

# CDS English – MCQ

## Set – 8 (50 Questions)

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### Directions (Q1–Q10): (Advanced Grammar Traps)

**Q1.** Hardly had he reached the station (A) / when the train (B) / had already left. (C) / No error (D)

- A) A
- B) B
- C) C
- D) D

**Q2.** The number of candidates (A) / have applied (B) / for the post (C) / has increased this year. (D)

- A) A
- B) B
- C) C
- D) D

**Q3.** Each of the players (A) / were awarded (B) / a certificate (C) / after the match. (D)

- A) A
- B) B
- C) C
- D) D

**Q4.** He is more intelligent (A) / than any student (B) / in the class. (C) / No error (D)

- A) A
- B) B
- C) C
- D) D

**Q5.** The police (A) / has been investigating (B) / the case (C) / since Monday. (D)

- A) A
- B) B
- C) C
- D) D

**Q6.** No sooner did she enter (A) / the room (B) / when everyone (C) / stood up. (D)

- A) A
- B) B
- C) C
- D) D

**Q7.** He denied (A) / to have taken (B) / the money (C) / from the drawer. (D)

- A) A
- B) B
- C) C
- D) D

**Q8.** Neither of the answers (A) / are acceptable (B) / in this context. (C) / No error (D)

- A) A
- B) B
- C) C
- D) D

**Q9.** She has been living (A) / here (B) / since five years. (C) / No error (D)

- A) A
- B) B
- C) C
- D) D

**Q10.** The committee (A) / have taken (B) / its decision (C) / unanimously. (D)

- A) A
- B) B
- C) C
- D) D

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**Directions (Q11–Q20): Synonyms (Elite Vocabulary)**

**Q11.** Ubiquitous

- A) Rare
- B) Omnipresent
- C) Fragile
- D) Unique

**Q12.** Obdurate

- A) Stubborn
- B) Flexible
- C) Gentle
- D) Weak

**Q13.** Ephemeral

- A) Eternal
- B) Short-lived
- C) Permanent
- D) Strong

**Q14. Magnanimous**

- A) Generous
- B) Selfish
- C) Angry
- D) Weak

**Q15. Pragmatic**

- A) Practical
- B) Emotional
- C) Idealistic
- D) Foolish

**Q16. Meticulous**

- A) Careful
- B) Careless
- C) Rough
- D) Weak

**Q17. Resilient**

- A) Flexible
- B) Fragile
- C) Weak
- D) Rigid

**Q18. Cynical**

- A) Doubtful
- B) Trusting
- C) Honest
- D) Happy

**Q19. Inevitable**

- A) Certain
- B) Avoidable
- C) Rare
- D) Doubtful

**Q20. Benevolent**

- A) Kind
- B) Cruel
- C) Rude
- D) Harsh

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**Directions (Q21–Q30): Antonyms**

**Q21. Abundant**

- A) Scarce
- B) Plenty
- C) Rich
- D) Enough

**Q22. Diligent**

- A) Lazy
- B) Hardworking
- C) Active
- D) Alert

**Q23. Transparent**

- A) Opaque
- B) Clear
- C) Bright
- D) Visible

**Q24. Inferior**

- A) Superior
- B) Lower
- C) Minor
- D) Weak

**Q25. Optimistic**

- A) Pessimistic
- B) Cheerful
- C) Positive
- D) Hopeful

**Q26. Brave**

- A) Cowardly
- B) Bold
- C) Confident
- D) Strong

**Q27. Victory**

- A) Defeat
- B) Triumph
- C) Win
- D) Success

**Q28. Generous**

- A) Selfish

- B) Kind
- C) Noble
- D) Friendly

**Q29.** Expand

- A) Contract
- B) Grow
- C) Increase
- D) Develop

**Q30.** Ancient

- A) Modern
- B) Old
- C) Antique
- D) Past

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**Directions (Q31–Q40): Fill in the Blanks**

**Q31.** He is fond \_\_\_ classical music.

- A) at
- B) of
- C) for
- D) in

**Q32.** She is good \_\_\_ mathematics.

- A) in
- B) at
- C) on
- D) with

**Q33.** He succeeded \_\_\_ winning the prize.

- A) at
- B) on
- C) in
- D) to

**Q34.** She apologized \_\_\_ her mistake.

- A) at
- B) for
- C) in
- D) on

**Q35.** The train arrived \_\_\_ time.

- A) in

- B) at
- C) on
- D) by

**Q36.** He is capable \_\_\_ solving complex problems.

- A) to
- B) of
- C) at
- D) for

**Q37.** She congratulated him \_\_\_ his success.

- A) at
- B) on
- C) for
- D) in

**Q38.** He prevented me \_\_\_ entering the office.

- A) from
- B) to
- C) of
- D) for

**Q39.** She is interested \_\_\_ philosophy.

- A) at
- B) on
- C) in
- D) with

**Q40.** The book consists \_\_\_ twelve chapters.

- A) in
- B) of
- C) with
- D) for

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**Directions (Q41–Q50): Idioms & Phrases**

**Q41.** Break the ice

- A) Start conversation
- B) Destroy
- C) Freeze
- D) Fight

**Q42.** A blessing in disguise

- A) Hidden trouble

- B) Unexpected benefit
- C) Clear danger
- D) Obvious loss

**Q43.** Hit the nail on the head

- A) Be exactly right
- B) Miss the point
- C) Make error
- D) Confuse

**Q44.** Burn the midnight oil

- A) Sleep early
- B) Work late
- C) Relax
- D) Waste time

**Q45.** Once in a blue moon

- A) Often
- B) Rarely
- C) Daily
- D) Always

**Q46.** Spill the beans

- A) Hide secret
- B) Reveal secret
- C) Cook food
- D) Waste money

**Q47.** Under the weather

- A) Healthy
- B) Sick
- C) Happy
- D) Angry

**Q48.** At the eleventh hour

- A) Early
- B) Last moment
- C) Midnight
- D) Exact time

**Q49.** Cost an arm and a leg

- A) Cheap
- B) Very expensive

- C) Free
- D) Discounted

**Q50.** Bite the bullet

- A) Avoid problem
- B) Face difficulty bravely
- C) Run away
- D) Argue