NMAT Language Skills Sample Paper 03

Instructions

- **Total Questions:** 36 Multiple Choice Questions
- **Time Allocation:** 28 Minutes
- **Marking Pattern:** Standardized adaptive scoring weight per section. No negative marks apply under core examination guidelines.

1 Reading Comprehension

Passage 1

Technology has transformed the way people communicate. Social media platforms allow individuals to connect instantly across the globe. While these platforms offer numerous benefits, such as easier access to information and networking opportunities, they also present challenges including misinformation, privacy concerns, and reduced face-to-face interactions.

1. According to the passage, social media helps people:
    A. A. Avoid technology
    B. B. Connect globally
    C. C. Reduce communication
    D. D. Increase privacy

2. One challenge of social media mentioned is:
    A. A. Better networking
    B. B. Easy communication
    C. C. Privacy concerns
    D. D. Faster internet

3. The tone of the passage is:
    A. A. Critical
    B. B. Balanced
    C. C. Humorous

D. D. Emotional

4. Which statement is TRUE according to the passage?
   A. A. Social media has no benefits.
   B. B. Social media only spreads misinformation.
   C. C. Social media has both advantages and disadvantages.
   D. D. Face-to-face interactions have increased.

Passage 2

Many companies are adopting flexible work arrangements. Employees often appreciate the freedom to choose their work schedules, while employers benefit from increased productivity and reduced operational costs. However, successful implementation requires clear communication and accountability.

5. Flexible work arrangements benefit employers through:
   A. A. Higher salaries
   B. B. Increased productivity
   C. C. More office space
   D. D. Longer meetings

6. Successful implementation requires:
   A. A. Less communication
   B. B. More supervision
   C. C. Clear communication and accountability
   D. D. Higher expenses

7. The central idea is:
   A. A. Flexible work has only disadvantages.
   B. B. Flexible work benefits both employers and employees.
   C. C. Offices should be closed permanently.
   D. D. Productivity decreases with flexibility.

8. Which word is closest in meaning to “implementation”?
   A. A. Execution
   B. B. Failure
   C. C. Delay
   D. D. Planning

2 Vocabulary

9. Choose the synonym of “Abundant”:
    A. A. Scarce
    B. B. Plenty
    C. C. Empty
    D. D. Weak
10. Choose the antonym of “Expand”:
    A. A. Increase
    B. B. Grow
    C. C. Contract
    D. D. Develop
11. Choose the synonym of “Diligent”:
    A. A. Lazy
    B. B. Careful
    C. C. Hardworking
    D. D. Weak
12. Choose the antonym of “Transparent”:
    A. A. Clear
    B. B. Visible
    C. C. Opaque
    D. D. Bright
13. Choose the correct meaning of “Benevolent”:
    A. A. Kind
    B. B. Cruel
    C. C. Rich
    D. D. Famous
14. Choose the antonym of “Ancient”:
    A. A. Historic
    B. B. Modern
    C. C. Old
    D. D. Traditional
15. Choose the synonym of “Rapid”:
    A. A. Slow
    B. B. Quick
    C. C. Weak
    D. D. Small

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16. Choose the antonym of “Generous”:

    A. A. Helpful
    B. B. Kind
    C. C. Selfish
    D. D. Honest

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3 Grammar

17. Choose the correct sentence.
    A. A. She don't like coffee.
    B. B. She doesn't likes coffee.
    C. C. She doesn't like coffee.
    D. D. She not like coffee.

18. Identify the error loop segment inside the string:
    "He have completed the assignment."
    A. A. He
    B. B. Have
    C. C. Completed
    D. D. Assignment

19. Fill in the blank:
    The train _____ before we reached the station.
    A. A. leave
    B. B. left
    C. C. had left
    D. D. leaving

20. Choose the correct option:
    If I _____ rich, I would travel the world.
    A. A. am
    B. B. was
    C. C. were
    D. D. be

21. Choose the correct sentence.
    A. A. Each of the students have a book.
    B. B. Each of the students has a book.
    C. C. Each students have a book.
    D. D. Each student have a book.

22. Fill in the blank:
    She is interested _____ learning languages.
    A. A. on
    B. B. in
    C. C. at
    D. D. for

23. Identify the correct passive voice syntax transformation:
    "They completed the project."

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A. A. The project completed by them.

B. B. The project was completed by them.

C. C. The project is completed by them.

D. D. The project has completed by them.

24. Choose the correct article:
He is _____ honest man.

A. A. a

B. B. an

C. C. the

D. D. no article

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4 Para Jumbles

25. Arrange the following text variables into a logical sequence paragraph:
A. It was raining heavily.
B. I decided to stay home.
C. The weather forecast was accurate.
D. Dark clouds covered the sky.

A. A. DACB

B. B. DCAB

C. C. ACDB

D. D. CDAB

26. Arrange the following text variables into a logical sequence paragraph:
A. She submitted her application.
B. She received an interview call.
C. She got the job.
D. She prepared her resume.

A. A. DABC

B. B. DACB

C. C. DBAC

D. D. ABCD

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5 Fill in the Blanks

27. The manager asked the team to work _____ efficiently.
    A. A. more
    B. B. most
    C. C. much
    D. D. many

28. The results were _____ than expected.
    A. A. good
    B. B. better
    C. C. best
    D. D. well

29. He has been working here _____ five years.
    A. A. since
    B. B. for
    C. C. from
    D. D. by

30. Neither the teacher nor the students _____ present.
    A. A. was
    B. B. were
    C. C. is
    D. D. be

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6 Critical Language Usage

31. Choose the sentence with correct punctuation.
    A. A. Let's eat Grandma.
    B. B. Let's eat, Grandma.
    C. C. Lets eat Grandma.
    D. D. Lets eat, Grandma

32. Choose the most appropriate word:
    The company plans to _____ its operations internationally.
    A. A. expand
    B. B. contract
    C. C. reduce
    D. D. limit

33. Choose the correct sentence.
    A. A. I have less books than you.
    B. B. I have fewer books than you.
    C. C. I have little books than you.
    D. D. I have lesser books than you.

34. Choose the best structural replacement to maximize clarity:
    "The movie was very very interesting."
    A. A. The movie was interesting.
    B. B. The movie was extremely interesting.
    C. C. The movie was too interesting.
    D. D. The movie was much interesting.

35. Choose the correct word form:
    The scientist made an important _____.
    A. A. discover
    B. B. discovery
    C. C. discovered
    D. D. discovering

36. Choose the sentence with correct grammar.
    A. A. Neither of the boys were late.
    B. B. Neither of the boys was late.
    C. C. Neither boys were late.
    D. D. Neither boys was late.

Solutions

Section A: Reading Comprehension

Q1
Option B: Connect globally
The text explicitly reports that social networks empower independent consumers and entities to form instant interactive links across the globe.

Q2
Option C: Privacy concerns
Privacy concerns are recorded directly alongside misinformation and face-to-face reduction markers in the passage's catalog of modern challenges.

Q3
Option B: Balanced
The tone tracks as balanced because the author addresses both technical efficiency benefits and systemic challenges evenhandedly.

Q4
Option C: Social media has both advantages and disadvantages.
The primary structural framework of the text balances system assets against structural liabilities, validating this mixed perspective.

Q5
Option B: Increased productivity
The passage directly charts the operational advantages passed to corporate employers as higher output levels and compressed processing costs.

Q6
Option C: Clear communication and accountability
The concluding lines of the second passage state that successful deployment requires transparent exchange paths and explicit accountability boundaries.

Q7
Option B: Flexible work benefits both employers and employees.
The main thesis statement frames a clear win-win scenario, summarizing operational benefits for management and autonomy assets for workers.

Q8
Option A: Execution
"Implementation" describes the active process of turning ideas, tools, or policies into operational realities, making "Execution" the closest synonym.

Section B: Vocabulary

Q9
Option B: Plenty
"Abundant" refers to a rich supply or high volume of a resource, mapping directly to the synonym choice "Plenty".

Q10
Option C: Contract
"Expand" describes dimensional growth or spatial extension. Its direct geometric and lexical antonym is "Contract".

Q11
Option C: Hardworking
A "diligent" person exhibits relentless, meticulous attention to tasks, matching the core definition of "Hardworking".

Q12
Option C: Opaque
Transparent boundaries let light or visual items pass completely unobstructed; an "Opaque" medium blocks transmission.

Q13
Option A: Kind
A "benevolent" entity operates from a disposition of goodwill, altruism, or warm-hearted kindness.

Q14
Option B: Modern
"Ancient" anchors chronological frameworks historically; its true contemporary relational opposite is "Modern".

Q15
Option B: Quick
"Rapid" marks events occurring or changing at high speeds, pointing directly to the structural synonym "Quick".

Q16
Option C: Selfish
A generous individual shares resources freely. The baseline psychological and behavioral opposite is "Selfish".

Section C: Grammar

Q17
Option C: She doesn't like coffee.
Subject-verb agreement parameters: Third-person singular subjects ("She") require the singular helping negative auxiliary "doesn't" paired with the base verb form "like".

Q18
Option B: Have
The subject pronoun "He" is singular, revealing that the plural tracking helping verb choice "have" is an error that must be replaced by "has".

Q19
Option C: had left
Past perfect aspect formatting logic: When ordering two sequential past occurrences, the earlier action completed prior to the second marker requires the tense layout "had left".

Q20
Option C: were
Subjunctive mood paradigm mapping: Counterfactual or hypothetical states phrased in conditional sentences require the plural past form "were" regardless of singular pronoun steps.

Q21
Option B: Each of the students has a book.
Distributive subject head selection: The singular pronoun header "Each" governs the statement, requiring the singular matrix verb form "has".

Q22
Option B: in
Fixed adjectival modifier phrase collocation: The descriptor entry "interested" links exclusively across standard networks to the specific preposition "in".

Q23
Option B: The project was completed by them.
Passive transform steps: The active past verb "completed" shifts into a passive construction by introducing the corresponding past form of the copula: was + Past Participle.

Q24
Option B: an
Article parsing guidelines: Although spelled with an initial consonant character letter, the word "honest" initializes with a pure silent vowel sound, requiring the article choice "an".

Section D: Para Jumbles

Q25
Option A: DACB
Chronological and logical paragraph building sequence: Dark clouds accumulate to change the sky landscape (D) → Heavy precipitation breaks out across the locality (A) → The meteorological forecast is validated as accurate (C) → The speaker chooses to stay sheltered at home (B).

Q26
Option A: DABC
Operational recruitment path progression sequence: Assemble qualifications and prepare the resume document (D) → Submit the paperwork package to the company (A) → Receive an invitation call for interviews (B) → Secure the job contract (C).

Section E: Fill in the Blanks

Q27
Option A: more
Comparative adverb modifier structure: Optimizing performance relative to an existing baseline requires introducing the comparative modifier entry "more".

Q28
Option B: better
Comparative structural alignment rules: Sentences comparing two dynamic states utilizing the marker link "than" require the comparative irregular adjective form "better".

Q29
Option B: for
Temporal grammar parameters: Bounded tracking durations consisting of calculated blocks of time ("five years") must be introduced using the duration preposition "for".

Q30
Option B: were
Proximal agreement rules for alternative coordinate systems: Compound subjects joined via "neither... nor" require the verb to align with the nearest plural subject node ("students" matches "were").

Section F: Critical Language Usage

Q31
Option B: Let's eat, Grandma.
Vocative comma punctuation requirement: Failing to insert a separating comma transforms the targeted recipient (Grandma) into the direct object of consumption. Inserting the comma isolates the statement properly.

Q32
Option A: expand
Semantic business vocabulary choice: Pursuing strategic corporate scaling goals into multi-national market environments is best described using the verb parameter "expand".

Q33
Option B: I have fewer books than you.
Countable modifier mapping parameters: Countable objects (such as physical "books") must be quantified using the modifier entry "fewer", reserving "less" for mass nouns.

Q34
Option B: The movie was extremely interesting.
Linguistic stylistic refinement principles: Avoid conversational repetition spikes (like "very very") in academic writing by consolidating the intensity level into a single robust modifier like "extremely".

Q35
Option B: discovery
Syntactic structural configuration constraints: The structure demands a solid singular object noun form acting as the head complement of the past verb, making "discovery" correct.

Q36
Option B: Neither of the boys was late.
Subject structural distribution parameters: Expressions structured as "Neither of + [Plural Noun]" remain singular in core grammatical profile, requiring the singular past copula "was".

Score Interpretation & Analytical Matrix

- **32–36 Marks:** Excellent performance tier (Indicates a projected NMAT Language Skills 90 + percentile performance profile).
- **27–31 Marks:** Strong competitive performance baseline.
- **22–26 Marks:** Average performance tier.
- **Below 22 Marks:** Targeted improvement and focus required.