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(1) A person who is proficient in the use of two language is ____

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- (C) multilingualist
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bilingualist

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 Explanation

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(3) The English language was initially the indigenous language of the natives of ____

- (A) England
- (B) America
- (C) Canada
- (D) Australia
- (E) Nigeria

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England

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 Explanation

(4) The term 'lingua franca' denotes ____

- (A) mother tongue
- (B) official language
- (C) bridge language
- (D) second language

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bridge language

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 Explanation

(5) Listening is ____ language skill

- (A) a receptive
- (B) an appreciative
- (C) a critical
- (D) a productive
- (E) a secondary

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a critical

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Explanation

(6) A thesaurus is an example of ____ dictionary

- (A) a subject
- (B) a bilingual
- (C) a general
- (D) synonyms & antonyms
- (E) an acronym

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a general

(7) A dictionary provides the following information except ____

- (A) etymology
- (B) syllabic information
- (C) grammatical information
- (D) variant spellings
- (E) sentence structure

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variant spellings

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 Explanation

(8) If the word 'accompaniment' is written as 'ac-com-pa-ni-ment' in the dictionary, the information given is on

- (A) etymology
- (B) stress
- (C) phonetics
- (D) syllabication
- (E) grammar

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syllabication

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 Explanation

(9) Which of the following is not a reason for extensive reading?

- (A) to be proficient in the target language
- (B) to be a good writer
- (C) to broaden one's knowledge
- (D) to relax
- (E) to pass examination

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to pass examination

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 Explanation

(10) All but one of the following are techniques for faster reading.

- (A) establishment of the purpose of reading
- (B) phrase reading
- (C) increasing recognition span
- (D) skimming

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establishment of the purpose of reading

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 Explanation

(11) A reading fault in which the reader, without moving the lips or reading aloud, goes on to articulate and mention the words in the mind as the reading goes on is called _____

- (A) vocalization
- (B) sub-vocalization
- (C) regression
- (D) small recognition span
- (E) finger pointing

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sub-vocalization

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 Explanation

(12) A reading approach in which the reader varies the speed and the technique in order to suit the reading material is called _____

- (A) reading with purpose
- (B) reading with flexibility
- (C) varying reading speed
- (D) increasing recognition span
- (E) skimming and scanning

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reading with flexibility

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(13) One of the following is not true of an outline

- (A) it is a schematic sketch of the contents of a passage or the layout of the plan of an essay
- (B) it may not be written in a complete sentence.
- (C) it uses numbering, headings and spaces to show the sections.
- (D) it usually has parallel structures.
- (E) none of the above

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none of the above

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 Explanation

(14) A summary in which the writer provides the reader a map of the original material given an indebt details is called _____

- (A) itemized summary
- (B) analytical summary
- (C) restatement or precis
- (D) descriptive summary
- (E) none of the above

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descriptive summary

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(15) Which of the following is not a key feature of summary?

(A) it allows verbatim lifting of sentences of the source

(B) it can briefly present the ideas of the source using other words

(C) It represent its source accurately and comprehensively

(D) I does not accommodate external examples and explanations

(E) it allows verbatim lifting of sentences of the source

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it allows verbatim lifting of sentences of the source

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 Explanation

(16) Which of the following is not an advantage of outlining?

(A) it enhances note taking/note making

(B) it facilitates reading comprehension

(C) it is very useful in writing

(D) it aids the memory

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none of the above

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(17) The word 'hijab' denotes a piece of cloth worn by Muslim women. It is not originally an English word but came into English vocabulary through ____

- (A) blending
- (B) borrowing
- (C) denotation
- (D) clipping
- (E) connotation

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borrowing

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 Explanation

(18) Identify which of the following suffixes that is NOT an adjective forming suffix as used in the word they appear.

- (A) Sickly
- (B) wonderful
- (C) clockwise
- (D) seriously
- (E) gigantic

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seriously

(19) The prefixes found in the following words have about the same meaning except _____

- (A) pre -cast
- (B) ante -natal
- (C) fore -warned
- (D) anti -septic
- (E) ante -cedent

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anti -septic

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 Explanation

(20) SENTENCE: "The man has an impeccable character." Pick a word that is the synonym of the underlined word in the given sentence

- (A) snobbish
- (B) kind
- (C) selfish
- (D) perfect
- (E) unpredictable

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perfect

(21) SENTENCE: "he is quite frugal in his daily life". Pick a word that is the antonym of the underlined word in the given sentence:

- (A) Responsible
- (B) cautious
- (C) miserly
- (D) extravagant
- (E) aggressive

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extravagant

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Explanation

(22) what is the lexical relationship existing in the underlined words in the following sentences?

SENTENCE: (i) "please don't soil my cloth with grease"

(ii) "we have a good soil for growing cassava".

- (A) hyponyms
- (B) homonyms
- (C) antonyms
- (D) homophones

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homonyms

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 Explanation

(23) The following words have vowels produced the same way except _____

- (A) meat
- (B) creed
- (C) quay
- (D) pill
- (E) key

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pill

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 Explanation

(24) The letters "th" is produced the same way in all the following words except-----

- (A) Thank
- (B) with
- (C) there
- (D) path
- (E) thick

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there

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(25) One of the following options indicates the correct stress pattern of the word “information”.

- (A) INformation
- (B) inFORmation
- (C) inforMAtion
- (D) informaTION
- (E) inFORMAtion

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inforMAtion

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 Explanation

(26) When addressing an audience, a speaker can get the reaction of the audience through_____

- (A) Rhetoric questions
- (B) feedback
- (C) anecdote
- (D) humour
- (E) channel

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feedback

(1) . One of the following is not a characteristic of language:

(A) Language is specific to man and animal do not have language

(B) language have set of rules which governs its usage

(C) language is transmitted from parent to their children genetically

(D) language is culturally transmitted

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language is transmitted from parent to their children genetically

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Explanation

(2) One of the following may not be a function of language:

- (A) we use language to share information with others
- (B) We use language in social interaction and to build relationships
- (C) we use language as non-verbal sign
- (D) we use language to express our emotions and our personality
- (E) we use language to sustain development.

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we use language as non-verbal sign

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 Explanation

(3) One of these may not be true of English in Nigeria:

- (A) English is used as a second language
- (B) English is used as a lingua franca by everybody
- (C) English is used as official language
- (D) English was first introduced by British merchant
- (E) English serve as the chief medium of communication in the colonial administration

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(4) In the management of your time you should not adopt one of the following strategies:

(A) thinking strategically around the task ahead of you to tackle it properly

(B) adopting time-use strategy which will involve understanding the task and tackling it headlong in a conducive environment

(C) balancing your life by disciplining yourself to face all your task adequately d. make sure your studies is all that matter in your life

(D) make sure your studies is all that matter in your life

(E) shading off some activities or tasks that take disproportional part of your time

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make sure your studies is all that matter in your life

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Explanation

(5) One of the following may not be a factor to enhance note taking during lectures:

(A) having the ability to write down most of the words of the lecture

(B) being mentally alert

(C) being able to distinguish main point from supporting details

(D) being physically prepared to take lectures

(E) recognizing linguistic cues

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having the ability to write down most of the words of the lecture

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 Explanation

(6) The dictionary provides all the following information except:

(A) pronunciations of words

(B) origin of words

(C) stylistic restrictions on the use of some words, derogatory words

(D) meaning of idioms

(E) paragraph development

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paragraph development

(7) All of the following are true about listening and hearing except

- (A) listening and hearing are both involuntary and we do not have much control over them
- (B) listening is one of the basic language skills while hearing is not
- (C) proficiency in listening can be exchanged
- (D) proficiency in hearing is more or less anatomically determined

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 Explanation

(8) The major difference between a critical listener and other kinds of listeners is that

- (A) he listens attentively
- (B) he is mentally alert
- (C) he can recognize main point from details
- (D) questioning attitude and evaluate whatever information he receives
- (E) he can recognize linguistic cues

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questioning attitude and evaluate whatever information he receives

(9) Intensive reading can be defined as a. a kind of reading done to locate

(A) a specific piece of information

(B) a kind of reading that is task-bound and requires total assimilation of material need for future recalling

(C) a kind of reading done to have general knowledge

(D) a kind of reading used to survey a material about to be read to get its main gist

(E) none of the above

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a specific piece of information

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 Explanation

(10) The last R in SQ3R means...

(A) read

(B) review

(C) recall

(D) repeat

(E) recognize

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review

(11) A topic sentence can be defined as...

- (A) the sentence containing the main idea of the essay
- (B) the sentence which summarizes the main topic of a discussion
- (C) the sentence which expresses the main idea of a paragraph
- (D) the sentence which elaborates the idea hinted in a paragraph
- (E) a sentence which serves as the thesis statement of an essay.

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the sentence which expresses the main idea of a paragraph

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 Explanation

(12) All of these in a way mean the same thing as summary except.....

- (A) precis
- (B) in a few words
- (C) expatiate
- (D) brief
- (E) concise

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expatiate

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(13) All of the following are not proper in summary writing except...

- (A) verbatim lifting of the original passage
- (B) writing in disjointed phrases
- (C) inclusion of extraneous details d. numbering of points
- (D) inclusion of subjective view of the summary writer

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inclusion of extraneous details d. numbering of points

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Explanation

(14) One of the following is not true of outlining ____

(A) outlining can be applied in both reading and writing

(B) an outline to a writer can be compared to a building plan to a builder

(C) an outline contains the details of a written material

(D) an outline makes use of numbering, spacing, different sizes and colors of letters to show the structure of passage

(E) an outline can aid memory

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an outline contains the details of a written material

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Explanation

(15) The prefixes in the following words have the same meaning in the words they are attached except

- (A) illogical
- (B) inaudible
- (C) imbalance
- (D) in-depth
- (E) incredible

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in-depth

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 Explanation

(16) The suffixes in the following words are used are used to form words of the same part of speech except ____

- (A) legalizee
- (B) classify
- (C) strengthen
- (D) kindness
- (E) stabilise

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kindness

(17) Each of the following options represents a kind of word formation process and an example of a word formed by this process. Identify the option where the process does not match the word.

- (A) blending e.g. TV
- (B) acronym e.g. JAMB
- (C) borrowing e.g. alcohol
- (D) clipping e.g. fridge
- (E) neologism e.g. email

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blending e.g. TV

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Explanation

(18) The word arm has the meanings: (i) part of someone's body, and (ii) to provide weapon. We can therefore classify the word as an example of

- (A) synonyms
- (B) homonyms
- (C) homophones
- (D) homographs
- (E) polysemes

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homonyms

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 Explanation

(19) FUTU is a trailblazer in most technological researches in Nigeria. This Statement can be interpreted that in most technological researches in Nigeria FUTU is....

- (A) strong
- (B) lagging behind
- (C) a pioneer
- (D) weak

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a pioneer

(20) Life is a book that you can read and enrich your knowledge. In comparing life to a book the writer here has used the figure of speech called

- (A) euphemism
- (B) simile
- (C) personification
- (D) metaphor
- (E) irony

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metaphor

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 Explanation

(21) Port

- (A) caught
- (B) pot
- (C) put
- (D) cot
- (E) worm

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caught

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 Explanation

(22) full

- (A) fool
- (B) pool
- (C) should
- (D) cooed
- (E) glue

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should

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 Explanation

(23) Chin

- (A) teach
- (B) shop
- (C) machine
- (D) champagne
- (E) chemical

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teach

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 Explanation

(24) Deal

- (A) plait
- (B) stopped
- (C) liked
- (D) loved
- (E) kissed

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loved

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 Explanation

(25) When a public speech is very moving or provoking and meant to sway emotion it is called____

- (A) a lecture
- (B) an oration
- (C) an address
- (D) a sermon
- (E) a talk

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a sermon

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 Explanation

(26) When planning a public speech, you must consider your audience so as to deliver an effective speech. All of the following should be considered about the audience except_____

- (A) the education level of our audience
- (B) their age
- (C) their sex
- (D) their values and beliefs, such as religion

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there physical stature

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Explanation

(1) Which of these is not a feature of effective time management?

- (A) attending lectures on time
- (B) use of personal time table
- (C) equitable distribution of available time to the various task
- (D) avoiding extra-curricular activities such as attending parties
- (E) allotting time to all aspect of human development: intellectual, physical and social

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avoiding extra-curricular activities such as attending parties

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Explanation

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- (C) Islamic activities
- (D) colonization
- (E) none of the above

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Islamic activities

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 Explanation

(3) Note taking is different from note making because

- (A) note taking is done at home while note making is done in the class
- (B) during note taking, the listener jot down point from a spoken source while note making involve drawing a note from a written material
- (C) note taking can include the speaker's peculiar speaking habits
- (D) note taking can records the speaker's digression while note making cannot
- (E) note taking is only a library activity

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Explanation

(4) Which of this is a bad reading habit?

- (A) purposeful reading
- (B) reading outside your area of specialization
- (C) vocalization of words
- (D) picking many words at the same time
- (E) making notes while reading

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vocalization of words

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 Explanation

(5) Which of the following fast reading technique can be described as “search reading”?

- (A) skimming
- (B) scanning
- (C) SQ3R
- (D) phrase reading
- (E) extensive reading

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scanning

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 Explanation

(6) When our purpose for reading is to search for a specific piece of information, we adopt one of the following techniques

- (A) skimming
- (B) SQ3R
- (C) scanning
- (D) extensive reading
- (E) intense reading

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scanning

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 Explanation

(7) Denotative meaning of a word is the same as

- (A) literal meaning
- (B) associative meaning
- (C) conventional meaning
- (D) symbolic meaning
- (E) figurative meaning

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literal meaning

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(8) Which of these is not a reason for the use of idioms?

- (A) idioms gives specific meaning
- (B) idioms adds to the formality of language
- (C) . idioms makes for brevity
- (D) . idioms spices language use
- (E) none of the above.

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none of the above.

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 Explanation

(9) Which of these is not true of affixes

- (A) they are used to form opposite of words
- (B) they are used to form plural of words
- (C) they are used to indicate time
- (D) they are used to indicate words division
- (E) they are used to indicate tense

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they are used to indicate words division

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(10) Which of these is an adjective forming suffix?

(A) –ion

(B) –ly

(C) –ive

(D) –es

(E) –s

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–ly

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 Explanation

(11) The term “lingua franca” denotes

(A) mother tongue

(B) official language

(C) foreign language

(D) bridge language

(E) pidgin

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bridge language

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(12) all of the following are true of English language in Nigeria except

- (A) it is a second language
- (B) it is the official language
- (C) it is a national language
- (D) it is introduced by Portuguese merchants
- (E) it was first introduced by the British merchants.

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it is introduced by Portuguese merchants

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 Explanation

(13) The dictionary provides all but one of the following

- (A) origin of words
- (B) pronunciation of words
- (C) summary of words
- (D) class of words
- (E) meaning of words

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summary of words

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 Explanation

(14) The word “etymology of a word” refers to

- (A) idiomatic use of a word
- (B) idiomatic use of a word
- (C) origin of a word
- (D) pronunciation of the word
- (E) grammatical category of the word

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origin of a word

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 Explanation

(15) The Q in SQ3R means

- (A) quotation
- (B) question
- (C) query
- (D) quest
- (E) quantity

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question

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 Explanation

(16) Summary writing could be marred by the following except

- (A) wordiness
- (B) vagueness
- (C) irrelevant expression
- (D) conciseness
- (E) ambiguity

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conciseness

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 Explanation

(17) In summary writing you are expected to do the following except

- (A) include illustrations and details
- (B) use your own words
- (C) reflect the writers original idea
- (D) present the main points only
- (E) ensure that the sentences are complete or complete when taken together with the preamble

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include illustrations and details

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(18) When “Cross” is used to mean “suffering” we have an example of

- (A) denotation
- (B) connotation
- (C) formation
- (D) modification
- (E) pronunciation

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connotation

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 Explanation

(19) What two figures of speech are contained in the expression : Time is the greatest sprinter ever known and the fastest runner in the world cannot measure up to him

- (A) metaphor/ oxymoron
- (B) personification/ simile
- (C) metaphor/ alliteration
- (D) personification/ metaphor
- (E) irony/ personification

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(20) “Mary is a beautiful vulture” is an example of

- (A) simile
- (B) personification
- (C) hyperbole
- (D) oxymoron
- (E) euphemism

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oxymoron

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 Explanation

(21) I heard on the grapevine that you have resigned. This means that I heard the news from _____-

- (A) a very reliable source
- (B) rumour
- (C) the television
- (D) a sermon
- (E) the persons directly concerned

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rumour

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 Explanation

(22) Please wind the glass if the wind becomes hostile. The underlined words are examples of

- (A) homographs
- (B) homonyms
- (C) homophones
- (D) polysemy
- (E) antonyms

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homographs

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 Explanation

(23) The word "fax" is an example of which method of word formation

- (A) blending
- (B) derivation
- (C) compounding
- (D) clipping
- (E) borrowing

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clipping

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 Explanation

(24) Reading could be described as critical when the reader

- (A) accepts everything
- (B) interpretes the major ideas
- (C) agrees with the writer
- (D) disagrees with the writer
- (E) logically evaluates the ideas

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logically evaluates the ideas

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 Explanation

(25) Extensive reading does the following except

- (A) broadens the reader's knowledge
- (B) increases the reader's vocabulary
- (C) prepares the reader for examination
- (D) facilitates the reader's reading speed
- (E) all of the above

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prepares the reader for examination

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(26) Which of these is not a feature of language?

- (A) discreteness
- (B) structure
- (C) system
- (D) arbitrariness
- (E) rigidity

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rigidity

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 Explanation

(27) English language has a total of _____ speech sounds

- (A) 20
- (B) 26
- (C) 44
- (D) 12
- (E) 32

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 Explanation

(28) The process of coining new words is called

- (A) borrowing
- (B) reduplication
- (C) coinage
- (D) polysemy
- (E) homography

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coinage

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 Explanation

(29) Which of the following is not true of outlining?

- (A) it enhances effective writing
- (B) it promotes efficient note taking
- (C) it aids the memory
- (D) it uses numbering, spacing and different sizes of letters to indicate the structure of the passage
- (E) none of the above

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none of the above

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 Explanation

(30) One of the following is not a device used to achieve coherence in a text

- (A) use of pronouns
- (B) repetition of words
- (C) use of idioms
- (D) logical presentation of sentences
- (E) use of connectives

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repetition of words

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Explanation

(1) One of the following is NOT true of human language:

- (A) A small set of linguistic signs used to communicate man's thoughts, emotions etc
- (B) Language is genetically transmitted from generation to generation
- (C) Use of language is governed by rules
- (D) Language has structure
- (E) Language is arbitrary

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Language is arbitrary

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Explanation

(2) One of the following CANNOT be used to describe the functions of language

- (A) it performs a transactional role when we convey messages
- (B) it performs interactional role when we express our feelings and relate to one another
- (C) it transmits and propagates culture
- (D) it can just be used to sustain a friendly attitude
- (E) it is also used by animals to signal approach of danger

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it can just be used to sustain a friendly attitude

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 Explanation

(3) English language has the following status in Nigeria except

- (A) second language
- (B) official language
- (C) mother tongue
- (D) lingua franca among the educated ones
- (E) none of the above

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mother tongue

(4) One of the following is not a reason for teaching Use of English in Nigerian tertiary institutions

(A) to develop students' skills in the organisation of texts and good expression

(B) to equip students with the knowledge of the mechanics of the language, such as spelling, punctuation, grammar, etc

(C) to train students to speak exactly like the Englishman

(D) to teach students the techniques that will help them to interpret texts

(E) to teach students critical listening and reading for objective evaluation of spoken and written texts

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to train students to speak exactly like the Englishman

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 Explanation

(5) One of the following is NOT one of the bits of grammatical information contained in the dictionary

- (A) parts of speech
- (B) verb forms e.g past, present, past participle
- (C) kinds of sentences
- (D) countable or uncountable noun
- (E) transitive or intransitive verb

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kinds of sentences

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 Explanation

(6) One of the following does NOT inhibit listening efficiency

- (A) listener's mannerism
- (B) lack of rapport between the speaker and the listener
- (C) environmental noise
- (D) message organisation
- (E) lack of interest in the subject matter

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message organisation

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(7) Which of these is the most suitable for lectures?

- (A) passive listening
- (B) appreciative listening
- (C) active listening
- (D) apathetic listening
- (E) prejudicial listening

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active listening

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 Explanation

(8) Which of the following does NOT contribute to the intellectual, social emotional and physical development which a good private time table engenders in a student?

- (A) reading a novel
- (B) attending town association meetings on campus
- (C) taking a stroll round the campus
- (D) going to the library
- (E) none of the above

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none of the above

(9) One of these is NOT a benefit of note taking

- (A) it helps the student to pay attention during a lecture
- (B) it helps the student to store information from lectures
- (C) it helps the student during revision
- (D) it can be a good source of reference material
- (E) it helps the student to write down points from a text being read

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it helps the student to write down points from a text being read

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Explanation

(10) The SQ3R technique involves all the following except

- (A) scanning a text to pick a details
- (B) being inquisitive about a text you want to start reading
- (C) recalling what you have just read
- (D) reviewing a text you have just read
- (E) reading a text to capture the areas not yet mastered

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reading a text to capture the areas not yet mastered

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 Explanation

(11) Extensive reading has all of the following benefits for a student except

- (A) helping a student retain points read from a text
- (B) widening a students's general knowledge
- (C) increasing a student's stock of vocabulary
- (D) providing a kind of castme
- (E) improving a student's personality

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helping a student retain points read from a text

(12) The common thing among the three "words" 'piglet', 'untie' and 'dislike' is

- (A) connotation
- (B) hyponyms
- (C) affixation
- (D) collocation
- (E) figurative language

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affixation

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 Explanation

(13) What is the lexical relationship between the underlines words in the following sentences? (i)The ship will sail by 2pm.
(ii)He put his car up for sale

- (A) homophony
- (B) antonymy
- (C) synonymy
- (D) homophony
- (E) hyponymy

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homophony

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(14) The words OPEC, FUTO and INEC are examples of

- (A) clipping
- (B) acronym
- (C) borrowing
- (D) blending
- (E) compounding

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acronym

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 Explanation

(15) What kind of word formation process is involved in the words "bridesmaid" and "blacksmith"?

- (A) blending
- (B) borrowing
- (C) compounding
- (D) clipping
- (E) affixation

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clipping

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 Explanation

(16) The prefixes in the following words have the same meaning in the words they occur except

- (A) incoherent
- (B) immoral
- (C) disloyal
- (D) antiseptic
- (E) unfair

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antiseptic

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 Explanation

(17) The expression "Life is but a walking shadow" is an example of

- (A) simile
- (B) oxymoron
- (C) personification
- (D) antithesis
- (E) metonymy

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personification

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 Explanation

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(18) 'Aso Rock welcomed the freed Chibok girls yesteray'. What figure of speech is present in the given sentence?

- (A) metonymy
- (B) simile
- (C) irony
- (D) euphemism
- (E) synecdoche

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metonymy

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 Explanation

(19) 'Our leader is magnanimously stingy'. The figure of speech used in this sentence is

- (A) irony
- (B) oxymoron
- (C) litotes
- (D) paradox
- (E) metaphor

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oxymoron

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oxymoron

(20) 'Olu is light fingered' means that

- (A) Olu is a thief
- (B) Olu is fair in complexion
- (C) Olu's finger is tiny
- (D) Olu easily loses things
- (E) Olu is generous

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Olu is a thief

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 Explanation

(21) "The sun smiled radiantly on the scene."
This sentence contains an example of

- (A) paradox
- (B) euphemism
- (C) rhyme
- (D) personification
- (E) hyperbole

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personification

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 Explanation

(22) Which of these is NOT correct about summary writing?

- (A) it must be shorter than the original
- (B) it must capture the thesis of the passage
- (C) it makes use of the exact words of the author
- (D) Only the key words of the original passage are used
- (E) none of the above

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it makes use of the exact words of the author

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 Explanation

(23) Which of these sounds is not a vowel?

- (A) /e/
- (B) /ʌ/
- (C) /au/
- (D) /dʒ/
- (E) /ɔi/

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/dʒ/

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 Explanation

(24) In questions 24 and 25. choose a word that has the same vowel or consonant sound as the one represented by the underlined letter(s) in the given word.

Beat

- (A) head
- (B) make
- (C) fought
- (D) bread
- (E) key

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key

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Explanation

(25) In questions 24 and 25. choose a word that has the same vowel or consonant sound as the one represented by the underlined letter(s) in the given word.

Slip

- (A) lose
- (B) noise
- (C) sugar
- (D) loose
- (E) rose

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loose

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 Explanation

(26) Poetry is written in

- (A) paragraphs
- (B) lines
- (C) chapters
- (D) scenes
- (E) none of the above

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lines

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(27) The time and place of a literary work refers to

- (A) diction
- (B) style
- (C) setting
- (D) plot
- (E) theme

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setting

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 Explanation

(28) One of the following is not true of Unoka in *Things Fall Apart*

- (A) He is a musician
- (B) He was not buried
- (C) He did well as a farmer
- (D) He was a debtor
- (E) He was tall and thin

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He did well as a farmer

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(29) One of the following is not true of Okonkwo in *Things Fall Apart*

- (A) He has a hot temper
- (B) He is an emissary for his community
- (C) His family lives in fear of him
- (D) He wears one of the community masquerades
- (E) He is very humble

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He is very humble

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(30) Identity the character written a X in the following dialogue with Uzowulu in *Things Fall Apart*

X: Uzowulu's body I salute you

Uzowulu: Our father, my hand has touched the ground

X: Uzowulu's body, do you know me?

Uzowulu: How can I know you, father. You are beyond our knowledge

- (A) Uzowulu's father
- (B) Okonkwo
- (C) Evil Forest
- (D) the goddess of Agbala
- (E) the white missionary

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Evil Forest

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