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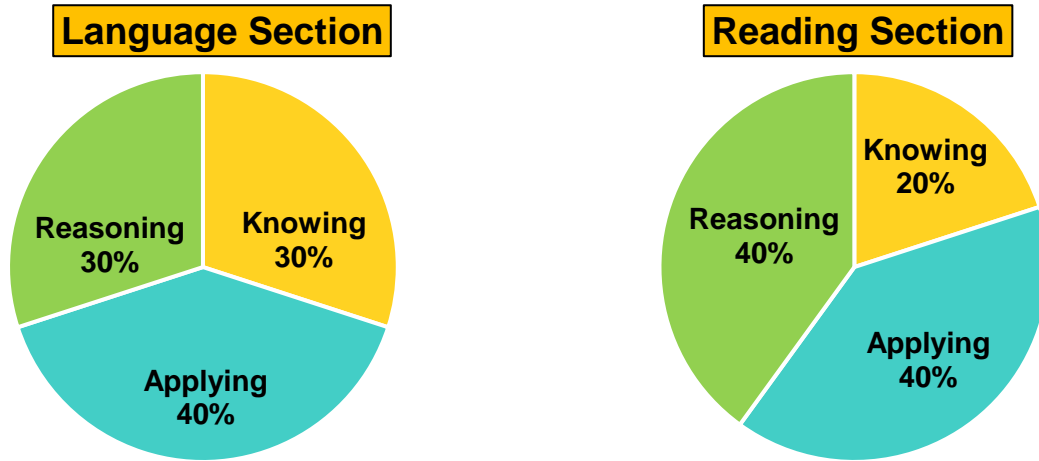
Pattern and Marking Scheme			
Section	Total Questions	Marks per Question	Total Marks
Language Section	30	1	30
Reading Section	15	2	30
Grand Total	45		60

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The **Unicus Global Olympiad** is organised around two dimensions:

1. Content dimension, specifying the subject matter domains to be assessed
2. Cognitive dimension, specifying the thinking processes to be assessed

Target percentages of the question paper devoted to cognitive domains



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Language Section (Each Question is 1 Mark)

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Nouns

1. Match the following to fill in the correct collective nouns in each blank:

1.	a _____ of grass	a.	pack
2.	a _____ of singers	b.	swarm
3.	a _____ of bees	c.	tuft
4.	a _____ of thieves	d.	choir
5.	a _____ of wolves	e.	gang

- a. 1 – c, 2 – d, 3 – b, 4 – e, 5 – a
c. 1 – b, 2 – d, 3 – a, 4 – c, 5 – e

- b. 1 – c, 2 – d, 3 – b, 4 – a, 5 – e
d. 1 – d, 2 – c, 3 – a, 4 – b, 5 – e

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Verbs

2. Identify the verb and write its meaning in the given sentence:

The scientist extrapolated the data to predict future climate patterns.

- a. scientist - a person who studies or practices science
b. extrapolated - to extend or project known information into an unknown area to make predictions
c. predict - to state what will happen in the future
d. both b and c

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Pronouns

3. Fill in the blank with the suitable pronoun. Choose the correct option:

He does not want to buy _____ of his books.

- a. all
b. some
c. any
d. your

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Adjectives

4. Identify the adjective in the following sentence and tell its kind:

Sunglasses help protect us from harmful UV rays.

- a. harmful, adjective of number
b. harmful, adjective of quality
c. UV, adjective of quality
d. both b and c

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Adverbs

5. Identify the adverb in the following sentence:

They are hiding somewhere in the backyard.

- a. hiding
b. backyard
c. they
d. somewhere

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Tenses

6. Match the following sentences with the correct tense:

	Column I		Column II
1.	She writes letters to her friends often.	a.	Present continuous tense
2.	They attended the concert last night.	b.	Simple present tense
3.	He will visit his grandparents next week.	c.	Future tense
4.	They are building apartments in the new colony.	d.	Simple past tense

- a. 1 – c, 2 – a, 3 – b, 4 – d
b. 1 – b, 2 – d, 3 – c, 4 – a
c. 1 – a, 2 – b, 3 – c, 4 – d
d. none of these

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Articles

7. Fill in the blanks with the correct use of articles. Choose from the options:

___ intricate tapestry hung on ___ wall, while ___ artist admired ___ masterpiece.

- a. The, the, an, the
b. A, a, the, the
c. The, a, an, a
d. An, the, the, a

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Prepositions

8. Fill in the blank with suitable prepositions:

The most important advantage _____ being self -dependent is that we do not have to look or wait _____ somebody's help.

- a. for, of
b. of, for
c. in, for
d. for, in

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Conjunctions

9. Fill in the blank with suitable conjunction:

I wanted to go to the park, _____ I had a lot of homework to finish.

- a. or
b. although
c. but
d. and

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Punctuation

10. Rewrite the following sentence with correct punctuation marks:

Aunt Mary ruffled Sabys hair and said, Now my little niece is sky-wise.

- a. Aunt Mary ruffled Saby's hair and said, "Now my little niece is sky-wise."
b. Aunt Mary ruffled Sabys hair and said, " Now my little niece is sky-wise?"
c. Aunt Mary ruffled Saby's hair, and said, "Now my little niece is sky-wise."
d. Aunt Mary ruffled Sabys hair and said, "Now my little niece is sky-wise."

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Types of Sentences

11. Which of the following sentences is an example of a complex sentence?

- A. The dog barked loudly.
B. She ran quickly to catch the bus.
C. Although it was raining, they decided to go for a walk.
D. I enjoy reading books.

- a. A
b. B
c. C
d. D

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Subject & Predicate

12. Identify the predicate in the sentence:

Sheila danced gracefully on the stage.

- a. danced
b. gracefully
c. danced gracefully
d. danced gracefully on the stage.

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Feminine & Masculine

13. Choose the correct masculine form of the given feminine words:

The _____ (actress) received acclaim for _____ (her) performance in the leading role of the play.

- a. director, her
- b. actor, his
- c. actor, their
- d. steward, his

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Collocations

14. Fill in the blank to complete the collocation in the sentence.

She had a _____ for solving complex mathematical problems that amazed her classmates.

- a. penchant
- b. proclivity
- c. predilection
- d. propensity

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Homonyms and Homophones

15. Which of the following words is a homophone for "right"?

- A. write
- B. rite
- C. wright

- a. only A
- b. only B
- c. only C
- d. A, B and C

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Common Phrasal Verbs

16. Which sentence correctly uses the phrasal verb 'bring up'?

- a. The new manager brought up a great idea in the meeting.
- b. She brought up the subject of holidays during the interview.
- c. The team brought up the score in the last quarter.
- d. He brought up his children well.

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Active - Passive Voice

17. Read the sentence in both forms of voice. Find the error in the passive form of the sentence and rewrite it correctly.

The chef cooked a delicious meal. (Active Voice)

A delicious meal was cook by the chef. (Passive Voice)

- a. A delicious meal was cooked by the chef. b. A delicious meal is cooked by the chef.
c. The chef is cooking a delicious meal. d. The delicious meal was cooked by a chef.
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Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Prefixes and Suffixes

18. Choose the suffix that should be added to the given word to form an adjective. Also, write the adjective so formed.

scene

- a. al, scenal b. ous, scenous
c. ic, scenic d. ive, scenive
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Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Information Retrieval

19. Read the following sentence carefully.

She endeavoured to decipher the ancient manuscript, but she couldn't fathom the obscure symbols nor circumvent the elaborate traps.

Which verb in the sentence means 'to understand something difficult or mysterious'?

- a. decipher b. endeavour
c. fathom d. circumvent
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Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Reported speech

20. Choose the correct option to fill in the blank:

My manager said, "I think we should examine the budget carefully at the meeting."
My manager proposed _____.

- a. that we examine the budget carefully at the meeting.
b. that we should examine the budget carefully at the meeting.
c. that you examine the budget carefully at the meeting.
d. to examine the budget carefully at the meeting.
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Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Nouns and its types

21. Identify the sentence in which the bold word is an abstract noun.

- a. The **committee** decided to postpone the meeting until next week.
- b. The giraffes at the zoo were particularly **active** in the morning.
- c. The **scientist** made a groundbreaking discovery.
- d. She displayed great **courage** in the face of danger.

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Subject Verb Agreement

22. Rewrite the following statement correctly.

I have bought new furnitures.

- a. I have bought new furniture.
- b. We have bought new furnitures.
- c. I has bought new furnitures.
- d. They have bought new furniture.

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Subject Verb Agreement

23. Which of the following sentences is grammatically correct?

- a. I disapprove of these kinds of game.
- b. She is so cunning as a fox.
- c. Jaipur is hot than Delhi.
- d. Alms are given to the poor.

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Prefixes

24. Complete this passage by adding suitable prefixes to the words given in the brackets.

Attempts to communicate in a foreign language can easily go wrong. I was disappointed by my attempts to speak Greek on my last holiday. The waiter ___(i)___ what I wanted and brought me mushrooms instead of beetroots. I ___(ii)___ (like) mushrooms greatly, but when I asked him to ___(iii)___ (place) them with beetroots, he smiled and went to the kitchen and brought me a plate of meat chops.

- a. (i) misunderstood, (ii) unlike, (iii) misplace
- b. (i) misunderstood, (ii) dislike, (iii) replace
- c. (i) misunderstandable, (ii) liked, (iii) misplace
- d. (i) un-understood, (ii) dislike, (iii) un-place

d.

Incorrect word	Correct word
Summers	Summer
of	for
enjoys	enjoy

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Verbs

28. Read the following paragraph and fill in the missing verbs by choosing the correct option.

The telephone ___(i)___ by Alexander Graham Bell in 11877. It has now ___(ii)___ an important part of our lives. With the help of a mobile phone, you ___(iii)___ to anyone, anywhere ----- even when you are not at home. The usefulness of the mobile and its reasonable call rates ___(iv)___ it to reach the masses.

- a. (i) was invented, (ii) become, (iii) can talk, (iv) has enabled
- b. (i) invented, (ii) become, (iii) can talk, (iv) has enabled
- c. (i) was invented, (ii) has become, (iii) could talk, (iv) has enabled
- d. (i) was developed, (ii) become, (iii) talk (iv) allows

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Adjectives

29. Read the information about the strange insect shown in the picture and find out the number of adjectives used in the paragraph.

The scorpion fly also goes by the name of Mecoptera. The males have enlarged genitals that look like the stinger of a scorpion. The modern Mecoptera consume dead organisms, while the early ones might have played an important role in pollinating extinct gymnosperms.

- a. 4
- b. 3
- c. 6
- d. 5

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Subject Verb Agreement

30. Choose the correct form of the verb that agrees with the subject in the sentence.

Neither of the options _____ appealing to the committee.

- a. are
- b. is
- c. were
- d. be

Reading Section (Each Question is 2 Marks)

Direction for questions (31-33): Read the paragraph given below and answer the following question.

Kelly's friend sent her a letter from her trip. Read the letter. Then answer the questions that follow.

Dear Kelly,

Greetings from New York City! Yesterday we visited Central Park, one of the biggest city parks I have ever seen. It is over one-half mile wide and two and one-half miles long with so much to do. We took a carriage ride through the park and even rowed a boat out on one of the park's lakes. My mom loved looking at all the sculptures in the park. Dad enjoyed the free music concert in one of the small pavilions. My brother and I liked the zoo most of all. It was small but had some neat animals. Our guide said the Central Park Zoo is the oldest zoo in the United States.

In the afternoon, we take a ferry to see the famous Statue of Liberty that stands in New York Harbor. Our guide said this 151 -foot copper statue was given to the United States by France in 1884 to represent the friendship and freedom both countries share. The tour guide told us that between 1820 and 1937, more than 37 million people came to the United States and were greeted by this statue as they entered our country at Ellis Island. For them, it represented the freedom and opportunity they would find in our country. Dad said my own grandparents came to this country through Ellis Island and often spoke of how excited they were to be greeted by "Miss Liberty." Seeing the Statue of Liberty made me feel proud of our country and the freedom we have.

Well, I better run. We are going to try to see a Broadway play. See you soon.

Love,
Christie

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Information Retrieval

31. What are the proper nouns used in the passage?

- a. biggest, carriage
- b. New York, Statue of Liberty
- c. love, city
- d. France, letter

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Information Retrieval

32. Choose the statement that is incorrect based on the letter:

- e. The letter was written by Christie to Kelly.
- f. The Central Park is over one -half mile long and two and one-half miles wide.
- g. Christie had plans to see Broadway play.
- h. Dad enjoyed the music concert.

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Information Retrieval

33. Which of the following sentences in the passage is grammatically incorrect?

- A. My brother and I liked the zoo most of all.
- B. Our guide said the Central Park zoo is the oldest zoo in the United States.
- C. In the afternoon, we take a ferry to see the famous Statue of Liberty.

- a. only A
- b. only B
- c. only c
- d. A, B and C

Direction for questions (34-36): Read about the story of Sam and answer the following question.

In a small village at the edge of a dense forest lived a curious boy named Sam. He had often heard tales about the mysterious forest from the village elders, who said it was enchanted. One sunny morning, Sam decided to explore the forest despite the warnings.

As he ventured deeper, he noticed the forest was unusually quiet. Suddenly, he saw a faint glow behind a large oak tree. He cautiously approached and found a beautiful, shimmering butterfly trapped in a spider's web. Sam gently freed the butterfly, which immediately transformed into a fairy.

"Thank you for saving me," the fairy said. "I am the guardian of this forest. Because of your bravery and kindness, I will grant you one wish."

Sam thought for a moment and said, "I wish for the forest to be safe and peaceful so that everyone in the village can enjoy its beauty."

The fairy smiled and waved her wand. Instantly, the forest was filled with vibrant flowers, and the trees looked healthier. The fairy thanked Sam once more and disappeared.

Sam returned to the village and told everyone what had happened. From that day on, the villagers often visited the forest, which was no longer mysterious but a place of wonder and joy, thanks to Sam's wish and the fairy's magic.

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

34. Choose the correct sentence that describes Sam's wish:

- a. Sam wish for the forest to be safe and peaceful.
- b. Sam wishes for the forest to be safe and peaceful.
- c. Sam wished for the forest to be safe and peaceful.
- d. Sam wishing for the forest to be safe and peaceful.

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

35. Identify the part of speech for the word 'bravery' in the sentence: "Because of your bravery and kindness, I will grant you one wish."

- a. noun
- b. adjective
- c. verb
- d. adverb

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

36. Which sentence from the passage indicates a change in the forest after the fairy grants Sam's wish?

- a. The fairy smiled and waved her wand.
- b. Sam gently freed the butterfly.
- c. Instantly, the forest was filled with vibrant flowers, and the trees looked healthier.
- d. The fairy thanked Sam once more and disappeared.

Direction for questions (37-39): Read about different types of insects in the following paragraph and answer the following question.

Insects are a diverse group of small animals that can be found almost everywhere on Earth. There are over a million different species of insects, making them the largest group in the animal kingdom. Some common types of insects include beetles, butterflies, ants, bees, and grasshoppers. Beetles are known for their hard shells and come in various shapes and colours. Butterflies are famous for their beautiful, colourful wings and their transformation from caterpillars through a process called metamorphosis. Ants are social insects that live in colonies and work together to find food and build their homes. Bees are important because they pollinate flowers, helping plants to grow fruits and vegetables, and they produce honey. Grasshoppers are known for their long legs and ability to jump great distances, which helps them escape from predators. Each type of insect has unique features and behaviours that help them survive in their environments. For instance, beetles' hard shells protect them from threats, while butterflies' bright colours can warn predators of their bad taste. Ants' teamwork enables them to build complex nests and find food efficiently. Bees' pollination is crucial for many plants' reproduction, and grasshoppers' powerful legs make them excellent jumpers. Understanding these insects' roles and characteristics helps us appreciate the vital part they play in the ecosystem.

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

37. Which of the following insects is known for its colourful wings?

- a. beetle
- b. butterfly
- c. ant
- d. grasshopper

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

38. Which sentence correctly uses a preposition to indicate time or place?

- a. Butterflies are famous for their beautiful, colourful wings and their transformation from caterpillars through a process called metamorphosis.
- b. Bees are important because they pollinate flowers, helping plants to grow fruits and vegetables, and they produce honey.
- c. Each type of insect has unique features and behaviours that help them survive in their environments.
- d. Ants are social insects that live in colonies and work together to find food and build their homes.

Cognitive Domain: Reasoning

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

39. Identify the sentence that uses the correct form of the verb "to be."

- a. Grasshoppers is known for their long legs and ability to jump great distances.
- b. Butterflies are famous for their beautiful, colourful wings.
- c. Ants are a social insects that live in colonies.
- d. There is over a million different species of insects.

Direction for questions (40-42): Read the following passage and answer the following question.

Underwater constructions, a remarkable feat of engineering, have gained prominence due to their utility in various sectors. These projects, ranging from underwater tunnels to oil rigs, showcase innovative techniques and materials that withstand the harsh marine environment. Engineers must consider factors like pressure, corrosion, and temperature fluctuations while designing these structures. One significant advancement in this field is the use of advanced robotics and submersibles, which allow for precise construction and maintenance in deep waters. These technologies enhance safety, reducing the need for human divers in perilous conditions. Furthermore, the development of sustainable materials has led to eco-friendly constructions, minimizing the ecological footprint on delicate marine ecosystems.

Despite the challenges, the future of underwater construction appears promising, with ongoing research and exploration paving the way for even more ambitious projects. As technology continues to evolve, underwater habitats and renewable energy platforms could become commonplace, transforming our interaction with the ocean.

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

40. What does "ecological footprint" refer to in this context?

- a. the weight of structures
- b. the cost of construction
- c. the size of underwater habitats
- d. the impact on marine life

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

41. Why do engineers use advanced robotics and submersibles in underwater constructions?
- to reduce the number of workers on the project
 - to ensure faster construction time
 - to enhance safety and perform precise tasks
 - to reduce the cost of materials

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

42. What is the significance of sustainable materials in underwater construction?
- They are cheaper.
 - They reduce environmental impact.
 - They are easier to transport.
 - They increase durability.

Direction for questions (43-45): Read the following passage and answer the following question.

Tokyo, the capital of Japan, is the largest city in the world, both in terms of population and metropolitan area. With over 37 million residents in its greater metropolitan region, Tokyo is a bustling urban hub known for its perfect blend of modernity and tradition. Skyscrapers soar above historic temples, and neon-lit streets pulse with energy alongside serene parks and ancient gardens. The city's juxtaposition of futuristic architecture with ancient cultural landmarks makes it a truly unique metropolis, where every corner tells a different story.

Tokyo is a global financial powerhouse, housing major international corporations, and its stock market is among the largest in the world. Beyond business, the city is a cultural magnet, offering a rich tapestry of art, fashion, and cuisine. The famous districts of Shibuya and Shinjuku are renowned for their futuristic buildings, while districts like Asakusa preserve the charm of old Tokyo with ancient shrines and traditional shops. Despite its immense size and rapid pace, Tokyo is also celebrated for its efficiency and cleanliness. Its public transportation system is one of the most advanced in the world, with trains that arrive almost to the second. What truly sets Tokyo apart, however, is its unique ability to balance the old and the new, where centuries-old traditions harmonize with cutting-edge technology, making it not just the largest city but also one of the most fascinating and dynamic places on Earth.

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

43. Which of the following sentences is grammatically correct?
- Tokyo, with its vibrant culture, are a fascinating city.
 - The city, known for its cleanliness, have efficient transportation.
 - Its public transportation system is one of the most advanced in the world.
 - Each corner tell a different story about the city.

Cognitive Domain: Knowing

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

44. What does the term "juxtaposition" mean in the context of the passage?

- a. separation of elements
- b. comparison of similar things
- c. placement of contrasting elements side by side
- d. a type of architectural style

Cognitive Domain: Applying

Content Domain: Comprehension Passage

45. Which of the following best describes Tokyo's architectural landscape?

- a. exclusively modern
- b. a blend of modernity and tradition
- c. primarily ancient
- d. lacking diversity

Answer Key

1.	a	2.	d	3.	c	4.	d	5.	d	6.	b	7.	a
8.	b	9.	c	10.	a	11.	c	12.	d	13.	b	14.	a
15.	d	16.	b	17.	a	18.	c	19.	c	20.	a	21.	d
22.	a	23.	d	24.	b	25.	d	26.	a	27.	b	28.	a
29.	c	30.	b	31.	b	32.	b	33.	c	34.	c	35.	a
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43.	c	44.	c	45.	b								