The Big Ben

Big Ben is the nickname for the Great Bell of the clock at the north end of the Palace of Westminster in London. It often extended to refer to the clock and the clock tower. The tower is officially named Elizabeth Tower to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of Elizabeth II in 2012. Previously it was known simply as the Clock Tower.

Due to changes in ground conditions since construction, the tower leans slightly to the north-west, by roughly 230 millimeters (9.1 in) over 55 m height. It gives an inclination of approximately 1/240. This includes a planned maximum of 22 mm increased tilt due to tunneling for the Jubilee line extension. Due to thermal effects it oscillates annually by a few millimeters east and west.

The Big Ben is one of British cultural icons. It is also one of the most prominent symbols of the United Kingdom. It is often in the establishing shot of films set in London.

Despite being one of the world's most famous tourist attractions, the interior of the tower is not open to overseas visitors, though United Kingdom residents are able to arrange tours through their Member of Parliament. However, the tower currently has no lift, so those escorted must climb the 334 limestone stairs to the top.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Big_Ben

1. The writer wrote the above text in order to … the Big Ben.
   A. ask people to visit
   B. tell the location of
   C. give the description of
   D. tell his/her experience at

2. Where does the Big Ben tower tilt to?
   A. To the west.
   B. To the north-east.
   C. To the north-west.
   D. To the east and west.

3. If we want to go to the top of the tower, we would better wear ….
   A. high-heels
   B. sneakers
   C. slippers
   D. sandals

4. "It gives an inclination of …” (2nd sentence of paragraph 2)
   The underlined word refers to ….
   A. the tower
   B. the leaning
   C. the construction
   D. the ground condition
5. The writer and his friends …. because the weather was very cold there.
   A. ate a lot
   B. left earlier
   C. built a tent
   D. sang and dance

6. Why did the writer and his friends build their tents near the river?
   A. They wanted to have a camp fire party.
   B. They wanted to spend their school holidays there.
   C. They arrived at the camping ground late in the afternoon.
   D. The view was very beautiful and the air was so fresh there.

7. “…we packed up our things and left …” (1st sentence of the last paragraph)
The underlined phrase is closest in meaning with …. 
   A. cleaned
   B. brought
   C. collected
   D. rearranged
Read the text to answer questions 8 to 11

**How to Fly a Quad-copter Drone Left, Right, Forwards, and Backwards**

To fly a quad-copter left, right, forwards, and backwards, you will need to hold the throttle at a steady rate to keep it airborne. You will then use the right stick to maneuver the quad-copter in the direction you want it to go.

- First, bring your copter to a hover.
- Push the right stick forward to fly it a couple feet forward.
- Pull the right stick back to bring it back to its original position.
- Now, move it further backward a couple feet, and return it to its original position.
- Push the right stick to the left to move your copter a couple feet to the left.
- Move it back to its original position, then fly it a couple feet to the right.
- If the copter starts to rotate (yaw), adjust the left stick to the left or right to keep it facing the same direction.
- To keep the copter at the same altitude, push the throttle and give it more power whenever you turn or move.

http://uavcoach.com/how-to-fly-a-quadcopter-guide/

8. The writer wrote the above text in order to … the quad-copter drone.
   A. persuade us to buy
   B. tell us how to operate
   C. give the description of
   D. share his experience with

9. What should we do to move the quad-copter drone backward?
   A. Pull the right stick back.
   B. Push the right stick forward.
   C. Move the right stick to the left.
   D. Adjust the left stick to the left or right.

10. To return the quad-copter drone to its original position, after flying forward, we need to ….
    A. push the right stick forward
    B. move the right stick backward
    C. move the left stick to the left or right
    D. push the throttle and give more power

11. “… to the left or right to keep it facing ...” (fourth paragraph)
    What does the underlined word refer to?
    A. The drone.
    B. The throttle.
    C. The left stick.
    D. The right stick.
A Donkey and a Little Dog

Once there was a man who had a little dog and a donkey. He was very fond of the little dog. He liked to pat its head, and take it on his knee, and talk to it. Then he would give it little bits of food from his own plate. It made the donkey grow jealous.

The donkey thought, "Why does he not make a pet of me? It is not fair. I work hard, and the dog only wags its tail, and barks, and jumps on the master's knee. It is not fair."

Then it said to itself, "If I do what the dog does, the master may make a pet of me."

So the donkey ran into the house. It brayed as loudly as it could. It wagged its tail so hard that it knocked over a jar on the table. Then it tried to jump on to its master's knee.

The master thought the donkey was mad, and he shouted, "Help! Help!" The farmhands came running in with sticks, and they beat the donkey till it ran out of the house. Then they drove it back to its stable.

"I only did what the dog does," said the donkey," and yet they make a pet of the dog, but they beat me with sticks. It is not fair."

12. What is the topic of the above text?
   A. Loyalty.
   B. Jealousy.
   C. Friendship.
   D. Hard work.

13. What is the main idea of paragraph 4?
   A. The donkey acted like the little dog.
   B. The donkey destroy its master house.
   C. The way the farmer treated the donkey.
   D. The farmer loved the donkey very much.

14. The writer wanted to show us that ….
   A. mind can defeat the strength
   B. honesty is always the best policy
   C. success always comes with sacrifice
   D. right for one may be wrong for others
A sinkhole is a depression or hole in the ground caused by some form of collapse of the surface layer of the earth. Most are caused by karst processes—for example, the chemical dissolution of carbonate rocks, or suffusion processes.

Sinkholes vary in size from 1 to 600 m (3.3 to 2,000 ft) both in diameter and depth. They also vary in form from soil-lined bowls to bedrock-edged chasms. They may form gradually or suddenly, and are found worldwide.

The formation of sinkholes involves natural processes of erosion or gradual removal of slightly soluble bedrock (such as limestone) by percolating water, the collapse of a cave roof, or a lowering of the water table. Sinkholes often form through the process of suffusion. For example, groundwater may dissolve the carbonate cement holding the sandstone particles together and then carry away the lax particles, gradually forming a void.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sinkhole

15. The text above mainly tell us about … of the sinkhole.
   A. the variation
   B. the definition
   C. the formation
   D. the description

16. In the second paragraph, we found the information about … of the sinkhole.
   A. the variation
   B. the definition
   C. the formation
   D. the description

17. What is the main cause of the formation of sinkhole?
   A. Collapsing of caves roof.
   B. Suffusion process.
   C. Erosion process.
   D. Karst process.

18. The one who likes to read the text above, must be interested in ….
   A. biology
   B. geology
   C. archeology
   D. topography
Read the text to answer questions 19 to 21.

Centipede

Centipedes (from Latin prefix centi-, "hundred", and pes, pedis, "foot") are arthropods belonging to the class Chilopoda of the subphylum Myriapoda. Centipedes are known to be highly venomous. Despite the name, centipedes can have a varying number of legs, ranging from 30 to 354. Centipedes always have an odd number of pairs of legs. Therefore, no centipede has exactly 100 legs. A key trait uniting this group is a pair of venom claws or forcipules formed from a modified first appendage.

Centipedes are predominantly carnivorous.

Their size can range from a few millimeters to about 30 cm (12 in). Centipedes can be found in a wide variety of environments. They normally have a drab coloration combining shades of brown and red.

Worldwide, an estimated 8,000 species of centipedes are thought to exist, of which 3,000 have been described. Centipedes have a wide geographical range, where they even reach beyond the Arctic Circle. They are found in an array of terrestrial habitats from tropical rainforests to deserts. They are found in soil and leaf litter, under stones and dead wood, and inside logs.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Centipede

19. The writer wrote the text above in order to … centipede.
   A. describe a specific
   B. share his experience with
   C. give general description about
   D. amuse the readers with the story of

20. What is the maximum number of centipede’s legs?
   A. 30.
   B. 100.
   C. 354.
   D. 8000.

21. “… estimated 8,000 species of centipedes …” (1st sentence of the last paragraph)
   The underlined word is closest in meaning to ….
   A. units
   B. kinds
   C. forms
   D. groups
Read the text to answer questions 22 to 25.

Worms and Caterpillar

Seven worms had just finished their breakfast under a big tree. They were about to return to their house. The mother was walking happily in the front of the children.

On their way home, a cricket shouted after them, “Good Heavens! Your last child is terribly ugly!”

“Ugly?” asked mama worm. Then she looked at her last child. She was not the same as her sisters.

“Hey, ugly!” shouted Mama Worm. “You are not my child. Go away!”

The ugly little worm bent her head down and walked away. She was very sad. When she came near the lake, she looked down into the water and saw her face.

“Oh, look at me. I am so ugly, indeed,” she cried.

Suddenly, the ugly little worm heard a voice.

“You are not ugly. No one is ugly,” said the voice.

She looked around. Then she saw a big caterpillar and her children which all look the same as her.

“Thanks God, I find you, my dearest child. I have been looking for you everywhere. Listen to me, honey. People may call you ugly,” says the mother of caterpillar, “But for me, you are the most beautiful child”

“Can you see those beautiful butterflies?” asked the mother of caterpillar.

“Yes, I can. They are really beautiful,” answered the ugly little worm.

“One day, dear, you will turn into a beautiful butterfly, just like one of those,” explained the mother of caterpillar.

The ugly little worm finally knew that she was a caterpillar and was so delighted to know that.

http://ieshortstories.blogspot.co.id/2013/06/worms-and-caterpillar-story-english.html

22. The writer wrote the text above in order to …
A. amuse the readers with the story  
B. tell the process of metamorphosis
C. describe worm and caterpillar physically  
D. share his own experience about Little Worm

23. The little caterpillar felt …after her mother told her that she would turn to be a beautiful butterfly,
A. rather confused  
B. really amazed
C. a little upset  
D. very happy

24. According to the text, mama caterpillar was …. woman
A. a bad  
B. a wise
C. a clever  
D. a careless

25. “… a big caterpillar and her children …” (fourth paragraph)  
The underlined word refers to …. 
A. the cricket  
B. mama worm
C. mama caterpillar  
D. the ugly little worm
Read the text to answer questions 26 and 27.

From Dara to Citra
Subject: Apology
4 February, 10:00

Hey Dara.
I am so sorry to tell you that I can’t come to lead the students’ board meeting as we have planned before. Unexpected thing happens. My grandma must be hospitalized soon. Tell Rangga, our vice chairman, to take my part. We can count on him. Tell to the others, too.
Thanks

26. Dara texted Citra in order to ….
   A. tell that her grandma is sick
   B. ask Citra to lead the meeting
   C. plan the students’ board meeting
   D. inform that she cannot join the meeting

27. What will Citra probably do after reading the message?
   A. Meet Rangga.
   B. Count on Dara.
   C. Lead the meeting.
   D. Come to the hospital.

Read the text to answer questions 28 to 30.

ANNOUNCEMENT

To all participants of English On-line Course (EOC), we are very sorry for the inconvenience that the on line program was unavailable for the last 2 days.

Since today 27 February 2017, you can continue the on-line program again

Miss Nisrina

28. The writer wrote the text in order to …. 
   A. ask for apology
   B. promote something
   C. express her gratitude
   D. announce a new program

29. What is the announcement above about?
   A. A new EOC program.
   B. New schedule for EOC program.
   C. The end of EOC service at school.
   D. The temporary unavailable of EOC.

30. Which word in the text has the closest meaning with the word “uncomfortable”? 
   A. Sorry.
   B. Again.
   C. Unavailable.
   D. Inconvenience.
The following text is for questions number 31 to 33.

From Citra to Dara
6 January, 13:52

Dara, I want to make a hat from raffia rope as our vocational teacher has assigned us. But I don’t know how to make it. Dea told me that you have made it, and it is very beautiful. Can you show me how to make it then? Rangga wants to join me. Is it okay if we come to your house this afternoon?

31. Based on the text, we know that Dara is ….
   A. a teacher
   B. a student
   C. a designer
   D. a craftsman

32. What might happen at Dara’s house that afternoon?
   A. Dara makes a lovely raffia hat for Citra.
   B. They learn how to make a straw hat together.
   C. Dara and Dea help Citra and Rangga to do her task.
   D. Dara teaches Citra and Rangga how to make a raffia hat.

33. “Is it okay if we come to your house ...” (last sentence)
   The underlined word refers to ….
   A. Citra and Dea
   B. Citra and Dara
   C. Citra and Rangga
   D. Citra, Dea and Rangga

Read the text to answer questions 34 to 36.

Citra Bakery

Dear customers.
We are very sorry to announce that we are closed for renovations, beginning February 20th until March 10th. We are still baking for special cake orders.
Call 0812123456789.

Manager
Tiara

34. Where can we probably find the above announcement?
   A. At a mall.
   B. In the market.
   C. In front of a shop.
   D. In a supermarket.
35. To order a special cake we should ....
   A. wait until the shop open
   B. call the number given
   C. come to the shop
   D. meet the manager

36. “We are still baking for special cake orders” It means ... during the renovation.
   A. special cakes are baking
   B. the special cakes are baked
   C. the chef is baking special cakes
   D. customers can still order special cakes

Read the text to answer questions 37 to 38

I don't know, but I have been told ...
Zack Threshold is turning ten years old.
join us for a garden party
February 18th, 2017 at 2.00 pm
45 Miles street
Dress like a prince and princess
RSPV to Anne: 214-225-2146

37. What is the writer intention to write the text above?
   A. To tell that Anne’s phone number is 214-225-2146.
   B. To inform that the party will be held in the afternoon.
   C. To invite the reader to Zack Threshold’s birthday party.
   D. To inform that Zack Threshold has already been ten years old.

38. After reading the text, it is expected that the reader will probably ....
   A. come directly to 45 Miles street
   B. call Anne to give confirmation
   C. call Zack Threshold to congratulate him
   D. buy a new prince or princess dress for the party
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Set includes 30 assorted Kimberly Watercolor Pencils, an artist's paintbrush, an All-Art pencil sharpener, and a 25 oz. tub of Masters Brush Cleaner and Preserver.

39. The purpose of writing the text above is to … the product.
   A. show
   B. describe
   C. promote
   D. introduce

40. The product can be used with a … as well.
   A. preserver
   B. paintbrush
   C. brush cleaner
   D. pencil sharpener

41. “Set includes 30 assorted Kimberly…” (1st sentence of paragraph 2).
   The meaning of the underlined word is closest to ….
   A. chosen
   B. special
   C. various
   D. excellent
42. The text is likely addressed to ….
   A. junior high school students
   B. senior high school students
   C. students of high schools
   D. university students

43. How long is the duration of the course per meeting?
   A. 2 hours.
   B. 8 hours.
   C. 4 days.
   D. 3 months.

44. Which word in the text is closest in meaning with “length of time”?
   A. Duration.
   B. Admission.
   C. Graduation.
   D. Registration.
Read the text to answer questions 45 to 47.

**KRATON TEA**

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*Pour fresh bubbling water over tea bag.*
*Step 3 for 5 minutes and remove tea bag.*

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45. After reading the text, the readers might know … the product.
   A. the effectiveness of
   B. the materials to make
   C. the general description of
   D. the detail information about

46. The expiration date of the product is ….
   A. December 17, 2010
   B. October 17, 2012
   C. October 12, 2017
   D. December 10, 2017

47. “… and *remove* the tea bag.” (line 4)
   What is the closest meaning of the underlined word?
   A. Take away
   B. Put down
   C. Pull over
   D. Replace
Read the text to answer questions 48 to 50.

Dear Rangga Pratama,

Representing Tiara Junior High School, I would like to congratulate you on your success to be the first winner of this year national Story Telling Contest held by the Department of National Education.

We are really proud of you.

We hope your achievement will inspire all students in our school to study harder.

Principal

Mulyana Kusuma

48. The writer wrote the text in order to ….
   A. represent Tiara Junior High School
   B. congratulate Rangga on his success
   C. to inspire the students to study harder
   D. to announce the Story Telling Contest

49. The writer hopes that Rangga’s achievement will … all students.
   A. inspire
   B. surprise
   C. interest
   D. represent

50. We **hope** your achievement ...” (paragraph 3)
   The underlined word is closest in meaning to ….
   A. like
   B. wish
   C. think
   D. propose