

Hi Dear Aspirants of III BA Eng,

"A Dull mind gets bored easily,
A curious mind expands forever."

Quarantined at home? To shun your boredom and to fill some excitement in your monotonous schedule, here I have given some exercises, on English For Competitive Examination paper. So sit back at home, relax and at the same time, DO make use of these drills for your upcoming semester Exam. Good Luck!..

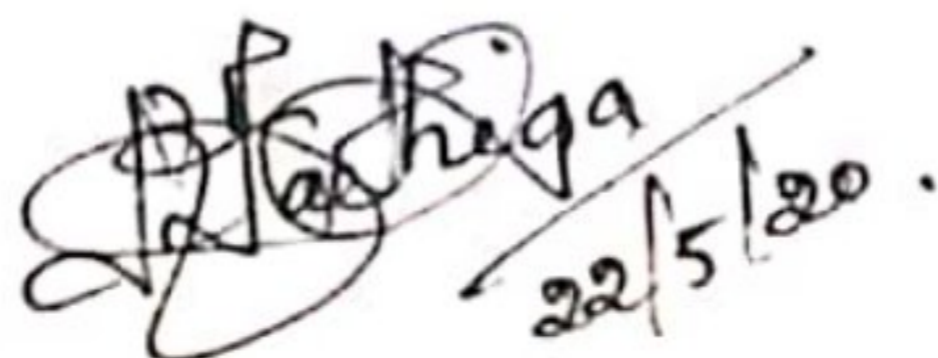
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English For Competitive Examinations

III BA English (TAMBEEN3)

Unit - I.

Exercises

I Prepositions

- (1) She is going — the post office.
- (2) Have you replied — her letter?
- (3) Try to meet me — the gate.
- (4) She is good — translation.
- (5) We drove away — the town.
- (6) Don't draw any conclusions — his public speeches.
- (7) Put the book — the table.
- (8) He spoke — the dangers of smoking.
- (9) He fell — the horse and broke his leg.
- (10) What are you saying is — the point.
- (11) He dived — the sea and drowned.
- (12) The birds were flying — the trees.
- (13) The thief was brought — the magistrate.
- (14) He asked me to meet him — 80' clock.
- (15) When I saw her she was standing — the window.
- (16) The picture hung just — the window.
- (17) They worked — morning to night.
- (18) She signed the cheque — her husband.

(19) She asked me to come — the garden.

(20) The wood — his table is very good.

Answers

1) to 2) to 3) at 4) at 5) from 6) from 7) on
8) on 9) off 10) off 11) into 12) above 13) before
14) at last 15) by 16) below 17) from 18) for
19) into 20) of.

II Concord

- 1) Bread and Butter — is/are my main worry.
- 2) The Hammer and sickle — was/were flying from the flagpole.
- 3) Bacon and eggs — make/makes a solid breakfast.
- 4) Courtesy and gentlemanliness — is/are the basis of a social life.
- 5) Either John (or) Mary — is/are bound to come.
- 6) Either the boys (or) the girls — has/have misunderstood me.
- 7) Neither he nor his wife — has/have arrived.
- 8) The Teachers as well as the headmaster — is/are responsible for discipline.
- 9) Billiards — is/are not exclusively a men's game.
- 10) Measles — is/are sometimes serious.
- 11) cards — was/were strictly forbidden.
- 12) Acoustics — is/are an interesting subject.
- 13) The public — is/are tired of demonstrations.

- 14) The audience — (was/were) enjoying everything of it.
- 15) Ice cream and cake — (are/is) very good to eat.
- 16) Social and political freedom — (is/are) linked here.
- 17) Mr and Mrs. Sharma — (is/are) in the garden.
- 18) Geopal and Hari — (was/were) going by bus.
- 19) A number of boys — (was/were) playing in the ground.
- 20) The number of nations in the United States — (are/is) increasing.

Answers

1) is 2) was 3) makes 4) is 5) is 6) have 7) has
 8) are 9) is 10) is 11) were 12) is 13) are 14) were
 15) is 16) are 17) are 18) were 19) were 20) is.

III Tenses.

- 1) Geopi — (eat) all the biscuits, there aren't any left for you.
- 2) I — (cut) my finger, and it is bleeding now.
- 3) I — (finish) my work, now I am free.
- 4) I — (know) him for long time.
- 5) He — (ill) since last week.
- 6) We — (live) here for 10 years.
- 7) He — (see) Padma for several months.
- 8) The steamer — (sail) yesterday.
- 9) She — (leave) school last year.

- 10) The Farmer — (cut) the corn which has ripened.
- 11) He — (wait) for you in the compound now.
- 12) By this ^{time} tomorrow, I — (reach) my home.
- 13) He told me that he — (finish) the work.
- 14) He — (take) but little pride in his work.
- 15) The train — (leave) at 5.20.
- 16) The next flight — (be) at 7.00 ~~am~~.
- 17) Sohrab now — (rush) forward and — (deal) a heavy blow to Rustam.
- 18) I — (wait) till you finish your lunch.
- 19) If it — (rain) we shall get wet.
- 20) Immediately the Sultan — (hurry) to his capital.

Answers:

- 1) has eaten 2) have cut 3) have finished
- 4) have known 5) has been ill 6) have joined
- 7) have not seen 8) sailed 9) left 10) is calling
- 11) is waiting 12) shall have reached 13) had finished
- 14) takes 15) leaves 16) is 17) rushes, deals
- 18) shall wait 19) rains 20) hurries.

IV Question Tags:

- 1). It's raining.
- 2). You are free.
- 3). She can swim well.

- 4) Gopi broke the glass.
- 5) Your sister cooks well.
- 6) You aren't busy.
- 7) Rohan doesn't work hard.
- 8) It's very hot today.
- 9) You like him.
- 10) Kishore will come.
- 11) He must hurry.
- 12) He will never give up.
- 13) Your father is a doctor.
- 14) You have tea for breakfast.
- 15) I didn't hurt you.
- 16) You aren't going out.
- 17) They have sold the house.
- 18) I needn't get up early tomorrow.
- 19) Gopal hasn't passed the exam.
- 20) They will go home soon.

Answers

- 1) Isn't it?
- 2) aren't you?
- 3) Isn't she?
- 4) doesn't he?
- 5) doesn't she?
- 6) are you?
- 7) does he?
- 8) is it?
- 9) don't you?
- 10) won't he?
- 11) must we? (or) needn't we?
- 12) won't he?
- 13) isn't he?
- 14) don't you?
- 15) did I?

16) are you? 17) haven't they? 18) would?

19) has he? 20) won't they?

V. Homophones (Unit - II).

- 1). This phone has the — (ability/abilities) to have its software upgraded miraculously.
- 2). The Roman government declined to — (accede/consent) to these arrangements.
- 3). It was still hard to — (accept/except) what they had done.
- 4). He needed to — (adapt/adopt) his strategies when dealing with her.
- 5). He raised his eyebrows with an — (astounded/astonished) affection) of surprise.
- 6). He took an — (alternates/alternative) route because of the traffic.
- 7). The method is sometimes employed in the — (assay/essay) of gold.
- 8). There is a — (berth/birth) for you.
- 9). The van was — (capacious/capable) and he decided to fill up the space with a couple of sacks of fuel.
- 10). He made a — (casual/causal) remark about her shoes.
- 11). He represented the nation on — (ceremonious/ceremonious) occasions.

- 11) The President knows his psychiatrist is a — (confident / confidant) who will never reveal his secrets.
- 12) Coffee and tea will be served with — (dessert / desert).
- 13) In 1888 there was an — (epidemic / epidemic) of yellow fever.
- 14) Smallpox affected the rich and the poor and it changed the — (course / coarse) of the history.
- 15) Jackson had developed quite a discerning — (palette / palate).
- 16) Maybe a bowl of — (cereal / cereal) would help to improve your body strength.
- 17) It is made of — (currant / currant) juice boiled with water and sugar.
- 18) All ~~members~~ electors are — (illegible / eligible) to the assembly.

Answers

- 1) ability (2) accede (3) accept (4) adapt
- 5) affectation (6) alternate (7) assay (8) berth
- 9) capacious (10) casual (11) ceremonial
- (12) confidant (13) dessert (14) course (15) palate
- (16) cereal (17) currant (18) eligible.

Frame a sentence using the phrasal verbs.

- 1) Bear out
- 2) Bring about
- 3) Call at
- 4) Call in
- 5) Call on
- 6) Call off
- 7) Ask for
- 8) Come across
- 9) Come by
- 10) Come off
- 11) Get on
- 12) Get on with
- 13) Get over
- 14) Get through
- 15) Go in for
- 16) Give up
- 17) Hold off
- 18) Pull down
- 19) Put out
- 20) Put on

Answers

- 1) The thief's story was borne out by the police.
- 2) Science has brought about fundamental changes in our thinking.
- 3) I called at the bank to draw some money.
- 4) Please call in at the store to pick up my grocery.
- 5) You can call on the Prime Minister tomorrow.
- 6) The chairman decided to call off the meeting.
- 7) Letting the children play with street dogs was just asking for trouble.
- 8) I haven't come across her for a long time.
- 9) How did you come by that Persian carpet?
- 10) Their plan did not come off as arranged because one of the friends decided to drop out.
- 11) How are you getting on?
- 12) She found it impossible to get on with her mother-in-law.
- 13) She took two weeks to get over the shock.

- 14) He worked hard to get through the exam.
- 15) She determined to go in for medicine.
- 16) The doctor advised him to give up smoking.
- 17) The rain held off till after the wedding.
- 18) The mansion was pulled down to make way for a housing society.
- 19) Put the lights out before you go to bed.
- 20) Don't put on that injured expression.

VII ERROR CORRECTION.

- 1) It's high time that we go home.
- 2) Please allow me to join in your office as an apprentice.
- 3) Do you mind giving me a few match-sticks?
- 4) Their wedding has not been a very happy one.
- 5) She went to Bombay to attend her cousin's marriage.
- 6) India once again failed to lift the gold cup for cycling.
- 7) He is always paying a lip-service to Marxism.
- 8) I do look forward to meet you in a couple of months.
- 9) It is reported that she is laid down with typhoid.
- 10) You should never leak out this secret to your mother-in-law.
- 11) Please convey your sister my best wishes.

- 12) Reservations are usually made a month in advance.
- 13) Can you catch the bottle for a moment?
- 14) Both of them did not care for money.
- 15) She was travelling in a bus.
- 16) There was no one anywhere near to me.
- 17) She said she could not move since she was afraid by spiders.
- 18) As a housewife Madhu was very skilled in cooking Chinese food.
- 19) When I saw her in the evening she was trembling in fear.
- 20) The money that she demanded was to be the proof of my love.

Answers

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- 2) please allow me to join your office as an apprentice.
- 3) Do you mind giving me a few matches?
- 4) Their marriage has not been a very happy one.
- 5) She went to Bombay to attend her cousin's wedding.
- 6) Indira once again failed to win the Gold cup for cycling.

- 7) He is always paying lip-service to Marxism.
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- 10) You should never leak this ~~news~~ secret to your mother-in-law.
- 11) Please convey my best wishes to your sister.
- 12) Reservations are usually gone a month in advance.
- 13) Can you hold the bottle for a moment?
- 14) Neither of them saved you money.
- 15) She was travelling by a bus (or) she was travelling on a bus.
- 16) There was no one anywhere near me.
- 17) She said she couldn't move since she was afraid of spiders.
- 18) As a housewife Madhu was very skilful at cooking Chinese food.
- 19) When I saw her in the evening she was trembling with fear.
- 20) The money that she demanded was to be paid for my love.

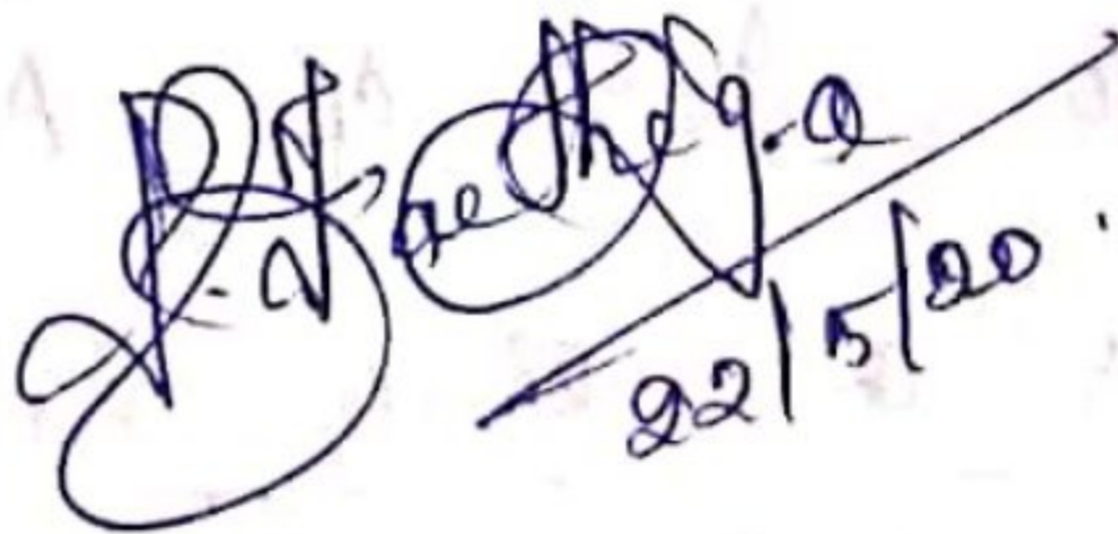
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