

**PRACTICE SHEET FOR IMPROVING LEARNING
OUTCOMES**

SUBJECT – ENGLISH (WEEK 1)

Class – 9

M.M. - 20

Time: 45 mins

LEARNING OUTCOME: Reads, comprehends and responds to complex texts independently.

NOTE: Question Nos. 1-20 carry one mark each.

A. Read the story given below and answer the questions that follow:

One Sunday morning, my family and I went to a popular restaurant for breakfast. As soon as we walked into Restaurant Happy Meal, a young waitress showed us to a table. We ordered our food and soon after, our food came.

Just as we were about to begin our meal, we heard someone shouting for the proprietor. "What is this? A dead fly in my food!" a man with a deep scar across his face roared angrily. He banged his fist on the table and swept the plates and cups off it. These came crashing to the floor, breaking into pieces. His companion, a huge man with a tattoo on his arm, stared angrily at the proprietor who stood nervously in front of the two gangsters.

The proprietor apologized repeatedly to the angry customers and tried to pacify them by offering to replace their food. He even told them that they could have their meal for free.

The commotion affected the business of the restaurant. Fearing that a brawl would ensue, many customers quickly paid for their meals and left the restaurant hurriedly. Some of them had not even finished their breakfast.

My father told us to eat our food quickly and not to look at the two angry men. We obeyed him and finished our food within minutes. That was probably the quietest and fastest breakfast my family ever had.

Although my father warned us not to look at the two unruly customers, I could not help stealing a glance at them.

I saw that the proprietor had managed to pacify the two angry customers. Fresh food and drinks were brought to their table. They sat down again and continued their breakfast. Meanwhile, the waitress who had shown us to our table earlier swept up the broken china.

1. The word 'These' refers to the

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| a. tables | b. cups and plates |
| c. two angry customers | d. dead fly and the food |

2. The fourth paragraph tells us that the owner of the restaurant was

- a. sorry for what had happened
- b. angry with the two customers

- c. unsure of what to do to calm the two customers
- d. disappointed that the men created problems in the restaurant

3. The word 'ensue' can best be replaced by

- a. Occur b. Debut c. Initiate d. Take off

4. The line "That was probably the quietest and fastest breakfast my family ever had" tells us that the writer and his family

- a. often talked while they ate
- b. ordered a lot of food each time they ate out
- c. often ate silently and that day was no exception
- d. usually did not like to be disturbed while they ate

5. The following statements are true except

- a. the two customers did not have to pay for their food
- b. the writer and his family ate their food without a word
- c. one of the waitresses cleared up the mess on the floor
- d. many customers ran out of the restaurant without paying

6. Which word describes the atmosphere at the restaurant when the angry customer found a dead fly in his food?

- a. Sad b. Tense c. Happy d. Distracted

B. Fill the gaps with a appropriate word given out of four choices:

The driver (7) with an accident as it was a case (8) rash driving. His statement could not (9) recorded (10) he was badly injured.

7.

- a. Met b. meet c. meeting d. met in

8.

- a. A b. of c. over d. from

9.

- a. Was b. be c. rather d. however

10.

- a. of b. but c. rather d. as

C. Choose the synonym of underlined phrase/word:

11. It is not possible to recall everything that they said.

- a. Remember b. Appreciate c. Repeat d. Discuss

12. Before starting a project, we should have a synopsis of the project.

- a. Index b. Work plan c. Summary d. Details

13. He was always shy and timid with strangers.

- a. Dashing b. nervous c. Bold d. Chivalrous

D. Choose the correct antonym of the underlined word.

14. Ancient astronomers thought the sky was a hollow sphere.

- a. Filled b. Strong c. Solid d. Substantial

15. Tom was exhilarated to play football with his younger brother.

- a. Forgetful b. excited c. ecstatic d. unhappy

16 . He found an ancient statue in the village.

- a. Renewed b. original c. old d. Modern

E. Answer the following questions by inferring the statement given below by Napoleon Hill and choose an option in each of the following questions:

“A positive mind looks for ways it can be done; a negative mind looks for ways it can't be done.”

17. According to the statement a person with positive approach looks for

- a. different excuses in life.
- b. different people who can help him.
- c. different ways a work can be done.
- d. different ways to depend.

18. According to the statement, people who look for excuses in life are the one with a/an:

- a. optimistic mindset b. negative mindset
- c. aggressive mindset d. positive mindset

F. Choose the correct meaning of the idioms used in the sentences

19. I was about to go on stage and had butterflies in my stomach.

- a. Sick b. bugs crawled inside of me c. mad d. nervous

20. After I made an A on the test, I felt like I was on top of the world!

- a. Excited b. upset c. disappointed d. confused