

**READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.**

1. You have been given this question paper and a separate answer sheet. The question paper contains 50 questions.

2. Make sure that you have written on the answer sheet.

(i) Your name

(ii) Name of your school

**Read the passages carefully and fill in the blank spaces with correct answer in number 1-15**

Little Albert hated writing letters. He often \_\_\_ 1 \_\_\_ to himself, “ \_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_ I am a grown-up, I \_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_ forbid the children, \_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_ whom I send presents, to \_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_ me a thank-you letter.”

Little Jane was quite \_\_\_ 6 \_\_\_. She wrote the letters \_\_\_ 7 \_\_\_ and even \_\_\_ 8 \_\_\_ some pretty pictures on them. One night, Albert had \_\_\_ 9 \_\_\_ funny dream. He dreamt he was in a \_\_\_ 10 \_\_\_ at the gateway to heaven. When it \_\_\_ 11 \_\_\_ to his \_\_\_ 12 \_\_\_, God just turned \_\_\_ 13 \_\_\_ and said, “Next....this one does not belong \_\_\_ 14 \_\_\_, Take him away.” Albert was shocked and asked God for the \_\_\_ 15 \_\_\_. God explained. “You have not thanked your relatives for your Christmas gifts.”

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| 1.  | A. thinks     | B. think    | C. thought     | D. thinking |
| 2.  | A. When       | B. White    | C. As          | D. Because  |
| 3.  | A. should     | B. ought    | C. can         | D. will     |
| 4.  | A. with       | B. to       | C. for         | D. by       |
| 5.  | A. wrote      | B. write    | C. writes      | D. writing  |
| 6.  | A. different  | B. differnt | C. different   | D. difrent  |
| 7.  | A. cheerfully | B. cheer    | C. cheerlessly | D. cheerly  |
| 8.  | A. drawing    | B. drawn    | C. draw        | D. drew     |
| 9.  | A. many       | B. these    | C. the         | D. a        |
| 10. | A. queue      | B. que      | C. queueu      | D. queue    |
| 11. | A. came       | B. comes    | C. come        | D. coming   |
| 12. | A. turned     | B. turn     | C. next        | D. turning  |
| 13. | A. in         | B. on       | C. away        | D. off      |
| 14. | A. near       | B. hear     | C. our         | D. here     |
| 15. | A. excuse     | B. reason   | C. option      | D. reson    |



The sage wanted very much to befriend Mouse and have her hand. An idea occurred to him and he said, "I will call the gods of the heavens and earth and see if it is wise for a sage to wed a mouse." He prayed to the sun god. "Oh, you who rides heavens with a chariot of fire, pray, tell me, did I find favour in the mouse?" The sun god answered, "I'll shine down with a fury that when you beg me for mercy, you'll find favour." As the sun increased in heat a thick cloud covered it completely. The wise sage then called to the cloud god. "It seems you've made the sun completely powerless in my hour of need. Tell me plainly if you favour my marriage to the beautiful mouse." The cloud god wanted to answer but a violent wind blew such that it nearly uprooted the tree the wise sage leaned against. And the strength of the wind took the cloud over the horizon so swiftly that the wise sage was left surprised.

"Dear wind god, you're the most powerful that you have taken the cloud away in your swift wings, and cooled down the fiery sun. Tell me, is it alright before your eyes that I should wed the mouse?" "Alas!" the wind god said. "How I wish I could answer you, but I'm not that powerful. For in my swift journeys, I have never uprooted that huge mountain."

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| <p>31. What time was the old sage in a shade?<br/> A. Morning<br/> B. Afternoon<br/> C. Evening<br/> D. Night</p> <p>32. The sage was feeling _____<br/> A. wise<br/> B. tired<br/> C. sleepy<br/> D. sick</p> <p>33. What fell down next to him?<br/> A. an ugly mouse<br/> B. a sleepy mouse<br/> C. a beautiful rat<br/> D. a beautiful mouse</p> <p>34. The mouse was _____<br/> A. smaller than the sage<br/> B. bigger than the sage<br/> C. the same size with the sage<br/> D. wiser than the sage</p> <p>35. What was the mouse doing up the tree?<br/> A. He was sleeping<br/> B. He was eating<br/> C. He was looking at the sage<br/> D. He was looking at the world from the above</p> | <p>36. The mouse had travelled from far to<br/> A. look for a companion<br/> B. tour the earth<br/> C. look for the gods<br/> D. look for friends</p> <p>37. Who rides heavens with a chariot of fire?<br/> A. The sun god<br/> B. The cloud god<br/> C. The sage<br/> D. The mouse</p> <p>38. How many gods have been mentioned in the passage<br/> A. two                      B. three<br/> C. four                      D. five</p> <p>39. Did mouse get an answer?<br/> A. Yes, he did<br/> B. No he didn't<br/> C. He became sages companion<br/> D. He died</p> <p>40. Which one would be the best title for the passage<br/> A. The gods of nature<br/> B. The sleepy sage<br/> C. The sage and mouse's wedding<br/> D. The sage and the mouse</p> |
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**Read the passage below and answer questions 41 to 50.**

Did you know that camels can run as fast as 64 kilometres per hour? Camels are unique-looking creatures that are easily recognised because of their humps. They live in the desert areas of Africa and Asia. There are two types of camels: Dromedary, which has one hump, and Bactrian, which has two humps. A camel can grow as tall as two metres and weigh up to 680 kilograms.

They are adapted to desert life by having eyes that have three eyelids and two rows of eyelashes that prevent sand from entering their eyes. A camel's foot consists of two toes that spread when it touches the ground and prevents it from sinking in the sand and move easily.

The camel's hump is used to store fat, which it uses as a source of energy when other food sources are not available, and not water as most people have believed. A camel can survive without food and water for a long period of time. Most mammals would die if they lose 15 per cent of their water, but camels can lose up to 20-25 per cent of body water without becoming dehydrated.

When they find water, they will drink as much as possible. They can drink up to 150 litres of water at once. Pregnancy in camel lasts between 9 and 14 months, depending on the availability of food. They have one calf and it can run few hours after it is born. A camel can live for between 40 and 50 years.

41. Camels can run  
A. over 64 kilometres per hour  
B. at 64 kilometres per minute  
C. below 60 kilometres per hour  
D. at 64 kilometres per hour
42. What makes it easy to recognize a camel?  
A. The hump  
B. The speed  
C. The size  
D. The desert
43. Which one of the following is true about camels?  
A. There are three types of camels  
B. All camels have two humps  
C. A camel can be as tall as two metres  
D. Camels are found in Asian and African plains
44. A camel has \_\_\_\_\_  
A. three eyelashes  
B. two eyelids  
C. three eyelids two rows of eyelashes  
D. three eyelids and two eyelashes
45. A camel's toes prevent it from  
A. sinking  
B. moving  
C. sinking and moving  
D. moving easily
46. A camel's hump \_\_\_\_\_  
A. stores water  
B. stores other food  
C. stores energy and water  
D. stores fat
47. Most mammals would die if they  
A. lost 20 - 25 per cent of their water  
B. lost 15 per cent of their water  
C. lost half of their water in the hump  
D. lost all the energy
48. When an animal loses a lot of water, it  
A. becomes fat  
B. becomes hungry  
C. becomes dehydrated  
D. becomes hydrated
49. The length of a camel's pregnancy is controlled by  
A. availability of food  
B. availability of water  
C. where they live  
D. how they live
50. The best title for the passage would be  
A. Desert animals  
B. How camels feed  
C. Mammals  
D. Camels