

Part I – **READING COMPREHENSION** – Read the following text and answer questions 1 to 10.

THE CERNE ABBAS GIANT



The Cerne Abbas Giant or the 'Rude Man' is one of the largest hill figures in Britain. He (the figure's gender is beyond doubt) is a representation of the human form. The giant, **carved** in solid lines from the chalk bedrock, measures 180 feet high and carries a huge club, **which** measures 120 feet in length.

- 10 There are numerous theories as to when and why the giant was created. One of the most popular is that he is the Greek-Roman god Hercules, **who** is often represented with a club and an animal fur. It has been suggested that the figure was once depicted carrying an animal fur in his left hand.
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The theory given the most **weight** by historians is that it was created during the reign of the Emperor Commodus between 180 - 193 AD. He believed himself to be a reincarnation of Hercules **and** allowed the cult to revive. Other stories suggest that the monks at the nearby monastery cut the giant as a joke on an abbot called Thomas Corton, who was expelled from the area for malpractice.

The giant's obvious sexuality and virility was put to use in fertility folk magic. Local women who wanted to conceive would spend a night alone on the hillside – most productively within the **confines** of his giant phallus, and young couples would make love on the giant to ensure conception.

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I – **UNDERSTANDING THE TEXT**

- The main idea of the text above is to:
 - explain possible origins of a British hill figure.
 - talk about how the British hill figures were created.
 - mention the removal of a hill figure in Britain.
 - compare the hill figures still existent in Britain.
 - discuss what the Cerne Abbas Giant's gender is.
- The text above says that:
 - the fur in the hill figure's hand is speculation.
 - people have trouble knowing the gender of the figure.
 - the Cerne Abbas Giant is the largest one in Britain.
 - it is said the figure is Hercules because of its size.
 - women went to the giant so as to find a husband.
- Choose the **CORRECT** alternative according to the text.
 - Many people believed that god Hercules himself created the giant.
 - A few explanations have been proved right about the origin of the Cerne Abbas Giant.
 - The least important theory is that the Giant was created while Emperor Commodus was the ruler.
 - By spending one night on the hillside, some women believed that the giant helped them get pregnant.
 - There is a theory that states that some monks cut the hill figure to honor a friend who left the monastery.
- Choose the **INCORRECT** alternative according to the text.
 - The Greek-Roman god Hercules has been represented with both a club and an animal fur.
 - Some people suggested that the giant once had the fur of an animal in one of his hands.
 - Young couples believed that by making love on the giant they would surely conceive.
 - Emperor Commodus believed he was a reincarnation of Thomas Corton.
 - Everyone knows what the giant's gender really is.

II – **REFERENCE**

- The word **'which'** (line 9) refers to:

a) the giant	b) the chalk bedrock	c) a huge club	d) solid lines	e) the human form
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- The word **'who'** (line 12) refers to:

a) theories	b) an animal fur	c) Hercules	d) a club	e) the figure
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III – **VOCABULARY**

- In the text, the word **'carved'** (line 7) is closest in meaning to:

a) drew	b) cut	c) painted	d) designed	e) outlined
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- In the text, the word **'weight'** (line 16) is closest meaning to:

a) explanation	b) burden	c) complication	d) fact	e) importance
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- The word **'and'** (line 19) states in the sentence the idea of:

a) contrast	b) addition	c) consequence	d) condition	e) comparison
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- In the text, the word **'confines'** (line 27) is closest in meaning to:

a) hideouts	b) parts	c) limits	d) drawings	e) paintings
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PART II – USE OF ENGLISH

For questions **11 to 20**, choose the option that **CORRECTLY** completes the sentences. (**X = no word**)

11. Beth was very _____ after she read the _____ news about her brother.
a) amused / interested c) amusing / interested e) amused / amazing
b) amusing / amazed d) amazing / amused
12. I was astonished _____ the way Paul treated me last night. He seems to be disappointed _____ me.
a) about / on b) in / on c) on / at d) at / in e) on / on
13. I know _____ milk is good for _____ children, but _____ children in my house are lactose intolerant.
a) X / the / X b) the / the / the c) X / X / the d) the / X / X e) X / X / X
14. My neighbors have _____ to Prague. They'll return next week. I've never _____ there, but perhaps I'll go next year.
a) been / gone b) gone / been c) been / been d) gone / go e) gone / gone
15. Jason _____ if they _____ a cardiologist at the convention center last night.
a) would have been saved / had found c) could be saved / have found
b) would have be saved / had found d) should have saved / will have found
e) could have been saved / have found
16. _____ the disagreement we had, I reached the conclusion I should try to do it, anyway.
a) Moreover b) Despite c) Although d) Though e) In spite
17. It _____ the coach that the football practice will take place on Saturday morning.
a) was been decided for c) is been decided by e) has been decided by
b) has decided for d) has decided by
18. By the time we got to the cinema, the film _____.
a) had began b) hadn't began yet c) had already begun d) yet hadn't begun e) hadn't yet began
19. My sister _____ to me for two weeks now because of an argument we had.
a) doesn't speak b) hasn't spoke c) hasn't spoken d) has never spoke e) hasn't spoked
20. By 2009, Julian _____ the championship 6 times in a row, and last year he _____ the champion once again.
a) won / had been b) had won / was c) had won / been d) has won / was e) has won / has been

For questions **21 to 25**, choose the **INCORRECT** option.

21. a) Suddenly I realized what I had said. c) I accidentally broke the vase.
b) Fortunately, I had some money. d) He decided to leave immediately.
e) I did unfortunately not brake in time.
22. a) The lady asked me what the time was. c) She said that she was stuck in traffic.
b) We asked her not to be late. d) He said to me we had to wait until tonight.
e) He told to me that he was going to drive to work.
23. a) Could you tell me if we can find a bank near here? c) Do you know where is the nearest newsagent's?
b) Do you remember where Joe lives? d) Can you tell me how late this store is open?
e) Could you tell us when he'll be here again?
24. a) I just need a little information in order to get a visa. c) We had plenty of time to relax yesterday.
b) I downloaded a few interesting music yesterday. d) They don't want much furniture in the house.
e) This house is too big for just a married couple.
25. a) That was such a frightening film. c) I'm thrilled to meet such a famous person.
b) That's such an exciting trip. d) How surprising to see you again!
e) He was fascinating by the news.

For questions **26 to 30**, choose the option which has the same meaning and idea as the sentences in italics.

26. Sometimes *I look after* Sid.
a) ask to stay with b) phone c) take care of d) look for e) stay with
27. *I used to swim*.
a) still swim b) use swimsuits c) usually swim d) don't swim anymore e) swim
28. *Someone told me I have to be somewhere this evening, but I can remember nothing at the moment*.
a) I remember where to be this evening, but I don't remember who told me.
b) I was told to be in some place this evening, but I recollect nothing about it right now.
c) I know somebody told me where to be this evening, but I won't have any time to be there.
d) Somebody reminded me that I have to be somewhere else this evening, but I have other plans.
e) Somebody said I forgot to be in another place this evening, but I didn't.

29. If we *carry on* polluting the earth, we'll destroy it.
 a) finish b) stop c) decide d) start e) continue
30. I sleep with the window open *unless it's* raining.
 a) in case it's b) while it's c) if it's d) if it's not e) when it's

Answer questions **31 to 40** according to the instructions.

31. Choose the option where all the **-ed** endings have **THE SAME** pronunciation as in '**travelled**'.
 a) enjoyed / denied / involved c) judged / wondered / lifted e) booked / placed / hummed
 b) buzzed / danced / watched d) kicked / bumped / ended
32. Choose the option with the **CORRECT** definition.
 a) plot – the story of a film c) resign – to be sacked e) bargain – an expensive item
 b) trolley – the cast of a film d) receipt – value-added tax
33. Choose the **INCORRECT** option in relation to the use of the phrasal verb '**live off**'.
 a) I had no job. I had to live off the land. c) Did the film live off your expectations?
 b) He lived off sandwiches for a month. d) He's 35 and still lives off his parents.
 e) I live off my investments.
34. Choose the option where all the words are in **THE SAME** vocabulary group.
 a) plumber / retire / cast c) employee / sequel / baker's e) accountant / prop / stationer's
 b) bargain / till / butcher's d) sacked / refund / queue
35. Choose the option where the noun formation from the verbs is **CORRECT**.
 a) argue – argument c) govern – government e) judge – judgment
 b) relax – relaxment d) move – moviment
36. Choose the option where the underlined vowels have **THE SAME** pronunciation as the vowel in the word '**many**'.
 a) send b) man c) dance d) sequel e) van
37. Choose the option where the underlined consonants have **THE SAME** pronunciation as in '**smooth**'.
 a) monthh b) mouthh c) mother d) fourth e) ether
38. Choose the option where the letters '**s**'/'**es**' at the end of the verb are pronounced as in '**brings**'.
 a) happesns b) laughs c) admits d) forsakes e) stops
39. Choose the option which has the **INCORRECT** use of the underlined words.
 a) Unless I'm wrong, she's back. c) Although the weather was the terrible, we went out.
 b) I'll call you as soon as I get home. d) I got to the station late. Luckily, the train had left.
 e) In case it gets cold, bring your parka.
40. Choose the option in which the phrasal verbs underlined is used **CORRECTLY** in the sentence.
 a) Do you get by on this salary? c) My aunt lived off 10 years ago. e) He turned up his car.
 b) Mary slowed down new clothes. d) Tim brings up trees in the yard.

For questions **41 to 50**, fill in the blanks with the appropriate word(s) and mark the **CORRECT** alternative. (Note: X= no word)

Last year a fashion designer decided to send his models onto the catwalk _____⁴¹ in clothes which he _____⁴² out from chocolate. This was a special event to celebrate this delicious food, _____⁴³ the human race enjoys eating so much. When chocolate was first introduced into Europe, people used _____⁴⁴ it with no sugar. Instead, pepper _____⁴⁵ to it! Henri Nestlé, a Swiss, was the first person to turn it from a bitter drink reserved for _____⁴⁶ men into a sweet to be enjoyed by women and children. His idea of mixing it with condensed milk soon made chocolate _____⁴⁷ the most popular sweet ever, so if you _____⁴⁸ about having some chocolate after _____⁴⁹ this, remember Henri Nestlé! _____⁵⁰, you don't have to remember that, just enjoy it!

41. a) dressed b) dressing c) were dressed d) were dressing e) was dressed
42. a) make b) was made c) had made d) has made e) have make
43. a) whose b) which c) who d) that e) when
44. a) for drinking b) to drinking c) drinking d) drink e) to drink
45. a) usually to be added b) usually added c) used to adding d) used to be added e) used to add
46. a) the b) a c) X d) an e) a little
47. a) became b) becoming c) to become d) become e) to becoming
48. a) are thinking b) were thought c) are thought d) thinked e) were think
49. a) to reading b) read c) to read d) reading e) of reading
50. a) Besides b) However c) Moreover d) Despite e) Therefore

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03	D	28	B
04	D	29	E
05	C	30	D
06	C	31	A
07	B	32	A
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09	B	34	B
10	C	35	E
11	E	36	A
12	D	37	C
13	C	38	A
14	B	39	D
15	A	40	A
16	B	41	A
17	E	42	C
18	C	43	B
19	C	44	E
20	B	45	D
21	E	46	C
22	E	47	D
23	C	48	A
24	B	49	D
25	E	50	B