

WASSCE SC 2023 ENGLISH LANGUAGE 1 OBJECTIVE TEST

SECTION 1

In each of the following sentences, there is one underlined word and one gap. From the list of words lettered A to D, choose the one that is **most nearly opposite** in meaning to the underlined word and that will, at the same time, correctly fill gap in the sentence.

1. The push cars were sandwiched between two ones. A. dented B. rugged. C. rickety D. modest
2. A trivial issue often becomes when it is not properly handles. A. valuable B. serious C. unbearable D. ordinary
3. The rockstar's stellar performance contrasted sharply with the showing of the amateur group. A. routine B. woeful C. mundane D. awkward
4. Tolu was sanctioned for late coming but his friend was A. pardoned B. ignored C. exempted D. released
5. While other teachers' support for the action was, Victor's was dogged. A. declining B. woeful C. disappointing D. wavering
6. Some people are good at terminating other people's projects but are not capable of theirs. A. initiating B. organising C. executing D. designing
7. The precarious terraces of the stadium have been transformed into a A. durable B. secure C. smooth D. narrow
8. If one thing irritates you, it might another. A. delight B. concern C. invigorate D. bother
9. Jane was loud as a teenager but as an adult. A. peaceful B. reserved C. humble D. respectful
10. Do not always reprimand your children; it is good to them at times. A. advise B. forgive C. compliment D. pamper

SECTION 2

From the words lettered A to D, chose the word that **best completes** each of the following sentences.

11. The aggrieved customers staged a fierce on the street. A. fight B. protest C. argument D. contest
12. The accused was brought before the jury for a court A. sitting B. hearing C. judging D. proceeding
13. From his, one can tell that he is an athlete. A. physique B. stature C. gait D. anatomy
14. The death of that journalist is still in mystery. A. conveyed B. shadowed C. shrouded D. confined
15. The defendant was charge with beause he caused his neighbour's death. A. fratricide B. patricide C. genocide D. homicide
16. Seeing a young crop from the soil is a rare experience. A. trail B. sprout C. project D. creep
17. Lawyers are still making efforts to interpret the new A. language B. technique C. system D. statute
18. The cargo was intercepted on sea by A. pirates B. thieves C. terrorists D. robbers
19. The doctors Bola's grandmother after the heart attack. A. regenerated B. resuscitated C. resurrected D. revived
20. Because the couple cannot agree on many things, their relationship is now A. stressed B. uneasy C. strained D. tensed

SECTION 3

After each of the following sentences, a list of possible interpretations is given. Choose the interpretation that is **most appropriate** for each sentence.

21. Revealing that information will cut the ground from under my feet. This means that it will ... A. expose my plans B. ruin my plans C. support my plans D. promote my plans
22. Mother always tells me to keep my nose clean. This means that she tells me to ... A. stay healthy B. do what pleases me C. stay out of trouble D. be focused
23. This action effectively puts the mockers on the project. This means that the project will... A. take off soon B. not be executed C. de delayed D. not begin well.
24. You can see clearly that we are surpassed in numerical strength. This means that we are ... A. by far stronger than they. B. much weaker than they C. more than they are D. fewer than they are.
25. One of the athletes was disqualified because she jumped the gun. This means that she started ... A. too soon B. on time C. hurriedly D. without permission.
26. Be careful of what you say; there are no flies on the boss. This means that the boss is ... A. neat B. gullible C. smart D. strict.
27. The students cocked their ears at the principal's speech. This means that they listened with ... A. little interest. B. rapt attention C. no understanding D. no interest
28. Your daughter will do very well in school. She has a good head on her shoulders. This means that she ... A. is very beautiful. B. think fast. C. is sensible. S. is well-behaved and diligent.
29. The accountant has been under a cloud since the fraud scandal. This means that the accuntant is ... A. worried B. under supervision C. unhappy D. under suspicion.
30. Immediately the truth was revealed, Ngozi flew into a rage. This means that Ngozi A. suddenly became very angry B. became sad C. became desperate D. ran away.

SECTION 4

From the words lettered A to D below each of the following sentences, choose the word or group of words that is nearest in meaning to the underlined word as it is the sentence.

31. Parents encourage their children to exercise financial prudence. A. caution B. credence C. sincerity D. precision
32. Awa deceived Ahmed into handing over all his savings. A. cooked B. betrayed C. fooled D. cheated
33. It turned out that the plaintiff's claim was false. A. surmise B. contention C. allegation D. pronouncement
34. The aggrieved faction held a clandestine meeting. A. secret B. quiet C. brief D. quick
35. Morgan Pharmacy is the sole distributor of the antiviral drug. A. creditable B. only C. first D. major
36. Police officers holding batons impounded the banker's car. A. damaged B. banned C. seized D. collected
37. The English teachers is always cheerful. A. satisfied B. zealous C. gleeful D. careful
38. The Chairman is of the opinion that laying off workers is pernicious to the growth of the company. A. harmful B. irrelevant C. indispensable D. crucial
39. She it was that commanded me to leave the room. A. encourage B. persuaded C. ordered D. induced
40. The valedictorian was admired for her perseverance while at school. A. patience B. humility C. enthusiasm D. tenacity

SECTION 5

From the words or group of words lettered A to D, choose the word or group words that best completes each of the following sentences.

41. The fisherman said he sighted a of fish in the river. A. pack B. swarm C. shoal D. colony
42. The principal corrected no one else but A. I B. me C. she D. myself
43. The thug was murder. A. sued with B. charged with C. convicted for D. charged for
44. Asokoro office is located in Ibadan A. headquarters B. headquarters' C. headquarters D. headquarter's
45. John should be through with his work,? A. isn't it B. shouldn't he C. can't he D. didn't he
46. This is the man I said told me the interesting story. A. who B. whom C. whose D. which
47. The accused forgot A. why the police said B. that the police said C. when the police said D. what the police said.
48. The officer is my brother. A. on uniform B. with uniform C. in uniform D. in uniform dress
49. The footballers have been practising A. in the stadium hard all morning B. hard in the stadium all morning C. all morning hard in the stadium D. all morning in the stadium hard.
50. Professor John is the leader of the committee to review the new book. A. fifty-man B. fifty-man's C. fifty-men D. fifty-men's
51. James appears wiser than his friends. A. more B. most C. much D. much D. much more
52. The world famous athlete is guilty, way you look at it. A. whichever B. however C. whatever D. whenever
53. We were all afraid when the alarm A. rang up B. went off C. died off D. ran off
54. The material used for sewing my dress is to yours. A. more superior B. most superior C. superior D. very superior
55. The Chairman wasn't privy that information A. to B. at C. with D. on
56. We were lucky our driver didn't die in the accident? A. isn't it B. weren't we C. didn't we D. did we
57. The were decorated with flowers. A. girls shoes B. girls' shoes C. girls' shoes' D. girls shoes'
58. Before the lecturer entered the hall, we the board. A. clean B. have cleaned C. are cleaning D. had cleaned
59. the hours of nine and ten, the surgeon completed the operation. A. Before B. Between C. In D. Upon
60. Mother bought at the fair. A. an expensive red Japanese car B. a Japanese red expensive car D. a red expensive Japanese car.
61. The duty of our teacher is to give instructions; is to obey. A. ours B. our's C. our D. ours'
62. The teacher has with the principal A. fallen apart B. fallen off C. fallen out D. fallen down
63. A meeting was called the instance of the Chairman. A. by B. on C. at D. for
64. Business is poor these days workers are on strike. A. whereas B. so that C. no matter D. because
65. The test seemed simple and thought we would all pass. A. so B. very C. too D. over
66. Tayo: I think I can now solve the problem. Essen: A. Neither can I B. So I can C. So do I D. Either do I.
67. The scientist has discovered a cure of cancer. A. young brilliant Nigerian B. Nigerian brilliant young C. young Nigerian brilliant D. brilliant young Nigerian.
68. The couple their first child when I entered college. A. were not having B. hadn't had C. haven't had D. hasn't had
69. The fire fighters worked hard to the inferno. A. put off B. put out C. put away D. put by
70. Those novels are interesting. I wonder if you can get me A. others such many B. many such others C. many others such D. such many others

SECTION 6

In the following passage, the numbered gaps indicate missing words, Against each number in the list below the passage, four options are given in columns lettered A to D. Choose the word that is the most suitable to fill the numbered of gaps in the passage.

Jim had his first71..... in professional boxing when he was seventeen and that match has remained indelible in his memory. Before the match, he had gone for a weigh-in along with other boxers. On the D-day, he

came into the72..... amidst loud cheers from the spectators after he had been called by the73..... He was wearing customised trunks and74..... to prevent damage to his hands. Jim and his75..... moved round throwing punches at each other. Jim threw a right76....., left himself open and got cut by a strong counter punch. After this attack from his rival, Jim raised his arms and his ...77.... in front of his face to protect himself by78..... the punches as they came. During the second79....., Jim delivered a sucker punch which got his opponent in the ribs leading to loss of consciousness. Consequently, Jim won the game by80.....

	A	B	C	D
71.	bout	session	entry	attempt
72.	stage	ring	podium	cage
73.	starter	announcer	referee	umpire
74.	boxing gloves	kid's glove	braces	parachute
75.	contestant	fighting partner	opponent	sparring partner
76.	knock	hook	kick	smack
77.	hands	fists	elbow	palms
78.	parrying	defending	dubbing	dodging
79.	lap	round	leg	turn
80.	default	unanimity	knockout	luck

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1. D	2. B	3. B	4. A	5. D	6. C	7. B	8. A	9. B	10. C	11. B	12. B
13. A	14. C	15. D	16. B	17. D	18. A	19. B	20. C	21. B	22. C	23. B	24. D
25. A	26. C	27. B	28. C	29. D	30. A	31. D	32. C	33. C	34. A	35. B	36. C
37. C	38. A	39. C	40. D	41. C	42. B	43. B	44. C	45. B	46. B	47. D	48. C
49. B	50. A	51. C	52. A	53. A	54. C	55. A	56. B	57. B	58. D	59. B	60. A
61. A	62. C	63. C	64. D	65. A	66. C	67. D	68. B	69. B	70. B	71. A	72. B
73. B	74. A	75. C	76. B	77. B	78. D	79. B	80. C				

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From the words lettered A to D, choose the words that has the same vowel sound as the one represented by the letter(s) undelined.

1. <u>money</u>	A. coney	B. bottle	C. son	D. port
2. <u>pour</u>	A. ore	B. favour	C. hour	D. how
3. <u>tie</u>	A. hey	B. farce	C. bile	D. hail
4. <u>put</u>	A. school	B. cool	C. fool	D. wool
5. <u>tailor</u>	A. partake	B. orchard	C. dent	D. torn
6. <u>fate</u>	A. said	B. flat	C. weight	D. share
7. <u>fem</u>	A. eureka	B. merge	C. heart	D. beryl
8. <u>powder</u>	A. potty	B. tour	C. lout	D. low
9. <u>cruise</u>	A. move	B. quit	C. suite	D. hood
10. <u>pure</u>	A. fur	B. schwa	C. favour	D. furore
11. <u>spot</u>	A. sport	B. hurt	C. glut	D. slot
12. <u>there</u>	A. car	B. their	C. fear	D. peer
13. <u>crest</u>	A. breakfast	B. wheat	C. goitre	D. firm
14. <u>sheath</u>	A. heart	B. meadow	C. beach	D. weather
15. <u>gorilla</u>	A. doe	B. colour	C. ordain	D. tot

SECTION 2

From the words lettered A to D, choose the word that has the same consonant sound(s) as the one represented by the letter(s) underlined.

16. <u>orchid</u>	A. skewer	B. sceptre	C. sham	D. chagrin
17. <u>picture</u>	A. nation	B. castor	C. lurch	D. passion
18. <u>fissure</u>	A. vision	B. unsure	C. erase	D. feature
19. <u>visit</u>	A. face	B. mouse	C. easy	D. peace
20. <u>hack</u>	A. schedule	B. honourable	C. behaviour	D. exhibit
21. <u>left</u>	A. bulk	B. yolk	C. could	D. half
22. <u>fly</u>	A. revive	B. though	C. tough	D. dough
23. <u>text</u>	A. kissed	B. west	C. fixed	D. risked
24. <u>uncle</u>	A. bangle	B. knowledge	C. singe	D. ankle
25. <u>drive</u>	A. wounded	B. kicked	C. jumped	D. risked
26. <u>laboratory</u>	A. subtle	B. debtor	C. thumb	D. dabble
27. <u>phenomenon</u>	A. phonetics	B. upheaval	C. reheasal	D. reception
28. <u>rouge</u>	A. rage	B. leisure	C. jest	D. gem
29. <u>then</u>	A. den	B. smooth	C. thaw	D. wealthy
30. <u>sign</u>	A. hymn	B. thing	C. fawn	D. single

SECTION 3

From the words lettered A to D, choose the word that **rhymes** with the given word.

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| 31. fright | A. height | B. freight | C. hate | D. plait |
| 32. tie | A. dime | B. hay | C. claim | D. high |
| 33. tern | A. fan | B. earn | C. born | D. birth |
| 34. fear | A. wore | B. there | C. care | D. deer |
| 35. mother | A. murder | B. smoothen | C. smoulder | D. other |

SECTION 4

In each of the following questions, the main /primary stress is indicated by writing the syllable on which it occurs in capital letters.

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| 36. cumulative | A. CU-mu-la-tive | B. cu-MU-la-tive | C. cu-mu-LA-tive | D. cu-mu-la-TIVE |
| 37. concessionaire | A. CON-cess-ion-aire | B. con-CESS-ion-aire | C. con-cess-ION-aire | D. con-cess-ion-AIRE |
| 38. horizontal | A. HOR-i-zon-tal | B. hor-I-zon-tal | C. hor-i-ZON-tal | D. hor-i-zon-TAL |
| 39. apathetic | A. AP-a-thet-ic | B. ap-A-thet-ic | C. ap-a-THET-ic | D. ap-a-thet-IC |
| 40. effeminate | A. E-ffem-i-nate | B. e-FFEM-i-nate | C. e-ffem-I-nate | D. e-ffem-i-NATE |

SECTION 5

In the following options lettered A to D, all the words **except one** have the **different stress pattern**. Identify the one with the different stress pattern and shade your answer in the usual way.

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| 41. A. candidate | B. primacy | C. enigma | D. maintenance |
| 42. A. creature | B. caution | C. mountain | D. extrude |
| 43. A. annoy | B. declare | C. radar | D. believe |
| 44. A. penitence | B. discover | C. pertinent | D. restropect |
| 45. A. refer | B. belief | C. reason | D. enjoy |

SECTION 6

In each of the following sentences, the word that receives the **emphatic stress** is written in **capital letters**. From the questions lettered A to D, choose the one to which the given sentence is the appropriate answer.

46. Ojo won the prize for the best **TEACHER**. A. Did Ojo win the prize for the best dancer? B. Did Oke win the prize for the best teacher? C. Did Ojo lose the prize for the best teacher? D. Did Ojo win the award for the best teacher?
47. The president rewarded some of the **OFFICERS**. A. Did the senator reward some of the officers? B. Did the president censure some of the officers? C. Did the president reward all the officers? D. Did the president reward some of the students?
48. The woman bought a **CARTON** of milk. A. Did the woman buy a carton of fish? B. Did the man buy a carton of milk? C. Did the woman buy a tin of milk? D. Did the woman sell a carton of milk?
49. She will send a **BAG** to him today. A. Will she send a bag to her today? B. Will she send a shirt to him today? C. Did the woman buy a tin of milk? D. Did the woman sell a carton of milk?
50. She slept on the **BIG** bed. A. Did she sleep on the small bed? B. Did he sleep on the big bed? C. Did she sleep under the big bed? D. Did she sleep on the big couch?

SECTION 7

From the words lettered A to D, choose the word that contains the **sound** represented by the given phonetic symbol.

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| 51. /ɔi/ | A. stock | B. coin | C. note | D. roam |
| 52. /3:/ | A. water | B. heart | C. shears | D. scourge |
| 53. /j/ | A. measure | B. charade | C. fist | D. charm |
| 54. /v/ | A. cool | B. hook | C. juice | D. souse |
| 55. /æ/ | A. around | B. also | C. small | D. snag |
| 56. /dʒ/ | A. gear | B. suggest | C. seizure | D. rich |
| 57. /ŋ/ | A. sink | B. hinge | C. thin | D. reign |
| 58. /θ/ | A. feather | B. stealthy | C. wither | D. breathe |
| 59. /ei/ | A. seize | B. nine | C. gale | D. said |
| 60. /j/ | A. jest | B. value | C. haste | D. flew |

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