

TARGETER WINGS STANDARD SEVEN - YEAR 2022



CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT TEST

Wings
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ENGLISH

TIME: 2 hours

Read the following passage. It contains blank spaces numbered 1 to 15. For each blank space, select the best alternative.

Failure is probably one of the 1 discouraging moments in our lives. Failure 2 not, however, break our spirit. Instead, we should use the 3 learnt from our defeat to spur us 4 to greater achievements.

It is understandably humiliating to admit 5 have failed. Yet, this is an essential prerequisite 6 success. To overcome the main barrier to your 7, you have to 8 that you are not the great person you envision 9 to be. Over-confidence can easily be mistaken 10 confidence. There is but a thin boundary 11 the two. Yet, the results can be shockingly 12. While one can help you 13 your goal, the other can dash your dreams to pieces.

There is, 14, a need to be modest and unassuming. The fruits of success will be sweeter. Using confidence and knowledge, strike firmly towards your goal, and 15 be diverted from it by a mild success. A premature celebration can easily obscure the task yet to be performed.

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| 1. | A. more | B. most | C. least | D. little |
| 2. | A. must | B. ought | C. will | D. should |
| 3. | A. lessons | B. subject | C. period | D. effects |
| 4. | A. to | B. in | C. on | D. high |
| 5. | A. you | B. them | C. he | D. her |
| 6. | A. for | B. to | C. at | D. in |
| 7. | A. failure | B. improvement | C. success | D. attempt |
| 8. | A. deny | B. admit | C. refuse | D. permit |
| 9. | A. yourself | B. himself | C. themselves | D. herself |
| 10. | A. at | B. to | C. for | D. up |
| 11. | A. with | B. in | C. among | D. between |
| 12. | A. different | B. same | C. surprising | D. astonishing |
| 13. | A. bury | B. escape | C. achieve | D. hinder |
| 14. | A. therefore | B. however | C. but | D. and |
| 15. | A. hardly | B. seldom | C. never | D. always |

For questions 16 and 17 fill in the blank space using the appropriate verb.

16. The cat has _____ the milk.
A. drink B. drunk
C. drank D. drinking
17. They _____ for two hours
A. swam B. swim
C. swum D. swimmied

For questions 18 and 19 choose the correct order of adjectives to fill in the blank spaces.

18. She bought a _____ blanket for our grandfather.
A. big, woollen, brown
B. woollen, big, brown
C. brown, big, woollen
D. big, brown, woollen
19. She was wearing _____ jacket.
A. grey, smart, leather B. smart, grey, leather
C. grey, leather, smart D. smart, leather, grey

For questions 20 and 21, choose the appropriate endings to complete each of the sentences.

20. No sooner had the bus arrived _____
A. when it started raining.
B. and it started raining.
C. then it started raining.
D. than it started raining.
21. I prefer tea _____
A. than coffee. B. to coffee.
C. or coffee. D. and coffee.

For questions 22 and 23, choose one word to replace the underlined words.

22. My father bought: pencils, eraser, sharpener and a ruler.
A. stationery B. stationary
C. tools D. equipment

23. Aisha is washing spoons, knives and forks.
A. crockery B. sufuria
C. utensils D. cutlery

For questions 24 and 25 choose the phrase that best completes the given sentence.

24. Time and tide _____
A. wait for no one
B. are always on the move
C. wait for no man
D. know no king
25. Either Tom or his parents _____
A. has the key to the store
B. is responsible for the fire
C. have access to the store
D. makes crucial decisions in the family

Read the passage below and then answer questions 26 to 38

Sashe put his arrows into his quiver, took up the bow and spears and set off towards the plains. The sky was getting brighter. He wanted to call his brother-in-law to come along but decided against it because he had not hunted alone for sometime.

Sashe travelled for a distance till finally, he saw an antelope. With his arrow aimed at the target, he took in a deep breath and released the arrow. The arrow, with its tip laced with a potent substance, buried itself in the belly of the antelope. It fell heavily to the ground. Sashe just had to wait for a minute before death took over. By now, Sashe was bursting with pride. He was still skilful despite his recent recovery from a bout of illness.

It was almost midday when Sashe returned home. He walked to the fireplace in front of his hut and sat quietly. Toma noticed that his son-in-law had returned from hunting. He went up to him to ask about his hunting trip.

"So did you kill anything this morning, Sashe?" Sashe was startled by his father-in-law's sudden appearance but he was secretly pleased that he asked. It was a great achievement and one that deserved attention. Sashe knew how he must answer, so in traditional fashion, he said, "No, not at all.... Maybe I did something ... a tiny one."

"A small one, eh? We'll get some of the men to take a look at it later this afternoon," Toma said with a smile. In his heart, he knew that Sashe had killed a big one.

Later that afternoon, a group of five men left the village to carry the antelope back to the village. The five men soon heaved the heavy animal home. Toma saw the huge animal but reacted indifferently.

There was great excitement in the village. Everyone was impressed. Karu's brother, Gumi, stepped up to Sashe and said, "Look at this antelope! It's hardly enough to feed all our families."

Sashe was not surprised to receive the insult from him. In fact, he was expecting it. Not that Gumi was a mean person, but he was doing it out of tradition. Every hunter who brought home meat was subjected to the same treatment. His forefathers were all fine hunters who had received similar insults. He was a part of this heritage.

The animal brought home had to be ridiculed. They called it 'insulting the meat'. It helped to curb the growth of the successful hunter's pride. Their way of living did not tolerate feelings of superiority. It was also a tradition to maintain equality. The meat must be distributed to all the families in the village. Selfishness was another intolerable trait.

Sashe's train of thoughts was broken when he was called away to help carve the animal. He took up his machete and joined the rest of the men.

26. At what time of the day did Sashe go hunting ?
 A. Dawn B. Dusk
 C. Twilight D. Afternoon
27. Why did Sashe change his mind about asking his brother-in-law to hunt with him ?
 A. He would have restricted him from going hunting.
 B. He was far away.
 C. He wanted to hunt alone as he had not done so for sometime.
 D. It was too early in the morning.
28. How did Sashe know for sure that the antelope would die almost instantly?
 A. The arrow had a tip that contained a deadly substance.
 B. The arrow was very sharp.
 C. It fell heavily on the ground
 D. The arrow buried itself in the belly of the antelope.
29. Why was Sashe proud about killing the antelope ?
 A. He would be declared a hero.
 B. The food for the day will be available.
 C. He had not taken long before killing an animal.
 D. It showed his hunting skills had not been affected despite his recent illness.
30. Why was Sashe secretly pleased with Toma's question ?
 A. It was a great achievement that deserved attention.
 B. He didn't want to annoy Toma
 C. He was too emotional
 D. It was a rhetoric question.
31. What does 'reacted indifferently' mean?
 A. To show emotions that something usual has happened.
 B. To behave uninterestingly
 C. To praise Sashe
 D. To belittle Sashe
32. What were the villagers 'impressed' about ?
 A. The reaction Toma had towards Sashe.
 B. The animal was too heavy
 C. Because of the excitement in the village.
 D. Sashe had managed to kill such a huge animal
33. Why was Sashe not surprised when Gumi insulted him ?
 A. He would have been cursed.
 B. He did not expect it.
 C. He knew Gumi had done it out of tradition.
 D. He was too tired to notice
34. Which sentence from paragraph 8 suggests that Sashe's hunting skills were just as good as his forefathers?
 A. They were all fine hunters who had received similar insults.
 B. He was part of this heritage
 C. He was expecting it
 D. Sashe was surprised to receive the insults from him
35. In what way did the tradition of 'insulting the meat' affect the successful hunter?
 A. He would give up in hunting.
 B. He did not feel superior to other hunters.
 C. It allowed the meat to be shared.
 D. He ate all the meat by himself.
36. The word 'hardly' as used in the seventh paragraph can be replaced by the following words except
 A. seldom B. barely
 C. rarely D. often
37. Sashe can be described as
 A. determined and obedient.
 B. notorious and jovial
 C. rude and disrespectful
 D. infamous and hardworking
38. What is the best title for the above passage?
 A. Once bitten twice shy
 B. A successful expedition
 C. Pride comes before a fall.
 D. Sashe's worst day.

Read the passage below and then answer questions 39 to 50

Most people find animals like dogs, cats and birds adorable and some keep them in their homes as pets. However, there are also people who abuse animals. They enjoy torturing helpless creatures to gain a sense of control over them. Their pleasure is increased since these animals very often cannot do anything to defend themselves.

Reports of animal abuse are increasing. One just has to look in the newspaper to see the increase in the number of cases of animal abuse. What is worse is that for every abuse case reported, there are probably many more that are not. Not long ago, a local newspaper reported several cases of animal abuse. In one particularly cruel case, a group of young children caught a kitten and did horrible things to it. Not only did they tie rubber bands around the kitten but they also stapled its ears closed just for fun. Helpless to defend itself, the kitten had to endure this cruel torture. Apart from this case, there have also been several other cases in which people deliberately killed animals by throwing them out of high windows or poisoning them simply because they could not tolerate the noises the animals made. While most of us are disgusted to see or hear about such

inhumane behaviour towards animals, animal abuse is still on the rise. These animal abusers fail to consider the needs and feelings of the animals.

In order to reduce and ultimately prevent such cases of animal abuse, the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals or SPCA was set up. The organization not only aims to prevent cruelty to animals but also cares for unwanted animals that have been badly abused. So far, the SPCA has proven to be a haven for abused animals. The organization also has a number of trained people to nurse injured animals back to health.

Unfortunately, there are people who treat the SPCA as a place where they can 'discard' their unwanted pets after they get tired of them. This has led to the SPCA being short of space and money. The organization now only takes in animals that have been abused even though people still continue to abandon their unwanted pets. Such animals usually make their way to residential areas to forage for food. Much to the annoyance of residents, they make a lot of noise and loiter outside houses or at void decks below their flats.

The SPCA has embarked on some programs to prevent animal abuse. They give talks in schools explaining why animals should not be abused. It is only through educating the public that animal abuse can be prevented.

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| <p>39. Why do some people gain pleasure in abusing animals?</p> <p>A. The animals cannot do anything.
B. To gain sense of control over them.
C. It is their right.
D. The animals are unproductive.</p> <p>40. Why did the children ill-treat the kitten?</p> <p>A. For fun.
B. They were sent to do so.
C. The kitten was making noise.
D. It was sick.</p> <p>41. What do you think made the kitten 'helpless to defend itself'?</p> <p>A. A rubber band was tied around the kitten.
B. The ears were stapled
C. It was unable to run away
D. The group of children must have outnumbered it</p> <p>42. The word "endure" as used in the passage can be replaced with</p> <p>A. bear with B. end
C. punish D. kill</p> <p>43. What is the aim of the SPCA?</p> <p>A. To fight against animals
B. To spearhead hunting activities
C. To prevent cruelty to animals
D. To jail those who kill animals</p> <p>44. What does a 'haven' refer to ?</p> <p>A. A safe home
B. Heaven
C. Inhabitable place
D. A forest</p> | <p>45. In what way do people take advantage of the SPCA ?</p> <p>A. They solicit for funds
B. Treat it as a place where they can discard unwanted pets
C. Steal animals
D. Treat the sick animals</p> <p>46. Why do people find stray animals annoying?</p> <p>A. They feel unwanted
B. They attack them.
C. They loiter inside houses.
D. They make a lot of noise</p> <p>47. According to the SPCA, the best way to prevent animal abuse is</p> <p>A. educating the public
B. punishing those who abuse animals
C. giving talks in school
D. enclosing them in cages.</p> <p>48. Kitten is the young one of a</p> <p>A. dog B. cat
C. sheep D. goat.</p> <p>49. The word 'several' as used in the second paragraph can also mean</p> <p>A. a number of B. many
C. few D. a lot.</p> <p>50. The best title for the above passage can be</p> <p>A. SPCA
B. How to prevent animal abuse
C. How people kill animals
D. Stray animals.</p> |
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