**IGNOU Openmat Solved Question Paper 2008**

**Question 1. Question consists of a word, in capital letters followed by four words or phrases. Choose the alternative that is most nearly opposite in meaning to the word in capital letters, in each case..?**
RETROGRADE
(1) progressing
(2) reclining
(3) evaluating
(4) directing
Answer: (1) progressing

**Question 2. Question consists of a word, in capital letters followed by four words or phrases. Choose the alternative that is most nearly opposite in meaning to the word in capital letters, in each case..?**
PROVIDENT
(1) unholy
(2) rash
(3) miserable
(4) disabled
Answer: (2) rash.

**Question 3. Question consists of a word, in capital letters followed by four words or phrases. Choose the alternative that is most nearly opposite in meaning to the word in capital letters, in each case..?**
EUPHONIOUS
(1) strident
(2) lethargic
(3) literary
(4) significant
Answer:(1) strident

**Question 4. Question consists of a word, in capital letters followed by four words or phrases. Choose the alternative that is most nearly opposite in meaning to the word in capital letters, in each case..?**
EXTRINSIC
(1) reputable
(2) inherent
(3) ambitious
(4) cursory
Answer:(2) inherent.

**Question 5. Question consists of a word, in capital letters followed by four words or phrases. Choose the alternative that is most nearly opposite in meaning to the word in capital letters, in each case..?**
ASSUAGE
(1) describe
(2) wince
(3) worsen
(4) introduce
Answer:(3) worsen

**Question 6. Questions consists of a word, in capital letters, followed by four options. Choose the option that is most similar in meaning to the word in capital letters, in each case..?**
GAUCHE
(1) rigid
(2) swift
(3) awkward
(4) taciturn
Answer:(3) awkward

**Question 9. Questions consists of a word, in capital letters, followed by four options. Choose the option that is most similar in meaning to the word in capital letters, in each case..?**
INIMICAL
(1) antagonistic
(2) anonymous
(3) accurate
(4) fanciful
Answer:(1) antagonistic

**Question 10. Questions consists of a word, in capital letters, followed by four options. Choose the option that is most similar in meaning to the word in capital letters, in each case...?**
POLEMIC
(1) blackness
(2) controversy
(3) magnetism
(4) lighting
Answer: (2) controversy

**Question 11. Questions consists of a word, in capital letters, followed by four options. Choose the option that is most similar in meaning to the word in capital letters, in each case...?**
PLAINTTVE
(1) mournful
(2) senseless
(3) rural
(4) evasive
Answer: (1) mournful

**Question 12. Questions consists of a word, in capital letters, followed by four options. Choose the option that is most similar in meaning to the word in capital letters, in each case...?**
BALEFUL
(1) doubtful
(2) virtual
(3) deadly
(4) virtuous
Answer: (3) deadly

**Question 13. Which of the following countries was the host of the 20th Winter Olympics in 2006 ?**
(1) Italy
(2) Australia
(3) Spain
(4) Canada
Answer: (1) Italy

**Question 14. "Beyond The Last Blue Mountain" is the biography of..?**
(1) Sir Edmund Hillary
(2) Bachhendri Pal
(3) JRD Tata
(4) Dhirubhai Ambani
Answer: (3) JRD Tata

**Question 15. To whom did Iltutmish dedicate the 'Qutab Minar'?**
(1) Razia Sultan
(2) Qutbuddin Aibak
(3) Qutbuddin Bakhtiyar Kaki
(4) Moinuddin Chisti
Answer: (3) Qutbuddin Bakhtiyar Kaki

**Question 16. Which of the following substances obtained by fractionation of human blood ?**
(1) Antivenom Serum
(2) Gamma Globulin
(3) Polio Vaccine
(4) Diphtheria Antitoxin
Answer: (2) Gamma Globulin

**Question 17. A body falling freely from a height towards the earth, moves with uniform..?**
(1) Speed
(2) Velocity
(3) Acceleration
(4) Weight
Answer: (3) Acceleration

**Question 18. The element of an electric stove is made up of what ?**
(1) Copper
(2) Invar
(3) Magnalium
(4) Nichrome
Answer: (4) Nichrome

**Question 19. Which of its states did the US purchase from Spain for 5 million dollars in L877 ?**
(1) Arizona
(2) New Mexico
(3) Washington
(4) Florida
Answer: (4) Florida

**Question 20. Who is the author of the book "Beyond Peace" ?**
(1) Richard Nixon
(2) Mikhail Gorbachev
(3) Nelson Mandela
(4) George Bush
Answer:(1) Richard Nixon

**Question 21. Which global communications giant was originally set up by Alexander Graham Bell as The Bell Telephone Company in 1877 ?**
(1) Siemens
(2) Nokia
(3) A T & T
(4) Ericsson
Answer: (3) A T & T

**Question 22. Which of the following poets coined the title 'Lady with a Lamp' for Florence Nightingale in his 1858 poem, 'Santa Filomena' ?**
(1) T.S. Eliot
(2) Robert Frost
(3) William Wordsworth
(4) Henry Longfellow
Answer: (4) Henry Longfellow

**Question 23. While considering the Gross National Product (GNP), which of the following is not required ?**
(1) Governmental purchases of goods
(2) Per capita income of individuals
(3) Private investment
(4) Net Foreign Investment
Answer:(2) Per capita income of individuals

**Question 24. A regressive tax will tend to redistribute income ?**
(1) Equally
(2) Unequally
(3) Equitably
(4) Proportionately
Answer:(2) Unequally

**Question 25. When did the World Trade Organization (WTO), which sets out rules for world trade, come into force ?**
(1) 1948
(2) 1951
(3) 1954
(4) 1995
Answer:(4) 1995

**Question 26. Elements of which one of the following pairs form ionic bonds between them when combined together ?**
(1) Sodium and Chlorine
(2) Carbon and Hydrogen
(3) Chlorine and Chlorine
(4) Nitrogen and Hydrogen
Answer: (1) Sodium Chloride

**Question 27. Which of the following authors was given the Booker Prize for the book "Half a Life"?**
(1) Arundhati Roy
(2) Vikram Seth
(3) V.S. Naipaul
(4) Kiran Bedi
Answer: (3) V.S. Naipaul

**Question 28. Which of the following is used as a food preservative ?**
(1) Sodium Benzoate
(2) Sodium Thiosulphate
(3) Sodium Hydroxide
(4) Sodium Bicarbonate
Answer: (1) Sodium Benzoate