

FREE PRACTICE PACK · EDITION 1

Class 11 English Olympiad practice

16 original questions + explained answers

For students preparing for SOF IEO.

Inside this pack

Eight topic-practice questions and an eight-question, 25-minute mini-mock.

Topics selected for practice

- Academic vocabulary
- Advanced grammar
- Sentence logic
- Register and expression
- Critical reading

How to use it

Try the practice first. Complete the mini-mock in one sitting. Check the explanations, mark mistakes, and retry them the next day.

This pack covers selected topics. It is original BodhiScore material, independent of SOF, and is not an official paper or a full-length exam. Check the official syllabus for the complete scope.

Topic practice

Work through these eight questions without a timer. Explain your choice before checking the solutions.

1. Vocabulary

In 'The two accounts are mutually exclusive', mutually exclusive means they ____.

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| A. Are equally reliable | B. Support one another |
| C. Cannot both be true at once | D. Repeat the same details |
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2. Vocabulary

Choose the closest meaning of 'corroborate'.

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| A. Predict incorrectly | B. Confirm with additional evidence |
| C. Dismiss without review | D. Summarise briefly |
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3. Agreement

What the witnesses recall ____ inconsistent with the written record.

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| A. are | B. have |
| C. were being | D. is |
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Topic practice (continued)

4. Tenses

By the time the committee reports, it ____ every submission.

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| A. reviewed yesterday | B. had reviewing |
| C. reviews last week | D. will have reviewed |
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5. Conditionals

Had the figures been reported accurately, the debate ____ differently.

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| A. proceeds | B. would proceeding |
| C. might have proceeded | D. will proceed |
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6. Modifiers

Which sentence clearly states that the editor, not the article, was cautious?

- A.** Cautiously, the editor revised the article.
 - B.** The article cautiously revised by the editor.
 - C.** The editor revised the cautiously article.
 - D.** Revised cautiously, the article was by the editor.
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Topic practice (continued)

7. Prepositions

The argument is contingent ____ whether the sample was representative.

A. on

B. at

C. for

D. with

8. Phrasal verbs

The report 'points to' a gap in the data. It ____.

A. rejects every finding

B. indicates or draws attention to it

C. closes the gap

D. removes the data

Timed mini-mock

Set a 25-minute timer for these eight questions. Score 1 point per correct answer; there is no penalty for an incorrect answer. This is BodhiScore's practice scoring.

9. Reading

The policy began as a one-year pilot in three districts. Its evaluation measured uptake, not long-term outcomes, and recommended a longer study before expansion.

What did the evaluation measure?

- A.** Uptake
 - B.** Long-term outcomes
 - C.** National cost only
 - D.** Teacher satisfaction
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10. Reading

The policy began as a one-year pilot in three districts. Its evaluation measured uptake, not long-term outcomes, and recommended a longer study before expansion.

What did the evaluation recommend before expansion?

- A.** Ending the pilot without review
 - B.** Measuring uptake again only
 - C.** A longer study
 - D.** Immediate nationwide expansion
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Timed mini-mock (continued)

11. Reported speech

The reviewer wrote, 'The conclusion overstates what these data show.'
Choose the correct report.

- A.** The reviewer wrote that the conclusion overstated what those data showed.
 - B.** The reviewer wrote the conclusion overstate these data show.
 - C.** The reviewer wrote that did the conclusion overstate the data.
 - D.** The reviewer wrote if the conclusion overstates what data show.
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12. Sentence logic

Choose the sentence whose transition correctly signals a concession.

- A.** Because the sample was limited, however the pattern merits further study.
 - B.** The sample was limited, therefore although further study.
 - C.** Despite the sample was limited, the pattern merits study.
 - D.** Although the sample was limited, the pattern merits further study.
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Timed mini-mock (continued)

13. Punctuation

Choose the sentence that correctly uses a colon.

- A.** The review identified: one central weakness the comparison lacked a control group.
 - B.** The review: identified one central weakness, the comparison lacked a control group.
 - C.** The review identified one: central weakness the comparison lacked a control group.
 - D.** The review identified one central weakness: the comparison lacked a control group.
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14. Register

Choose the most appropriate wording for a formal academic email requesting a meeting.

- A.** Let's talk or whatever.
 - B.** Would you be available to discuss the feedback sometime this week?
 - C.** Hey, can we chat about that stuff?
 - D.** You need to meet me this week.
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Timed mini-mock (continued)

15. Reading

The authors report an association between screen time and sleep duration. They note that the observational design cannot determine whether screen time caused the difference.

What can be inferred about the study's conclusion?

- A.** It found no relationship at all.
 - B.** It tested only a laboratory treatment.
 - C.** It identifies a relationship but does not establish cause.
 - D.** It proves screen time causes shorter sleep.
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16. Functional English

A peer gives feedback that you think overlooks a key constraint. What reply keeps the discussion productive?

- A.** You clearly did not understand the assignment.
 - B.** Thanks. Could we also account for the time limit when comparing these options?
 - C.** Your feedback is pointless.
 - D.** I will not consider anything you said.
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Answers and explanations

Check why the answer works, then retry any question you missed.

1. C - Cannot both be true at once

Mutually exclusive alternatives cannot both hold simultaneously.

2. B - Confirm with additional evidence

Corroborate means to support or confirm a claim with evidence.

3. D - is

The clause beginning what functions as a singular subject here.

4. D - will have reviewed

Future perfect expresses completion before a future point.

5. C - might have proceeded

The inverted third conditional pairs had + participle with might/would have + participle.

6. A - Cautiously, the editor revised the article.

The introductory adverb modifies the editor's act of revising.

7. A - on

Contingent on means dependent on a condition.

8. B - indicates or draws attention to it

Point to means to indicate or provide evidence for something.

Answers and explanations (continued)

9. A - Uptake

The passage explicitly says uptake was measured.

10. C - A longer study

It recommended a longer study because long-term outcomes were not measured.

11. A - The reviewer wrote that the conclusion overstated what those data showed.

Pronouns and tense shift appropriately in reported speech.

12. D - Although the sample was limited, the pattern merits further study.

Although introduces a concession followed by the contrasting main point.

13. D - The review identified one central weakness: the comparison lacked a control group.

A colon can introduce an explanation of the preceding complete clause.

14. B - Would you be available to discuss the feedback sometime this week?

It is courteous, precise, and suitably formal.

15. C - It identifies a relationship but does not establish cause.

The authors explicitly distinguish an observed association from causation.

Answers and explanations (continued)

16. B - Thanks. Could we also account for the time limit when comparing these options?

It acknowledges the feedback and introduces the missing constraint constructively.

Topic scope checked against SOF syllabus: [SOF IEO Class 11 syllabus](#)