

**INTERNATIONAL TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION
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**Class- VII
Subject – English**

Something funny happened when a middle aged woman was taken to a hospital on Monday. It helped a group of scientists to discover why people laugh. It seems that different types of laughing are “all is well” signals which tell others when a 1 _____ or confusing situation is safe. The woman arrived at an Indian hospital with a head 2 _____ which appeared to give her straight reaction to pain. Every time a doctor stuck a pin in her hand, she laughed uncontrollably. According to Dr. Ramachandran, neuroscientist at the University of California at San Diego, the region of her 3 _____ involved in sending messages about pain has been 4 _____. Part of it was saying “Look, That hurts” while the other part was saying “There’s no problem!” As a result the brain sent out an OK signal and she started laughing. There’s no other 5 _____ that makes sense. Why we laugh is one of the great mysteries of human 6 _____. But Dr. Ramachandran believes he has found the answer. “Laughter is just an expression of surprise; it is also 7 _____ connected to feelings of relief,” he told members of a conference in Los Angeles. He 8 _____ that laughter was a form of communication which helped our 9 _____ save energy and resources. If, for instance, 10 _____ hunters were surprised by a sound in the bushes, their immediate instinct would be fear. Adrenalin levels would go up fast and they would prepare to fight or run away. But if the sound turned out to be a rabbit and not a danger, the natural 11 _____ would be to laugh – sending out a signal to the whole group that they could relax.

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| 1.(a) threatening
humorous | (b) damaging | (c) bullying | (d) |
| 2.(a) disease | (d) pain | (c) injury | (b) cure |
| 3.(a) mind | (b) head | (c) intellect | (d) brain |
| 4.(a) divided | (b) disconnected | (c) linked | (d) cut off |
| 5.(a) method | (b) theory | (c) science | (d) guess |
| 6.(a) behavior | (b) society | (c) actions | (d) manners |
| 7.(a) absolutely | (b) generally | (c) finally | (d) strongly |
| 8.(a) quarreled | (b) argued | (c) responded | (d) ignored |
| 9.(a) predecessors | (b) successor | (c) ancestors | (d) heirs |
| 10.(a) ancient
medieval | (b) antique | (c) prehistoric | (d) |
| 11.(a) surprise
achievement | (b) action | (c) reaction | (d) |

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On Saturday, April 28th 2001, a 60-year old multi-millionaire from New York was sitting on board a Russian spaceship. He was on a (12) to the International Space Station. It (13) a routine trip for the two cosmonauts who were travelling with him, but for the millionaire it was certainly no(14) trip. Dennis Tito was the first tourist(15) in space, and he had paid a(16) of \$20 million to get there. As the spacecraft left the earth's atmosphere, Tito(17) a glass of fruit juice and looked down at the earth's blue-green(18) Two minutes later, he was sick. Luckily, it was only a(19) problem. He recovered soon and from then on(20) a smooth journey. When he arrived at the space station, there was a big smile on his face. "A great trip!", he commented. "I loved it". For a long time, space travel was(21) for heroes. But experts say all this is going to change. Businessmen are large sums of money in space travel. Tito's(22) is just the beginning. "We are going to see regular space tourism in the next 30 years," says Charles Miller, director of a company called ProSpace. His company, together with many others, want space and space travel to(23) to the public, not just the governments. There are other plans, like cruises through space from one side of the world to the other. Maybe we will be able to depart from New York at nine in the morning and(24) an hour later in Tokyo Such a schedule(25) the business travellers to return to New York on the(26) day, and still have eight hours for a meeting! How's that for speed?

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| 12.(a) Passage | (b) Journey | (c) Toure | (d) Travel |
| 13.(a)Ought to be | (b)Could be | (c) Might have been | (d) Will have been |
| 14.(a) Necessary | (b) unusual | (c) Comman | (d) Ordinary |
| 15.(a) Every | (b) Whil | (c) Even | (d) Never |
| 16.(a) Number | (b) Sum | (c) Money | (d) Amount |
| 17.(a) Has drank | (b) Was drank | (c) Drank | (d) Drinking |
| 18.(a) Floor | (b) Ground | (c) Land | (d) Surface |
| 19.(a) Enjoyed | (b) Enjoing | (c) Blessed | (d) Happiness |
| 20.(a) Nothing | (b) Something | (c) Anything | (d) Everything |
| 21.(a) Giving | (b) Investing | (c) Moving | (d) Supplying |
| 22.(a) Traveling | (b) Journey | (c) Adventure | (d) Tour |
| 23.(a) Sane | (b) Own | (c) Alog | (d) Belong |
| 24.(a) Arrive | (b) Come | (c) Reach | (d) Get |
| 25.(a) Should allow | (b) Would allow | (c) Could allow | (d) Must allow |
| 26.(a) Same | (b) Only | (c) Equal | (d) Next |

27. He sent a copy of his will to his bank safe keeping.
 (a) At (b) By (c) For (d) In

28. His house is to be sold auction.
 (a) At (b) By (c) For (d) In

29. Let Albert work it out, he is good figures
 (a) For (b) By (c) At (d) In

30 You could tell a glance that he was no ordinary speaker.
 (a) For (b) By (c) At (d) In

31. Most people think the government is to blame rising unemployment.
 (a) At (b) By (c) For (d) In

32. Although their marriage was not happy they decided to stay together the sake of the children.
 (a) In (b) At (c) For (d) By

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33. There has been a sharp increase house prices in recent months.
(a) In (b) At (c) For (d) By
34. They began to drop out of the race one one.
(a) At (b) By (c) For (d) In
35. Do you know of a cure baldness?
(a) For (b) By (c) At (d) In
36. She takes great pride her work.
(a) In (b) At (c) For (d) By
37. He was the sort of person who immediately made you feel..... Ease.
(a) At (b) By (c) For (d) In
38. Did she give you any reason her behavior?
(a) For (b) By (c) At (d) In
39. I'm sorry but I am not liberty to tell you any more.
(a) In (b) At (c) For (d) By
40. John has got very strange taste Clothes.
(a) At (b) By (c) For (d) In
41. We didn't know certain if they would come or not.
(a) At (b) By (c) For (d) In
42. Think of a number. Now multiply it Seven.
(a) In (b) At (c) For (d) By
43. Do sit down. Mr Brown will join you a moment.
(a) For (b) By (c) At (d) In
44. The young man has been addicted drug for ages.
(a) To (b) By (c) At (d) In
45. E-books are very much Demand at the moment.
(a) Of (b) By (c) At (d) In

