

CUET English Set-3

Year 2025

Time Allowed: 60 minutes	Maximum Marks: 250	Total Questions: 50	Number of questions to be answered : 50
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Kindly read the Instructions given on this Page and Back Page carefully before attempting this Question Paper.

Important Instructions for the Candidates :

1. This Test contains 50 questions printed in English. Out of these, the candidate is required to answer all 50 questions.
2. Each question has four answer options. Out of these four options choose the MOST APPROPRIATE OPTION.
3. Five (5) marks will be given for each correct answer. One (1) mark will be deducted for each incorrect answer. Unanswered questions will be given no mark.

Q1. What made Eduardo's work different from traditional glassblowing?

- (1) Using volcanic materials
- (2) Creating functional household items
- (3) Attempting to make glass retain memories
- (4) Working with the Vatican

Q2. The "Lacrima Mirror" is mentioned to demonstrate:

- (1) Eduardo's early failures
- (2) Traditional Venetian techniques
- (3) Religious symbolism in art
- (4) Scientific applications of glass

Q3. Scientists explained the Memoria Glass's properties through:

- (1) Theological concepts
- (2) Nanoscopic structural changes
- (3) Chemical reactions with wine
- (4) Atmospheric conditions in Venice

Q4. The Vatican's interest was primarily due to:

- (1) Preserving traditional crafts
- (2) Potential religious revelations
- (3) Scientific research opportunities
- (4) Tourist attraction possibilities

Q5. The final experiment suggested that:

- (1) Human forms are easy to replicate in glass
- (2) Memory has physical limits
- (3) Glass remembers better than humans
- (4) Sculptures should remain small

Q6. The phrase "shadow memories" implies:

- (1) Literal shadows cast by objects
- (2) Imperfect imprints of past contents
- (3) Memories best forgotten
- (4) Reflections in dim light

Q7. What makes the Zeitwald trees unique?

- (1) Their ability to tell time
- (2) Unusual leaf colors
- (3) Resistance to disease
- (4) Rapid growth rate

Q8. Historical records connect the forest to:

- (1) A medieval alchemist
- (2) A 17th-century clockmaker
- (3) Nazi experiments
- (4) Roman engineers

Q9. The trees' accuracy is compared to:

- (1) Sundials
- (2) Atomic clocks
- (3) Mechanical watches
- (4) Calendar systems

Q10. During eclipses, the trees:

- (1) Bear fruit
- (2) Stop moving
- (3) Change color
- (4) Uproot themselves

Q11. Modern replication attempts resulted in:

- (1) Perfect copies
- (2) Healthier trees
- (3) Chaotic growth
- (4) New metal alloys

Q12. The passage suggests the forest is:

- (1) Dangerous to visit
- (2) A subject of ethical debate
- (3) Easy to reproduce
- (4) Losing its abilities

Q13. "Burn the midnight oil" means (2022, 2023)

- a) Waste time
- b) Work late at night
- c) Destroy evidence
- d) Celebrate excessively

Q14. He said, "I will call you tomorrow." → Indirect: He said he ___ call me ___. (2022, 2024)

- a) will, tomorrow
- b) would, the next day
- c) can, tomorrow
- d) may, the next day

Q15. Identify the error:

(A) One of the students (B) have submitted (C) their project (D) late. (2023, 2024)

- a) A
- b) B
- c) C
- d) D

Q16. Arrange:

1. However, deforestation threatens biodiversity.
2. Forests are vital for ecological balance.
3. Sustainable practices must be adopted.
4. They provide habitat to countless species. (2022, 2023)

- a) 2-4-1-3
- b) 1-3-2-4
- c) 4-2-3-1
- d) 3-1-4-2

Q17. "The pandemic ___ many small businesses." (2023, 2024)

- a) wiped out
- b) wiped off
- c) wiped up
- d) wiped away

Q18. Active: The chef prepared a delicious meal.

Passive: A delicious meal ____ by the chef. (2023, 2024)

- a) is prepared
- b) was prepared
- c) has been prepared
- d) prepares

Q19. He said, "I may visit the museum tomorrow." → Indirect: He said he ____ visit the museum _____. (2023, 2024)

- a) may, tomorrow
- b) might, the next day
- c) can, tomorrow
- d) would, the next day

Q20. She excels ____ mathematics but struggles ____ chemistry. (2023, 2024)

- a) in, with
- b) at, in
- c) with, at
- d) for, about

Q21. She ____ in Mumbai since 2015 before moving abroad. (2022, 2023)

- a) lived
- b) has lived
- c) had lived
- d) lives

Q22. Choose the correct sentence: (2022, 2024)

- a) The new policy will effect major changes.
- b) The new policy will affect major changes.
- c) The new policy will impact major changes.
- d) Both a and c

Q23. By the time we reach the station, the train ____.

- a) will leave
- b) will have left
- c) leaves
- d) left

Q24. Replace the incorrect phrase:

The project was completed in time because the team worked hardly.

- a) worked hard
- b) had worked hardly
- c) worked harder
- d) No improvement

Q25. Identify the error:

(A) The data/ (B) shows that/ (C) pollution are increasing/ (D) every year. (2023, 2024)

- a) A
- b) B
- c) C
- d) D

Q26. "To have a chip on one's shoulder" means:

- a) To be naturally athletic
- b) To hold a grudge
- c) To be financially secure
- d) To enjoy gambling

Q27. Neither the director nor the actors ___ satisfied with the script. (2023, 2024)

- a) is
- b) are
- c) was
- d) has

Q28. Each of these paintings ___ unique. (2022, 2024)

- a) are
- b) is
- c) were
- d) have been

Q29. She said, "If I had known, I would have come earlier."

→ She said that ___.

- a) if she knew, she would come earlier
- b) if she had known, she would have come earlier
- c) had she known, she would come earlier
- d) she would come earlier if she knew

Q30. Arrange logically:

1. Online scams are rising globally.
2. Cybersecurity education is now mandatory.
3. Governments urge caution against suspicious links.
4. Hackers target vulnerable populations. (2023, 2024)

- a) 1-4-3-2
- b) 2-1-4-3
- c) 4-1-2-3
- d) 3-2-1-4

Q31. In her acerbic remarks, the critic spared no one.

- a) Bitter
- b) Flattering
- c) Ambiguous
- d) Humorous

Q32. Someone should have informed the authorities earlier.

→ The authorities ____.

- a) should have been informed earlier
- b) should be informed earlier
- c) were to be informed earlier
- d) must have informed earlier

Q33. By next month, she ____ her novel. (2022, 2023)

- a) completes
- b) will complete
- c) will have completed
- d) completed

Q34. She was disappointed ____ not being selected ____ the team. (2022, 2023)

- a) at, in
- b) by, for
- c) with, into
- d) for, at

Q35. Hardly ____ the meeting when the arguments ____.

- a) had we begun, started
- b) we began, had started

- c) did we begin, were starting
d) we had begun, started

Q36. Arrange:

1. Consequently, water scarcity became severe.
2. The monsoon failed for three consecutive years.
3. Farmers struggled to irrigate their fields.
4. Government implemented emergency measures.

- a) 2-1-3-4
b) 2-3-1-4
c) 4-2-3-1
d) 3-1-2-4

Q37. She has an innate talent ____ music but lacks confidence ____ performing.

- a) for, in
b) in, for
c) at, about
d) with, while

Q38. He failed the exam ____ he didn't study. (2023, 2024)

- a) because
b) although
c) unless
d) while

Read the given poem and answer the six questions that follow.

He builds his towers not with stone or steel,
But with the absence light refuses to heal—
Each angle sharp where darkness bends the air,
A blueprint drawn from things that were not there.

The stairways twist but never find the floor,
The doors swing wide yet open to no door.
His windows frame the hollows of the night,
Where echoes pool like wax without a wick's light.

Oh, mark the craft! The way his arches rise
To meet their own inverted twin skies,
How every vault suspends its weightless load
On columns carved from what the light forebode.

At dusk, he walks his ever-growing halls,
Counting the ghosts his architecture calls.
Dawn finds him tracing, with a careful hand,
The places where his shadows almost stand.

Q39. The central metaphor of the poem compares the subject to:

- (1) A sculptor of light
- (2) An architect of darkness
- (3) A painter of echoes
- (4) A weaver of illusions

Q40. The phrase "absence light refuses to heal" (Line 2) suggests that the shadows are:

- (1) Temporary and fragile
- (2) Permanent and unyielding
- (3) Beautiful but dangerous
- (4) Healing and restorative

Q41. The "inverted twin skies" (Line 10) most likely refers to:

- (1) Reflections in water
- (2) Mirrors facing each other
- (3) Shadows mimicking reality
- (4) A collapsing building

Q42. The tone of the poem can best be described as:

- (1) Whimsical and playful
- (2) Mournful and eerie
- (3) Angry and defiant
- (4) Joyful and celebratory

Q43. Which poetic device is used in "echoes pool like wax without a wick's light" (Line 8)?

- (1) Simile
- (2) Metaphor
- (3) Personification
- (4) Hyperbole

Q44. The final line ("The places where his shadows almost stand") implies that the architect's work is:

- (1) Always incomplete
- (2) Too perfect to improve
- (3) Visible only at night
- (4) A literal construction

Read the given passage and answer the six questions that follow.

In the caves of Meghalaya, India, geologists discovered that certain stalactites produced perfect musical tones when struck. The "Lithophonic Caves" contained an entire scale of mineral formations that had grown under precise conditions of mineral-rich water flow and seismic vibration over millennia. Local Khasi tribes had used them for centuries in rain-summoning ceremonies, but Western researchers only documented the phenomenon in 2018.

Dr. Anika Patel's team found that the stalactites' acoustic properties depended on their internal crystalline structure, which had grown in concentric layers resembling tree rings. Some emitted frequencies below human hearing range that nonetheless affected brainwave patterns. When played in sequence, the stones could induce meditative states or, in one documented case, temporarily alleviate chronic pain.

The most puzzling aspect was that the cave system appeared to be "tuning itself" - new stalactites grew to fill acoustic gaps in the scale. Some theorists proposed this was due to resonance patterns in the groundwater, while others suggested an unknown biological factor. Attempts to grow similar formations in laboratories produced tonally dead crystals, leading to speculation that the caves required their unique ecosystem.

As word spread, the Indian government restricted access to protect both the site and visitors - several people had reported lasting auditory hallucinations after prolonged exposure. The caves now stand as a natural wonder that challenges our understanding of how geology, sound, and human consciousness intersect.

Q45. What makes the Lithophonic Caves unique?

- (1) Stalactites that produce music
- (2) Underground rivers
- (3) Rare crystal formations
- (4) Ancient cave paintings

Q46. Local tribes used the caves for:

- (1) Burial ceremonies
- (2) Rain-summoning rituals

- (3) Musical training
- (4) Calendar systems

Q47. The stalactites' tones affect:

- (1) Plant growth
- (2) Brainwave patterns
- (3) Water purity
- (4) Air temperature

Q48. The cave system appears to:

- (1) Repel bats
- (2) Tune itself over time
- (3) Change shape daily
- (4) Glow in the dark

Q49. Laboratory attempts failed because:

- (1) Scientists lacked proper tools
- (2) The ecosystem couldn't be replicated
- (3) The stones were too fragile
- (4) Water sources differed

Q50. Access was restricted due to:

- (1) Structural instability
- (2) Potential psychological effects
- (3) Religious objections
- (4) Wildlife protection

Answer key:

Q.No.	Ans	Q.No.	Ans
1	3	26	b
2	1	27	b
3	2	28	b
4	2	29	b
5	2	30	a
6	2	31	a
7	1	32	a
8	2	33	c
9	2	34	b
10	2	35	a
11	3	36	b
12	2	37	a
13	b	38	a
14	b	39	2
15	b	40	2
16	a	41	3
17	a	42	2
18	b	43	1
19	b	44	1
20	b	45	1
21	c	46	2
22	a	47	2
23	b	48	2
24	a	49	2
25	c	50	2