

Memory Based Paper for **SSC CHSL Tier 1** English Section

Directions (Q. 1-3): In these questions, sentences given with blanks are to be filled in with an appropriate word. Four alternatives are suggested for each question. Choose the correct alternative out of the four.

1. As he could not execute the work properly, he had no option _____ to leave the organization.
(A) than
(B) as
(C) but
(D) except
2. The Government aims _____ rehabilitating the affected victims in the calamity.
(A) to
(B) for
(C) about
(D) at
3. The unemployment problem, as _____ is not severe among the educated women.
(A) perceived
(B) conceived
(C) thought
(D) solved

Directions (Q. 4-6): In these questions, some part of the sentences have errors and some are correct. Find out which part of a sentence has an error. If a sentence is free from error, mark your answer as option corresponding to 'No error'.

4. If we work (A)/ slow and steady (B)/ we can finish by noon. (C)/ No error (D)
5. Many a passenger (A)/ have been (B)/ taken to the hospital. (C) No error (D)
6. If you can't remember his (A)/ number you had better (B)/ to look it up. (C) No error (D)

Directions (Q. 7-8): In these questions, choose the option opposite in meaning to the given word.

7. Venerate
(A) abuse
(B) defame
(C) accuse

- (D) criticise
- 8. Capacious
- (A) foolish
- (B) caring
- (C) limited
- (D) changeable

Directions (Q. 9): In question nos. 9, four words are given in each question, out of which only one word is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word.

9. (A) Messenger (B) Messanger (C) Massenger (D) Massanger

Directions (Q. 10-12): In these questions, a sentence/ a part of the sentence is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part at (A), (B), (C) which may improve the sentence. Choose the correct alternative. In case no improvement is needed your answer is (D).

10. The police have so far succeeded in recovering only a part of the stolen property.

- (A) thus far succeeded for recover
- (B) so far succeed in the recovery of
- (C) as far as succeeded in recovery of
- (D) no improvement

11. The easiest of the thing to do is to ask the address to the postman.

- (A) of the things to do
- (B) among the things did
- (C) of all the things done
- (D) no improvement

12. Why should the candidates be afraid of English Language is not clear.

- (A) the candidates should be
- (B) do the candidates be
- (C) should be the candidates
- (D) no improvement

Directions (Q. 13-14): In these questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word.

13. Earnestly

- (A) hopefully
- (B) regretfully
- (C) sincerely
- (D) regularly

14. Witty

- (A) whispering
- (B) astonishing
- (C) amusing
- (D) approaching

Directions (Q. 15-17): In these questions, four alternatives are given for the Idiom/Phrase underlined in the sentence. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase.

15. List of headings of the business to be transacted at a meeting –

- (A) Proceedings
- (B) Excerpts
- (C) Agenda
- (D) Schedule

16. Opposed to great or sudden change –

- (A) Conservative
- (B) Evolutionary
- (C) Revolutionary
- (D) Static

17. Land so surrounded by water as to be almost an island–

- (A) Isthmus
- (B) Lagoon
- (C) Archipelago
- (D) Peninsula

Directions (Q. 18-20): In these questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences.

18. A square peg in a round hole –

- (A) an impossible task
- (B) a scheme that never work
- (C) a person unsuited to the position he fills
- (D) none of these

19. To worship the rising sun –

- (A) to honour the promising sun
- (B) to indulge in flattery
- (C) to welcome the coming events
- (D) to honour a man who is coming into office

20. The story does not hold water –

- (A) does not deserve appreciation
- (B) not correct or true
- (C) cannot be told
- (D) cannot be valued

Directions (Q. 21-25): In these questions, you have a brief passage with 5 questions.

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer to each question out of the four alternatives.

PASSAGE

Some people say that man's desire for war is due to his fight for survival and that war is necessary to preserve his virility. Yet. War nowadays leaves a legacy of the weakest men and stimulates not the noble but the bestial qualities of mankind. Adventure of some kind is necessary for man : he will inevitably deteriorate physically and mentally if his life is one of ease and luxury lived in an atmosphere of "Safety First". This is the real reason behind our love of sports in the open air. It is no use being a millionaire if one suffers from chronic indigestion: a tramp with good innards is far happier. Nothing that money can buy is worthwhile without good

health. There is no better way to perfect health and physical fitness than to walk over or climb hills and mountains. But mountains give us much more than mere physical fitness; they exercise the mental faculties as well. Climbing a high and difficult peak is as much a mental exercise as a physical exercise. It calls for sense and judgement for planning and thinking ahead, for anticipating difficulty and danger, for responsibility towards one's companions, and best of all, it brings the mountaineer into touch with the beauties of the universe.

21. According to the passage, nothing that money can buy is worthwhile

- (A) without love of sports
- (B) without adventure
- (C) without good health
- (D) without good mental faculties

22. If a man leads a life in an atmosphere of 'Safety First' he will

- (A) improve physically and mentally
- (B) deteriorate physically and mentally
- (C) improve physically but deteriorate mentally
- (D) improve mentally but deteriorate physically

23. Which is the best way to perfect health and physical fitness, according to the passage?

- (A) Fighting
- (B) Seek inward happiness
- (C) Live a life of luxury
- (D) Climb hills and mountains

24. War nowadays stimulates

- (A) noble qualities of mankind
- (B) man's virility
- (C) bestial qualities of mankind
- (D) man's fight for survival

25. What is the best advantage mountaineering brings to an adventurer ?

- (A) Art of Planning
- (B) Thinking ahead
- (C) "Responsibility towards companions
- (D) Contact with the beauties of the universe