

2013 TEXAS STATE JUNIOR CLASSICAL LEAGUE GREEK DERIVATIVES TEST

I. Based on your knowledge of Greek roots, answer the questions about these Greek derivatives:

1. An anemophilous plant would be one that literally “loves ____”
 - a. a lack of iron
 - b. blood
 - c. wind
 - d. law
2. The word heterodox indicates that there are different ____
 - a. giving practices
 - b. opinions
 - c. glories
 - d. roads, ways
3. A “theogony” is the ____ of the gods:
 - a. birth
 - b. war
 - c. powers
 - d. marriage
4. Nomography is the graphical representation of ____
 - a. family names
 - b. laws of mathematics
 - c. new developments in industry
 - d. types of gnomes
5. Hieroglyphics are literally “____ writings”.
 - a. first
 - b. best
 - c. holy
 - d. other
6. The clepsydra, or water clock, comes from two Greek words meaning ____ and water:
 - a. a lot
 - b. to lie down
 - c. famous
 - d. to steal
7. The metrical foot known as an “anapest” means to “____ back”
 - a. strike
 - b. skip
 - c. write
 - d. sing
8. “Epithelium,” the medical term for the tissue that covers body surfaces, comes from the Greek root meaning
 - a. nipple
 - b. stretch
 - c. tent
 - d. sail
9. Orogenic processes have to do with the creation of
 - a. birds
 - b. mountains
 - c. roadways
 - d. straight lines
10. Diaphanous material would be
 - a. expensive
 - b. multi-colored
 - c. see-through
 - d. thick
11. According to etymology, surgery (originally spelled “chirurgery”) is literally “work that is done...”
 - a. inside
 - b. in a bloody manner
 - c. for great reward
 - d. by hand
12. Cynegetics is the art of hunting in this specific style:
 - a. with a bow
 - b. with energy
 - c. in circular patterns
 - d. with dogs
13. When your teacher asks you to do a verb synopsis he / she wants you to do what with the verb forms?
 - a. view them together
 - b. chop them apart
 - c. find similar meanings
 - d. create a false matrix
14. Phosphorous is a material which literally does what?
 - a. is around other rock
 - b. is of a fearful nature
 - c. explodes under pressure
 - d. brings light
15. Chrysolite is a lovely stone that is a greenish tint, although etymologically speaking, it ought to be
 - a. purplish
 - b. bluish
 - c. goldish
 - d. opaque
16. What does your odometer literally measure?
 - a. speed
 - b. the road
 - c. the law
 - d. matching the speed
17. Acephalous would be something without a
 - a. head
 - b. heart
 - c. clue
 - d. view

18. According to its etymology, ambrosia is food which
 a. is sweeter than all others
 b. is without rot
 c. will get you drunk
 d. is eaten by those who are not mortal
19. Amphibious creatures get to enjoy both _____
 a. lives
 b. habitats
 c. vessels
 d. bodies
20. An angel is literally
 a. an immortal
 b. a glowing being
 c. a messenger
 d. a guardian
21. A hemerologium is a very fancy word for a
 a. water clock
 b. prison
 c. diary
 d. mid-day meal
22. A basilisk is lizard who is a "little _____":
 a. stone
 b. tracker
 c. savory meat
 d. king
23. A biblioplist is a seller of _____
 a. snacks
 b. books
 c. trinkets
 d. clothing
24. What does a chiliad refer to?
 a. the flavor of something
 b. the smallness of something
 c. the number of something
 d. the color of something
25. An ennealogy is a speech or words said in _____ part(s):
 a. one
 b. nine
 c. eleven
 d. one hundred
26. Chronology is the study of
 a. time
 b. art
 c. bats
 d. color
27. If you met someone named "Irene", based on her name alone you would expect her to be
 a. kind
 b. beautiful
 c. peaceful
 d. graceful
28. On what part of your body would you use a blepharoxistum?
 a. toes
 b. eyelids
 c. under-arms
 d. back
29. According to its linguistic origins, how ought a diploma be presented?
 a. on paper, or a product made from wood originally
 b. freely, to a member of the people
 c. before the sight and vision of all
 d. folded, or doubled-over
30. A eulogy should be words that are said
 a. sadly
 b. well
 c. openly
 d. finally
31. According to its etymological roots, gymnastics ought to be done
 a. naked
 b. by men only
 c. by women only
 d. by very few
32. A Hellenist is one who studies
 a. the underworld
 b. linguistic similarities
 c. Greek
 d. worms
33. Etymology is literally the study of
 a. words
 b. roots
 c. time
 d. true sense
- II. Choose the meaning of the Greek base for each derivative:
34. epic
 a. word
 b. era
 c. hero
 d. twenty
35. galaxy
 a. order
 b. chaos
 c. star
 d. milk

69. histology

- a. history b. tissue c. water d. intestines

70. bromatology

- a. the deep b. winter c. food d. friendship

TIE BREAKERS: Please mark your answers in #96-100 on your answer document. The following answers will only be consulted in case of a tie.

96. Identify the correct Greek root for the following: etiology

- a. aetia b. ethos c. eidos d. ideia

97. According to its etymology, a xylophone ought to be made out of

- a. metal b. wood c. cartilage d. bone

98. "Acoustics" comes from the Greek word meaning

- a. to hear b. echo c. perfectly round d. to bounce

99. "Alopecia", meaning baldness, comes from the Greek root meaning

- a. white b. shining c. fox d. egg

100. Dendrites, parts of the neurons that are even now firing in your brain, are so named because of their _____-like structure:

- a. lightning b. rubber c. glass d. branch