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Sample Paper



Class 6

Unicus English Olympiad (UEO)

Time: 60 minutes

Pattern and Marking Scheme			
Section	Total Questions	Marks per Question	Total Marks
Classic Section	40	1	40
Scholar Section	10	2	20
Grand Total	50		60

Classic Section (Each Question is 1 Mark)

1. Choose the option which has an error in the use of the apostrophe:

- a. Men's clothes are on the first floor. You will find the women's section on the second floor.
 - b. We are getting the childrens' room renovated.
 - c. Sherry and Tina are learning ballet. The girls' teacher lives quite close to our place.
 - d. Mom: Will you be coming home with your friend?
Richa: If I don't get the bus, my friend's father will drop me.
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2. Read the following sentences and pick out the false statement:

Which book did you buy **last** month?

The **third** one on the top shelf. It's really thick but I read it **pretty** fast.

- a. **Which** is an adverb.
 - b. **Last** is an adjective.
 - c. **Third** is not an adverb.
 - d. **Pretty** is an adverb.
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3. Choose a suitable option to make a sensible sentence:

I have not gone anywhere_____.

- a. since the rain began
 - b. when I started my project work
 - c. unless there will be a power cut
 - d. so I went to a doctor
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4. Which of the following sentence contains an adverb?

- a. She fries the chips in coconut oil.
 - b. Did you order a burger with fries?
 - c. Did you place your order, Sir?
 - d. He is foolishly boasting about his imaginary achievements.
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5. Choose the option with no errors:

- a. This is the folder that I've been looking for it since morning.
 - b. There's the woman who came for the interview yesterday.
 - c. Although she was tired but she ironed the clothes.
 - d. As you know, that the family is not very well off.
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6. Read the given sentences and choose the correct option:

- I. The car broke down 2 miles away from home.
- II. The old castle has broken down.

Break down means:

- a. to escape from somewhere
 - b. to break a piece from something
 - c. to become inoperational or to become in a very bad or poor condition
 - d. none of these
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7. Choose the option that reports the statement correctly:

"The movie is about to begin," said Mom.

- a. Mom said that the movie was about to begin.
 - b. The movie was about to begin said Mom.
 - c. Mom said that the movie will begin.
 - d. The movie was about to begin told Mom.
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8. Choose the option which is in the correct tense:

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| a. Had you washed the dishes yet? | b. Will you wash the dishes yet? |
| c. Do you wash the dishes yet? | d. Have you washed the dishes yet? |
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9. Choose the option which has a different tense:

- a. The children broke the window pane while playing cricket.
 - b. Richard made lots of friends in his new school.
 - c. Our cousins have not visited us since Diwali.
 - d. A college professor and her husband lived in this house some years back.
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10. Choose the option which is correctly punctuated:

- a. I'd like to order a cheese burger, fries and a coke, please.
 - b. I'd like to order, a cheese burger, fries and a coke please.
 - c. I'd like to order a cheese burger, fries and a coke, please?
 - d. I'd like to order, a cheese burger, fries and a coke please!
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11. Choose the option which has no errors:

- a. Is it okay to eating burgers and fries everyday?
 - b. Have you ordered from Burger Factory? Have a look at it's menu.
 - c. That takeaway restaurant offer some of the best burgers, drinks, milkshake and desserts.
 - d. The chocolate fudge cake is mouth-watering.
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12. Which of these is not related to good food?

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| a. connoisseur | b. gerontologist |
| c. gastronomic | d. gourmet |
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13. Pick the odd one out:

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| a. remarkable : exceptional | b. unique : uncommon |
| c. singular : remarkable | d. phenomenal : ordinary |
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14. Pick the odd one out:

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| a. contentment | b. gratification |
| c. despondency | d. satisfaction |
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15. Pick out the odd one:

- a. Have you seen Arnav? Is this bottle **his**?
 - b. Aarav has completed **his** project. The director is very happy.
 - c. The car parked under the tree is **ours**. The driver can drop the children home.
 - d. Didn't you borrow this pen from Saira? Where's **yours**?
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16. Choose the option which does not have an adverb:

- a. Granny knits fast. I'm sure my sweater will be ready today.
 - b. My friend thoughtfully packed some sandwiches for my journey.
 - c. Our dog is gentle and playful but some people are scared of him.
 - d. The elderly man went upstairs, firmly holding his grandson's hand.
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17. Choose the correct option:

Would you like _____ iced tea? It's very refreshing. You must try these homemade cookies. I'll send _____ for your parents too.

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| a. any/ few | b. some/ a few |
| c. little/ some | d. a little/ any |
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18. Choose the incorrectly spelt word/s:

- 1. accomodation
- 2. separately
- 3. cemetery
- 4. medieval
- 5. perseverance

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| a. 1 and 3 | b. 2 and 4 |
| c. 4 and 5 | d. 1 and 5 |
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19. Choose the option which changes the following into the active voice:

The cars were parked by the valet.

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| a. The valet has parked the cars. | b. The valet parks the cars. |
| c. The valet parked the cars. | d. The valet will park the cars. |
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20. Choose the option which correctly changes the following into active voice:

These trees are being looked after by the primary school children.

- a. These trees are looking after the primary school children.
 - b. The primary school children were looking after these trees.
 - c. The primary school children are looking after these trees.
 - d. The primary school children look after these trees.
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21. Choose the option which has the words in the right order and is correctly punctuated:

help the environment 1/ things that 2/ if we 3/ can be reused 4/ we can 5/ do not throw away 6

- a. 2/4/5/1/3/6.
 - b. 3/1/2/4/5/6?
 - c. 3/6/2/4/5/1?
 - d. 5/1/3/6/2/4.
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22. Choose the option which has the words in the right order and is correctly punctuated:

in that area 1/ had 2/ several 3/ the demolition truck 4/ by 5/ been 6/ buildings 7/ knocked down 8

- a. 2/3/7/6/8/5/4/1.
 - b. 1/4/2/6/8/5/3/7?
 - c. 3/7/2/1/6/8/5/4?
 - d. 3/7/1/2/6/8/5/4.
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23. Choose the option in which the word in bold is incorrectly used:

- a. Does **anyone** want to watch the movie?
 - b. Hello! Is **someone** at home?
 - c. **Somebody** came looking for you.
 - d. I can't see **anybody** at the cash counter.
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24. Choose the correct option to complete the conversation:

A: Hello! Is this seat taken?

B: No.

A: _____

- a. You won't let anybody sit here, please.
 - b. Do you mind if I sit here?
 - c. Please don't mind if I sit here.
 - d. Would you let me sit here?
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25. Choose the incorrectly spelt word/s:

- A. vacuum cleaner
- B. accessorries
- C. upholstery
- D. draperies
- E. debris

- a. A and C
 - b. B
 - c. C and D
 - d. E
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26. Choose the option with an error in the tense form:

- a. They are planning to sell their flat and move to the farmhouse.
 - b. We were knowing the answer but we didn't press the buzzer in time.
 - c. The delivery boy from the neighbourhood store comes to the colony every morning.
 - d. I read on the sunny balcony these days.
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27. Choose the conversations which have errors:

- 1. A: Have you got any cutlets?
B: Yes, I do. How much do you want?
A: Please give me two cutlets with some sauce.
- 2. A: Have you got any fruit juice?
B: Yes, we have apple, mango, guava and pineapple juices. Which one do you want?
A: One bottle of mango juice, please.
- 3. A: Have you got any patties?
B: Yes, I do. Would you like burgers?
A: Two burgers, please.

- a. 1 and 2
 - b. 2 and 3
 - c. 1 and 3
 - d. All have errors.
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28. Choose the correct option to complete the proverb:

After a _____ comes a calm.

- a. thunder
 - b. violence
 - c. wind
 - d. storm
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29. Choose the correct option to complete the proverb:

A man's house is his _____.

- a. castle
 - b. bungalow
 - c. mansion
 - d. palace
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30. Choose the option in which **the** is incorrectly used:

- a. Our neighbour's roses were the best at the flower show.
 - b. Are those the buns Mayur bought yesterday?
 - c. Uncle Ben plays the guitar and Aunt Ruby sings in the choir.
 - d. The students are served the breakfast very early.
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31. Choose the correct option to complete the conversation:

A: Time for me to go. I have a long day tomorrow.

B: _____

- a. Yes, it's been a long time.
 - b. It was great chatting with you too.
 - c. Sorry, but I have to run.
 - d. I better get going too.
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32. Pick the odd one out:

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| a. worst | b. stupider |
| c. more beautiful | d. better |
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33. Choose the correct option:

I _____ buy vegetables on Saturday but I was too busy yesterday.

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| a. usually | b. rarely |
| c. never | d. seldom |
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34. Choose the correct option:

The decision was taken _____ the rules.

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| a. on account of | b. in regard to |
| c. in accordance with | d. in contrast to |
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35. Read the telephone conversation and answer the question:

Pam: Hello! Is that Monica?

Rachel: I'm Monica's sister. She's gone out. Who's calling?

Pam: I'm Pam. Could you give her a message?

Rachel: Sure.

Pam: Please let her know that the club is not meeting on Tuesday. Some members will be gathering instead at Nora's place to make posters for the fun fair. The club meeting has been postponed to Thursday. Please ask her to let me know if she can help with the poster making.

Rachel: Alright. I'll inform her.

Choose the option that has the correct information that Rachel should leave for Monica in a message.

- Pam called to tell you that there is no club meeting on Tuesday. Some members will be gathering at Nora's place on Thursday for the fun fair. She has asked you to speak to her if you can help with the poster making.
 - Pam called to let you know that the club meeting is on Thursday. Some members will be getting together at Nora's place on Tuesday to make posters for the fun fair. Pam would like to know if you can help with the poster making.
 - Pam called to inform you that the club meeting is on Thursday instead of Tuesday. Since some members are gathering at Nora's place, she wants you to speak to Nora regarding the posters for the meeting.
 - Pam wanted to let you know that the club meeting is postponed to Thursday. On Tuesday some members are getting together at her place to make posters for the fun fair. She wants you to inform Nora if you can help with the poster making.
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Direction (Q. 36 to Q. 40): Read the passage and answer the question:

Gurgaon: September 15. It was 8 a.m. The birders in Aravali Biodiversity Park were on their search for winged visitors who flock from colder lands, when they witnessed something unusual. "We saw a bird with a brownish-red tail walking from one end of the rocks to the other," said Ravinder Garga, a resident of Rajouri Garden. He and his group of birding enthusiasts couldn't identify the species but made sure they photographed it.

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"A couple of days ago, I asked for its ID and got to know that it was a Rufous-tailed rock thrush, which has never been spotted in the region before," Anupam Kamal, another bird watcher from Hauz Khas told TOI.

The bird is an autumn passage migratory species from Europe, Central Asia and China, and has some sighting records in higher Himalayas, Rajasthan, Gujarat and Kerala, as per E-Bird (an online database of recording bird sightings across the world).

"The species hardly comes to India. Though we have some records from Rajasthan, Gujarat and Kerala in India, this is probably the eastern-most **record** in the country. This indicates that some of the birds of this species might be going to Sri Lanka to winter via India," said Pankaj Gupta from Delhi Bird Foundation (an NGO) and co-ordinator of E-Bird in North India.

(Twitchers cheer 1st sighting of rare bird in NCR: The Times of India)

36. Spot the word that is not a noun:

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| a. sightings | b. record |
| c. colder | d. search |
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37. Spot the odd one:

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| a. birds | b. species |
| c. birders | d. enthusiasts |
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38. Spot the option which means:

occasions on which something, especially something unusual or unexpected, is seen

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| a. sightings | b. database |
| c. records | d. enthusiasts |
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39. Spot the odd one out:

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| a. unusual : ordinary | b. rarely : seldom |
| c. bird watcher : birder | d. witnessed : saw |
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40. Choose the option which is not false:

- a. The word **visitors** is used for the birders.
 - b. Some of the birds of this species might be coming from Sri Lanka.
 - c. The birders were looking out for birds on their way to colder lands.
 - d. **Sojourn** means a short stay in a place that is not your home.
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Scholar Section (Each Question is 2 Marks)

41. Pick out the option which has only one adverb:

- a. I often see my neighbour's children going to the park. She accompanies them sometimes.
- b. Dave answered all the questions easily. He had studied hard.
- c. He says it's slightly colder than yesterday but I'm feeling terribly cold.
- d. I had almost forgotten about the lovely view of the hills from your room.

42. Choose the correct option:

If you are able to use both your right hand and your left hand equally well, you are

_____.

- a. ambiguous
- b. ambivalent
- c. ambidextrous
- d. ambivert

43. Choose the option in which articles are correctly used:

- a. The Brahmaputra is one of the major rivers of India. It is known by various names in the region as it flows through China, India and Bangladesh.
- b. Brahmaputra is one of the major rivers of India. It is known by the various names in the region as it flows through China, India and Bangladesh.
- c. The Brahmaputra is one of major rivers of India. It is known by various names in the region as it flows through China, India and the Bangladesh.
- d. Brahmaputra is one of the major rivers of India. It is known by the various names in region as it flows through China, India and Bangladesh.

44. Choose the option for which the reported statement is as follows:

Dad asked us if we had finished our homework.

- a. "Have they finished their homework?" told Dad.
- b. "Have you finished your homework?" asked Dad.
- c. "Have the children finished their homework?" said Dad.
- d. "Have you finished the homework?" asked Dad.

45. Look at the words in bold and decide which one is a pronoun as well as an adjective:

- a. Those are my sister's sandals. She bought **them** last week.
- b. Did you see the bicycle parked under the tree? It's **mine**.
- c. **Whose** watch is this? I found it in the games room.
- d. Do baby birds teach **themselves** how to fly?

46. Spot the part of the sentence which has an error:

The sewing machine which has been lying in the basement for several years is one of Grandma's most treasured possession.

- a. The sewing machine which has been lying
 - b. in the basement for several years
 - c. is one of Grandma's most treasured possession.
 - d. no errors
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47. Choose the correct option:

The painter leaned _____ a tree and looked _____ the picturesque surroundings. A stream flowed _____ the mango orchard. There were cows grazing _____ the trees.

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| a. to/over/between/around | b. from/for/by/near |
| c. on/around/near/at | d. against/at/through/under |
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48. Choose the correct option to complete the proverb:

A drowning man _____.

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| a. may give a wise man counsel | b. will clutch at a straw |
| c. speaks louder than words | d. is easier lost than found |
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49. Choose the option without any errors:

- a. It is more colder today than it was yesterday.
 - b. The prize for best flower arrangement has been announced.
 - c. That was the funniest movie I had ever seen.
 - d. I don't think there could be anything nicer to spending the summer in the hills.
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50. Choose the correct option:

_____ can mean to tame a horse. It can also mean to make new shoes or clothes comfortable by wearing them.

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| a. Break in | b. Break through |
| c. Break out | d. Break in on |
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Answer Key

1.	b	2.	a	3.	a	4.	d	5.	b	6.	c	7.	a
8.	d	9.	c	10.	a	11.	d	12.	b	13.	d	14.	c
15.	b	16.	c	17.	b	18.	d	19.	c	20.	c	21.	d
22.	d	23.	b	24.	b	25.	b	26.	b	27.	c	28.	d
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