

# 17<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL KANGAROO LINGUISTIC CONTEST 2020

Cadet Level (Class 7 & 8)

Time Allowed: 60 minutes

## 3 – Point Questions

For each sentence (1-5), choose the correctly-spelled word to complete each gap.

1. Everyone had expected the concert to be a sellout, but ..... only two thirds of the tickets were sold.



A) appearently  
D) aparantly

B) apparently  
E) apperently

C) aparently

2. The student was told off for having acted so ..... .



A) irresponsably  
D) irresponsably

B) iresponsibly  
E) irresponsibly

C) irresponsibly

3. After going to such lengths to win the race, it was such a ..... to be the runner-up.



A) dissappointment  
D) desappointment

B) dissapointment  
E) desappointment

C) disappointment

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4. I am afraid I am not very familiar with the new .....

- A) proceedure                      B) precedure                      C) procedure  
D) prosedure                      E) presedure

5. ...., it became clear to me that no decision was going to be made.

- A) Sudenly                      B) Sudently                      C) Suddently  
D) Saddanly                      E) Suddenly

6. The idiomatic expression "to be in pole position" means:

- A) to be in the best position to win or achieve something, especially in a competition  
B) to be in the worst position to win or achieve something, especially in a competition  
C) to have difficulties in achieving something, especially in a competition  
D) to be at the North or at the South Pole  
E) to surrender without putting up any resistance, especially in a competition

7. Match the proverbs with their opposite meaning.

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|---------------------------------|---|
| 1. A stitch in time saves nine. | a. Birds of a feather flock together.               |
| 2. Opposites attract.           | b. Don't cross your bridges until you come to them. |
| 3. Better late than never.      | c. The early bird catches the worm.                 |

- A) 1b/2c/3a                      B) 1a/2c/ 3b                      C) 1c/ 2b/ 3a  
D) 1b/2a/ 3c                      E) 1a/ 2b/ 3c

8. I don't know what I will be doing in five years' .....

- A) future                      B) time                      C) next  
D) past                      E) episode

9. Match the sentences that have the same meaning.

- |                   |                       |
|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. It's edible.   | a. It can be touched. |
| 2. It's legible.  | b. It can be eaten.   |
| 3. It's tangible. | c. It can be trusted. |
| 4. It's credible. | d. It can be read.    |

- A) 1d/ 2b/3c/ 4a                      B) 1b/ 2d/ 3a/ 4c                      C) 1d/ 2a/ 3b/ 4c  
D) 1b/ 2c/3a/ 4d                      E) 1a/ 2d/ 3b/ 4c

10. The new service was expected to be a success; ..... very few customers upgraded their accounts.



- A) yet  
D) moreover  
B) although  
E) despite  
C) just

## 4 – Point Questions

Read the text. For each space (11-20), choose the best answer.



In order to bridge the gap between generations, Disney has come up with the idea of remaking some of its famous animated movies and bringing ..... (11) to the big screens in new, live-action versions, sticking as close as possible ..... (12) the original. After the great success of 2017's *Beauty and the Beast*, it was *Aladdin's* turn to take the theatres by storm.

With Guy Ritchie as the director, famously known for his British crime-drama type of films, the audiences were ..... (13) to see what his take on the famous street rat turned prince would be. And it didn't disappoint. Visually stunning and perfectly choreographed, 'Aladdin' is a fun and sometimes emotional ride that is carefully ..... (14) by the charming Mena Massoud who plays the ..... (15) role, aided in his quest by a large variety of young and talented actors, such as Naomi Scott and Marwan Kenzari, who play Jasmine and Jafar. Above all, ..... (16), shines



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everybody's favourite blue genie, played to absolute perfection by the two times Academy Award nominated actor, Will Smith. Funny, caring, and showing a great range of both acting ..... (17) voice skills, Smith inhabits the genie persona without trying to copy the late Robin Williams, who provided the voice for the 1992 animated version.

And how could we talk about 'Aladdin' without ..... (18) the musical part? Replicating almost each and every song from the original one, the actors breathe life into the mystical songs. From *Arabian Nights* to *A Whole New World* and (especially) *Prince Ali*, the music is the perfect combination of fun and tenderness, without losing focus ..... (19) what's important: driving the viewer through the land of Agrabah – the fictional Arabian city where the story ..... (20) place – and for the entirety of its duration, making them forget about everything that is around them.

Heartwarming and at times hilarious, 2019's *Aladdin* is a remake done right, proving yet again why Disney is slowly but steadily building a new legacy for the younger generation.

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|--------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 11. A) it          | B) them         | C) this       |
| D) that            | E) him          |               |
| 12. A) in          | B) on           | C) at         |
| D) off             | E) to           |               |
| 13. A) considering | B) not          | C) especially |
| D) eager           | E) nice         |               |
| 14. A) led         | B) lead         | C) lain       |
| D) leapt           | E) lad          |               |
| 15. A) topic       | B) title        | C) entitled   |
| D) premium         | E) last         |               |
| 16. A) despite     | B) although     | C) however    |
| D) but             | E) in spite     |               |
| 17. A) or          | B) also         | C) and        |
| D) nor             | E) none         |               |
| 18. A) to mention  | B) mention      | C) mentioned  |
| D) mentioning      | E) have mention |               |
| 19. A) on          | B) by           | C) in         |
| D) above           | E) into         |               |
| 20. A) makes       | B) takes        | C) gives      |
| D) brings          | E) has          |               |

## 5 – Point Questions

21. Match the words from first column with the words from second column to create five collocations.

- |               |           |
|---------------|-----------|
| 1. maiden     | a. book   |
| 2. ski        | b. trunks |
| 3. retirement | c. name   |
| 4. cookery    | d. resort |
| 5. swimming   | e. age    |

A) 1c/ 2d/ 3e/4a/ 5b

B) 1e/ 2b/ 3c/ 4a/ 5d

C) 1c/ 2e/ 3a/ 4d/ 5b

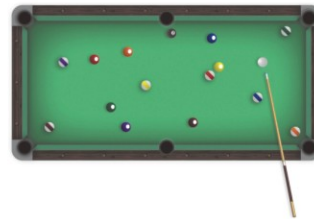
D) 1d/ 2e/ 3c/4b/5a

E) 1d/ 2b/ 3a/ 4e/ 5c

22. Which sport takes place in a velodrome?



A) Track cycling



B) snooker



C) boxing



D) gymnastics



E) curling

23. I really have no idea how the mistake ..... in the first place.

A) came through

B) came around

C) came about

D) came off

E) came by

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24. Fill in the gaps with the appropriate acronyms.



1. I have received a(n) ..... from my best friend. a. OK
2. I wish I had learnt the ..... symbols when I was at school. b. SMS
3. Please, send me all the information regarding the postgraduate course, ..... c. ASAP
4. That's ..... with me if you cannot join us on the excursion. d. IPA
5. My husband is mad about ..... . He even mends that is not broken, just to have fun. e. DIY
- A) 1d/ 2a/ 3b/4c/ 5e      B) 1b/ 2d/ 3e/ 4a/ 5c      C) 1b/ 2d/ 3a/4c/ 5e  
D) 1b/ 2d/ 3c/ 4a/ 5e      E) 1d/ 2b/ 3c/ 4a/ 5e

25. Mayday is a call for .....

- A) avalanche      B) storm      C) tornado  
D) help      E) attention

26. .... did he remember that girl's name.

- A) Upon opening the album      B) Only after opening the album  
C) While opening the album      D) When opened the album  
E) After he had opened the album

27. I have to speed it up in ..... to meet the deadline.

- A) order      B) need      C) deed  
D) reason      E) quickly

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28. A teenage girl ..... on the phone for about half an hour when she ..... "Wow!" said her father, "That was short. You usually ..... for two hours. What happened?"  
"Wrong number," replied the girl.



- A) had been talking / hung up /talk  
B) was talking / hung up /talk  
C) is talking / hangs up /talk  
D) had been talking / hangs up /talked  
E) was talking / hung up / have talked
29. What is "ebony"?
- A) a type of wood  
B) a type of cloth  
C) a sweet dish  
D) a fuzzy drink  
E) an electronic device
30. I have always wanted to ..... in my father's footsteps.
- A) step  
B) go  
C) follow  
D) walk  
E) run

