

**2015 TEXAS STATE JUNIOR CLASSICAL LEAGUE  
CLASSICAL GREEK TEST**

*N.B. – this test does NOT count towards sweepstakes.*

**I. Vocabulary:** Choose the English word which BEST translates the given Greek word or phrase.

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| 1. φέρω    | A. I see   | B. I carry  | C. I throw | D. I follow    |
| 2. μωρία   | A. wisdom  | B. delay    | C. force   | D. foolishness |
| 3. θάνατος | A. death   | B. strength | C. action  | D. strife      |
| 4. ἀρχαῖος | A. hostile | B. small    | C. ancient | D. second      |
| 5. οὐ      | A. always  | B. but      | C. and     | D. not         |
| 6. σῶμα    | A. body    | B. chance   | C. leisure | D. house       |
| 7. τρέχω   | A. I save  | B. I show   | C. I cut   | D. I run       |
| 8. ναῦς    | A. circle  | B. wealth   | C. ship    | D. story       |
| 9. βαρὺς   | A. healthy | B. large    | C. heavy   | D. swift       |
| 10. πέμπω  | A. I go    | B. I send   | C. I leave | D. I lose      |

**II. Grammar/General Language Knowledge:** Choose the BEST answer to the question.

- 11 The letter following γ, δ, ε (epsilon)... in the Greek alphabet is:  
A. ω (omega)    B. ζ (zeta)    C. ξ (xi)    D. ψ (psi)
- 12 The letter upsilon in the Greek alphabet is:  
A. ψ    B. υ    C. ω    D. ν
- 13 The English transliteration of the Greek word ῥήτωρ is:  
A. phtwr    B. hphtwp    C. phētōp    D. rhētōr
- 14 The upper case (capital) equivalent of the letter γ (gamma) in the Greek alphabet is:  
A. Υ    B. Γ    C. Ψ    D. Δ
- 15 The English transliteration of the Greek word ὀφθαλμός is:  
A. hophthalmos    B. ophthalmos    C. optalmos    D. opsalmos
- 16 The lower case equivalent of the letter Ω (omega) in the Greek alphabet is:  
A. ο    B. θ    C. ω    D. α
- 17 The nominative plural of the definite article τό is:  
A. τοῖς    B. οἱ    C. τῶν    D. τά
- 18 What kind of accent does the word ἱερός contain?  
A. grave    B. circumflex    C. acute    D. Enclitic

- 19 What is the case of the word σχολῆ?  
 A. dative                    B. nominative                    C. genitive                    D. accusative
- 20 What is the gender of ἔργον?  
 A. masculine                    B. neuter                    C. heterogene                    D. neuter
- 21 What is the tense of ἔλθον?  
 A. present                    B. future                    C. imperfect                    D. aorist
- 22 The Greek equivalent of “you are staying” is:  
 A. μένω                    B. μένεις                    C. μένει                    D. μένουσι
- 23 Keeping everything else the same, make λαμβάνομεν singular.  
 A. λαμβάνεις                    B. λαμβάνετε                    C. λαμβάνουσι                    D. λαμβάνω
24. What is the case of υἱοῦ?  
 A. Nominative                    B. dative                    C. genitive                    D. accusative

Answer questions 25-30 about the sentence below:

ἡ τοῦ σοφοῦ ψυχὴ ἡσυχὸς ἐστὶν ἐν ταῖς τοῦ βίου συμφοραῖς.

25. Which word is the predicate adjective in this sentence?  
 A. ἡσυχος                    B. ψυχὴ                    C. ταῖς                    D. συμφοραῖς
26. What is the subject of the sentence?  
 A. σοφοῦ                    B. ἐστὶν                    C. ψυχὴ                    D. τοῦ
27. What word is the object of the preposition ἐν?  
 A. συμφοραῖς                    B. βίου                    C. τοῦ                    D. ταῖς
28. The case of the word βίου is:  
 A. Genitive                    B. dative                    C. accusative                    D. nominative
29. The gender of the word συμφοραῖς is:  
 A. Neuter                    B. masculine                    C. heterogene                    D. feminine
30. A word which could grammatically replace ἡσυχος is:  
 A. ἀγαθός                    B. ἐλευθέρα                    C. πιστόν                    D. κοινῆ

III. **Derivatives.** Choose the BEST answer to each question.

31. Which of the following Greek words is the root of the English word *ether*?  
 A. αἷμα                    B. αἰθήρ                    C. αἶ                    D. ἄθλον
32. Based on the meaning of the Greek root, the English noun *algophobia* is the fear of \_\_\_\_:  
 A. cats                    B. heights                    C. blood                    D. pain
33. Which of the following English words is NOT derived from the same Greek root as the others?  
 A. bacteria                    B. acrobat                    C. basic                    D. hyperbaton
34. Based on your knowledge of the Greek prefixes, the *neologism* means \_\_\_\_ word:  
 A. last                    B. old                    C. difficult                    D. new
35. According to its Greek roots, a *hagiography* is an account of the life of a \_\_\_\_.  
 A. king                    B. queen                    C. holy person                    D. general
36. Which of the following English nouns is derived from the Greek word that means *memory*?  
 A. misanthrope                    B. mime                    C. mnemonic                    D. Miasma

37. According to its Greek root, the English name Theodore means *gift of* \_\_\_\_.
- A. God                      B. angel                      C. friend                      D. enemy
38. What is the meaning of the Greek word at the root of the English noun *gas*?
- A. state                      B. sun                      C. empty space                      D. mixture
39. Which of the following Greek words is at the root of the English noun *lamp*?
- A. λαμβάνω                      B. λαός                      C. λήθη                      D. λάμπω
40. According to its Greek roots, the English word *pseudonym* literally means \_\_\_\_.
- A. writer's name                      B. false name                      C. fighting name                      D. plagiarism

**IV. Culture and Geography**

*For questions referring to the map, see the last page of this test.*

- 41 The author of *Oedipus Tyrannos*, *Antigone*, and *Ajax* was:
- A. Sophocles                      B. Aeschylus                      C. Plato                      D. Euripides
- 42 Locate the number that corresponds to Magna Graecia on the map.
- A. 6                      B. 3                      C. 5                      D. 2
- 43 The marketplace in ancient Athens, located near the Parthenon, was the:
- A. Erechtheion                      B. Agora                      C. Pnyx                      D. Areopagus
- 44 The man known as the “Father of Greek History” is:
- A. Thucydides                      B. Xenophon                      C. Pericles                      D. Herodotus
- 45 Locate the number that corresponds to Crete on the map.
- A. 4                      B. 1                      C. 2                      D. 7
- 46 The king of the Persians whose forces were defeated by the Greeks at the Battle of Marathon was:
- A. Xanthippus                      B. Artabazus                      C. Darius I                      D. Xerxes
- 47 Which of the following Greek philosophers served as the tutor of Alexander the Great?
- A. Socrates                      B. Thales                      C. Aristotle                      D. Plato
- 48 This maxim, meaning “know thyself,” was engraved on the Temple of Apollo at Delphi:
- A. γνῶθι σεαυτόν                      B. καὶ σὺ, τέκνον                      C. αἰνάριστεύειν                      D. ἄνθρωπος μέτρον
- 49 Locate the number that corresponds to the Athens on the map.
- A. 8                      B. 10                      C. 6                      D. 1
- 50 Name the architectural order to which the column pictured below belongs:
- A. Ionic                      B. Corinthian                      C. Athenian                      D. Doric

