

# English Proficiency

## Grammar - III

(Sentences, Tense, Voice, Narration,  
Modals & Punctuation)

### Check Your Concepts

#### Q.1. Match the following:

**Directions:** Given below are two columns - column I and column II. Match the two columns and write the correct answer in the given blank grid.

#### 1. Match the following:

Column – I (Direct Speech)		Column – II (Indirect Speech)	
(A)	He said 'I am unwell'	(i)	The teacher said the earth went round the sun.
(B)	He said, 'my father is writing letters'.	(ii)	I said 'I didn't believe you.
(C)	He said, 'I have passed the examination.	(iii)	He said (that) he was unwell.
(D)	The teacher said. 'The earth goes round the sun.'	(iv)	Richa said that she was very busy then.
(E)	Richa said, 'I am very busy now.'	(v)	He said (that) he had passed the examination.
(F)	I said to you, 'I don't believe you.'	(vi)	He said (that) his father was writing letters.

#### 2. Match the following:

Column – I (Question)		Column – II (Answer)	
(A)	What are you doing?	(i)	She likes reading story books.
(B)	Does dad enjoy dancing?	(ii)	Yes, he does.
(C)	What's he doing?	(iii)	They're roaring.
(D)	Do you like swimming?	(iv)	I'm cleaning the room.
(E)	Is Sam's father reading a book?	(v)	No, I don't. I "like playing football.
(F)	What does your sister like doing?	(vi)	He is screaming.
(G)	What are those lions doing?	(vii)	No, he's singing a song.

**Q.1. Fill in the blanks:**

**Directions:** Complete the following statements with an appropriate word / term to be filled in the blank space(s).

**Maintain The Correct Tense** .....

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1. By the end of this month. Aunt Razia \_\_\_\_\_ (fly) back to Kolkata after visiting her family in Mumbai
2. Shravan \_\_\_\_\_ (play) a game of golf with his manager between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. today.
3. Bullu \_\_\_\_\_ (already speak) in several debates so he doesn't feel nervous about the finals.
4. By January next year, the government \_\_\_\_\_ (approve) new regulations regarding learner drivers.
5. The children are having a wonderful time at the zoo today. They \_\_\_\_\_ (never see) so many types of animals before.
6. When you phoned yesterday, I \_\_\_\_\_ (just reach) home after work.

**Maintain The Correct Voice** .....

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7. The aerobics classes for this weekend \_\_\_\_\_ (may cancel) by our coach Siddu.
8. Motorists \_\_\_\_\_ (must obey) traffic regulations to avoid accidents.
9. The contractors \_\_\_\_\_ (already demolish) the old houses by the time the government decided to preserve them.
10. Dad's car \_\_\_\_\_ (must repair) this evening by the garage or we won't have transport tomorrow.
11. The injured eagle \_\_\_\_\_ (nurse) by Dr Prem for more than a week before it was able to fly.

**Complete The Reported Speech** .....

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12. The children said to their father, "Dad, which movie are we going for tomorrow?"  
The children asked their father which movie \_\_\_\_\_ were going for \_\_\_\_\_
13. "Do you know what time the concert begins tonight?" said Aunt Gunji to Lilly.  
Aunt Gunji asked Lilly whether he \_\_\_\_\_ what time the concert began \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Bipasha Basu said to John, "Are you taking part in the disc jockey competition?"  
Bipasha Basu asked John whether \_\_\_\_\_ in the disc jockey competition.

15. Mrs. Daya said to her daughter, "Have you seen my orchids?"  
Mrs. Daya asked her daughter whether \_\_\_\_\_ her orchids.
16. "Do you want another bag for your purchases?" the salesgirl said to me.  
The salesgirl asked me whether I \_\_\_\_\_ another bag for \_\_\_\_\_ purchases

**Supply Missing Modals**

17. I think we \_\_\_\_\_ send her a gift.
18. \_\_\_\_\_ you hurry up, please?
19. The sea looks inviting \_\_\_\_\_ we have a swim?
20. I hope they \_\_\_\_\_ be here on time.
21. If you take these tablets you \_\_\_\_\_ feel better soon.

**Q.3. Sentence correction:**

**Directions:** Read the following statements and underline the incorrect word & make correction.

**Related To Tense**

1. I walked down a deserted lane when a youth with a knife robbed me.
2. She lives alone in a city whose crime rate rising.
3. The panel that will interview us comprising experts in different fields.
4. Everyone is now waiting to see what his next move was.
5. The movie is enjoyable because it contain many hilarious scenes.

**Related To Active+ Passive Voice**.....  
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6. Mrs. Hilton's mansion are beautifully decorated by her with paintings and antique Chinese furniture.  
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7. The melons are carefully picked by a team of workers and place in large rattan baskets.  
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8. Food and medicine must given by the World Health Organization to the refugees to prevent disease and starvation.  
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9. The deep sea divers may be discovered more treasures in the sunken wreck of the 16<sup>th</sup> century German ship next week.  
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**Related To Modals**.....  
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10. Could you helped us plan our class project, please?  
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11. Gullu can read before he was three years old.  
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12. May you clear 1.5 metres in high jump?  
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13. She be glad when she hears about this.  
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14. I think that boys learn to cook.  
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**Q.4. Multiple choice questions:**

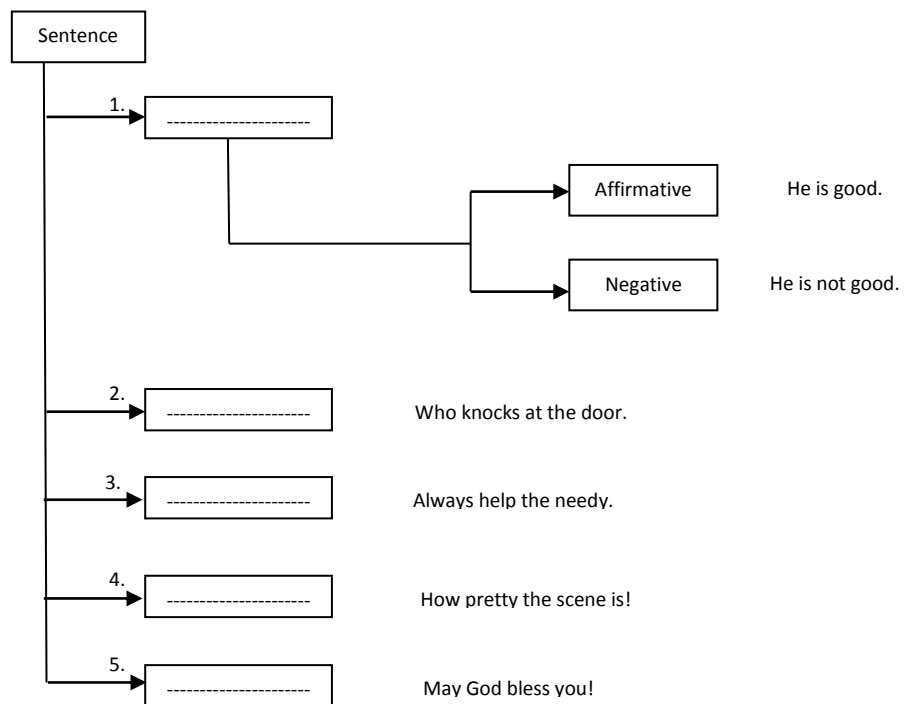
**Directions:** Read the following questions and choose the answer that best answers questions.

1. It has been raining \_\_\_\_\_ morning.  
(a) For (b) In (c) From (d) Since
2. The mouse ran \_\_\_\_\_ the hole.  
(a) In (b) Into (c) At (d) Inside
3. See me \_\_\_\_\_ this period is over.  
(a) After (b) Behind (c) At (d) In
4. We sat \_\_\_\_\_ the shade of the tree.  
(a) Around (b) Below (c) In (d) Under
5. Don't quarrel \_\_\_\_\_ trifles.  
(a) Over (b) On (c) At (d) With
6. What is the time \_\_\_\_\_ your watch.  
(a) In (b) At (c) By (d) On
7. I am not good \_\_\_\_\_ painting.  
(a) In (b) At (c) On (d) About
8. How \_\_\_\_\_ students are there in your class?  
(a) Much (b) Few (c) Many (d) Number
9. I shall reach in time \_\_\_\_\_ I get a bus now.  
(a) If (b) Because (c) So (d) Then
10. I said it \_\_\_\_\_ his face  
(a) On (b) In (c) Upon (d) At
11. I \_\_\_\_\_ him yesterday.  
(a) Write (b) Writing (c) Write to (d) Wrote to
12. Why don't you \_\_\_\_\_ me?  
(a) Listen (b) Listening (c) Listened (d) Listen to
13. I don't like milk, so I \_\_\_\_\_ tea at breakfast.  
(a) Generally drink (b) Am generally drink  
(c) Was generally drinking (d) Had generally drunk
14. She spent \_\_\_\_\_ money she had and came back home.  
(a) A little (b) Little (c) The little (d) Few
15. The mob was shouting at the top of \_\_\_\_\_ voice.  
(a) His (b) Her (c) Its (d) Their

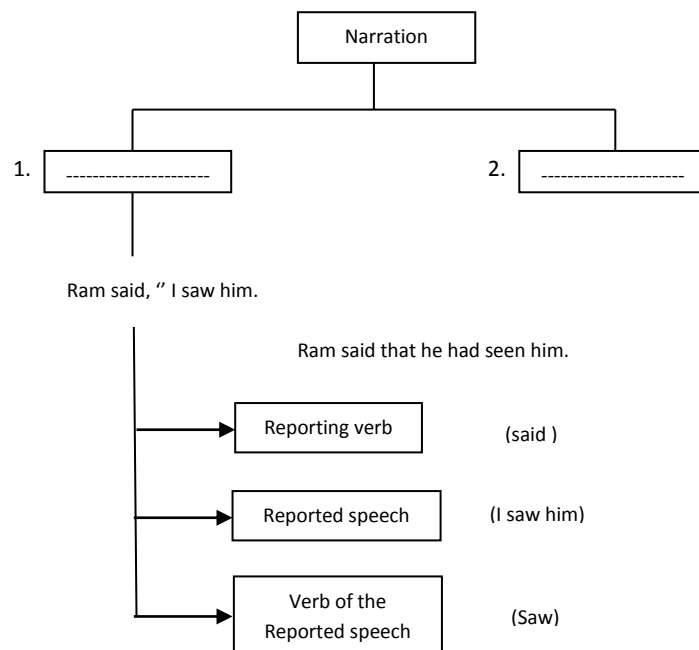
16. It is he who \_\_\_\_\_ done it,  
(a) Have (b) Has (c) Himself (d) Had
17. The man has not \_\_\_\_\_ much wine.  
(a) Drunk (b) Drank (c) Drinking (d) Drinks
18. They \_\_\_\_\_ the office at 5 O'clock last evening.  
(a) Had left (b) Left (c) Have left (d) Had been left
19. It is time to \_\_\_\_\_ our prayers.  
(a) Said (b) Say (c) Saying (d) Says
20. God helps those who help \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Himself (b) Herself (c) Themselves (d) Oneself
21. We \_\_\_\_\_ to have an extra chair in the meeting room.  
(a) shall (b) can (c) need (d) may
22. Even a financial expert \_\_\_\_\_ make mistakes. No one is perfect.  
(a) would (b) could (c) should (d) can
23. You \_\_\_\_\_ have looked before crossing the road.  
(a) should (b) ought (c) need (d) may
24. While my father was mowing the lawn, my mother \_\_\_\_\_ the flowers.  
(a) watering (b) waters (c) has been watering (d) was watering
25. You must \_\_\_\_\_ your identity card at the shop when you rent a bicycle.  
(a) leave (b) leaves (c) left (d) be leaving
26. The whale \_\_\_\_\_ underwater before I could take a picture of it.  
(a) disappears (b) had disappeared (c) disappearing (d) has disappeared
27. My grandmother \_\_\_\_\_ to the medical shop every week to buy herbs.  
(a) go (b) goes (c) have been going (d) gone

**Q.5. Activity based question:**

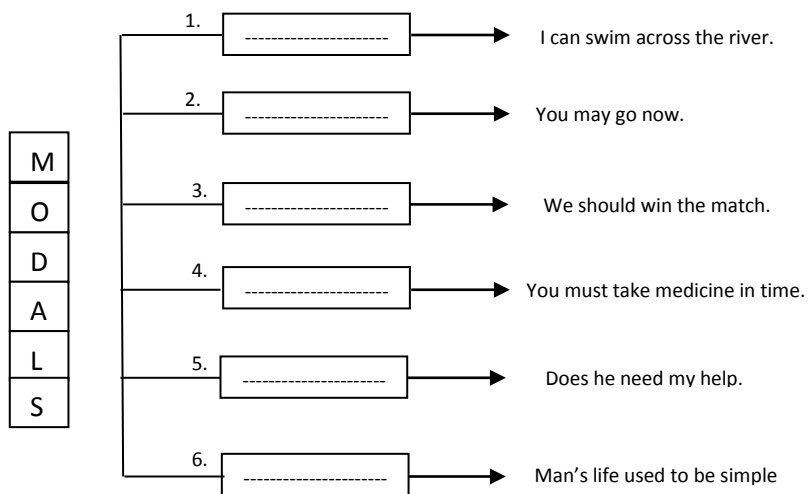
**A. Complete the chart of sentence:**



**B. Complete the chart of Narration:**



**C. Complete the chart of modals:**



**Q.6. Identification of tense:**

**1. Complete the table of Tense:**

PRESENT	PAST	PAST PARTICIPLE
become	.....	become
begin	began	.....
bid (offer)	.....	bid
bid (command)	.....	bidden
.....	bit	bit, bitten
blow	.....	Blown
break	.....	broken
bring	brought	.....
burst	.....	burst