

TSJCL AREA F CONVENTION
GREEK DERIVATIVES TEST CONTEST CODE 15
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- I. Choose the word or phrase which best completes the sentence or means the same as the underlined word and mark it on the scantron:
1. A hedonist would probably enjoy
a) going to school b) working overtime
c) being a policeman d) a day at the beach
 2. A megalomaniac exhibits all the symptoms of supreme
a) xenophobia b) egotism c) belligerence d) altruism
 3. A pterosaur
a) lived in water b) gave birth to live young
c) was a vegetarian d) could fly
 4. The encephalic tumor proved fatal.
a) ovarian b) glandular c) spinal d) brain
 5. Pylons are used to mark entrances and exits because the word is derived from the Greek for
a) road b) mouth c) gate d) direction
 6. Ichnology is the study of
a) insects b) medicine c) fossil footprints d) sleep rhythms
 7. Men turning into werewolves is an example of
a) lycanthropy b) anthropogenesis
c) anthropophagy d) misanthropy
 8. An ophiologist studies
a) insects b) birds c) snakes d) fish
 9. Which of the following could be described as xylophagous?
a) lions b) termites c) humans d) birds
 10. Because my aunt suffers from logorrhoea, she
a) sleeps a lot b) cannot be understood
c) is immobile d) needs gum surgery
 11. A tachometer is used to measure
a) speed b) humidity c) strength d) pressure

12. The stegosaurus received its name from
a) its long and powerful tail
b) the size of its body
c) its predilection for green plants
d) the heavy bony armor covering its back
13. A person suffering from sitomania could be called a/an
a) coward b) weakling c) criminal d) glutton
14. Xerophthalmis is characterized by a/an
a) deficiency of tears b) inability to see distant objects
c) extreme sensitivity to light d) expansion of blood vessels

II. Answer these questions about Greek prefixes:

15. Which prefix means "before"?
a) ana b) dia c) pro d) hyper
16. Which prefix means "within"?
a) endo b) epi c) syn d) pros
17. As a prefix, cata can mean all of the following EXCEPT
a) completely b) down c) against d) outside of
18. As a prefix, hyp can mean all of the following EXCEPT
a) under b) less than c) beside d) too little
19. As a prefix, meta can mean all of the following EXCEPT
a) among b) in addition c) after d) beyond

III. Choose the meaning of the Greek root from which the given word is derived and mark the letter on the scantron:

20. phonetic
a) music b) sound c) light d) word
21. psychologist
a) soul b) deceived c) body d) heal
22. neuralgia
a) skin b) chord c) pain d) tissue
23. bigamy
a) wife b) husband c) race d) wedding

24. surgeon
a) work b) medicine c) care d) study
25. history
a) stand b) learned c) past d) whole
26. glossary
a) word b) carving c) tongue d) book
27. melancholy
a) bitter b) sad c) sweet d) black
28. emblem
a) throw b) resemble c) king d) sign
29. plateau
a) wealth b) flat c) form d) wide

IV. Choose the English word which is derived from the given Greek root:

30. typos
a) typhoon b) typhus c) typist d) tomb
31. akos
a) acrobat b) panacea c) acme d) academic
32. didomi
a) didactic b) syndicate c) diphtheria d) anecdote
33. krypto
a) grotto b) crystal c) autocrat d) pancreas
34. theaomai
a) thermal b) theory c) therapeutic d) atheist
35. poine
a) polemical b) pilot c) pain d) pew
36. myo
a) mythical b) myriad c) myrmidon d) mystery
37. idios
a) idea b) iodine c) idiom d) idol
38. strepho
a) catastrophe b) strategy c) ostrich d) strychnine

39. pais
a) paeon b) encyclopedia c) diapason d) sandpaper

40. horos
a) horizon b) exorcist c) panorama d) hour

V. Choose the word which does NOT belong by derivation:

41. a) accord b) chorus c) chord d) harpsichord

42. a) politics b) monopoly c) police d) metropolitan

43. a) xylophone b) anthem c) phoenix d) euphony

44. a) platinum b) plaza c) replace d) apoplexy

45. a) stadium b) system c) story d) static

46. a) pedant b) strategy c) agony d) synagogue

47. a) rhinoceros b) rhythm c) rheumatism d) diarrhea

48. a) comrade b) chamber c) camera d) channel

49. a) glamour b) glucose c) grammar d) graft

50. a) catechism b) epoch c) hectic d) scheme

Tie-breakers: These will be scored only to break ties.

96. The word sarcophagus is made up of two Greek words meaning:
a) blood and eat b) flesh and eat
c) death and decay d) tomb and wait

97. Which word literally means one who shows figs?
a) sycophant b) pedagogue c) nasturtium d) ferule

98. If you have hydrophobophobia, what fear do you have?
a) water b) rats c) children d) rabies

99. What is the Pentateuch?
a) the Ten Commandments b) first 7 books of Old Testament
c) first 5 books of OT d) ruler of a fifth part of a province

100. The word carcinoma has at its root a Greek word meaning
a) cancer b) crab c) tumor d) dark blue