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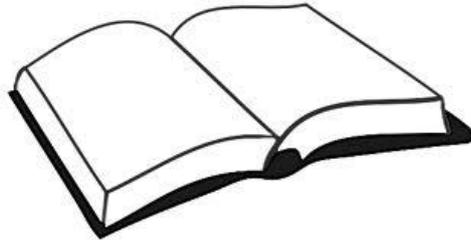
Literacy Paper

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You have 40 minutes to complete this paper.
Work as quickly and as accurately as possible.
There are 50 multiple choice questions to answer.
Read the questions carefully.
Cross out or erase any mistakes.
You must mark your chosen answer on this paper as instructed.

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Ten words have been missed out of the following passage.
 Each missing word has been given a number in the passage.
 At the bottom of this page is a list of words in which the missing words from the passage have been placed.
 Choose the word from the list that best fits the empty slot in the passage and put the corresponding capital letter in the numbered box.
 You should not use a word more than once.

They were not railway children to begin (1.....).
 I don't suppose they had ever thought about (2.....)
 except as a means of getting to Maskelyne and Cook's,
 the Pantomime, Zoological Gardens, and Madame Tussaud's.

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- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.

They were just (3.....) suburban children, and they lived
 with their Father and Mother in an ordinary red-brick-fronted villa,
 with coloured (4.....) in the front door,
 a tiled passage that was called a (5.....),
 a bath-room with hot and cold water, electric bells,
 French windows, and a good deal of white paint,
 and 'every modern (6.....)', as the house-agents say.
 There were three of them. Roberta was the (7.....).
 Of course, Mothers never have favourites,
 but if their Mother HAD had a favourite, it might have been Roberta.
 (8.....) came Peter, who wished to be an Engineer when he
 grew up; and the youngest was Phyllis, who meant extremely well.
 Mother did not spend all her time in paying dull calls to dull ladies,
 and sitting dully at home waiting for dull ladies to pay calls to her.
 She was almost always (9.....), ready to play with the children,
 and read to them, and (10.....) them to do their home-lessons.

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| A eldest | H unpleasant | O ordinary |
| B garden | I four | P hotel |
| C there | J railways | Q Next |
| D hall | K glass | R famous |
| E with | L flowers | S strong |
| F So | M help | T Out |
| G convenience | N forbid | U writing |

Read the following extract from *The Voyages of Dr. Dolittle*, by Hugh Lofting, and then answer the following questions.

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When I came to the bridge I went into the musselman's hut and asked him if he could do anything for it. Joe put on his spectacles and examined it carefully. Then he shook his head. "Yon crittur's got a broken leg," he said - "and another badly cut an' all. I can mend you your boats, Tom, but I haven't the tools nor the learning to make a broken squirrel seaworthy. This is a job for a surgeon - and for a right smart one an' all. There be only one man I know who could save yon crittur's life. And that's John Dolittle."

"Who is John Dolittle?" I asked. "Is he a vet?"

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"What's a nacheralist?"

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"Where does he live?" I asked.

"Over on the Oxenthorpe Road, t'other side the town. Don't know just which house it is, but 'most anyone 'cross there could tell you, I reckon. Go and see him. He's a great man."

So I thanked the mussel-man, took up my squirrel again and started off towards the Oxenthorpe Road.

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"There's Matthew Mugg," I said to myself. "He'll know where this Doctor lives. Matthew knows everyone."

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"Matthew," I said, "do you know Doctor Dolittle?"

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Ring your choice of answer

11) What word do you think we would use rather than "crittur"?

- a) Cutie
- b) Creature
- c) Hawk
- d) Pet

12) How do we know that the squirrel wants to live?

- a) The squirrel wants to see its family
- b) The squirrel was fighting hard for its life
- c) The squirrel was frightened
- d) The squirrel asks for help

13) Why does the hawk drop the squirrel?

- a) The hawk was hurt by the squirrel
- b) The hawk got tired of its game
- c) The hawk was startled by Tom
- d) The hawk spots another prey

14) Why can't Joe make the squirrel better?

- a) He is not sure what is wrong with the squirrel
- b) He has not got the time
- c) He has not got the right equipment or knowledge
- d) The squirrel is too ill

15) How would we spell "nachelorist"?

- a) Naturelist
- b) Naturalist
- c) Natturelist
- d) Naturilist

16) What would we call the mussel-man?

- a) The strong man
- b) The fishmonger
- c) The man that sells shoes
- d) The life-guard

17) How do we know that Matthew knows Dr. Dolittle very well?

- a) Matthew says he knows him as well as he knows his own wife
- b) Matthew talks about him a lot
- c) Matthew knows where he lives
- d) Matthew knows everybody

18) Who is the cat's-meat-man?

- a) Joe
- b) Dr. Dolittle
- c) He is not given a name
- d) Matthew

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19) Why is Joe surprised that Tom has not heard of Dr. Dolittle?

- a) Dr. Dolittle is so well known, and Tom is interested in animals like Dr. Dolittle
- b) Dr. Dolittle is such a famous doctor
- c) Everyone has heard of Dr. Dolittle
- d) Joe was sure he had introduced Tom to Dr. Dolittle before

20) Where does Dr. Dolittle live?

- a) In a hut
- b) In a cave
- c) In a house
- d) In a zoo

21) How long ago do you think the book was written?

- a) 1 year ago
- b) 10 years ago
- c) 100 years ago
- d) 1000 years ago

22) When Joe says “t’other side the town...”, why is there an apostrophe in “t’other”?

- a) Joe doesn’t speak correctly
- b) Joe lives in a foreign land where the language is different
- c) The apostrophe denotes that one letter is missing
- d) The apostrophe denotes that two letters are missing

23) Which of the following is NOT true?

- a) Tom carries the squirrel all of the time before taking it to see Dr. Dolittle after the hawk’s attack
- b) The squirrel has one broken leg
- c) The mussel-man is called Joe
- d) A hawk is a bird

24) How would you best describe the setting of the story in terms of the landscape?

- a) Flat and all the leaves had fallen off the trees
- b) Built up with many houses and roads
- c) Hilly terrain with blossom emerging
- d) Mountainous region with no water

25) In the second paragraph, what is an alternative word for “smart” as used in the passage?

- a) Intelligent
- b) Clean
- c) Immaculate
- d) Daring

26) What adjective best describes Tom’s feelings toward the squirrel?

- a) Wary
- b) Compassionate
- c) Obligated
- d) Possessive

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27) How many different people speak in the passage?

- a) One
- b) Two
- c) Three
- d) Four

28) In the final section of direct speech, what does “directly” mean?

- a) Soon
- b) Forthright
- c) Straight
- d) Middle

29) Of which men, do we not learn their surnames?

- a) John and Joe
- b) Joe and Tom
- c) Matthew and Joe
- d) Tom and John

In the following sentences, you have to select if there are no mistakes, there is one mistake, two mistakes or three mistakes.

If no mistakes, write 0 in the box

If one mistake, write 1

If two mistakes, write 2

If three mistakes, write 3

The mistakes can take the form of spelling, punctuation or grammar.

30) The family travelled to spain and loved their accomodation.

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31) “Whats the time” asked Fred.

32) Anne added raisins, oats, bran and sultanas to her serial.

33) We purchased many items of clothing from the new boutique.

34) There football boots were so muddy that the Manager told the boy’s to wash the boots before entering the pavilion.

35) The children were extremley grateful four the Christmas gifts.

Choose a word that relates to both sets of words in brackets:

Example: (earth, mud) (stain, dirty) Answer: SOIL

Ring your choice of answer

36) (sketch, outline) (tie, stalemate) a) COPY b) EQUAL c) DRAW d) BANDAGE

37) (rest, interval) (damage, smash) a) BREAK b) STOP c) DROP d) DESTROY

38) (line, file) (argument, quarrel) a) FIGHT b) RANK c) SERIES d) ROW

39) (weapon, stick) (company, association) a) CLUB b) SWORD c) LOG d) BAND

40) (control, manage) (frank, honest) a) CONDUCT b) DIRECT c) DRIVE d) AHEAD

Although Latin is no longer a spoken language, most English words were formed from Latin.

For example, the Latin word “liber” means “free”. Hence the English word “liberty”, which means “freedom”.

There are five sentences in questions 41-45.

In each sentence, two words are derived from the list of Latin words A-J.

Mark your chosen Latin words in the two boxes at the end of each sentence, using the letters A-J.

Each letter is used only once.

	<u>Latin</u>	<u>English</u>
A	Aqua	Water
B	Celeber	Famous
C	Creo	I create
D	Genus	Birth / Offspring
E	Gladius	Sword
F	Gravis	Heavy
G	Medius	Middle
H	Porto	I carry
I	Video	I see
J	Vita	Life

41) The gladiator was a well-known celebrity.

42) The next generation will buy portable computers.

43) The gravity experiment was supervised by a teacher.

44) Jane watched the creation of the aquatic centre.

45) It was vital to find the median if you wanted to pass the examination.

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In the following groups of words, four are linked in some way, and one is the odd one out.

Underline the word that doesn't belong to the group.

Example: (Pansy, Daffodil, Buttercup, Tree, Bluebell) Answer: Tree

46) (magistrate, clerk, jury, secretary, builder)

47) (London, Manchester, Paris, Madrid, Stockholm)

48) (swarm, bunch, flock, school, shed)

49) (mannered, discourteous, rude, insolent, impolite)

50) (joined, connected, club, attached, linked)