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**M.A. I Semester Degree Examination, April/May - 2023**

**Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC)**

**ENGLISH**

**Academic Writing**

Time : 1 Hour

Maximum Marks : 30

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

1. The Question Paper will be given in the form of a Question Booklet. There will be four/two/one versions of Question Booklets with Question Booklet Code viz. **A, B, C & D / A & B/A**.
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4. A blank sheet of paper is attached to the Question Booklet. This may be used for Rough Work.
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**P.T.O.**

1. Three parts of a paragraph :
  - (A) Thesis statement, Introductory statement, Body
  - (B) Body, Thesis, Conclusion
  - (C) Topic sentence, Body, Closing sentence
  - (D) Introduction, Body, Thesis
  
2. What is the proper header alignment for an MLA report ?
  - (A) Left
  - (B) Right
  - (C) Centered
  - (D) Any of the above
  
3. Academic writing mainly focusses on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (A) Scholarly writing
  - (B) Non-Scholarly writing
  - (C) Personal Narratives
  - (D) Non-Personal Narrative
  
4. Academic Writing has to be :
  - (A) Formal and unbiased
  - (B) Informal and biased
  - (C) Full of information
  - (D) Unfocussed, without structure
  
5. Identify the odd one out.
  - (A) Scholarly writing
  - (B) Non-scholarly writing
  - (C) Personal Narratives
  - (D) Non-Personal Narratives
  
6. Plagiarism is a/an :
  - (A) Offence
  - (B) Review
  - (C) Agreement
  - (D) Writing



7. A research paper is \_\_\_\_\_ than essay.
- (A) Easier (B) Longer  
(C) Shorter (D) Illustrative
8. What does it mean to write academically ?
- (A) To write in order to pass final exams  
(B) To write paper for scholars  
(C) To write using proper English language  
(D) To avoid copy pasting from the internet
9. Is excessive repetition good or bad in academic writing ?
- (A) Good  
(B) Bad  
(C) Good, only if it's only used to emphasize specific points to the reader  
(D) Mostly good
10. The two types of description are\_\_\_\_\_.
- (A) Objective and subjective (B) Critical and objective  
(C) Analytical and textual (D) Cause and effect
11. APA stands for :
- (A) American Psychological Association  
(B) Algerian Psychological Association  
(C) Anthropological Psychological Association  
(D) Arithmetic Psychological Association



12. The full stop is also called as :
- (A) Nil (B) Stop  
(C) Period (D) Null and void
13. Who are the target readers of an academic essay ?
- (A) Parents, workers, teachers  
(B) Teachers, students, academic community  
(C) Students out-of-school youth, Government officials  
(D) None of the above
14. When you are writing an essay on a novel, the text of the novel is treated as \_\_\_\_\_ source.
- (A) Primary (B) Second  
(C) Secondary (D) Tertiary
15. What is academic writing ?
- (A) A technique to write balanced, accurate and professional assignments  
(B) An old-fashioned way of writing  
(C) How university professors write  
(D) The writing you find in text books
16. A good topic sentence should always be :
- (A) Boring (B) Detailed (C) Interesting (D) Long
17. What is the proper line spacing for an MLA report ?
- (A) Single (B) Single and one half  
(C) Double (D) Double and one half



18. What are the top, bottom, left and right margins for an MLA report ?  
(A) 1 (B) 2 (C) 1.5 (D) 2.5
19. Academic writing is a \_\_\_\_\_ writing.  
(A) Prose (B) Poetry  
(C) Novel (D) Short story
20. \_\_\_\_\_ does not introduce any new ideas in academic essay.  
(A) Content (B) Conclusion  
(C) Introduction (D) Body
21. What should you do to improve your academic writing style ?  
(A) Always write in an active voice  
(B) Follow the same kind of sentence structure  
(C) Be clear and concise  
(D) Avoid repetition
22. When do you use formal language ?  
(A) In an academic essay (B) When you talk to a friend  
(C) When you write a text message (D) When you write an informal letter
23. Less than three lines has to be quoted :  
(A) Within the paragraph  
(B) Outside the paragraph  
(C) Within the essay  
(D) Outside the essay



24. Academic writing is a serious and \_\_\_\_\_ way of writing.
- (A) Formal (B) Informal  
(C) Easy (D) Difficult
25. According to MLA Handbook, the abbreviations is to be kept in the \_\_\_\_\_.
- (A) Beginning of the thesis (B) End of the thesis  
(C) After all chapters (D) None of the above
26. The purpose of a \_\_\_\_\_ is to present one idea :
- (A) Word (B) Sentence  
(C) Paragraph (D) Noun
27. The parts of speech does not have :
- (A) Noun (B) Verb  
(C) Adjective (D) Sentence
28. What are the purposes of doing an academic writing ?
- (A) To settle, to negotiate and to inform  
(B) To defend, to challenge and to question  
(C) To inform, to persuade and to argue a specific point  
(D) To guess, to hypothesize and to make conclusions



29. Choose three words to describe academic writing :
- (A) Talented, stylish, inspiring
  - (B) Precise, clear, objective
  - (C) Decisive, divisive, derisive
  - (D) Subjective, obscure, vague
30. \_\_\_\_\_ is the main part of an essay.
- (A) Introductory paragraph
  - (B) Concluding paragraph
  - (C) Body paragraph
  - (D) Background information

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SPACE FOR ROUGH WORK

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