

- (a) standardized English spellings and pronunciations
- (b) helped Britain to expand Imperial power
- (c) **gave a Unity to form and expression to the language of religion and faith**
- (d) helped to unite Wales, Ireland, Scotland and England

28. Who wrote the preface to the King James Bible?

- (a) **Myles Smith, the Bishop of Gloucester**
- (b) The Bishop of Dover
- (c) The Bishop of Dorchester
- (d) The Bishop of Kingston

29. Which words were used by translators of the Bible for 'You' in King James Bible?

- (a) This and That
- (b) Then and There
- (c) **Thou and thee**

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30. In which year did the universities of Cambridge and Oxford gain permission from the Crown to produce revised editions of King James Bible?

- (a) 1625
- (b) 1629**
- (c) 1627
- (d) 1632

31. The Oxford Dictionary sites over _____ words found in Shakespeare's poetry and plays, which were not written down elsewhere before the late 16th century.

- (a) 2000**
- (b) 300
- (c) 20000
- (d) 1000

32. Which one of the following phrases is not from Shakespeare?

- (a) 'give the devil his due'
- (b) 'vanish into thin air'
- (c) 'more in sorrow than in anger'
- (d) 'a thing of beauty is joy forever'**

33. The phrase 'I will wear my heart upon my sleeve' is from Shakespeare's _____.

- (a) King Lear
- (b) Macbeth
- (c) Othello**
- (d) Hamlet

34. The phrase 'A Pound of flesh' is from Shakespeare's _____.

- (a) The Merchant of Venice**
- (b) As You Like It
- (c) The Tempest
- (d) Julius Caesar

35. The phrase 'Give the devil his due' is from Shakespeare's _____.

- (a) Merry Wives of Windsor
- (b) The Tempest
- (c) Richard III
- (d) Henry V**

36. The phrase 'More sinned against than sinning' is from Shakespeare's _____.

- (a) Macbeth
- (b) King Lear**
- (c) Hamlet

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37. Which one of the following phrases is from Macbeth?

- (a) 'Milk of human kindness'
- (b) 'Vanish into thin air'
- (c) 'Laughing stock'
- (d) 'Parting is such sweet sorrow'

38. Which one of the following phrases is from Romeo and Juliet?

- (a) 'Milk of human kindness'
- (b) 'More in sorrow than in anger'
- (c) 'Give the devil his due'
- (d) 'Parting is sweet sorrow'

39. Which one of the following phrase is from the Tempest?

- (a) 'More in sorrow than in anger'
- (b) 'Vanish into thin air'
- (c) 'Parting is such sweet sorrow'
- (d) 'A laughing stock'

40. Shakespeare is regarded as _____ in terms of enriching English language.

- (a) a prolific Wordsworth
- (b) a user of highly Latinized English
- (c) a user of Frenchified vocabulary
- (d) an imitator of classical plays

41. John Milton is best known for his _____.

- (a) Comus
- (b) Areopagitica
- (c) On Shakespeare
- (d) Paradise Lost

42. Milton's _____ is considered to be one of the masterpieces of literature in English language.

- (a) Samson Agonistes
- (b) On the Morning of Christ's Nativity
- (c) Paradise Lost
- (d) Comus

43. Milton's support for _____ led him to being appointed as Minister for foreign tongues.

- (a) Charles III
- (b) Oliver Cromwell
- (c) Richard the third
- (d) Charles II

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44. The puritans demanded a state-authorized version of the Bible from _____ .

(a) King James I

(b) Henry V

(c) Henry VIII

(d) Charles I

45. The authorised version was prepared for use in the church of _____ .

(a) France

(b) Germany

(c) Ireland

(d) England

46. _____ is best known for his Epic the Paradise Lost.

(a) Milton

(b) Shakespeare

(c) Wordsworth

(d) Coleridge

47. Allophones are different versions of _____ .

(a) Morpheme

(b) Phoneme

(c) Syllable

(d) Words

48. A _____ variety of language is called dialect.

(a) regional

(b) historical

(c) Scientific

(d) Common

49. _____ is a piece of language longer than a sentence.

(a) Word

(b) Phrase

(c) Discourse

(d) Syntax

50. _____ is the study of the origin and history of words.

(a) Etymology

(b) Phonology

(c) Morphology

(d) Lexicology

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51. The mother tongue is also known as _____ .

- (a) L1
- (b) L2
- (c) L3
- (d) L4

52. The _____ has created a system of notation for the sounds of languages.

- (a) Etymology
- (b) IPA**
- (c) Morphology
- (d) Lexicology

53. _____ makes a distinction between language acquisition and learning.

- (a) Noam Chomsky
- (b) Steven Pinker
- (c) Stephen Krashen**
- (d) Brian Collin

54. _____ is used for communication by people who do not speak common language.

- (a) Lingua franca**
- (b) Mother tongue
- (c) Second language
- (d) Foreign language

55. _____ is the study of the formation of words.

- (a) Lexicology
- (b) Phonology
- (c) Morphology**
- (d) Etymology

56. _____ is a distinct speech sound in a language.

- (a) Phoneme**
- (b) Syllable
- (c) Intonation
- (d) Allophone

57. English is a _____ language in India.

- (a) Mother tongue
- (b) L1
- (c) Second**
- (d) L4

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58. _____ is the study of the arrangement of words in a sentence.

(a) Morphology

(b) Syntax

(c) Syllable

(d) Phonology

59. Phonetics is the science of _____ .

(a) Writing

(b) Reading

(c) Speech sounds

(d) Symbol

60. The other name of the windpipe is _____ .

(a) pharynx

(b) teeth ridge

(c) alveolar ridge

(d) trachea

61. The smallest distinctive sound unit is called _____ .

(a) allophone

(b) uvula

(c) phoneme

(d) larynx

62. The opening between the vocal cords is called _____ .

(a) trachea

(b) pharynx

(c) tongue

(d) glottis

63. The vocal cords are located in the _____ .

(a) pharynx

(b) windpipe

(c) larynx

(d) lungs

64. In the production of the nasal sounds, the soft palate is _____ .

(a) raised

(b) lowered

(c) central

(d) neutral

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65. When the vocal cords vibrate, a _____ sound is produced.

- (a) **voiced**
- (b) voiceless
- (c) silent
- (d) loud

66. Language is a system of _____ .

- (a) sounds
- (b) signs
- (c) alphabets
- (d) **communication**

67. The variants of phonemes are called _____ .

- (a) **allophones**
- (b) alveolar sounds
- (c) velar sounds
- (d) glottal sound

68. When the soft palate is lowered, the air escapes through the _____ .

- (a) mouth
- (b) lungs
- (c) **nose**
- (d) throat

69. All English vowels are _____ .

- (a) voiceless
- (b) voiced
- (c) silent
- (d) **oral**

70. The teeth ridge is also called the _____ .

- (a) **alveolar ridge**
- (b) palatal ridge
- (c) nasal ridge
- (d) oral range

71. The part above the larynx is called the _____ .

- (a) voice box
- (b) mouth
- (c) nasal cavity
- (d) **pharynx**

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72. The soft palate is also called _____ .

- (a) uvula
- (b) teeth ridge
- (c) velum**
- (d) tongue

73. The origin of language seems to be bound up with _____ .

- (a) human feelings
- (b) human thought**
- (c) human behaviour
- (d) human activity

74. In words of more than one syllable, not all the syllables are equally _____ .

- (a) stressed**
- (b) placed
- (c) used
- (d) arranged

75. Very often stress and pitch change work together to make a _____ prominent.

- (a) word
- (b) syllable**
- (c) sound
- (d) pitch

76. _____ is marked with a vertical bar above and in front of the syllable to which it refers.

- (a) Syllable
- (b) Secondary stress
- (c) Primary stress**
- (d) Pitch

77. _____ is marked with a bar below and in front of the syllable.

- (a) Primary stress
- (b) Syllable
- (c) Secondary stress**
- (d) Pitch

78. _____ language is drawn from two main sources, Germanic and Romance.

- (a) English**
- (b) Greek
- (c) French
- (d) Spanish

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79. In compound words, the primary stress is generally on one element-usually the _____ .

- (a) first
- (b) second
- (c) first & second
- (d) last

80. An oblique bar pointing downwards indicates the _____ .

- (a) pre-tonic stress
- (b) post-tonic stress
- (c) tonic-stress
- (d) ordinary stress

81. The accent is on the first syllable when the word is a/an _____ .

- (a) verb
- (b) adverb
- (c) noun or adjective
- (d) pronoun

82. A stressed syllable on which a pitch change takes place has a _____ tone.

- (a) static
- (b) normal
- (c) kinetic
- (d) tonic stress

83. The accent is on the second syllable when the word is a _____ .

- (a) verb
- (b) adverb
- (c) noun or an adjective
- (d) pronoun

84. All English words have primary or secondary _____ .

- (a) stress
- (b) tone
- (c) pitch
- (d) intonation

85. Words with _____ prefixes are stressed on the root.

- (a) strong
- (b) weak
- (c) medium
- (d) some

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86. Words that are normally stressed in native English are sometimes left unstressed in _____.

- (a) Indian English
- (b) American English
- (c) Standard English
- (d) African English

87. In ordinary statements made without emotional implications _____ tone is used.

- (a) falling
- (b) rising
- (c) rising-falling
- (d) falling-rising

88. In commands, _____ tone is used.

- (a) rising
- (b) falling
- (c) mixed
- (d) heavy

90. Rising tone is used in _____.

- (a) commands
- (b) polite request
- (c) emotional responses
- (d) questions said in neutral way

91. To make _____ intelligible correct patterns of word stress should be maintained.

- (a) British English
- (b) Indian English
- (c) Spanish English
- (d) American English

92. Accent on the _____ syllable of a word affects the intelligibility of Indian English.

- (a) right
- (b) wrong
- (c) final
- (d) last

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