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### **SYLLABUS GUIDELINES**

## Based on CBSE, ICSE & GCSE Syllabus & NCF guidelines devised by NCERT

The paper will be essentially based on general english but may also contain reading an unseen passage and poem. Writing, Seminar, Text for detailed study, Drama, Fiction, Advanced, Reading Skills. Effective Writing Skills, Applied Grammer, Literature, Conversation Skills (Listening + Speaking)





# Choose one alternative which is opposite in meaning to the given word.

given	word.	
Q.1.	Valuable	
	(a) Lowly	(b) Worthless
	(c) Inferior	(d) Invaluable
Q.2.	Inimical	
	(a) Neutral	(b) Emotional
	(c) Friendly	(d) Cheerful
Q.3.	Meagre	
	(a) Extravagant	(b) Excessive
	(c) Average	(d) Plentiful
Q.4.	Equanimity	
	(a) Dubiousness	(b) Resentment
	(c) Excitement	(d) Duplicity
Q.5.	Beguile	
	(a) Flatter	(b) Smile
	(c) Persuade	(d) Cheat
Q.6.	Destiny	
	(a) Self-dependence	(b) Fate
	(c) Vulnerability	(d) Chance
Q.7.	Agony	
	(a) Ecstasy	(b) Fear
	(c) Pleasure	(d) Bliss
Q.8.	Subservient	
	(a) Straight forward	(b) Supercilious
	(c) Aggressive	(d) Dominant
Q.9.	Forbid	
	(a) Celebrate	(b) Permit
	(c) Provoke	(d) Appreciate
Q.10.	Punctilious	
	(a) Careless	(b) Curious
	(c) Irregular	(d) Fussy
Q.11.	Modicum	
	(a) Brazenness	(b) Immodesty
	(c) Simplicity	(d) A large amount

Q.12.	Mask		
	(a) Expose	(b) Hit	
	(c) Deface	(d) Injure	
Q.13.	Choice		
	(a) Harm	(b) Approval	
	(c) Refusal	(d) Dilemma	
Q.14.	Reserved		
	(a) Popular	(b) Companionable	
	(c) Likeable	(d) Talkative	
Q.15.	Inveterate	(b) In a constant and	
	(a) Ignorant	(b) Inexperienced	
0.40	(c) Stupid	(d) Uneducated	
Q.16.	Obsolete (a) Useless	(h) Booont	
	(c) Conducive	<ul><li>(b) Recent</li><li>(d) Rare</li></ul>	
0 17	` '	(u) itale	
Q.17.	Insanity (a) Lucidity	(b) Sobriety	
	(c) Sanity	(d) Normality	
O 18	Churlish	(a) Hormany	
Q. 10.	(a) Helpful	(b) Happy	
	(c) Accommodating	(d) Polite	
Q.19.	Artificial		
4	(a) Authentic	(b) Natural	
	(c) Solid	(d) Truthful	
Q.20.	Mundane		
-	(a) Heavenly	(b) Excellent	
	(c) Exciting	(d) Superb	
In eac	ch of the following senten	ces, a word has been written i	n
bold	out of the given alternat	ives. Choose the one which i	S
close	st to the opposite of the b	oold word	
Q.21.		nad some <b>covert</b> reason for th	ıe
	change of his political affil		
	(a) Obvious	(b) Unjustifiable	
	(c) Flimsy	(d) Inexplicable	
Q.22.	It is surprising to find her	_	
	(a) Disliking	(b) Forbidding	
	(c) Disparaging	(d) Condemning	

Q.23.	At least some students are in the habit of doing their exercises		
	in a <b>slovenly</b> manner. (a) Decent	(b)	Correct
	(c) Neat	` '	Proper
Q.24.	, , .		rect but his behaviour with his
	father was quite imperting		5 (6)
	(a) Healthy	` '	Respectful
0.25	(c) Impressive	` '	Smooth
Q.25.	of the audience volatile.	Jev s	s behaviour made the emotions
	(a) Stupidity	(b)	Rudeness
	(c) Politeness	(d)	Impetuosity
Q.26.		ovei	ment slackened in course of
	time.		
	<ul><li>(a) Quickened</li><li>(c) Recovered</li></ul>	` '	Stopped Multiplied
O 27	Misogynists are not apple	` '	•
Q.21.	(a) Philanthropists		
	(c) Philanderers		Philologists
Q.28.	There was no altruistic r	noti	ve that prompted him to help
	her.		
	(a) Inhuman	` '	Selfish
0.00	(c) Wicked	(a)	Brutal
Q.29.	He is very <b>timid</b> person.  (a) Bold	(h)	Chivalrous
	(c) Dashing	` '	Outgoing
Q.30.	The treaty was ratified by	` ,	• •
-,	(a) Destroyed		Annulled
	(c) Set aside	(d)	Unsettled
	© (	90	

#### **ANSWERS**

1. (b)	2. (c)	3. (d)	4. (c)	5. (c)	6. (a)	7. (a)	8. (d)
9. (b)	10. (a)	11. (d)	12. (a)	13. (d)	14. (d)	15.(b)	16. (c)
17. (c)	18. (d)	19. (b)	20. (c)	21. (a)	22. (d)	23.(a)	24. (b)
25. (d)	26. (a)	27. (b)	28. (b)	29. (a)	30. (b)		



#### Pick out the correct synonyms for each of the following words

Q.1.	Extricate	
	(a) Tie	(b) Complicate
	(c) Pull	(d) Free
Q.2.	Interrogate	
	(a) To stop	(b) To enter the gate
	(c) To interfere	(d) To question
Q.3.	Jeopardy	
	(a) Adventure	(b) Magic
	(c) Enmity	(d) Danger
Q.4.	Troth	
	(a) Colourist	(b) Disloyal
	(c) Ego	(d) Faith
Q.5.	Ken	
	(a) Witness	(b) Ignorance
	(c) Knowledge	(d) Trial
Q.6.	Inordinate	
	(a) Subordinate	(b) Excessive
	(c) Extraordinary	(d) Inanimate
Q.7.	Insolent	
	(a) Proud	(b) Assertive
	(c) Nervous	(d) Rude
Q.8.	Inebriate	
	(a) Stupefied	(b) Dreamy
	(c) Drunken	(d) Unsteady
Q.9.	Placid	
	(a) Enjoyable	(b) Dull
	(c) Clear	(d) Calm
Q.10.	Vindictive	40.5
	(a) Revengeful	(b) Demonstrative
	(c) Strategic	(d) Triumphant
Q.11.	Indict	(1) D
	(a) Allege	(b) Reprimand
	(c) Accuse	(d) Condemn

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Q.12.	Stamina		
	(a) Eagerness		Energy
	(c) Endurance	(d)	Intensity
Q.13.	Recall		
	(a) Face		Remember
	(c) Speak	(a)	Receive
Q.14.	Impertinent (a) Thoughtless	(h)	Irritable
	(c) Impudent	. ,	Sceptical
Q.15.		(-)	305p.10d.
<b>Q</b> . 10.	(a) Observant	(b)	Energetic
	(c) Watchful	٠,	Intelligent
Q.16.	Supercilious		
	(a) Haughty		Angry
	(c) Indifferent	(d)	Annoyed
Q.17.	Counsel		
	(a) Oppose	` '	Advise
0.40	(c) Correct	(u)	Publish
Q.16.	Ascend (a) Deviate	(h)	Grow
	(c) Leap		Mount
Q.19.	, ,	` '	
-	(a) Evilsome	(b)	Repulsive
	(c) Fearful	(d)	Hateful
Q.20.	Harbinger		
	(a) Steward		Messenger
	(c) Pilot	. ,	Forerunner
			choose the alternative which
	ing of the sentence.	III I	bold without changing the
	He tried to <b>cajole her</b> , but	it w	as in vain
Q.211	(a) Rejoice		Inspire
	(c) Enjoin	٠,	Coax
Q.22.	Some people are extreme	ely 1	fastidious in their choice of
	dress.		
	(a) Discriminating		Careless
	(c) Pompous	` '	fussy
Q.23.	Sumit <b>neglected</b> remitting to pay a fine.	the	fees in time and therefore had

_		DO CIJIIIpida =npicici
	(a) Failed (c) Exempted	<ul><li>(b) Promised</li><li>(d) Refused</li></ul>
Q.24.	War always has a baneful	effect on the people of a nation. (b) Harmful (d) Foul
Q.25.	platform. (a) Qualifications	(b) Convictions (d) Tastes
Q.26.	The time I spent in the libr (a) Profitable (c) Precious	ary was the most <b>rewarding</b> one. (b) Paying (d) Serviceable
Q.27.	Many species of animals last hundred years. (a) Scattered (c) Feeble	have become <b>extinct</b> during the  (b) Non-existent (d) Aggressive
Q.28.	•	ty <b>deprecated</b> the move of the electoral reforms in a haste.  (b) Protested  (d) Humiliated
Q.29.	He has a <b>propensity</b> for g (a) Natural tendency (c) Characteristic	(b) Aptitude
Q.30.	For quick promotion, he Manager. (a) Praise (c) Evict	hit on a plan to <b>propitiate</b> the  (b) Conciliate (d) Incite

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#### **ANSWERS**

1. (d)	2. (d)	3. (d)	4. (d)	5. (c)	6. (b)	7. (d)	8. (c)
9. (c)	10. (a)	11. (c)	12. (b)	13. (b)	14. (c)	15.(c)	16. (a)
17. (b)	18. (d)	19. (d)	20. (b)	21. (d)	22. (d)	23.(a)	24. (a)
25. (b)	26. (a)	27. (b)	28. (b)	29. (a)	30. (b)		

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In each of the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/ sentences.

Q.1.		r as to be almost an island		
	(a) Peninsula	(b) Lagoon		
	(c) Archipelago	(d) Isthmus		
Q.2.	A fixed orbit in space in re			
	(a) Geocentric	(b) Geo-stationary		
	(c) Geological	(d) Geo-synchronous		
Q.3.	'	•		
	(a) Exceptional	(b) Nubile		
_	(c) Versatile	(d) Gifted		
Q.4.	Word for word reproduction			
	(a) Verbatim	(b) Photostat		
	(c) Copying	(d) Mugging		
Q.5.	Story told to illustrate a m	•		
	(a) Paragon	(b) Paradigm		
	(c) Didactic	(d) Parable		
Q.6.	, ,			
	(a) Omniscient	(b) Omnivorous		
	(c) Omnipotent	(d) Insolvent		
Q.7.	• .	, short twisting of the body		
	(a) Wriggle	(b) Crawl		
	(c) Swagger	(d) Stumble		
Q.8.	That which cannot be don			
	(a) Indispensable	(b) Impossible		
	(c) Irrevocable	(d) Impracticable		
Q.9.	A cure for all diseases			
	(a) Panacea	(b) Antibiotic		
	(c) Excorcism	(d) Incantation		
Q.10.	One who travels from pla			
	(a) Journeyman	(b) Tramp		
	(c) Itinerant	(d) Mendicant		
In each of the following questions, find out which one				

In each of the following questions, find out which one of the words given below the sentence can most appropriately replace

#### the group of words italicised in the sentence.

**Q.11.** The bus has to go back and forth every six hours.

(a) Cross

(b) Shuttle

(c) Travel

(d) Run

**Q.12.** Ravi impressed everyone with his *persuasive and fluent* speech.

(a) Eloquence

(b) Lecture

(c) Discourse

(d) Expression

**Q.13.** Rajesh was a hater of learning and knowledge.

(a) Misanthropist

(b) Bibliophile

(c) Misogynist

(d) Misologist

**Q.14.** We are *looking forward* to a good winter this year

(a) Hoping

(b) Predicting

(c) Encouraging

(d) Getting

**Q.15.** He spent a long time *cutting* all the waste paper *into pieces*.

(a) Shredding

(b) Disposing

(c) Slashing

(d) Ripping

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#### **ANSWERS**

1. (a) 2. (b) 3. (c) 4. (a) 5. (d) 6. (b) 7. (a) 8. (a)

9. (a) 10. (c) 11. (b) 12. (a) 13. (d) 14. (b) 15.(a)

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# 4 Correct Spelling

In each of the following questions, a word has been written in four different ways out of which only one is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word.

Find	the correctly spelt word	d.
Q.1.	<ul><li>(a) Trenquility</li><li>(c) Tranquillity</li></ul>	<ul><li>(b) Tranquility</li><li>(d) Trenquillity</li></ul>
Q.2.	<ul><li>(a) Veteninary</li><li>(c) Vetniary</li></ul>	<ul><li>(b) Veterinary</li><li>(d) Vetarinary</li></ul>
Q.3.	<ul><li>(a) Paralleled</li><li>(c) Paralelled</li></ul>	<ul><li>(b) Parralleled</li><li>(d) Parallelled</li></ul>
Q.4.	<ul><li>(a) Pitiaable</li><li>(c) Pitiaeble</li></ul>	(b) Pitiabale (d) Pitiable
Q.5.	<ul><li>(a) Ilustrious</li><li>(c) Illusteous</li></ul>	<ul><li>(b) Illustrious</li><li>(d) Illistrious</li></ul>
Q.6.	<ul><li>(a) Perseverence</li><li>(c) Perseverance</li></ul>	<ul><li>(b) Preserverence</li><li>(d) Preservarance</li></ul>
Q.7.	<ul><li>(a) Commission</li><li>(c) Commission</li></ul>	<ul><li>(b) Comission</li><li>(d) Commisson</li></ul>
Q.8.	<ul><li>(a) Entrapreneur</li><li>(c) Entreprenuer</li></ul>	<ul><li>(b) Entrepreneur</li><li>(d) Entrepraneur</li></ul>
Q.9.	<ul><li>(a) Puerile</li><li>(c) Puerille</li></ul>	(b) Purrile (d) Puerrile

**Q.10.** (a) Forcast (b) Forecaste (c) Forecast (d) Forcaust Q.11. (a) Corrupt (b) Currupt (c) Coruppt (d) Curropt Q.12. (a) Comittee (b) Committee (c) Commettee (d) Committe Q.13. (a) Sattelite (b) Satelite (d) Satellite (c) Sattellite

Q.14. (a) Pesanger (c) Pasanger

(b) Passenger(d) Pascenger

Q.15. (a) Scripture (c) Scriptur

(b) Scripcher(d) Skripture

In each question below, some words are given, one of which may be wrongly spelt. Find out that word where the spelling is wrong. If all the words are spelt correctly, your answer is (e) i.e. All correct.

Q.16.	. ,	Variety Conquer	(b) Retalitate (d) Passenger
Q.17.	(a)	Honourable Homogenious	(b) Hooligan (d) Honorarium
Q.18.	. ,	Imminent Imperative	(b) Immature (d) Ilicit
Q.19.	. ,	Advurtise Indefinite	(b) Periphery (d) Courteous
Q.20.	` '	Usable Loveable	<ul><li>(b) Soluble</li><li>(d) Manageable</li></ul>
Q.21.	. ,	Illegitimate Illegal	(b) Illegible (d) Illitrate
Q.22.		Muslin Kiln	(b) Disciplin (d) Masculine
Q.23.	` '	Receive Conceit	(b) Percieve (d) Deceit
Q.24.	. ,	Syllable Siege	(b) Seize (d) Solmn
Q.25.	. ,	Personal Proprietor	(b) Proposal (d) Personel

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#### **ANSWERS**

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

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# International English Olympiad Sample Paper

Time: 1 Hour Question: 50

**Directions (1 to 5):** Read each sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error in it. The error if any will be one part of the sentence. The letter of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer will be 'e'. (Avoid the errors of punctuation, if any)

- 1. But to the vast majority of youth the dilemma is real. No Error.

  a b c d e
- 3. People do not save money like they used to though they are a b c considered to be more prosperous. No Error.
- **4.** Transport <u>has been</u> arranged <u>to facilitate</u> <u>students in visiting</u> the a b c d exhibition. <u>No Error.</u>
- 5. <u>Corporal</u> punishment <u>at</u> school stage <u>is standing</u> <u>abolished</u> today.

  a
  b
  c
  d
  No Error.
  e

**Directions (6 to 10):** In the following items, some parts of the sentence have been jumbled up. You are required to re-arrange these parts which are labelled P, Q, R and S to produce the correct sentence. Choose the proper sequence and mark in your Answer Sheet accordingly.

- **6.** 1. One of the major proposals
  - P: On March 21, among other
  - Q: to lead legislative bodies
  - R: approved by the OPEC conference
  - S: allows party leader
  - 6. at every level of power.
  - (a) RQPS (b) RPSQ (c) PQRS (d) QPRS
- 7. 1. It was already late when they set out for the next town
- P: as they climbed higher, rain began to fall, making it difficult to see the road
  - Q: darkness feel soon after they left the venue
  - R: there they felt sure that they would find a bed for the night

**PQRS** 

- S: according to the map, it was about fifteen miles away on the other side of the hills
- 6. Sumit asked his brother to drive more slowly.
- (a) SRQP (b) QPSR (c) RPQS (d)
- **8.** 1. To provide employment
  - P: Scarcity Relief Work
  - Q: were launched
  - R: programmes
  - S: to the drought affected people
  - 6. in Severly affected areas
  - (a) SPRQ (b) PQRS (c) RSPQ (d) SRPQ
- **9.** 1. In non-violent activism,
  - P: He was the most
  - Q: personal simplicity
  - R: 'colourful disciple
  - S: and courage of conviction,
  - 6. of Mahatma Gandhi
  - (a) SRQP (b) PRSQ (c) SQRP (d) QSPR
- **10.** 1. To be met at an airport or other entry point to a country
  - P: who seem to dislike tourists
  - Q: or apathetic indifferent officials
  - R: of which different visitors are made
  - S: either by hostile officials
  - 6. cannot endear a country to a foreigner.
  - (a) SPQR (b) QRSP (c) PQRS (d) SQPR

### **Directions (11 to 15):** Read the passage and answer the following questions.

In terms of the total energy consumed by different sectors, the largest consumer is understandably the industrial sector, which accounts for nearly half the total energy used in the country today. This is followed by the transport sector which consumes about 25%, the household sector (about 14%) and the agricultural sector (about 9%). This last sector has shown considerable increase in energy use over the last four decades. Among the primary fuels, the relative promotion of coal has dropped from the earlier 80% to 40% and that of oil has gone up from 17% to 46% over the same period.

Total energy consumption in India today is equivalent to 245 million tons of oil of which 23% comes from wood. On a per capita basis it works out to about 1 litre of oil per day, which is extremely low by international standards. The future energy demand depends upon the level of development and also on the sections of people to be affected by it.

The energy disparity between the urban and the rural population is at present as wide as between nations on a world wide scale. There is apparently a greater need to provide energy in the rural areas and to improve the national figures for energy consumption, limiting its use to those who are getting the bulk share already.

With the projected rate of population growth, improving upon the per capita energy consumption is a Herculean task as our coal reserves and the capacity to import oil cannot be increased beyond a point. There is clearly no escape from the utilization of renewable energy source in a big way if the gap between the desired levels of energy supply and available resource has to be kept at the minimum.

- **11.** Which of the following has been suggested by the author as the best possible solution to overcome energy crisis?
  - (a) exploration of oil reserves
  - (b) importing large quantities of coal
  - (c) maximization of renewable source
  - (d) reducing share of bulk users
- **12.** Which of the following shows correctly the different sectors consuming energy arranged in ascending order?
  - (a) industrial, household, agriculture, transport
  - (b) industrial, transport, household, agriculture
  - (c) agriculture, household, transport, industrial
  - (d) agriculture, transport, household, industrial
- 13. "There is clearly no escape..." means
  - (a) there is hardly any alternative except
  - (b) there is a way out but it is ambiguous
  - (c) there is a problem but not without solution
  - (d) there is also no solution of this
- 14. The author feels that increasing per capita use of energy is
  - (a) rather difficult but not impossible
  - (b) a matter of great difficulty
  - (c) not at all desirable
  - (d) not easy but certainly achievable
- **15.** Which of the following has been mentioned as a major hurdle in enhancing per capita consumption of energy in India?
  - (a) disparity in use of energy in rural and urban areas
  - (b) increased use of energy in agricultural sector
  - (c) present level of development in India
  - (d) none of the above

**Directions (16 to 20):** A paragraph with many numbered blank spaces is given. In case of all the spaces, some phrases for filling up are suggested. You have to pick up the correct response.

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To live in a glasshouse and to throw stones at other people outside in an —16— of great pity. The people outside are to —17— with stones and smash the glass house into pieces —18— a man attacks others, he must from a rough idea of his oven strength and —19— his own position is weak, no purpose will be served by his —20— an attack upon others.					VENDETTA: (a) avenge MORDANT: (a) sarcastic CONSTRUE: (a) confuse	<ul><li>(b) friendship</li><li>(b) heresay</li><li>(b) narrative</li></ul>	(c)	revenge joking interpret	<ul><li>(d) feud</li><li>(d) ironic</li><li>(d) meaning</li></ul>	
<b>16.</b> (a)act	(b) action	(c) incident	(d) occasion	30.	STALEMATE:	(3)	(0)	to.p.ot	(4)9	
	(b) respond	(c) retaliate	(d) reverberate		(a) postpone	(b) stoppage	(c)	blockade	(d) deadlock	
<b>18.</b> (a)when	(b) before	(c) if	(d) as	Dir	ection (31 to 3	5): In the following	a aue	estions. eac	h word is followed	
<b>19.</b> (a)wisdom	(b) resources	(c) weakness	(d) intelligence		•	•			n which looks like	
<b>20.</b> (a)doing	(b) forming	(c) launching	(d) considering	the	antonym of the	given word.				
Directions (21 to 25): In each of the following questions idiomatic expression proverb has been given, which is followed by some alternatives. Choose the one which expresses the meaning of the				AMELIORATE: (a) shorten VACILLATION:	(b) increase	(c)	worsen	(d) decrease		
given idiom/proverb.				<b>V</b>	(a) utilised		(b)	truthful		
21. The strike wou	ıld have been su	ccessful but be	cause of a black		(c) usefulness		٠,	stead fastr	ness	
<ul> <li>sheep. <ul> <li>(a) one who is emotional</li> <li>(b) one who shows no sympathy</li> <li>(c) one who betrays</li> <li>(d) one who leads</li> </ul> </li> <li>22. As the master of the estate he feathered his own nest. <ul> <li>(a) made money by dishonest means</li> <li>(b) make money</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			33.	<b>33.</b> APPEASE: (a) animosity (c) displeasure				(b) rivalry (d) agitate		
				CELIBACY: (a) celebrity	(b) cherishing			(d) mourning		
(c)worked hard		(d) built a hou	se.	35.	VANQUISH:	(b) debes	<b>(-)</b>		(a)itle al.e	
23. Do not mince matters tell the truth.					(a) charge	(b) debase	` '		(d) withdraw	
(a) cut short (b) tell with frankness (c) keep secret (d) not to tell the whole truth.					Directions (36 to 40): In the following sentences, choose the most					
24. Do not blow your own trumpet.				• •	appropriate preposition.					
(a)producing m (c)speaking wh	nusic	<ul><li>(b) to boast</li><li>(d) speaking u</li></ul>	innecessarily	36.	(a) with	et life in a hill stat (b) in	(c)	for	(d) to	
25. To all intents and purposes he is a good fellow.			37.	<b>37.</b> We marvelled—the tricks of the magician.						
(a)practically		(b) finally			(a) at	(b) on	(c)	with	(d) to	
(c)above all		(d) in practice		38.	She provoked h	_				
Directions (26 to 30): In the following questions, each word is followed				(a) after	(b) for	(c)		(d) in		
by four options (a), (b), (c) and (d). Select the option which best expresses the meaning of the given word.			39.	•	d this letter word-			(d) to		
<b>26.</b> YOB:	ariling or the give	ii word.		40	(a) from	(b) for	(c)	БУ	(d) to	
(a)humble		(b) cruel		40.	(a) with	-common sense.	(b)	hv		
(c)quarrelsome	e	(d) aggressive			(c) over		(d)	•		

49. Sauce

#### **INTERACTIVE SECTION**

#### GLOSSARY

**Direction: (Q. 41. to 50)** 

**Never again.** That's the phrase that should be written in lipstick on the bathroom mirror of every parent who has ever let teenagers give a party at home. Yet every weekend, thousands of parents not only agree to let their teenage children have a party at home, they also find themselves nodding happily and saying, 'Oh, well, if you're sure you want us to go out...'

his is what happened at Devanshi's 15th birthday party.
Only now, 15 years later, can he and father talk about it.
Laughing about it may take another
15 years.

The house started to fill up with her friends, and then a group of gatecrashers arrived. She can recall the glass front door being smashed and some of her older friends taking the key to her father's very expensive car and driving round the city. But the worst part was when her father came home and discovered that 30 computer games were missing. He telephoned the parents of all his daughter's friends. In the end, a boy from a very wealthy family brought them back.

'The whole thing was a **nightmare**.' Says Devanshi. 'The party was bad enough, but to have my dad ringing everyone like that, I was so embarrassed.'

Anu remembers a party she had. 'Someone filled the bath with water, then added tomato sauce, and everyone jumped in. They then went down to the beach to go swimming, where someone stole most of their clothes. At six in the morning, their poor parents received a phone call, asking them to come and collect them.'

Many parents return home to find their houses emptied of everything except the dog food. At the end of Manoj's party, his father (a policeman) came home to find some young guests had eaten a kilo packet of pistachio. He said he was going to test for **fingerprints** to find out who had opened the packet. The guilty boy admitted it immediately, and his parents were sent a bill.

So the advice to parents is - stay at home. Or prepare for a nightmare on your return.

Complete with words from the given article.

41. \_\_\_\_\_\_ (para 1) make-up women put on their mouth.

42. \_\_\_\_\_\_ (para 1) move your head up and down to say 'yes'

43. \_\_\_\_\_\_ (para 3) like a bad dream; a horrible real experience

44. \_\_\_\_\_\_ (para 6) mark made by the lines on your fingers.

45. \_\_\_\_\_\_ (para 6) Feeling of having done wrong/committed a crime.

46. \_\_\_\_\_\_ (para 2) to come uninvited

47. \_\_\_\_\_\_ (para 1) A young adult

48. \_\_\_\_\_\_ (para 2) to find out

49. \_\_\_\_\_\_ (para 4) semiliquid food substances.

50. \_\_\_\_\_\_ (para 7) guidance

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#### **ANSWERS**

1. (a) 2. (b) 3. (b) 4. (d) 5. (c) 6. (b) 7. (a) 8. (a) 9. (d) 10. (d) 11. (c) 12. (c) 13. (c) 14. (b) 15. (d) 16. (a) 17. (c) 18. (b) 19. (c) 20. (d) 21. (c) 22. (a) 23. (d) 24. (b) 25. (a) 26. (d) 27. (d) 28. (a) 29. (c) 30. (d) 31. (c) 32. (d) 33. (d) 34. (d) 35. (c) 36. (c) 37. (a) 38. (c) 39. (c) 40. (a) 41. Lipstick 42. Nodding 43. Nightmare 44. Finger print 45. Guilty 46. Gatecrashers 47. Teenage 48. Discovered

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50. Advice