

GATE Aptitude Practice Questions Selecting Words (Verbal) {Part – 1}

Q.No. 1 The untimely loss of life is a cause of serious global concern as thousands of people get killed _____ accidents every year while many other die _____ diseases like cardio vascular disease, cancer, etc.

- (A) in, of
- (B) from, of
- (C) during, from
- (D) from, from

Q.No. 2 He was not only accused of theft _____ of conspiracy.

- (A) rather
- (B) but also
- (C) but even
- (D) rather than

Q.No. 3 Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award was conferred _____ Mary Kom, a six-time world champion in boxing, recently in a ceremony _____ the Rashtrapati Bhawan (the President's official residence) in New Delhi.

- (A) with, at
- (B) on, in
- (C) on, at
- (D) to, at

Q.No. 4 Despite a string of poor performances, the chances of K. L. Rahul's selection in the team are _____.

- (A) slim
- (B) bright
- (C) obvious
- (D) uncertain

Q.No. 5 It is a common criticism that most of the academicians live in their _____, so, they are not aware of the real life challenges.

- (A) homes
- (B) ivory towers
- (C) glass palaces
- (D) big flats

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- Q.No. 6** His hunger for reading is insatiable. He reads indiscriminately. He is most certainly a/an _____ reader.
- (A) all-round
(B) precocious
(C) voracious
(D) wise
- Q.No. 7** Rescue teams deployed _____ disaster hit areas combat _____ a lot of difficulties to save the people.
- (A) with, at
(B) in, with
(C) with, with
(D) to, to
- Q.No. 8** Raman is confident of speaking English _____ six months as he has been practising regularly _____ the last three weeks.
- (A) during, for
(B) for, since
(C) for, in
(D) within, for
- Q.No. 9** His knowledge of the subject was excellent but his classroom performance was _____.
- (A) extremely poor
(B) good
(C) desirable
(D) praiseworthy
- Q.No. 10** This book, including all its chapters, _____ interesting. The students as well as the instructor _____ in agreement about it.
- (A) is, was
(B) are, are
(C) is, are
(D) were, was
- Q.No. 11** People were prohibited _____ their vehicles near the entrance of the main administrative building.
- (A) to park
(B) from parking
(C) parking
(D) to have parked

Q.No. 12 He is known for his unscrupulous ways. He always sheds _____ tears to deceive people.

- (A) fox's
- (B) crocodile's
- (C) crocodile
- (D) fox

Q.No. 13 Jofra Archer, the England fast bowler, is _____ than accurate.

- (A) more fast
- (B) faster
- (C) less fast
- (D) more faster

Q.No. 14 While I agree _____ his proposal this time, I do not often agree _____ him.

- (A) to, with
- (B) with, to
- (C) with, with
- (D) to, to

Q.No. 15 The recent measures to improve the output would _____ the level of production to our satisfaction.

- (A) increase
- (B) decrease
- (C) speed
- (D) equalise

Q.No. 16 The fishermen, _____ the flood victims owed their lives, were rewarded by the government.

- (A) whom
- (B) to which
- (C) to whom
- (D) that

Q.No. 17 Until Iran came along, India had never been _____ in kabaddi.

- (A) defeated
- (B) defeating
- (C) defeat
- (D) defeatist

Q.No. 18 The lecture was attended by quite _____ students, so the hall was not very _____.

- (A) a few, quite
- (B) few, quiet
- (C) a few, quiet
- (D) few, quite

- Q.No. 19 They have come a long way in _____ trust among the users.
(A) creating (B) created (C) creation (D) create
- Q.No. 20 Daytime temperatures in Delhi can _____ 40°C.
(A) get (B) stand (C) reach (D) peak
- Q.No. 21 The growth rate of ABC Motors in 2017 was the same _____ XYZ Motors in 2016.
(A) as off (B) as those of (C) as that off (D) as that of
- Q.No. 22 The expenditure on the project _____ as follows: equipment Rs.20 lakhs, salaries Rs.12 lakhs, and contingency Rs.3 lakhs.
(A) break down (B) break (C) breaks down (D) breaks
- Q.No. 23 The search engine's business model _____ around the fulcrum of trust.
(A) revolves (B) plays (C) sinks (D) bursts
- Q.No. 24 The strategies that the company _____ to sell its products _____ house-to-house marketing.
(A) use, includes (B) uses, include
(C) used, includes (D) uses, including
- Q.No. 25 The boat arrived _____ dawn.
(A) in (B) at (C) on (D) under
- Q.No. 26 I am not sure if the bus that has been booked will be able to _____ all the students.
(A) sit (B) deteriorate (C) fill (D) accommodate

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- Q.No. 27 The passengers were angry _____ the airline staff about the delay.
- (A) on (B) about (C) with (D) towards
- Q.No. 28 John Thomas, an _____ writer, passed away in 2018.
- (A) imminent (B) prominent
(C) eminent (D) dominant
- Q.No. 29 _____ I permitted him to leave, I wouldn't have had any problem with him being absent, _____ I?
- (A) Had, wouldn't (B) Have, would
(C) Had, would (D) Have, wouldn't
- Q.No. 30 Once the team of analysts identify the problem, we _____ in a better position to comment on the issue.
- Which one of the following choices CANNOT fill the given blank?
- (A) will be (B) were to be
(C) are going to be (D) might be
- Q.No. 31 A final examination is the _____ of a series of evaluations that a student has to go through.
- (A) culmination (B) consultation
(C) desperation (D) insinuation
- Q.No. 32 "The dress _____ her so well that they all immediately _____ her on her appearance."
- The words that best fill the blanks in the above sentence are
- (A) complemented, complemented (B) complimented, complemented
(C) complimented, complimented (D) complemented, complimented

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Q.No. 33 "The judge's standing in the legal community, though shaken by false allegations of wrongdoing, remained _____."

The word that best fills the blank in the above sentence is

- (A) undiminished (B) damaged (C) illegal (D) uncertain

Q.No. 34 "The driver applied the _____ as soon as she approached the hotel where she wanted to take a _____."

The words that best fill the blanks in the above sentence are

- (A) brake, break (B) break, break
(C) brake, brake (D) break, brake

Q.No. 35 "It is no surprise that every society has had codes of behaviour; however, the nature of these codes is often _____."

The word that best fills the blank in the above sentence is

- (A) unpredictable (B) simple (C) expected (D) strict

Q.No. 36 "His face _____ with joy when the solution of the puzzle was _____ to him."

The words that best fill the blanks in the above sentence are

- (A) shone, shown (B) shone, shone
(C) shown, shone (D) shown, shown

Q.No. 37 "Although it does contain some pioneering ideas, one would hardly characterize the work as _____."

The word that best fills the blank in the above sentence is

- (A) innovative (B) simple (C) dull (D) boring

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Q.No. 38 "From where are they bringing their books? _____ bringing _____ books from _____."

The words that best fill the blanks in the above sentence are

- (A) Their, they're, there
- (B) They're, their, there
- (C) There, their, they're
- (D) They're, there, there

Q.No. 39 "A _____ investigation can sometimes yield new facts, but typically organized ones are more successful."

The word that best fills the blank in the above sentence is

- (A) meandering
- (B) timely
- (C) consistent
- (D) systematic

Q.No. 40 "By giving him the last _____ of the cake, you will ensure lasting _____ in our house today."

The words that best fill the blanks in the above sentence are

- (A) peas, piece
- (B) piece, peace
- (C) peace, piece
- (D) peace, peas

Q.No. 41 "Even though there is a vast scope for its _____, tourism has remained a/an _____ area."

The words that best fill the blanks in the above sentence are

- (A) improvement, neglected
- (B) rejection, approved
- (C) fame, glum
- (D) interest, disinterested

Q.No. 42 "Since you have gone off the _____, the _____ sand is likely to damage the car."

The words that best fill the blanks in the above sentence are

- (A) course, coarse
- (B) course, course
- (C) coarse, course
- (D) coarse, coarse

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Q.No. 43 "A common misconception among writers is that sentence structure mirrors thought; the more _____ the structure, the more complicated the ideas."

The word that best fills the blank in the above sentence is

- (A) detailed (B) simple (C) clear (D) convoluted

Q.No. 44 "Going by the _____ that many hands make light work, the school _____ involved all the students in the task."

The words that best fill the blanks in the above sentence are

- (A) principle, principal (B) principal, principle
(C) principle, principle (D) principal, principal

Q.No. 45 "Her _____ should not be confused with miserliness; she is ever willing to assist those in need."

The word that best fills the blank in the above sentence is

- (A) cleanliness (B) punctuality (C) frugality (D) greatness

Q.No. 46 The ninth and the tenth of this month are Monday and Tuesday _____.

- (A) figuratively (B) retrospectively (C) respectively (D) rightfully

Q.No. 47 It is _____ to read this year's textbook _____ the last year's.

- (A) easier, than (B) most easy, than (C) easier, from (D) easiest, from

Q.No. 48 The bacteria in milk are destroyed when it _____ heated to 80 degree Celsius.

- (A) would be (B) will be (C) is (D) was

Q.No. 49 _____ with someone else's email account is now a very serious offence.

- (A) Involving (B) Assisting (C) Tampering (D) Incubating

Q.No. 50 The event would have been successful if you _____ able to come.

- (A) are (B) had been (C) have been (D) would have been

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- Q.No. 51 After Rajendra Chola returned from his voyage to Indonesia, he _____ to visit the temple in Thanjavur.
(A) was wishing (B) is wishing (C) wished (D) had wished
- Q.No. 52 Research in the workplace reveals that people work for many reasons _____.
(A) money beside (B) beside money (C) money besides (D) besides money
- Q.No. 53 Saturn is _____ to be seen on a clear night with the naked eye.
(A) enough bright (B) bright enough (C) as enough bright (D) bright as enough
- Q.No. 54 She has a sharp tongue and it can occasionally turn _____.
(A) hurtful (B) left (C) methodical (D) vital
- Q.No. 55 I _____ made arrangements had I _____ informed earlier.
(A) could have, been (B) would have, being
(C) had, have (D) had been, been
- Q.No. 56 He was one of my best _____ and I felt his loss _____.
(A) friend, keenly (B) friends, keen (C) friend, keener (D) friends, keenly
- Q.No. 57 As the two speakers became increasingly agitated, the debate became _____.
(A) lukewarm (B) poetic (C) forgiving (D) heated
- Q.No. 58 The ways in which this game can be played _____ potentially infinite.
(A) is (B) is being (C) are (D) are being
- Q.No. 59 If you choose plan P, you will have to _____ plan Q, as these two are mutually _____.
(A) forgo, exclusive (B) forget, inclusive
(C) accept, exhaustive (D) adopt, intrusive

Answer Key

Q. No.	Ans.
1	A
2	B
3	C
4	B
5	B
6	C
7	B
8	D
9	A
10	C
11	B
12	C
13	A
14	A
15	A
16	C
17	A
18	C
19	A

20	C
21	D
22	C
23	A
24	B
25	B
26	D
27	C
28	C
29	C
30	B
31	A
32	D
33	A
34	A
35	A
36	A
37	A
38	B
39	A
40	B

41	A
42	A
43	D
44	A
45	C
46	C
47	A
48	C
49	C
50	B
51	C
52	D
53	B
54	A
55	A
56	D
57	D
58	C
59	A