

## “First Prize”

### Reading Comprehension – Short Stories

*Directions: Read the story. Then answer the questions below.*

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My name is Tess and I ride horses.

I ride them in the circus.  
I ride them in parades.  
I ride them in shows.

I am riding in a horse show today.

My horse runs.  
My horse jumps.  
My horse dances.

I hold on!

My horse is the best.  
I named her Twin.  
I feel like the horse and I are the same when I ride her.

My mother is not at the horse show.  
She has to work.

My father is there. He claps. He yells. He smiles.

The show ends. A man announces the winners.  
"First Prize goes to Tess and Twin!" he says.

He gives me a blue ribbon.

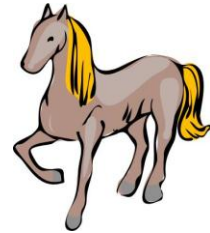
I am very excited. My dad gives me a hug.

"You won!" he says.

My dad and I go home.  
My dad tells my mom about my ribbon.

She cries.  
She gives me a big hug.

"Your hard work is showing," she says.



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## Questions:

- 1) Where does Tess ride her horse?
- I. in shows
  - II. at school
  - III. on a farm
- A. I only  
B. I and II  
C. II and III  
D. I, II, and III
- 2) What does Tess need to do while her horse runs and jumps?
- A. dance  
B. hold on  
C. sing  
D. stand up
- 3) Why did Tess probably name her horse Twin?
- A. because Tess has a twin  
B. because there are two horses  
C. because another horse looks very similar to Twin  
D. because Tess feels the same as Twin when she rides her
- 4) Where is Tess's mother during the show?
- A. She is at work.  
B. She is at the show.  
C. She is at home.  
D. She is with Tess' father.
- 5) Why does Tess's father yell?
- A. He is angry.  
B. He needs help.  
C. He is surprised.  
D. He is excited.
- 6) What prize does Tess win in the horse show?
- A. The Gold Star  
B. Winner's Prize  
C. new riding boots  
D. First Prize
- 7) What color ribbon does Tess get?
- A. green  
B. blue  
C. purple  
D. red
- 8) How does Tess's mom feel about the ribbon?
- I. worried
  - II. happy
  - III. proud
- A. I only  
B. I and II  
C. II and III  
D. I, II, and III
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# “Humans”

## Reading Comprehension – Informational Passages

Directions: Read the passage. Then answer questions about the passage below.

The human body has many parts. People have two arms and two legs. We have two hands and two feet. We have five **fingers** on each hand. We have five toes on each foot.

We each have two eyes on our **face**. We see with our eyes. We each have two ears. We hear with our ears. We each have one nose on our face. We smell with our nose. We each have one **tongue**. We taste with our tongue. We each have one brain. We think with our brain. We each have two **lungs** in our chest. We breathe with our lungs.

Humans can do many things. People can walk. We use our legs and feet to walk. We can run. Running is faster than walking. We use our legs and feet to run. We can climb. We use our arms, hands, legs and feet to **climb**. We can climb up trees or climb up ladders. We can eat and drink. We use our mouth and teeth to eat. We eat meat, fruit, vegetables, and other foods. We can drink lots of things, but we drink water the most. We also use our mouth and teeth to talk.

### Questions:

1) Each human has five...

- A. feet on each leg.
- B. **toes on each foot.**
- C. hands on each arm.
- D. Both A and B are correct.

2) How many ears does each human have?

- A. 1
- B. **2**
- C. 5
- D. 10

3) What do we smell with?

- A. Our toes
- B. **Our nose**
- C. Our lungs
- D. Our fingers



4) We use our legs to...

- A. run.
- B. walk.
- C. climb.
- D. **All of the above**

5) What do humans eat?

- A. **Meat**
- B. Water
- C. Ladders
- D. Coffee

### Vocabulary:

1) **Fingers** are part of your...

- A. leg
- B. foot
- C. nose
- D. **hand**



2) Your **face** has your...

- A. **eyes, nose and mouth.**
- B. arms, legs and feet.
- C. fingers and toes.
- D. feet and toes.

3) Your **tongue** is part of your...

- A. ear.
- B. nose.
- C. chest.
- D. **mouth.**

4) You use your **lungs** to...

- A. eat.
- B. hear.
- C. smell.
- D. **breathe.**

5) To **climb** is to...

- A. go in.
- B. **go up.**
- C. taste food.
- D. drink water.



Choose the best alternative.

1. \_\_\_\_ you speak Spanish?  
A) May B) Are **C) Can** D) Is
2. A: \_\_\_\_ I go? B: Yes, you can.  
**A) Could** B) Am C) Need D) Did
3. \_\_\_\_ you help me with my homework?  
A) Are B) May **C) Can** D) Need
4. You \_\_\_\_ enter without a tie.  
A) aren't **B) can't** C) ought not D) weren't
5. Cigarettes \_\_\_\_ seriously damage your health.  
A) are B) do **C) can** D) were
6. \_\_\_\_ you post this letter for me?  
**A) Will** B) Shall C) May D) Are
7. \_\_\_\_ I open the window?  
A) Will **B) Shall** C) Am D) Do
8. We \_\_\_\_ leave now or we'll be late.  
A) has to **B) must** C) can D) will
9. If you had video, you \_\_\_\_ record it yourself tonight.  
**A) could** B) can C) must D) may
10. Please \_\_\_\_ make noise.  
A) didn't **B) don't** C) can't D) may not
11. \_\_\_\_ open the windows. I'm cold.  
**A) Don't** B) Can't C) Mustn't D) Needn't
12. Shoes \_\_\_\_ be either black or brown.  
A) don't B) are **C) may** D) need
13. A: My car has been stolen.  
B: \_\_\_\_.  
**A) You should ring the police.** B) Will you phone the police?  
C) Could you ring the police? D) You are phoning the police.
14. A: I bought this pen today and it doesn't work.  
B: \_\_\_\_.  
A) Could you fill it with ink? B) Shall I give you another one?  
C) **You should take it back.** D) It cannot be expensive.
15. He \_\_\_\_ read faster a few years ago.  
A) can B) **could** C) might D) must
16. \_\_\_\_ you pass the salt, please?  
A) Do B) Are C) Should **D) Could**
17. \_\_\_\_ you remember which shoe you put on first this morning?  
A) May B) **Can** C) Should D) Were
18. You \_\_\_\_ be hungry. You've just had dinner.  
A) aren't **B) can't** C) may D) must
19. You \_\_\_\_ be hungry. You had no lunch.  
A) can't B) shouldn't **C) must** D) couldn't
20. Sorry, this \_\_\_\_ be my bag. Mine is brown.  
**A) can't** B) must C) can D) could
21. I \_\_\_\_ not have time to phone you this evening.  
**A) may** B) must C) would D) didn't
22. He probably \_\_\_\_ be back in time for dinner.  
A) isn't B) wasn't **C) won't** D) doesn't
23. Take a sweater with you. It \_\_\_\_ get cold later.  
A) won't B) **might** C) would D) need
24. A: She can't sing.  
B: Neither \_\_\_\_.  
A) do I B) could I C) am I **D) can I**
25. It's very cold. You \_\_\_\_ to put a sweater on.  
A) should **B) ought** C) has D) must
26. A: Will the director be back in the office today?  
B: He said he \_\_\_\_ be, but he wasn't sure.  
A) can **B) might** C) may D) has to
27. A: Is this a 24 bus coming?  
B: It \_\_\_\_ be. I can't see the number yet.  
**A) might** B) can't C) may not D) must
28. A: \_\_\_\_.  
B: I'm sorry, but I haven't got my car.  
**A) Will you give me a lift?** B) Shall I drive you to school?  
C) Could you drive a bit faster? D) When shall we meet?
29. A: \_\_\_\_.  
B: Yes, please. Can I give you the money now?  
A) Will you lend me some money?  
B) Will you buy some fruit on the way back home?  
C) Shall we go to the opera tonight?  
**D) Shall I get you a ticket for the Madonna Concert?**
30. If you don't feel better you \_\_\_\_ go to bed.  
A) ought **B) should** C) don't have to D) needn't
31. I'll \_\_\_\_ go now.  
A) should B) must **C) have to** D) ought to
32. You \_\_\_\_ get the 8.45 train. It doesn't stop at Yorkshire.  
A) had better **B) mustn't** C) should D) don't have to
33. You \_\_\_\_ go near that dog! It's very dangerous.  
A) may not B) don't have to  
**C) mustn't** D) needn't
34. We \_\_\_\_ play football today because it is raining.  
A) couldn't **B) can't** C) aren't D) didn't
35. When I was a child I \_\_\_\_ drink a lot of milk.  
A) should B) may **C) used to** D) need
36. A: I've got toothache. B: You'd \_\_\_\_ go to the dentist.  
**A) better** B) should C) used to D) must
37. Betty has a temperature. She \_\_\_\_ be ill.  
A) had better B) used to C) can not **D) must**
38. Good morning sir, what \_\_\_\_ I do for you?  
A) would **B) can** C) shall D) must
39. We \_\_\_\_ to stop pollution.  
A) must B) should C) had better **D) ought**
40. \_\_\_\_ careful! You are making mistakes.  
**A) Be** B) Must C) Do D) Did
41. \_\_\_\_ you answer the phone?  
A) Were **B) Will** C) Are D) Shall
42. A: I \_\_\_\_ play the guitar.  
B: But you said yesterday you \_\_\_\_ play it.  
**A) can't / could** B) can / could  
C) couldn't / can D) could / could
43. I missed the bus this morning so I \_\_\_\_ walk to school.  
A) have to B) must **C) had to** D) ought
44. Vegetables \_\_\_\_ be washed carefully.  
A) has to **B) have to** C) ought D) might
45. He \_\_\_\_ drive a car when he was eighteen.  
A) is able **B) could** C) can D) is used to
46. You \_\_\_\_ watch TV when you are studying.  
A) didn't **B) shouldn't** C) couldn't D) aren't
47. I \_\_\_\_ like to listen to guitar music.  
A) will B) can **C) would** D) could
48. We \_\_\_\_ see him tomorrow.  
**A) might** B) would C) had to D) ought
49. \_\_\_\_ you able to understand the lesson this morning?  
**A) Were** B) Could C) Would D) Should
50. I don't think we \_\_\_\_ be able to get to the airport in time?  
A) can B) are **C) will** D) could
51. I \_\_\_\_ see the President. There were too many people.  
A) weren't able to B) don't have to  
**C) couldn't** D) am not able
52. \_\_\_\_ you mind if I used your dictionary?  
**A) Do** B) Will C) Shall D) Need
53. \_\_\_\_ run if you feel tired.  
A) Mustn't **B) Don't**  
C) Don't have to D) Shouldn't

*Much, many, a lot, lots*

- Q1 How ..... people are coming?  
(a) lots (b) much (c) a lot (d) **many**
- Q2 How ..... does the book cost?  
(a) **much** (b) many (c) lots (d) a lot
- Q3 Do you need ..... milk for this recipe?  
(a) many (b) big (c) **much** (d) much of
- Q4 I need to practice piano ..... before the concert.  
(a) much (b) very (c) many (d) **a lot**
- Q5 I have ..... of homework to do before tomorrow.  
(a) **a ton** (b) a tan (c) a million (d) a much
- Q6 How ..... water do you drink every day?  
(a) many (b) **much** (c) lots of (d) very
- Q7 You are ..... smart.  
(a) much (b) many (c) **very** (d) lots
- Q8 I have ..... of friends.  
(a) much (b) very (c) **lots** (d) many
- Q9 You are a ..... honest person.  
(a) ton (b) **very** (c) many (d) much
- Q10 Do you have ..... ants in your house?  
(a) much (b) **many** (c) a lot (d) very

*English Grammar Exercise*

- Q1 Our couch is ..... soft.  
(a) very (b) much (c) lots (d) tons
- Q2 Our house ..... 3 bedrooms.  
(a) is of (b) is with (c) has (d) have
- Q3 Does your dog live inside ..... outside?  
(a) but (b) because (c) though (d) or
- Q4 Does your ..... have a dishwasher?  
(a) living room (b) bathroom (c) dining room (d) kitchen
- Q5 All of the walls are ..... white.  
(a) paint (b) painted (c) to paint (d) painting
- Q6 There is a rug ..... the floor in the living room.  
(a) in (b) under (c) on (d) next to
- Q7 The ..... gets 6 channels.  
(a) cat (b) tree (c) television (d) microwave
- Q8 Our table is ..... for 8 people.  
(a) big (b) enough big (c) a lot big (d) big enough
- Q9 Do you lock the front door ..... night?  
(a) for (b) at (c) on (d) from
- Q10 I will ..... the clothes after you fold them.  
(a) put up (b) put next (c) put under (d) in put



### ● Word Pair Analogies 2

low-beginning level

**Directions:** Choose the word on the right that best expresses a relationship similar to that of the original pair.

A **rose** is a kind of **flower**.  
A **hammer** is a kind of **tool**.



Example:

#) ROSE : FLOWER	
HAMMER:	A. car B. tool C. computer D. instrument

1) DEAD : ALIVE	
DRY :	A. red B. wet C. good D. sad

6) CONCRETE : HARD	
ICE :	A. fun B. easy C. cold D. thin

2) WINDOW : GLASS	
SHIRT :	A. cloth B. wood C. plastic D. metal

7) HANDLE : BROOM	
WING :	A. airplane B. apple C. cereal D. mother

3) HAPPINESS : EMOTION	
RING :	A. metal B. food C. clothing D. jewelry

8) SALAD : VEGETABLES	
BOOK :	A. students B. pencils C. computers D. pages

<del>4) BIOLOGY : SCIENCE</del>	
<del>ROCK :</del>	<del>               A. food                B. plant                C. dog                D. music             </del>

9) TENNIS : SPORT	
PAINTING :	A. dance B. art C. sculpture D. game

5) MONEY : BUY	
SOAP :	A. eat B. wash C. run D. shop

10) DESK : CLASSROOM	
SINK :	A. bedroom B. kitchen C. porch D. attic