

**UNIVERSITY OF HYDERABAD  
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**M.A. APPLIED LINGUISTICS**

Time : 2 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

Hall Ticket No:

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CANDIDATE

- i) Write your                      Hall Ticket Number in the OMR Answer Sheet given to you. Also write the Hall Ticket Number in the space provided above.
- ii) **There is negative marking. Each wrong answer carries - 0.33 marks.**
- iii) Answers are to be marked on the OMR answer sheet following the instructions provided there upon.
- iv). Hand over the OMR answer sheet at the end of the Examination to the Invigilator.
- v) No additional sheet will be provided. Rough work can be done in the question paper itself / space provided at the end of the booklet.
- vi). The question papers which are fully in objective type to be answered in OMR sheet and also the question papers which are answered fully in a separate answer book can be taken by the candidates at the end of the examination.

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## Section A – Aptitude for Language

**Part I: Find the word which does NOT match with the others:**

1. A. bilingual      B. trilingual      C. polyglot      D. linguist
2. A. superb      B. splendid      C. great      D. superlative
3. A. cut      B. put      C. but      D. nut
4. A. pronunciation      B. phonology      C. syntax      D. semantics
5. A. restart      B. renew      C. reveal      D. regenerate.

**Part II: Choose the correct equivalent to replace the bold printed word in below sentences:**

6. He **corroborated** the statement of his brother.  
A. confirmed      B. disproved      C. seconded      D. condemned
7. Silence is **mandatory** for meditation to be effective.  
A. necessary      B. needed      C. compulsory      D. essential
8. The young man appears to be quite **headstrong**.  
A. thick-headed      B. witty      C. robust      D. obstinate
9. Even today many people are guided by **abstruse** moral values.  
A. obscure      B. impracticable      C. dangerous      D. inestimable
10. I wrote to him as **lately** as last week.  
A. immediately      B. recently      C. early      D. late

**Part III: Correct the following sentences:**

11. He dislikes the word dislike, **isn't he?**  
A. didn't he?      B. did he?      C. does he?      D. doesn't he?
12. Can you tell me **why did you not speak** the truth?  
A. why did not you speak      B. that why did you not speak  
C. why you did not speak      D. why did you not spoke
13. I have got some tea, but I do not have **a sugar**.  
A. some      B. less      C. any      D. more

14. Ramesh is **as tall if not**, taller than Mahesh.  
 A. as tall as, if not                      B. not so tall but as    C. not as tall but        D. as if not
15. They continued to work in the field **despite of the heavy rains**.  
 A. even though there is heavy rain                      B. although heavily rains  
 C. even though it rained heavily                      D. in spite the heavy rains

**Part IV: Miscellaneous**

16. Arrange the words given below in a meaningful sequence.  
 1. Word      2. Paragraph    3. Sentence    4. Alphabets    5. Phrase  
 A. 4, 1, 5, 2, 3                      B. 4, 1, 5, 3, 2                      C. 4, 2, 5, 1,3                      D. 4, 1, 3, 5, 2
17. Find the antonym of the word CAPACIOUS.  
 A. limited                      B. caring                      C. foolish                      D. changeable
18. Find the correctly spelt word.  
 A. Entrepraneur                      B. Entrapreneur                      C. Entrepreneur                      D. Enterprenuer
19. Choose the one which best expresses the given sentence in direct speech.  
 I told him that he was not working hard.  
 A. I told to him, "You are not working hard."  
 B. I said, "You are not working hard."  
 C. I said to him, "He is not working hard."  
 D. I said to him, "You are not working hard."
20. The idiom *to drive home* means \_\_\_\_\_  
 A. to find one's root                      B. to return to place of rest  
 C. to emphasise                      D. back to original position

**Section B – General Knowledge of World Languages**

21. Swedish is one of the \_\_\_\_\_ languages of Finland.  
 A. national                      B. official                      C. state                      D. territorial
22. Hindi is one of the \_\_\_\_\_ languages of India.  
 A. national                      B. official                      C. state                      D. territorial

23. "India as a linguistic area" is an article written by \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. M.B.Emeneau    B. Bh. Krishnamurti    C. Noam Chomsky    D. Franklin Edgerton
24. \_\_\_\_\_ was the Sumerian system of writing.
- A. Cuneiform    B. Ideogram    C. Pictogram    D. Logoform
25. The writing direction of Thai script is \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. Top to Bottom    B. Bottom to Top    C. Left to Right    D. Right to Left
26. \_\_\_\_\_ is a west Germanic language.
- A. Danish    B. Swedish    C. English    D. Gothic
27. Brahui belongs to \_\_\_\_\_ language family.
- A. Basque    B. Altaic    C. Indo-European    D. Dravidian
28. Turkish belongs to \_\_\_\_\_ language family.
- A. Basque    B. Altaic    C. Indo-European    D. Dravidian
29. \_\_\_\_\_ is one of the languages spoken in South Africa.
- A. Xhosa    B. Shona    C. Saraiki    **D. Igbo**
30. After Mandarin, the second most widely spoken language in the world is \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. English    B. Hindi    C. Spanish    D. Arabic
31. Which language is spoken in Austria?
- A. Austrian    B. German    C. Tyrolian    D. Basketto
32. Singapore has \_\_\_\_\_ official languages.
- A. three    B. two    C. four    D. one
33. Nim Chimpsky is the name of a \_\_\_\_\_ which was the subject to the study of animal language acquisition at Columbia University.
- A. parrot    B. chimpanzee    C. monkey    D. dog
34. The continent that holds the largest number of languages is \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. Africa    B. South America    C. Asia    D. Europe

35. The creator of the most widely used constructed international language, Esperanto is \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. Johann Martin Schleyer  
C. Antoni Grabowski
- B. Ludwig Lazarus Zamenhof  
D. Otto Jespersen
36. \_\_\_\_\_ is the name given to the group of languages that have their roots in Latin.
- A. Romance Languages  
C. Germanic Languages
- B. Slavic Languages  
D. Sinitic Languages
37. What do you call a pronounceable word that is made up of initial letters or parts of several words?
- A. Anachronism      B. Acronym      C. Anagram      D. Blends
38. Rose is a \_\_\_\_\_ of flower.
- A. meronym      B. hyponym      C. synonym      D. antonym
39. \_\_\_\_\_ is one of the language pairs that is developed in the first stage of Google Translate system.
- A. French to English  
C. Dutch to English
- B. Hindi to English  
D. Russian to English
40. IPA stands for \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. Indian Phonetic Alphabet  
C. Indian Phonetic Authorization
- B. International Phonetic Alphabet  
D. International Phonetic Authorization

### Section C – Knowledge of Indian Languages

41. What is the full form of MIL?
- A. Minor Indic Languages  
C. Major Indian Languages
- B. Modern Indian Languages  
D. Major Iran Languages
42. CIIL stands for \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. Centre for Indian and Indo-European languages  
B. Central Institute of Indian Languages  
C. Centre for Improvement of Indian Languages  
D. Central Institute for Indo-European Languages
43. Who among the following is called as the earliest Indian Grammarian?
- A. Kalidas      B. Panini      C. Patanjali      D. Jaimini

44. Who authored the book *Endangered Languages of the Andaman Islands*?  
A. S.N. Sridhar      B. K.V. Subbarao      C. Yamuna Kachru      D. Anvita Abbi
45. The provision for the linguistic minorities to conserve their language script and culture is given in \_\_\_\_\_ .  
A. Article 19      B. Article 29      C. Article 39      D. Article 49
46. Which schedule of the constitution of India deals with the number of official languages?  
A. eighth      B. ninth      C. fourth      D. seventh
47. How many language families are generally held to be there in India?  
A. four      B. five      C. six      D. seven
48. What is the official language of Mizoram?  
A. Hindi      B. Mizo      C. English      D. Hmar
49. Speakers of French are particularly numerous in \_\_\_\_\_  
A. Pune      B. Mumbai      C. Pondicherry      D. Kerela
50. Which among the following is one of the first states of India formed on the basis of language?  
A. Andhra Pradesh      B. Mumbai      C. Karnataka      D. Madhya Pradesh
51. Most Indian languages are \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. SOV      B. VSO      C. OVS      D. VSO
52. Which of the following is a feature of the Tibeto-Burman language family?  
A. verb final      B. postposition      C. tone      D. all of the above
53. In the construction of inflected forms, Proto-Dravidian uses only \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. suffixes      B. infixes      C. prefixes      D. circumfixes
54. Dravidian languages are \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. isolating      B. inflexional      C. agglutinative      D. polysynthetic
55. Which of the following is not a classical language in India?  
A. Tamil      B. Sanskrit      C. Kannada      D. Hindi

56. Where did the anti-Hindi agitation take place in the 1960's?  
 A. Goa                      B. Tamil Nadu              C. Maharashtra              D. Delhi
57. 'Brahmi' is a \_\_\_\_\_ .  
 A. language              B. script              C. state              D. linguist
58. Devanagari is the name of a \_\_\_\_\_ .  
 A. variety of Hindi              B. language              C. script              D. a place in India
59. Which institution is also known as Sahitya Akademi?  
 A. National Academy of Letters  
 B. National Academy of Language  
 C. National Academy for Women  
 D. National Academy of Linguistics
60. What does CLM stand for?  
 A. Commissioner for Linguistic Minorities  
 B. Commissioner for Language Minorities  
 C. Commissioner for Linguistic Majorities  
 D. Commissioner for Language Majorities

#### Section D-General Knowledge on Indian Languages

61. Which of the following is **not** an Indo-Aryan language?  
 A. Bengali              B. Assamese              C. Oriya              D. Santhali
62. Which is the oldest literary language of India?  
 A. Urdu              B. Sanskrit              C. Pali              D. Tamil
63. Tibeto - Burman languages are \_\_\_\_\_ .  
 A. telegraphic languages              B. verb medial languages  
 C. tonal languages              D. verb initial languages
64. Linguistic Survey of India was compiled and edited by \_\_\_\_\_ .  
 A. G.A. Grierson              B. T. B. Macaulay  
 C. Warring Hastings              D. Lord Hastings
65. Hindi is a/an \_\_\_\_\_ language.  
 A. SOV              B. SVO              C. OSV              D. VOS

66. Which of the following features are found in the Indian languages?  
 A. compound verbs    B. reduplication    C. grammatical gender    D. all are found
67. The ergative case is found in \_\_\_\_\_ .  
 A. Hindi    B. Khasi    C. Telugu    D. none of the above
68. Esperanto is a/an \_\_\_\_\_ language .  
 A. programming    B. natural    C. artificial    D. spoken
69. Which of the following is not an endangered language?  
 A. Aimol    B. Jarawa    C. Kota    D. Tulu
70. Emperor Ashoka inscribed his messages on the stone pillars in \_\_\_\_\_ language.  
 A. Hindi    B. Prakrit    C. Pali    D. Sanskrit
71. Punjabi is spoken in the state of Punjab and \_\_\_\_\_ .  
 A. Uttar Pradesh    B. Rajasthan    C. Haryana    D. Madhya Pradesh
72. Lotha is spoken in the state of \_\_\_\_\_ .  
 A. Nagaland    B. Mizoram    C. Meghalaya    D. Tripura
73. The official language of Brazil is \_\_\_\_\_ .  
 A. Spanish    B. Dutch  
 C. English    D. Portuguese
74. Which of the following statement is not correct?  
 A. Telugu is spoken in Andhra Pradesh    B. Dogri is spoken in Jammu  
 C. Nishi is spoken in Arunachal Pradesh    D. Khasi is spoken in Mizoram
75. The patriotic song Vande Mataram is a mixture of which of the following languages?  
 A. Hindi and Prakrit    B. Sanskrit and Prakrit  
 C. Sanskrit and Bengali    D. Bengali and Prakrit
76. According to 2001 census, which state has the highest literacy rate?  
 A. Goa    B. Tripura    C. Kerala    D. Mizoram
77. Which of the following language was added to the 8<sup>th</sup> schedule of the constitution of India by the 21<sup>st</sup> constitutional amendment?  
 A. Punjabi    B. Bodo    C. Tamil    D. Sindhi

78. What is the collective name of ancient Indian texts 'Arthved', 'Dhanurved', 'Gandharvaved', and 'Ayurved'?
- A. Vedas                      B. Upanishadas                      C. Upvedas                      D. Vedangas
79. Who authored 'Gitanjali'?
- A. Kalidas      B. Mahatma Gandhi      C. Rabindranath Tagore      D. Sumitranandan Pant
80. International Mother Language day is celebrated on \_\_\_\_\_
- A. 21<sup>st</sup> March                      B. 21<sup>st</sup> February                      C. 31<sup>st</sup> January                      D. 31<sup>st</sup> April

### Section E – Language Problems set

#### Problem- 1

Examine the following words from **Aztec**, a language spoken in southwestern Mexico. Then answer the questions based on the data.

1. nokali	'my house'	5. mopelo	'your dog'
2. nokalimes	'my houses'	6. mopelomes	'your dogs'
3. mokali	'your house'	7. nokwahmili	'my cornfield'
4. ikali	'his house'	8. mokwahmili	'your cornfield'

81. What is the word for 'cornfield' in Aztec?
- A. okwahmili                      B. wahmili                      C. kwahmili                      D. kwah
82. What is the word for "dogs"?
- A. mopelomes                      B. pelomes                      C. mespelo                      D. pelos
83. What is the word for 'your'?
- A. mo                      B. mok                      C. mop                      D. mokw
84. Translate "my dog" into Aztec.
- A. nopelo                      B. pelono                      C. ipelono                      D. nopelomes
85. Translate the Aztec word "ikwahmili" into English.
- A. cornfield                      B. my cornfield                      C. your cornfields                      D. his cornfield
86. Translate the Aztec word "nopelomes" into English.
- A. my dog                      B. my dogs                      C. his dog                      D. his dogs

87. Translate the Aztec word "mokalimes" into English.  
 A. my house's      B. my houses      C. your house's      D. your houses
88. The plural marker in Aztec is \_\_\_\_\_ .  
 A. imes      B. omes      C. mes      D. es
89. Translate "your cornfields" into Aztec.  
 A. mokwahmilimes      B. nokwahmilimes      C. mokwahmili      D. nokwahmili
90. If the Aztec word for "friend" is "mahkwa", then "my friends" is \_\_\_\_\_  
 A. mahkwas      B. nomahkwames      C. nomahkwa      D. momahkwames

### Problem- 2

Consider the **Swahili** data given below and answer the following questions.

- |                    |                        |                    |                      |
|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| 1. [ atanipenda ]  | 's/he will like me'    | 7. [ atanipiga ]   | 's/he will beat me'  |
| 2. [ atakupenda ]  | 's/he will like you'   | 8. [ ananipiga ]   | 's/he is beating me' |
| 3. [ atawapenda ]  | 's/he will like them'  | 9. [ alinipiga ]   | 's/he beat me'       |
| 4. [ nitakupenda ] | 'I will like you'      | 10. [ walikupiga ] | 'they beat you'      |
| 5. [ nitawapenda ] | 'I will like them'     | 11. [ tulikulipa ] | 'we paid you'        |
| 6. [ tutampenda ]  | 'we will like him/her' | 12. [ wametulipa ] | 'they have paid us'  |
91. What is the word for 'she'?
- A. ata      B. ali      C. at      D. a
92. What is the word for 'pay'?
- A. ulipa      B. lipa      C. ipa      D. pa
93. What is the word for 'they' ?
- A. wa      B. wam      C. wame      D. wamet
94. How do you think a Swahili speaker would say 'we will pay them' ?
- A. utawalipa      B. tutawalipa      C. tutanilipa      D. tutakulipa
95. The past tense marker in Swahili is \_\_\_\_\_ .
- A. uliku      B. ulik      C. uli      D. li
96. Translate 'I liked you' into Swahili.
- A. nulikupenda      B. nilikupenda      C. nunakupenda      D. ninakupenda

97. Translate 'S/he will pay them' into Swahili.
- A. wataalipa      B. tutawalipa      C. watatulipa      D. atawalipa
98. In Swahili, the word 'amekupiga' means \_\_\_\_\_ .
- A. s/he has beaten us      B. s/he has beaten you  
C. s/he beat you      D. s/he beat us
99. In Swahili, the word 'walimpenda' means \_\_\_\_\_ .
- A. they have liked him/her      B. they have liked us  
C. they liked him/her      D. they liked us
100. In Swahili, the word 'tunakulipa' means \_\_\_\_\_ .
- A. we are paying you      B. we have paid you  
C. we are paying him/her      D. we have paid him/her

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