

# PSC LDC General English

## Model Questions

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**Aim: Fill up the blanks**

1. Recently he has been 'giving himself airs'. ('Giving himself airs' means:)

- (A) establishing
- (B) behaving politely
- (C) getting treated
- (D) behaving arrogantly

**Ans:** (D) behaving arrogantly

2. ——— is an illusion usually associated with deserts.

- (A) Mirage

(B) Montage

(C) Vintage

(D) Melange

**Ans: (A) Mirage**

3. To be —— I think you did not do the right thing.

(A) clever

(B) free

(C) frank

(D) straight

**Ans: (C) frank**

4. Being awarded an Oscar marked a —— in her life.

(A) yardstick

(B) milestone

(C) sign – post

(D) memorial

**Ans: (B) milestone**

5. Good restaurants serving pure vegetarian food are very hard to ———.

(A) come by

(B) get in

(C) go through

(D) take to

**Ans: (A) come by**

6. If you want to save money, you must ——— the shopping you do.

(A) cut down on

(B) increase

(C) put up with

(D) add on

**Ans: (A) cut down on**

7. The closest meaning of the word 'mania'.

(A) greatness

(B) fame

(C) madness

(D) foolishness

**Ans: (C) madness**

8. Having been born in a good family, she is  
—— rich to beg.

(A) very

(B) too

(C) greatly

(D) plenty

**Ans: (B) too**

9. It is possible to satisfy one's \_\_\_\_\_  
— by doing some extra work.

(A) pride

(B) wants

(C) desires

(D) heart

**Ans: (B) wants**

10. If 'GOAL' means object of effort, then  
'GAOL' means:

(A) a soup

(B) a bird

(C) a prison

(D) an image

**Ans: (C) a prison**

11. I escaped by the skin of my ———.

(A) nose

(B) teeth

(C) ears

(D) hand

**Ans: (B) teeth**

12. I hope I ——— succeed.

(A) will

(B) would

(C) shall

(D) should

**Ans: (A) will**

13. They come to her every day ———?

(A) didn't they

(B) did they

(C) have they

(D) don't they

**Ans: (D) don't they**

14. She has always had ——— distrust of strangers.

(A) deep

(B) the deep

(C) a deep

(D) an deep

**Ans:** (C) a deep

15. The word 'mock' means

(A) intimate

(B) steal

(C) ridicule

(D) mimic

**Ans:** (C) ridicule

**Aim: Give suitable prepositions**

16. I have invited him —— the wedding .

(A) with

(B) to

(C) at

(D) for



**Ans: (B) to**

17. He was involved ——— the conspiracy .

(A) in

(B) on

(C) at

(D) with

**Ans: (A) in**

18. The statement is not relevant ———  
—— the context .

(A) to

(B) for

(C) at

(D) with

**Ans: (A) to**

19. I am obliged ——— you for your help .

(A) in

(B) for

(C) from

(D) to

**Ans: (D) to**

20. I parted ——— my friend at the station .

(A) with

(B) from

(C) to

(D) for

**Ans: (B) from**

21. The miser does not part ——— money .

(A) in

(B) by

(C) on

(D) with

**Ans: (D) with**

22. The teacher is popular ——— the students .

(A) with

(B) in

(C) on

(D) for

**Ans: (A) with**

23. They supply us ——— rice .

(A) to

(B) with

(C) for

(D) on

**Ans: (B) with**

24. They supply rice —— us .

(A) to

(B) for

(C) with

(D) at

**Ans: (A) to**

25. The principal served a notice ——  
me .

(A) on

(B) in

(C) at

(D) by

**Ans:** (C) at

**Aim: Find out the error**

26. (A) Higher we go / (B) the cooler / (C) we feel. / (D) no error

**Ans:** (A) Higher we go

27. (A) He speaks / (B) an excellent / (C) English. / (D) no error

**Ans:** (B) an excellent

28. (A) My father / (B) enjoys / (C) a very good health. / (D) no error

**Ans:** (C) a very good health

29. (A) He / (B) behaves as if / (C) he was a king. / (D) no error

**Ans:** (C) he was a king

**Aim: Rewrite as directed**

30. You must shut these doors. (Change into passive)

(A) These doors could be shut.

(B) These doors is to be shut.

(C) These doors must have been shut.

(D) These doors must be shut.

**Ans:** (D) These doors must be shut.

31. "I took it home with me", she said.  
(Change into indirect speech)

(A) She said that she had taken it home with her.

(B) She exclaimed that she had taken it with her to her.

(C) She said that she had it home.

(D) She said that she had been taking it to her home.

**Ans:** (A) She said that she had taken it home with her.

32. Choose the correct sentence.

(A) He has finished his work yesterday.

(B) He have finished his work yesterday.

(C) He was finished his work yesterday.

(D) He finished his work yesterday.

**Ans:** (D) He finished his work yesterday.

33. Change into indirect speech: 'Oh dear! I've lost my purse', she said.

(A) She said that she lost her purse.

(B) She exclaimed that she had lost her purse.

(C) She said that she had lost her purse.

(D) She expressed that she had lost her purse.

**Ans:** (B) She exclaimed that she had lost her purse.

34. Choose the correct sentence:

(A) The committee are in session.

(B) The committee is in session.

(C) The committee were in session.



(D) The committee to be in session.

**Ans: (B) The committee is in session.**

35. The opposite of 'vice' is:

(A) wickedness

(B) goodness

(C) virtue

(D) silence

**Ans: (C) virtue**

36. The idiom 'storm in the tea cup' means:

(A) no fuss over trivial matter

(B) big fuss over trivial matter

(C) clear idea

(D) sudden inspiration

**Ans:** (B) big fuss over trivial matter

37. The mansion was 'pulled down' to make way for a housing complex. The words *italicised* means:

- (A) brought
- (B) constructed
- (C) demolished
- (D) broken

**Ans:** (C) demolished

38. Most of the people in India live 'from hand to mouth'. The closest meaning to this idiom is:

- (A) a life of plenty providing for the future.
- (B) with moderate provision for the future.
- (C) without any provision for the future.

(D) with some provision for the future.

**Ans:** (C) without any provision for the future.

39. The phrase 'bag and baggage' means:

(A) bagful

(B) partially

(C) completely

(D) incomplete

**Ans:** (C) completely

40. Which among the following words means "understand fully"?

(A) Apprehend

(B) Pretend

(C) Imply

(D) Comprehend

**Ans:** (D) Comprehend