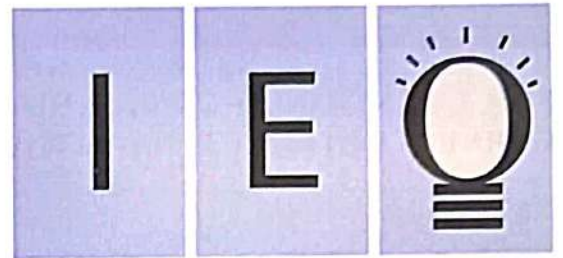


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QUESTION
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**SOF INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH
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Total Questions: 50 | Time: 1 hr.

Guidelines for the Candidate

1. You will get additional ten minutes to fill up information about yourself on the OMR Sheet, before the start of the exam.
2. Write your **Name, School Code, Class, Section, Roll No.** and **Mobile Number** clearly on the **OMR Sheet** and do not forget to sign it. We will share your marks / result and other information related to SOF exams on your mobile number.

3. The Question Paper comprises four sections:

Word and Structure Knowledge, Reading, Spoken and Written Expression & Achievers Section.

Each question in Achievers Section carries 3 marks, whereas all other questions carry one mark each.

4. All questions are compulsory. There is no negative marking.
5. There is only ONE correct answer. Choose only ONE option for an answer.
6. To mark your choice of answers by darkening the circles on the OMR Sheet, use **HB Pencil** or **Blue / Black ball point pen** only. E.g.

Q.16: Fill in the blanks.

Please teach my dog ____ a ball.

- A.** to fetch **B.** learn **C.** show **D.** to learn

As the correct answer is option A, you must darken the circle corresponding to option A on the OMR Sheet.

16. ● (B) (C) (D)

7. Return the OMR Sheet to the invigilator at the end of the exam.
8. Please fill in your personal details in the space provided on this page before attempting the paper.



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WORD AND STRUCTURE KNOWLEDGE

FOR QUESTIONS 1 TO 22, CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION TO FILL IN THE BLANK.

Example

I am so _____ as I went running today! Tomorrow I will need a rest.

- A. exhausted
- B. happy
- C. disgusted
- D. drain

1. Don't show John's new friend the family photo albums, it will only _____ him.
 - A. embarrassed
 - B. embarrassing
 - C. embarrass
 - D. embarrassment
2. I wouldn't say I was a professional artist as _____ had enough experience yet.
 - A. have
 - B. I've not
 - C. not to
 - D. to not
3. Although they are both very good at tennis, Damon _____ the best.
 - A. serving
 - B. service
 - C. servicing
 - D. serves
4. I knew before going to the cinema that the feature was a horror film. I _____ come, as I always get scared.
 - A. would
 - B. should
 - C. shouldn't have
 - D. was going
5. The toddler stepped very _____, as if it was his first time walking outdoors.
 - A. cautious
 - B. cautiously
 - C. cautiousness
 - D. more cautious
6. The statue is _____, I couldn't see the top without hurting my neck.
 - A. fortune
 - B. mature
 - C. friendly
 - D. colossal
7. You'll never recognise my bag _____ all the others, they all look the same!
 - A. under
 - B. along
 - C. amongst
 - D. over
8. The instructions are very complicated, I don't know _____ to do it.
 - A. with
 - B. which
 - C. how
 - D. who
9. I _____ all night; I can't wait to get home and take my shoes off.
 - A. have danced
 - B. dances
 - C. will be danced
 - D. have to dancing
10. The notice said – no dogs (except for guide dogs) _____.
 - A. (
 - B. .)
 - C. ?
 - D.).
11. The baby was crying all evening because he was _____ tired.
 - A. under
 - B. way
 - C. over
 - D. only

12. "If no one else offers, I _____ have to do it by myself," she exclaimed.
A. won't
B. could
C. shall
D. do

13. By caring for the planet, we are _____ improving our future.
A. someone
B. therefore
C. some
D. there

14. Look, you can see the boat coming in, just over _____.
A. they are
B. their
C. they're
D. there

15. No matter how many times the sheet was ironed, it wouldn't stop _____.
A. to creased
B. creased
C. creasing
D. was creasing

16. Although last night was the first time we met, she _____ a really good first impression.
A. will give
B. right
C. leave
D. left

17. This gate is so unstable, be careful no nails are sticking _____ before you open it.
A. over
B. on
C. out
D. at

18. I will have to take _____ all the lids before I can put these jars in the recycling bin.
A. over
B. off
C. up
D. to

19. My job interview went well. They have a strict _____ policy.
A. unprofessional
B. vocal
C. antidiscrimination
D. insight

20. In order to _____ my musical skills, I will have to practice every day.
A. play
B. changes
C. played
D. develop

21. That meeting looked really _____ this afternoon; I'm glad I wasn't involved.
A. enticing
B. inviting
C. strong
D. intense

22. Mum and dad spend hours cooking in the kitchen whenever we have _____ coming for dinner.
A. capers
B. visitors
C. flippers
D. settlers

FOR QUESTIONS 23 AND 24, CHOOSE THE PART OF THE SENTENCE THAT HAS AN ERROR.

23. I couldn't hem my trousers as the eye of the needle were to intricated to thread.
A. I couldn't hem
B. my trousers as the
C. eye of the needle
D. were to intricated to thread.

24. I am total certainty that this is where I last had my keys.
A. I am total certainty
B. that this is where
C. I last had
D. my keys.

FOR QUESTIONS 25 AND 26, CHOOSE THE CORRECT SYNONYM OF THE GIVEN WORD.

25. Venomous
- A. Delicious
 - B. Malicious
 - C. Tenacious
 - D. Luscious

26. Truce
- A. Accord
 - B. Pretty
 - C. Expensive
 - D. New

FOR QUESTIONS 27 AND 28, CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANTONYM OF THE GIVEN WORD.

27. Muted
- A. Bent
 - B. Ridiculous
 - C. Legal
 - D. Clamorous

28. Valiant
- A. Bitter
 - B. Crass
 - C. Docile
 - D. Strange

FOR QUESTIONS 29 AND 30, CHOOSE THE OPTION WITH CORRECT SPELLING.

29. What is the spelling of this adjective that means to have a spine?
- A. Vertubrate
 - B. Vertibrete
 - C. Vertabrat
 - D. Vertebrate
30. What is the spelling of the word that means beast?
- A. Cannibal
 - B. Cennibell
 - C. Canibale
 - D. Cunnibul

READING

FOR QUESTIONS 31 TO 35, READ THE PASSAGE AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS THAT FOLLOW.

Sarah Yerkes was in her 90s when a friend invited her to try something new. A graduate of Harvard University's Graduate School of Design, Yerkes had had decades-long careers: first as a landscape architect using brick and stone; then as a sculptor creating works in wood and steel, and in her later years, papier-mache models made from newspaper and glue.

As she aged, sculpting had become physically challenging. A fellow resident at Ingleside at the retirement community where she lives, had started taking a poetry writing class, so Yerkes joined, too.

Last month, at age 101, she released her first collection of poems, "Days of Blue and Flame". The book is the latest **iteration**

of a creative mind that has worked with form and style for the better part of a century. She said recently, while eating a breakfast of cornflakes and toast in her apartment, that she really felt like the good fairies were standing over her bed, giving her the oomph to create.

She was raised in Cleveland and educated as an architect. She fell into landscape design accidentally when she and a friend entered a contest and won. They ended up opening a business together. Sculpting came to her decades later, after she was in her 50s and newly married to her second husband, architect David.

That was nearly 50 years ago and today she has unveiled her new book by giving a reading of it to her fellow residents at the home she lives in. What has changed for her is that she is now a record breaker as the oldest poet to release a book.

31. Choose the best title or heading for the passage.
- A. No More Writing for Me
 - B. How to Write a Poem
 - C. Lady Changes Job Aged 101
 - D. Age is No Concern
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32. What was her job before writing poetry?
- A. Writer
 - B. Sculptor
 - C. Gardener
 - D. Blacksmith
-
33. The poems seemed to come from _____.
- A. her memories
 - B. her friends
 - C. the angels
 - D. the wind
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34. How did she become a landscape architect?
- A. By accident
 - B. With hard work
 - C. She studied
 - D. Her husband
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35. What does the word 'iteration' mean in the third paragraph?
- A. Echo
 - B. Study
 - C. Move
 - D. Failure

FOR QUESTIONS 36 TO 40, READ THE PASSAGE AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS THAT FOLLOW.

Britain's bees are under threat after a family accidentally brought a non-native specimen home in their holiday luggage, experts have warned. When Ashley Toy, 49, spotted an unusual petal cocoon on the living room sofa, he had no idea that it had been left by a stowaway that had travelled back from his family's summer break in Turkey.

He threw the nest away but the next morning, his daughter Amelia, 19, spotted an unusual

bee outside their home in Bristol. She did some research and learned the type of bee, *osmia avosetta*, is only found in Turkey and Iran. The family had come back from Turkey only a week ago. They contacted the British Beekeepers Association which then alerted the environmental authority Defra and the National Bee Unit. A spokesman warned the rare bee could have a 'devastating effect' on native mason bees, adding: 'Non-native species like this bee pose several problems and need to be controlled.'

Yearly, May 18th marks Endangered Species Day, created to raise awareness, engage conservationists, and ultimately advocate for the protection of thousands of the world's species facing extinction. The last decade has marked a dramatic increase in the risks facing species from rhinos to bees. In 2016, the animal trafficking market grew to an estimated \$23 billion. Many researchers have called the additional loss of animal life to habitat change, pollution, climate change, and other factors to a 'global epidemic'.

Meanwhile, the bee is happily constructing numerous beautiful cocoons in the family's conservatory – 1,800 miles from home. Ever since finding the Turkish insect, the family has opened the back door every morning and watched in awe as the insect flies in and out with petals from their hydrangea, creating intricate nests.

The Bumblebee Conservation Trust said it was not aware of *osmia avosetta* ever being seen in the UK before and advised that it could be illegal to release a non-native species into the wild. Miss Toy said: "I guess if Defra are involved it must be a pretty big deal. They haven't advised me to capture it yet. It's there now, flying in and out with the petals. I'm completely baffled."

The National Bee Unit has contacted the family and is working out what to do next.

36. Choose the best title or heading for the passage.

- A. Happy Bee Day
- B. Turkish Delight
- C. English Invader
- D. Travelling Pests

37. Where was the bee cocoon found?

- A. In a suitcase
- B. On the sofa
- C. In a flower bed
- D. Near the house

38. Why is it a worry for the beekeeping association?

- A. It could make a different type of honey.
- B. The bees will have no others to live with.

- C. The new bee may kill native species.
- D. The bee will fly back to Turkey with British bees.

39. The Turkish Bee is thriving in _____.

- A. the hot UK temperature
- B. the family greenhouse
- C. a new hive they bought for it
- D. a laboratory in the south of England

40. What is 'osmia avosetta' in the text?

- A. Bee
- B. Place
- C. Family
- D. Disease

SPOKEN AND WRITTEN EXPRESSION

FOR QUESTIONS 41 TO 45, CHOOSE THE MOST SUITABLE OPTION TO COMPLETE EACH CONVERSATION.

41. Foreman: It's getting too dark to work now boys. Let's call it a _____.

- A. dinner
- B. monkey
- C. month
- D. day

42. Holly: Do you want to go to the new museum that opened last month?

Mary: Yes, although _____ already with my mum, but I don't mind going again.

- A. I'm gone
- B. I've been
- C. went to
- D. was going

43. Jean: Are you free to meet up this Monday?

Betty: I don't think I've any appointments on Monday, so I _____ be. Just let me

check my diary and get back to you.

- A. should
- B. have to
- C. want to
- D. need

44. Mr. Brown: I've booked us a flight and hotel for 2 weeks in Spain for our summer holiday.

Mrs. Brown: I simply _____ go, as you know I don't like flying.

- A. do
- B. don't
- C. won't
- D. have to

45. Mum: The children tend to get car sick whenever we travel on long journeys, and this road was particularly windy.

Dad: That _____ helped.

- A. can't've
- B. might be
- C. should've to
- D. must

ACHIEVERS SECTION

FOR QUESTIONS 46 AND 47, CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION TO FILL IN THE BLANK.

46. His logic _____ everyone, including the experts.

- A. followed
- B. mourned
- C. interred
- D. surprised

47. The authorities are _____ the old sports academy.

- A. freezing at
- B. knocking down
- C. looking with
- D. sorting to

48. CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANTONYM OF THE GIVEN WORD.

Vanquish

- A. Surrender

- B. Rout
- C. Surmount
- D. Crush

49. CHOOSE THE CORRECT SYNONYM OF THE GIVEN WORD

Allegiance

- A. Antipathy
- B. Dedication
- C. Treachery
- D. Violation

50. CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION TO COMPLETE THE CONVERSATION.

Riya: Thanks for the invite, the food was really _____.

Jyoti: I am really glad you enjoyed.

- A. obligatory
- B. assimilated
- C. scrumptious
- D. scrupulous

