LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

FOR

Senior Secondary School

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Practice Questions and Answers

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QUESTIONS

TOPIC: LITERARY APPRECIATION

DIRECTION: Choose the correct answer from the lettered options.

1. _____ is a technique for saying something while apparently saying something else.

A. Euphony

B. Anaphora

C. Paradox

D. Innuendo

2. Read and answer the question below
Look out a window
at the traffic below.

Where are they going
I don't really know

Each has a destination
that they want to get to;

Some it will be work
with a long drive ahead,

While others it will be home
so they can rest their head.

The rhyme scheme of the verse is _____.

A. aabcc

B. abbbc

C. abcab

D. aaaab

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3. A _____ character in a story who has many aspects to his or her personality and may be unpredictable.

A. whole

B. virtuous

C. flat

D. round

4. Read and answer the question below

"The man had the strength of a thousand elephants"

The device used in the above statement is _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metaphor

C. irony

D. sarcasm

5. Read and answer the question below

There was a young lady of Lynn,

Who was so uncommonly thin

That when she essayed

To drink lemonade

She slipped through the straw and fell in.

The poem above can be described as a _____.

A. landays

B. lament

C. lyric

D. limerick

6. Poetry is a _____.

A. piece of literary work that is not really concise in nature but expresses deep thoughts.

B. piece of work that majorly conveys social issues and cultural values.

C. genre of literature that seeks to correct all the ills of the society.

D. literary work that expresses people's thoughts, feelings, emotions.

7. Alliteration in poetry, also known as _____ rhyme refers to matching initial consonant sounds in words.

A. imperfect

B. head

C. perfect

D. syllabic

8. Read the poem below and answer the question

I wonder how long, you awful parasite

Shall share with me this little bed
And make me, from sweet dreams be lost
By sucking blood from my poor head
I should not say man has much
Blood which you and your families do feed
On; for supper, diner and lunch
And besides, you do in my bed breed

Clever thou art, tiny creature;
You attend me when I am asleep
When thou art sure, I can't you capture
Just at the time I snore deep

Tis so strange that before twilight
The bed clear of you would seem;
For not one of you is on my sight
As if your presence was in a dream

The subject of the poem is a _____.

A. bad habit

B. healthy meal

C. insect bite

D. sound sleep

9. Read the passage and answer the question.

In England, her love for Henry blossomed like spring flowers after a hard winter. But she abhorred the way he dressed in England. They fell in love when she was working in the little coffee shop across from the Crystal Palace.

Tall and jovial, he fell romantically in love with her at first sight.

After a brief and hilarious courtship, they got married in a small Presbyterian Chapel in North London. Her people came and mother shed a tear when it was announced that the newly wed couple would go to Africa.

From that day, her world collapsed. He had never even hinted that he had joined the colonial service, neither did she know her honeymoon would be a hurried affair in Brighton. She wept most of the time on board the M.V. Apapa that took them to Africa.

Eight years and her temper grew worse. She got farther and farther away from her husband. They never had a child. A child would have made all the difference in the world.

The last sentence of the final paragraph insinuates that the couple were ____.

A. not close

B. miserable

C. childless

D. desired a child

10. A serious play with sad ending is called _____.

A. comedy

B. farce

C. pantomime

D. tragedy

11. The characteristics of poetry include all except it _____.

A. tends to have a regular rhythmic

B. is usually written in careful close words figures of speech

C. is not meant to be recited

D. is usually divided into stanzas, verses or run on line

12. Choose the odd item from the option.

A. Tragedy

B. Comedy

C. Epilogue

D. Tragi-comedy

13. The purpose for literature does not include _____.

A. bringing pleasure and entertainment to the audience

B. promoting diverse cultures around the world

C. encouraging the spread of dancing styles

D. introducing the audience to a world of new experience

14. Another term for personification is _____.

A. cacophony

B. disguise

C. cinquain

D. prosopopeia

E. none of the above

15. 'The eyes of the house dog sprawled
between my legs followed full of envy,
piece after piece of fish down the throat

of his master my host.'

The dog _____.

A. followed his master about so he could eat the fish

B. ran after his master's fish between the guest's legs

C. caught the fish between the legs of the host

D. watched intently as his master ate the fish

16. The phrase "all hands on deck", is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. onomatopoeia

C. metaphor

D. synecdoche

17. "A tender rose" illustrates the use of _____.

A. personification

B. imagery

C. symbolism

D. metaphor

18. An author uses _____ to create a series of events that leads to a climax that captivates the audience and makes them tense and anxious to know what is going to happen.

A. theme

B. plot

C. suspense

D. denouement

19. "I looked upon the rotting sea,
And drew my eyes away;
I looked upon the rotting deck,
And there the dead men lay".

One literary device used in the above verse is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. repetition

C. antithesis

D. alliteration

20. A character that develops with events and situations in a novel is _____ character.

A. a flat

B. a sound

C. a minor

D. the main

21. The settings of a narrative include the following except _____.

A. the time

B. the general environment

C. the geographical environment

D. the theme

E. the general circumstance

22. The most exciting and tensed part of a story is the _____.

A. epilogue

B. climax

C. prologue

D. exposition

23. "The country grows more prosperous every year." This statement is an example of _____.

A. synecdoche

B. denouement

C. peroration

D. conclusion

E. an index

24. The month of July crept in. The sky like a hooded monk wore black, as in morning, ready to shred its load. The sun was mystified while heaps of sand and dust spiralled high up in the sky sending high and low alike scurring into hiding. The town had never known such a damper. It was forty-eight hours of weeping by both the heavens and the inhabitants of Olosi who lost most of their life's savings in this destructive blessing.

"High and low alike" in the society refers to _____.

A. rulers of the village

B. women and their children

C. chiefs and their subjects

D. the rich and the poor

25. "It is cruel to be kind" is an example of an _____.

A. anti-climax

B. oxymoron

C. anecdote

D. antithesis

E. internal rhyme

26. Read and answer the question below

Soft as he mourned, the streams forgot to flow
She flocks around a dumb compassion show.

The above lines can be best described as a _____.

A. couplet

B. rhythm

C. tercet

D. rhyme

27. Read and answer the question below

"True with is nature to advantage rest.

What oft was thought but ne'er so well expressed."

The lines illustrate the use of _____.

A. rhythm

B. pun

C. rhyme

D. paradox

28. "And yonder all before us lie. Deserts of vast eternity", illustrates the use of _____.

A. allegory

B. personification

C. oxymoron

D. allusion

An allusion is a figure of speech whereby the author refers to a subject matter such as a place, event, or literary work by way of a passing reference. It is expected that the reader will try to make a connection to the subject being mentioned.

29. A narrative poem _____.

A. preaches a sermon

B. tells a tale or story

C. propounds a Philosophy

D. argues in a narrative manner

30. Read the poem below and answer the question below it

If I could have put you in my hands

If I could have wrapped you in myself

How glad I should have been!

And now the chart

Of memory unrolls again to me

The course of our journey here, here where we part ...

An appropriate title for this poem would be _____.

A. The End

B. A Lover's Hope

C. Joys of Being in Love

D. The Journey of lLife

E. The Glad Lover

31. Read and answer the question below

War is peace.

Freedom is slavery.

Ignorance is strength

The above lines are examples of _____.

A. alliteration

B. hyperbole

C. paradox

D. metaphor

32. Read and answer the question below

There was an Old Man with a beard,

Who said, "It is just as I feared! —

Two Owls and a Hen, four Larks and a Wren,

Have all built their nests in my beard

- Edward Lear

The rhyme pattern of the above verse is _____.

A. abbc

B. aabc

C. abca

D. aaba

33. Dialogue in a literary work varies in structure and tone depending on the people participating in the conversation and the _____ that the author is trying to maintain.

A. plot

B. mood

C. style

D. aspect

34. The part of the plot that introduces the setting and characters and presents the events and situations that the story will focus on _____.

A. prologue

B. climax

C. epilogue

D. exposition

35. The choice of appropriate words to convey the thoughts of an author is called _____.

A. rhyme

B. setting

C. style

D. diction

36. Read and answer the question below

Histories make men wise; poets, witty; the mathematics, subtile; natural philosophy, deep; moral, grave; logic and rhetoric, able to contend.

- Francis Bacon.

The above statement is an example of the use of _____.

A. ellipsis

B. zeugma

C. evidence

D. hubris

37. Which of the following best describes literature?

A. Tells the story of great men and women.

B. It is the reflection of man's life in the society.

C. It is a record of past events.

D. The description of events that never happened.

38. What is referred to as the sequence of beat in a poem?

A. Rhythm

B. Rhyme

C. Meter

D. Stanza

39. Read and answer the question below

Joseph turned around, " Be careful you don't slip", he called. Her heel dug for a third step and then the moss stripped off a little. Her hands gripped the moss and tore it out. Joseph saw her head describe a little arc and strike the ground.

As he ran towards her, she turned on her side. Her whole body shuddered violently for a second and then relaxed. He stood over her for an instant before he ran to the spring and filled his hands with water. But when he came back to her, he let the water fall to the ground for he saw the position of her neck, and the gray that was stealing into her cheeks. " It was too simple, too easy, too quick ", he said.

The extract is an example of _____.

A. narrative prose

B. descriptive prose

C. imaginative prose

D. expository prose

40. "What a pity that youth must be wasted on the young." is an example of _____.

A. synecdoche

B. personification

C. alliteration

D. paradox

E. simile

41. Read and answer the question below

My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow on the sky

So was it when my life began,

So is it now that I am a man

So be it when I shall grow

The child is the father of the man

The literary device used in line one is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. alliteration

C. litotes

D. personification

42. The final six lines of a 14-line Italian or Petrarchan sonnet is called _____.

A. sixtina

B. sestet

C. sestina

D. sixtet

43. But the towering earth was tired of sitting in one position. She moved suddenly, and the houses crumbled, the mountains heaved horribly, and the work of a million years was lost.

The subject of the above piece is _____.

A. earthquake

B. house movement

C. sea waves

D. storm

44. "The whole city was present at the naming ceremony" is an example of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. hyperbole

C. onomatopoeia

D. repetition

45. "The strong gongs groaning as the guns boom far" illustrates the use of _____.

A. metonymy

B. refrain

C. onomatopoeia

D. repetition

46. In the line, " I walk upon the thorns of life" the metre is _____.

A. trochaic

B. anapestic

C. iambic

D. dactylic

47. The moment of heightened tension in a play is called _____.

A. denouement

B. denotation

C. conflict

D. climax

48. Read the poem and answer the question

My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow in the sky

So was it when my life began

So is it now I am a man

Or let me die!

The child is the father of the man

And I could wish my day to be

Bound each by natural piety

The above poem actually deals with the theme of _____.

A. old age

B. childhood

C. beauty

D. fatherhood

49. Hail to them, by the spirit

Bird thou wert

That from heaven or near it,

In profuse strains of unpremeditated art

The main figure of speech in the poem is _____.

A. apostrophe

B. hyperbole

C. euphemism

D. metonymy

50. Read and answer the question below

His mind flitted back memory lane.

He remembered how time worked quietly in,

like a thief in the night and then put the sword in the heart of the land. He remembered his wife and two lovely kids, all skin pitilessly by the beast in khaki.

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52. Literature brings about all of the following except _____.

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B. entertainment

C. relaxation

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54. "The cell is a cruel place, sometimes a haven." is an example of _____.

A. paradox

B. sarcasm

C. anti-climax

D. personification

55. Old father, old artificer bear with me now and ever in good stead.

The word 'artificer' describes _____.

A. sage

B. a craftsman

C. a magician

D. an artificial person

56. A costly mistake made by the protagonist or an in-built weakness of an admirable character which aids his downfall is called _____.

A. catharsis

B. tragic-flaw

C. dramatic irony

D. ambition

57. A person who provides amusement through inappropriate appearance and/or behavior is called a _____.

A. buffoon

B. villain

C. hero

D. protagonist

E. antagonist

58. _____ rhyme is the most common type of rhyme that occurs in the final syllable of a verse or line.

A. Imperfect

B. Perfect

C. Tail

D. Head

59. "You are the salt of my life", illustrates the use of _____.

A. metaphor

B. simile

C. hyperbole

D. euphemism

60. Read and answer the question below

He sits under a bough

Utters a loud cough,

Wipes his sweating brow

And gives the dog a blow.

The poet makes use of _____ in the above verse.

A. masculine rhyme

B. eye rhyme

C. internal rhyme

D. end rhyme

61. "Now, Joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasure's free, she cannot sing".

What is the rhyme scheme of the above lines?

A. aab

B. abc

C. abb

D. aaa

62. The madman has entered our house with violence

Defiling our sacred grounds

Claiming the single truth of the universe

Binding down our high priests with iron

The imagery in the lines above captures the idea of _____.

A. coercion

B. religion

C. truth

D. persuasion

63. "The child is the father of the man" illustates the use of _____.

A. paradox

B. sarcasm

C. synedoche

D. simile

64. A short speech at the beginning of a literary work which serves as commentary is termed _____.

A. monologue

B. prologue

C. chalogue

D. ppilogue

65. Read and answer the question below

'Earth has nothing to show more fair

Dull world he be of soul who could pass by

A sight so touching in its majesty

This city now doth like a garment wear

The beauty of the morning'

It is suggested in this poem that _____.

A. the beauty of the morning gains from the beauty of the city

B. the beauty of the city gains from the beauty of the morning

C. the beauty of the city and the beauty of the morning are unrelated

D. the beauty of the same has nothing to do with the city or the morning

E. there is no beauty on earth

66. A poem which tells a story in the form of a song is _____.

A. an epic

B. a ballad

C. a pastoral

D. a eulogy

67. Read the poem and answer the question

Careened

These only tears

Dripping down the tears of your depressed face

Will one day be stanched

I swear!

The tone of the poet is _____.

A. optimistic

B. supplicatory

C. sympathetic

D. piteous

68. An off-scene person that whispers forgotten lines to actors is called a _____.

A. director

B. designer

C. producer

D. prompter

E. reminder

70. Read the verse and answer question.

I have to thank God I'm a woman,

For in these ordered days a woman only

Is free to be very hungry, very lonely.

The dominant device used in the verse is _____.

A. burlesque

B. paradox

C. conflict

D. irony

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71. A literary device that a writer uses to hint at the possible outcome in future without any interruption while using events or dialogues of characters in the current time of a story is known as _____.

A. flash-forward

B. flash back

C. fast forward

D. foreshadowing

72. The deliberate use of overstatement to create a special effect is known as _____.

A. realism

B. hyperbole

C. climax

D. pathos

73. One of the following writers is better known as a playwright than a novelist?

A. C. Achebe

B. C. Ekwensi

C. W. Soyinka

D. J. P. Clark

E. E. G. Okoro

74. "Poisonous pleasure of wine". This expression illustrates the use of _____.

A. metonymy

B. synecdoche

C. paradox

D. oxymoron

75. A dioxin is a poem of _____.

A. ten lines

B. ten foot

C. ten stanzas

D. ten rhyme schemes

76. You must marry your friend if you don't want a troubled paradise in your marriage.

The underlined phrase in the above statement is an example of _____.

A. allegory

B. hyperbole

C. allusion

D. oxymoron

77. Youth, for whose ear and monishing of late,
I sang of Prodigals and lost estate,
Have thou thy joy of living and be gay;
But know not less that there must come a day,
Aye, and perchance e'en now it hasteneth,
When thine own heart shall speak.

The rhyme scheme of the verse is _____.

A. aabbcd

B. aaabcb

C. aaabcb

D. aaabab

E. aaabbb

78. Yeriso was not aware of the model's presence until the jangle of her bracelets caught his attention.

The predominant literary term used in the above statement is _____.

A. climax

B. metonymy

C. onomatopoeia

D. oxymoron

79. In poetry, metre is measuring a line of poetry based on the _____ of the words.

A. number

B. feet

C. length

D. rhythm

80. Read the poem below and answer the following question

I love you; my gentle one

My love is the fresh milk of rubindi

Which you drank on the wedding day

My love is the butter we were smeared with

To seal fidelity into our hearts

You are the cattle - birds egg

For those who say you are wealthy

YOU ARE THE PAPYRUS REED OF THE LAKE

WHICH THEY PULL OUT WITH BOTH HANDS

And I sing for you with tears

Because you possess my heart

I love you, my gentle one

The poem is a blank verse because it _____.

A. has no rhyme scheme

B. is a contemporary sonnet

C. altrnate rhyme scheme

D. contains couplets

81. Read the passage and answer the question.

The long column of misery tended to grow longer, as the more robust struggled to get as far as possible from the pursuing French,

and as the weaker fell farther and farther behind. There were enough weaklings. In all conscience, even in summer, the men had been badly clothed, and even in victory, insufficiently fed, and now, it is winter, and Espinosa had been fought and lost, and the route of the retreat lay away from the fertile plains and up into the inhospitable mountains.

The rain had fallen upon them in deluges for days, and now as they climbed higher, it was turning into sleet, and a bitter cold wind blew.

Ahead of them, they could see the snow lying thick on the mountain passes, through which they would have to climb, without food or fuel or rest, and with terror of the French to urge them on. Disease had come inevitably to complete the work so well begun by hunger, exposure and the sword.

The device used in the last sentence is _____.

A. climax

B. sarcasm

C. euphemism

D. hyperbole

82. "Charm strikes the sight, but merit wins the soul."

This is an example of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. symbolism

C. flash back

D. personification

83. A type of rhyme in which the final syllable of one line mimics the sound of the final syllable of another line is called _____ rhyme.

A. feminine

B. internal

C. eye

D. masculine

84. 'A slight breeze murmured in the air. Grasses swayed as if in resentment. Over in the horizon, just beneath the spectrum of the ascending sun, horizontal brands of red cloud hung menacingly above the tips of the trees, and the morning air smelled of burnt day'

Effect is achieved in this text through the use of _____.

A. subdued tone

B. visual images

C. detailed description

D. adequate punctuation

85. One of the strongest devices an author usese to awaken the reader's senory perceptions is _____.

A. resolution

B. interlude

C. inference

D. imagery

86. Fiction comprises the following except _____.

A. narrative

B. descriptive

C. exposition

D. composition

87. Here she lies, a pretty bud,
Lately made of flesh and blood,
Who as soon fell fast asleep
As her little eyes did peep.
Give her strewings, but not stir
The earth that lightly covers her.
- Robert Herrick

The rhyme pattern of the above verse is _____.

A. aabbac

B. aabccb

C. abbbcc

D. aabbcc

88. Which of these does not belong to the list.?

A. Cyprian Ekwensi

B. Elechi Amadi

C. Ola Rotimi

D. Thomas Hardy

E. Wole Soyinka

89. And though at times a thread may break

A new one forms in its wake

To bind us closer and keep us strong

In a special world, where we belong.

What is the rhyme scheme of the above verse?

A. abab

B. aabb

C. abbc

D. abba

90. Journalistic prose is characterised by the use of clichés, catch phrases, adjectives and descriptive phrases before and after nouns.

A. True

B. Doubtful

C. False

D. Incomplete

91. A literary work which exhibits poetic quality using emotional effects and heightened imagery but are written in prose instead of verse is known as _____.

A. heroic prose

B. fictional prose

C. nonfictional prose

D. prose poetry

92. A non-verbal story acted out on stage by the characters is called _____.

A. imitation

B. farce

C. mime

D. comedy

93. Read the poem below and answer the question

Now, joy is born of parents poor
And pleasure of our richer kind
Though pleasures of free, she cannot sing
As sweet a song as joy confined
Pleasure's a moth that sleeps by day
And dances by false glare at night
But Joy's a beauty Butterfly, that loves
To spread it's wings in Nature's light.

"False glare" refers to _____.

A. man-made light
B. nature's light
C. the moon light
D. the sunlight

94. The book "Animal Farm" is an example of _____.

A. appologue
B. elegy
C. lullaby
D. masque

95. _____ is known as a verse of fifteen syllables.

A. Fifteener
B. Fifteenier
C. Fifteeneer
D. Fifteenar

96. What is the rhyme scheme of the lines below?

By thy power

The virgin by time o're taken

For years for lorn forsaken

Enjoys the happy hour

A. abca

B. abac

C. abba

D. aabb

97. In poetry an image reveals _____.

A. refrain

B. theme

C. rhyme

D. intent

98. In drama, the act of talking to oneself; oblivious to any hearers present is known as _____.

A. stage direction

B. dialogue

C. characterisation

D. soliloquy

99. What figure of is used when someone says."I have wheels"?

A. Personification

B. Partition

C. Synecdoche

D. Metonymy

100. "In a somer seson, whan soft was the sonne,

I shope me into shroudes, as I a shepe were" is an example of _____.

A. metonymy

B. alliteration

C. synecdoche

D. onomatopoeia

E. None of the above

101. Which of the following is a narrative technique in a novel?

A. Casting

B. Dream

C. Flashback

D. Prologue

E. Social relevance

102. The strong desire he felt for her faded as he had done the previous night. He tried desperately to excite himself mentally; not a nerve in his body responded. He felt ill, he perspired. He, the stallion who usually flung himself at women was like pulp.

The terseness of the prose above is to _____.

A. capture climax

B. depict tension

C. condemn the man

D. sympathise with the man

103 "Tlot-tlot; tlot-tlot! Had they heard it?

The horse-hoofs ringing clear;
Tlot-tlot, tlot-tlot, in the distance?
Were they deaf that they did not hear?
Down the ribbon of moonlight, over the brow of the hill,
The highwayman came riding,
Riding, riding!

There is the predominant use of _____in the first three lines of the poem.

A. onomatopoeia

B. synecdoche

C. oxymoron

D. paradox

104. Which of the following is common to all forms of literature?

A. language

B. chorus

C. action

D. narrator

105. A novel is written in _____.

A. chapters

B. pages

C. scenes

D. acts

106. Read the poem and answer question.

In front of the gate, the guard stands with his rifle,
Above, untidy clouds are carrying away the moon,
The bedbugs are swarming like army tanks on manoeuvers
While the mosquitoes form squadrons, attacking like frighter planes.
My heart travels a thousand miles towards my native land.
My dream interwines with saddness like a stein of a thousand threads,
Innocent, I have endured a whole year in prison.

Using my tears for ink, I turn my thoughts into verses.

The poem is about _____.

A. war

B. dirt

C. travelling

D. prison life

107. Which of the following could be applicable to all genres of literature?

A. Symbolism

B. Rhythm

C. Action

D. Narration

108. "Life is a working shadow" is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. simile

C. apostrophe

D. oxymoron

109. The sides of a stage are called _____.

A. wings

B. ways

C. arcs

D. pits

110. A play is fully realized when it is _____.

A. studied

B. memorised

C. acted

D. read

111. Which one of these is not an aspect of narrative technique?

A. The author narrates a story base on his experience or as an eye witness of such event.

B. The author narrates what he has been told.

C. Inability of the author to express what he has been told or experienced.

D. The narrator plays God's role.

112. A poem is said to be good if it _____.

A. has elevated style

B. has rhyme and reason

C. is difficult to understand

D. has a regular rhythm

113. A dance drama is a theatrical act that involves _____.

A. dance and songs

B. dance and gestures

C. dance and dialogue

D. dance only

114. Another term for oxymoron is _____.

A. climax

B. parable

C. hyperbole

D. paradox

Read the poem and answer question.

115. In front of the gate, the guard stands with his rifle,

Above, untidy clouds are carrying away the moon,

The bedbugs are swarming like army tanks on manoeuvers
While the mosquitoes form squadrons, attacking like frighter planes.
My heart travels a thousand miles towards my native land.
My dream interwines with saddness like a stein of a thousand threads,
Innocent, I have endured a whole year in prison.
Using my tears for ink, I turn my thoughts into verses.

The poem is written in _____.

A. blank verse

B. pentameter

C. free verse

D. trochee

E. feet

116. An allegory is a story _____

A. in which people, things or events have a deeper meaning

B. which aims at teaching a moral lesson

C. in which allegations are made about a character

D. told in verse with a moral and literal understanding

117. O Rose thou art sick.
The invisible worm,
That flies in the night
In the howling storm:
Has found out thy bed
Of crimson joy:
And his dark secret love

Does thy life destroy.

- William Blake

The predominant device used in the above poem is _____.

A. simile

B. metaphor

C. personification

D. hyperbole

E. oxymoron

118. The expression 'death be not proud', illustrates _____.

A. euphemism

B. personification

C. metaphor

D. litotes

119. "How soon hath Time, the subtle thief of youth,

Stolen on his wing my three and twentieth year!

My hasting days fly on with full career,

But my late spring no bud or blossom shew'th".

The above verse is an example of _____ rhyme.

A. Tercet

B. couplet

C. enclosed rhyme

D. Sestet

120. A play is said to be tragic when _____.

A. the author paints life as a hopeless venture or adventure

B. the author presents life as absurd

C. there is much bloodshed in the play

D. a weakness in the principal character causes his\her downfall

121. In poetry, assonance also known as _____rhyme is said to exist when two words have the same vowel sounds

A. general

B. syllabic

C. round

D. slant

122. The paragraph in prose can be compared to _____ in poetry.

A. couplet

B. line

C. stanza

D. rhyme

123. In a play or story we refer to the character who contradicts the protagonist as the _____

A. opponent

B. obstacle

C. contradictor

D. agroikos

E. antagonist

124. "O no, it is an ever fixed mark

That looks on tempests and is never shaken;

It is the star to every wand'ring barque,

Whose worth's unknown although his height be taken

What is the rhyme scheme of the above verse?

A. ABAB

B. ABBC

C. ABCC

D. ABCD

125. What literary device is employed when an author describes a scene where a ship, blown by the south wind, is stranded in the uncharted sea but the passengers do not have a single drop of water to drink?

A. Setting

B. Irony

C. Mood

D. Metaphor

126. The madman has entered our house with violence

Defiling our sacred grounds

Claiming the single truth of the universe

Binding down our high priests with iron

The imagery in the lines above captures the idea of _____.

A. coercion

B. religion

C. truth

D. persuasion

127. The use of words in such a way that they are an imitation of sounds is referred to as _____.

A. assonance

B. alliteration

C. repetition

D. onomatopoeia

128. A complete play needs to have a _____.

A. soliloquy

B. conflict

C. prologue

D. epilogue

E. personification

129. Read the poem and answer the question

Now, joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind
Though pleasure's of free, she cannot sing
As sweet a song as joy confined
Pleasure's a moth that sleeps by day
And dances by false glare at night
But Joy's a beauty butterfly, that loves
To spread its wings in nature's light.

The dominant device used in presenting "Joy" and "Pleasure" in the first stanza is _____.

A. diction

B. oxymoron

C. personification

D. conceit

130. The symbol ABAB indicates a _____.

A. four-line stanza in which the first and second lines rhyme, as do the third and fourth.

B. four-line stanza in which the first and third lines rhyme, as do the second and fourth.

C. four-line stanza in which the first and fourth lines rhyme, as do the second and third.

D. three-line stanza in which the first and third lines rhyme, as do the second and fourth.

Read and answer the following question

131. But the towering earth was tired of sitting in one position. She moved suddenly, and the houses crumbled, the mountains heaved horribly, and the work of a million years was lost.

The predominant figure of speech in the above piece is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. metaphor

C. simile

D. personification

132. The main effect of _____ on an audience is_____.

A. poetry; laughter

B. rhyme; drama

C. poetry; calm

D. comedy; laughter

133. A literary work which exhibits poetic quality using emotional effects and heightened imagery but are written in prose instead of verse is known as _____.

A. heroic prose

B. fictional prose

C. nonfictional prose

D. prose poetry

134. 'There kneels a jigger, a louse, a weevil, a flea, a bedbug!

He is a mistletoe, a parasite that lives on the trees of other people's lives!

The speaker uses a string of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. parables

C. metaphor

D. riddles

E. understatements

135. "The wretched rich fool cleaned his nails with dry saliva".

What is the literary device used in the above statement?

A. Anti-climax

B. Oxymoron

C. Anecdote

D. Antithesis

136. When a pause occurs towards the end of a poetic line, it is said to be a _____ caesura.

A. terminal

B. posterior

C. positive

D. successive

137. "The road was endless. One road led to a thousand others, which in turn fed into parts, which fed into dirt tracks which became streets, which ended in avenues and cul-de-sacs"

The description above suggests _____.

A. urban disorder

B. a labyrinth

C. a clutter

D. disharmony

138. A literary piece used to mock or ridicule a society is called _____.

A. an allegory

B. a fable

C. a farce

D. a satire

139. Slowly, the silence on the mountain top deepened till the click of the fire and the soft hiss of roasting meat could be heard clearly...

'Soft hiss of roasting meat' refers to the _____.

A. gentle response of the animal being roasted

B. rudeness of the animal to the hunter

C. gentle process of roasting on the fire

D. dropping of the meat's fat in the fire

140. The expression "the slay, like a hooded monk wore black" illustrates _____.

A. symbolism

B. paradox

C. personification

D. metaphor

141. The repetition of similar vowel sounds within a line of poetry is called _____.

A. parallelism

B. allusion

C. assonance

D. alliteration

142. When a pause occurs towards the end of a poetic line, it is said to be a _____ caesura.

A. terminal

B. posterior

C. positive

D. successive

143. A literary work is called a narrative because it _____.

A. gives an account of events

B. has an elevated style

C. is difficult to understand

D. has a regular point of view

E. has mood and theme

144. A novel which focuses on the adventures of a rogue who does not change much in the course of the story is called _____.

A. romance

B. grotesque

C. picaresque

D. burlesque

145. All the following are types of humour except _____.

A. incongruity

B. surprise

C. slapstick

D. sentiment

E. absurdity

146. A character that serves by contrast to highlight or emphasize opposing traits in another character is called _____.

A. an antagonist

B. a pawn

C. a foil

D. a clown

147. A question for which no answer is sought in a piece of writing is known as _____ question.

A. rhetorical

B. paradoxical

C. cross

D. leading

E. pointed

148. Which of the following is not a type of irony?

A. Socratic irony

B. Aristocratic irony

C. Tragic irony

D. Cosmic irony

149. A great city is a battlefield ... you need to be a fighter to live in it, not exist, mark you, live. Anybody can exist, dragging his soul around behind him like a worn out coat; but living is different.

The literary device predominantly used here is _____.

A. simile

B. oxymoron

C. symbolism

D. sarcasm

150. The price seemed reasonable, location
indifferent. The landlady swore she lived
off premises. Nothing remained
but self-confession. "Madam," I warned,
"I hate a wasted journey - I am African."
Silence. Silenced transmission of
Pressurized good
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Pressurized good-

The above poem is Wole soyinka's 'Telephone Conversation'. It is _____.

A. an attack on the British telephone system

B. a complain about the difficulty of getting telephone installed in private homes

C. about the colour of Soyinka's passport

D. a humorous but satirical comment on colour prejudice in Britain

E. about the game of hide and seek

151. A story that has a deeper meaning is called _____.

A. tribalism

B. betrayal

C. allegory

D. imperialism

152. The expression " The poor girl stole away my heart and my money." is an example of _____.

A. apologue

B. anaphora

C. syllepsis

D. litotes

153. Dramatic irony entails _____.

A. the praise of the audience

B. an action with a contrary meaning

C. the praise tag of a great person

D. statements of exaggeration

E. None of the above

154. Read the poem below and answer the following question

O stealing time, the subject of delay

Delay the rack of unrefrained desire

What strange design has thou my hopes to stay?

My hopes which do but to mine own aspire

Old age is wise, and full of constant truth

Old age well stayed from ranging humour lives

Old age hath known, whatever was in youth

Old age overcome the greater honour gives

The literary device used in line 1 is an example of _____.

A. climax

B. apostrophe

C. metonymy

D. euphemism

155. The main effect of comedy on an audience is _____.

A. anxiety

B. sadness

C. laughter

D. suspence

156. Since I am coming to that Holy room,

Where with thy quire of saints for ever more

I shall be made thy music as I come

I tune the instruments here at the door,

And what I must do then, think here before

In the stanza above, the poet recognises that _____.

A. God is his creator

B. he is a choir master

C. there is music in him

D. he is near his death

157. When a writer takes the liberty of deviating from the conventional use of words to achieve a desired effect, he is said to apply _____.

A. poetic license

B. syntatic licence

C. artistic skills

D. poetic justice

E. None of the above

158. The main antagonist in a play is referred to as the _____.

A. buffoon

B. villain

C. hero

D. protagonist

159. A situation where the indigent protagonist finds a great amount of money for which he/she has been intently searching and does nothing with it is known as _____ in drama or prose.

A. anecdote

B. climax

C. anticlimax

D. denouement

160. Thou art the judge of man

Judging his plans and behaviour

Judging his speech and egotism

You are the patient judge

Nations plan without having thee in view

They boast of their will

But soon you show them their follies

You are the patient judge

The poet clearly uses _____ to show emphasis.

A. repetition

B. refrain

C. chorus

D. alliteration

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But soon you show them their follies
You are the patient judge

The poetic device used in the first line is _____.

A. apostrophe

B. personification

C. euphemism

D. litotes

162. 'I die, yet depart not
I am bound, yet soar free
Thou art and Thou art not,
And shall ever be!

The literary device consciously used in this poem is _____.

A. metaphysical concert

B. paradox

C. oxymoron

D. meiosis

163. No one ever believed Nengi's home was a prison because she was always pleasant hostess.

What is the figurative language used in the above statement?

A. Simile

B. Metaphor

C. Hyperbole

D. Satire

164. But the towering earth was tired of sitting in one position. She moved suddenly, and the houses crumbled, the mountains heaved horribly, and the work of a million years was lost.

What is the dominant figure of speech used in the above narration?

A. Oxymoron

B. Metaphor

C. Simile

D. Personification

165. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Fiction

B. Monologue

C. Aside

D. Soliloquy

166. 'She unpacked the novels she had brought with her, and turned them over. They were the books she had collected over years from the mass that had come her way. She had read each one a dozen times, knowing it by heart, following the familiar tales as a child listens to his mother telling him a well-known fairy tale.'

The character may best be described as a woman _____.

A. of habit

B. of poor means

C. of wide literary interest

D. with poor memory

E. who loved her mother

167. That is no country for old men. The young
In one another's arms, birds in the trees

– Those dying generations – at their song,

The salmon-falls, the mackerel-crowded seas,

Fish, flesh, or fowl, commend all summer long

Whatever is begotten, born, and dies.

Caught in that sensual music all neglect

Monuments of unageing intellect.

- W. B. Yeats, "Sailing to Byzantium"

What is the rhyme scheme of the poem above?

A. ABABABBC

B. ABABABCC

C. ABBBABCC

D. ABABAACC

168. The literary device in the statement 'students are to come to class with their Shakespeare' is called _____.

A. metonymy

B. synecdoche

C. litotes

D. personification

169. A dominant feature of poetry is its _____.

A. economy of language

B. depiction of scenes

C. use of dialogue

D. narration of tales

170. Drama is a type of_____ usually written to be ____.

A. stanza, performed

B. literary, danced

C. literature, performed

D. literature, harnessed

171. 'The reception for this third marriage was being held at the home of the young girl's parents. In this, ancient custom was being more than just respected, it was revived. The house had been invaded since morning. Male and female grists welcomed guests.

The atmosphere captured in the passage above is _____.

A. solemn and gay

B. joyful and gloomy

C. grandiose and joyful

D. gracious and solemn

172. _____ essay as that which attempts to throw more lights on its subject.

A. A scientific

B. A narrative

C. An argumentative

D. An expository

173. Read the passage and answer the question.

In England, her love for Henry blossomed like spring flowers after a hard winter. But she abhorred the way he dressed in England. They fell in love when she was working in the little coffee shop across from the Crystal Palace.

Tall and jovial, he fell romantically in love with her at first sight.

After a brief and hilarious courtship, they got married in a small Presbyterian Chapel in North London. Her people came and mother shed a tear when it was announced that the newly wed couple would go to Africa.

From that day, her world collapsed. He had never even hinted that he had joined the colonial service, neither did she know her honeymoon would be a hurried affair in Brighton. She wept most of the time on board the M.V. Apapa that took them to Africa.

Eight years and her temper grew worse. She got farther and farther away from her husband. They never had a child. A child would have made all the difference in the world.

In England, she had loved her husband, in Africa she ____.

A. resented him

B. accepted him

C. enjoyed him

D. encouraged him

174. A word spelled out by rearrangement of the letters of another word; is known as _____.

A. monogram

B. homonym

C. malapropism

D. anagram

175. A line made up of five feet and considered to be the most common metrical line in English is called _____.

A. quintet

B. pastoral

C. pentarule

D. pentametre

176. "2207 is already boiling on the Bunden Burner" exemplifies the use of _____.

A. alliteration

B. assonance

C. onomatopoeia

D. pun

177. “The river, reflecting the clear blue of the sky, glistened and sparkled as it flowed noiselessly on.”

The mood created by the above description can be described as _____.

A. burstling and exciting

B. depressing but calm

C. serene and nonviolent

D. romantic and peaceful

178. Adewale was not just a warrior, but a family man. A man who walked the knife's edge to preserve his sanity.

What literary device is used in the above description?

A. Characterization

B. Chorus

C. Dramitization

D. Dialogue

179. Lines that usually have a set pattern of metre and rhyme make up a _____.

A. stanza

B. verse

C. rhyme scheme

D. falling metre

180. 'The man tore through the building' is an example of _____.

A. narrative technique

B. metaphor

C. setting

D. plot

181. 'America! There it lay, handy and tantalizing; all heat and scurry. All morning they had kept catching glimpses of it beyond the potholes as they stood in long lines, waiting to reach the tables where the immigration men in dacron shirts checked their visas, inspected the x-ray pictures of their lungs that they held in their hands, decided whether to admit them or not. Getting into America was, it seemed, quite as hard as getting into heaven; and the trouble was ... that as with heaven one couldn't know whether one would like it when one got there'

The picture of America as presented in this passage is a place _____.

A. of uncertainties

B. choked with red tape

C. as beautiful as heaven

D. of incessant heat

182. A poem without a regular ryhme scheme is a _____.

A. traditional poem

B. ballad

C. lyrical poem

D. blank verse

183. Mr. Amakiri's smile was a mile wide at the sight of his baby boy.

This statement is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metaphor

C. irony

D. aside

184. A simple play that begins with a problem and ends in a happy mood is called _____.

A. farce

B. comedy

C. satire

D. tragedy

185. "I don't fancy forbidden fruits of fashions", illustrates the use of _____.

A. metaphor

B. repetition

C. assonance

D. alliteration

186. The curfew tolls the knell of parting day,
The lowing herd wind slowly o'er the lea,
The plowman homeward plods his weary way,
And leaves the world to darkness and to me.
- Thomas Gray

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abba

B. abab

C. aabb

D. abcd

187. Read the passage and answer the question.

The long column of misery tended to grow longer, as the more robust struggled to get as far as possible from the pursuing French, and as the weaker fell farther and farther behind. There were enough weaklings. In all conscience, even in summer, the men had been badly clothed, and even in victory, insufficiently fed, and now, it is winter, and Espinosa had been fought and lost, and the route of the retreat lay away from the fertile plains and up into the inhospitable mountains.

The rain had fallen upon them in deluges for days, and now as they climbed higher, it was turning into sleet, and a bitter cold wind blew.

Ahead of them, they could see the snow lying thick on the mountain passes, through which they would have to climb, without food or fuel or rest, and with terror of the French to urge them on. Disease had come inevitably to complete the work so well begun by hunger, exposure and the sword.

What is the mood of the poem?

A. annoyance

B. anxiety

C. sympathy

D. delusion

188. "He has a brain the size of a pea." is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. euphemism

C. simile

D. synecdoche

E. rhetorical question

189. The most important concepts in poetry is _____.

A. story and action

B. plot and rhythm

C. rhythm and imagery

D. plot and character

190. "...while the evening is spread out against the sky,

Like a patient etherized upon a table"

The above couplet is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. simile

C. oxymoron

D. paradox

E. synecdoche

191. All materials used by the actors in a drama production are known as_____.

A. cast

B. costumes

C. vices

D. apparels

192. Characters in a play constitute the _____.

A. performers

B. chorus

C. audience

D. cast

193. The woods decay and fall, the vapours weep their burthen to the ground, man comes and fills the fields and lies beneath. And after many a summer, dies the swan.

An appropriate theme for this excerpt would be _____.

A. the fallen of leaves

B. the ground on which leaves fall

C. the man as a farmer

D. the power of death over every life

E. the fight of birds in certain seasons

194. In literature, _____ are often used to provide emphasis, freshness of expression, or clarity.

A. figures of speech

B. rhetorical questions

C. parts of speech

D. phonemic expressions

195. The repetition of a word or expression at the beginning of successive verses especially for rhetorical or poetic effect is known as _____.

A. rhetorical question

B. epilogue

C. anaphoral

D. apostrophe

196. Which of the following is not a function of literary devices?

A. They give inexplicable meanings to a piece of literature.

B. They help readers to determine the worth of a litrary work.

C. They help a reader to visualize characters and scenes more clearly.

D. They help a reader to compare the works of different writers.

197. "All the world's a stage,

And all the men and women merely players;

They have their exits and their entrances;"

The above statement is a good example of _____.

A. enjambment

B. simile

C. metaphor

D. synecdoche

198. "Uneasy lies the head that wears the crown" is an example of _____.

A. apostrophe

B. anastrophe

C. aphorism

D. analogue

E. epilogue

199. 'He uttered a volley of oaths' is an example of ____.

A. climax

B. A lyric

C. metaphor

D. A sonnet

200. 'There kneels a jigger, a louse, a weevil, a flea, a bedbug!

He is a mistletoe, a parasite that lives on the trees of other people's lives!

The speaker uses a string of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. parables

C. metaphor

D. riddles

E. understatements

201. "Another shaol of cars swam past. One in particular caught his eye; a long slender thing, elegant as a swallow, all sleek blue and silver, a million naira it would cost, he thought.

In the first sentence, cars are described in terms of _____.

A. birds

B. ants

C. fish

D. girls

202. Read the poem and answer the question.

My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow on the sky

So was it when my life began,

So is it now that I am a man

So be it when I shall grow

The child is the father of the man

The rhyme scheme of the poem is _____.

A. abccdc

B. acbcca

C. abcacc

D. abacbc

203. A pause that occurs at the beginning of a line of poem is known as _____ caesura.

A. initial

B. potential

C. leading

D. pointed

204. An aside is said to occur in plays when a speaker on stage _____.

A. addresses another character in the midst of the audience

B. mumbles words not intended for other actors to the audience.

C. mumbles words heard by the audience and actors

D. reveals his most secret intensions to another character

205. A play full of exaggerated ridicule and laughter or a comedy written for the stage or film which aims to entertain the audience by means of unlikely, extravagant and improbable situations is called a _____.

A. farce

B. comedy

C. tragi-comedy

D. masque

206. An evil character whose aim is to cause problems and unhappiness in a story is known as _____.

A. a pentagonist

B. an antagonist

C. a protagonist

D. a playwright

207. Look out a window

at the traffic below.

Where are they going

I don't really know

Each has a destination

that they want to get to;

Some it will be work

with a long drive ahead,

While others it will be home

so they can rest their head.

The poem is about _____.

A. window

B. destination

C. work

D. home

208. "Life is rather like a tin of sardines: we're all of us looking for the key", is an example of _____.

A. euphemism

B. metaphor

C. simile

D. personification

E. None of the above

209. The repetition of initial consonant sound in poetry is ____.

A. assonance

B. rhyme

C. alliteration

D. oxymoron

210. A literary device that the writer uses to create a mental picture of a situation is _____.

A. imagery

B. sybolism

C. flashback

D. epilogue

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A. imagery

B. sybolism

C. flashback

D. epilogue

212. "True wit is nature to advantage drest.

What oft was thought but ne'er so well expressed".

A predominant feature of the above couplet is _____.

A. rhythm

B. pun

C. rhyme

D. paradox

213. There was a roaring in the wind all night;

The rain came heavily and fell in floods;

But now the sun is rising calm and bright;

The birds are singing in the distant woods;

Over his own sweet voice the Stock-dove broods;

The Jay makes answer as the Magpie chatters;

And all the air is filled with pleasant noise of waters.

- William Wordsworth

The rhyming scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abcddee

B. ababbcc

C. ababbcc

D. abaccdd

E. son of Odedoran.

214. And say you are merry

Because you are not sad."

The dominant literary device used in the poem is _____.

A. personification

B. contrast

C. metonymy

D. melancholy

215. All but _____ is not a literary device.

A. denouement

B. foyer

C. conflict

D. climax

216. "Hedwig, in spite of her misfortune, held her head high to high heavens". The dominant literary device in the preceding statement is _____.

A. alliteration

B. anagnarisis

C. personification

D. prolepsis

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B. anagnarisis

C. personification

D. prolepsis

218. "Her voice is full of money." is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. metaphor

C. synecdoche

D. metonymy

219. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Romance

B. Novel

C. Short story

D. Sonnet

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D. Sonnet

221. The repetition of "I Have a Dream" in Martin Luther King's speech is known as _____.

A. a succession

B. a rhetoric

C. an anaphora

D. an alliteration

222. The elevated language in a literary work is usually used to _____.

A. bring to fore, the writer's skills

B. describe the hero's warrior values

C. expose the hero's temperament

D. give dignity to the hero

E. downplay the antagonist

223. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Ode

B. Ballad

C. Limerick

D. Mime

224. The pounded yam is as soft as a rock is an example of _____.

A. irony

B. simile

C. metaphor

D. satire

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226. A play that thrives on exaggeration of humour, plot and character is a _____.

A. mime

B. tragedy

C. farce

D. lampoon

227. When a poem is not written using strict meter or rhyme, it is referred to has a _____.

A. blank verse

B. free verse

C. solomonic verse

D. traditional verse

228. Let me not to the marriage of true minds

Admit impediments; love is not love

Which alters when it alteration finds,

Or bends with the remover to remove.

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abcc

B. aabb

C. abac

D. aaab

229. "My appetite is so good, I could eat a horse." is an example of _____.

A. onomatopoeia

B. assonance

C. simile

D. hyperbole

E. alliteration

230. Read the passage and answer question.

''Diversion through Larteh''. This is the sign in the middle of the road. They have diverted the 24-Kilometre Mamfe-Aburi-Adenta Road because of the major road works. The Mamfe-Larteh-Adenta diversion makes the journey twice as long. The longer route is the shorter.

The little jeep flashes past the deserted police checkpoint. The howling wind, like a stretching comb, stretches Kwyeiwa's hair in flapping furrows behind her as she stands clinging to a metal support in the back of the open jeep, petrified. The jeep negotiates the hairpin bend below the overhang near Tamara's place at breakneck speed; now it is on the stretch to the Kodiable junction. The little vehicle laps up the distance. Presently the travellers arrive at the last crossroads. Kodiabe lies as the crow flies, Somanya to the left. The jeep turns right towards Accra.

The narrative technique is _____.

A. third person

B. a soliloquy

C. first person

D. an aside

231. A deliberate use of understatement for humour or emphasis is also known as _____.

A. litotes

B. hyperbole

C. anatomy

D. metonymy

E. symbolism

232. Setting can be defined as _____.

A. Place and purpose of a given literary work

B. The sum total of places/environment and time of event

C. Sequential arrangement of event and time of action

D. Sequential order of major events and the character display

233. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Sonnet

B. Epic

C. Allusion

D. Ode

234. During this speech the elders who didn't understand a word of what their learned secretary was saying nodded approval intermittently. When it was over, the elders said, "yes, they had a learned man indeed, a man who could speak for them, a man who knew the wisdom of the old white people. Not like the small boys nowadays who can't even read a telegram".

In this text, the elders are presented as _____.

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236. “I cannot but conclude the bulk of your natives to be the most pernicious race of little odious vermin that nature ever suffered to crawl upon the surface of the earth.”

-Jonathan Swift

The above statement is an example of _____.

A. characterization

B. sarcasm

C. irony

D. invective

237. "My heart is a lonely hunter that hunts on a lonely hill." is an example of the use of _____.

A. onomatopoeia

B. euphemism

C. metaphor

D. simile

238. "Death has come to steal our king" is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. paradox

C. hyperbole

D. personification

239. What is an innuendo?

A. A technique for using two terms that contradict each other.

B. The substitution of a word or phrase for a proper name.

C. The technique of saying something while implying another.

D. A technique of explicit comparison between two things.

E. None of the above.

240. What does the figure of speech 'alliteration' mean?

A. Repetition of a word with a change in letter or sound

B. Repetition of a sound with a change in letter or word

C. A series of sounds that begin with the same letter or sound alike

D. The repetition of the same word or phrase at the end of successive clauses

E. The repetition of initial sounds in words of a sentence.

241. To be total or complete, a play needs to have _____

A. soliloquy

B. conflict

C. prologue

D. epilogue

242. "He was so hungry that he wanted to eat up the cook and her food" is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. syllepsis

C. allegory

D. absurd

243. In what aspect is the drama different from other genres of literature?

A. Theme and setting

B. Plot and action

C. Dance and speech

D. Dialogue and action

244. A tragi-comedy is a literary work that combines aspects of _____.

A. melodrama and parody

B. farce and fable

C. tragedy and comedy

D. tragedy and comic relief

245. "O stranger of the future!
O inconceivable being!
whatever the shape of your house,
however you scoot from place to place,
no matter how strange and colorless
the clothes you may wear,
I bet nobody likes a wet dog either.

The above verse is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. innuendo

C. apostrophe

D. hyperbole

246. The repetition of similar vowel sounds within a line is _____.

A. parallelism

B. allusion

C. assonance

D. alliteration

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248. “There was no moon, and everything beneath lay in misty darkness: not a light gleamed from any house, far or near all had been extinguished long ago: and those at Wuthering Heights were never visible…”

The mood created by the above description can be described as _____.

A. serene

B. depressing

C. aggressive

D. nerve-wrecking

249. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Sentence

B. Paragraph

C. Expression

D. Fiction

250. Then suddenly her heart was whipped up, she now rode on strange waves alone defying the wind and the rain, alone fighting hunger and thirst in the desert; alone struggling with strange demons in the forest, bringing glad tidings to her people.

The mood of the lady in this passage is one of

A. arrogant defeat

B. agonising depression

C. triumphant defiance

D. simple elation

E. grueling sorrow

251. Which of the following is a wrong combination?

A. Pun and malapropism

B. Synecdoche and metonymy

C. Simile and metaphor

D. Synecdoche and alliteration

252. Identify the odd literary device from the list below:

A. Enjambment

B. Plot

C. Rhyme

D. Alliteration

253. Another term for the denouement of a play or story is _____.

A. reference

B. interlude

C. inference

D. resolution

254. _____ is generally a peculiar feature in drama.

A. Humour

B. Satire

C. Sarcasm

D. Action

255. _____is a term also used for the arrangement of words, or sentences in a way that the least forcible comes first and the others rise in power until the last.

A. crisis

B. anticlimax

C. denouement

D. climax

256. The sudden outcry or interjection expressing violent emotion such as fright, grief, or hatred is known as

A. metonymy

B. interlude

C. inference

D. exclamation

257. "Money here money there

Everywhere, anywhere, whatever you want, money

But where is the money to spend?''

Children and family matters, you are useful

Health and education matters

Food and transport

Night and day

Church and mosque

In the Lord's name''.

The mood set here can be described as one of _____.

A. sarcasm

B. indifference

C. despair

D. joy

258. A literary work whose mode of narration is the letteris called _____.

A. a letter fiction

B. an epic

C. an epistle

D. a romantic

259. Catharsis is a Greek word that means _____.

A. cleansing

B. temper

C. clash

D. disagreement

260. The musician has a good dentition and his teeth are blinding white.

This is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. metaphor

C. irony

D. hyperbole

261. An actor who says one thing but intends the opposite, is making use of _____.

A. dramatic irony

B. verbal irony

C. aside

D. soliloquy

262. In a literary work, a clown would normally _____.

A. direct the action

B. create comic relief

C. support the protagonist

D. create the tension

263. She sells seashells at seashore is an example of _____.

A. parable

B. assonance

C. alliteration

D. comedy

264. A song composed in spontaneous lamentation of the dead is called _____.

A. an elegy

B. a lyric

C. a dirge

D. a sonnet

265. A humorous imitation of a serious literary work is _____.

A. an ode

B. a parody

C. an epitaph

D. a burlesque

266. "Reaching the moon was no ordinary task" illustrates the use of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. litotes

C. synecdoche

D. onomatopoeia

267. "The very mist on the Essex marshes was like a gauzy and radiant fabric" is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. simile

C. hyperbole

D. irony

E. synedoche

268. A literary device in which human virtues are used as characters is called _____.

A. biography

B. metaphor

C. oxymoron

D. allegory

269. I wonder how long, you awful parasite,

Shall share with me this little bed

And make me, from sweet dreams be lost
By socking blood from my poor head
I should but say man has much
Blood which you and your family do feed
On for supper, dinner and lunch.

The creature in the poem is best described as _____.

A. clever
B. sluggish
C. awkward
D. tiny

270. The Assyrian came down like the wolf on the fold,
And his cohorts were gleaming in purple and gold;
And the sheen of their spears was like stars on the sea,
When the blue wave rolls nightly on deep Galilee.
-Lord Byron "The Destruction of Sennacherib".

The metrical foot used in the poem is known as _____.

A. anapest
B. dactyl
C. anecdote
D. rhythm

271. Read the poem below and answer the following question
I love you; my gentle one
My love is the fresh milk of rubindi
Which you drank on the wedding day

My love is the butter we were smeared with
To seal fidelity into our hearts
You are the cattle - birds egg
For those who say you are wealthy
YOU ARE THE PAPYRUS REED OF THE LAKE
WHICH THEY PULL OUT WITH BOTH HANDS
And I sing for you with tears
Because you possess my heart
I love you, my gentle one

The poem is an example of _____.

A. lyric

B. dirge

C. an ode

D. an epic

272. Now joy is born of parents poor
And pleasure of our richer kind
Though pleasure's free, she cannot sing
As sweet a song as joy confined
Pleasure is a moth that sleeps by day

And dances by false glare at night
But joy is a butterfly that loves
to spread its wings in nature's light.

The underlined expression is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. synecdoche

C. alliteration

D. simile

273. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. octave

B. limerick

C. couplet

D. distich

274. "My heart is a lonely hunter that hunts on a lonely hill." illustrates the use of _____.

A. simile

B. alliteration

C. hyperbole

D. assonance

275. Which of the following is a feature of an enjambment?

A. The ideas expressed in each line of a verse are different.

B. Multiple ideas cannot be expressed by using punctuation marks.

C. It usually does not have punctuation at the end.

D. It makes the reader lose the main idea in the poem.

276. 'Poetic licence' refers to the _____.

A. ability to write a collection of poems

B. the license to write and enjoy poems

C. writer's freedom to write when he pleases

D. writer's freedom to use words as he pleases

E. All of the above

277. A writer of a play is known as _____

A. Playwriter

B. Playwrite

C. Playwrighter

D. Playwright

278. All eyes may see from what the change arose,

All eyes may see--a pimple on her nose.

Papillia, wedded to her amorous spark,

Sighs for the shades--"How charming is a park!",

A park is purchas'd, but the fair he sees.

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. aabbc

B. abcab

C. aabcb

D. abccb

279. The PATTERING rain was kicking up little explosions of dust in the glade

He heard the faint whisper of the stream as it STOLE across the land and disappeared into the bush.

The word stole as used in this context, is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. personification

C. hyperbole

D. synecdoche

280. "The sky howled angrily all night". This is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. oxymoron

C. personification

D. synecdoche

281. _____ is a literary device that the gives human emotions to inanimate objects of nature.

A. Cacophony

B. Pathetic fallacy

C. Personification

D. Synecdoche

282. "I have read Shakespeare"; This statement is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. paradox

C. parody

D. metonymy

283. The short story as a literary form is like the _____.

A. play

B. poetry

C. tragedy

D. novel

284. "To err is human, to forgive divine" is an example of _____.

A. anticlimax

B. antiphrasis

C. archetype

D. antithesis

E. euphemism

285. A poem written in an elaborate style to address or celebrate a particular event is called _____.

A. a ballad

B. an epic

C. a dirge

D. an ode

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And pleasure of our richer kind
Though pleasure's free, she cannot sing
As sweet a song as joy confined
Pleasure is a moth that sleeps by day
And dances by false glare at night
But joy is a butterfly that loves
to spread its wings in nature's light.

The underlined expression, is an example of _____.

A. metonym

B. synecdoche

C. personification

D. oxymoron

287. "Ensure that you be a light in a sea of darkness", the Rector advised the graduating students.

The Rector's advise is an example of _____.

A. irony

B. litotes

C. simile

D. metaphor

288. A narrative that is designed to produce a single dominant effect and contains the elements of drama is called a ____.

A. novel

B. discourse

C. tragedy

D. short story

E. drama

289. "Thousands of eyes gazed at her as she stood to give her address." is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. partition

C. synecdoche

D. metonymy

290. A travelogue is _____.

A. the account of the travails of a character in a novel

B. a record of the writer's experiences during a journey

C. a variant of a novel written in a free style on a writer's journey

D. the account of the experiences of an individual during his lifetime

291. In a poem, anticlimax refers to the arrangement of words in order of _____.

A. increasing importance

B. alternating sounds

C. decreasing importance

D. alphabetical importance

292. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Actors

B. Stage

C. Dialogue

D. Chapters

293. Which of the following is a literary device?

A. Sonnet

B. Ode

C. Suspense

D. Lyrics

294. Literary works are classified into _____.

A. canfose

B. episodes

C. eras

D. genres

295. "How can he compare our church outing with theirs? After all, millions of people attended ours while very few people were seen at theirs". The predominant literary device used by the speaker is _____.

A. paradox

B. oxymoron

C. hyperbole

D. comparison

296. A poem whose metre is determined by the total number of syllables per line rather than the number of stresses is called _____ verse.

A. symbolic

B. syllabic

C. unstressed

D. metrical

297. "The temperature is several degrees below zero. My sentences are frozen as they come out of my mouth, and are thawed in the course of the summer, making strange noises and unexpected assertions in various parts of the church."

The above narration is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. Oxymoran

C. simile

D. metaphor

298. The literary device used in, "O wild west wind" is _____.

A. synecdoche

B. simile

C. alliteration

D. pun

299. _____ is a letter in verse, usually addressed to a person close to the writer. Its themes may be moral and philosophical, or intimate and sentimental.

A. A poem

B. A sermon

C. A gospel

D. An epistle

300. The dragon-fly hangs like a blue thread loosened from the sky illustrates the use of _____.

A. simile

B. litotes

C. contrast

D. metaphor

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302. 'She certainly doesn't want to play the other woman in some conventional, boring triangle. She doesn't feel like another woman; she isn't winding or devious, she doesn't wear negligees or paint her toe nails. William may think she is exotic but she isn't really, she's straight forward, narrow, and unadorned, at the entrapment of husbands.'

According to the text, the other woman described is _____.

A. beautiful and vivacious

B. dishonest and deceitful

C. careless and dowdy

D. manipulative and predatory

303. A long poem which deals with heroic deeds is called _____.

A. a lyric

B. an epic

C. an ode

D. an euphony

304. The use of rhetorical questions _____ the poet's message.

A. emphasise

B. repeat

C. recast

D. dramatize

305. _____ is known as the process of marking beats in a poem to establish the prevailing metrical pattern.

A. Anapest

B. Rhyme

C. Scansion

D. Spondee

306. The third-person narrator who knows everything in a story; free to move at will in time and place, and has privileged access to a character's thoughts, feelings, and motives is also known as the _____ narrator.

A. unreliable

B. first person

C. limited

D. omniscient

307. A regular group of lines in poetry constitutes the _____.

A. stanza

B. rhythm

C. verse

D. metre

308. The recurrence of rhythmic pattern of stress in a poem is called _____.

A. couplet

B. metre

C. consonance

D. scansion

309. Read the passage and answer the question.

Ngotho was pleased. And Nyokabi Njeri were full of joy at the news. For the first time for many years, something like a glimmer of light shone in Ngotho's eyes. He could even be seen making an effort to walk up right. Here at last was a son who might eventually be a match for the Howlands and Jacobos any others who at all despised him.

Kamanu too was pleased. He hoped he could go on helping Ngoroge. Ngoroge might do something for the family. Ngoroge was happy. His first impulse, when he learnt that he had gone through, was to kneel down and thank God for all He had done for him. "Give me more and more learning and make me the instrument of thy light and peace." To go to secondary school, the big mission at Siriana was no small achievement.

What does the expression "instrument of light and peace " tell us about the speaker?

A. his final bond

B. his humility

C. his pride

D. his sympathy

310. "Diligent foot worker
legs lithe, foot loose
to frantic drums
and ferentic flutes.
Acrobat strokes swift in the air
wrought masterly like
Gyrating to the April music
of the lush savannah".

"Frenetic flutes" illustrates the use of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. symbolism

C. metaphor

D. metonym

311. "I am so famished I can devour a whole cow", is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. irony

C. metaphor

D. sarcasm

312. "Why, man, he doth bestride the narrow world like a Colossus" is an example of _____.

A. paradox

B. onomatopoeia

C. oxymoron

D. synecdoche

E. simile

313. Read the passage and answer the question.

The killing of a whale at sea isn't pleasant to witness or even to contemplate. Hunted down through solar and other many specialised equipment, the whale has no more chance of escape like a steer in a slaughter house. The manner of its death, however, is very different. A grenade tipped-harpoon explodes deep within his body often causing prolonged suffering before the gentle giant, whose intelligence may be second only to our own, is reduced to a carcass ready for processing into crayons, lipsticks, shoe polish, fertilizer, margarine and pet food.

THE HUMAN MANNER OF DEATH, however, is the least part of the scandal known as the whaling industry. Much more important is the fact that the killing is quite unnecessary.

Adequate substitutes exist for every single use to which the whale carcass are currently put, and although some 32,000 whales are killed every year, the sum of commodities they provide is insignificant in the world's economy.

This article is best described as _____.

A. a descriptive

B. a narrative

C. an argumentative

D. an exposition

314. The madman has entered our house with violence
Defiling our sacred grounds
Claiming the single truth of the universe
Binding down our high priests with iron

The imagery in the lines above captures the idea of _____.

A. coercion

B. religion

C. truth

D. persuasion

315. The literary term used to distinguish a novel from a play is the _____.

A. genre

B. verse

C. diction

D. style

316. Mrs Eze is not lacking in beauty means that she is _____.

A. very ugly

B. beautiful

C. worldly

D. careless

317. A deliberate use of understatement for humor or emphasis is also known as _____.

A. litotes

B. hyperbole

C. antonym

D. metonymy

318. 'The stars blinked and the wind wailed' is an example of _____.

A. euphemism

B. parody

C. antithesis

D. personification

319. "Life is rather like a tin of sardines: we're all of us looking for the key", is an example of _____.

A. euphemism

B. metaphor

C. simile

D. personification

E. None of the above

320. 'Otto's wife was a porter, Nessa remembered Sandra Davis telling her this. Not just a wife, not just a mother - as Nessa's own mother had been, as all the women in her childhood were and were expected to be; cooks and floor scrubbers, fanatical table polishers and chair back starchers; nest builders.'

From the text above, it can be inferred that Otto's wife _____

A. scrub floors and polish tables like the other women

B. was a potter and was therefore spare other domestic jobs

C. was a porter like Nessa's mother in her chilhood

D. unlike other women, had a profession

321. I am ugly but I can buy myself the most beautiful of women. Therefore, I am not ugly.

I, according to my individual characteristics am lame but money furnishes me with twenty four feet. Therefore, I am not lame.

I am dishonest, unscrupulous, stupid, but money is honoured and hence its possessor.

I am brainless but money is the real brain of all things and how then should its possessor be brainless? Besides he can buy clever people for himself and is he who has power over the clever not more clever than the clever?

The writer is _____.

A. jealous of rich and influential people

B. overwhelmed by the power of money

C. contemptuous of the poor

D. indirectly exposing the negative influence of money

322. In a poem, 'assonance' results from the repetition of _____.

A. many consonants in a line of poetry

B. similar vowels sounds in a line of poetry

C. similar sounding consonants at the end of each line of poetry

D. similar sounding words in a line of poetry

E. different sounding vowels in between a line of poetry

323. In a sonnet, the first eight lines is a/an _____.

A. tercet

B. sestet

C. octave

D. quatrain

324. The _____ essay is that which attempts to throw more light on its subject.

A. scientific

B. narrative

C. argumentative

D. expository

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The Howlands and Jacobos in this extract from Ngugi wa Thiong'o's Weep Not Child represent the _____.

A. oppressors

B. competitors

C. teachers

D. people

327. "My appetite is so good, I could eat a horse." is an example of _____.

A. onomatopoeia

B. assonance

C. simile

D. hyperbole

E. alliteration

328. In literary criticism, a casual reference to a figure or an event is regarded as an _____.

A. alliteration

B. allegory

C. allusion

D. ambiguity

329. _____ can be described as a phrase with a specialized meaning not based on the literal meaning of the words in it.

A. A contradiction

B. A figure of speech

C. An understatement

D. Poetic license

330. A stanza of seven 10-syllable lines, rhyming ABABBCC is called _____.

A. rhymed septet

B. rima royalle

C. septet rhyme

D. rhyme royal

331. "The swiftest traveler is he that goes afoot." is an example of _____.

A. paradox

B. simile

C. personification

D. oxymoron

332. The expression "Merry devil" illustrates _____.

A. oxymoron

B. simile

C. paradox

D. personification

333. Which of the following divisions is used as a technical device to denote the symbolic significance of certain events?

A. Day, morning and afternoon

B. Morning, noon and night

C. Morning, evening and mid-night

D. Mid-day, mid-night and morning

334. ''Mathematics is my Achilles' heel'' is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. metonymy

C. allusion

D. analogy

335. Enjambment is the poetic term referring to the use of _____.

A. run-on line

B. rhyme lines

C. rhythm

D. metre

336. Rhyming in poetry refers to _____.

A. similar spellings

B. parallel lines

C. similar sounds

D. convey meeting

337. A four-line stanza rhyming ABAB is called _____.

A. an interlaced quatrain

B. a double couplet

C. an envelope quatrain

D. a ballad quatrain

338. The curfew tolls the knell of parting day,
The lowing herd wind slowly o'er the lea,
The plowman homeward plods his weary way,
And leaves the world to darkness and to me.
- Thomas Gray
The rhyme scheme of the above verse best describes it as _____ couplet.

A. double

B. bounded

C. interlaced

D. unbounded

339. "The cell is a cruel place, sometimes a haven." is an example of _____.

A. paradox

B. sarcasm

C. anti-climax

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You are the cattle - birds egg

For those who say you are wealthy

YOU ARE THE PAPYRUS REED OF THE LAKE

WHICH THEY PULL OUT WITH BOTH HANDS

And I sing for you with tears

Because you possess my heart

I love you, my gentle one

The feeling of the persona is one of _____.

A. anxiety

B. gaiety

C. sadness

D. frustration

341. "For life's not a paragraph

And death I think is no parenthesis."

The above lines illustrate the use of _____.

A. litotes

B. simile

C. alliteration

D. synecdoche

342. The climax in a literary work is the _____.

A. middle of the work

B. beginning of the story

C. central part of the dialogue

D. most intense point of the conflict

343. A _____ is the person who introduces the various parts or stages of a play ina theatre.

A. prompter

B. master of ceremony

C. host

D. compere

344. 'The gloom will give way to light
And the thorny path cleared of pain
The storms will bow to the prompting of peace
Lost moments of glory will be restored
And strangled opportunities reborn:
We shall yet regain the dawn!'
The suggestion that runs through the short poem above is _____.

A. anxiety and worry

B. hope for the better

C. sorrow and dejection

D. fear of change

345. “Dan will be a serpent by the roadside, a viper along the path, that bites the horse’s heels so that its rider tumbles backward". (Gen 49:17)

The use of the words "serpent and viper" to describe Dan in the above speech is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. a lyric

C. an apostrophe

D. connotation

346. "Too much talent in tennessee" illustrates _____.

A. alliteration

B. metaphor

C. synecdoche

D. personification

347. In a play denouement is the _____.

A. entry of the central character

B. development of the central conflict

C. introduction of a minor conflict alongside the major conflict

D. climatic point in the development of they plot

E. the resolution of the conflicts in the plot

348. "He who examines his own self will not long remain ignorant of his failings".

The above statement is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. satire

C. metaphor

D. poetry

349. My heart leaps up when I behold
A rainbow on the sky
So was it when my life began,
So is it now that I am a man
So be it when I shall grow
The child is the father of the man

The subject of this verse is _____.

A. Childish thought of the colours of the rainbow
B. The effect of the rainbow on man
C. The unchanging cycle of nature
D. Adverse effects of the old age

350. The curfew tolls the knell of parting day,
The lowing herd wind slowly o'er the lea,
The plowman homeward plods his weary way,
And leaves the world to darkness and to me.
- Thomas Gray

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abba
B. abab
C. aabb
D. abcd

351. All materials used by the actors in a drama production are known as_____.

A. cast
B. costumes
C. vices
D. apparels

352. "Friendship is a sheltering tree". What figure of speech is illustrated in this statement?

A. Simile

B. Metaphor

C. Personification

D. Oxymoron

353. _____ distinguishes a novel from a play.

A. Characters

B. Setting

C. Narration

D. Theme

354. The main effect of _____ on an audience is_____.

A. poetry; laughter

B. rhyme; drama

C. poetry; calm

D. comedy; laughter

355. Flashback in a literary work helps to _____.

A. fix the missing link between reality and fantasy in a satirical drama

B. reveal the characters' mindset concerning the antagonist's plan to undo the protagonist.

C. place the story in proper perspective to achieve suspense in the minds of the audience

D. take the narration back in time by relating current events in a story to previous events

356. _____ is a short tale narrating an interesting or amusing biographical incident.

A. Epistle

B. Ellipsis

C. Epigram

D. Anecdote

357. While tragedy is dominated by a ____ tone, comedy has a ____ tone.

A. serious; light

B. grievous; critical

C. distinct; vague

D. strict; funny

358. 'Take some more tea,' the March hare said to Alice, very earnestly."

"I've had nothing yet,' Alice replied in an offended tone, 'so I can't take more."

"You mean you can't take less,' said the Hatter. 'It's very easy to take more than nothing."

The above dialogue illustrates the use of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. paradox

C. synecdoche

D. alliteration

359. The main effect of comedy on an audience is _____.

A. anxiety

B. sadness

C. laughter

D. suspence

360. Which of the following is not a type of irony?

A. Socratic irony

B. Aristocratic irony

C. Tragic irony

D. Cosmic irony

361. The plot of a novel is best described as the _____.

A. the bare outline of the story

B. the tone of the story

C. the mood of the story

D. development of the story

E. the intense moment of the story

362. What is another term for the pattern of rhymes?

A. Internal rhyme

B. Rhyme scheme

C. Rhyme skill

D. Scansion

363. A term used in describing an effective choice of words in a literary work is _____.

A. dipthtong

B. denotation

C. diction

D. dialogue

364. When a protagonist is purged of dominant emotions of pity and fear at the end of a tragedy, it is called _____.

A. catharsis

B. dementia

C. purgation

D. redemption

365. "The whole town was present at the wedding ceremony" is an example of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. hyperbole

C. onomatopoeia

D. repetition

366. And 'mid these dancing looks at once and ever
it flung up momentarily the sacred river
Five miles meandering with a mazy motion
Through wood and dale the sacred river ran'
Line 3 is made memorable by the use of

A. simile

B. metaphor

C. polysyndeton

D. monosyndeton

E. alliteration

The initial consonant sound 'm' is repeated.

367. All but _____ is not a literary device.

A. denouement

B. foyer

C. conflict

D. climax

368. Exposition in a play means _____.

A. initial unfolding of the necessary background of the play

B. its climax

C. the marriage of the hero and the heroine

D. background information about the characters, events, or setting.

E. the private speech of a character

369. "To drag your father from his farm is as difficult as dragging a child away from his mother's breast".

The dominant literary device in the above statement is _____.

A. metaphor

B. personification

C. simile

D. amplification

370. The expression, "deafening silence" is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. simile

C. synecdoche

D. oxymoron

371. 'In Germany, under the law, everything is prohibited except that which is permitted. In France everything is permitted except that which is prohibited In the Soviet Union, everything is prohibited including that which is permitted'.

The last sentence is an example of _____.

A. innuendo

B. paradox

C. euphemism

D. allusion

372. The central issue in a play or novel is known as the _____.

A. theme

B. summary

C. synopsis

D. resume

373. Brenda suddenly stiffened in her chair and half turned her ear to the window. Silent like an animal waiting to spring, an alertness that transformed her face to temporary ugliness. Arthur noticed it, and swilled down the last of his tea 'He's coming', she said 'I heard the gate open'

In this short text, the writer succeeds in creating ____.

A. anti-climax

B. aggression

C. comic relief

D. suspense

E. characters

374. ''Diversion through Larteh''. This is the sign in the middle of the road. They have diverted the 24-Kilometre Mamfe-Aburi-Adenta Road because of the major road works. The Mamfe-Larteh-Adenta diversion makes the journey twice as long. The longer route is the shorter.

The little jeep flashes past the deserted police checkpoint. The howling wind, like a stretching comb, stretches Kwyeiwa's hair in flapping furrows behind her as she stands clinging to a metal support in the back of the open jeep, petrified. The jeep negotiates the hairpin bend below the overhang near Tamara's place at breakneck speed; now it is on the stretch to the Kodiable junction. The little vehicle laps up the distance. Presently the travellers arrive at the last crossroads. Kodiabe lies as the crow flies, Somanya to the left. The jeep turns right towards Accra.

The mood in the passage is one of _____.

A. love

B. fear

C. anger

D. joy

375. My finger click with a snicker

And, chuckling, they knuckle the key

The dominant literary device used in the lines above, is _____.

A. parallelism

B. litotes

C. hyperbole

D. onomatopoeia

376. "Sleep, o sleep

With thy rod of incantation

Charm my imagination

Then, only then, I cease to weep

By thy power

The virgin, by time O'er taken

For years for lorn, forsaken

Enjoys the happy hour

What's to sleep

Tis a visionary blessing."

The poet makes use of _____.

A. end stopped lines

B. run-on lines

C. rhyme

D. metaphor

377. What literary device is illustrated in a situation where a character makes a sentence that conveys he is happy with his good luck on the surface but is actually very unhappy and dissatisfied with his bad luck?

A. Deception

B. Irony

C. Scansion

D. Juxtaposition

378. The choice of appropriate words to convey the thoughts of an author is called _____.

A. rhyme

B. setting

C. style

D. diction

379. Read the passage and answer the question.

In England, her love for Henry blossomed like spring flowers after a hard winter. But she abhorred the way he dressed in England. They fell in love when she was working in the little coffee shop across from the Crystal Palace.

Tall and jovial, he fell romantically in love with her at first sight.

After a brief and hilarious courtship, they got married in a small Presbyterian Chapel in North London. Her people came and mother shed a tear when it was announced that the newlywed couple would go to Africa.

From that day, her world collapsed. He had never even hinted that he had joined the colonial service, neither did she know her honeymoon would be a hurried affair in Brighton. She wept most of the time on board the M.V. Apapa that took them to Africa.

Eight years and her temper grew worse. She got farther and farther away from her husband. They never had a child. A child would have made all the difference in the world.

The figure of speech used in the first sentence of the opening paragraph is _____.

A. personification

B. metaphor

C. simile

D. metonymy

380. The literary device which an author hints that an event will take place later in a story is known as _____.

A. foreshadowing

B. rising action

C. flashback

D. parody

381. "Ngoto was pleased. And Nyokabi and Njeri were full of at the news. For the first time in many years, something like a glimmer of light shone in Ngotho's eyes. He could even be seen making an effort to walk upright".

What does the underlined expression connote?

A. Courage

B. Disaster

C. Tolerance

D. Hope

382 "There is a nightingale near my house

He sings lovingly for my red rose.

Last winter, Red rose asked him to stay forever.

I whispered to my flower, "If you love him, let him go". Later on, they became friends forever and ever."

What is the subject of the above narration?

A. Flower

B. Friendship

C. Bird

D. Winter

E. House

383. "The man had the strength of a thousand elephants"

The device used in the above statement is _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metaphor

C. irony

D. sarcasm

384. _____ is a figure of speech in which the normal relations of words or phrases are interchanged.

A. Fable

B. Hypallage

C. Lampoon

D. Limericks

385. "I've heard that a million times", is an example of _____.

A. pun

B. alliteration

C. personification

D. synecdoche

E. hyperbole

386. A poem of fourteen lines is called _____.

A. a couplet

B. a sextet

C. a lyric

D. a sonnet

387. "Bang! Went the pistol,

Crash! Went the window

Ouch! Went the son of a gun."

The words at the beginning of each line are examples of _____.

A. simile

B. synecdoche

C. onomatopoeia

D. metaphor

388. What is a novel?

A. A prose writing about great people in connected events and expriences.

B. A prose writing about various people in different places and time.

C. A long prose narrative fiction that describes characters and connected events.

D. A long story involving human characters and their various experiences.

389. A narrative poem must _____.

A. preach a sermon

B. tell a story

C. describe natural scenery

D. involve an argument

E. propound a philosophy

Read the poem and answer the question

390. My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow in the sky

So was it when my life began

So is it now I am a man

Or let me die!

The child is the father of the man

And I could wish my day to be

Bound each by natural piety

"The child is the father of the man", is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. oxymoron

C. metonymy

D. paradox

391. A bashful smile of appreciation illuminated Nelly's pretty face. The figure of speech implied in the use of 'illuminated' is _____.

A. personification

B. metaphor

C. simile

D. meiosis

E. assonance

392. Asikia overheard the head teacher tell Mr. Ipali, "Always be sincere even when you don't mean it".

The head teacher's statement is an example of _____.

A. understatement

B. symbolism

C. oxymoron

D. repetition

393. In a story, the adversary of the protagonist is known as the _____.

A. hero

B. heroine

C. antagonist

D. foil

394. 'There was time when meadow, grove and stream

The earth and every common sight

To me did seem

Apparelled in celestial light

the glory and the freshness of a dream

It is not now as it hath been of yore:

Turn whereso'er I may,

By night or day

the things which I have seen I now

can see no more'

The mood captured in this poem is one of _____.

A. nostalgia

B. despair

C. confidence

D. hope

E. joy

395. The introductory comment on characters/situations made at the beginning of a novel is known as _____.

A. epilogue

B. prologue

C. exposition

D. crises

396. "O brawling love! O loving hate!

O anything of nothing that was first create

O heavy lightness! Serious vanity!

Mishapen chaos of well-seeming forms!

Feather of lead, bright smoke, cold fire, sick health!

Still-waking sleep, that is not what it is!

This love feel I, that feel no love in this."

The above lines from Shakespear's Romeo and Juliet illustrates the use of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. metaphor

C. irony

D. zeugma

397. A literary device in which a character speaks to another character, without any other characters aware of what is said is called _____.

A. soliloquy

B. monologue

C. aside

D. prologue

398. The essential function of tragedy in a literary work is to bring about a release of _____ in the audience.

A. an omniscient power of reasoning

B. strong emotions of pity and fear

C. deep resentment for the antagonist

D. a rippling effect of love and hatred

399. The struggle of opposing forces in a drama or narrative is called _____.

A. denouement

B. denotation

C. conflict

D. climax

400. Which one of the following applies to both tragic and comic plays?

A. Climax

B. Happiness

C. Temper

D. Anticlimax

E. Sympathy

401. "The moon has ascended between us

Between two pines

That bow to each other;

Love with the moon has ascended

Has fed on our solitary stems;

And we are now shadows

That cling to each other,

But kiss the air only".

The theme of the above poem is _____.

A. unrequited love

B. sour love

C. lovers kissing

D. lovers feeding

402. "He is no fool" is an example of _____.

A. Litotes

B. Oxymoron

C. Synecdoche

D. Alliteration

E. Personification

403. An aside is said to occur in plays when a speaker on stage _____.

A. addresses another character in the midst of the audience

B. mumbles words not intended for other actors to the audience.

C. mumbles words heard by the audience and actors

D. reveals his most secret intensions to another character

404. 'Hear thou, great Ann!

Whom three realms obey

Dost sometimes counsel take - and sometimes tea.'

This extract depicts the use of _____.

A. paradox

B. hyperbole

C. Pathos

D. Bathos

405. A couplet is formed by _____.

A. five alternate rhyming lines of poetry

B. two rhyming lines of poetry

C. four rhyming lines of poetry

D. five rhyming lines of poetry

406. A question for which no answer is sought in a piece of writing is known as _____ question.

A. rhetorical

B. paradoxical

C. cross

D. leading

E. pointed

407. "He is the despots' Despot.

All must bide

later or soon, the message of his might;

Princes and potentates their heads must hide,

Touched by the awful sigil of his right;

Beside the Kaiser he at eve doth wait".

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abcbd

B. ababb

C. ababc

D. abaaa

E. ababc

408. In a portrait, a poet writes:

At mankind's feast, I take my place

In solemn, sanctimonious state,

And have the air of saying grace

While I defile the dinner plate.

The tone of this poem may be described as _____.

A. solemn

B. self mockery

C. dead earnest

D. serious

E. angry

409. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Enjambment

B. Plot

C. Rhyme

D. Alliteration

410. The omniscient narrator in a literary work _____.

A. uses flash back

B. witnesses all events

C. makes reference to future incidents

D. knows all about the author

411. The expression "O my poor brother!" illustrates the use of _____.

A. apostrophe

B. alliteration

C. assonance

D. personification

412. "Death lays his icy hands on kings" is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. paradox

C. hyperbole

D. personification

413. 'To see a world in a grain of sand
And a heaven in a wild flower,
Hold infinity in the palm of your hand
And eternity in an hour'.
The predominant figure of speech used in the lines above is _____.

A. metaphor
B. hyperbole
C. simile
D. paradox

414. "What we want is Willie." is an example of _____.

A. alliteration
B. assonance
C. simile
D. synecdoche
E. None of the above

415. A poem with fourteen lines of rhymed iambic pentrametre is _____.

A. an epic
B. a sonnet
C. a quatrain
D. an octave

416. All eyes may see from what the change arose,
All eyes may see--a pimple on her nose.
Papillia, wedded to her amorous spark,
Sighs for the shades--"How charming is a park!",
A park is purchas'd, but the fair he sees.

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. aabbc

B. abcab

C. aabcb

D. abccb

417. In a literary work, a clown would normally _____.

A. direct the action

B. create comic relief

C. support the protagonist

D. create the tension

418. Was it for this you took constant care

The bodkin, comb and essence to prepare?

For this your looks in paper durance bound?

For this with torturing iron wreathed round?

The dominant device used in the poem is _____.

A. synecdoche

B. rhetorical question

C. parody

D. apostrophe

419. It was dawn, and the windows were dark except for the workmen's cafes. The sky was like a vast wall of cobalt with roofs and spires of black paper pasted upon it. Drowsy men were sweeping the pavement with ten-foot brooms and ragged families picking over the dust bins. Workmen and girls with a piece of chocolate pouring into the railway station.

The picture presented above is one of _____.

A. poverty in urban areas

B. monotony of town life

C. landscape at sunrise

D. a sordid industrial town

420. Kuziene was alone in the crowd on his day at his new school.

The underlined phrase in the above statement is called _____.

A. litotes

B. eclipse

C. paradox

D. oxymoron

421. Ballad is derived from a Latin word "ballore" meaning to _____.

A. dance

B. cry

C. sing

D. sleep

422. 'She certainly doesn't want to play the other woman in some conventional, boring triangle. She doesn't feel like another woman; she isn't winding or devious, she doesn't wear negligees or paint her toe nails. William may think she is exotic but she isn't really, she's straight forward, narrow, and unadorned, at the entrapment of husbands.'

According to the text, the other woman described is _____.

A. beautiful and vivacious

B. dishonest and deceitful

C. careless and dowdy

D. manipulative and predatory

423. The metrical pattern in, "In mist or cloud, on mast or stand" is _____.

A. iambic

B. trochaic

C. anapaestic

D. dactylic

424. "Truth sits upon the lips of men", the literary device here is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. personification

C. metaphor

D. epithet

425. The central idea in a work of art is the _____.

A. subject

B. plot

C. theme

D. story

426. A fourteen lined poem with rhymed iambic pentametre is called

A. anepic

B. a sonnet

C. a quatrain

D. an octave

427. A literary work which exhibits poetic quality using emotional effects and heightened imagery but are written in prose instead of verse is known as _____.

A. heroic prose

B. fictional prose

C. nonfictional prose

D. prose poetry

428. The novel, the novella and the short story are the major sub-genres of _____.

A. non-fiction

B. prose

C. poetry

D. drama

429. "Be him my foe,

Be him my friend,

Be him a gentile,

My anti-corruption net will soon catch him."

In the above poem, there is the predominant use of the device known as _____.

A. alliteration

B. repetition

C. anaphora

D. assonance

430. What is an ellipsis?

A. It is the omission of implied words.

B. It is the addition of words to create special effect.

C. It is the repetition of vowel sounds.

D. It is a series of words that begin a line of poetry.

431. A poem is best described as an elegy if it expresses a state of _____.

A. euphoria

B. confusion

C. grandeur

D. none of the above

An elegy is a mournful poem; a lament for the dead.

432. Poetry is defined by _____.

A. words written in sequence

B. condensed use of language

C. evocations of feelings

D. legends and myths

433. The literary device used in, "O wild west wind" is _____.

A. synecdoche

B. simile

C. alliteration

D. pun

434. Drama differs from poetry because it _____.

A. involves many characters

B. deals with tragic experience

C. uses elevated language

D. exists mainly in action

435. Another term for oxymoron is _____.

A. climax

B. parable

C. hyperbole

D. paradox

436. _____ helps the reader to visualize and experience the author's writings.

A. Dialogue

B. Setting

C. Imagery

D. Theme

437. "Humanity, let us say, is like people packed in an automobile which is travelling downhill without lights at terrific speed and driven by a four year old child. The signposts along the way are all marked 'Progress.'"

There is the predominant use of _____in the above extract.

A. rhetorical question

B. synecdoche

C. pun

D. simile

E. metaphor

438. The main antagonist in a play is referred to as the _____.

A. buffoon

B. villain

C. hero

D. protagonist

439. A struggle between opposing forces in a literary work is known as _____.

A. plot

B. climax

C. denouement

D. conflict

440. Mr. Amakiri's smile was a mile wide at the sight of his baby boy.

This statement is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metaphor

C. irony

D. aside

441. Enjambment is the poetic term referring to the use of _____.

A. run-on-lines

B. rhyme lines

C. rhythm

D. metre

442. The invigilator lost his phone and his temper at the end of the exam.

The above statement is an example of _____.

A. memoir

B. zeugma

C. irony

D. sarcasm

443. A literary work which extols one's virtues and accomplishments is _____.

A. a eulogy

B. a pastoral

C. an elegy

D. an allegory

444. The term given to a type of incident or device which recurs frequently in literature is _____.

A. motif

B. ritual

C. myth

D. concept

445. The use of words in such a way that they are an imitation of sounds is referred to as _____.

A. assonance

B. alliteration

C. repetition

D. onomatopoeia

446. A dioxin is a poem of _____.

A. ten lines

B. ten foot

C. ten stanzas

D. ten rhyme schemes

447. And say you are merry

Because you are not sad."

The dominant literary device used in the poem is _____.

A. personification

B. contrast

C. metonymy

D. melancholy

448. What passing-bells for these who die as cattle?

Only the monstrous anger of the guns.

The second line is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. irony

C. simile

D. personification

449. Read the poem below and answer the following question

O stealing time, the subject of delay

Delay the rack of unrefrained desire

What strange design has thou my hopes to stay?

My hopes which do but to mine own aspire

Old age is wise, and full of constant truth

Old age well stayed from ranging humour's lives

Old age hath known, whatever was in youth

Old age overcome the greater honour gives

The rhyme scheme of the poem is _____.

A. alternate

B. internal

C. free verse

D. couplet

450. A statement which initially appears to be absurd or contradictory but on a close examination contains important truth is called _____.

A. paradox

B. simile

C. apostrophe

D. alliteration

451. Narrative technique deals with _____.

A. the diction of literary artist

B. the social approach of an author

C. stories based on the real life experiences of feelings

D. the author's style of narrating a story

452. Charm strikes the sight, but merit wins the soul is an example of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. epigram

C. epithet

D. bathos

453. Consonance refers to repetition of sounds produced by consonants within a sentence or phrase and can be considered as a type of _____.

A. alliteration

B. assonance

C. onomatopoeia

D. stress

454. "England is so wet because many kings and queens have reigned there", is an example of the use of _____.

A. imitation

B. cacophony

C. pun

D. rhetoric

455. Read the poem below and answer the question

I wonder how long, you awful parasite

Shall share with me this little bed

And make me, from sweet dreams be lost

By sucking blood from my poor head

I should not say man has much

Blood which you and your families do feed

On; for supper, diner and lunch

And besides, you do in my bed breed

Clever thou art, tiny creature;

You attend me when I am asleep

When thou art sure, I can't you capture

Just at the time I snore deep

Tis so strange that before twilight

The bed clear of you would seem;

For not one of you is on my sight

As if your presence was in a dream

The prominent device used to express "Tis so strange" is _____.

A. assonance

B. alliteration

C. onomatopoeia

D. pun

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After a brief and hilarious courtship, they got married in a small Presbyterian Chapel in North London. Her people came and mother shed a tear when it was announced that the newly wed couple would go to Africa.

From that day, her world collapsed. He had never even hinted that he had joined the colonial service, neither did she know her honeymoon would be a hurried affair in Brighton. She wept most of the time on board the M.V. Apapa that took them to Africa.

Eight years and her temper grew worse. She got farther and farther away from her husband. They never had a child. A child would have made all the difference in the world.

What made the woman's world collapse?

A. Falling in love with her husband in winter.

B. Their honeymoon was cut short.

C. Travelling aboard a ship.

D. Their sudden relocation to Africa.

457. Which one of the following applies to both tragic and comic plays?

A. Climax

B. Happy ending

C. Temper

D. Sympathetic ending

458. Youth, for whose ear and monishing of late,

I sang of Prodigals and lost estate,

Have thou thy joy of living and be gay;

But know not less that there must come a day,

Aye, and perchance e'en now it hasteneth,

When thine own heart shall speak.

The rhyme scheme of the verse is _____.

A. aabbcd

B. aaabcb

C. aaabcb

D. aaabab

E. aaabbb

459. That age is best which is the first,

When youth and blood are warmer.

But being spent, the worse, and worst.

Times still succeed the former.

The rhyme scheme in this verse is known as _____.

A. alternate

B. irregular

C. free verse

D. couplet

460. The statement, "she is not a beauty queen" is an example of _____.

A. tautology

B. litotes

C. anaphora

D. antithesis

461. The technique a writer uses when he narrates his personal experience or an event he witnessed, is called _____.

A. the first person approach

B. everybody's point of view

C. the last person's approach

D. the second person's approach

462. Read the passage and answer the question.

The long column of misery tended to grow longer, as the more robust struggled to get as far as possible from the pursuing French,

and as the weaker fell farther and farther behind. There were enough weaklings. In all conscience, even in summer, the men had been badly clothed, and even in victory, insufficiently fed, and now, it is winter, and Espinosa had been fought and lost, and the route of the retreat lay away from the fertile plains and up into the inhospitable mountains.

The rain had fallen upon them in deluges for days, and now as they climbed higher, it was turning into sleet, and a bitter cold wind blew.

Ahead of them, they could see the snow lying thick on the mountain passes, through which they would have to climb, without food or fuel or rest, and with terror of the French to urge them on. Disease had come inevitably to complete the work so well begun by hunger, exposure and the sword.

The attitude of the survivors is best summed up by the word _____.

A. indifference

B. persistence

C. resignation

D. victory

463. When a poem has no regular rhyme scheme, it is called a _____.

A. prose verse

B. dramatic verse

C. lyrical verse

D. blank verse

464. Read the passage and answer question.

"Diversion through Larteh". This is the sign in the middle of the road. They have diverted the 24-Kilometre Mamfe-Aburi-Adenta Road because of the major road works. The Mamfe-Larteh-Adenta diversion makes the journey twice as long. The longer route is the shorter.

The little jeep flashes past the deserted police checkpoint. The howling wind, like a stretching comb, stretches Kwyeiwa's hair in flapping furrows behind her as she stands

clinging to a metal support in the back of the open jeep, petrified. The jeep negotiates the hairpin bend below the overhang near Tamara's place at breakneck speed; now it is on the stretch to the Kodiable junction. The little vehicle laps up the distance. Presently the travellers arrive at the last crossroads. Kodiabe lies as the crow flies, Somanya to the left. The jeep turns right towards Accra.

Kyeiwa can be described as being _____.

A. relaxed

B. ecstatic

C. frightened

D. elated

465. Poetic genres include the following except _____.

A. metaphoric poetry

B. narrative poetry

C. dramatic poetry

D. satirical poetry

E. epic poetry

466. When a poet uses words with nearly identical sounds, he is said to apply _____.

A. true rhyme

B. iambic meter

C. spondee meter

D. weak rhyme

E. eye rhyme

467. Read the poem and answer question.

In front of the gate, the guard stands with his rifle,

Above, untidy clouds are carrying away the moon,

The bedbugs are swarming like army tanks on manoeuvers

While the mosquitoes form squadrons, attacking like freighter planes.
My heart travels a thousand miles towards my native land.
My dream intertwines with sadness like a stein of a thousand threads,
Innocent, I have endured a whole year in prison.
Using my tears for ink, I turn my thoughts into verses.
The impression created of the persona is one of _____.

A. anger
B. competitiveness
C. reconciliation
D. resignation
E. faithlessness

468. Look out a window
at the traffic below.
Where are they going
I don't really know
Each has a destination
that they want to get to;
Some it will be work
with a long drive ahead,
While others it will be home
so they can rest their head.
The poem is about _____.

A. window
B. destination
C. work
D. home

469. “The river, reflecting the clear blue of the sky, glistened and sparkled as it flowed noiselessly on.”

The mood created by the above description can be described as _____.

A. burstling and exciting

B. depressing but calm

C. serene and nonviolent

D. romantic and peaceful

470. “There was no moon, and everything beneath lay in misty darkness: not a light gleamed from any house, far or near all had been extinguished long ago: and those at Wuthering Heights were never visible...”

The mood created by the above description can be described as _____.

A. serene

B. depressing

C. aggressive

D. nerve-wrecking

471. "I don't fancy forbidden fruit of fashion and fads", What figure of speech is illustrated in this extract?

A. Refrain

B. Repetition

C. Assonance

D. Alliteration

472. The dominant idea in a literary work is called _____.

A. techniques

B. content

C. theme

D. menu

473. Opribo says his new boss is as pleasant and calm as a coiled python _____.

A. metaphor

B. idiom

C. euphemism

D. irony

474. A long poem which deals with heroic deeds is called _____.

A. a lyric

B. an epic

C. an ode

D. an euphony

475. Let me not to the marriage of true minds

Admit impediments; love is not love

Which alters when it alteration finds,

Or bends with the remover to remove.

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abcc

B. aabb

C. abac

D. aaab

476. _____ is known as a metrical foot of one short syllable followed by two long syllables.

A. Bacchus

B. Bachcius

C. Bacchoius

D. Bacchius

E. Bacchios

477. "We were partners, not soul mates, two separate people who happened to be sharing a menu and a life".

- Amy Tan.

The statement is an example of _____.

A. zeugma

B. innuendo

C. pun

D. farce

478. A symbolic representation of ideas, emotions and situations in a work of art is _____.

A. fable

B. allegory

C. romance

D. parody

479. 'Fair is fowl, fowl is fair'. What is the literary term and figure of speech used in the statement?

A. Simile and repetition

B. Oxymoron and metaphor

C. Allusion and irony

D. Alliteration and paradox

480. "We have been asleep, Mr. Speaker, my fellow citizens; asleep in our dream of security! Asleep in our well meaning, sportsmanlike way of wishing the other fellow well. Asleep in the false security of accepting all men of good will who would be free as men of honour "

The force of the speech above is sustained on _____.

A. cleverly

B. musicality

C. repetition

D. oratory

481. 'I am not afraid of anything', he told them. 'I have committed all crimes you can think of and been jailed for most of them. I have been in prison more hours than I have been out of it within the last five years.'

In recounting his criminal life, this speaker's tone is _____.

A. repentant

B. boastful

C. regretful

D. subdued

E. remorseful

482. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Actors

B. Stage

C. Dialogue

D. Chapters

483. Read the passage and answer question.

''Diversion through Larteh''. This is the sign in the middle of the road. They have diverted the 24-Kilometre Mamfe-Aburi-Adenta Road because of the major road works. The Mamfe-Larteh-Adenta diversion makes the journey twice as long. The longer route is the shorter.

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The text can best be regarded as _____.

A. expository

B. argumentative

C. narrative

D. analytical

484. "That year, the harvest was sad, like a funeral, and many farmers wept as they dug up the miserable yams. One man tied his cloth to a tree branch and hung himself."

The mood conveyed by the writer is one of _____.

A. excitement

B. sadness

C. joy

D. triumph

E. elation

485. In literary works, a recurrent image is known as _____.

A. theme

B. motif

C. episode

D. mood

486. A poem without a regular beat and rhyme is referred to as a _____.

A. blank verse

B. free verse

C. solomon verse

D. traditional verse

487. _____ is a drama that is full of sensational events, exaggerated characters and often ends happily.

A. Melodrama

B. Innuendo

C. Monodrama

D. Comedy

488. When a writer uses words or expressions with a meaning different from the literal interpretation, he is said to apply _____.

A. poetic justice

B. authorial expression

C. literary terms

D. figurative language

489. Tragic-flaw refers to _____.

A. the leading character that dies out of love in a story

B. the freedom a writer enjoys from deviating from convention

C. the weakness in a hero that causes his downfall

D. the higest point of suspence in a story

490. "She purged the air of pestilence" is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. paradox

C. metaphor

D. irony

491. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Dialogue

B. Monologue

C. Soliloquy

D. Aside

492. A novel is a _____.

A. prose writing about great people

B. prose writing about various people

C. long prose narrative fiction

D. long story involving human characters

493. 'The woman whose breasts I sucked is gone to the worms'.

The statement is an example of _____.

A. sadism

B. sophism

C. satire

D. euphemism

494. 'Political language is designed to make lies sound truthful and murder respectable, and to give an appearance of solidity to pure minds.'

The writer here is suggesting that political language is _____.

A. convincing

B. deceptive

C. interesting

D. destructive

E. commendable

495. "His legs bestride the ocean, his rear'd arm

Crested the world, his voice was propertied

As all the tuned spheres"

The above verse is an example of _____.

A. rhetorical question

B. simile

C. assonance

D. hyperbole

E. euphemism

496. An expression, idea, or element of an artistic work which has become overused to the point of losing its original meaning, or effect is called _____.

A. a cliché

B. a cacophony

C. an epigram

D. an archetype

497. Which of the following best describes literature?

A. Tells the story of great men and women.

B. It is the reflection of man's life in the society.

C. It is a record of past events.

D. The description of events that never happened.

498. In poetry, metre is measuring a line of poetry based on the _____ of the words.

A. number

B. feet

C. length

D. rhythm

499. Which of the following is not an element of fiction?

A. theme

B. style

C. cast

D. plot

E. setting

500. Read the poem below and answer the question

I wonder how long, you awful parasite
Shall share with me this little bed
And make me, from sweet dreams be lost
By sucking blood from my poor head
I should not say man has much
Blood which you and your families do feed
On; for supper, diner and lunch
And besides, you do in my bed breed
Clever thou art, tiny creature;
You attend me when I am asleep
When thou art sure, I can't you capture
Just at the time I snore deep
Tis so strange that before twilight
The bed clear of you would seem;
For not one of you is on my sight
As if your presence was in a dream

The subject of the poem is a _____.

A. bad habit
B. healthy meal
C. insect bite
D. sound sleep

501. Literary works are classified into _____.

A. cantose
B. episodes
C. eras
D. genres

502. The fact that the man is a thief is an open secret is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. absurd

C. oxymoron

D. simile

503. "Life's but a walking shadow; a poor player." is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. assonance

C. metaphor

D. pun

E. onomatopoeia

504. In poetry, a unit of unstressed and stressed syllable is called a _____.

A. couplet

B. foot

C. metre

D. dactyl

505. The following except _____ is not a term.

A. plot

B. stage direction

C. characterisation

D. theme

506. A novel is written in _____.

A. chapters

B. pages

C. scenes

D. acts

507. "How can he compare our thanks-giving service with theirs? After all, millions of people attended ours while very few people were seen at theirs".

In the above statement, the speaker uses _____ to express himself.

A. paradox

B. oxymoron

C. hyperbole

D. comparison

508. ___ is the deliberate repetition of words or sentence structure for emphasis.

A. Parallelism

B. Symbolism

C. Repetition

D. Diction

509. A deliberate understatement in which a negative remark is substituted for a positive one is called _____.

A. magnitism

B. oxymoron

C. litotes

D. absurd

510. _____ refers to a disruption of harmonic sounds or rhythms.

A. catastroph

B. dissonance

C. distortion

D. dirge

511. "I must be cruel only to be kind." is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. alliteration

C. metonymy

D. simile

E. oxymoron

512. _____are the medium through which a reader interacts with a piece of literature.

A. actors

B. playwrights

C. audience

D. characters

513. "...while the evening is spread out against the sky,

Like a patient etherized upon a table"

The above couplet is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. simile

C. oxymoron

D. paradox

E. synecdoche

514. A plot structure includes _____.

A. theme, mood and tone

B. satirical, metaphorical and rhetorical

C. progressive, narrative and thematic development

D. prose, drama and poetry

E. language, characterisation and settings

515. Deus ex Machina refers to the incidence where an implausible concept or character is introduced to resolve the _____ in the story and to bring about a pleasing solution.

A. conflict

B. catastrophe

C. climax

D. contrast

516. Dialogue is crucial in a piece of drama, because it _____.

A. makes the audience laugh

B. is like a discourse

C. reveals the characters

D. makes the characters honest

517. Scientific and journalistic texts are examples of _____ prose

A. factual

B. persuasive

C. partial

D. characteristic

518. Read the poem below and answer the following question

I love you; my gentle one

My love is the fresh milk of rubindi

Which you drank on the wedding day

My love is the butter we were smeared with

To seal fidelity into our hearts

You are the cattle - birds egg

For those who say you are wealthy

YOU ARE THE PAPYRUS REED OF THE LAKE

WHICH THEY PULL OUT WITH BOTH HANDS

And I sing for you with tears

Because you possess my heart

I love you, my gentle one

The poem is a blank verse because it _____.

A. has no rhyme scheme

B. is a contemporary sonnet

C. alternate rhyme scheme

D. contains couplets

519. The theme of a work of art is also known as the _____.

A. concluding part

B. central thought

C. central role

D. introductory part

520. A style of writing involving the use of letters to communicate is known as _____ style.

A. a romantic

B. an epistolary

C. a documentary

D. a realistic

521. A dungeon horrible, one all insides round

As one great furnace flamed and

yet for those flames

no light, but rather darkness visible

The phrase 'darkness visible' is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. hyperbole

C. oxymoron

D. litotes

522. Hail to them, by the spirit

Bird thou wert

That from heaven or near it,

In profuse strains of unpremeditated art

The main figure of speech in the poem is _____.

A. apostrophe

B. hyperbole

C. euphemism

D. metonymy

523. "Give us this day our daily bread" illustrates the use of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. synecdoche

C. apostrophe

D. personification

E. None of the above

524. A poem which tells a story in the form of a song is _____.

A. an epic

B. a ballad

C. a pastoral

D. a eulogy

525. _____ is an expression of thoughts, emotions, and life experiences written by a literary artist.

A. Euphemism

B. Literature

C. Analogy

D. Parallelism

526. Happy ye leaves! When as those lily hands,

Which hold my life in their dead doing might,

Shall handle you, and hold in love's soft bands,

Like captives trembling at the victor's sight.

And happy lines on which, with starry light.

The rhyme scheme of the above is _____.

A. abcab

B. aaabb

C. ababb

D. abacd

527. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Actors

B. Stage

C. Dialogue

D. Chapters

528. If we describe "Afritalpiece" as an autobiography, we mean that it is a piece of writing telling us about the life of _____.

A. a historical hero

B. its author

C. a lost city

D. a primitive

529. '...her vespers done of all its wreathed pearls her hair she frees

unclasps her warmed jewel one by one; loosens her fragrant bodice by degrees. Her rich attire creeps rustling to her knees'

The extract depicts the poet's _____.

A. sensuous description

B. attention to matters concerning women

C. mastery of the Spenserian stanza

D. sensual feelings and emotions

530. Character in a literary work talks about the _____.

A. who

B. what

C. where

D. how

531. "The road was endless. One road led to a thousand others, which in turn fed into parts, which fed into dirt tracks which became streets, which ended in avenues and cul-de-sacs"

The description above suggests _____.

A. urban disorder

B. a labyrinth

C. a clutter

D. disharmony

532. 'Aso rock has ordered for the counsellor's release' is an example of _____.

A. metonymy

B. metaphor

C. assonance

D. alliteration

533. "The strong gongs groaning as the guns boom far" illustrates the use of _____.

A. metonymy

B. refrain

C. onomatopoeia

D. repetition

534. Which of the following is not an antonym to hyperbole?

A. Meiosis

B. Litotes

C. Apostrophe

D. Understatement

535. The use of a mild expression to point out an unpleasant truth is known as _____.

A. euphemism

B. allegory

C. irony

D. symbolism

536. 'Hedwig, inspite of her health, held her head to high heavens'.

The dominant literary device in the above statement is _____.

A. alliteration

B. anagnorisis

C. personification

D. prolepsis

537. Read the poem and answer the question

My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow in the sky

So was it when my life began

So is it now I am a man

Or let me die!

The child is the father of the man

And I could wish my day to be

Bound each by natural piety

The above poem actually deals with the theme of _____.

A. old age

B. childhood

C. beauty

D. fatherhood

538. And though at times a thread may break

A new one forms in its wake

To bind us closer and keep us strong

In a special world, where we belong.

What is the rhyme scheme of the above verse?

A. abab

B. aabb

C. abbc

D. abba

539. Dialogue in a literary work varies in structure and tone depending on the people participating in the conversation and the _____ that the author is trying to maintain.

A. plot

B. mood

C. style

D. aspect

540. Tragic flaw can also be referred to as_____.

A. sorrow

B. hamartia

C. anxiety

D. sarcasm

541. A line made up of five feet and considered to be the most common metrical line in English is called _____.

A. quintet

B. pastoral

C. pentarule

D. pentametre

542. Read the poem below and answer the question

Now, joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasure's of free, she cannot sing

As sweet a song as joy confined

Pleasure's a moth that sleeps by day

And dances by false glare at night

But Joy's a beauty butterfly, that loves

To spread its wings in nature's light.

The feelings associated with joy and pleasure in the poem are conveyed through the use of _____.

A. personification

B. euphemism

C. assonance

D. contrast

543. "True wit is nature to advantage drest.

What oft was thought but ne'er so well expressed".

A predominant feature of the above couplet is _____.

A. rhythm

B. pun

C. rhyme

D. paradox

544. A recurrent _____ in a literary work that illustrates theme is_____.

A. image; symbol

B. comedy; irony

C. image; motif

D. theme; fallacy

545. Read the passage and answer the question

Ngotho was pleased. And Nyokabi Njeri was full of joy at the news. For the first time for many years, something like a glimmer of light shone in Ngotho's eyes. He could even be seen making an effort to walk up right. Here at last was a son who might eventually be a match for the Howlands and Jacobos with any others who at all despised him.

Kamanu too was pleased. He hoped he could go on helping Ngoroge. Ngoroge might do something for the family. Ngoroge was happy. His first impulse, when he learnt that he had gone through, was to kneel down and thank God for all He had done for him.

"Give me more and more learning and make me the instrument of thy light and peace." To go to secondary school, the big mission at Siriana was no small achievement.

The theme of the extract from Ngugi wa Thiong'o's Weep Not Child is the _____.

A. resistance to oppression

B. ambition to become a priest

C. quest for education

D. desire for happiness

546. Which of the following is not a type of drama?

A. Burlesque

B. Tragedy

C. Resolution

D. Pantomime

547. Compressed lines are a feature of _____

A. comedy

B. drama

C. poetry

D. prose

548. A person who provides amusement through inappropriate appearance and/or behavior is called a _____.

A. buffoon

B. villain

C. hero

D. protagonist

E. antagonist

549. _____ is a lively comedy involving ridiculous action and dialogue which is intended to cause laughter through exaggeration and extravagance rather than by a realistic imitation of life.

A. Humour

B. Fable

C. Farce

D. Comedy

550. The blank verse is also known as _____.

A. rhymed iambic pentameter

B. unrhymed pentameter

C. iambic pentameter

D. unrhymed iambic pentameter

551. A _____ is known as an arrangement of a certain number of lines, that forms a division of a poem.

A. verse

B. caesura

C. stanza

D. metre

552. "Blue Moon, you saw me standing alone

Without a dream in my heart

Without a love of my own."

The above verse is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. simile

C. apostrophe

D. synecdoche

553. Ring out your bells, let mourning shows be spread;

For Love is dead—

All love is dead, infected

With plague of deep disdain;

Worth, as nought worth, rejected,

And Faith fair scorn doth gain.

From so ungrateful fancy,

From such a female franzy,

From them that use men thus,

Good Lord, deliver us!

- Sir Philip Sydney

The above poem has a rhyme scheme of _____.

A. aabbccdeef

B. aabcbcddee

C. aabcbcddeb

D. ababccbdde

554. A writer is said to employ _____ when he says for example, "Ibimina tried hard to convince herself that her Nollywood dreams were worth pursuing but her parents, and her inner voice of reason, seemed to disagree.

A. connotation

B. characterization

C. climax

D. conflict

555. Forerunner, I would like to say, silent pilot,

Little dry death, future,

Your indirections are as strange to me

As my own. I know so little that anything

You might tell me would be a revelation.

- W.S Merwin "Sire"

The figure of speech used in the above verse is _____.

A. epigram

B. synecdoche

C. paradox

D. apostrophe

556. One of the following writers is better known as a playwright than a novelist?

A. C. Achebe

B. C. Ekwensi

C. W. Soyinka

D. J. P. Clark

E. E. G. Okoro

557. The expression "He nodded his agreeing head" is an example of _____.

A. anaphora

B. hypallage

C. litotes

D. metaphor

558. The enclosed rhyme scheme is signified by _____ as its symbol.

A. ABBA

B. ABAB

C. AABB

D. AAAB

559. A literary work is called a narrative because it _____.

A. gives an account of events

B. has an elevated style

C. is difficult to understand

D. has a regular point of view

E. has mood and theme

560. A _____ is an eight-line stanza that has just two rhymes which repeats the first line as the fourth and seventh lines, and the second line as the eighth.

A. iambic

B. triolet

C. octave

D. dactyl

561. The first person narrator in drama is usually the _____.

A. protagonist

B. omniscient character

C. offended character

D. antagonist

562. Nature sent him into the world strong and lusty in a throwing condition wearing his own hair on his head the proper branches of this reasoning vegetable until the axe of intemperance has lopped off his green boughs and left him a withered trunk.

In this passage, 'axe of intemperance' means _____.

A. hot temper

B. cool temper

C. evil mind

D. recklessness

563. The short story as a literary form is like the _____.

A. play

B. poetry

C. tragedy

D. novel

Read the poem and answer the question

564. Now, joy is born of parents poor
And pleasure of our richer kind
Though pleasure's of free, she cannot sing
As sweet a song as joy confined
Pleasure's a moth that sleeps by day
And dances by false glare at night
But Joy's a beauty butterfly that loves
To spread its wings in nature's light.

The dominant device used in presenting "Joy" and "Pleasure" in the first stanza is _____.

A. diction

B. oxymoron

C. personification

D. conceit

565. "Sleep, o sleep
With thy rod of incantation
Charm my imagination
Then, only then, I cease to weep
By thy power
The virgin, by time O'er taken

For years for lorn, forsaken

Enjoys the happy hour

What's to sleep

Tis a visionary blessing."

The dominant device used in the first line is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. rhyme

C. apostrophe

D. metaphor

566. Read the poem below and answer the following question

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My love is the fresh milk of rubindi

Which you drank on the wedding day

My love is the butter we were smeared with

To seal fidelity into our hearts

You are the cattle - birds egg

For those who say you are wealthy

YOU ARE THE PAPYRUS REED OF THE LAKE

WHICH THEY PULL OUT WITH BOTH HANDS

And I sing for you with tears

Because you possess my heart

I love you, my gentle one

The predominant literary device used in the poem is _____.

A. metaphor

B. epigram

C. oxymoron

D. apostrophe

567. Farce thrives on _____.

A. big events

B. premonition

C. absurdity

D. incidents

568. Which of the following is a narrative technique in a novel?

A. Casting

B. Dream

C. Flashback

D. Prologue

E. Social relevance

569. _____ is generally a peculiar feature in drama.

A. Humour

B. Satire

C. Sarcasm

D. Action

570. "And yonder all before us lie. Deserts of vast eternity", illustrates the use of _____.

A. allegory

B. personification

C. oxymoron

D. allusion

571. Propaganda text is an example of _____ prose

A. factual

B. persuasive

C. advertisment

D. all of the above

572. Poetry is a _____.

A. piece of literary work that is not really concise in nature but expresses deep thoughts.

B. piece of work that majorly conveys social issues and cultural values.

C. genre of literature that seeks to correct all the ills of the society.

D. literary work that expresses people's thoughts, feelings, emotions.

573. Autobiography and biography are the most common forms of _____ prose.

A. scientific

B. nonfictious

C. descriptive

D. fictious

574. Choose the odd one.

A. Metaphor

B. Lyric

C. Personification

D. Cacophony

E. Simile

575. The early morning smoke had now gone off the eyes of the day.

Trees and houses were still wet from last night's, but a cool breeze

caressed the world like a gentle hand

The dominant literary device in this short extract is _____.

A. metaphor

B. oxymoron

C. synecdoche

D. personification

576. "In mist or cloud

On mast or shroud".

The metrical pattern used in the above couplet is _____.

A. iambic

B. trochaic

C. anapaestic

D. dactylic

577. A literary work in which a writer is more concerned with artistic qualities and techniques than with conveying a message, even if it is instructive. is best described as _____.

A. nondidactic

B. fiction

C. monodactic

D. didactic

578. The literary device in the statement

"students are to come to class with their Shakespeare" is called _____.

A. metonymy

B. litotes

C. synecdoche

D. personification

579. He sits under a bough

Utters a loud cough,

Wipes his sweating brow

And gives the dog a blow.

The poet makes use of _____ in the above verse.

A. masculine rhyme

B. eye rhyme

C. internal rhyme

D. end rhyme

580. In the line, "I walk upon the thorns of life" the metre is _____.

A. trochaic

B. anapestic

C. iambic

D. dactylic

581. "The movie was not half bad." illustrates the use of _____.

A. metaphor

B. personification

C. simile

D. litotes

582. Then suddenly her heart was whipped up, she now rode on strange waves alone defying the wind and the rain, alone fighting hunger and thirst in the desert; alone struggling with strange demons in the forest, bringing glad tidings to her people.

The mood of the lady in this passage is one of

A. arrogant defeat

B. agonising depression

C. triumphant defiance

D. simple elation

E. grueling sorrow

583. But the towering earth was tired of sitting in one position. She moved suddenly, and the houses crumbled, the mountains heaved horribly, and the work of a million years was lost.

The image depicted in the above description is one of _____.

A. destruction

B. creation

C. happiness

D. admiration

584. _____ rhyme can be defined as a rhyme in which the stressed syllables of ending consonants match, however the preceding vowel sounds do not match.

A. Ending

B. Absurd

C. Full

D. Half

585. "Money here money there

Everywhere, anywhere, whatever you want, money

But where is the money to spend?''

Children and family matters, you are useful

Health and education matters

Food and transport

Night and day

Church and mosque

In the Lord's name

The tone of the poem is underlayed with _____.

A. sadness and lamentation

B. happiness and excitement

C. apathy and non challance

D. resignation and joy

586. "The month of July crept in.The sky, like a hooded monk wore black, as in mourning, ready to shed. The sky sending high and low alike scurrying into hiding. The town had never known such a downpour, it was forty-eight hours of weeping by both the heavens".

What is subject of the passage?

A. Cloud

B. Climate

C. Rainfall

D. Flood

587. "Memory is a crazy woman that hoards coloured rags and throws away food." is an example of _____.

A. lyric

B. metonymy

C. metaphor

D. simile

588. My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow on the sky

So was it when my life began,

So is it now that I am a man

So be it when I shall grow

The child is the father of the man

The literary device used in line six is an example of _____.

A. synecdoche

B. irony

C. paradox

D. hyperbole

589. The main function of the use of _____ is that it allows a writer to teach a philosophical or moral truth.

A. aphorism

B. simile

C. synecdoche

D. arguement

590. Literature brings about all of the following except _____.

A. education

B. entertainment

C. relaxation

D. conflict

591. Which of the following options is not a characteristic of limerick?

A. It is a five line poem

B. It has witty or humorous intent

C. It has the rhyme scheme aabba

D. It has the rhyme scheme aabbc

592. A short speech at the beginning of a literary work which serves as commentary is termed _____.

A. monologue

B. prologue

C. chalogue

D. ppilogue

593. The moment of heightened tension in a play is called _____.

A. denouement

B. denotation

C. conflict

D. climax

594. 'Dr Johnson takes his tea in oceans' is an example of _____.

A. conflict

B. climax

C. fashback

D. hyperbole

595. 'We have come to the crossroads
And I must either come leave or come with you
I lingered over the choice
But in the darkness of my doubts
You lifted the lamp of love
And I saw in your face
The road that I should take'
The poem ends on _____ note.

A. an indecisive

B. a despairing

C. a hopeful

D. a determinative

596. “My life is my purpose. My life is my goal. My life is my inspiration.”

The literary device used in the above statement is called _____.

A. antithesis

B. ambiguity

C. anaphora

D. alliteration

597. Now joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasure's free, she cannot sing

As sweet a song as joy confined

Pleasure is a moth that sleeps by day

And dances by false glare at night

But joy is a butterfly that loves

to spread its wings in nature's light.

The underlined expression is an example of _____.

A. irony

B. hyperbole

C. simile

D. metaphor

598. Dialogue is crucial in a piece of drama because it _____.

A. makes the audience laugh

B. is like a discourse

C. reveals the character's mind

D. makes the character honest

E. makes the audience to cry

599. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Elegy

B. Ballad

C. Metaphor

D. Ode

600. When critics focus on the writer and the social situation under which the work is written, it is called _____criticism

A. extrinsic

B. intrinsic

C. mauriac

D. sententious

601. The device used by an author to express an unpleasant experience in a mild way, is called _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metaphor

C. euphemism

D. paradox

602. Ladies, like variegated tulips, show;

'Tis to their changes half their charms we owe;

Fine by defect, and delicately weak,

Their happy spots the nice admirer take,

'Twas thus calypso once each heart alarm'd,

Aw'd without virtue, without beauty.

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abcdab

B. aabbcd

C. aabbcc

D. abcdef

603. Histories make men wise; poets, witty; the mathematics, subtile; natural philosophy, deep; moral, grave; logic and rhetoric, able to contend.

- Francis Bacon.

The above statement is an example of the use of _____.

A. ellipsis

B. zeugma

C. evidence

D. hubris

604. A long narrative prose is called _____.

A. a novelette

B. a fable

C. a novel

D. a ballad

605. What is an innuendo?

A. A technique for using two terms that contradict each other.

B. The substitution of a word or phrase for a proper name.

C. The technique of saying something while implying another.

D. A technique of explicit comparison between two things.

E. None of the above.

606. A short poem expressing intense emotions and usually sung is a _____.

A. ode

B. pastoral

C. elegy

D. lyric

607. The part of the plot that introduces the setting and characters and presents the events and situations that the story will focus on _____.

A. prologue

B. climax

C. epilogue

D. exposition

608. A figure of speech in which two contradictory expressions are used side by side is known as _____.

A. contrast

B. antithesis

C. oxymoron

D. euphemism

609. The metre used in the statement, "I walk upon the thorns of life." is _____.

A. trochaic

B. anapaestic

C. iambic

D. dactylic

610. Read the passage and answer the question.

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second only to our own, is reduced to a carcass ready for processing into crayons, lipsticks, shoe polish, fertilizer, margarine and pet food.

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...."like a steer in a slaughterhouse" is an example of ____.

A. simile

B. metaphor

C. personification

D. assonance

611. A dramatic performance with only bodily movements and without vocal utterance is called _____.

A. a mime

B. a drama

C. a soliloquy

D. an opera

612. The sonnet is a 14-line poem in iambic pentameter with a set _____.

A. rhyme scheme

B. metrical scheme

C. rythymic sound

D. metrical foot

613. If we must die let it not be like dogs

hunted and penned in an inglorious spot

while around us bark the mad and hungry dogs,

making their mock at our accursed lot.

The mood of the writer is that of _____.

A. disgust

B. indignation

C. disrespect

D. consternation

614. The repetition of similar vowel sounds without lines is known as _____.

A. alliteration

B. assonance

C. onomatopoeia

D. rhyme

615. An aside is a dramatic device in which a character _____.

A. addresses another character and the audience

B. says something intended for the audience only

C. reveals his intentions to his friends in the audience

D. mumbles words heard by characters on another end of the stage

616. "True wit is nature to advantage dressed,

What oft was thought, but ne'er so well expressed".

The above verse can be best described as a _____.

A. couplet

B. limerick

C. sonnet

D. cinquain

617. An address to a metaphysical source of inspiration by a poet is called _____.

A. clairvoyance

B. inspiration

C. invocation

D. nemesis

618. _____ novel is a popular sub-genre of prose fiction which is usually satirical and depicts, in realistic and often humorous detail, the adventures of a roguish hero of low social class who lives by his wits in a corrupt society.

A. A historical

B. An epistolary

C. A picaresque

D. An epic

619. "The afternoon sun threw down very strong heat. But it was not long before its presence was being menaced by some other celestial element. Droves of black cloud floated past its face now and then, defiant, as in a determined and fearless draft of protest, and the earth below was treated just as often to brief intervals of sunless calm. Not many birds played beneath the changing light and shade. The few that ventured, showed against the vast celestial sheet either as swift, active, little black bolts or else like so many big charred leaves rising out of a bonfire and floating lazily across the face of the sky."

(The Victims, by Isidore Okpewho)

The author describes the afternoon sun as _____.

A. nonchalant

B. disinterested

C. scourging

D. defiant

620. Free flowing narrative with a wide range of characters, events and expriences is called _____.

A. plot

B. prose

C. drama

D. poetry

621. Alliteration in poetry, also known as _____ rhyme refers to matching initial consonant sounds in words.

A. imperfect

B. head

C. perfect

D. syllabic

622. The number of metrical feet in an heptametre is _____.

A. three

B. four

C. seven

D. five

623. Christianity shone like a beacon in the black night of paganism illustrates the use of _____.

A. meiosis

B. diction

C. simile

D. synedoche

624. I love to pass my fingers

As tide through the weeds of the sea

And wind the tall fern fronds

Through the strands of your hair

Dark as night that screens the naked moon

The dominant figure of speech employed in the lines above is _____.

A. metaphor

B. alliteration

C. rhythm

D. simile

625. "I must comfort the weaker vessel, as doublet and hose ought to show itself courageous to petticoat" is an example of _____.

A. pun

B. onomatopoeia

C. simile

D. metonymy

E. metaphor

626. Literature is studied as a subject in school because it _____.

A. enhances the student's literary skills

B. sharpens a reader's critical thinking

C. merely gives additional work to students

D. entertains the audience

E. provides a means to kill time

627. An actor who says one thing but intends the opposite, is making use of _____.

A. dramatic irony

B. verbal irony

C. aside

D. soliloquy

628. "The bike fly high over the hills beyond the corn fields". What poetic device is used in the above expression?

A. Assonance

B. Alliteration

C. Metaphor

D. Metonymy

629. I too crossed the rivers, and the virgin ambushes of the forests,

where hyenas hung down, more treacherous than serpents'.

In the eyes of the writer, the word 'forest' can be interpreted as _____.

A. friendliness

B. insecurity

C. innocence

D. fertility

E. safety

630. The main character in a literary work is also known as _____.

A. antagonist

B. protagonist

C. narrator

D. villain

631. The objective of _____ is to preach some kind of a moral lesson.

A. syllepsis

B. literature

C. allegory

D. alliteration

632. The specific literary term used to distinguish a novel from a play is _____.

A. genre

B. verse

C. diction

D. style

633. The hero in a story is also known as the _____.

A. observer

B. antagonist

C. actor

D. protagonist

634. "The whole city was present at the naming ceremony" is an example of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. hyperbole

C. onomatopoeia

D. repetition

635. A _____ is an emotional discharge through which one can achieve a state of moral or spiritual renewal or achieve a state of liberation from anxiety and stress.

A. catharsis

B. cadence

C. ballad

D. soliloquy

636. My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow on the sky

So was it when my life began,

So is it now that I am a man

So be it when I shall grow

The child is the father of the man

The literary device used in line one is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. alliteration

C. litotes

D. personification

637. "The Comstock's belong to the most dismal of all classes, the middle middle class, the landless gentry. In their miserable poverty they had not even the snobbish consolation of regarding poverty; they had not even the snobbish consolation of regarding them".

The writer's tone is _____.

A. melancholic

B. matter-of-fact

C. bitterly humorous

D. sympathetic

E. sad

638. "I think we've reached a point of great decision, not just for our nation, not only for all humanity, but for life upon the earth".

The literary device used in the above description is an example of _____.

A. climax

B. metaphor

C. simile

D. oxymoron

639. A Septet is a poem of _____ lines.

A. sixteen

B. seventeen

C. six

D. seven

E. eight

640. Which of the following is not a characteristic of narrative poem?

A. Legendary

B. Chronicled

C. It is short

D. It is long

641. Representing a thing or a person by the something associated with them refers to the term _____.

A. metonymy

B. litotes

C. absurb

D. synecdoche

642. Slowly, the silence on the mountain top deepened till the click of the fire and the soft hiss of roasting meat could be heard clearly...

'Soft hiss of roasting meat' refers to the _____.

A. gentle response of the animal being roasted

B. rudeness of the animal to the hunter

C. gentle process of roasting on the fire

D. dropping of the meat's fat in the fire

643. A phrase or line repeated at intervals within a poem, or at the end of a stanza is known as _____.

A. a refrain

B. a chorus

C. a dialogue

D. an aside

644. Can you can a can as a canner would can a can? The literary device used here is _____.

A. verbal irony

B. assonance

C. alliteration

D. imagery

645. What technique does a writer apply when he manipulates fictional time by using a character's memory to provide details from an earlier time that inform the time of the main action?

A. Slow motion

B. Flashback

C. Summary

D. Anaphora

646. The month of July crept in. The sky like a hooded monk wore black, as in morning, ready to shred its load. The sun was mystified while heaps of sand and dust spiraled high up in the sky sending high and low alike scurrying into hiding . The town had never known such a damper. It was forty-eight hours of weeping by both the heavens and the inhabitants of Olosi who lost most of their life's savings in this destructive blessing.

"High and low alike" in the society refers to _____.

A. rulers of the village

B. women and their children

C. chiefs and their subjects

D. the rich and the poor

647. The act of creating a ridiculous effect by the unintentional misuse of words that sound alike is known as _____.

A. malapropism

B. metonymy

C. onomatopoeia

D. pun

648. "Seasons of mists and mellow fruitfulness.

Close bosom-friend of the mating sun

Conspiring with him how to load and bless

With the fruit the vines that round the

thatch-eves run;

To blend with apples and moss'd cottage trees,

And fill all fruit with ripeness to the core

To swell the gourd, and plump the hazel shells

With sweet kernel; to set budding more,

And still more, later flowers for the bees,

Until they think warm days will never cease,

For summer has o'er brimm'd their clammy cells."

The dominant image in the above poem is _____.

A. cosmic

B. metallic

C. harsh

D. sensuous

E. domestic

649. A drama that is essentially musical is known as _____.

A. an opera

B. a fable

C. a lampoon

D. a limerick

650. "Money here money there

Everywhere, anywhere, whatever you want, money
But where is the money to spend?''
Children and family matters, you are useful
Health and education matters
Food and transport
Night and day
Church and mosque
In the Lord's name''.
The mood set here can be described as one of _____.

A. sarcasm

B. indifference

C. despair

D. joy

651. To be total or complete, a play needs to have _____

A. soliloquy

B. conflict

C. prologue

D. epilogue

652. What is an antithesis?

A. The juxtaposition of similar or like ideas.

B. The arrangement of words in an increasing order.

C. The use of contrasting or opposing ideas.

D. The arrangement of words in a decreasing order.

653. A character that develops with events and situations in a novel is _____ character.

A. a flat

B. a sound

C. a minor

D. the main

654. "How soon hath Time, the subtle thief of youth,

Stolen on his wing my three and twentieth year!

My hasting days fly on with full career,

But my late spring no bud or blossom shew'th".

The above verse is an example of _____ rhyme.

A. Tercet

B. couplet

C. enclosed rhyme

D. Sestet

655. The figure of speech employed in "a loud silence greeted the last election", is _____.

A. apostrophe

B. metaphor

C. oxymoron

D. paradox

E. simile

656. A symbolic representation of ideas, actions and situations in a work of art is called _____.

A. fable

B. allegory

C. romance

D. parody

657. "Put a sword in the heart of the land", implies _____.

A. murder

B. danger

C. strife

D. destruction

658. Another name for the villain is the _____.

A. hero

B. antagonist

C. foil character

D. flat character

E. backdrop character

659. "Nothing so true as what you once let fall, most women have no characters at all". The mood in the above statement is _____.

A. pessimistic

B. jubilant

C. anticipatory

D. optimistic

660. An overstatement deliberately made for artistic impact is called _____.

A. repetition

B. hyperbole

C. contrast

D. irony

661. Read the poem below and answer the following question

O stealing time, the subject of delay

Delay the rack of unrefrained desire

What strange design has thou my hopes to stay?

My hopes which do but to mine own aspire

Old age is wise, and full of constant truth

Old age well stayed from ranging humour lives

Old age hath known, whatever was in youth

Old age overcome the greater honour gives

The predominant figure of speech in stanza 2 is _____.

A. consonance

B. alliteration

C. personification

D. epigram

662. "My mother-inlaw has kicked the bucket", illustrates the use of _____.

A. bathos

B. euphemism

C. paradox

D. irony

663. There are _____ types of style.

A. four

B. three

C. six

D. five

664. _____ is the discrepancy between expectation and reality.

A. Irony

B. Simile

C. Metaphor

D. Synecdoche

665. The dramatic disagreement between the protoganist and the antogonist in a play is known _____.

A. Dialogue

B. conflict

C. understanding

D. climax

666. In spite of the stain, the princess looked beautiful in her blue satin dress.

The two underlined words are known as _____.

A. homophones

B. polygram

C. homonyms

D. anagram

667. Drama is a type of_____ usually written to be ____.

A. stanza, performed

B. literary, danced

C. literature, performed

D. literature, harnessed

668. The bees are buzzing and humming with great zest,

the doves are cooing,

and the children chatter

as they chatter downstairs

to come and dabble in the cool system.

"What is the predominant sound device in the above verse?

A. assonance

B. consonance

C. onomatopoeia

D. alliteration

669. The repetition of initial consonant sound in poetry is ____.

A. assonance

B. rhyme

C. alliteration

D. oxymoron

670. A character that serves by contrast to highlight or emphasize opposing traits in another character is called _____.

A. an antagonist

B. a pawn

C. a foil

D. a clown

671. Read the passage and answer the question.

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The theme of the passage is that _____.

A. whales are a menace to mankind

B. the killing of whales is unnecessary

C. the importance of whale hunting

D. whales are highly intelligent

672. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Eulogy

B. Clown

C. Protagonist

D. Antagonist

E. Villain

673. "The mosquito-proof netting was dust clogged and had holes large enough to admit cows"

The literary device used in this expression is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. metaphor

C. hyperbole

D. simile

674. The _____ of a work of fiction is, generally refers to the context surrounding the characters which includes the physical environment, the time period, and the emotional atmosphere of a work of fiction.

A. setting

B. plot

C. theme

D. structure

675. A piece of writing that attacks or makes fun of a person in an insulting manner is known as _____.

A. lampoon

B. paradox

C. leading

D. demagogue

676. "Here comes the princess; now, heaven walks on earth".

This statement illustrates the use of _____.

A. contrast

B. metaphor

C. metonymy

D. meiosis

677. "The moon has ascended between us

Between two pines

That bow to each other;

Love with the moon has ascended

Has fed on our solitary stems;

And we are now shadows

That cling to each other,

But kiss the air only".

In the poem, "the moon" is the metaphor for _____.

A. beauty

B. love

C. division

D. attention

678. An author uses _____ to create a series of events that leads to a climax that captivates the audience and makes them tense and anxious to know what is going to happen.

A. theme

B. plot

C. suspense

D. denouement

679. "...a light to his feet and a lamp to his path" is an example of

A. metaphor

B. synedoche

C. climax

D. bathos

680. "O stranger of the future!

O inconceivable being!

whatever the shape of your house,

however you scoot from place to place,

no matter how strange and colorless

the clothes you may wear,

I bet nobody likes a wet dog either.

The above verse is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. innuendo

C. apostrophe

D. hyperbole

681. "My heart is a lonely hunter that hunts on a lonely hill." illustrates the use of _____.

A. simile

B. alliteration

C. hyperbole

D. assonance

682. The events that unfold in a story is termed as the _____.

A. enjambment

B. rhyme

C. peroration

D. theme

E. plot

683. A poem lamenting the death of someone is known as _____.

A. lyric

B. sonnet

C. ballad

D. threnody

684. The leaves are withered

Roses fold and shrink

Dog the panting athlete shows his tongue

A dwarfed shadow flees

Hide under legs

Nuts wrinkle and crack

_____ is a predominant image presented in the poem.

A. A spent life

B. Summer

C. Death

D. Tiredness

685. _____ is the act of using two contradictory words for emphasis and poetic beauty.

A. Apostrophe

B. Oxymoron

C. Metaphor

D. Simile

686. An allegorical narrative intended to convey a moral lesson is known as _____.

A. apologue

B. climax

C. apology

D. syllepsis

687. "Ignorance is strength" is an example of _____.

A. assonance

B. ryhme

C. paradox

D. oxymoron

688. A narrative in oral tradition that may include legends and fables is a _____.

A. ballad

B. pastoral

C. folktale

D. romance

Read the poem and answer the question.

689. Behold her, single in the field

Yon solitary highland lass!

Reaping and singing by herself;

Stop here or gently pass!

Alone she cuts and binds the grain,

And sings a melancholy strain;

O listen! for the vale profound

Is overflowing with the sound.

The rhyming scheme in the first stanza of the poem is ____.

A. abcb

B. abab

C. abca

D. abcd

690. A figure of speech in which a part stands for a whole or a whole for a part is referred to as _____.

A. personification

B. partition

C. simile

D. meiosis

E. synecdoche

691. A word spelled out by rearrangement of the letters of another word; is known as _____.

A. monogram

B. homonym

C. malapropism

D. anagram

692. "Fear knocked on the door. Faith answered", is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. simile

C. metaphor

D. hyperbole

693. A literary work can be termed didactic if it _____.

A. entertains

B. comforts

C. criticizes

D. instructs

694. The moment of peak tension in a play is the _____.

A. denouement

B. catharsis

C. cast

D. climax

695. Here she lies, a pretty bud,
Lately made of flesh and blood,
Who as soon fell fast asleep
As her little eyes did peep.
Give her strewings, but not stir
The earth that lightly covers her.
- Robert Herrick

The above verse is an example of _____.

A. a proverb

B. a dialogue

C. an epigram

D. an epitaph

696. The introductory segment of a dramatic performance is known as _____.

A. An epilogue

B. A prelude

C. An interlude

D. A prologue

697. In literature, _____ are often used to provide emphasis, freshness of expression, or clarity.

A. figures of speech

B. rhetorical questions

C. parts of speech

D. phonemic expressions

698. "The afternoon sun threw down very strong heat. But it was not long before its presence was being menaced by some other celestial element. Droves of black cloud floated past its face now and then, defiant, as in a determined and fearless draft of protest, and the earth below was treated just as often to brief intervals of sunless calm. Not many birds played beneath the changing light and shade. The few that ventured showed against the vast celestial sheet either as swift, active, little black bolts or else like so many big charred leaves rising out of a bonfire and floating lazily across the face of the sky."

(The Victims', by Isidore Okpewho)

"The afternoon sun threw down very strong heat" is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. litotes

C. personification

D. hyperbole

699. Attack is the best form of defence is an example of _____.

A. euphemism

B. oxymoron

C. paradox

D. litotes

700. How many pictures of one Nymph we view,

All how unlike each other, all how true!

Arcadia's Countess, here, in ermin'd pride,

Is, there, Pastora by a fountain side.

Here Fannia, leering on her own good man,

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. aabbc

B. abcaa

C. abcbb

D. aabcc

701. "Life is a working shadow" is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. simile

C. apostrophe

D. oxymoron

702. "Her voice is full of money." is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. metaphor

C. synecdoche

D. metonymy

703. I have wandered on the wilderness

The great wilderness men call life

The rain has beaten me,

And the sharp stumps cut as keen as knives

To the writer, living is an experience to be described as _____.

A. pleasant

B. difficult

C. rewarding

D. exciting

E. bracing

704. "And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity."

-1 Corinthians 13:13

The literary device used in the above description is an example of _____.

A. anticlimax

B. climax

C. onomatopoeia

D. alliteration

705. The Oedipus Rex is a type of _____.

A. tragedy

B. central thought

C. tragi-comedy

D. satire

706. When a persona in a novel tells his own story, the style adopted is known as _____

A. narrative style

B. first person style

C. omniscient style

D. objective style

707. Which of the following is not a type of drama?

A. Burlesque

B. Resolution

C. Tragedy

D. Pantomine

708. Read the passage and answer the question

Joseph turned around, " Be careful you don't slip", he called. Her heel dug for a third step and then the moss stripped off a little. Her hands gripped the moss and tore it out. Joseph saw her head describe a little arc and strike the ground.

As he ran towards her, she turned on her side. Her whole body shuddered violently for a second and then relaxed. He stood over her for an instant before he ran to the spring

and filled his hands with water. But when he came back to her, he let the water fall to the ground for he saw the position of her neck, and the gray that was stealing into her cheeks. " It was too simple, too easy, too quick ", he said.

Joseph's mood here, is one of _____.

A. shock

B. indifference

C. happiness

D. kindness

709. Identify the odd literary device from the list below:

A. Enjambment

B. Plot

C. Rhyme

D. Alliteration

710. Read the passage and answer the question.

In England, her love for Henry blossomed like spring flowers after a hard winter. But she abhorred the way he dressed in England. They fell in love when she was working in the little coffee shop across from the Crystal Palace.

Tall and jovial, he fell romantically in love with her at first sight.

After a brief and hilarious courtship, they got married in a small Presbyterian Chapel in North London. Her people came and mother shed a tear when it was announced that the newly wed couple would go to Africa.

From that day, her world collapsed. He had never even hinted that he had joined the colonial service, neither did she know her honeymoon would be a hurried affair in Brighton. She wept most of the time on board the M.V. Apapa that took them to Africa.

Eight years and her temper grew worse. She got farther and farther away from her husband. They never had a child. A child would have made all the difference in the world.

"From that day her world collapsed " means that _____.

A. she lost touch with every member of her family

B. travelling to Africa will make her wise and resentful

C. she became suspicious and afraid of her husband

D. nothing made sense to her anymore

711. Moments they come and go
Itchy they will fly around
In with December's falling snow
Some love of winter is found
Yesterday is never again born
Only vanishing footsteps going
Through their stepwise worn
Open with the moments flowing
The theme of the above verse is _____.

A. Confusion

B. Love

C. Christmas

D. Time

712. The ending of most comedies is _____.

A. happy

B. natural

C. calm

D. uncertain

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A. happy

B. natural

C. calm

D. uncertain

714. "Poisonous pleasure of wine". This expression illustrates the use of _____.

A. metonymy

B. synecdoche

C. paradox

D. oxymoron

715. "Hedwig, in spite of her misfortune, held her head high to high heavens". The dominant literary device in the preceding statement is _____.

A. alliteration

B. anagnarisis

C. personification

D. prolepsis

716. A complete play needs to have a _____.

A. soliloquy

B. conflict

C. prologue

D. epilogue

E. personification

717. "The country grows more prosperous every year." This statement is an example of _____.

A. synecdoche

B. denouement

C. peroration

D. conclusion

E. an index

718. A narrative that is designed to produce a single dominant effect and contains the elements of drama is called a ____.

A. novel

B. discourse

C. tragedy

D. short story

E. drama

719. Poetry that avoids the use of regular metre is known as _____.

A. lyric

B. limerick

C. free verse

D. blank space.

720. The apparition of these faces in the crowd;

Petals on a wet black bough.

The lines illustrate the use of _____.

A. metaphor

B. simile

C. hyperbole

D. personification

721. The expression " The poor girl stole away my heart and my money." is an example of _____.

A. apologue

B. anaphora

C. syllepsis

D. litotes

722. A character in a literary work that exists primarily to enhance the personal traits of another character through contrast, is considered first as a _____.

A. protagonist

B. antagonist

C. mirror character

D. foil

723. To that same lot, however mean or high,

Toward which Time leads me, and the will of Heav'n:

All is, if I have grace to use it so

As ever in my great Task-Master's eye

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abcd

B. abca

C. aabb

D. abcc

724. "Gullied like the sole of modern shoes", illustrates the use of _____.

A. simile

B. litotes

C. contrast

D. metaphor

725. Now joy is born of parents poor
And pleasure of our richer kind
Though pleasure's free, she cannot sing
As sweet a song as joy confined
Pleasure is a moth that sleeps by day
And dances by false glare at night
But joy is a butterfly that loves
to spread its wings in nature's light.
The underlined expression in the verse refers to _____.

A. a man-made light
B. nature's light
C. the moon's light
D. the sun's light

726. Which of the following is not true of the ballad?

A. It was originally sung.
B. It is mostly part of oral tradition.
C. It tells a popular story.
D. It is written in iambic metre.

727. A poem which expresses grief on the death of a person is called _____.

A. epic
B. elegy
C. ode
D. ballad

728. That is no country for old men. The young
In one another’s arms, birds in the trees

– Those dying generations – at their song,

The salmon-falls, the mackerel-crowded seas,

Fish, flesh, or fowl, commend all summer long

Whatever is begotten, born, and dies.

Caught in that sensual music all neglect

Monuments of unageing intellect.

- W. B. Yeats, “Sailing to Byzantium”

From lines 1, 3, and 5, what rhyme style did the author use?

A. Alternate half rhyme

B. Alternate perfect rhyme

C. Perfect rhyme

D. Imperfect rhyme

729. The expression "All the world is a stage" is an illustration of the figure of speech referred to as _____.

A. simile

B. paradox

C. metaphor

D. parody

730. _____ broadly refers to the description and development of characters.

A. Characterization

B. Casting

C. Categorization

D. Characterzing

731. "Death lays his icy hands on kings"

is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. paradox

C. hyperbole

D. personification

732. A _____ character in a story who has many aspects to his or her personality and may be unpredictable.

A. whole

B. virtuous

C. flat

D. round

733. Read the passage and answer the question.

The killing of a whale at sea isn't pleasant to witness or even to contemplate. Hunted down through solar and other many specialised equipment, the whale has no more chance of escape like a steer in a slaughter house. The manner of its death, however, is very different. A grenade tipped-harpoon explodes deep within his body often causing prolonged suffering before the gentle giant, whose intelligence may be second only to our own, is reduced to a carcass ready for processing into crayons, lipsticks, shoe polish, fertilizer, margarine and pet food.

THE HUMAN MANNER OF DEATH, however, is the least part of the scandal known as the whaling industry. Much more important is the fact that the killing is quite unnecessary.

Adequate substitutes exist for every single use to which the whale carcass are currently put, and although some 32,000 whales are killed every year, the sum of commodities they provide is insignificant in the world's economy.

The expression in capital letters suggests that the writer _____.

A. has an aversion to the process of killing whales

B. finds the whole process of whale hunting fascinating

C. stands aloof to watch whale hunters carry out the activity

D. does not dislike the byproducts of the murdered whales

734. _____ helps in creating an atmosphere in a literary work through setting, theme, diction and tone.

A. Hubris

B. Prologue

C. Dialogue

D. Mood

735. A long narrative poem which depicts country life is called a _____.

A. pasture

B. pastorial

C. pastoral

D. pastural

736. Dialogue in a literary work varies in structure and tone depending on the characters participating conversation as well as the mood the author desires to maintain in his writing.

A. False

B. True

737. The basic elements of poetry include the following except_____.

A. stanza

B. parody

C. rhyme

D. poetic form

E. poetic diction

738. Setting can also be referred to as _____.

A. prose

B. poetry

C. location

D. diction

739. But the towering earth was tired of sitting in one position. She moved, suddenly, and the houses crumbled, the mountains heaved horribly, and the work of a million years was lost.

What is the subject matter of the short narration?

A. Earthquake

B. House movement

C. Sea waves

D. Storm

740. What figure of is used when someone says. "I have wheels"?

A. Personification

B. Partition

C. Synecdoche

D. Metonymy

741. A complex plot can be described as the plot structure that has _____.

A. multiple scenes in a drama series

B. strands of events running concurrently

C. well developed characters

D. an abstract subject and setting

742. "My finger click with a snickers and, chuckling they knuckle the key" the dominant figure of speech used here is _____.

A. parallelism

B. litotes

C. hyperbole

D. onomatopoeia

743. What is referred to as the sequence of beat in a poem?

A. Rhythm

B. Rhyme

C. Meter

D. Stanza

744. The rhyme scheme for limerick is _____.

A. aabba

B. abcde

C. aabcd

D. aabbc

745. "How can he compare our church outing with theirs? After all, millions of people attended ours while very few people were seen at theirs". The predominant literary device used by the speaker is _____.

A. paradox

B. oxymoron

C. hyperbole

D. comparison

746. "I need more hands to finish this job."is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. tempo

C. synecdoche

D. mixed feelings

E. hyperbole

747. The main idea in a novel also known as its _____.

A. style

B. plot

C. theme

D. image

748. An expression that an author uses to create a mental picture is known as _____.

A. paradox

B. exaggeration

C. imagery

D. symbolism

Read the poem and answer question.

749. I have to thank God I'm a woman,

For in these ordered days a woman only

Is free to be very hungry, very lonely.

The tone of the verse is one of _____.

A. sorrow

B. sarcasm

C. happiness

D. anger

750. When a character seems to allow reality slip away from him because a huge amount of power he may have gained and the false belief that he is untouchable, he is said to potray _____.

A. pride

B. tragedy

C. dialogue

D. hubris

751. The concluding segment of a dramatic performance is known as _____.

A. a prelude

B. an epilogue

C. a prologue

D. an interlude

752. "The cat, quick as lightning, pounced on the rat" is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. simile

C. personification

D. assonance

753. "It is an outrage to bind a Roman citizen; it is a crime to scourge him; it is almost patricide to kill him; but to crucify him - what shall I say of this?" This statement illustrates the use of _____.

A. style

B. plot

C. theme

D. climax

754. "She has too many mouths to feed" illustrates the use of _____.

A. euphemism

B. apostrophe

C. synecdoche

D. antithesis

755. When he gave me the bottle and opened it, I was shocked by the odour that hit my nose. I immediately corked it again, and spat on the floor.

The persona's reaction here is that of _____.

A. rejection

B. anger

C. irritation

D. disgust

756. A song composed in spontaneous lamentation of the dead is called _____.

A. an elegy

B. a lyric

C. a dirge

D. a sonnet

757. A narrative point of view includes _____.

A. eternal, enternal omniscient and external subjective narrator

B. objective, external omniscient and external subjective narrator

C. internal, external omniscient and external subjective narrator

D. objective, external subjective and external objective narrator

E. none of the above

758. 'The moon smiles each time it comes out new' is an example of _____.

A. allegory

B. litotes

C. personification

D. oxymoron

759. " Now deep in Taylor and the Book of Martyrs,

Now drinking citron with his grace and chartres:

Now conscience chills her, and now passion burns;

And atheism and religion take their turns;

A very heathen in the carnal part.

"The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abbcc

B. abcab

C. abcab

D. aabbc

760. "Reason is to faith as the eye to the telescope." is an example of _____.

A. pun

B. simile

C. alliteration

D. assonance

E. oxymoron

761. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Structure

B. Mood

C. Style

D. Language

762. It is a brief hymn or song of lamentation and grief; typically composed to be performed at a funeral. It is usually shorter and less meditative than an elegy. This best describes _____.

A. an epigram

B. an epitaph

C. a eulogy

D. a dirge

763. "Thousands of eyes gazed at her as she stood to give her address." is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. partition

C. synecdoche

D. metonymy

764. Which of the following is not a function of literary devices?

A. They give inexplicable meanings to a piece of literature.

B. They help readers to determine the worth of a litrary work.

C. They help a reader to visualize characters and scenes more clearly.

D. They help a reader to compare the works of different writers.

765. The language that expresses powerful emotions and ideas in stanzas that may use rhythm and rhyme, as well as other rhetorical devices is called _____.

A. paradox

B. metaphysics

C. logic

D. poetry

E. poem

766. El-hadji Abdou Kadir Beye was revered in princely style at the girl's home. The food was exquisite and the scent of incense filled N'Gone's small wooden room. Nothing was omitted in the careful process of conditioning the man.

The writer suggests that El-Hadji is being _____.

A. expected

B. worshipped

C. entertained

D. manipulated

767. The dominant idea in a literary work is called _____.

A. technique

B. content

C. theme

D. menu

768. One rhyme scheme typical of the English sonnet is _____.

A. abab cded cdedce

B. abba abba cde cde

C. abba abba cde dce

D. abab cdcd efef gg

769. Read the poem below and answer the following question

Thou art the judge of man

Judging his plans and behaviour

Judging his speech and egotism

You are the patient judge
Nations plan without having thee in view
they boast of their will
But soon you show them their follies
You are the patient judge
Tomorrow and Tomorrow, go here and there
Time smiles and laughs
He frowns his face and consults with fate
You are the patient judge
The poetic device used in the first line is _____.

A. apostrophe
B. personification
C. euphemism
D. litotes

770. The expression, "heart of stone" is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole
B. metonymy
C. paradox
D. metaphor

771. Now joy is born of parents poor
And pleasure of our richer kind
Though pleasure's free, she cannot sing
As sweet a song as joy confined
Pleasure is a moth that sleeps by day
And dances by false glare at night
But joy is a butterfly that loves

to spread its wings in nature's light.

The underlined expression, is an example of _____.

A. metonym

B. synecdoche

C. personification

D. oxymoron

772. The Assyrian came down like the wolf on the fold,

And his cohorts were gleaming in purple and gold;

And the sheen of their spears was like stars on the sea,

When the blue wave rolls nightly on deep Galilee.

-Lord Byron "The Destruction of Sennacherib".

The metrical foot used in the poem is known as _____.

A. anapest

B. dactyl

C. anecdote

D. rhythm

773. 'He uttered a volley of oaths' is an example of _____.

A. climax

B. A lyric

C. metaphor

D. A sonnet

774. Which of these is not an agreeable definition for literature?

A. Literature is everything in the newspaper.

B. Literature is everything on print.

C. Literature is an imaginary garden in which real people live.

D. Literature is a means of communication between a literary artist and his audience

775. Wow! The temperature is below ten degrees; it's going to be a little cool today.

The above statement is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. understatement

C. litotes

D. irony

776. Apart from being the attitude of a writer towards a subject or the audience, _____ throws light on the personalities and dispositions of characters so the reader can better understand them.

A. setting

B. theme

C. tone

D. mood

777. "Was this the face that launched a thousand ships and burnt the topless towers of Ilium?" is an example of _____.

A. pun

B. apostrophe

C. synecdoche

D. onomatopoeia

E. personification

778. A good plot must possess _____.

A. many exciting events

B. good interesting characters

C. a pleasant environment

D. a quality of arousing curiosity

E. a complete and ordered action

779. "Horrendous horros haunted Helen's happiness" illustrates the use of _____.

A. alliteration

B. rhythm

C. rhyme

D. assonance

780. And there lay the rider distorted and pale,
With the dew on his brow, and the rust on his mail:
And the tents were all silent, the banners alone,
The lances unlifted, the trumpet unblown.
-Lord Byron "The Destruction of Sennacherib".
The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abcd

B. aabb

C. abab

D. abca

781. Read the poem below and answer the question
Now, joy is born of parents poor
And pleasure of our richer kind
Though pleasures of free, she cannot sing
As sweet a song as joy confined
Pleasure's a moth that sleeps by day
And dances by false glare at night

But Joy's a beauty Butterfly, that loves

To spread it's wings in Nature's light.

"False glare" refers to _____.

A. man-made light

B. nature's light

C. the moon light

D. the sunlight

782. 'A little learning is dangerous.

Drink deep or taste not the Pierian spring.'

The lines are an example of a _____.

A. quatrain

B. hexameter

C. couplet

D. sestet

783. Now joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasure's free, she cannot sing

As sweet a song as joy confined

Pleasure is a moth that sleeps by day

And dances by false glare at night

But joy is a butterfly that loves

to spread its wings in nature's light.

The dominant device used in presenting "Joy" and "pleasure" in this verse is _____.

A. diction

B. oxymoron

C. personification

D. conceit

784. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Euphemism

B. Oxymoron

C. Hyperbole

D. Rhythm

785. “It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was the epoch of incredulity, it was the season of Light, it was the season of Darkness, it was the spring of hope, it was the winter of despair.”

-Charles Dickens "A Tale of Two Cities".

By repeating "it" while making the reader to focus on the traits of the age, the writer employs _____.

A. anaphora

B. anipest

C. analogy

D. assonance

786. Any literary art which holds up society to ridicule is a _____.

A. satire

B. satin

C. lampoon

D. limerick

787. Though we know that something was wrong with our society, we made no attempt to assess it. Trinidad was too unimportant and we could never be convinced of the value of reading the history of a place which was, as everyone said, only a dot on the map of the world.

The writer here maintains that Trinidad _____.

A. was too insignificant to have a history

B. was so small that her people did not value her history

C. was a mere dot and did not therefore attract people's attention

D. lacked historical significant because it could not compete with the rest of the world.

788. What literary term describes a situation where a hero intends to achieve something but, while doing so, he commits an intentional or accidental error and he ends up achieving exactly the opposite with disastrous results marked by a reversal in fortune?

A. Catastrophe

B. Deus ex Machina

C. Prophesy

D. Hamartia

789. What are the basic elements of drama?

A. Character, plot, episode

B. Dialogue, chorus, plot

C. Character, action, setting

D. Character, monologue, plot

790. A type of rhyme in which the final syllable of one line mimics the sound of the final syllable of another line is called _____ rhyme.

A. feminine

B. internal

C. eye

D. masculine

791. A speech by one of the actors at the end of a play asking for the indulgence of the critics and audiences known as _____.

A. epilogue

B. denouement

C. peroration

D. conclusion

792. A form of hamartia or tragic flaw that stems from overbearing pride and lack of piety is called _____.

A. tragedy

B. nemesis

C. catharsis

D. hubris

793. The recurrence of rhythmic pattern of stress in a poem is called _____.

A. couplet

B. metre

C. consonance

D. scansion

794. 'She is a lady of easy virtue' is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. personification

C. euphemism

D. synecdoche

795. Read the passage and answer the question.

The long column of misery tended to grow longer, as the more robust struggled to get as far as possible from the pursuing French,

and as the weaker fell farther and farther behind. There were enough weaklings. In all conscience, even in summer, the men had been badly clothed, and even in victory, insufficiently fed, and now, it is winter, and Espinosa had been fought and lost, and the route of the retreat lay away from the fertile plains and up into the inhospitable mountains.

The rain had fallen upon them in deluges for days, and now as they climbed higher, it was turning into sleet, and a bitter cold wind blew.

Ahead of them, they could see the snow lying thick on the mountain passes, through which they would have to climb, without food or fuel or rest, and with terror of the French to urge them on. Disease had come inevitably to complete the work so well begun by hunger, exposure and the sword.

The _____is a suitable title for the passage.

A. March of Soldiers

B. Agony of War

C. Pangs of Hunger

D. Dread of Disease

796. "And yonder all before us lie deserts of vast eternity" illustrates the use of _____.

A. allegory

B. personification

C. oxymoron

D. allusion

797. The main female character in a play is called a _____.

A. hero

B. heroine

C. heroin

D. herodian

798. A stanza of four lines is _____.

A. an octave

B. a couplet

C. a quatrain

D. a tercet

799. An ode is a poem written for _____.

A. condemnation

B. celebration

C. instruction

D. entertainment

800. "Penny wise, pound foolish". This statement is an example of _____.

A. metonymy

B. hyperbole

C. metaphor

D. paradox

801. The expression "The world is a stage" is an illustration of the figure of speech referred to as _____.

A. simile

B. paradox

C. metaphor

D. parody

802. In drama, the act of talking to oneself; oblivious to any hearers present is known as _____.

A. stage direction

B. dialogue

C. characterisation

D. soliloquy

803. "Ensure that you be a light in a sea of darkness", the Rector advised the graduating students.

The Rector's advise is an example of _____.

A. irony

B. litotes

C. simile

D. metaphor

804. The most important concepts in poetry is _____.

A. story and action

B. plot and rhythm

C. rhythm and imagery

D. plot and character

805. Which of the following statements best describes the literary term known as satire?

A. It is used to say one thing when something else is meant with the intent of ridiculing the ills of the society.

B. It is used to expose and ridicule human vice or weakness, often with the intent of correcting, or changing, the subject of the attack.

C. Literary work which ridicules the ills of the society or individuals with the intent of causing a political disturbance in the society.

D. A literary work which praises society with intent of causing more positive change and moral stability.

806. Catharsis is a Greek word that means _____.

A. cleansing

B. temper

C. clash

D. disagreement

807. Rhythm in poetry is created by the regular pattern of _____.

A. vowels and consonants

B. long and short words

C. stressed and unstressed syllables

D. stressed syllables and rhymes

808. "2207 is already boiling on the Bunden Burner" exemplifies the use of _____.

A. alliteration

B. assonance

C. onomatopoeia

D. pun

809. The police killed time and the thief.

The above statement is an example of _____.

A. understatement

B. hyperbole

C. irony

D. zeugma

810. The _____ is a popular narrative song passed down orally and recounts tragic, comic, or heroic stories with emphasis on a central dramatic event to convey cultural values.

A. elegy

B. ballad

C. ode

D. ballade

811. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Cast

B. Costume

C. Metre

D. Dialogue

E. Stage

813. Stanzas are also known as _____in a poem.

A. devices

B. lines

C. sections

D. division

814. "O miserable abundance, O beggarly riches!" is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. synecdoche

C. irony

D. oxymoron

815. You would often hear one hen remark to another, "under the guidance of our leader, Comrade Napoleon, I have laid five eggs in six days ", or two cows , enjoying a drink at the pool would exclaim, "Thanks to the leadership of Comrade Napoleon, how excellent this water tastes!"

It is obvious from this excerpt that the narrator _____.

A. agrees with the animals' good opinion of Napoleon

B. thinks the hens are correct while the cow is wrong

C. agrees with the cows and disagrees with the hens

D. feels it is not possible to know the truth

E. is being ironic since neither the cows nor the hens are correct

816. "I looked upon the rotting sea,

And drew my eyes away;

I looked upon the rotting deck,

And there the dead men lay".

One lierary device used in the above verse is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. repetition

C. antithesis

D. alliteration

817. "The temperature is several degrees below zero. My sentences are frozen as they come out of my mouth, and are thawed in the course of the summer, making strange noises and unexpected assertions in various parts of the church."

The above narration is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. Oxymoran

C. simile

D. metaphor

818. The two parts of the sonnet are called _____.

A. octave and tercet

B. octave and quatrain

C. octave and sestet

D. octave and couplet

819. The hero in a story is the _____.

A. observer

B. protagonist

C. antagonist

D. actor

820. "The harpsichord sounds like two skeletons copulating on a corrugated tin roof." is an example of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. paradox

C. litotes

D. simile

E. synecdoche

821. Ngoba informed us that she was leaving for greener pastures and two years. The underlined part of the above statement is example of _____.

A. understatement

B. symbolism

C. zeugma

D. irony

E. litotes

822. 'The man tore through the building' is an example of _____.

A. narrative technique

B. metaphor

C. setting

D. plot

823. Not a bad day's work on the whole,' he muttered, as he quietly took off his mask, and his pale, fox-like eyes glittered in the red glow of the fire. 'Not a bad day's work.

The underlined phrase is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. assonance

C. litotes

D. personification

824. _____is a type of rhyme in which the all words of two entire lines rhyme.

A. Holo-rhyme

B. Syllabic ryhme

C. Assonance

D. Alliteration

825. There was an Old Man with a beard,

Who said, "It is just as I feared!—

Two Owls and a Hen, four Larks and a Wren,

Have all built their nests in my beard.

- Edward Lear

The rhyming scheme of the above verse best describes it as a _____.

A. heroic

B. octave

C. limerick

D. couplet

Read the poem and answer the question

826. Now, joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasure's of free, she cannot sing

As sweet a song as joy confined

Pleasure's a moth that sleeps by day

And dances by false glare at night

But Joy's a beauty butterfly, that loves

To spread its wings in nature's light.

The poem implies that "Joy" is _____.

A. only experienced by the poor

B. natural expression

C. artificial and transitory

D. for those in love

827. 'For I have known them all; already known them all

Have known the evenings, mornings, afternoons

I have measured out my life with coffee spoons'

The tone in these lines suggests _____.

A. a desire

B. tension

C. caution

D. exasperation

828. But the towering earth was tired of sitting in one position. She moved suddenly, and the houses crumbled, the mountains heaved horribly, and the work of a million years was lost.

The subject of the above piece is _____.

A. earthquake

B. house movement

C. sea waves

D. storm

829. _____is a term also used for the arrangement of words, or sentences in a way that the least forcible comes first and the others rise in power until the last.

A. crisis

B. anticlimax

C. denouement

D. climax

830. What is the rhyme scheme of the lines below?

If I were a dead leaf thou mightest bear;

If I were a swift cloud to fly with thee;

A wave to pant beneath thy power, and share

The impulse of thy strength, only less free

A. abcd

B. abbc

C. abba

D. abab

831. 'In the arena

they began to sing my song

we could hear it faintly

passing through the air

The figure of speech used here is _____.

A. metaphor

B. irony

C. personification

D. simile

832. The figure of speech anadiplosis refers to the repetition of _____.

A. a certain word at the beginning and end of a line of verse

B. the same alphabet at the end of a word and the beginning of the next

C. a word at the end of a clause and the beginning of the next

D. the same sound at the beginning of a every line of a verse

E. the last word of a line of verse at the beginning of the next line

833. “I cannot but conclude the bulk of your natives to be the most pernicious race of little odious vermin that nature ever suffered to crawl upon the surface of the earth.”

-Jonathan Swift

The above statement is an example of _____.

A. characterization

B. sarcasm

C. irony

D. invective

834. My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow on the sky

So was it when my life began,

So is it now that I am a man

So be it when I shall grow

The child is the father of the man

The literary device used in line six is an example of _____.

A. synecdoche

B. irony

C. paradox

D. hyperbole

835. Dialogue is crucial in a piece of drama because it _____

A. makes the audience laugh

B. is like a discourse

C. reveals the character's mind

D. makes the characters honest

836. But the towering earth was tired of sitting in one position. She moved, suddenly, and the houses crumbled, the mountains heaved horribly, and the work of a million years was lost.

The image created depicts _____.

A. destruction

B. merriment

C. happiness

D. admiration

837. Dramatic irony entails _____.

A. the praise of the audience

B. a statement with a deeper significance

C. a statement hilarious and sarcastic

D. the praise tag of a great person

838. The expression "the slay, like a hooded monk wore black" illustrates _____.

A. symbolism

B. paradox

C. personification

D. metaphor

839. "For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light", illustrates the use of _____.

A. bathos

B. euphemism

C. paradox

D. irony

840. Which of the following African author has written poems, plays and prose?

A. Wole Soyinka

B. Zaynab Alkali

C. Chinua Achebe

D. Flora Nwapa

841. The phrase "all hands on deck", is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. onomatopoeia

C. metaphor

D. synecdoche

842. Happy ye leaves! When as those lily hands,
Which hold my life in their dead doing might,
Shall handle you, and hold in love's soft bands,
Like captives trembling at the victor's sight.

And happy lines on which, with starry light.

The rhyme scheme of the above is _____.

A. abcab

B. aaabb

C. ababb

D. abacd

843. Which of the following is not a characteristic of realistic fiction?

A. It portrays the world, as it is.

B. It contains no fantasy.

C. It contains no supernatural element.

D. It depicts ordinary people's daily life.

E. It is a story of the impossible.

844. Hail to them, by the spirit

Bird thou wert

That from heaven or near it,

In profuse strains of unpremeditated art

The main figure of speech in the poem is _____.

A. apostrophe

B. hyperbole

C. euphemism

D. metonymy

845. A long narrative poem centred on the hero and his exploits is called _____.

A. an epic

B. a sonnet

C. a lyric

D. an ode

846. A peculiar feature of drama in general is _____.

A. humour

B. satire

C. sarcasm

D. action

E. none of the above

847. The figure of speech employed in "a loud silence greeted the last election", is _____.

A. apostrophe

B. metaphor

C. oxymoron

D. paradox

E. simile

848. Any work of literature which sets out to instruct may be called _____.

A. dialectic

B. decedent

C. definitive

D. didactic

849. Any literary art which holds up society to ridicule is a ____.

A. satire

B. satin

C. lampoon

D. limerick

850. Brenda suddenly stiffened in her chair and half turned her ear to the window. Silent like an animal waiting to spring, an alertness that transformed her face to temporary ugliness. Arthur noticed it, and swilled down the last of his tea 'He's coming', she said 'I heard the gate open'

In this short text, the writer succeeds in creating ____.

A. anti-climax

B. aggression

C. comic relief

D. suspense

E. characters

851. Poetic genres include the following except _____.

A. metaphoric poetry

B. narrative poetry

C. dramatic poetry

D. satirical poetry

E. epic poetry

852. A literary form that imitates human actions and is designed for stage presentation in front of an audience is called ____.

A. dialogue

B. drama

C. orchestra

D. playwright

853. "A knave, a rascal, an eater of broken meats; a base, proud, shallow, beggarly, three-suited, hundred-pound, filthy worsted-stocking knave; a lily-livered, action-taking, whoreson, glass-gazing, super-serviceable, finical rogue; one-trunk-inheriting slave..."

The above speech culled from Shakespeare's King Lear is an example of _____.

A. symbolism

B. synecdoche

C. anaphora

D. invective

E. hyperbole

854. The expression, "destructive blessing" is an example of _____.

A. antithesis

B. oxymoron

C. apostrophe

D. parallelism

855. A long poem which deals with heroic deeds is called _____.

A. a lyric

B. an epic

C. an ode

D. an euphony

856. The three genres of literature are _____.

A. prose, poetry, plot

B. prose, poetry, drama

C. theme, setting, character

D. diction, locality, plot

857. Can you can a can as a canner would can a can? The literary device used here is _____.

A. verbal irony

B. assonance

C. alliteration

D. imagery

859. "It is cruel to be kind" is an example of an _____.

A. anti-climax

B. oxymoron

C. anecdote

D. antithesis

E. internal rhyme

860. Unrhymed iambic pentameter lines illustrates

A. a rhyme scheme

B. a heroic couplet

C. a blank verse

D. a free verse

861. "Reaching the moon was no ordinary task" illustrates the use of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. litotes

C. synecdoche

D. onomatopoeia

862. Apart from being the attitude of a writer towards a subject or the audience, _____ throws light on the personalities and dispositions of characters so the reader can better understand them.

A. setting

B. theme

C. tone

D. mood

863. A term an author uses to create strong, emotional effect is _____.

A. personification

B. anaphora

C. eclipse

D. metaphor

E. None of the above

864. An expression, idea, or element of an artistic work which has become overused to the point of losing its original meaning, or effect is called _____.

A. a cliché

B. a cacophony

C. an epigram

D. an archetype

865. 'The moon smiles each time it comes out new' is an example of _____.

A. allegory

B. litotes

C. personification

D. oxymoron

866. An evil character whose aim is to cause problems and unhappiness in a story is known as _____.

A. a pentagonist

B. an antagonist

C. a protagonist

D. a playwright

867. The settings of a narrative include the following except _____.

A. the time

B. the general environment

C. the geographical environment

D. the theme

E. the general circumstance

868. When one work of art attempts to imitate the style of another work in a mocking manner, we describe the newer work as _____.

A. parody

B. innuendo

C. pun

D. farce

869. Read the poem below and answer the question

I wonder how long, you awful parasite

Shall share with me this little bed

And make me, from sweet dreams be lost

By sucking blood from my poor head

I should not say man has much

Blood which you and your families do feed

On; for supper, diner and lunch

And besides, you do in my bed breed

Clever thou art, tiny creature;

You attend me when I am asleep

When thou art sure, I can't you capture

Just at the time I snore deep

Tis so strange that before twilight
The bed clear of you would seem;
For not one of you is on my sight
As if your presence was in a dream
The subject of the poem is a _____.

A. bad habit
B. healthy meal
C. insect bite
D. sound sleep

870. One of the following writers is better known as a playwright than a novelist?

A. C. Achebe
B. C. Ekwensi
C. W. Soyinka
D. J. P. Clark
E. E. G. Okoro

871. _____ is the arrangement of a poem in lines.

A. lination
B. lineation
C. linen
D. lininng

872. If we must die let it not be like dogs
hunted and penned in an inglorious spot
while around us bark the mad and hungry dogs,

Making their mock at our accursed lot.

The mood of the writer is that of _____.

A. disgust

B. indignation

C. disrespect

D. consternation

873. Then suddenly her heart was whipped up, she now rode on strange waves alone defying the wind and the rain, alone fighting hunger and thirst in the desert; alone struggling with strange demons in the forest, bringing glad tidings to her people.

The mood of the lady in this passage is one of

A. arrogant defeat

B. agonising depression

C. triumphant defiance

D. simple elation

E. grueling sorrow

874. "Nothing so true as what you once let fall, most women have no characters at all".

The mood in the above statement is _____.

A. pessimistic

B. jubilant

C. anticipatory

D. optimistic

875. Look out a window

At the traffic below.

Where are they going

I don't really know

Each has a destination
That they want to get to;

Some it will be work
With a long drive ahead,

While others it will be home
So they can rest their head.

The rhyme scheme of the verse is _____.

A. aabcc

B. abbbc

C. abcab

D. aaaab

876. 'Clothes were like tattered flags flying off
To expose dangling breasts
As jaggered blinding flashes
Rumble, tremble, and crack
Amidst the smell of fired smoke
And the pelting march of the storm'

The general atmosphere portrayed above is _____.

A. peace and quiet

B. contentment and calm

C. anger and anxiety

D. commotion and confusion

E. poverty and want

877. "The moon has ascended between us

Between two pines

That bow to each other;

Love with the moon has ascended

Has fed on our solitary stems;

And we are now shadows

That cling to each other,

But kiss the air only".

In the poem, "the moon" is the metaphor for _____.

A. beauty

B. love

C. division

D. attention

878. Dialogue in a literary work varies in structure and tone depending on the people participating in the conversation and the _____ that the author is trying to maintain.

A. plot

B. mood

C. style

D. aspect

879. Nature sent him into the world strong and lusty in a throwing condition wearing his own hair on his head the proper branches of this reasoning vegetable until the axe of intemperance has lopped off his green boughs and left him a withered trunk.

In this passage, 'axe of intemperance' means _____.

A. hot temper

B. cool temper

C. evil mind

D. recklessness

880. But the towering earth was tired of sitting in one position. She moved suddenly, and the houses crumbled, the mountains heaved horribly, and the work of a million years was lost.

The subject of the above piece is _____.

A. earthquake

B. house movement

C. sea waves

D. storm

881. The characteristics of poetry include all except it _____.

A. tends to have a regular rhythmic

B. is usually written in careful close words figures of speech

C. is not meant to be recited

D. is usually divided into stanzas, verses or run on line

882. The story of a person's life written by another is known as _____.

A. history

B. autobiography

C. biography

D. anthology

Read the poem and answer the question.

883. Behold her, single in the field

Yon solitary highland lass!

Reaping and singing by herself;

Stop here or gently pass!

Alone she cuts and binds the grain,

And sings a melancholy strain;

O listen! for the vale profound

Is overflowing with the sound.

The rhyming scheme in the first stanza of the poem is ___.

A. abcb

B. abab

C. abca

D. abcd

884. _____ can be described as a phrase with a specialized meaning not based on the literal meaning of the words in it.

A. A contradiction

B. A figure of speech

C. An understatement

D. Poetic license

885. Read the passage and answer the question.

The long column of misery tended to grow longer, as the more robust struggled to get as far as possible from the pursuing French,

And as the weaker fell farther and farther behind. There were enough weaklings. In all conscience, even in summer, the men had been badly clothed, and even in victory, insufficiently fed, and now, it is winter, and Espinosa had been fought and lost, and the

route of the retreat lay away from the fertile plains and up into the inhospitable mountains.

The rain had fallen upon them in deluges for days, and now as they climbed higher, it was turning into sleet, and a bitter cold wind blew.

Ahead of them, they could see the snow lying thick on the mountain passes, through which they would have to climb, without food or fuel or rest, and with terror of the French to urge them on. Disease had come inevitably to complete the work so well begun by hunger, exposure and the sword.

What is the mood of the poem?

A. annoyance

B. anxiety

C. sympathy

D. delusion

886. “Dan will be a serpent by the roadside, a viper along the path that bites the horse’s heels so that its rider tumbles backward". (Gen 49:17)

The use of the words "serpent and viper" to describe Dan in the above speech is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. a lyric

C. an apostrophe

D. connotation

887. "I have read Shakespeare"; This statement is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. paradox

C. parody

D. metonymy

888. "Tlot-tlot; tlot-tlot! Had they heard it?
The horse-hoofs ringing clear;
Tlot-tlot, tlot-tlot, in the distance?
Were they deaf that they did not hear
Down the ribbon of moonlight, over the brow of the hill,
The highwayman came riding,
Riding, riding!

There is the predominant use of _____in the first three lines of the poem.

A. onomatopoeia
B. synecdoche
C. oxymoron
D. paradox

889. 'All was quiet in this park
Until the wind, like a gasping messenger, announced
The tyrants coming
Then did the branches talk in agony'
'... like a gasping messenger ...' is an example of _____.

A. oxymoron
B. metonymy
C. alliteration
D. simile
E. personification

890. The style of a narrative include the following except _____.

A. dialogue
B. plot

C. word choice

D. sentence construction

E. exposition

891. "He held his head high". The dominant literary device in this statement is _____.

A. onomatopoeia

B. synecdoche

C. alliteration

D. euphemism

892. A literary work that ridicules ideas or the follies of people is a _____.

A. fable

B. allegory

C. romance

D. parody

893. Point of view is a technique that is commonly associated with the _____ of a literary work.

A. narrative structure

B. characterization

C. original manuscript

D. atmospheric setting

894. He sits under a bough

Utters a loud cough,

Wipes his sweating brow

And gives the dog a blow.

The poet makes use of _____ in the above verse.

A. masculine rhyme

B. eye rhyme

C. internal rhyme

D. end rhyme

895. _____ rhyme can be defined as a rhyme in which the stressed syllables of ending consonants match, however the preceding vowel sounds do not match.

A. Ending

B. Absurd

C. Full

D. Half

896. "Ngoto was pleased. And Nyokabi and Njeri were full of joy at the news. For the first time for many years, something like a glimmer of light shone in Ngotho's eyes. He could even be seen making an effort to walk upright".

The mood of the people in the narration is that of _____.

A. sadness and tiredness

B. depression and anxiety

C. happiness and hope

D. anger and aggression

897. Tragic flaw can also be referred to as_____.

A. sorrow

B. hamartia

C. anxiety

D. sarcasm

898. In literature, _____ are often used to provide emphasis, freshness of expression, or clarity.

A. figures of speech

B. rhetorical questions

C. parts of speech

D. phonemic expressions

899. "My finger click with a snickers and, chuckling they knuckle the key" the dominant figure of speech used here is _____.

A. parallelism

B. litotes

C. hyperbole

D. onomatopoeia

900. Which of the following is not a type of narrative poem?

A. Lyric

B. Epic

C. Ballad

D. Idyll

901. "The wretched rich fool cleaned his nails with dry saliva".

What is the literary device used in the above statement?

A. Anti-climax

B. Oxymoron

C. Anecdote

D. Antithesis

902. In literary criticism, a casual reference to a figure or an event is regarded as an _____.

A. alliteration

B. allegory

C. allusion

D. ambiguity

903. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Prose

B. Ode

C. Ryhme

D. Stanza

904. "Now, Joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasure's free, she cannot sing".

What is the rhyme scheme of the above lines?

A. aab

B. abc

C. abb

D. aim

905. Another name for the villain is the _____.

A. hero

B. antagonist

C. foil character

D. flat character

E. backdrop character

906. Climax is the _____ point of suspense in a literary work.

A. beginning

B. rising action

C. ending

D. highest

907. "Assonance" in a poem results from the use of _____.

A. many consonants

B. similar sounding vowels

C. similar sounding consonants

D. different sounding vowels

908. A narrative on the oral tradition that may include legends and fables is a _____.

A. ballad

B. pastoral

C. folktale

D. romance

909. Read the poem below and answer the question

Now, joy is born of parents poor
And pleasure of our richer kind
Though pleasures of free, she cannot sing
As sweet a song as joy confined

Pleasure's a moth that sleeps by day
And dances by false glare at night
But Joy's a beauty butterfly that loves
To spread its wings in nature's light.

The feelings associated with joy and pleasure in the poem are conveyed through the use of _____.

A. personification

B. euphemism

C. assonance

D. contrast

910. The introductory segment of a dramatic performance is known as _____.

A. An epilogue

B. A prelude

C. An interlude

D. A prologue

911. Read the passage and answer question.

"Diversion through Larteh". This is the sign in the middle of the road. They have diverted the 24-Kilometre Mamfe-Aburi-Adenta Road because of the major road works. The Mamfe-Larteh-Adenta diversion makes the journey twice as long. The longer route is the shorter.

The little jeep flashes past the deserted police checkpoint. The howling wind, like a stretching comb, stretches Kwyeiwa's hair in flapping furrows behind her as she stands clinging to a metal support in the back of the open jeep, petrified. The jeep negotiates the hairpin bend below the overhang near Tamara's place at breakneck speed; now it is on the stretch to the Kodiable junction. The little vehicle laps up the distance. Presently the travelers arrive at the last crossroads. Kodiabe lies as the crow flies, Somanya to the left. The jeep turns right towards Accra.

Kyeiwa can be described as being _____.

A. relaxed

B. ecstatic

C. frightened

D. elated

912. Read the poem below and answer the following question

Thou art the judge of man

Judging his plans and behaviour

Judging his speech and egotism

You are the patient judge

Nations plan without having thee in view

They boast of their will

But soon you show them their follies

You are the patient judge

Tomorrow and tomorrow, go here and there

Time smiles and laughs

He frowns his face and consults with fate

You are the patient judge

The moral behind the poem is knowing that _____.

A. judgment awaits us in due time

B. time is essential to everything we do

C. it is good to make plans early in life

D. some time should be set out for pleasure

913. A novel which focuses on the adventures of a rogue who does not change much in the course of the story is called _____.

A. romance

B. grotesque

C. picaresque

D. burlesque

914. "She is one hundred feet tall." is an example of _____.

A. euphemism

B. hyperbole

C. onomatopoeia

D. alliteration

E. synecdoche

915. In literary works, a recurrent image is known as _____.

A. theme

B. motif

C. episode

D. mood

916. 'I am not afraid of anything', he told them. 'I have committed all crimes you can think of and been jailed for most of them. I have been in prison more hours than I have been out of it within the last five years.'

In recounting his criminal life, this speaker's tone is _____.

A. repentant

B. boastful

C. regretful

D. subdued

E. remorseful

917. Drama differs from poetry because it _____.

A. involves many characters

B. deals with tragic experiences

C. uses elevated language

D. exists mainly in action

918. Soft as she mourned, the streams forgot to flow

She flocks around a dumb compassion show"

The dominant device used in the lines above is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. mock-heroic

C. pathetic fallacy

D. satire

919. He would like some good fufu, but without a lot of meat. Street fufu is miserable food and with meat, the cost will crucify a man completely.

The man in this passage is obviously _____.

A. rich

B. poor

C. ignorant

D. hungry

E. desperate

920. "We were partners, not soul mates, two separate people who happened to be sharing a menu and a life".

- Amy Tan.

The statement is an example of _____.

A. zeugma

B. innuendo

C. pun

D. farce

921. If a character instigates conflicts and sows distrust among the main characters throughout a play is best described as _____.

A. antagonist

B. the enemy

C. an aside

D. protagonist

922. And 'mid these dancing looks at once and ever

It flung up momentarily the sacred river

Five miles meandering with a mazy motion

Through wood and dale the sacred river ran'

Line 3 is made memorable by the use of

A. simile

B. metaphor

C. polysyndeton

D. monosyndeton

E. alliteration

923. The hero in a story is also known as the _____.

A. observer

B. antagonist

C. actor

D. protagonist

924. Read the poem below and answer the following question

O stealing time, the subject of delay

Delay the rack of unrefined desire

What strange design has thou my hopes to stay?

My hopes which do but to mine own aspire

Old age is wise, and full of constant truth

Old age well stayed from ranging humor's lives

Old age hath known, whatever was in youth

Old age overcome the greater honour gives

The rhyme scheme of the poem is _____.

A. alternate

B. internal

C. free verse

D. couplet

925. "Poisonous pleasure of wine". This expression illustrates the use of _____.

A. metonymy

B. synecdoche

C. paradox

D. oxymoron

926. "It is an outrage to bind a Roman citizen; it is a crime to scourge him; it is almost patricide to kill him; but to crucify him - what shall I say of this?" This statement illustrates the use of _____.

A. style

B. plot

C. theme

D. climax

927. "Truth sits upon the lips of men", the literary device here is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. personification

C. metaphor

D. epithet

928. "Beware of traitorous friends." is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. apostrophe

C. alliteration

D. oxymoron

929. What figure of is used when someone says. “I have wheels"?

A. Personification

B. Partition

C. Synecdoche

D. Metonymy

930. So children

If per chance you see a hare that roars

Or an ape perched in a palanquin

Look on in silence...

This poem is an example of _____.

A. climax

B. rhetoric

C. paradox

D. conflict

931. The repetition of a word or expression at the beginning of successive verses especially for rhetorical or poetic effect is known as _____.

A. rhetorical question

B. epilogue

C. anaphora

D. apostrophe

932. The people created and as presented in a literary work are known as _____.

A. heroes

B. clowns

C. actors

D. characters

933. Which of the following is a function of a narrative poem?

A. It preaches a semon.

B. It tells a story.

C. It propounds a philosophy

D. It argues in a narrative manner.

934. that is no country for old men. The young
In one another's arms, birds in the trees
– Those dying generations – at their song,
The salmon-falls, the mackerel-crowded seas,
Fish, flesh, or fowl, commend all summer long
Whatever is begotten, born, and dies.
Caught in that sensual music all neglect
Monuments of unageing intellect.
- W. B. Yeats, "Sailing to Byzantium"

What is the rhyme scheme of the poem above?

A. ABABABBC

B. ABABABCC

C. ABBBABCC

D. ABABAACC

935 A narrative point of view includes _____.

A. Eternal, enternal omniscient and external subjective narrator

B. Objective, external omniscient and external subjective narrator

C. Internal, external omniscient and external subjective narrator

D. Objective, external subjective and external objective narrator

E. None of the above

936. "For life's not a paragraph

And death I think is no parenthesis."

The above lines illustrate the use of _____.

A. litotes

B. simile

C. alliteration

D. synecdoche

937. 'If it is true

That the world talks too much

Then let's all keep quiet

And hear the eloquence

Of silence'

One striking device used by the poet is _____.

A. simile

B. contrast

C. alliteration

D. oxymoron

938._____ is a literary device that the writer uses to bring about a sudden and unexpected turn of events.

A. Synedoche

B. Peripeteia

C. Catastrophe

D. Anagnorisis

939. The literary device used in, "O wild west wind" is _____.

A. synecdoche

B. simile

C. alliteration

D. pun

940. A symbolic representation of ideas, emotions and situations in a work of art is _____.

A. fable

B. allegory

C. romance

D. parody

941. What is the rhyme scheme of the lines below?

What's to sleep?

Tis a visionary blessing

A dream that's past expressing

Our utmost wish possessing

A. abbb

B. abbc

C. abcd

D. aabb

942. When a writer uses more elaborate figures of speech to express the superiority of a deity, he is said to use _____.

A. elevated language

B. poetic license

C. poetic justice

D. religious language

E. lyric language

943. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Malapropism

B. Sonnet

C. Litotes

D. Innuendo

944. A deliberate use of understatement for humor or emphasis is also known as _____.

A. litotes

B. hyperbole

C. antonymy

D. metonymy

945. The choice of appropriate words to convey the thoughts of an author is called _____.

A. rhyme

B. setting

C. style

D. diction

946. "He was like a cock who thought the sun had risen to hear him crow."

The above statement is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metaphor

C. simile

D. rhetorical question

E. irony

947. The use of comic character, speeches or scenes in tragedy provides _____.

A. comic relief

B. atmosphere

C. excitement

D. flash back

948. A writer is said to employ _____ when he says for example, "Ibimina tried hard to convince herself that her Nollywood dreams were worth pursuing but her parents, and her inner voice of reason, seemed to disagree.

A. connotation

B. characterization

C. climax

D. conflict

949. "Life's but a walking shadow; a poor player." is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. assonance

C. metaphor

D. pun

E. onomatopoeia

950. Which of the following is a narrative technique in a novel?

A. Casting

B. Dream

C. Flashback

D. Prologue

E. Social relevance

951. The echoing of the meaning of a word by its sound is called _____.

A. phonetics

B. oxymoron

C. personification

D. onomatopoeia

Read the poem and answer question.

952. I have to thank God I'm a woman,

For in these ordered days a woman only

Is free to be very hungry, very lonely.

The tone of the verse is one of _____.

A. sorrow

B. sarcasm

C. happiness

D. anger

953. There are _____ types of style.

A. four

B. three

C. six

D. five

954. Read the passage and answer the question.

The killing of a whale at sea isn't pleasant to witness or even to contemplate. Hunted down through solar and other many specialized equipment, the whale has no more chance of escape like a steer in a slaughter house. The manner of its death, however, is very different. A grenade tipped-harpoon explodes deep within his body often causing prolonged suffering before the gentle giant, whose intelligence may be second only to our own, is reduced to a carcass ready for processing into crayons, lipsticks, shoe polish, fertilizer, margarine and pet food.

THE HUMAN MANNER OF DEATH, however, is the least part of the scandal known as the whaling industry. Much more important is the fact that the killing is quite unnecessary.

Adequate substitutes exist for every single use to which the whale carcass are currently put, and although some 32,000 whales are killed every year, the sum of commodities they provide is insignificant in the world's economy.

The theme of the passage is that _____.

A. whales are a menace to mankind

B. the killing of whales is unnecessary

C. the importance of whale hunting

D. whales are highly intelligent

955. The main character in a literary work is also known as _____.

A. antagonist

B. protagonist

C. narrator

D. villain

956. Read the passage and answer the question.

The long column of misery tended to grow longer, as the more robust struggled to get as far as possible from the pursuing French,

And as the weaker fell farther and farther behind. There were enough weaklings. In all conscience, even in summer, the men had been badly clothed, and even in victory,

insufficiently fed, and now, it is winter, and Espinosa had been fought and lost, and the route of the retreat lay away from the fertile plains and up into the inhospitable mountains.

The rain had fallen upon them in deluges for days, and now as they climbed higher, it was turning into sleet, and a bitter cold wind blew.

Ahead of them, they could see the snow lying thick on the mountain passes, through which they would have to climb, without food or fuel or rest, and with terror of the French to urge them on. Disease had come inevitably to complete the work so well begun by hunger, exposure and the sword.

The attitude of the survivors is best summed up by the word _____.

A. indifference

B. persistence

C. resignation

D. victory

957. "I've heard that a million times", is an example of _____.

A. pun

B. alliteration

C. personification

D. synecdoche

E. hyperbole

958. _____ gives literature a more natural, conversational flow, which makes it more readable and enjoyable.

A. phonetics

B. plot

C. imagery

D. dialogue

959. Literature is studied as a subject in school because it _____.

A. enhances the student's literary skills

B. sharpens a reader's critical thinking

C. merely gives additional work to students

D. entertains the audience

E. provides a means to kill time

960. A piece of writing about somebody's life and experiences is a/an _____

A. autobiography

B. biography

C. autography

D. mimeograph

961. Which of the following is a wrong combination?

A. Pun and malapropism

B. Synecdoche and metonymy

C. Simile and metaphor

D. Synecdoche and alliteration

962. "How can he compare our thanks-giving service with theirs? After all, millions of people attended ours while very few people were seen at theirs".

In the above statement, the speaker uses _____ to express himself.

A. paradox

B. oxymoron

C. hyperbole

D. comparison

963. In poetry an image reveals _____.

A. refrain

B. theme

C. rhyme

D. intent

964. "By the sweat of thy brow thou shalt eat thy bread." is an example of _____.

A. synecdoche

B. personification

C. apostrophe

D. metonymy

E. alliteration

965. The expression "poisonous pleasure of wine" illustrates the use of _____.

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B. synecdoche

C. paradox

D. oxymoron

966. "My style is public negotiations for parity, rather than private negotiations for position. “Illustrates the use of _____.

A. metaphor

B. alliteration

C. synecdoche

D. personification

E. rhetorical question

967. A verse of unrhymed poetry is known as _____.

A. a blank verse

B. an assonance

C. a sonnet

D. a free verse

968. "Friendship is a sheltering tree", illustrates the use of _____.

A. simile

B. metaphor

C. personification

D. oxymoron

969. The book "Animal Farm" is an example of _____.

A. apologue

B. elegy

C. lullaby

D. masque

970. The rhyme scheme for limerick is _____.

A. aabba

B. abcde

C. aabcd

D. aabbc

971. Climbing Mount Everest was no small feat for Sir Edmund Hillary in 1953.

The underlined phrase is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. personification

C. hyperbole

D. litotes

972. A type of rhyme in which the final syllable of one line mimics the sound of the final syllable of another line is called _____ rhyme.

A. feminine

B. internal

C. eye

D. masculine

973. “See sin in state, majestically drunk;

Proud as a peeress, prouder as a punk;

Chaste to her husband, frank to all beside,

A teeming Mistress, but a barren bride.

What then? Let blood and body bear the fault."

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abbcd

B. abcde

C. aabbc

D. abbab

974. "He was no notorious malefactor, but he had been twice on the pillory, and once burnt in the hand for trifling oversights", is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. tautology

C. alliteration

D. synecdoche

E. irony

975. "You have to lose your life so that you can save it", is an example of _____.

A. apostrophe

B. metonymy

C. oxymoron

D. paradox

E. personification

976. A Septet is a poem of _____ lines.

A. sixteen

B. seventeen

C. six

D. seven

E. eight

977. A deliberate understatement in which a negative remark is substituted for a positive one is called _____.

A. magnetism

B. oxymoron

C. litotes

D. absurd

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This article is best described as _____.

A. a descriptive

B. a narrative

C. an argumentative

D. an exposition

979. Look out a window

At the traffic below.

Where are they going

I don’t really know

Each has a destination

That they want to get to;

Some it will be work

With a long drive ahead,

While others it will be home

So they can rest their head.

The poem is about _____.

A. window

B. destination

C. work

D. home

980. The strong desire he felt for her faded as he had done the previous night. He tried desperately to excite himself mentally; not a nerve in his body responded. He felt ill, he perspired. He, the stallion who usually flung himself at women was like pulp.

The terseness of the prose above is to _____.

A. capture climax

B. depict tension

C. condemn the man

D. sympathize with the man

981. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Plot

B. Theme

C. Metre

D. Subject

982. "Sleep, o sleep

With thy rod of incantation

Charm my imagination

Then, only then, I cease to weep

By thy power

The virgin, by time O'er taken

For years for lorn, forsaken

Enjoys the happy hour

What's to sleep

Tis a visionary blessing."

The dominant device used in the first line is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. rhyme

C. apostrophe

D. metaphor

983. A pair of rhymed iambic pentameter lines is called a _____.

A. tercet

B. heroic couplet

C. sestet

D. blank verse

984. What literary device is illustrated in a situation where a character makes a sentence that conveys he is happy with his good luck on the surface but is actually very unhappy and dissatisfied with his bad luck?

A. Deception

B. Irony

C. Scansion

D. Juxtaposition

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The mood of the people in the extract from Ngugi wa Thiong'o's Weep Not Child is that of _____.

A. sadness and loneliness

B. depression and anxiety

C. happiness and hope

D. anger and aggression

986. Free flowing narrative with a wide range of characters, events and experiences is called _____.

A. plot

B. prose

C. drama

D. poetry

987. In a literary work, a clown would normally _____.

A. direct the action

B. create comic relief

C. support the protagonist

D. create the tension

988. Kent: A knave, a rascal; an eater of broken meats; a base, proud, shallow, beggarly, three-suited, hundred-pound, filthy, worsted-stocking knave... and art nothing but the composition of a knave, beggar, coward, pandar, and the son and heir of a mongrel bitch...

The above speech is a clear example of an _____.

A. insult

B. invective

C. abuse

D. attack

989. Soft as he mourned, the streams forgot to flow

She flocks around a dumb compassion show.

The use of "flow" and "show" at the end of the two lines is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. contrast

C. rhyming

D. parallel

990. The expression, 'All the world is a stage' is an illustration of _____.

A. simile

B. paradox

C. metaphor

D. parody

E. personification

991. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Enjambment

B. Plot

C. Rhyme

D. Alliteration

992. The Oedipus Rex is a type of _____.

A. tragedy

B. central thought

C. tragi-comedy

D. satire

993. The device used by an author to express an unpleasant experience in a mild way, is called _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metaphor

C. euphemism

D. paradox

994. A literary work which extols one's virtues and accomplishments is _____.

A. a eulogy

B. a pastoral

C. an elegy

D. an allegory

995. 'Political language is designed to make lies sound truthful and

Murder respectable, and to give an appearance of solidity to pure minds.'

The writer here is suggesting that political language is _____.

A. convincing

B. deceptive

C. interesting

D. destructive

E. commendable

996. They came for him that Sunday.

He had just returned from a night vigil on the mountain.

He was resting on his bed, Bible open at the book of revelation when two police constables; one tall, the other short, knocked at the door.

The writer arrests the interest of the reader by employing _____.

A. suspense

B. suspicion

C. religion

D. indulgence

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B. condensed use of language

C. evocations of feelings

D. legends and myths

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999. Read the poem below and answer the following question

I love you; my gentle one

My love is the fresh milk of rubindi

Which you drank on the wedding day

My love is the butter we were smeared with

To seal fidelity into our hearts

You are the cattle - bird's egg

For those who say you are wealthy

YOU ARE THE PAPYRUS REED OF THE LAKE

WHICH THEY PULL OUT WITH BOTH HANDS

And I sing for you with tears

Because you possess my heart

I love you, my gentle one

The predominant literary device used in the poem is _____.

A. metaphor

B. epigram

C. oxymoron

D. apostrophe

1000. "The temperature is several degrees below zero. My sentences are frozen as they come out of my mouth, and are thawed in the course of the summer, making strange noises and unexpected assertions in various parts of the church."

The above narration is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. Oxymoron

C. simile

D. metaphor

1001. Thou art the judge of man

Judging his plans and behaviour

Judging his speech and egotism

You are the patient judge

Nations plan without having thee in view

They boast of their will

But soon you show them their follies

You are the patient judge

The poet clearly uses _____ to show emphasis.

A. repetition

B. refrain

C. chorus

D. alliteration

1002. The persona in a literary work is referred to as the _____.

A. author who paints life as a hopeless venture

B. point from which author presents life as absurd

C. position from which the author tells his story

D. narrator of a literary work created by the author

E. None of the above

1003. What literary term describes a situation where a hero intends to achieve something but, while doing so, he commits an intentional or accidental error and he ends up achieving exactly the opposite with disastrous results marked by a reversal in fortune?

A. Catastrophe

B. Deus ex Machina

C. Prophesy

D. Hamartia

1004. A poem that is short and witty is known as _____.

A. ballad

B. an epigram

C. an epic

D. a lyric

1005. When he gave me the bottle and opened it, I was shocked by the odour that hit my nose. I immediately corked it again, and spat on the floor.

The persona's reaction here is that of _____.

A. rejection

B. anger

C. irritation

D. disgust

1006. "There is a nightingale near my house

He sings lovingly for my red rose.

Last winter, Red rose asked him to stay forever.

I whispered to my flower, "If you love him, let him go". Later on, they became friends

Forever and ever."

What is the subject of the above narration?

A. Flower

B. Friendship

C. Bird

D. Winter

E. House

1007. One of the strongest devices an author uses to awaken the reader's sensory perceptions is _____.

A. resolution

B. interlude

C. inference

D. imagery

1008. The central organising element that links up the character, action, style and language in a work of art is referred to as a _____.

A. theory

B. plot

C. theme

D. mood

E. paradox

1009. Read the passage and answer the question.

In England, her love for Henry blossomed like spring flowers after a hard winter. But she abhorred the way he dressed in England. They fell in love when she was working in the little coffee shop across from the Crystal Palace.

Tall and jovial, he fell romantically in love with her at first sight.

After a brief and hilarious courtship, they got married in a small Presbyterian Chapel in North London. Her people came and mother shed a tear when it was announced that the newlywed couple would go to Africa.

From that day, her world collapsed. He had never even hinted that he had joined the colonial service, neither did she know her honeymoon would be a hurried affair in Brighton. She wept most of the time on board the M.V. Apapa that took them to Africa.

Eight years and her temper grew worse. She got farther and farther away from her husband. They never had a child. A child would have made all the difference in the world.

In England, she had loved her husband, in Africa she ____.

A. resented him

B. accepted him

C. enjoyed him

D. encouraged him

1010. A statement which initially appears to be absurd or contradictory but on a close examination contains important truth is called _____.

A. paradox

B. simile

C. apostrophe

D. alliteration

1011. That is no country for old men. The young

In one another's arms, birds in the trees

– Those dying generations – at their song,

The salmon-falls, the mackerel-crowded seas,

Fish, flesh, or fowl, commend all summer long

Whatever is begotten, born, and dies.

Caught in that sensual music all neglect

Monuments of unageing intellect.

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From lines 1, 3, and 5, what rhyme style did the author use?

A. Alternate half rhyme

B. Alternate perfect rhyme

C. Perfect rhyme

D. Imperfect rhyme

1012. There was an Old Man with a beard,

Who said, "It is just as I feared!—

Two Owls and a Hen, four Larks and a Wren,

Have all built their nests in my beard

- Edward Lear

Which of the following is the theme of the poem?

A. Relationship

B. Knowledge

C. Power

D. Drama

1013. Which of the following is not an element of fiction?

A. theme

B. style

C. cast

D. plot

E. setting

1014. Wow! The temperature is below ten degrees; it's going to be a little cool today. The above statement is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. understatement

C. litotes

D. irony

1015. In drama, the thoughts and feelings of the characters are expressed through their _____.

A. speeches and actions

B. actions and dialogue

C. speeches and dialogue

D. diction and language

1016. "Ignorance is strength" is an example of _____.

A. assonance

B. rhyme

C. paradox

D. oxymoron

1017. "To err is human, to forgive divine" is an example of _____.

A. anticlimax

B. antiphrasis

C. archetype

D. antithesis

E. euphemism

1018. A four-line stanza that rhyming ABAC or ABCB is known as _____.

A. alternate quatrain

B. double couplet

C. enclosed quatrain

D. unbounded quatrain

1019. "The afternoon sun threw down very strong heat. But it was not long before its presence was being menaced by some other celestial element. Droves of black cloud floated past its face now and then, defiant, as in a determined and fearless draft of protest, and the earth below was treated just as often to brief intervals of sunless calm. Not many birds played beneath the changing light and shade. The few that ventured showed against the vast celestial sheet either as swift, active, little black bolts or else like so many big charred leaves rising out of a bonfire and floating lazily across the face of the sky."

(The Victims', by Isidore Okpewho)

The passage is an example of _____.

A. description

B. discussion

C. retrospection

D. persuasion

1020. The expression "He nodded his agreeing head" is an example of _____.

A. anaphora

B. hypallage

C. litotes

D. metaphor

1021. What is the difference between tragedy and comedy?

A. The characters in tragedy use invectives while those of comedy sing.

B. The characters in comedy are often disguised with masks while those in tragedy appear without masks.

C. Tragedy has the quality of curiosity while comedy is trite.

D. Comedy deals with love while tragedy deals with everyday issues.

E. Comedy questions the values of a warrior while tragedy is based on the virtues of a warrior.

1022. I am not prone to weeping,

Commonly are; the want of which vain dew

Perchance shall dry your pities; but I have

That honourable grief lodged here which burns

Worse than tears drown.

The above lines from Shakespeare's 'The Winter's Tale' can best be described as _____ lines.

A. open-ended

B. running

C. run-on

D. end stopped

1023. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Fiction

B. Monologue

C. Aside

D. Soliloquy

1024. A character that serves by contrast to highlight or emphasize opposing traits in another character is called _____.

A. an antagonist

B. a pawn

C. a foil

D. a clown

1025. Another term for oxymoron is _____.

A. climax

B. parable

C. hyperbole

D. paradox

1026. In spite of the stain, the princess looked beautiful in her blue satin dress.

The two underlined words are known as _____.

A. homophones

B. polygram

C. homonyms

D. anagram

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The theme of the extract from Ngugi wa Thiong'o's Weep Not Child is the _____.

A. resistance to oppression

B. ambition to become a priest

C. quest for education

D. desire for happiness

1028. _____ helps the reader to visualize and experience the author's writings.

A. Dialogue

B. Setting

C. Imagery

D. Theme

1029. A metrical pattern of stressed and unstressed syllables illustrates the _____

A. iambus

B. anapaest

C. dactil

D. trochee

1030. Poor bastard

Dumped on the ground to make room

For his nocturnal fathers

Or on the mat to spend his horrid nights

Among steaming pot of food

And working rats

The picture presented above is one of _____.

A. loneliness

B. hunger

C. desolation

D. squalor

1031. Read the passage and answer the question

Joseph turned around, " Be careful you don't slip", he called. Her heel dug for a third step and then the moss stripped off a little. Her hands gripped the moss and tore it out. Joseph saw her head describe a little arc and strike the ground.

As he ran towards her, she turned on her side. Her whole body shuddered violently for a second and then relaxed. He stood over her for an instant before he ran to the spring and filled his hands with water. But when he came back to her, he let the water fall to the ground for he saw the position of her neck, and the gray that was stealing into her cheeks. " It was too simple, too easy, too quick ", he said.

Joseph's companion has just _____.

A. died

B. arrived

C. relaxed

D. collapsed

1032. Aesthetic in literature refers to the creation of _____.

A. imagery

B. lines

C. beauty

D. theme

1033. Stanza refers to _____ in a poem.

A. devices

B. lines

C. sections

D. divisions

1034. Read the poem below and answer the following question

O stealing time, the subject of delay

Delay the rack of unrefrained desire

What strange design has thou my hopes to stay?

My hopes which do but to mine own aspire

Old age is wise, and full of constant truth

Old age well stayed from ranging humour lives

Old age hath known, whatever was in youth

Old age overcome the greater honour gives

The mood of the poet is that of _____.

A. carelessness

B. happiness

C. cheerfulness

D. helplessness

1035. Christianity shone like a beacon in the black night of paganism illustrates the use of _____.

A. meiosis

B. diction

C. simile

D. synedoche

1036. An elegy is a poem that usually expresses a state of _____.

A. euphoria

B. confusion and chaos

C. grandeur

D. sorrow and grief

1037. Which of the literary devices in the option does not deal with sound?

A. Synecdoche

B. Alliteration

C. Assonance

D. Onomatopoeia

1038. _____ stirs up various emotional responses in readers and therefore ensures their emotional attachment to the literary piece they read.

A. Mood

B. Tone

C. Theme

D. Plot

1039. A _____ is a poem in the English tradition that usually follows a form of rhymed (abcb) quatrains alternating four-stress and three-stress lines. It is a popular narrative song passed down orally.

A. prose

B. elegy

C. ballad

D. malapropism

1040. A poem of four lines is called _____.

A. quatrain

B. sestet

C. sonnet

D. couplet

1041. A narrative in oral tradition that may include legends and fables is a _____.

A. ballad

B. pastoral

C. folktale

D. romance

1042. 'Dr Johnson takes his tea in oceans' is an example of _____.

A. conflict

B. climax

C. fashback

D. hyperbole

1043. And now the bells are chiming

A year is born

And my heart bell is ringing

In a dawn

The writer is in a state of _____.

A. exuberance

B. dejection

C. despair

D. joyful hope

E. dismal sorrow

1044. The plot of a novel is best described as the _____.

A. outline of the story in a logicval order

B. story with its beginning, middle and end

C. distinct summary of the story

D. story in all its details

1045. "But at my back I always hear times winged chariot hurrying near." The statement illustrates _____.

A. metaphor

B. apostrophe

C. oxymoron

D. metonymy

1046. The enclosed rhyme scheme is signified by _____ as its symbol.

A. ABBA

B. ABAB

C. AABB

D. AAAB

1047. Which of these is a word formed from two Greek words that mean ‘upon’ and ‘writing’?

A. analogy

B. epiphany

C. apology

D. epigram

E. monogram

1048. Lines that usually have a set pattern of metre and rhyme constitute _____.

A. stanza

B. verse

C. rhyme scheme

D. falling metre

1049. The outcome of the conflict in a play or story is called _____.

A. climax

B. catharsis

C. conflict

D. resolution

1050. Read the passage and answer the question

Joseph turned around, " Be careful you don't slip", he called. Her heel dug for a third step and then the moss stripped off a little. Her hands gripped the moss and tore it out. Joseph saw her head describe a little arc and strike the ground.

As he ran towards her, she turned on her side. Her whole body shuddered violently for a second and then relaxed. He stood over her for an instant before he ran to the spring and filled his hands with water. But when he came back to her, he let the water fall to the ground for he saw the position of her neck, and THE GREY THAT WAS STEALING INTO HER CHEEKS " It was too simple, too easy, too quick ", he said.

The expression written in capital letters is an example of _____.. A. hyperbole

B. metaphor

C. simile

D. personification

1051. All eyes may see from what the change arose,

All eyes may see--a pimple on her nose.

Papillia, wedded to her amorous spark,

Sighs for the shades--"How charming is a park!",

A park is purchas'd, but the fair he sees.

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. aabbc

B. abcab

C. aabcb

D. abccb

1052. "Destructive blessing" shows the use of _____.

A. anthithesis

B. oxymoron

C. apostrophe

D. parallelism

1053. A _____ is a poem of ten lines

A. dio

B. dioxin

C. duo

D. duoxin

1054. The _____ of a work of fiction is, generally refers to the context surrounding the characters which includes the physical environment, the time period, and the emotional atmosphere of a work of fiction.

A. setting

B. plot

C. theme

D. structure

1055. Ballad is derived from a Latin word "ballore" meaning to _____.

A. dance

B. cry

C. sing

D. sleep

1056. "Sleep, o sleep

With thy rod of incantation

Charm my imagination

Then, only then, I cease to weep

By thy power

The virgin, by time O'er taken

For years for lorn, forsaken

Enjoys the happy hour

What's to sleep

Tis a visionary blessing."

The power of sleep is described as being _____.

A. majestic

B. magical

C. poetic

D. worshipful

1057. The ending of most _____ is _____.

A. comedies/happy

B. designs/natural

C. comedies/calm

D. dramas/uncertain

1058. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Eulogy

B. Clown

C. Protagonist

D. Antagonist

E. Villain

1059. What literary device is employed when an author describes a scene where a ship, blown by the south wind, is stranded in the uncharted sea but the passengers do not have a single drop of water to drink?

A. Setting

B. Irony

C. Mood

D. Metaphor

1060. _____ essay as that which attempts to throw more lights on its subject.

A. A scientific

B. A narrative

C. An argumentative

D. An expository

1061. A complete play needs to have a _____. A. soliloquy

B. conflict

C. prologue

D. epilogue

E. personification

1062. The theme in an ode is usually _____.

A. love

B. mourning

C. praise

D. narrative

1063. I cannot blind myself to putrefying carcasses in the market place pulling giant vultures from the sky.

The writer's tone in the above statement is one of _____.

A. defiance

B. anger

C. mourning

D. anxiety

1064. A short poem written on a tomb is a\an _____.

A. dirge

B. panegyric

C. setting

D. epitaph

1065. His sleepy mouth, plugged by the heavy ripple

Tugs like a puppy, grunting as he feeds

The repeated 'u' sound is an example of _____.

A. onomatopoeia

B. alliteration

C. assonance

D. consonance

1066. A deliberate use of understatement for humour or emphasis is also known as _____.

A. litotes

B. hyperbole

C. anatomy

D. metonymy

E. symbolism

1067. "The afternoon sun threw down very strong heat. But it was not long before its presence was being menaced by some other celestial element. Droves of black cloud floated past its face now and then, defiant, as in a determined and fearless draft of protest, and the earth below was treated just as often to brief intervals of sunless calm. Not many birds played beneath the changing light and shade. The few that ventured showed against the vast celestial sheet either as swift, active, little black bolts or else like so many big charred leaves rising out of a bonfire and floating lazily across the face of the sky."

(The Victims', by Isidore Okpewho)

Few birds could play because _____.

A. It was raining

B. It was cloudy

C. It was sunny

D. It was cold

1068. The objective of _____ is to preach some kind of a moral lesson.

A. syllepsis

B. literature

C. allegory

D. alliteration

1069. 'The woman whose breasts I sucked is gone to the worms'.

The statement is an example of _____.

A. sadism

B. sophism

C. satire

D. euphemism

1070. "All fingers are not equal". This statement is an example of _____.

A. meiosis

B. oxymoron

C. hyperbole

D. synecdoche

1071. The metre used in the statement, "I walk upon the thorns of life." is _____.

A. trochaic

B. anapaestic

C. iambic

D. dactylic

1072. "Somiebi did not look bad at all today". This statement illustrates _____.

A. simile

B. litotes

C. contrast

D. metaphor

1073. Adewale was not just a warrior, but a family man. A man who walked the knife's edge to preserve his sanity.

What literary device is used in the above description?

A. Characterization

B. Chorus

C. Dramitization

D. Dialogue

1074. Read the passage and answer the question.

The killing of a whale at sea isn't pleasant to witness or even to contemplate. Hunted down through solar and other many specialised equipment, the whale has no more chance of escape like a steer in a slaughter house. The manner of its death, however, is very different. A grenade tipped-harpoon explodes deep within his body often causing prolonged suffering before the gentle giant, whose intelligence may be second only to our own, is reduced to a carcass ready for processing into crayons, lipsticks, shoe polish, fertilizer, margarine and pet food.

THE HUMAN MANNER OF DEATH, however, is the least part of the scandal known as the whaling industry. Much more important is the fact that the killing is quite unnecessary.

Adequate substitutes exist for every single use to which the whale carcass are currently put, and although some 32,000 whales are killed every year, the sum of commodities they provide is insignificant in the world's economy.

...."like a steer in a slaughterhouse" is an example of ____.

A. simile

B. metaphor

C. personification

D. assonance

1075. 'For I have known them all; already known them all

Have known the evenings, mornings, afternoons

I have measured out my life with coffee spoons'

The tone in these lines suggests _____.

A. a desire

B. tension

C. caution

D. exasperation

1076. _____ involves the effective use of words in the literal or figurative sense.

A. Metaphor

B. Irony

C. Diction

D. Simile

1077. A line of poetry is measured by the _____.

A. number of words

B. number of feet it contains

C. images

D. rhythm

1078. There was an Old Man with a beard,
Who said, "It is just as I feared!—
Two Owls and a Hen, four Larks and a Wren,
Have all built their nests in my beard.
- Edward Lear

The rhyming scheme of the above verse best describes it as a _____.

A. heroic

B. octave

C. limerick

D. couplet

1079. 'As soon as the fellows were departed, the lawyer who had, it seems, a case of pistols in the seat of the coach, informed the company that if it had been daylight, and he would have come at his pistols, he would not have submitted to the robbery; he likewise set forth that he had often met highway men when he travelled on horseback, but none ever durst attack him; concluding that if he had not been more afraid for the lady than for himself, he should not have now parted with his money so easily. '

It can be inferred from the text that the lawyer is a _____.

A. brave man

B. security operative

C. coward

D. ladies' man

1080. A _____ is an emotional discharge through which one can achieve a state of moral or spiritual renewal or achieve a state of liberation from anxiety and stress.

A. catharsis

B. cadence

C. ballad

D. soliloquy

1081. "Death lays his icy hands on kings" is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. paradox

C. hyperbole

D. personification

1082. _____ is a type of play which is funny but hardly believable.

A. A melodrama

B. A comedy

C. An entertainment

D. A farce

Read the poem and answer the question.

1083. "What time of night it is

I do not know

Except that like some fish

Doped out of the deep

I have bobbed up belly wise"

Which of the following literary devices is employed in the poem?

A. alliteration

B. assonance

C. aesthetics

D. onomatopoeia

1084. Old father, old artificer bear with me now and ever in good stead.

The word 'artificer' describes _____.

A. sage

B. a craftsman

C. a magician

D. an artificial person

1085. A question for which no answer is sought in a piece of writing is known as _____ question.

A. rhetorical

B. paradoxical

C. cross

D. leading

E. pointed

1086. Literature helps us to know the world around us.

A. True

B. Sometimes false

C. False

D. All of the above

1087. Poetry is focused on which one of the following?

A. Emotion and ideas

B. Beauty and emotion

C. Emotion only

D. Ideas and beauty

1088. Kuziene was alone in the crowd on his day at his new school.

The underlined phrase in the above statement is called _____.

A. litotes

B. eclipse

C. paradox

D. oxymoron

1089. The use of rhetorical questions _____ the poet's message.

A. emphasize

B. repeat

C. recast

D. dramatize

1090. Alliteration in poetry, also known as _____ rhyme refers to matching initial consonant sounds in words.

A. imperfect

B. head

C. perfect

D. syllabic

1091. A figure of speech in which two contradictory expressions are used side by side is known as _____.

A. contrast

B. antithesis

C. oxymoron

D. euphemism

1092. "The movie was not half bad." illustrates the use of _____.

A. metaphor

B. personification

C. simile

D. litotes

1093. A four-line stanza rhyming ABAB is called _____.

A. an interlaced quatrain

B. a double couplet

C. an envelope quatrain

D. a ballad quatrain

1094. A ballad is a _____.

A. narrative poem usually set to music

B. novels that tell a folk story

C. love story told by a singing poet

D. poem bearing an interesting climatic episode

E. none of the above

1095. The leaves are withered

Roses fold and shrink

Dog the panting athlete shows his tongue

A dwarfed shadow flees

Hide under legs

Nuts wrinkle and crack

_____ is a predominant image presented in the poem.

A. A spent life

B. Summer

C. Death

D. Tiredness

Read the poem and answer question.

1096. In front of the gate, the guard stands with his rifle,

Above, untidy clouds are carrying away the moon,

The bedbugs are swarming like army tanks on manoeuvers

While the mosquitoes form squadrons, attacking like frighter planes.

My heart travels a thousand miles towards my native land.

My dream intertwines with sadness like a stein of a thousand threads,

Innocent, I have endured a whole year in prison.

Using my tears for ink, I turn my thoughts into verses.

The imagery in the first four lines is predominantly _____.

A. agricultural

B. military

C. political

D. social

1097. "The mosquito-proof netting was dust clogged and had holes large enough to admit cows"

The literary device used in this expression is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. metaphor

C. hyperbole

D. simile

1098. Another term for personification is _____.

A. cacophony

B. disguise

C. cinquain

D. prosopopeia

E. none of the above

1099. A glooming peace this morning with it brings.

The sun for sorrow will not show his head.

Go hence, to have more talk of these sad things.

Some shall be pardon, and some punished.

The above lines from Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet can best be described as _____ lines.

A. end rhymed

B. dialogued

C. end-stopped

D. run-on

1100. "Curley was flopping like a fish on a line" is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. paradox

C. oxymoron

D. metonymy

1101. 'The man tore through the building' is an example of _____.

A. narrative technique

B. metaphor

C. setting

D. plot

1102. The elegy _____.

A. conforms to a fixed pattern of lines

B. is set in the countryside

C. has a mournful tone

D. celebrates heroic deeds

1103. A bitter remark intended to wound a person's feeling is called _____.

A. satire

B. allusion

C. sarcasm

D. ambiguity

1104. "I don't fancy forbidden fruits of fashions", illustrates the use of _____.

A. metaphor

B. repetition

C. assonance

D. alliteration

1105. An author uses _____ to create a series of events that leads to a climax that captivates the audience and makes them tense and anxious to know what is going to happen.

A. theme

B. plot

C. suspense

D. denouement

1106. The expression, "heart of stone" is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metonymy

C. paradox

D. metaphor

1107. I wonder how long, you awful parasite,

Shall share with me this little bed

And make me, from sweet dreams be lost

By socking blood from my poor head

I should but say man has much

Blood which you and your family do feed

On for supper, dinner and lunch.

The creature in the poem is best described as _____.

A. clever

B. sluggish

C. awkward

D. tiny

1108. A recurring theme in a literary work is known as _____.

A. truth

B. plot

C. motif

D. idea

1109. The act of creating a ridiculous effect by the unintentional misuse of words that sound alike is known as _____.

A. malapropism

B. metonymy

C. onomatopoeia

D. pun

1110. "Life is a working shadow" is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. simile

C. apostrophe

D. oxymoron

1111. Read the passage and answer the question

Ngotho was pleased. And Nyokabi Njeri was full of joy at the news. For the first time for many years, something like a glimmer of light shone in Ngotho's eyes. He could even

be seen making an effort to walk up right. Here at last was a son who might eventually be a match for the Howlands and Jacobos with any others who at all despised him.

Kamanu too was pleased. He hoped he could go on helping Ngoroge. Ngoroge might do something for the family. Ngoroge was happy. His first impulse, when he learnt that he had gone through, was to kneel down and thank God for all He had done for him. "Give me more and more learning and make me the instrument of thy light and peace." To go to secondary school, the big mission at Siriana was no small achievement.

The expression "a glimmer of light" means _____.

A. courage

B. disaster

C. tolerance

D. hope

1112. Read the passage and answer the question

Joseph turned around, "Be careful you don't slip", he called. Her heel dug for a third step and then the moss stripped off a little. Her hands gripped the moss and tore it out. Joseph saw her head describe a little arc and strike the ground.

As he ran towards her, she turned on her side. Her whole body shuddered violently for a second and then relaxed. He stood over her for an instant before he ran to the spring and filled his hands with water. But when he came back to her, he let the water fall to the ground for he saw the position of her neck, and the gray that was stealing into her cheeks. "It was too simple, too easy, too quick ", he said.

Joseph's mood here, is one of _____.

A. shock

B. indifference

C. happiness

D. kindness

1113. Scientific and journalistic texts are examples of _____ prose

A. factual

B. persuasive

C. partial

D. characteristic

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1115. 'Earth has nothing to show fairer

Dull world he be of soul who could pass by

A sight so touching in its majesty

This city now doth like a garment wear

The beauty of the morning'

It is suggested in this poem that _____.

A. the beauty of the morning gains from the beauty of the city

B. the beauty of the city gains from the beauty of the morning

C. the beauty of the city and the beauty of the morning are unrelated

D. the beauty of the same has nothing to do with the city or the morning

E. there is no beauty on earth

1116. The repetition of similar vowel sound within lines is _____.

A. parallelism

B. allusion

C. assonance

D. alliteration

1117. When a writer refers to past events in order to clarify a current event, he employs _____.

A. retrospection

B. flashback

C. memoir

D. dramatic irony

1118. A narrative poem in the manner of oral folk tradition is _____.

A. a pastoral

B. a lyric

C. a ballad

D. an elegy

1119. The central issue in a play or novel is known as the _____.

A. theme

B. summary

C. synopsis

D. resume

1120. Soft as he mourned, the streams forgot to flow

She flocks around a dumb compassion show.

The above lines can be best described as a _____.

A. couplet

B. rhythm

C. tercet

D. rhyme

1121. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Prose

B. Poetry

C. Drama

D. Tragedy

1122. "Move him into the sun.

Gently its touch awoke him once.

At home, whispering of fields unsown

Always it woke him

Even in France.

Until this morning and this snow

If anything might rouse him now,

This kind old sun will know.

Think how it wakes the seed".

One of the dominant literary device used in the poem is _____.

A. hyperbole

B. simile

C. assonance

D. metaphor

1123. "Uneasy lies the head that wears the crown" is an example of _____.

A. apostrophe

B. anastrophe

C. aphorism

D. analogue

E. epilogue

1124. "Was this the face that launched a thousand ships and burnt the topless towers of Ilium?" is an example of _____.

A. pun

B. apostrophe

C. synecdoche

D. onomatopoeia

E. personification

1125. A term used in describing an effective choice of words in a literary work is _____.

A. diphthong

B. denotation

C. diction

D. dialogue

1126. A poem consisting of fourteen lines is called _____.

A. a narrative

B. a sonnet

C. an ode

D. an elegy

1127. Thou art the judge of man

Judging his plans and behaviour

Judging his speech and egotism

You are the patient judge

Nations plan without having thee in view

They boast of their will

But soon you show them their follies

You are the patient judge

The dominant device used in line three of the second verse is _____.

A. alliteration

B. assonance

C. onomatopoeia

D. personification

1128. A literary work whose mode of narration is the letteris called _____.

A. a letter fiction

B. an epic

C. an epistle

D. a romantic

1129. His mind was crowded with memories; memories of the knowledge that had come to them when they closed in on the struggling pig, knowledge that they had outwitted a living thing, imposed their will upon it, taken away its life like a long satisfying drink.

The dominant device in this text is _____.

A. progressive repetition

B. progressive amplification

C. bold contrast

D. rhetorical emphasis

1130. A play is watched by _____.

A. a congregation

B. spectators

C. a crowd

D. an audience

1131. The metrical pattern in, "In mist or cloud, on mast or stand" is _____.

A. iambic

B. trochaic

C. anapaestic

D. dactylic

1132. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Stanza

B. Verse

C. Line

D. Language

1133. Read the poem below and answer the following question

I love you; my gentle one

My love is the fresh milk of rubindi

Which you drank on the wedding day

My love is the butter we were smeared with

To seal fidelity into our hearts

You are the cattle - birds egg

For those who say you are wealthy

YOU ARE THE PAPYRUS REED OF THE LAKE

WHICH THEY PULL OUT WITH BOTH HANDS

And I sing for you with tears

Because you possess my heart

I love you, my gentle one

The poem is a blank verse because it _____.

A. has no rhyme scheme

B. is a contemporary sonnet

C. altrnate rhyme scheme

D. contains couplets

1134. 'Fair is fowl, fowl is fair'. What is the literary term and figure of speech used in the statement?

A. Simile and repetition

B. Oxymoron and metaphor

C. Allusion and irony

D. Alliteration and paradox

1135. An ode is a poem written for _____.

A. condemnation

B. celebration

C. instruction

D. entertainment

ANSWERS

TOPIC: LITERARY APPRECIATION

DIRECTION: Choose the correct answer from the lettered options.

1. _____ is a technique for saying something while apparently saying something else.

A. Euphony

B. Anaphora

C. Paradox

D. Innuendo

The correct answer is option [D]

2. Read and answer the question below
Look out a window
at the traffic below.

Where are they going
I don't really know

Each has a destination
that they want to get to;

Some it will be work
with a long drive ahead,

While others it will be home
so they can rest their head.

The rhyme scheme of the verse is _____.

A. aabcc

B. abbbc

C. abcab

D. aaaab

The correct answer is option [A]

3. A _____ character in a story who has many aspects to his or her personality and may be unpredictable.

A. whole

B. virtuous

C. flat

D. round

The correct answer is option [D]

4. Read and answer the question below

"The man had the strength of a thousand elephants"

The device used in the above statement is _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metaphor

C. irony

D. sarcasm

The correct answer is option [A]

5. Read and answer the question below

There was a young lady of Lynn,

Who was so uncommonly thin

That when she essayed

To drink lemonade

She slipped through the straw and fell in.

The poem above can be described as a _____.

A. landays

B. lament

C. lyric

D. limerick

The correct answer is option [D]

6. Poetry is a _____.

A. piece of literary work that is not really concise in nature but expresses deep thoughts.

B. piece of work that majorly conveys social issues and cultural values.

C. genre of literature that seeks to correct all the ills of the society.

D. literary work that expresses people's thoughts, feelings, emotions.

The correct answer is option [D]

7. Alliteration in poetry, also known as _____ rhyme refers to matching initial consonant sounds in words.

A. imperfect

B. head

C. perfect

D. syllabic

The correct answer is option [B]

Distich is another name for couplet (that is, a poem of two lines)

8. Read the poem below and answer the question

I wonder how long, you awful parasite

Shall share with me this little bed
And make me, from sweet dreams be lost
By sucking blood from my poor head
I should not say man has much
Blood which you and your families do feed
On; for supper, diner and lunch
And besides, you do in my bed breed

Clever thou art, tiny creature;
You attend me when I am asleep
When thou art sure, I can't you capture
Just at the time I snore deep

Tis so strange that before twilight

The bed clear of you would seem;
For not one of you is on my sight
As if your presence was in a dream

The subject of the poem is a _____.

A. bad habit

B. healthy meal

C. insect bite

D. sound sleep

The correct answer is option [C]

It is only the bed bug that lives in a bed amongst the options given above.

9. Read the passage and answer the question.

In England, her love for Henry blossomed like spring flowers after a hard winter. But she abhorred the way he dressed in England. They fell in love when she was working in the little coffee shop across from the Crystal Palace.

Tall and jovial, he fell romantically in love with her at first sight.

After a brief and hilarious courtship, they got married in a small Presbyterian Chapel in North London. Her people came and mother shed a tear when it was announced that the newly wed couple would go to Africa.

From that day, her world collapsed. He had never even hinted that he had joined the colonial service, neither did she know her honeymoon would be a hurried affair in Brighton. She wept most of the time on board the M.V. Apapa that took them to Africa.

Eight years and her temper grew worse. She got farther and farther away from her husband. They never had a child. A child would have made all the difference in the world.

The last sentence of the final paragraph insinuates that the couple were ____.

A. not close

B. miserable

C. childless

D. desired a child

The correct answer is option [B]

10. A serious play with sad ending is called _____.

A. comedy

B. farce

C. pantomime

D. tragedy

The correct answer is option [D]

11. The characteristics of poetry include all except it _____.

A. tends to have a regular rhythmic

B. is usually written in careful close words figures of speech

C. is not meant to be recited

D. is usually divided into stanzas, verses or run on line

The correct answer is option [C]

12. Choose the odd item from the option.

A. Tragedy

B. Comedy

C. Epilogue

D. Tragi-comedy

The correct answer is option [C]

13. The purpose for literature does not include _____.

A. bringing pleasure and entertainment to the audience

B. promoting diverse cultures around the world

C. encouraging the spread of dancing styles

D. introducing the audience to a world of new experience

The correct answer is option [C]

14. Another term for personification is _____.

A. cacophony

B. disguise

C. cinquain

D. prosopopeia

E. none of the above

The correct answer is option [D]

15. 'The eyes of the house dog sprawled
between my legs followed full of envy,
piece after piece of fish down the throat
of his master my host.'

The dog _____.

A. followed his master about so he could eat the fish

B. ran after his master's fish between the guest's legs

C. caught the fish between the legs of the host

D. watched intently as his master ate the fish

The correct answer is option [D]

16. The phrase "all hands on deck", is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. onomatopoeia

C. metaphor

D. synecdoche

The correct answer is option [D]

17. "A tender rose" illustrates the use of _____.

A. personification

B. imagery

C. symbolism

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [B]

18. An author uses _____ to create a series of events that leads to a climax that captivates the audience and makes them tense and anxious to know what is going to happen.

A. theme

B. plot

C. suspense

D. denouement

The correct answer is option [C]

19. "I looked upon the rotting sea,
And drew my eyes away;
I looked upon the rotting deck,
And there the dead men lay".

One literary device used in the above verse is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. repetition

C. antithesis

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [B]

20. A character that develops with events and situations in a novel is _____ character.

A. a flat

B. a sound

C. a minor

D. the main

The correct answer is option [D]

21. The settings of a narrative include the following except _____.

A. the time

B. the general environment

C. the geographical environment

D. the theme

E. the general circumstance

The correct answer is option [D]

22. The most exciting and tensed part of a story is the _____.

A. epilogue

B. climax

C. prologue

D. exposition

The correct answer is option [B]

23. "The country grows more prosperous every year." This statement is an example of _____.

A. synecdoche

B. denouement

C. peroration

D. conclusion

E. an index

The correct answer is option [A]

24. The month of July crept in. The sky like a hooded monk wore black, as in morning, ready to shred its load. The sun was mystified while heaps of sand and dust spiralled high up in the sky sending high and low alike scurring into hiding. The town had never known such a damper. It was forty-eight hours of weeping by both the heavens and the inhabitants of Olosi who lost most of their life's savings in this destructive blessing.

"High and low alike" in the society refers to _____.

A. rulers of the village

B. women and their children

C. chiefs and their subjects

D. the rich and the poor

The correct answer is option [D]

25. "It is cruel to be kind" is an example of an _____.

A. anti-climax

B. oxymoron

C. anecdote

D. antithesis

E. internal rhyme

The correct answer is option [B]

26. Read and answer the question below

Soft as he mourned, the streams forgot to flow
She flocks around a dumb compassion show.

The above lines can be best described as a _____.

A. couplet

B. rhythm

C. tercet

D. rhyme

The correct answer is option [A]

27. Read and answer the question below

"True with is nature to advantage rest.

What oft was thought but ne'er so well expressed."

The lines illustrate the use of _____.

A. rhythm

B. pun

C. rhyme

D. paradox

The correct answer is option [D]

28. "And yonder all before us lie. Deserts of vast eternity", illustrates the use of _____.

A. allegory

B. personification

C. oxymoron

D. allusion

The correct answer is option [D]

An allusion is a figure of speech whereby the author refers to a subject matter such as a place, event, or literary work by way of a passing reference. It is expected that the reader will try to make a connection to the subject being mentioned.

29. A narrative poem _____.

A. preaches a sermon

B. tells a tale or story

C. propounds a Philosophy

D. argues in a narrative manner

The correct answer is option [B]

30. Read the poem below and answer the question below it

If I could have put you in my hands

If I could have wrapped you in myself

How glad I should have been!

And now the chart

Of memory unrolls again to me

The course of our journey here, here where we part ...

An appropriate title for this poem would be _____.

A. The End

B. A Lover's Hope

C. Joys of Being in Love

D. The Journey of lLife

E. The Glad Lover

The correct answer is option [A]

31. Read and answer the question below

War is peace.

Freedom is slavery.

Ignorance is strength

The above lines are examples of _____.

A. alliteration

B. hyperbole

C. paradox

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [C]

32. Read and answer the question below

There was an Old Man with a beard,

Who said, "It is just as I feared! —

Two Owls and a Hen, four Larks and a Wren,

Have all built their nests in my beard

- Edward Lear

The rhyme pattern of the above verse is _____.

A. abbc

B. aabc

C. abca

D. aaba

The correct answer is option [D]

33. Dialogue in a literary work varies in structure and tone depending on the people participating in the conversation and the _____ that the author is trying to maintain.

A. plot

B. mood

C. style

D. aspect

The correct answer is option [B]

34. The part of the plot that introduces the setting and characters and presents the events and situations that the story will focus on _____.

A. prologue

B. climax

C. epilogue

D. exposition

The correct answer is option [D]

35. The choice of appropriate words to convey the thoughts of an author is called _____.

A. rhyme

B. setting

C. style

D. diction

The correct answer is option [D]

36. Read and answer the question below

Histories make men wise; poets, witty; the mathematics, subtile; natural philosophy, deep; moral, grave; logic and rhetoric, able to contend.

- Francis Bacon.

The above statement is an example of the use of _____.

A. ellipsis

B. zeugma

C. evidence

D. hubris

The correct answer is option [B]

37. Which of the following best describes literature?

A. Tells the story of great men and women.

B. It is the reflection of man's life in the society.

C. It is a record of past events.

D. The description of events that never happened.

The correct answer is option [B]

38. What is referred to as the sequence of beat in a poem?

A. Rhythm

B. Rhyme

C. Meter

D. Stanza

The correct answer is option [A]

39. Read and answer the question below

Joseph turned around, " Be careful you don't slip", he called. Her heel dug for a third step and then the moss stripped off a little. Her hands gripped the moss and tore it out. Joseph saw her head describe a little arc and strike the ground.

As he ran towards her, she turned on her side. Her whole body shuddered violently for a second and then relaxed. He stood over her for an instant before he ran to the spring and filled his hands with water. But when he came back to her, he let the water fall to the ground for he saw the position of her neck, and the gray that was stealing into her cheeks. " It was too simple, too easy, too quick ", he said.

The extract is an example of _____.

A. narrative prose

B. descriptive prose

C. imaginative prose

D. expository prose

The correct answer is option [A]

40. "What a pity that youth must be wasted on the young." is an example of _____.

A. synecdoche

B. personification

C. alliteration

D. paradox

E. simile

The correct answer is option [D]

41. Read and answer the question below

My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow on the sky

So was it when my life began,

So is it now that I am a man

So be it when I shall grow

The child is the father of the man

The literary device used in line one is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. alliteration

C. litotes

D. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

42. The final six lines of a 14-line Italian or Petrarchan sonnet is called _____.

A. sixtina

B. sestet

C. sestina

D. sixtet

The correct answer is option [B]

Anastrophe is a figure of speech involving an inversion of the natural order of words; for example, saying "echoed the hills" to mean "the hills echoed."

43. But the towering earth was tired of sitting in one position. She moved suddenly, and the houses crumbled, the mountains heaved horribly, and the work of a million years was lost.

The subject of the above piece is _____.

A. earthquake

B. house movement

C. sea waves

D. storm

The correct answer is option [A]

44. "The whole city was present at the naming ceremony" is an example of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. hyperbole

C. onomatopoeia

D. repetition

The correct answer is option [B]

45. "The strong gongs groaning as the guns boom far" illustrates the use of _____.

A. metonymy

B. refrain

C. onomatopoeia

D. repetition

The correct answer is option [C]

46. In the line, " I walk upon the thorns of life" the metre is _____.

A. trochaic

B. anapestic

C. iambic

D. dactylic

The correct answer is option [C]

47. The moment of heightened tension in a play is called _____.

A. denouement

B. denotation

C. conflict

D. climax

The correct answer is option [D]

48. Read the poem and answer the question

My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow in the sky

So was it when my life began

So is it now I am a man

Or let me die!

The child is the father of the man

And I could wish my day to be

Bound each by natural piety

The above poem actually deals with the theme of _____.

A. old age

B. childhood

C. beauty

D. fatherhood

The correct answer is option [A]

49. Hail to them, by the spirit

Bird thou wert

That from heaven or near it,

In profuse strains of unpremeditated art

The main figure of speech in the poem is _____.

A. apostrophe

B. hyperbole

C. euphemism

D. metonymy

The correct answer is option [A]

50. Read and answer the question below

His mind flitted back memory lane.

He remembered how time worked quietly in,

like a thief in the night and then put the sword in the heart of the land. He remembered his wife and two lovely kids, all skin pitilessly by the beast in khaki.

The dominant literary device used by the writer is _____.

A. metaphor

B. repetition

C. simile

D. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

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B. repetition

C. simile

D. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

52. Literature brings about all of the following except _____.

A. education

B. entertainment

C. relaxation

D. conflict

The correct answer is option [D]

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B. entertainment

C. relaxation

D. conflict

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54. "The cell is a cruel place, sometimes a haven." is an example of _____.

A. paradox

B. sarcasm

C. anti-climax

D. personification

The correct answer is option [A]

55. Old father, old artificer bear with me now and ever in good stead.

The word 'artificer' describes _____.

A. sage

B. a craftsman

C. a magician

D. an artificial person

The correct answer is option [B].

56. A costly mistake made by the protagonist or an in-built weakness of an admirable character which aids his downfall is called _____.

A. catharsis

B. tragic-flaw

C. dramatic irony

D. ambition

The correct answer is option [B]

57. A person who provides amusement through inappropriate appearance and/or behavior is called a _____.

A. buffoon

B. villain

C. hero

D. protagonist

E. antagonist

The correct answer is option [A]

Strictly, a buffoon describes a "ridiculous, but nevertheless amusing person." In the broad terms, a buffoon is a clownish, publicly amusing person?

58. _____ rhyme is the most common type of rhyme that occurs in the final syllable of a verse or line.

A. Imperfect

B. Perfect

C. Tail

D. Head

The correct answer is option [C]

59. "You are the salt of my life", illustrates the use of _____.

A. metaphor

B. simile

C. hyperbole

D. euphemism

The correct answer is option [A]

60. Read and answer the question below

He sits under a bough

Utters a loud cough,

Wipes his sweating brow

And gives the dog a blow.

The poet makes use of _____ in the above verse.

A. masculine rhyme

B. eye rhyme

C. internal rhyme

D. end rhyme

The correct answer is option [D]

61. "Now, Joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasure's free, she cannot sing".

What is the rhyme scheme of the above lines?

A. aab

B. abc

C. abb

D. aaa

The correct answer is option [B]

62. The madman has entered our house with violence

Defiling our sacred grounds

Claiming the single truth of the universe

Binding down our high priests with iron

The imagery in the lines above captures the idea of _____.

A. coercion

B. religion

C. truth

D. persuasion

The correct answer is option [A]

63. "The child is the father of the man" illustates the use of _____.

A. paradox

B. sarcasm

C. synedoche

D. simile

The correct answer is option [A]

64. A short speech at the beginning of a literary work which serves as commentary is termed _____.

A. monologue

B. prologue

C. chalogue

D. ppilogue

The correct answer is option [B]

65. Read and answer the question below

'Earth has nothing to show more fair

Dull world he be of soul who could pass by

A sight so touching in its majesty

This city now doth like a garment wear

The beauty of the morning'

It is suggested in this poem that _____.

A. the beauty of the morning gains from the beauty of the city

B. the beauty of the city gains from the beauty of the morning

C. the beauty of the city and the beauty of the morning are unrelated

D. the beauty of the same has nothing to do with the city or the morning

E. there is no beauty on earth

The correct answer is option [B]

66. A poem which tells a story in the form of a song is _____.

A. an epic

B. a ballad

C. a pastoral

D. a eulogy

The correct answer is option [B]

67. Read the poem and answer the question

Careened

These only tears

Dripping down the tears of your depressed face

Will one day be stanched

I swear!

The tone of the poet is _____.

A. optimistic

B. supplicatory

C. sympathetic

D. piteous

The correct answer is option [A]

68. An off-scene person that whispers forgotten lines to actors is called a _____.

A. director

B. designer

C. producer

D. prompter

E. reminder

The correct answer is option [D]

70. Read the verse and answer question.

I have to thank God I'm a woman,

For in these ordered days a woman only

Is free to be very hungry, very lonely.

The dominant device used in the verse is _____.

A. burlesque

B. paradox

C. conflict

D. irony

The correct answer is option [D]

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B. paradox

C. conflict

D. irony

The correct answer is option [D]

71. A literary device that a writer uses to hint at the possible outcome in future without any interruption while using events or dialogues of characters in the current time of a story is known as _____.

A. flash-forward

B. flash back

C. fast forward

D. foreshadowing

The correct answer is option [D]

72. The deliberate use of overstatement to create a special effect is known as _____.

A. realism

B. hyperbole

C. climax

D. pathos

The correct answer is option [B]

73. One of the following writers is better known as a playwright than a novelist?

A. C. Achebe

B. C. Ekwensi

C. W. Soyinka

D. J. P. Clark

E. E. G. Okoro

The correct answer is option [C]

74. "Poisonous pleasure of wine". This expression illustrates the use of _____.

A. metonymy

B. synecdoche

C. paradox

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [D]

75. A dioxin is a poem of _____.

A. ten lines

B. ten foot

C. ten stanzas

D. ten rhyme schemes

The correct answer is option [A]

76. You must marry your friend if you don't want a troubled paradise in your marriage.

The underlined phrase in the above statement is an example of _____.

A. allegory

B. hyperbole

C. allusion

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [D]

77. Youth, for whose ear and monishing of late,

I sang of Prodigals and lost estate,

Have thou thy joy of living and be gay;

But know not less that there must come a day,

Aye, and perchance e'en now it hasteneth,

When thine own heart shall speak.

The rhyme scheme of the verse is _____.

A. aabbcd

B. aaabcb

C. aaabcb

D. aaabab

E. aaabbb

The correct answer is option [A]

78. Yeriso was not aware of the model's presence until the jangle of her bracelets caught his attention.

The predominant literary term used in the above statement is _____.

A. climax

B. metonymy

C. onomatopoeia

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [C]

79. In poetry, metre is measuring a line of poetry based on the _____ of the words.

A. number

B. feet

C. length

D. rhythm

The correct answer is option [D]

80. Read the poem below and answer the following question

I love you; my gentle one

My love is the fresh milk of rubindi

Which you drank on the wedding day

My love is the butter we were smeared with

To seal fidelity into our hearts

You are the cattle - birds egg

For those who say you are wealthy

YOU ARE THE PAPYRUS REED OF THE LAKE

WHICH THEY PULL OUT WITH BOTH HANDS

And I sing for you with tears

Because you possess my heart

I love you, my gentle one

The poem is a blank verse because it _____.

A. has no rhyme scheme

B. is a contemporary sonnet

C. altrnate rhyme scheme

D. contains couplets

The correct answer is option [A]

81. Read the passage and answer the question.

The long column of misery tended to grow longer, as the more robust struggled to get as far as possible from the pursuing French,

and as the weaker fell farther and farther behind. There were enough weaklings. In all conscience, even in summer, the men had been badly clothed, and even in victory, insufficiently fed, and now, it is winter, and Espinosa had been fought and lost, and the route of the retreat lay away from the fertile plains and up into the inhospitable mountains.

The rain had fallen upon them in deluges for days, and now as they climbed higher, it was turning into sleet, and a bitter cold wind blew.

Ahead of them, they could see the snow lying thick on the mountain passes, through which they would have to climb, without food or fuel or rest, and with terror of the French to urge them on. Disease had come inevitably to complete the work so well begun by hunger, exposure and the sword.

The device used in the last sentence is _____.

A. climax

B. sarcasm

C. euphemism

D. hyperbole

The correct answer is option [A]

82. "Charm strikes the sight, but merit wins the soul."

This is an example of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. symbolism

C. flash back

D. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

83. A type of rhyme in which the final syllable of one line mimics the sound of the final syllable of another line is called _____ rhyme.

A. feminine

B. internal

C. eye

D. masculine

The correct answer is option [D]

84. 'A slight breeze murmured in the air. Grasses swayed as if in resentment. Over in the horizon, just beneath the spectrum of the ascending sun, horizontal brands of red cloud hung menacingly above the tips of the trees, and the morning air smelled of burnt day'

Effect is achieved in this text through the use of _____.

A. subdued tone

B. visual images

C. detailed description

D. adequate punctuation

The correct answer is option [C]

85. One of the strongest devices an author usese to awaken the reader's senory perceptions is _____.

A. resolution

B. interlude

C. inference

D. imagery

The correct answer is option [D]

86. Fiction comprises the following except _____.

A. narrative

B. descriptive

C. exposition

D. composition

The correct answer is option [D]

87. Here she lies, a pretty bud,
Lately made of flesh and blood,
Who as soon fell fast asleep
As her little eyes did peep.
Give her strewings, but not stir
The earth that lightly covers her.
- Robert Herrick

The rhyme pattern of the above verse is _____.

A. aabbac

B. aabccb

C. abbbcc

D. aabbcc

The correct answer is option [D]

88. Which of these does not belong to the list.?

A. Cyprian Ekwensi

B. Elechi Amadi

C. Ola Rotimi

D. Thomas Hardy

E. Wole Soyinka

The correct answer is option [D]

All except option D are African playwrights.

89. And though at times a thread may break

A new one forms in its wake

To bind us closer and keep us strong

In a special world, where we belong.

What is the rhyme scheme of the above verse?

A. abab

B. aabb

C. abbc

D. abba

The correct answer is option [B]

90. Journalistic prose is characterised by the use of clichés, catch phrases, adjectives and descriptive phrases before and after nouns.

A. True

B. Doubtful

C. False

D. Incomplete

The correct answer is option [A]

91. A literary work which exhibits poetic quality using emotional effects and heightened imagery but are written in prose instead of verse is known as _____.

A. heroic prose

B. fictional prose

C. nonfictional prose

D. prose poetry

The correct answer is option [D]

92. A non-verbal story acted out on stage by the characters is called _____.

A. imitation

B. farce

C. mime

D. comedy

The correct answer is option [C]

93. Read the poem below and answer the question

Now, joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasures of free, she cannot sing

As sweet a song as joy confined

Pleasure's a moth that sleeps by day

And dances by false glare at night

But Joy's a beauty Butterfly, that loves

To spread it's wings in Nature's light.

"False glare" refers to _____.

A. man-made light

B. nature's light

C. the moon light

D. the sunlight

The correct answer is option [A]

94. The book "Animal Farm" is an example of _____.

A. appologue

B. elegy

C. lullaby

D. masque

The correct answer is option [A]

95. _____ is known as a verse of fifteen syllables.

A. Fifteener

B. Fifteenier

C. Fifteeneer

D. Fifteenar

The correct answer is option [A]

96. What is the rhyme scheme of the lines below?

By thy power

The virgin by time o're taken

For years for lorn forsaken

Enjoys the happy hour

A. abca

B. abac

C. abba

D. aabb

The correct answer is option [C]

97. In poetry an image reveals _____.

A. refrain

B. theme

C. rhyme

D. intent

The correct answer is option [B]

98. In drama, the act of talking to oneself; oblivious to any hearers present is known as _____.

A. stage direction

B. dialogue

C. characterisation

D. soliloquy

The correct answer is option [D]

99. What figure of is used when someone says."I have wheels"?

A. Personification

B. Partition

C. Synecdoche

D. Metonymy

The correct answer is option [C]

100. "In a somer seson, whan soft was the sonne,

I shope me into shroudes, as I a shepe were" is an example of _____.

A. metonymy

B. alliteration

C. synecdoche

D. onomatopoeia

E. None of the above

The correct answer is option [B]

101. Which of the following is a narrative technique in a novel?

A. Casting

B. Dream

C. Flashback

D. Prologue

E. Social relevance

The correct answer is option [C]

102. The strong desire he felt for her faded as he had done the previous night. He tried desperately to excite himself mentally; not a nerve in his body responded. He felt ill, he perspired. He, the stallion who usually flung himself at women was like pulp.

The terseness of the prose above is to _____.

A. capture climax

B. depict tension

C. condemn the man

D. sympathise with the man

The correct answer is option [A]

Terseness is a neatly short and concise expressive style.

103 "Tlot-tlot; tlot-tlot! Had they heard it?

The horse-hoofs ringing clear;

Tlot-tlot, tlot-tlot, in the distance?
Were they deaf that they did not hear?

Down the ribbon of moonlight, over the brow of the hill,

The highwayman came riding,

Riding, riding!

There is the predominant use of _____in the first three lines of the poem.

A. onomatopoeia

B. synecdoche

C. oxymoron

D. paradox

The correct answer is option [A]

104. Which of the following is common to all forms of literature?

A. language

B. chorus

C. action

D. narrator

The correct answer is option [A]

105. A novel is written in _____.

A. chapters

B. pages

C. scenes

D. acts

The correct answer is option [A]

106. Read the poem and answer question.

In front of the gate, the guard stands with his rifle,
Above, untidy clouds are carrying away the moon,
The bedbugs are swarming like army tanks on manoeuvers
While the mosquitoes form squadrons, attacking like frighter planes.
My heart travels a thousand miles towards my native land.
My dream interwines with saddness like a stein of a thousand threads,
Innocent, I have endured a whole year in prison.

Using my tears for ink, I turn my thoughts into verses.

The poem is about _____.

A. war

B. dirt

C. travelling

D. prison life

The correct answer is option [D]

107. Which of the following could be applicable to all genres of literature?

A. Symbolism

B. Rhythm

C. Action

D. Narration

The correct answer is option [D]

108. "Life is a working shadow" is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. simile

C. apostrophe

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [A]

109. The sides of a stage are called _____.

A. wings

B. ways

C. arcs

D. pits

The correct answer is option [A]

110. A play is fully realized when it is _____.

A. studied

B. memorised

C. acted

D. read

The correct answer is option [C]

111. Which one of these is not an aspect of narrative technique?

A. The author narrates a story base on his experience or as an eye witness of such event.

B. The author narrates what he has been told.

C. Inability of the author to express what he has been told or experienced.

D. The narrator plays God's role.

The correct answer is option [C]

112. A poem is said to be good if it _____.

A. has elevated style

B. has rhyme and reason

C. is difficult to understand

D. has a regular rhythm

The correct answer is option [A]

113. A dance drama is a theatrical act that involves _____.

A. dance and songs

B. dance and gestures

C. dance and dialogue

D. dance only

The correct answer is option [C]

114. Another term for oxymoron is _____.

A. climax

B. parable

C. hyperbole

D. paradox

The correct answer is option [D]

Paradox is the use of contradicting terms in a way that oddly reveals a deeper truth by their contradiction.

Climax refers to the most intense, exciting or important point in a work of art

Anti-climax refers to a disappointing end to an exciting series of event.

Hyperbole has to do with conscious exaggeration for special effect.

Read the poem and answer question.

115. In front of the gate, the guard stands with his rifle,

Above, untidy clouds are carrying away the moon,

The bedbugs are swarming like army tanks on manoeuvers

While the mosquitoes form squadrons, attacking like frighter planes.

My heart travels a thousand miles towards my native land.

My dream interwines with saddness like a stein of a thousand threads,

Innocent, I have endured a whole year in prison.

Using my tears for ink, I turn my thoughts into verses.

The poem is written in _____.

A. blank verse

B. pentameter

C. free verse

D. trochee

E. feet

The correct answer is option [A]

116. An allegory is a story _____

A. in which people, things or events have a deeper meaning

B. which aims at teaching a moral lesson

C. in which allegations are made about a character

D. told in verse with a moral and literal understanding

The correct answer is option [A]

An allegory is an expressive style that uses fictional character and events to describe some subject by suggestive resemblances; an extended metaphor.

117. O Rose thou art sick.

The invisible worm,

That flies in the night

In the howling storm:

Has found out thy bed

Of crimson joy:

And his dark secret love

Does thy life destroy.

- William Blake

The predominant device used in the above poem is _____.

A. simile

B. metaphor

C. personification

D. hyperbole

E. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [C]

118. The expression 'death be not proud', illustrates _____.

A. euphemism

B. personification

C. metaphor

D. litotes

The correct answer is option [B]

119. "How soon hath Time, the subtle thief of youth,

Stolen on his wing my three and twentieth year!

My hasting days fly on with full career,

But my late spring no bud or blossom shew'th".

The above verse is an example of _____ rhyme.

A. Tercet

B. couplet

C. enclosed rhyme

D. Sestet

The correct answer is option [C]

120. A play is said to be tragic when _____.

A. the author paints life as a hopeless venture or adventure

B. the author presents life as absurd

C. there is much bloodshed in the play

D. a weakness in the principal character causes his\her downfall

The correct answer is option [D]

121. In poetry, assonance also known as _____rhyme is said to exist when two words have the same vowel sounds

A. general

B. syllabic

C. round

D. slant

The correct answer is option [D]

122. The paragraph in prose can be compared to _____ in poetry.

A. couplet

B. line

C. stanza

D. rhyme

The correct answer is option [C]

123. In a play or story we refer to the character who contradicts the protagonist as the _____

A. opponent

B. obstacle

C. contradictor

D. agroikos

E. antagonist

The correct answer is option [E]

124. "O no, it is an ever fixed mark

That looks on tempests and is never shaken;

It is the star to every wand'ring barque,

Whose worth's unknown although his height be taken

What is the rhyme scheme of the above verse?

A. ABAB

B. ABBC

C. ABCC

D. ABCD

The correct answer is option [A]

125. What literary device is employed when an author describes a scene where a ship, blown by the south wind, is stranded in the uncharted sea but the passengers do not have a single drop of water to drink?

A. Setting

B. Irony

C. Mood

D. Metaphor

The correct answer is option [B]

126. The madman has entered our house with violence

Defiling our sacred grounds

Claiming the single truth of the universe

Binding down our high priests with iron

The imagery in the lines above captures the idea of _____.

A. coercion

B. religion

C. truth

D. persuasion

The correct answer is option [A]

127. The use of words in such a way that they are an imitation of sounds is referred to as _____.

A. assonance

B. alliteration

C. repetition

D. onomatopoeia

The correct answer is option [D]

128. A complete play needs to have a _____.

A. soliloquy

B. conflict

C. prologue

D. epilogue

E. personification

The correct answer is option [B]

129. Read the poem and answer the question

Now, joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind
Though pleasure's of free, she cannot sing
As sweet a song as joy confined
Pleasure's a moth that sleeps by day
And dances by false glare at night
But Joy's a beauty butterfly, that loves
To spread its wings in nature's light.

The dominant device used in presenting "Joy" and "Pleasure" in the first stanza is _____.

A. diction

B. oxymoron

C. personification

D. conceit

The correct answer is option [C]

Conceit is a cleverly expressed comparison used in poetry showing fancy rather than imagination.

130. The symbol ABAB indicates a _____.

A. four-line stanza in which the first and second lines rhyme, as do the third and fourth.

B. four-line stanza in which the first and third lines rhyme, as do the second and fourth.

C. four-line stanza in which the first and fourth lines rhyme, as do the second and third.

D. three-line stanza in which the first and third lines rhyme, as do the second and fourth.

The correct answer is option [B]

Read and answer the following question

131. But the towering earth was tired of sitting in one position. She moved suddenly, and the houses crumbled, the mountains heaved horribly, and the work of a million years was lost.

The predominant figure of speech in the above piece is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. metaphor

C. simile

D. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

132. The main effect of _____ on an audience is_____.

A. poetry; laughter

B. rhyme; drama

C. poetry; calm

D. comedy; laughter

The correct answer is option [D]

133. A literary work which exhibits poetic quality using emotional effects and heightened imagery but are written in prose instead of verse is known as _____.

A. heroic prose

B. fictional prose

C. nonfictional prose

D. prose poetry

The correct answer is option [D]

134. 'There kneels a jigger, a louse, a weevil, a flea, a bedbug!

He is a mistletoe, a parasite that lives on the trees of other people's lives!

The speaker uses a string of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. parables

C. metaphor

D. riddles

E. understatements

The correct answer is option [C]

135. "The wretched rich fool cleaned his nails with dry saliva".

What is the literary device used in the above statement?

A. Anti-climax

B. Oxymoron

C. Anecdote

D. Antithesis

The correct answer is option [B]

136. When a pause occurs towards the end of a poetic line, it is said to be a _____ caesura.

A. terminal

B. posterior

C. positive

D. successive

The correct answer is option [A]

137. "The road was endless. One road led to a thousand others, which in turn fed into parts, which fed into dirt tracks which became streets, which ended in avenues and cul-de-sacs"

The description above suggests _____.

A. urban disorder

B. a labyrinth

C. a clutter

D. disharmony

The correct answer is option [B]

Labyrinth is a complex system of paths or tunnels in which it is easy to get lost.

138. A literary piece used to mock or ridicule a society is called _____.

A. an allegory

B. a fable

C. a farce

D. a satire

The correct answer is option [D]

139. Slowly, the silence on the mountain top deepened till the click of the fire and the soft hiss of roasting meat could be heard clearly...

'Soft hiss of roasting meat' refers to the _____.

A. gentle response of the animal being roasted

B. rudeness of the animal to the hunter

C. gentle process of roasting on the fire

D. dropping of the meat's fat in the fire

The correct answer is option [D]

140. The expression "the slay, like a hooded monk wore black" illustrates _____.

A. symbolism

B. paradox

C. personification

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [A]

141. The repetition of similar vowel sounds within a line of poetry is called _____.

A. parallelism

B. allusion

C. assonance

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [C]

142. When a pause occurs towards the end of a poetic line, it is said to be a _____ caesura.

A. terminal

B. posterior

C. positive

D. successive

The correct answer is option [A]

143. A literary work is called a narrative because it _____.

A. gives an account of events

B. has an elevated style

C. is difficult to understand

D. has a regular point of view

E. has mood and theme

The correct answer is option [A]

144. A novel which focuses on the adventures of a rogue who does not change much in the course of the story is called _____.

A. romance

B. grotesque

C. picaresque

D. burlesque

The correct answer is option [C]

Grotesque is a style of art using ugly or absurd figures and design.

Burlesque is a literary composition that aims at provoking laughter by ridiculing serious works. Also known as parody

145. All the following are types of humour except _____.

A. incongruity

B. surprise

C. slapstick

D. sentiment

E. absurdity

The correct answer is option [D]

146. A character that serves by contrast to highlight or emphasize opposing traits in another character is called _____.

A. an antagonist

B. a pawn

C. a foil

D. a clown

The correct answer is option [C]

147. A question for which no answer is sought in a piece of writing is known as _____ question.

A. rhetorical

B. paradoxical

C. cross

D. leading

E. pointed

The correct answer is option [A]

148. Which of the following is not a type of irony?

A. Socratic irony

B. Aristocratic irony

C. Tragic irony

D. Cosmic irony

The correct answer is option [B]

149. A great city is a battlefield ... you need to be a fighter to live in it, not exist, mark you, live. Anybody can exist, dragging his soul around behind him like a worn out coat; but living is different.

The literary device predominantly used here is _____.

A. simile

B. oxymoron

C. symbolism

D. sarcasm

The correct answer is option [C]

150. The price seemed reasonable, location
indifferent. The landlady swore she lived
off premises. Nothing remained
but self-confession. "Madam," I warned,
"I hate a wasted journey - I am African."
Silence. Silenced transmission of
Pressurized good
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Pressurized good-

The above poem is Wole soyinka's 'Telephone Conversation'. It is _____.

A. an attack on the British telephone system

B. a complain about the difficulty of getting telephone installed in private homes

C. about the colour of Soyinka's passport

D. a humorous but satirical comment on colour prejudice in Britain

E. about the game of hide and seek

The correct answer is option [D]

151. A story that has a deeper meaning is called _____.

A. tribalism

B. betrayal

C. allegory

D. imperialism

The correct answer is option [C]

152. The expression " The poor girl stole away my heart and my money." is an example of _____.

A. apologue

B. anaphora

C. syllepsis

D. litotes

The correct answer is option [C]

153. Dramatic irony entails _____.

A. the praise of the audience

B. an action with a contrary meaning

C. the praise tag of a great person

D. statements of exaggeration

E. None of the above

The correct answer is option [B]

154. Read the poem below and answer the following question

O stealing time, the subject of delay

Delay the rack of unrefrained desire

What strange design has thou my hopes to stay?

My hopes which do but to mine own aspire

Old age is wise, and full of constant truth

Old age well stayed from ranging humour lives

Old age hath known, whatever was in youth

Old age overcome the greater honour gives

The literary device used in line 1 is an example of _____.

A. climax

B. apostrophe

C. metonymy

D. euphemism

The correct answer is option [B]

Metonymy is the representation of an object or a person with a part of it or something that is associated with it.g. "they counted heads"

155. The main effect of comedy on an audience is _____.

A. anxiety

B. sadness

C. laughter

D. suspence

The correct answer is option [C]

156. Since I am coming to that Holy room,

Where with thy quire of saints for ever more

I shall be made thy music as I come

I tune the instruments here at the door,

And what I must do then, think here before

In the stanza above, the poet recognises that _____.

A. God is his creator

B. he is a choir master

C. there is music in him

D. he is near his death

The correct answer is option [D]

157. When a writer takes the liberty of deviating from the conventional use of words to achieve a desired effect, he is said to apply _____.

A. poetic license

B. syntatic licence

C. artistic skills

D. poetic justice

E. None of the above

The correct answer is option [A]

158. The main antagonist in a play is referred to as the _____.

A. buffoon

B. villain

C. hero

D. protagonist

The correct answer is option [B]

159. A situation where the indigent protagonist finds a great amount of money for which he/she has been intently searching and does nothing with it is known as _____ in drama or prose.

A. anecdote

B. climax

C. anticlimax

D. denouement

The correct answer is option [C]

160. Thou art the judge of man

Judging his plans and behaviour

Judging his speech and egotism

You are the patient judge

Nations plan without having thee in view

They boast of their will

But soon you show them their follies

You are the patient judge
The poet clearly uses _____ to show emphasis.

A. repetition

B. refrain

C. chorus

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [A]

161. Thou art the judge of man

Judging his plans and behaviour

Judging his speech and egotism

You are the patient judge

Nations plan without having thee in view

They boast of their will

But soon you show them their follies

You are the patient judge

The poetic device used in the first line is _____.

A. apostrophe

B. personification

C. euphemism

D. litotes

The correct answer is option [A]

162. 'I die, yet depart not

I am bound, yet soar free

Thou art and Thou art not,

And shall ever be!

The literary device consciously used in this poem is _____.

A. metaphysical concert

B. paradox

C. oxymoron

D. meiosis

The correct answer is option [B]

163. No one ever believed Nengi's home was a prison because she was always pleasant hostess.

What is the figurative language used in the above statement?

A. Simile

B. Metaphor

C. Hyperbole

D. Satire

The correct answer is option [B]

164. But the towering earth was tired of sitting in one position. She moved suddenly, and the houses crumbled, the mountains heaved horribly, and the work of a million years was lost.

What is the dominant figure of speech used in the above narration?

A. Oxymoron

B. Metaphor

C. Simile

D. Personification

The correct answer is option [D]

165. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Fiction

B. Monologue

C. Aside

D. Soliloquy

The correct answer is option [A]because it is a type of prose while the others are related to drama.

166. 'She unpacked the novels she had brought with her, and turned them over. They were the books she had collected over years from the mass that had come her way. She had read each one a dozen times, knowing it by heart, following the familiar tales as a child listens to his mother telling him a well-known fairy tale.'

The character may best be described as a woman _____.

A. of habit

B. of poor means

C. of wide literary interest

D. with poor memory

E. who loved her mother

The correct answer is option [C]

167. That is no country for old men. The young
In one another's arms, birds in the trees

– Those dying generations – at their song,

The salmon-falls, the mackerel-crowded seas,

Fish, flesh, or fowl, commend all summer long

Whatever is begotten, born, and dies.

Caught in that sensual music all neglect

Monuments of unageing intellect.

- W. B. Yeats, "Sailing to Byzantium"

What is the rhyme scheme of the poem above?

A. ABABABBC

B. ABABABCC

C. ABBBABCC

D. ABABAACC

The correct answer is option [B]

168. The literary device in the statement 'students are to come to class with their Shakespeare' is called _____.

A. metonymy

B. synecdoche

C. litotes

D. personification

The correct answer is option [A]

169. A dominant feature of poetry is its _____.

A. economy of language

B. depiction of scenes

C. use of dialogue

D. narration of tales

The correct answer is option [A]

170. Drama is a type of_____ usually written to be ____.

A. stanza, performed

B. literary, danced

C. literature, performed

D. literature, harnessed

The correct answer is option [C]

171. 'The reception for this third marriage was being held at the home of the young girl's parents. In this, ancient custom was being more than just respected, it was revived. The house had been invaded since morning. Male and female grists welcomed guests.

The atmosphere captured in the passage above is _____.

A. solemn and gay

B. joyful and gloomy

C. grandiose and joyful

D. gracious and solemn

The correct answer is option [C]

172. _____ essay as that which attempts to throw more lights on its subject.

A. A scientific

B. A narrative

C. An argumentative

D. An expository

The correct answer is option [D]

173. Read the passage and answer the question.

In England, her love for Henry blossomed like spring flowers after a hard winter. But she abhorred the way he dressed in England. They fell in love when she was working in the little coffee shop across from the Crystal Palace.

Tall and jovial, he fell romantically in love with her at first sight.

After a brief and hilarious courtship, they got married in a small Presbyterian Chapel in North London. Her people came and mother shed a tear when it was announced that the newly wed couple would go to Africa.

From that day, her world collapsed. He had never even hinted that he had joined the colonial service, neither did she know her honeymoon would be a hurried affair in Brighton. She wept most of the time on board the M.V. Apapa that took them to Africa.

Eight years and her temper grew worse. She got farther and farther away from her husband. They never had a child. A child would have made all the difference in the world.

In England, she had loved her husband, in Africa she ___.

A. resented him

B. accepted him

C. enjoyed him

D. encouraged him

The correct answer is option [A]

174. A word spelled out by rearrangement of the letters of another word; is known as _____.

A. monogram

B. homonym

C. malapropism

D. anagram

The correct answer is option [D]

175. A line made up of five feet and considered to be the most common metrical line in English is called _____.

A. quintet

B. pastoral

C. pentarule

D. pentametre

The correct answer is option [D]

176. "2207 is already boiling on the Bunden Burner" exemplifies the use of _____.

A. alliteration

B. assonance

C. onomatopoeia

D. pun

The correct answer is option [A]

177. “The river, reflecting the clear blue of the sky, glistened and sparkled as it flowed noiselessly on.”

The mood created by the above description can be described as _____.

A. burstling and exciting

B. depressing but calm

C. serene and nonviolent

D. romantic and peaceful

The correct answer is option [C]

178. Adewale was not just a warrior, but a family man. A man who walked the knife's edge to preserve his sanity.

What literary device is used in the above description?

A. Characterization

B. Chorus

C. Dramitization

D. Dialogue

The correct answer is option [A]

179. Lines that usually have a set pattern of metre and rhyme make up a _____.

A. stanza

B. verse

C. rhyme scheme

D. falling metre

The correct answer is option [C]

180. 'The man tore through the building' is an example of _____.

A. narrative technique

B. metaphor

C. setting

D. plot

The correct answer is option [B]

181. 'America! There it lay, handy and tantalizing; all heat and scurry. All morning they had kept catching glimpses of it beyond the potholes as they stood in long lines, waiting to reach the tables where the immigration men in dacron shirts checked their visas, inspected the x-ray pictures of their lungs that they held in their hands, decided whether to admit them or not. Getting into America was, it seemed, quite as hard as getting into heaven; and the trouble was ... that as with heaven one couldn't know whether one would like it when one got there'

The picture of America as presented in this passage is a place _____.

A. of uncertainties

B. choked with red tape

C. as beautiful as heaven

D. of incessant heat

The correct answer is option [A]

182. A poem without a regular ryhme scheme is a _____.

A. traditional poem

B. ballad

C. lyrical poem

D. blank verse

The correct answer is option [D]

183. Mr. Amakiri's smile was a mile wide at the sight of his baby boy.

This statement is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metaphor

C. irony

D. aside

The correct answer is option [A]

184. A simple play that begins with a problem and ends in a happy mood is called _____.

A. farce

B. comedy

C. satire

D. tragedy

The correct answer is option [B]

185. "I don't fancy forbidden fruits of fashions", illustrates the use of _____.

A. metaphor

B. repetition

C. assonance

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [D]

186. The curfew tolls the knell of parting day,

The lowing herd wind slowly o'er the lea,

The plowman homeward plods his weary way,

And leaves the world to darkness and to me.
- Thomas Gray

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abba

B. abab

C. aabb

D. abcd

The correct answer is option [B]

187. Read the passage and answer the question.

The long column of misery tended to grow longer, as the more robust struggled to get as far as possible from the pursuing French, and as the weaker fell farther and farther behind. There were enough weaklings. In all conscience, even in summer, the men had been badly clothed, and even in victory, insufficiently fed, and now, it is winter, and Espinosa had been fought and lost, and the route of the retreat lay away from the fertile plains and up into the inhospitable mountains.

The rain had fallen upon them in deluges for days, and now as they climbed higher, it was turning into sleet, and a bitter cold wind blew.

Ahead of them, they could see the snow lying thick on the mountain passes, through which they would have to climb, without food or fuel or rest, and with terror of the French to urge them on. Disease had come inevitably to complete the work so well begun by hunger, exposure and the sword.

What is the mood of the poem?

A. annoyance

B. anxiety

C. sympathy

D. delusion

The correct answer is option [C]

188. "He has a brain the size of a pea." is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. euphemism

C. simile

D. synecdoche

E. rhetorical question

The correct answer is option [A]

189. The most important concepts in poetry is _____.

A. story and action

B. plot and rhythm

C. rhythm and imagery

D. plot and character

The correct answer is option [C]

190. "...while the evening is spread out against the sky,

Like a patient etherized upon a table"

The above couplet is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. simile

C. oxymoron

D. paradox

E. synecdoche

The correct answer is option [B]

191. All materials used by the actors in a drama production are known as_____.

A. cast

B. costumes

C. vices

D. apparels

The correct answer is option [B]

192. Characters in a play constitute the _____.

A. performers

B. chorus

C. audience

D. cast

The correct answer is option [D]

193. The woods decay and fall, the vapours weep their burthen to the ground, man comes and fills the fields and lies beneath. And after many a summer, dies the swan.

An appropriate theme for this excerpt would be _____.

A. the fallen of leaves

B. the ground on which leaves fall

C. the man as a farmer

D. the power of death over every life

E. the fight of birds in certain seasons

The correct answer is option [D]

194. In literature, _____ are often used to provide emphasis, freshness of expression, or clarity.

A. figures of speech

B. rhetorical questions

C. parts of speech

D. phonemic expressions

The correct answer is option [A]

195. The repetition of a word or expression at the beginning of successive verses especially for rhetorical or poetic effect is known as _____.

A. rhetorical question

B. epilogue

C. anaphoral

D. apostrophe

The correct answer is option [C]

196. Which of the following is not a function of literary devices?

A. They give inexplicable meanings to a piece of literature.

B. They help readers to determine the worth of a litrary work.

C. They help a reader to visualize characters and scenes more clearly.

D. They help a reader to compare the works of different writers.

The correct answer is option [A]

197. "All the world's a stage,

And all the men and women merely players;

They have their exits and their entrances;"

The above statement is a good example of _____.

A. enjambment

B. simile

C. metaphor

D. synecdoche

The correct answer is option [C]

198. "Uneasy lies the head that wears the crown" is an example of _____.

A. apostrophe

B. anastrophe

C. aphorism

D. analogue

E. epilogue

The correct answer is option [C]

199. 'He uttered a volley of oaths' is an example of _____.

A. climax

B. A lyric

C. metaphor

D. A sonnet

The correct answer is option [C]

200. 'There kneels a jigger, a louse, a weevil, a flea, a bedbug!

He is a mistletoe, a parasite that lives on the trees of other people's lives!

The speaker uses a string of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. parables

C. metaphor

D. riddles

E. understatements

The correct answer is option [C]

201. "Another shaol of cars swam past. One in particular caught his eye; a long slender thing, elegant as a swallow, all sleek blue and silver, a million naira it would cost, he thought.

In the first sentence, cars are described in terms of _____.

A. birds

B. ants

C. fish

D. girls

The correct answer is option [C]

202. Read the poem and answer the question.

My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow on the sky

So was it when my life began,

So is it now that I am a man

So be it when I shall grow

The child is the father of the man

The rhyme scheme of the poem is _____.

A. abccdc

B. acbcca

C. abcacc

D. abacbc

The correct answer is option [A]

203. A pause that occurs at the beginning of a line of poem is known as _____ caesura.

A. initial

B. potential

C. leading

D. pointed

The correct answer is option [A]

204. An aside is said to occur in plays when a speaker on stage _____.

A. addresses another character in the midst of the audience

B. mumbles words not intended for other actors to the audience.

C. mumbles words heard by the audience and actors

D. reveals his most secret intensions to another character

The correct answer is option [B]

205. A play full of exaggerated ridicule and laughter or a comedy written for the stage or film which aims to entertain the audience by means of unlikely, extravagant and improbable situations is called a _____.

A. farce

B. comedy

C. tragi-comedy

D. masque

The correct answer is option [A]

206. An evil character whose aim is to cause problems and unhappiness in a story is known as _____.

A. a pentagonist

B. an antagonist

C. a protagonist

D. a playwright

The correct answer is option [B]

207. Look out a window

at the traffic below.

Where are they going

I don't really know

Each has a destination

that they want to get to;

Some it will be work

with a long drive ahead,

While others it will be home

so they can rest their head.

The poem is about _____.

A. window

B. destination

C. work

D. home

The correct answer is option [B]

208. "Life is rather like a tin of sardines: we're all of us looking for the key", is an example of _____.

A. euphemism

B. metaphor

C. simile

D. personification

E. None of the above

The correct answer is option [C]

209. The repetition of initial consonant sound in poetry is ____.

A. assonance

B. rhyme

C. alliteration

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [C]

210. A literary device that the writer uses to create a mental picture of a situation is _____.

A. imagery

B. sybolism

C. flashback

D. epilogue

The correct answer is option [A]

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212. "True wit is nature to advantage drest.

What oft was thought but ne'er so well expressed".

A predominant feature of the above couplet is _____.

A. rhythm

B. pun

C. rhyme

D. paradox

The correct answer is option [C]

213. There was a roaring in the wind all night;
The rain came heavily and fell in floods;
But now the sun is rising calm and bright;
The birds are singing in the distant woods;
Over his own sweet voice the Stock-dove broods;
The Jay makes answer as the Magpie chatters;
And all the air is filled with pleasant noise of waters.
- William Wordsworth

The rhyming scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abcddee

B. ababbcc

C. ababbcc

D. abaccdd

E. son of Odedoran.

The correct answer is option [B]

214. And say you are merry

Because you are not sad."

The dominant literary device used in the poem is _____.

A. personification

B. contrast

C. metonymy

D. melancholy

The correct answer is option [B]

215. All but _____ is not a literary device.

A. denouement

B. foyer

C. conflict

D. climax

The correct answer is option [B]

216. "Hedwig, in spite of her misfortune, held her head high to high heavens". The dominant literary device in the preceding statement is _____.

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B. anagnarisis

C. personification

D. prolepsis

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218. "Her voice is full of money." is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. metaphor

C. synecdoche

D. metonymy

The correct answer is option [D]

219. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Romance

B. Novel

C. Short story

D. Sonnet

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D. Sonnet

The correct answer is option [D]

221. The repetition of "I Have a Dream" in Martin Luther King's speech is known as _____.

A. a succession

B. a rhetoric

C. an anaphora

D. an alliteration

The correct answer is option [C]

Repetition of the same word or group of words at the beginning of successive clauses or verses.

222. The elevated language in a literary work is usually used to _____.

A. bring to fore, the writer's skills

B. describe the hero's warrior values

C. expose the hero's temperament

D. give dignity to the hero

E. downplay the antagonist

The correct answer is option [D]

223. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Ode

B. Ballad

C. Limerick

D. Mime

The correct answer is option [D]because it is related to drama while others are types of poetry.

224. The pounded yam is as soft as a rock is an example of _____.

A. irony

B. simile

C. metaphor

D. satire

The correct answer is option [A]

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C. metaphor

D. satire

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226. A play that thrives on exaggeration of humour, plot and character is a _____.

A. mime

B. tragedy

C. farce

D. lampoon

The correct answer is option [C]

227. When a poem is not written using strict meter or rhyme, it is referred to has a _____.

A. blank verse

B. free verse

C. solomonic verse

D. traditional verse

The correct answer is option [B]

228. Let me not to the marriage of true minds

Admit impediments; love is not love

Which alters when it alteration finds,

Or bends with the remover to remove.

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abcc

B. aabb

C. abac

D. aaab

The correct answer is option [C]

229. "My appetite is so good, I could eat a horse." is an example of _____.

A. onomatopoeia

B. assonance

C. simile

D. hyperbole

E. alliteration

The correct answer is option [D]

230. Read the passage and answer question.

"Diversion through Larteh". This is the sign in the middle of the road. They have diverted the 24-Kilometre Mamfe-Aburi-Adenta Road because of the major road works. The Mamfe-Larteh-Adenta diversion makes the journey twice as long. The longer route is the shorter.

The little jeep flashes past the deserted police checkpoint. The howling wind, like a stretching comb, stretches Kwyeiwa's hair in flapping furrows behind her as she stands clinging to a metal support in the back of the open jeep, petrified. The jeep negotiates the hairpin bend below the overhang near Tamara's place at breakneck speed; now it is on the stretch to the Kodiable junction. The little vehicle laps up the distance. Presently the travellers arrive at the last crossroads. Kodiabe lies as the crow flies, Somanya to the left. The jeep turns right towards Accra.

The narrative technique is _____.

A. third person

B. a soliloquy

C. first person

D. an aside

The correct answer is option [A]

231. A deliberate use of understatement for humour or emphasis is also known as _____.

A. litotes

B. hyperbole

C. anatomy

D. metonymy

E. symbolism

The correct answer is option [A]

232. Setting can be defined as _____.

A. Place and purpose of a given literary work

B. The sum total of places/environment and time of event

C. Sequential arrangement of event and time of action

D. Sequential order of major events and the character display

The correct answer is option [B]

233. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Sonnet

B. Epic

C. Allusion

D. Ode

The correct answer is option [C]

because it is a literary term while the others are types of poetry.

234. During this speech the elders who didn't understand a word of what their learned secretary was saying nodded approval intermittently. When it was over, the elders said, "yes, they had a learned man indeed, a man who could speak for them, a man who knew the wisdom of the old white people. Not like the small boys nowadays who can't even read a telegram".

In this text, the elders are presented as _____.

A. very admirable people

B. decent and honest

C. impressed by the secretary

D. impressively learned

E. distinctly progressive

The correct answer is option [C]

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236. “I cannot but conclude the bulk of your natives to be the most pernicious race of little odious vermin that nature ever suffered to crawl upon the surface of the earth.”

-Jonathan Swift

The above statement is an example of _____.

A. characterization

B. sarcasm

C. irony

D. invective

The correct answer is option [D]

237. "My heart is a lonely hunter that hunts on a lonely hill." is an example of the use of _____.

A. onomatopoeia

B. euphemism

C. metaphor

D. simile

The correct answer is option [C]

238. "Death has come to steal our king" is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. paradox

C. hyperbole

D. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

239. What is an innuendo?

A. A technique for using two terms that contradict each other.

B. The substitution of a word or phrase for a proper name.

C. The technique of saying something while implying another.

D. A technique of explicit comparison between two things.

E. None of the above.

The correct answer is option [C]

Some modern examples of innuendo include sexual references to human body parts. For example, a man may say to a woman selling fruits, "Boy, those are some nice melons you have there". This statement actually describes water melons; although as a double entendre the statement also implies that the man was referring to the woman's breasts when a listener understands it.

240. What does the figure of speech 'alliteration' mean?

A. Repetition of a word with a change in letter or sound

B. Repetition of a sound with a change in letter or word

C. A series of sounds that begin with the same letter or sound alike

D. The repetition of the same word or phrase at the end of successive clauses

E. The repetition of initial sounds in words of a sentence.

The correct answer is option [E]

241. To be total or complete, a play needs to have _____

A. soliloquy

B. conflict

C. prologue

D. epilogue

The correct answer is option [B]

242. "He was so hungry that he wanted to eat up the cook and her food" is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. syllepsis

C. allegory

D. absurd

The correct answer is option [B]

243. In what aspect is the drama different from other genres of literature?

A. Theme and setting

B. Plot and action

C. Dance and speech

D. Dialogue and action

The correct answer is option [D]

244. A tragi-comedy is a literary work that combines aspects of _____.

A. melodrama and parody

B. farce and fable

C. tragedy and comedy

D. tragedy and comic relief

The correct answer is option [C]

245. "O stranger of the future!
O inconceivable being!
whatever the shape of your house,
however you scoot from place to place,
no matter how strange and colorless
the clothes you may wear,
I bet nobody likes a wet dog either.

The above verse is an example of _____.

A. simile
B. innuendo
C. apostrophe
D. hyperbole

The correct answer is option [C]

246. The repetition of similar vowel sounds within a line is _____.

A. parallelism
B. allusion
C. assonance
D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [C]

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A. parallelism
B. allusion
C. assonance
D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [C]

248. “There was no moon, and everything beneath lay in misty darkness: not a light gleamed from any house, far or near all had been extinguished long ago: and those at Wuthering Heights were never visible…”

The mood created by the above description can be described as _____.

A. serene

B. depressing

C. aggressive

D. nerve-wrecking

The correct answer is option [B]

249. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Sentence

B. Paragraph

C. Expression

D. Fiction

The correct answer is option [D]

250. Then suddenly her heart was whipped up, she now rode on strange waves alone defying the wind and the rain, alone fighting hunger and thirst in the desert; alone struggling with strange demons in the forest, bringing glad tidings to her people.

The mood of the lady in this passage is one of

A. arrogant defeat

B. agonising depression

C. triumphant defiance

D. simple elation

E. grueling sorrow

The correct answer is option [C]

251. Which of the following is a wrong combination?

A. Pun and malapropism

B. Synecdoche and metonymy

C. Simile and metaphor

D. Synecdoche and alliteration

The correct answer is option [D]

252. Identify the odd literary device from the list below:

A. Enjambment

B. Plot

C. Rhyme

D. Alliteration

The correct answer is option [B]

253. Another term for the denouement of a play or story is _____.

A. reference

B. interlude

C. inference

D. resolution

The correct answer is option [D]

254. _____ is generally a peculiar feature in drama.

A. Humour

B. Satire

C. Sarcasm

D. Action

The correct answer is option [D]

255. _____is a term also used for the arrangement of words, or sentences in a way that the least forcible comes first and the others rise in power until the last.

A. crisis

B. anticlimax

C. denouement

D. climax

The correct answer is option [D]

256. The sudden outcry or interjection expressing violent emotion such as fright, grief, or hatred is known as

A. metonymy

B. interlude

C. inference

D. exclamation

The correct answer is option [D]

257. "Money here money there

Everywhere, anywhere, whatever you want, money

But where is the money to spend?"

Children and family matters, you are useful

Health and education matters

Food and transport

Night and day

Church and mosque

In the Lord's name".

The mood set here can be described as one of _____.

A. sarcasm

B. indifference

C. despair

D. joy

The correct answer is option [C]

258. A literary work whose mode of narration is the letteris called _____.

A. a letter fiction

B. an epic

C. an epistle

D. a romantic

The correct answer is option [C]

259. Catharsis is a Greek word that means _____.

A. cleansing

B. temper

C. clash

D. disagreement

The correct answer is option [A]

260. The musician has a good dentition and his teeth are blinding white.

This is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. metaphor

C. irony

D. hyperbole

The correct answer is option [D]

261. An actor who says one thing but intends the opposite, is making use of _____.

A. dramatic irony

B. verbal irony

C. aside

D. soliloquy

The correct answer is option [A]

262. In a literary work, a clown would normally _____.

A. direct the action

B. create comic relief

C. support the protagonist

D. create the tension

The correct answer is option [B]

263. She sells seashells at seashore is an example of _____.

A. parable

B. assonance

C. alliteration

D. comedy

The correct answer is option [C]

264. A song composed in spontaneous lamentation of the dead is called _____.

A. an elegy

B. a lyric

C. a dirge

D. a sonnet

The correct answer is option [C]

265. A humorous imitation of a serious literary work is _____.

A. an ode

B. a parody

C. an epitaph

D. a burlesque

The correct answer is option [D]

266. "Reaching the moon was no ordinary task" illustrates the use of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. litotes

C. synecdoche

D. onomatopoeia

The correct answer is option [B]

267. "The very mist on the Essex marshes was like a gauzy and radiant fabric" is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. simile

C. hyperbole

D. irony

E. synedoche

The correct answer is option [B]

268. A literary device in which human virtues are used as characters is called _____.

A. biography

B. metaphor

C. oxymoron

D. allegory

The correct answer is option [D]

269. I wonder how long, you awful parasite,
Shall share with me this little bed
And make me, from sweet dreams be lost
By socking blood from my poor head
I should but say man has much
Blood which you and your family do feed
On for supper, dinner and lunch.

The creature in the poem is best described as _____.
A. clever
B. sluggish
C. awkward
D. tiny
The correct answer is option [A]

270. The Assyrian came down like the wolf on the fold,
And his cohorts were gleaming in purple and gold;
And the sheen of their spears was like stars on the sea,
When the blue wave rolls nightly on deep Galilee.
-Lord Byron "The Destruction of Sennacherib".

The metrical foot used in the poem is known as _____.
A. anapest
B. dactyl
C. anecdote
D. rhythm
The correct answer is option [A]

271. Read the poem below and answer the following question

I love you; my gentle one

My love is the fresh milk of rubindi

Which you drank on the wedding day

My love is the butter we were smeared with

To seal fidelity into our hearts

You are the cattle - birds egg

For those who say you are wealthy

YOU ARE THE PAPYRUS REED OF THE LAKE

WHICH THEY PULL OUT WITH BOTH HANDS

And I sing for you with tears

Because you possess my heart

I love you, my gentle one

The poem is an example of _____.

A. lyric

B. dirge

C. an ode

D. an epic

The correct answer is option [C]

[B] is a song that is sung for a dead person or at a funeral

272. Now joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasure's free, she cannot sing

As sweet a song as joy confined

Pleasure is a moth that sleeps by day

And dances by false glare at night
But joy is a butterfly that loves
to spread its wings in nature's light.

The underlined expression is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. synecdoche

C. alliteration

D. simile

The correct answer is option [A]

273. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. octave

B. limerick

C. couplet

D. distich

The correct answer is option [B]

274. "My heart is a lonely hunter that hunts on a lonely hill." illustrates the use of _____.

A. simile

B. alliteration

C. hyperbole

D. assonance

The correct answer is option [B]

275. Which of the following is a feature of an enjambment?

A. The ideas expressed in each line of a verse are different.

B. Multiple ideas cannot be expressed by using punctuation marks.

C. It usually does not have punctuation at the end.

D. It makes the reader lose the main idea in the poem.

The correct answer is option [C]

276. 'Poetic licence' refers to the _____.

A. ability to write a collection of poems

B. the license to write and enjoy poems

C. writer's freedom to write when he pleases

D. writer's freedom to use words as he pleases

E. All of the above

The correct answer is option [D]

277. A writer of a play is known as _____

A. Playwriter

B. Playwrite

C. Playwrighter

D. Playwright

The correct answer is option [D]

278. All eyes may see from what the change arose,

All eyes may see--a pimple on her nose.

Papillia, wedded to her amorous spark,

Sighs for the shades--"How charming is a park!",

A park is purchas'd, but the fair he sees.

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. aabbc

B. abcab

C. aabcb

D. abccb

The correct answer is option [A]

279. The PATTERING rain was kicking up little explosions of dust in the glade

He heard the faint whisper of the stream as it STOLE across the land and disappeared into the bush.

The word stole as used in this context, is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. personification

C. hyperbole

D. synecdoche

The correct answer is option [B]

280. "The sky howled angrily all night". This is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. oxymoron

C. personification

D. synecdoche

The correct answer is option [C]

281. _____ is a literary device that the gives human emotions to inanimate objects of nature.

A. Cacophony

B. Pathetic fallacy

C. Personification

D. Synecdoche

The correct answer is option [B]

Personification is a figure of speech in which a thing, an idea or an animal is given human attributes. The non-human objects are portrayed in such a way that we feel they have the ability to act like human beings. For example, when we say, “The sky weeps” we are giving the sky the ability to feel that is a human quality.

282. "I have read Shakespeare"; This statement is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. paradox

C. parody

D. metonymy

The correct answer is option [D]

283. The short story as a literary form is like the _____.

A. play

B. poetry

C. tragedy

D. novel

The correct answer is option [D]

284. "To err is human, to forgive divine" is an example of _____.

A. anticlimax

B. antiphrasis

C. archetype

D. antithesis

E. euphemism

The correct answer is option [D]

285. A poem written in an elaborate style to address or celebrate a particular event is called _____.

A. a ballad

B. an epic

C. a dirge

D. an ode

The correct answer is option [D]

286. Now joy is born of parents poor
And pleasure of our richer kind
Though pleasure's free, she cannot sing
As sweet a song as joy confined
Pleasure is a moth that sleeps by day
And dances by false glare at night
But joy is a butterfly that loves
to spread its wings in nature's light.

The underlined expression, is an example of _____.

A. metonym

B. synecdoche

C. personification

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [C]

287. "Ensure that you be a light in a sea of darkness", the Rector advised the graduating students.

The Rector's advise is an example of _____.

A. irony

B. litotes

C. simile

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [D]

288. A narrative that is designed to produce a single dominant effect and contains the elements of drama is called a ____.

A. novel

B. discourse

C. tragedy

D. short story

E. drama

The correct answer is option [D]

289. "Thousands of eyes gazed at her as she stood to give her address." is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. partition

C. synecdoche

D. metonymy

The correct answer is option [C]

290. A travelogue is _____.

A. the account of the travails of a character in a novel

B. a record of the writer's experiences during a journey

C. a variant of a novel written in a free style on a writer's journey

D. the account of the experiences of an individual during his lifetime

The correct answer is option [B]

291. In a poem, anticlimax refers to the arrangement of words in order of _____.

A. increasing importance

B. alternating sounds

C. decreasing importance

D. alphabetical importance

The correct answer is option [C]

292. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Actors

B. Stage

C. Dialogue

D. Chapters

The correct answer is option [D]

293. Which of the following is a literary device?

A. Sonnet

B. Ode

C. Suspense

D. Lyrics

The correct answer is option [C]

294. Literary works are classified into _____.

A. canfose

B. episodes

C. eras

D. genres

The correct answer is option [D]

295. "How can he compare our church outing with theirs? After all, millions of people attended ours while very few people were seen at theirs". The predominant literary device used by the speaker is _____.

A. paradox

B. oxymoron

C. hyperbole

D. comparison

The correct answer is option [C]

296. A poem whose metre is determined by the total number of syllables per line rather than the number of stresses is called _____ verse.

A. symbolic

B. syllabic

C. unstressed

D. metrical

The correct answer is option [B]

297. "The temperature is several degrees below zero. My sentences are frozen as they come out of my mouth, and are thawed in the course of the summer, making strange noises and unexpected assertions in various parts of the church."

The above narration is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. Oxymoran

C. simile

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [A]

298. The literary device used in, "O wild west wind" is _____.

A. synecdoche

B. simile

C. alliteration

D. pun

The correct answer is option [C]

299. _____ is a letter in verse, usually addressed to a person close to the writer. Its themes may be moral and philosophical, or intimate and sentimental.

A. A poem

B. A sermon

C. A gospel

D. An epistle

The correct answer is option [D]

300. The dragon-fly hangs like a blue thread loosened from the sky illustrates the use of _____.

A. simile

B. litotes

C. contrast

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [B]

301. The dragon-fly hangs like a blue thread loosened from the sky illustrates the use of _____.

A. simile

B. litotes

C. contrast

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [B]

302. 'She certainly doesn't want to play the other woman in some conventional, boring triangle. She doesn't feel like another woman; she isn't winding or devious, she doesn't wear negligees or paint her toe nails. William may think she is exotic but she isn't really, she's straight forward, narrow, and unadorned, at the entrapment of husbands.'

According to the text, the other woman described is _____.

A. beautiful and vivacious

B. dishonest and deceitful

C. careless and dowdy

D. manipulative and predatory

The correct answer is option [B]

303. A long poem which deals with heroic deeds is called ____.

A. a lyric

B. an epic

C. an ode

D. an euphony

The correct answer is option [B]

304. The use of rhetorical questions _____ the poet's message.

A. emphasise

B. repeat

C. recast

D. dramatize

The correct answer is option [D]

305. _____ is known as the process of marking beats in a poem to establish the prevailing metrical pattern.

A. Anapest

B. Rhyme

C. Scansion

D. Spondee

The correct answer is option [C]

306. The third-person narrator who knows everything in a story; free to move at will in time and place, and has privileged access to a character's thoughts, feelings, and motives is also known as the _____ narrator.

A. unreliable

B. first person

C. limited

D. omniscient

The correct answer is option [D]

307. A regular group of lines in poetry constitutes the _____.

A. stanza

B. rhythm

C. verse

D. metre

The correct answer is option [A]

308. The recurrence of rhythmic pattern of stress in a poem is called _____.

A. couplet

B. metre

C. consonance

D. scansion

The correct answer is option [B]

309. Read the passage and answer the question.

Ngotho was pleased. And Nyokabi Njeri were full of joy at the news. For the first time for many years, something like a glimmer of light shone in Ngotho's eyes. He could even be seen making an effort to walk up right. Here at last was a son who might eventually be a match for the Howlands and Jacobos any others who at all despised him.

Kamanu too was pleased. He hoped he could go on helping Ngoroge. Ngoroge might do something for the family. Ngoroge was happy. His first impulse, when he learnt that he had gone through, was to kneel down and thank God for all He had done for him. "Give me more and more learning and make me the instrument of thy light and peace." To go to secondary school, the big mission at Siriana was no small achievement.

What does the expression "instrument of light and peace " tell us about the speaker?

A. his final bond

B. his humility

C. his pride

D. his sympathy

The correct answer is option [B]

310. "Diligent foot worker
legs lithe, foot loose
to frantic drums
and ferentic flutes.
Acrobat strokes swift in the air
wrought masterly like
Gyrating to the April music
of the lush savannah".

"Frenetic flutes" illustrates the use of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. symbolism

C. metaphor

D. metonym

The correct answer is option [C]

311. "I am so famished I can devour a whole cow", is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. irony

C. metaphor

D. sarcasm

The correct answer is option [A]

312. "Why, man, he doth bestride the narrow world like a Colossus" is an example of _____.

A. paradox

B. onomatopoeia

C. oxymoron

D. synecdoche

E. simile

The correct answer is option [E]

313. Read the passage and answer the question.

The killing of a whale at sea isn't pleasant to witness or even to contemplate. Hunted down through solar and other many specialised equipment, the whale has no more chance of escape like a steer in a slaughter house. The manner of its death, however, is very different. A grenade tipped-harpoon explodes deep within his body often causing prolonged suffering before the gentle giant, whose intelligence may be second only to our own, is reduced to a carcass ready for processing into crayons, lipsticks, shoe polish, fertilizer, margarine and pet food.

THE HUMAN MANNER OF DEATH, however, is the least part of the scandal known as the whaling industry. Much more important is the fact that the killing is quite unnecessary.

Adequate substitutes exist for every single use to which the whale carcass are currently put, and although some 32,000 whales are killed every year, the sum of commodities they provide is insignificant in the world's economy.

This article is best described as _____.

A. a descriptive

B. a narrative

C. an argumentative

D. an exposition

The correct answer is option [D]

It exposes the happenings of the whaling industry.

314. The madman has entered our house with violence
Defiling our sacred grounds
Claiming the single truth of the universe
Binding down our high priests with iron

The imagery in the lines above captures the idea of _____.

A. coercion

B. religion

C. truth

D. persuasion

The correct answer is option [A]

315. The literary term used to distinguish a novel from a play is the _____.

A. genre

B. verse

C. diction

D. style

The correct answer is option [D]

316. Mrs Eze is not lacking in beauty means that she is _____.

A. very ugly

B. beautiful

C. worldly

D. careless

The correct answer is option [B]

317. A deliberate use of understatement for humor or emphasis is also known as _____.

A. litotes

B. hyperbole

C. antonym

D. metonymy

The correct answer is option [A]

318. 'The stars blinked and the wind wailed' is an example of _____.

A. euphemism

B. parody

C. antithesis

D. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

319. "Life is rather like a tin of sardines: we're all of us looking for the key", is an example of _____.

A. euphemism

B. metaphor

C. simile

D. personification

E. None of the above

The correct answer is option [C]

320. 'Otto's wife was a porter, Nessa remembered Sandra Davis telling her this. Not just a wife, not just a mother – as Nessa's own mother had been, as all the women in her childhood were and were expected to be; cooks and floor scrubbers, fanatical table polishers and chair back starchers; nest builders.'

From the text above, it can be inferred that Otto's wife _____

A. scrub floors and polish tables like the other women

B. was a potter and was therefore spare other domestic jobs

C. was a porter like Nessa's mother in her chilhood

D. unlike other women, had a profession

The correct answer is option [D]

321. I am ugly but I can buy myself the most beautiful of women. Therefore, I am not ugly.

I, according to my individual characteristics am lame but money furnishes me with twenty four feet. Therefore, I am not lame.

I am dishonest, unscrupulous, stupid, but money is honoured and hence its possessor.

I am brainless but money is the real brain of all things and how then should its possessor be brainless? Besides he can buy clever people for himself and is he who has power over the clever not more clever than the clever?

The writer is _____.

A. jealous of rich and influential people

B. overwhelmed by the power of money

C. contemptuous of the poor

D. indirectly exposing the negative influence of money

The correct answer is option [B]

322. In a poem, 'assonance' results from the repetition of _____.

A. many consonants in a line of poetry

B. similar vowels sounds in a line of poetry

C. similar sounding consonants at the end of each line of poetry

D. similar sounding words in a line of poetry

E. different sounding vowels in between a line of poetry

The correct answer is option [B]

323. In a sonnet, the first eight lines is a/an _____.

A. tercet

B. sestet

C. octave

D. quatrain

The correct answer is option [C]

324. The _____ essay is that which attempts to throw more light on its subject.

A. scientific

B. narrative

C. argumentative

D. expository

The correct answer is option [D]

325. "Assonance" in a poem results from the use of _____.

A. many consonants

B. similar sounding vowels

C. similar sounding consonants

D. different sounding vowels

The correct answer is option [B]

326. Read the passage and answer the question

Ngotho was pleased. And Nyokabi Njeri was full of joy at the news. For the first time for many years, something like a glimmer of light shone in Ngotho's eyes. He could even be seen making an effort to walk up right. Here at last was a son who might eventually be a match for the Howlands and Jacobos with any others who at all despised him.

Kamanu too was pleased. He hoped he could go on helping Ngoroge. Ngoroge might do something for the family. Ngoroge was happy. His first impulse, when he learnt that he had gone through, was to kneel down and thank God for all He had done for him. "Give me more and more learning and make me the instrument of thy light and peace." To go to secondary school, the big mission at Siriana was no small achievement.

The Howlands and Jacobos in this extract from Ngugi wa Thiong'o's Weep Not Child represent the _____.

A. oppressors

B. competitors

C. teachers

D. people

The correct answer is option [A]

327. "My appetite is so good, I could eat a horse." is an example of _____.

A. onomatopoeia

B. assonance

C. simile

D. hyperbole

E. alliteration

The correct answer is option [D]

328. In literary criticism, a casual reference to a figure or an event is regarded as an _____.

A. alliteration

B. allegory

C. allusion

D. ambiguity

The correct answer is option [C]

329. _____ can be described as a phrase with a specialized meaning not based on the literal meaning of the words in it.

A. A contradiction

B. A figure of speech

C. An understatement

D. Poetic license

The correct answer is option [B]

Theme is the main idea that a writer or poet presents in his work.

330. A stanza of seven 10-syllable lines, rhyming ABABBCC is called _____.

A. rhymed septet

B. rima royalle

C. septet rhyme

D. rhyme royal

The correct answer is option [D]

331. "The swiftest traveler is he that goes afoot." is an example of _____.

A. paradox

B. simile

C. personification

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [A]

332. The expression "Merry devil" illustrates _____.

A. oxymoron

B. simile

C. paradox

D. personification

The correct answer is option [A]

333. Which of the following divisions is used as a technical device to denote the symbolic significance of certain events?

A. Day, morning and afternoon

B. Morning, noon and night

C. Morning, evening and mid-night

D. Mid-day, mid-night and morning

The correct answer is option [B]

334. ''Mathematics is my Achilles' heel'' is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. metonymy

C. allusion

D. analogy

The correct answer is option [C]

335. Enjambment is the poetic term referring to the use of _____.

A. run-on line

B. rhyme lines

C. rhythm

D. metre

The correct answer is option [A]

336. Rhyming in poetry refers to _____.

A. similar spellings

B. parallel lines

C. similar sounds

D. convey meeting

The correct answer is option [C]

337. A four-line stanza rhyming ABAB is called _____.

A. an interlaced quatrain

B. a double couplet

C. an envelope quatrain

D. a ballad quatrain

The correct answer is option [A]

338. The curfew tolls the knell of parting day,

The lowing herd wind slowly o'er the lea,

The plowman homeward plods his weary way,

And leaves the world to darkness and to me.

- Thomas Gray

The rhyme scheme of the above verse best describes it as _____ couplet.

A. double

B. bounded

C. interlaced

D. unbounded

The correct answer is option [C]

339. "The cell is a cruel place, sometimes a haven." is an example of _____.

A. paradox

B. sarcasm

C. anti-climax

D. personification

The correct answer is option [A]

340. Read the poem below and answer the following question

I love you; my gentle one

My love is the fresh milk of rubindi

Which you drank on the wedding day

My love is the butter we were smeared with

To seal fidelity into our hearts

You are the cattle - birds egg

For those who say you are wealthy

YOU ARE THE PAPYRUS REED OF THE LAKE

WHICH THEY PULL OUT WITH BOTH HANDS

And I sing for you with tears

Because you possess my heart

I love you, my gentle one

The feeling of the persona is one of _____.

A. anxiety

B. gaiety

C. sadness

D. frustration

The correct answer is option [B]

341. "For life's not a paragraph

And death I think is no parenthesis."

The above lines illustrate the use of _____.

A. litotes

B. simile

C. alliteration

D. synecdoche

The correct answer is option [A]

342. The climax in a literary work is the _____.

A. middle of the work

B. beginning of the story

C. central part of the dialogue

D. most intense point of the conflict

The correct answer is option [D]

343. A _____ is the person who introduces the various parts or stages of a play ina theatre.

A. prompter

B. master of ceremony

C. host

D. compere

The correct answer is option [D]

344. 'The gloom will give way to light

And the thorny path cleared of pain

The storms will bow to the prompting of peace

Lost moments of glory will be restored

And strangled opportunities reborn:

We shall yet regain the dawn!'

The suggestion that runs through the short poem above is _____.

A. anxiety and worry

B. hope for the better

C. sorrow and dejection

D. fear of change

The correct answer is option [B]

345. “Dan will be a serpent by the roadside, a viper along the path, that bites the horse’s heels so that its rider tumbles backward". (Gen 49:17)

The use of the words "serpent and viper" to describe Dan in the above speech is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. a lyric

C. an apostrophe

D. connotation

The correct answer is option [D]

346. "Too much talent in tennessee" illustrates _____.

A. alliteration

B. metaphor

C. synecdoche

D. personification

The correct answer is option [A]

347. In a play denouement is the _____.

A. entry of the central character

B. development of the central conflict

C. introduction of a minor conflict alongside the major conflict

D. climatic point in the development of they plot

E. the resolution of the conflicts in the plot

The correct answer is option [E]

348. "He who examines his own self will not long remain ignorant of his failings".

The above statement is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. satire

C. metaphor

D. poetry

The correct answer is option [A]

349. My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow on the sky

So was it when my life began,

So is it now that I am a man

So be it when I shall grow

The child is the father of the man

The subject of this verse is _____.

A. Childish thought of the colours of the rainbow

B. The effect of the rainbow on man

C. The unchanging cycle of nature

D. Adverse effects of the old age

The correct answer is option [B]

350. The curfew tolls the knell of parting day,

The lowing herd wind slowly o'er the lea,

The plowman homeward plods his weary way,

And leaves the world to darkness and to me.

- Thomas Gray

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abba

B. abab

C. aabb

D. abcd

The correct answer is option [B]

351. All materials used by the actors in a drama production are known as_____.

A. cast

B. costumes

C. vices

D. apparels

The correct answer is option [B]

352. "Friendship is a sheltering tree". What figure of speech is illustrated in this statement?

A. Simile

B. Metaphor

C. Personification

D. Oxymoron

The correct answer is option [B]

353. _____ distinguishes a novel from a play.

A. Characters

B. Setting

C. Narration

D. Theme

The correct answer is option [C]

354. The main effect of _____ on an audience is_____.

A. poetry; laughter

B. rhyme; drama

C. poetry; calm

D. comedy; laughter

The correct answer is option [D]

355. Flashback in a literary work helps to _____.

A. fix the missing link between reality and fantasy in a satirical drama

B. reveal the characters' mindset concerning the antagonist's plan to undo the protagonist.

C. place the story in proper perspective to achieve suspense in the minds of the audience

D. take the narration back in time by relating current events in a story to previous events

The correct answer is option [D]

356. _____ is a short tale narrating an interesting or amusing biographical incident.

A. Epistle

B. Ellipsis

C. Epigram

D. Anecdote

The correct answer is option [D]

357. While tragedy is dominated by a ____ tone, comedy has a ____ tone.

A. serious; light

B. grievous; critical

C. distinct; vague

D. strict; funny

The correct answer is option [A]

358. 'Take some more tea,' the March hare said to Alice, very earnestly."

"I've had nothing yet,' Alice replied in an offended tone, 'so I can't take more."

"You mean you can't take less,' said the Hatter. 'It's very easy to take more than nothing."

The above dialogue illustrates the use of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. paradox

C. synecdoche

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [B]

359. The main effect of comedy on an audience is _____.

A. anxiety

B. sadness

C. laughter

D. suspence

The correct answer is option [C]

360. Which of the following is not a type of irony?

A. Socratic irony

B. Aristocratic irony

C. Tragic irony

D. Cosmic irony

The correct answer is option [B]

361. The plot of a novel is best described as the _____.

A. the bare outline of the story

B. the tone of the story

C. the mood of the story

D. development of the story

E. the intense moment of the story

The correct answer is option [D]

362. What is another term for the pattern of rhymes?

A. Internal rhyme

B. Rhyme scheme

C. Rhyme skill

D. Scansion

The correct answer is option [B]

363. A term used in describing an effective choice of words in a literary work is _____.

A. dipthtong

B. denotation

C. diction

D. dialogue

The correct answer is option [C]

364. When a protagonist is purged of dominant emotions of pity and fear at the end of a tragedy, it is called _____.

A. catharsis

B. dementia

C. purgation

D. redemption

The correct answer is option [A]

Catharsis is the release of pent-up emotions.

Dementia is a mental deterioration of organic or functional origin.

365. "The whole town was present at the wedding ceremony" is an example of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. hyperbole

C. onomatopoeia

D. repetition

The correct answer is option [B]

366. And 'mid these dancing looks at once and ever

it flung up momentarily the sacred river

Five miles meandering with a mazy motion

Through wood and dale the sacred river ran'

Line 3 is made memorable by the use of

A. simile

B. metaphor

C. polysyndeton

D. monosyndeton

E. alliteration

The correct answer is option [E]

The initial consonant sound 'm' is repeated.

367. All but _____ is not a literary device.

A. denouement

B. foyer

C. conflict

D. climax

The correct answer is option [B]

368. Exposition in a play means _____.

A. initial unfolding of the necessary background of the play

B. its climax

C. the marriage of the hero and the heroine

D. background information about the characters, events, or setting.

E. the private speech of a character

The correct answer is option [D]

369. "To drag your father from his farm is as difficult as dragging a child away from his mother's breast".

The dominant literary device in the above statement is _____.

A. metaphor

B. personification

C. simile

D. amplification

The correct answer is option [C]

370. The expression, "deafening silence" is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. simile

C. synecdoche

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [D]

371. 'In Germany, under the law, everything is prohibited except that which is permitted. In France everything is permitted except that which is prohibited In the Soviet Union, everything is prohibited including that which is permitted'.

The last sentence is an example of _____.

A. innuendo

B. paradox

C. euphemism

D. allusion

The correct answer is option [B]

372. The central issue in a play or novel is known as the _____.

A. theme

B. summary

C. synopsis

D. resume

The correct answer is option [A]

373. Brenda suddenly stiffened in her chair and half turned her ear to the window. Silent like an animal waiting to spring, an alertness that transformed her face to temporary ugliness. Arthur noticed it, and swilled down the last of his tea 'He's coming', she said 'I heard the gate open'

In this short text, the writer succeeds in creating ____.

A. anti-climax

B. aggression

C. comic relief

D. suspense

E. characters

The correct answer is option [D]

374. ''Diversion through Larteh''. This is the sign in the middle of the road. They have diverted the 24-Kilometre Mamfe-Aburi-Adenta Road because of the major road works. The Mamfe-Larteh-Adenta diversion makes the journey twice as long. The longer route is the shorter.

The little jeep flashes past the deserted police checkpoint. The howling wind, like a stretching comb, stretches Kwyeiwa's hair in flapping furrows behind her as she stands clinging to a metal support in the back of the open jeep, petrified. The jeep negotiates the hairpin bend below the overhang near Tamara's place at breakneck speed; now it is on the stretch to the Kodiable junction. The little vehicle laps up the distance. Presently the travellers arrive at the last crossroads. Kodiabe lies as the crow flies, Somanya to the left. The jeep turns right towards Accra.

The mood in the passage is one of _____.

A. love

B. fear

C. anger

D. joy

The correct answer is option [C]

375. My finger click with a snicker

And, chuckling, they knuckle the key

The dominant literary device used in the lines above, is _____.

A. parallelism

B. litotes

C. hyperbole

D. onomatopoeia

The correct answer is option [D]

376. "Sleep, o sleep

With thy rod of incantation

Charm my imagination

Then, only then, I cease to weep

By thy power

The virgin, by time O'er taken

For years for lorn, forsaken

Enjoys the happy hour

What's to sleep

Tis a visionary blessing."

The poet makes use of _____.

A. end stopped lines

B. run-on lines

C. rhyme

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [A]

End-stopping is a feature in poetry in which the syntactic unit (phrase, clause, or sentence) corresponds in length to the line. Its opposite is enjambement (also spelled enjambment), where the meaning runs on into the next line.

377. What literary device is illustrated in a situation where a character makes a sentence that conveys he is happy with his good luck on the surface but is actually very unhappy and dissatisfied with his bad luck?

A. Deception

B. Irony

C. Scansion

D. Juxtaposition

The correct answer is option [B]

378. The choice of appropriate words to convey the thoughts of an author is called _____.

A. rhyme

B. setting

C. style

D. diction

The correct answer is option [D]

379. Read the passage and answer the question.

In England, her love for Henry blossomed like spring flowers after a hard winter. But she abhorred the way he dressed in England. They fell in love when she was working in the little coffee shop across from the Crystal Palace.

Tall and jovial, he fell romantically in love with her at first sight.

After a brief and hilarious courtship, they got married in a small Presbyterian Chapel in North London. Her people came and mother shed a tear when it was announced that the newlywed couple would go to Africa.

From that day, her world collapsed. He had never even hinted that he had joined the colonial service, neither did she know her honeymoon would be a hurried affair in Brighton. She wept most of the time on board the M.V. Apapa that took them to Africa.

Eight years and her temper grew worse. She got farther and farther away from her husband. They never had a child. A child would have made all the difference in the world.

The figure of speech used in the first sentence of the opening paragraph is _____.

A. personification

B. metaphor

C. simile

D. metonymy

The correct answer is option [C]

380. The literary device which an author hints that an event will take place later in a story is known as _____.

A. foreshadowing

B. rising action

C. flashback

D. parody

The correct answer is option [A]

Parody is a humorous or statistical mimicry i.e. a composition that imitates somebody's style in a humorous way.

381. "Ngoto was pleased. And Nyokabi and Njeri were full of at the news. For the first time in many years, something like a glimmer of light shone in Ngotho's eyes. He could even be seen making an effort to walk upright".

What does the underlined expression connote?

A. Courage

B. Disaster

C. Tolerance

D. Hope

The correct answer is option [D]

382 "There is a nightingale near my house

He sings lovingly for my red rose.

Last winter, Red rose asked him to stay forever.

I whispered to my flower, "If you love him, let him go". Later on, they became friends forever and ever."

What is the subject of the above narration?

A. Flower

B. Friendship

C. Bird

D. Winter

E. House

The correct answer is option [B]

383. "The man had the strength of a thousand elephants"

The device used in the above statement is _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metaphor

C. irony

D. sarcasm

The correct answer is option [A]

384. _____ is a figure of speech in which the normal relations of words or phrases are interchanged.

A. Fable

B. Hypallage

C. Lampoon

D. Limericks

The correct answer is option [B]

385. "I've heard that a million times", is an example of _____.

A. pun

B. alliteration

C. personification

D. synecdoche

E. hyperbole

The correct answer is option [E]

386. A poem of fourteen lines is called _____.

A. a couplet

B. a sextet

C. a lyric

D. a sonnet

The correct answer is option [D]

387. "Bang! Went the pistol,

Crash! Went the window

Ouch! Went the son of a gun."

The words at the beginning of each line are examples of _____.

A. simile

B. synecdoche

C. onomatopoeia

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [C]

388. What is a novel?

A. A prose writing about great people in connected events and expriences.

B. A prose writing about various people in different places and time.

C. A long prose narrative fiction that describes characters and connected events.

D. A long story involving human characters and their various experiences.

The correct answer is option [C]

389. A narrative poem must _____.

A. preach a sermon

B. tell a story

C. describe natural scenery

D. involve an argument

E. propound a philosophy

The correct answer is option [B]

Read the poem and answer the question

390. My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow in the sky

So was it when my life began

So is it now I am a man

Or let me die!

The child is the father of the man

And I could wish my day to be

Bound each by natural piety

"The child is the father of the man", is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. oxymoron

C. metonymy

D. paradox

The correct answer is option [D]

Paradox is a statement that seems to contradict itself, but may be true.

391. A bashful smile of appreciation illuminated Nelly's pretty face. The figure of speech implied in the use of 'illuminated' is _____.

A. personification

B. metaphor

C. simile

D. meiosis

E. assonance

The correct answer is option [A]

392. Asikia overheard the head teacher tell Mr. Ipali, "Always be sincere even when you don't mean it".

The head teacher's statement is an example of _____.

A. understatement

B. symbolism

C. oxymoron

D. repetition

The correct answer is option [C]

393. In a story, the adversary of the protagonist is known as the _____.

A. hero

B. heroine

C. antagonist

D. foil

The correct answer is option [C]

394. 'There was time when meadow, grove and stream

The earth and every common sight

To me did seem

Apparelled in celestial light

the glory and the freshness of a dream

It is not now as it hath been of yore:

Turn whereso'er I may,

By night or day

the things which I have seen I now

can see no more'

The mood captured in this poem is one of _____.

A. nostalgia

B. despair

C. confidence

D. hope

E. joy

The correct answer is option [A]

Nostalgia means longing for something past.

Despair is a state in which everything seems wrong and will turn out badly.

395. The introductory comment on characters/situations made at the beginning of a novel is known as _____.

A. epilogue

B. prologue

C. exposition

D. crises

The correct answer is option [B]

396. "O brawling love! O loving hate!

O anything of nothing that was first create

O heavy lightness! Serious vanity!

Mishapen chaos of well-seeming forms!

Feather of lead, bright smoke, cold fire, sick health!

Still-waking sleep, that is not what it is!

This love feel I, that feel no love in this."

The above lines from Shakespear's Romeo and Juliet illustrates the use of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. metaphor

C. irony

D. zeugma

The correct answer is option [A]

397. A literary device in which a character speaks to another character, without any other characters aware of what is said is called _____.

A. soliloquy

B. monologue

C. aside

D. prologue

The correct answer is option [C]

398. The essential function of tragedy in a literary work is to bring about a release of _____ in the audience.

A. an ominiscient power of reasoning

B. strong emotions of pity and fear

C. deep resentment for the antagonist

D. a rippling effect of love and hatred

The correct answer is option [B]

399. The struggle of opposing forces in a drama or narrative is called _____.

A. denouement

B. denotation

C. conflict

D. climax

The correct answer is option [C]

400. Which one of the following applies to both tragic and comic plays?

A. Climax

B. Happiness

C. Temper

D. Anticlimax

E. Sympathy

The correct answer is option [A]

401. "The moon has ascended between us

Between two pines

That bow to each other;

Love with the moon has ascended

Has fed on our solitary stems;

And we are now shadows

That cling to each other,

But kiss the air only".

The theme of the above poem is _____.

A. unrequited love

B. sour love

C. lovers kissing

D. lovers feeding

The correct answer is option [A]

402. "He is no fool" is an example of _____.

A. Litotes

B. Oxymoron

C. Synecdoche

D. Alliteration

E. Personification

The correct answer is option [A]

403. An aside is said to occur in plays when a speaker on stage _____.

A. addresses another character in the midst of the audience

B. mumbles words not intended for other actors to the audience.

C. mumbles words heard by the audience and actors

D. reveals his most secret intensions to another character

The correct answer is option [B]

404. 'Hear thou, great Ann!

Whom three realms obey

Dost sometimes counsel take - and sometimes tea.'

This extract depicts the use of _____.

A. paradox

B. hyperbole

C. Pathos

D. Bathos

The correct answer is option [A]

405. A couplet is formed by _____.

A. five alternate rhyming lines of poetry

B. two rhyming lines of poetry

C. four rhyming lines of poetry

D. five rhyming lines of poetry

The correct answer is option [B].

406. A question for which no answer is sought in a piece of writing is known as _____ question.

A. rhetorical

B. paradoxical

C. cross

D. leading

E. pointed

The correct answer is option [A]

407. "He is the despots' Despot.

All must bide

later or soon, the message of his might;

Princes and potentates their heads must hide,

Touched by the awful sigil of his right;

Beside the Kaiser he at eve doth wait".

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abcbd

B. ababb

C. ababc

D. abaaa

E. ababc

The correct answer is option [A]

408. In a portrait, a poet writes:

At mankind's feast, I take my place

In solemn, sanctimonious state,

And have the air of saying grace

While I defile the dinner plate.

The tone of this poem may be described as _____.

A. solemn

B. self mockery

C. dead earnest

D. serious

E. angry

The correct answer is option [B]

409. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Enjambment

B. Plot

C. Rhyme

D. Alliteration

The correct answer is option [B]

410. The omniscient narrator in a literary work _____.

A. uses flash back

B. witnesses all events

C. makes reference to future incidents

D. knows all about the author

The correct answer is option [B]

411. The expression "O my poor brother!" illustrates the use of _____.

A. apostrophe

B. alliteration

C. assonance

D. personification

The correct answer is option [A]

412. "Death lays his icy hands on kings" is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. paradox

C. hyperbole

D. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

413. 'To see a world in a grain of sand

And a heaven in a wild flower,

Hold infinity in the palm of your hand

And eternity in an hour'.

The predominant figure of speech used in the lines above is _____.

A. metaphor

B. hyperbole

C. simile

D. paradox

The correct answer is option [D]

414. "What we want is Willie." is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. assonance

C. simile

D. synecdoche

E. None of the above

The correct answer is option [A]

415. A poem with fourteen lines of rhymed iambic pentrametre is _____.

A. an epic

B. a sonnet

C. a quatrain

D. an octave

The correct answer is option [B]

416. All eyes may see from what the change arose,

All eyes may see--a pimple on her nose.

Papillia, wedded to her amorous spark,

Sighs for the shades--"How charming is a park!",

A park is purchas'd, but the fair he sees.

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. aabbc

B. abcab

C. aabcb

D. abccb

The correct answer is option [A]

417. In a literary work, a clown would normally _____.

A. direct the action

B. create comic relief

C. support the protagonist

D. create the tension

The correct answer is option [B]

418. Was it for this you took constant care

The bodkin, comb and essence to prepare?

For this your looks in paper durance bound?

For this with torturing iron wreathed round?

The dominant device used in the poem is _____.

A. synecdoche

B. rhetorical question

C. parody

D. apostrophe

The correct answer is option [B]

419. It was dawn, and the windows were dark except for the workmen's cafes. The sky was like a vast wall of cobalt with roofs and spires of black paper pasted upon it. Drowsy men were sweeping the pavement with ten-foot brooms and ragged families picking over the dust bins. Workmen and girls with a piece of chocolate pouring into the railway station.

The picture presented above is one of _____.

A. poverty in urban areas

B. monotony of town life

C. landscape at sunrise

D. a sordid industrial town

The correct answer is option [D]

420. Kuziene was alone in the crowd on his day at his new school.

The underlined phrase in the above statement is called _____.

A. litotes

B. eclipse

C. paradox

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [D]

421. Ballad is derived from a Latin word "ballore" meaning to _____.

A. dance

B. cry

C. sing

D. sleep

The correct answer is option [A]

422. 'She certainly doesn't want to play the other woman in some conventional, boring triangle. She doesn't feel like another woman; she isn't winding or devious, she doesn't wear negligees or paint her toe nails. William may think she is exotic but she isn't really, she's straight forward, narrow, and unadorned, at the entrapment of husbands.'

According to the text, the other woman described is _____.

A. beautiful and vivacious

B. dishonest and deceitful

C. careless and dowdy

D. manipulative and predatory

The correct answer is option [B]

423. The metrical pattern in, "In mist or cloud, on mast or stand" is _____.

A. iambic

B. trochaic

C. anapaestic

D. dactylic

The correct answer is option [A]

424. "Truth sits upon the lips of men", the literary device here is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. personification

C. metaphor

D. epithet

The correct answer is option [B]

425. The central idea in a work of art is the _____.

A. subject

B. plot

C. theme

D. story

The correct answer is option [C]

426. A fourteen lined poem with rhymed iambic pentametre is called

A. anepic

B. a sonnet

C. a quatrain

D. an octave

The correct answer is option [B]

427. A literary work which exhibits poetic quality using emotional effects and heightened imagery but are written in prose instead of verse is known as _____.

A. heroic prose

B. fictional prose

C. nonfictional prose

D. prose poetry

The correct answer is option [D]

428. The novel, the novella and the short story are the major sub-genres of _____.

A. non-fiction

B. prose

C. poetry

D. drama

The correct answer is option [B]

429. "Be him my foe,

Be him my friend,

Be him a gentile,

My anti-corruption net will soon catch him."

In the above poem, there is the predominant use of the device known as _____.

A. alliteration

B. repetition

C. anaphora

D. assonance

The correct answer is option [C]

430. What is an ellipsis?

A. It is the omission of implied words.

B. It is the addition of words to create special effect.

C. It is the repetition of vowel sounds.

D. It is a series of words that begin a line of poetry.

The correct answer is option [A]

431. A poem is best described as an elegy if it expresses a state of _____.

A. euphoria

B. confusion

C. grandeur

D. none of the above

The correct answer is option [D]

An elegy is a mournful poem; a lament for the dead.

432. Poetry is defined by _____.

A. words written in sequence

B. condensed use of language

C. evocations of feelings

D. legends and myths

The correct answer is option [C]

433. The literary device used in, "O wild west wind" is _____.

A. synecdoche

B. simile

C. alliteration

D. pun

The correct answer is option [C]

434. Drama differs from poetry because it _____.

A. involves many characters

B. deals with tragic experience

C. uses elevated language

D. exists mainly in action

The correct answer is option [D]

435. Another term for oxymoron is _____.

A. climax

B. parable

C. hyperbole

D. paradox

The correct answer is option [D]

Paradox is the use of contradicting terms in a way that oddly reveals a deeper truth by their contradiction.

Climax refers to the most intense, exciting or important point in a work of art

Anti-climax refers to a disappointing end to an exciting series of event.

Hyperbole has to do with conscious exaggeration for special effect.

436. _____ helps the reader to visualize and experience the author's writings.

A. Dialogue

B. Setting

C. Imagery

D. Theme

The correct answer is option [C]

437. "Humanity, let us say, is like people packed in an automobile which is travelling downhill without lights at terrific speed and driven by a four year old child. The signposts along the way are all marked 'Progress.'"

There is the predominant use of _____in the above extract.

A. rhetorical question

B. synecdoche

C. pun

D. simile

E. metaphor

The correct answer is option [D]

438. The main antagonist in a play is referred to as the _____.

A. buffoon

B. villain

C. hero

D. protagonist

The correct answer is option [B]

439. A struggle between opposing forces in a literary work is known as _____.

A. plot

B. climax

C. denouement

D. conflict

The correct answer is option [D]

440. Mr. Amakiri's smile was a mile wide at the sight of his baby boy.

This statement is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metaphor

C. irony

D. aside

The correct answer is option [A]

441. Enjambment is the poetic term referring to the use of _____.

A. run-on-lines

B. rhyme lines

C. rhythm

D. metre

The correct answer is option [A]

442. The invigilator lost his phone and his temper at the end of the exam.

The above statement is an example of _____.

A. memoir

B. zeugma

C. irony

D. sarcasm

The correct answer is option [B]

443. A literary work which extols one's virtues and accomplishments is _____.

A. a eulogy

B. a pastoral

C. an elegy

D. an allegory

The correct answer is option [A]

Pastoral is a poem that represents the life of shepherds or country life.

444. The term given to a type of incident or device which recurs frequently in literature is _____.

A. motif

B. ritual

C. myth

D. concept

The correct answer is option [A]

Myth is a story originated in ancient times concerning the history of a people or explaining natural events.

445. The use of words in such a way that they are an imitation of sounds is referred to as _____.

A. assonance

B. alliteration

C. repetition

D. onomatopoeia

The correct answer is option [D]

446. A dioxin is a poem of _____.

A. ten lines

B. ten foot

C. ten stanzas

D. ten rhyme schemes

The correct answer is option [A]

447. And say you are merry

Because you are not sad."

The dominant literary device used in the poem is _____.

A. personification

B. contrast

C. metonymy

D. melancholy

The correct answer is option [B]

448. What passing-bells for these who die as cattle?

Only the monstrous anger of the guns.

The second line is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. irony

C. simile

D. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

449. Read the poem below and answer the following question

O stealing time, the subject of delay

Delay the rack of unrefrained desire

What strange design has thou my hopes to stay?

My hopes which do but to mine own aspire

Old age is wise, and full of constant truth

Old age well stayed from ranging humour's lives

Old age hath known, whatever was in youth

Old age overcome the greater honour gives

The rhyme scheme of the poem is _____.

A. alternate

B. internal

C. free verse

D. couplet

The correct answer is option [A]

Free verse is an unrhymed verse without a consistent metrical pattern.

Couplet is a stanza consisting of two successive lines of verse; usually rhymed.

450. A statement which initially appears to be absurd or contradictory but on a close examination contains important truth is called _____.

A. paradox

B. simile

C. apostrophe

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [A]

451. Narrative technique deals with _____.

A. the diction of literary artist

B. the social approach of an author

C. stories based on the real life experiences of feelings

D. the author's style of narrating a story

The correct answer is option [D]

452. Charm strikes the sight, but merit wins the soul is an example of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. epigram

C. epithet

D. bathos

The correct answer is option [D]

453. Consonance refers to repetition of sounds produced by consonants within a sentence or phrase and can be considered as a type of _____.

A. alliteration

B. assonance

C. onomatopoeia

D. stress

The correct answer is option [D]

454. "England is so wet because many kings and queens have reigned there", is an example of the use of _____.

A. imitation

B. cacophony

C. pun

D. rhetoric

The correct answer is option [C]

455. Read the poem below and answer the question

I wonder how long, you awful parasite
Shall share with me this little bed
And make me, from sweet dreams be lost
By sucking blood from my poor head
I should not say man has much
Blood which you and your families do feed
On; for supper, diner and lunch
And besides, you do in my bed breed
Clever thou art, tiny creature;
You attend me when I am asleep
When thou art sure, I can't you capture
Just at the time I snore deep
Tis so strange that before twilight
The bed clear of you would seem;
For not one of you is on my sight
As if your presence was in a dream

The prominent device used to express "Tis so strange" is _____.

A. assonance
B. alliteration
C. onomatopoeia
D. pun

The correct answer is option [B]

456. Read the passage and answer the question.

In England, her love for Henry blossomed like spring flowers after a hard winter. But she abhorred the way he dressed in England. They fell in love when she was working in the little coffee shop across from the Crystal Palace.

Tall and jovial, he fell romantically in love with her at first sight.

After a brief and hilarious courtship, they got married in a small Presbyterian Chapel in North London. Her people came and mother shed a tear when it was announced that the newly wed couple would go to Africa.

From that day, her world collapsed. He had never even hinted that he had joined the colonial service, neither did she know her honeymoon would be a hurried affair in Brighton. She wept most of the time on board the M.V. Apapa that took them to Africa.

Eight years and her temper grew worse. She got farther and farther away from her husband. They never had a child. A child would have made all the difference in the world.

What made the woman's world collapse?

A. Falling in love with her husband in winter.

B. Their honeymoon was cut short.

C. Travelling aboard a ship.

D. Their sudden relocation to Africa.

The correct answer is option [D]

457. Which one of the following applies to both tragic and comic plays?

A. Climax

B. Happy ending

C. Temper

D. Sympathetic ending

The correct answer is option [A]

458. Youth, for whose ear and monishing of late,
I sang of Prodigals and lost estate,
Have thou thy joy of living and be gay;
But know not less that there must come a day,
Aye, and perchance e'en now it hasteneth,
When thine own heart shall speak.
The rhyme scheme of the verse is _____.

A. aabbcd
B. aaabcb
C. aaabcb
D. aaabab
E. aaabbb

The correct answer is option [A]

459. That age is best which is the first,
When youth and blood are warmer.
But being spent, the worse, and worst.
Times still succeed the former.
The rhyme scheme in this verse is known as _____.

A. alternate
B. irregular
C. free verse
D. couplet

The correct answer is option [A]

460. The statement, "she is not a beauty queen" is an example of _____.

A. tautology
B. litotes

C. anaphora

D. antithesis

The correct answer is option [B]

461. The technique a writer uses when he narrates his personal experience or an event he witnessed, is called _____.

A. the first person approach

B. everybody's point of view

C. the last person's approach

D. the second person's approach

The correct answer is option [A]

462. Read the passage and answer the question.

The long column of misery tended to grow longer, as the more robust struggled to get as far as possible from the pursuing French,

and as the weaker fell farther and farther behind. There were enough weaklings. In all conscience, even in summer, the men had been badly clothed, and even in victory, insufficiently fed, and now, it is winter, and Espinosa had been fought and lost, and the route of the retreat lay away from the fertile plains and up into the inhospitable mountains.

The rain had fallen upon them in deluges for days, and now as they climbed higher, it was turning into sleet, and a bitter cold wind blew.

Ahead of them, they could see the snow lying thick on the mountain passes, through which they would have to climb, without food or fuel or rest, and with terror of the French to urge them on. Disease had come inevitably to complete the work so well begun by hunger, exposure and the sword.

The attitude of the survivors is best summed up by the word _____.

A. indifference

B. persistence

C. resignation

D. victory

The correct answer is option [C]

463. When a poem has no regular rhyme scheme, it is called a _____.

A. prose verse

B. dramatic verse

C. lyrical verse

D. blank verse

The correct answer is option [D]

464. Read the passage and answer question.

"Diversion through Larteh". This is the sign in the middle of the road. They have diverted the 24-Kilometre Mamfe-Aburi-Adenta Road because of the major road works. The Mamfe-Larteh-Adenta diversion makes the journey twice as long. The longer route is the shorter.

The little jeep flashes past the deserted police checkpoint. The howling wind, like a stretching comb, stretches Kwyeiwa's hair in flapping furrows behind her as she stands clinging to a metal support in the back of the open jeep, petrified. The jeep negotiates the hairpin bend below the overhang near Tamara's place at breakneck speed; now it is on the stretch to the Kodiable junction. The little vehicle laps up the distance. Presently the travellers arrive at the last crossroads. Kodiabe lies as the crow flies, Somanya to the left. The jeep turns right towards Accra.

Kyeiwa can be described as being _____.

A. relaxed

B. ecstatic

C. frightened

D. elated

The correct answer is option [C]

465. Poetic genres include the following except _____.

A. metaphoric poetry

B. narrative poetry

C. dramatic poetry

D. satirical poetry

E. epic poetry

The correct answer is option [A]

466. When a poet uses words with nearly identical sounds, he is said to apply _____.

A. true rhyme

B. iambic meter

C. spondee meter

D. weak rhyme

E. eye rhyme

The correct answer is option [A]

467. Read the poem and answer question.

In front of the gate, the guard stands with his rifle,

Above, untidy clouds are carrying away the moon,

The bedbugs are swarming like army tanks on manoeuvers

While the mosquitoes form squadrons, attacking like freighter planes.

My heart travels a thousand miles towards my native land.

My dream intertwines with sadness like a stein of a thousand threads,

Innocent, I have endured a whole year in prison.

Using my tears for ink, I turn my thoughts into verses.

The impression created of the persona is one of _____.

A. anger

B. competitiveness

C. reconciliation

D. resignation

E. faithlessness

The correct answer is option [D]

468. Look out a window
at the traffic below.
Where are they going
I don't really know
Each has a destination
that they want to get to;
Some it will be work
with a long drive ahead,
While others it will be home
so they can rest their head.
The poem is about _____.

A. window

B. destination

C. work

D. home

The correct answer is option [B]

469. "The river, reflecting the clear blue of the sky, glistened and sparkled as it flowed noiselessly on."

The mood created by the above description can be described as _____.

A. burstling and exciting

B. depressing but calm

C. serene and nonviolent

D. romantic and peaceful

The correct answer is option [C]

470. “There was no moon, and everything beneath lay in misty darkness: not a light gleamed from any house, far or near all had been extinguished long ago: and those at Wuthering Heights were never visible…”

The mood created by the above description can be described as _____.

A. serene

B. depressing

C. aggressive

D. nerve-wrecking

The correct answer is option [B]

471. "I don't fancy forbidden fruit of fashion and fads", What figure of speech is illustrated in this extract?

A. Refrain

B. Repetition

C. Assonance

D. Alliteration

The correct answer is option [D]

472. The dominant idea in a literary work is called _____.

A. techniques

B. content

C. theme

D. menu

The correct answer is option [C]

473. Opribo says his new boss is as pleasant and calm as a coiled python _____.

A. metaphor

B. idiom

C. euphemism

D. irony

The correct answer is option [D].

Irony usually carries a direct opposite meaning of the literal meaning of a statement or situation.

Here, Yakubu's boss may seem calm but he can be very dangerous.

474. A long poem which deals with heroic deeds is called _____.

A. a lyric

B. an epic

C. an ode

D. an euphony

The correct answer is option [B]

475. Let me not to the marriage of true minds

Admit impediments; love is not love

Which alters when it alteration finds,

Or bends with the remover to remove.

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abcc

B. aabb

C. abac

D. aaab

The correct answer is option [C]

476. _____ is known as a metrical foot of one short syllable followed by two long syllables.

A. Bacchus

B. Bachcius

C. Bacchoius

D. Bacchius

E. Bacchios

The correct answer is option [D]

477. "We were partners, not soul mates, two separate people who happened to be sharing a menu and a life".

- Amy Tan.

The statement is an example of _____.

A. zeugma

B. innuendo

C. pun

D. farce

The correct answer is option [A]

478. A symbolic representation of ideas, emotions and situations in a work of art is _____.

A. fable

B. allegory

C. romance

D. parody

The correct answer is option [B]

479. 'Fair is fowl, fowl is fair'. What is the literary term and figure of speech used in the statement?

A. Simile and repetition

B. Oxymoron and metaphor

C. Allusion and irony

D. Alliteration and paradox

The correct answer is option [D]

480. "We have been asleep, Mr. Speaker, my fellow citizens; asleep in our dream of security! Asleep in our well meaning, sportsmanlike way of wishing the other fellow well. Asleep in the false security of accepting all men of good will who would be free as men of honour "

The force of the speech above is sustained on _____.

A. cleverly

B. musicality

C. repetition

D. oratory

The correct answer is option [C]

Repetition is the repeated use of the same word or word pattern as a rhetorical device.

481. 'I am not afraid of anything', he told them. 'I have committed all crimes you can think of and been jailed for most of them. I have been in prison more hours than I have been out of it within the last five years.'

In recounting his criminal life, this speaker's tone is _____.

A. repentant

B. boastful

C. regretful

D. subdued

E. remorseful

The correct answer is option [B]

482. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Actors

B. Stage

C. Dialogue

D. Chapters

The correct answer is option [D]

483. Read the passage and answer question.

"Diversion through Larteh". This is the sign in the middle of the road. They have diverted the 24-Kilometre Mamfe-Aburi-Adenta Road because of the major road works. The Mamfe-Larteh-Adenta diversion makes the journey twice as long. The longer route is the shorter.

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The text can best be regarded as _____.

A. expository

B. argumentative

C. narrative

D. analytical

The correct answer is option [C]

484. "That year, the harvest was sad, like a funeral, and many farmers wept as they dug up the miserable yams. One man tied his cloth to a tree branch and hung himself."

The mood conveyed by the writer is one of _____.

A. excitement

B. sadness

C. joy

D. triumph

E. elation

The correct answer is option [B]

485. In literary works, a recurrent image is known as _____.

A. theme

B. motif

C. episode

D. mood

The correct answer is option [B]

486. A poem without a regular beat and rhyme is referred to as a _____.

A. blank verse

B. free verse

C. solomon verse

D. traditional verse

The correct answer is option [B]

487. _____ is a drama that is full of sensational events, exaggerated characters and often ends happily.

A. Melodrama

B. Innuendo

C. Monodrama

D. Comedy

The correct answer is option [D]

488. When a writer uses words or expressions with a meaning different from the literal interpretation, he is said to apply _____.

A. poetic justice

B. authorial expression

C. literary terms

D. figurative language

The correct answer is option [D]

489. Tragic-flaw refers to _____.

A. the leading character that dies out of love in a story

B. the freedom a writer enjoys from deviating from convention

C. the weakness in a hero that causes his downfall

D. the higest point of suspence in a story

The correct answer is option [C]

490. "She purged the air of pestilence" is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. paradox

C. metaphor

D. irony

The correct answer is option [C]

491. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Dialogue

B. Monologue

C. Soliloquy

D. Aside

The correct answer is option [A]

492. A novel is a _____.

A. prose writing about great people

B. prose writing about various people

C. long prose narrative fiction

D. long story involving human characters

The correct answer is option [C]

493. 'The woman whose breasts I sucked is gone to the worms'.

The statement is an example of _____.

A. sadism

B. sophism

C. satire

D. euphemism

The correct answer is option [D]

Satire is a witty (combining clever conception and facetious expression) language used to convey insults or scorn.

494. 'Political language is designed to make lies sound truthful and

murder respectable, and to give an appearance of solidity to pure minds.'

The writer here is suggesting that political language is _____.

A. convincing

B. deceptive

C. interesting

D. destructive

E. commendable

The correct answer is option [B]

495. "His legs bestride the ocean, his rear'd arm

Crested the world, his voice was propertied

As all the tuned spheres"

The above verse is an example of _____.

A. rhetorical question

B. simile

C. assonance

D. hyperbole

E. euphemism

The correct answer is option [D]

496. An expression, idea, or element of an artistic work which has become overused to the point of losing its original meaning, or effect is called _____.

A. a cliché

B. a cacophony

C. an epigram

D. an archetype

The correct answer is option [A]

Cacophony is a loud confusing disagreeable sounds.

Archetype is an original model on which something is patterned.

497. Which of the following best describes literature?

A. Tells the story of great men and women.

B. It is the reflection of man's life in the society.

C. It is a record of past events.

D. The description of events that never happened.

The correct answer is option [B]

498. In poetry, metre is measuring a line of poetry based on the _____ of the words.

A. number

B. feet

C. length

D. rhythm

The correct answer is option [D]

499. Which of the following is not an element of fiction?

A. theme

B. style

C. cast

D. plot

E. setting

The correct answer is option [C]

500. Read the poem below and answer the question

I wonder how long, you awful parasite
Shall share with me this little bed
And make me, from sweet dreams be lost
By sucking blood from my poor head
I should not say man has much
Blood which you and your families do feed
On; for supper, diner and lunch
And besides, you do in my bed breed
Clever thou art, tiny creature;
You attend me when I am asleep
When thou art sure, I can't you capture
Just at the time I snore deep
Tis so strange that before twilight
The bed clear of you would seem;
For not one of you is on my sight
As if your presence was in a dream

The subject of the poem is a _____.

A. bad habit

B. healthy meal

C. insect bite

D. sound sleep

The correct answer is option [C]

It is only the bed bug that lives in a bed amongst the options given above.

501. Literary works are classified into _____.

A. cantose

B. episodes

C. eras

D. genres

The correct answer is option [D]

502. The fact that the man is a thief is an open secret is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. absurd

C. oxymoron

D. simile

The correct answer is option [C]

503. "Life's but a walking shadow; a poor player." is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. assonance

C. metaphor

D. pun

E. onomatopoeia

The correct answer is option [C]

504. In poetry, a unit of unstressed and stressed syllable is called a _____.

A. couplet

B. foot

C. metre

D. dactyl

The correct answer is option [B]

505. The following except _____ is not a term.

A. plot

B. stage direction

C. characterisation

D. theme

The correct answer is option [B]

506. A novel is written in _____.

A. chapters

B. pages

C. scenes

D. acts

The correct answer is option [A]

507. "How can he compare our thanks-giving service with theirs? After all, millions of people attended ours while very few people were seen at theirs".

In the above statement, the speaker uses _____ to express himself.

A. paradox

B. oxymoron

C. hyperbole

D. comparison

The correct answer is option [C]

508. ____ is the deliberate repetition of words or sentence structure for emphasis.

A. Parallelism

B. Symbolism

C. Repetition

D. Diction

The correct answer is option [A]

509. A deliberate understatement in which a negative remark is substituted for a positive one is called _____.

A. magnitism

B. oxymoron

C. litotes

D. absurd

The correct answer is option [C]

510. _____ refers to a disruption of harmonic sounds or rhythms.

A. catastroph

B. dissonance

C. distortion

D. dirge

The correct answer is option [B]

511. "I must be cruel only to be kind." is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. alliteration

C. metonymy

D. simile

E. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [E]

512. _____are the medium through which a reader interacts with a piece of literature.

A. actors

B. playwrights

C. audience

D. characters

The correct answer is option [D]

513. "...while the evening is spread out against the sky,

Like a patient etherized upon a table"

The above couplet is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. simile

C. oxymoron

D. paradox

E. synecdoche

The correct answer is option [B]

514. A plot structure includes _____.

A. theme, mood and tone

B. satirical, metaphorical and rhetorical

C. progressive, narrative and thematic development

D. prose, drama and poetry

E. language, characterisation and settings

The correct answer is option [C]

515. Deus ex Machina refers to the incidence where an implausible concept or character is introduced to resolve the _____ in the story and to bring about a pleasing solution.

A. conflict

B. catastrophe

C. climax

D. contrast

The correct answer is option [A]

516. Dialogue is crucial in a piece of drama, because it _____.

A. makes the audience laugh

B. is like a discourse

C. reveals the characters

D. makes the characters honest

The correct answer is option [C]

517. Scientific and journalistic texts are examples of _____ prose

A. factual

B. persuasive

C. partial

D. characteristic

The correct answer is option [A]

518. Read the poem below and answer the following question

I love you; my gentle one

My love is the fresh milk of rubindi

Which you drank on the wedding day

My love is the butter we were smeared with

To seal fidelity into our hearts

You are the cattle - birds egg

For those who say you are wealthy

YOU ARE THE PAPYRUS REED OF THE LAKE

WHICH THEY PULL OUT WITH BOTH HANDS

And I sing for you with tears

Because you possess my heart

I love you, my gentle one

The poem is a blank verse because it _____.

A. has no rhyme scheme

B. is a contemporary sonnet

C. alternate rhyme scheme

D. contains couplets

The correct answer is option [A]

519. The theme of a work of art is also known as the _____.

A. concluding part

B. central thought

C. central role

D. introductory part

The correct answer is option [B]

520. A style of writing involving the use of letters to communicate is known as _____ style.

A. a romantic

B. an epistolary

C. a documentary

D. a realistic

The correct answer is option [B]

521. A dungeon horrible, one all insides round

As one great furnace flamed and

yet for those flames

no light, but rather darkness visible

The phrase 'darkness visible' is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. hyperbole

C. oxymoron

D. litotes

The correct answer is option [C]

522. Hail to them, by the spirit

Bird thou wert

That from heaven or near it,

In profuse strains of unpremeditated art

The main figure of speech in the poem is _____.

A. apostrophe

B. hyperbole

C. euphemism

D. metonymy

The correct answer is option [A]

523. "Give us this day our daily bread" illustrates the use of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. synecdoche

C. apostrophe

D. personification

E. None of the above

The correct answer is option [B]

524. A poem which tells a story in the form of a song is _____.

A. an epic

B. a ballad

C. a pastoral

D. a eulogy

The correct answer is option [B]

525. _____ is an expression of thoughts, emotions, and life experiences written by a literary artist.

A. Euphemism

B. Literature

C. Analogy

D. Parallelism

The correct answer is option [B]

526. Happy ye leaves! When as those lily hands,

Which hold my life in their dead doing might,

Shall handle you, and hold in love's soft bands,

Like captives trembling at the victor's sight.

And happy lines on which, with starry light.

The rhyme scheme of the above is _____.

A. abcab

B. aaabb

C. ababb

D. abacd

The correct answer is option [C]

527. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Actors

B. Stage

C. Dialogue

D. Chapters

The correct answer is option [D]

Chapters is peculiar to prose while actors, stage and dialogue are peculiar to drama.

528. If we describe "Afritalpiece" as an autobiography, we mean that it is a piece of writing telling us about the life of _____.

A. a historical hero

B. its author

C. a lost city

D. a primitive

The correct answer is option [B]

529. '...her vespers done of all its wreathed pearls her hair she frees

unclasps her warmed jewel one by one; loosens her fragrant bodice by degrees. Her rich attire creeps rustling to her knees'

The extract depicts the poet's _____.

A. sensuous description

B. attention to matters concerning women

C. mastery of the Spenserian stanza

D. sensual feelings and emotions

The correct answer is option [D]

530. Character in a literary work talks about the _____.

A. who

B. what

C. where

D. how

The correct answer is option [A]

531. "The road was endless. One road led to a thousand others, which in turn fed into parts, which fed into dirt tracks which became streets, which ended in avenues and cul-de-sacs"

The description above suggests _____.

A. urban disorder

B. a labyrinth

C. a clutter

D. disharmony

The correct answer is option [B]

Labyrinth is a complex system of paths or tunnels in which it is easy to get lost.

532. 'Aso rock has ordered for the counsellor's release' is an example of _____.

A. metonymy

B. metaphor

C. assonance

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [A].

Metonymy is the figurative use of a word for another which represents it. Here, Aso rock represents the president of Nigeria, since it is located around where the president stays

533. "The strong gongs groaning as the guns boom far" illustrates the use of _____.

A. metonymy

B. refrain

C. onomatopoeia

D. repetition

The correct answer is option [C]

534. Which of the following is not an antonym to hyperbole?

A. Meiosis

B. Litotes

C. Apostrophe

D. Understatement

The correct answer is option [C]

535. The use of a mild expression to point out an unpleasant truth is known as _____.

A. euphemism

B. allegory

C. irony

D. symbolism

The correct answer is option [D]

536. 'Hedwig, inspite of her health, held her head to high heavens'.

The dominant literary device in the above statement is _____.

A. alliteration

B. anagnorisis

C. personification

D. prolepsis

The correct answer is option [A]

537. Read the poem and answer the question

My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow in the sky

So was it when my life began

So is it now I am a man

Or let me die!

The child is the father of the man

And I could wish my day to be

Bound each by natural piety

The above poem actually deals with the theme of _____.

A. old age

B. childhood

C. beauty

D. fatherhood

The correct answer is option [A]

538. And though at times a thread may break

A new one forms in its wake

To bind us closer and keep us strong

In a special world, where we belong.

What is the rhyme scheme of the above verse?

A. abab

B. aabb

C. abbc

D. abba

The correct answer is option [B]

539. Dialogue in a literary work varies in structure and tone depending on the people participating in the conversation and the _____ that the author is trying to maintain.

A. plot

B. mood

C. style

D. aspect

The correct answer is option [B]

540. Tragic flaw can also be referred to as_____.

A. sorrow

B. hamartia

C. anxiety

D. sarcasm

The correct answer is option [B]

541. A line made up of five feet and considered to be the most common metrical line in English is called _____.

A. quintet

B. pastoral

C. pentarule

D. pentametre

The correct answer is option [D]

542. Read the poem below and answer the question

Now, joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasure's of free, she cannot sing

As sweet a song as joy confined

Pleasure's a moth that sleeps by day

And dances by false glare at night

But Joy's a beauty butterfly, that loves

To spread its wings in nature's light.

The feelings associated with joy and pleasure in the poem are conveyed through the use of _____.

A. personification

B. euphemism

C. assonance

D. contrast

The correct answer is option [D]

Contrast is the opposition or dissimilarity of things that are compared

543. "True wit is nature to advantage drest.

What oft was thought but ne'er so well expressed".

A predominant feature of the above couplet is _____.

A. rhythm

B. pun

C. rhyme

D. paradox

The correct answer is option [C]

544. A recurrent ____ in a literary work that illustrates theme is_____.

A. image; symbol

B. comedy; irony

C. image; motif

D. theme; fallacy

The correct answer is option [C]

545. Read the passage and answer the question

Ngotho was pleased. And Nyokabi Njeri was full of joy at the news. For the first time for many years, something like a glimmer of light shone in Ngotho's eyes. He could even be seen making an effort to walk up right. Here at last was a son who might eventually be a match for the Howlands and Jacobos with any others who at all despised him.

Kamanu too was pleased. He hoped he could go on helping Ngoroge. Ngoroge might do something for the family. Ngoroge was happy. His first impulse, when he learnt that he had gone through, was to kneel down and thank God for all He had done for him. "Give me more and more learning and make me the instrument of thy light and peace." To go to secondary school, the big mission at Siriana was no small achievement.

The theme of the extract from Ngugi wa Thiong'o's Weep Not Child is the _____.

A. resistance to oppression

B. ambition to become a priest

C. quest for education

D. desire for happiness

The correct answer is option [C]

546. Which of the following is not a type of drama?

A. Burlesque

B. Tragedy

C. Resolution

D. Pantomime

The correct answer is option [C]

547. Compressed lines are a feature of _____

A. comedy

B. drama

C. poetry

D. prose

The correct answer is option [C]

548. A person who provides amusement through inappropriate appearance and/or behavior is called a _____.

A. buffoon

B. villain

C. hero

D. protagonist

E. antagonist

The correct answer is option [A]

Strictly, a buffoon describes a "ridiculous, but nevertheless amusing person." In the broad terms, a buffoon is a clownish, publicly amusing person?

549. _____ is a lively comedy involving ridiculous action and dialogue which is intended to cause laughter through exaggeration and extravagance rather than by a realistic imitation of life.

A. Humour

B. Fable

C. Farce

D. Comedy

The correct answer is option [C]

Farce is a comedy characterised by broad satire and improbable situations.

550. The blank verse is also known as _____.

A. rhymed iambic pentameter

B. unrhymed pentameter

C. iambic pentameter

D. unrhymed iambic pentameter

The correct answer is option [D]

551. A _____ is known as an arrangement of a certain number of lines, that forms a division of a poem.

A. verse

B. caesura

C. stanza

D. metre

The correct answer is option [C]

552. "Blue Moon, you saw me standing alone

Without a dream in my heart

Without a love of my own."

The above verse is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. simile

C. apostrophe

D. synecdoche

The correct answer is option [C]

553. Ring out your bells, let mourning shows be spread;

For Love is dead—

All love is dead, infected

With plague of deep disdain;

Worth, as nought worth, rejected,

And Faith fair scorn doth gain.

From so ungrateful fancy,

From such a female franzy,

From them that use men thus,

Good Lord, deliver us!

- Sir Philip Sydney

The above poem has a rhyme scheme of _____.

A. aabbccdeef

B. aabcbcddee

C. aabcbcddeb

D. ababccbdde

The correct answer is option [B]

554. A writer is said to employ _____ when he says for example, "Ibimina tried hard to convince herself that her Nollywood dreams were worth pursuing but her parents, and her inner voice of reason, seemed to disagree.

A. connotation

B. characterization

C. climax

D. conflict

The correct answer is option [D]

555. Forerunner, I would like to say, silent pilot,

Little dry death, future,

Your indirections are as strange to me

As my own. I know so little that anything

You might tell me would be a revelation.

- W.S Merwin "Sire"

The figure of speech used in the above verse is _____.

A. epigram

B. synecdoche

C. paradox

D. apostrophe

The correct answer is option [D]

556. One of the following writers is better known as a playwright than a novelist?

A. C. Achebe

B. C. Ekwensi

C. W. Soyinka

D. J. P. Clark

E. E. G. Okoro

The correct answer is option [C]

557. The expression "He nodded his agreeing head" is an example of _____.

A. anaphora

B. hypallage

C. litotes

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [B]

558. The enclosed rhyme scheme is signified by _____ as its symbol.

A. ABBA

B. ABAB

C. AABB

D. AAAB

The correct answer is option [A]

Enclosed rhyme (or enclosing rhyme) is the rhyme scheme "abba" (that is, where the first and fourth lines, and the second and third lines rhyme).

559. A literary work is called a narrative because it _____.

A. gives an account of events

B. has an elevated style

C. is difficult to understand

D. has a regular point of view

E. has mood and theme

The correct answer is option [A]

560. A _____ is an eight-line stanza that has just two rhymes which repeats the first line as the fourth and seventh lines, and the second line as the eighth.

A. iambic

B. triolet

C. octave

D. dactyl

The correct answer is option [B]

561. The first person narrator in drama is usually the _____.

A. protagonist

B. omniscient character

C. offended character

D. antagonist

The correct answer is option [A]

562. Nature sent him into the world strong and lusty in a throwing condition wearing his own hair on his head the proper branches of this reasoning vegetable until the axe of intemperance has lopped off his green boughs and left him a withered trunk.

In this passage, 'axe of intemperance' means _____.

A. hot temper

B. cool temper

C. evil mind

D. recklessness

The correct answer is option [D].

563. The short story as a literary form is like the _____.

A. play

B. poetry

C. tragedy

D. novel

The correct answer is option [D]

Read the poem and answer the question

564. Now, joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasure's of free, she cannot sing

As sweet a song as joy confined

Pleasure's a moth that sleeps by day

And dances by false glare at night

But Joy's a beauty butterfly that loves

To spread its wings in nature's light.

The dominant device used in presenting "Joy" and "Pleasure" in the first stanza is _____.

A. diction

B. oxymoron

C. personification

D. conceit

The correct answer is option [C]

Conceit is a cleverly expressed comparison used in poetry showing fancy rather than imagination.

565. "Sleep, o sleep
With thy rod of incantation
Charm my imagination
Then, only then, I cease to weep
By thy power
The virgin, by time O'er taken
For years for lorn, forsaken
Enjoys the happy hour
What's to sleep
Tis a visionary blessing."

The dominant device used in the first line is _____.

A. oxymoron
B. rhyme
C. apostrophe
D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [C]

566. Read the poem below and answer the following question

I love you; my gentle one
My love is the fresh milk of rubindi
Which you drank on the wedding day
My love is the butter we were smeared with
To seal fidelity into our hearts
You are the cattle - birds egg
For those who say you are wealthy
YOU ARE THE PAPYRUS REED OF THE LAKE
WHICH THEY PULL OUT WITH BOTH HANDS

And I sing for you with tears

Because you possess my heart

I love you, my gentle one

The predominant literary device used in the poem is _____.

A. metaphor

B. epigram

C. oxymoron

D. apostrophe

The correct answer is option [A]

567. Farce thrives on _____.

A. big events

B. premonition

C. absurdity

D. incidents

The correct answer is option [C]

568. Which of the following is a narrative technique in a novel?

A. Casting

B. Dream

C. Flashback

D. Prologue

E. Social relevance

The correct answer is option [C]

569. _____ is generally a peculiar feature in drama.

A. Humour

B. Satire

C. Sarcasm

D. Action

The correct answer is option [D]

570. "And yonder all before us lie. Deserts of vast eternity", illustrates the use of _____.

A. allegory

B. personification

C. oxymoron

D. allusion

The correct answer is option [D]

An allusion is a figure of speech whereby the author refers to a subject matter such as a place, event, or literary work by way of a passing reference. It is expected that the reader will try to make a connection to the subject being mentioned.

571. Propaganda text is an example of _____ prose

A. factual

B. persuasive

C. advertisment

D. all of the above

The correct answer is option [B]

572. Poetry is a _____.

A. piece of literary work that is not really concise in nature but expresses deep thoughts.

B. piece of work that majorly conveys social issues and cultural values.

C. genre of literature that seeks to correct all the ills of the society.

D. literary work that expresses people's thoughts, feelings, emotions.

The correct answer is option [D]

573. Autobiography and biography are the most common forms of _____ prose.

A. scientific

B. nonfictious

C. descriptive

D. fictious

The correct answer is option [B]

574. Choose the odd one.

A. Metaphor

B. Lyric

C. Personification

D. Cacophony

E. Simile

The correct answer is option [B]

575. The early morning smoke had now gone off the eyes of the day.

Trees and houses were still wet from last night's, but a cool breeze

caressed the world like a gentle hand

The dominant literary device in this short extract is _____.

A. metaphor

B. oxymoron

C. synecdoche

D. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

576. "In mist or cloud

On mast or shroud".

The metrical pattern used in the above couplet is _____.

A. iambic

B. trochaic

C. anapaestic

D. dactylic

The correct answer is option [A]

577. A literary work in which a writer is more concerned with artistic qualities and techniques than with conveying a message, even if it is instructive. is best described as _____.

A. nondidactic

B. fiction

C. monodactic

D. didactic

The correct answer is option [A]

578. The literary device in the statement

"students are to come to class with their Shakespeare" is called _____.

A. metonymy

B. litotes

C. synecdoche

D. personification

The correct answer is option [A]

579. He sits under a bough

Utters a loud cough,

Wipes his sweating brow

And gives the dog a blow.

The poet makes use of _____ in the above verse.

A. masculine rhyme

B. eye rhyme

C. internal rhyme

D. end rhyme

The correct answer is option [D]

580. In the line, "I walk upon the thorns of life" the metre is _____.

A. trochaic

B. anapestic

C. iambic

D. dactylic

The correct answer is option [C]

581. "The movie was not half bad." illustrates the use of _____.

A. metaphor

B. personification

C. simile

D. litotes

The correct answer is option [D]

582. Then suddenly her heart was whipped up, she now rode on strange waves alone defying the wind and the rain, alone fighting hunger and thirst in the desert; alone struggling with strange demons in the forest, bringing glad tidings to her people.

The mood of the lady in this passage is one of

A. arrogant defeat

B. agonising depression

C. triumphant defiance

D. simple elation

E. grueling sorrow

The correct answer is option [C]

583. But the towering earth was tired of sitting in one position. She moved suddenly, and the houses crumbled, the mountains heaved horribly, and the work of a million years was lost.

The image depicted in the above description is one of _____.

A. destruction

B. creation

C. happiness

D. admiration

The correct answer is option [A]

584. _____ rhyme can be defined as a rhyme in which the stressed syllables of ending consonants match, however the preceding vowel sounds do not match.

A. Ending

B. Absurd

C. Full

D. Half

The correct answer is option [D]

585. "Money here money there

Everywhere, anywhere, whatever you want, money

But where is the money to spend?"

Children and family matters, you are useful

Health and education matters

Food and transport

Night and day

Church and mosque

In the Lord's name

The tone of the poem is underlayed with _____.

A. sadness and lamentation

B. happiness and excitement

C. apathy and non challance

D. resignation and joy

The correct answer is option [A]

586. "The month of July crept in.The sky, like a hooded monk wore black, as in mourning, ready to shed. The sky sending high and low alike scurrying into hiding. The town had never known such a downpour, it was forty-eight hours of weeping by both the heavens".

What is subject of the passage?

A. Cloud

B. Climate

C. Rainfall

D. Flood

The correct answer is option [C]

587. "Memory is a crazy woman that hoards coloured rags and throws away food." is an example of _____.

A. lyric

B. metonymy

C. metaphor

D. simile

The correct answer is option [C]

588. My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow on the sky

So was it when my life began,

So is it now that I am a man

So be it when I shall grow

The child is the father of the man

The literary device used in line six is an example of _____.

A. synecdoche

B. irony

C. paradox

D. hyperbole

The correct answer is option [C]

589. The main function of the use of _____ is that it allows a writer to teach a philosophical or moral truth.

A. aphorism

B. simile

C. synecdoche

D. arguement

The correct answer is option [A]

590. Literature brings about all of the following except _____.

A. education

B. entertainment

C. relaxation

D. conflict

The correct answer is option [D]

591. Which of the following options is not a characteristic of limerick?

A. It is a five line poem

B. It has witty or humorous intent

C. It has the rhyme scheme aabba

D. It has the rhyme scheme aabbc

The correct answer is option [D]

592. A short speech at the beginning of a literary work which serves as commentary is termed _____.

A. monologue

B. prologue

C. chalogue

D. ppilogue

The correct answer is option [B]

593. The moment of heightened tension in a play is called _____.

A. denouement

B. denotation

C. conflict

D. climax

The correct answer is option [D]

594. 'Dr Johnson takes his tea in oceans' is an example of _____.

A. conflict

B. climax

C. fashback

D. hyperbole

The correct answer is option [D]

595. 'We have come to the crossroads

And I must either come leave or come with you

I lingered over the choice

But in the darkness of my doubts

You lifted the lamp of love

And I saw in your face

The road that I should take'

The poem ends on _____ note.

A. an indecisive

B. a despairing

C. a hopeful

D. a determinative

The correct answer is option [C]

596. “My life is my purpose. My life is my goal. My life is my inspiration.”

The literary device used in the above statement is called _____.

A. antithesis

B. ambiguity

C. anaphora

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [C]

Notice that there is a deliberate repetition of the first two words "My life is my".

The deliberate repetition of a word or phrase in the first part of a sentence in order to achieve an artistic effect in writing or speech, is known as anaphora.

597. Now joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasure's free, she cannot sing

As sweet a song as joy confined

Pleasure is a moth that sleeps by day

And dances by false glare at night

But joy is a butterfly that loves

to spread its wings in nature's light.

The underlined expression is an example of _____.

A. irony

B. hyperbole

C. simile

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [D]

598. Dialogue is crucial in a piece of drama because it _____.

A. makes the audience laugh

B. is like a discourse

C. reveals the character's mind

D. makes the character honest

E. makes the audience to cry

The correct answer is option [C]

599. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Elegy

B. Ballad

C. Metaphor

D. Ode

The correct answer is option [C]

600. When critics focus on the writer and the social situation under which the work is written, it is called _____criticism

A. extrinsic

B. intrinsic

C. mauriac

D. sententious

The correct answer is option [A]

601. The device used by an author to express an unpleasant experience in a mild way, is called _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metaphor

C. euphemism

D. paradox

The correct answer is option [C]

602. Ladies, like variegated tulips, show;

'Tis to their changes half their charms we owe;

Fine by defect, and delicately weak,

Their happy spots the nice admirer take,

'Twas thus calypso once each heart alarm'd,

Aw'd without virtue, without beauty.

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abcdab

B. aabbcd

C. aabbcc

D. abcdef

The correct answer is option [B]

603. Histories make men wise; poets, witty; the mathematics, subtile; natural philosophy, deep; moral, grave; logic and rhetoric, able to contend.

- Francis Bacon.

The above statement is an example of the use of _____.

A. ellipsis

B. zeugma

C. evidence

D. hubris

The correct answer is option [B]

604. A long narrative prose is called _____.

A. a novelette

B. a fable

C. a novel

D. a ballad

The correct answer is option [C]

605. What is an innuendo?

A. A technique for using two terms that contradict each other.

B. The substitution of a word or phrase for a proper name.

C. The technique of saying something while implying another.

D. A technique of explicit comparison between two things.

E. None of the above.

The correct answer is option [C]

Some modern examples of innuendo include sexual references to human body parts. For example, a man may say to a woman selling fruits, "Boy, those are some nice melons you have there". This statement actually describes water melons; although as a double entendre the statement also implies that the man was referring to the woman's breasts when a listener understands it.

606. A short poem expressing intense emotions and usually sung is a _____.

A. ode

B. pastoral

C. elegy

D. lyric

The correct answer is option [D]

607. The part of the plot that introduces the setting and characters and presents the events and situations that the story will focus on _____.

A. prologue

B. climax

C. epilogue

D. exposition

The correct answer is option [D]

608. A figure of speech in which two contradictory expressions are used side by side is known as _____.

A. contrast

B. antithesis

C. oxymoron

D. euphemism

The correct answer is option [C]

609. The metre used in the statement, "I walk upon the thorns of life." is _____.

A. trochaic

B. anapaestic

C. iambic

D. dactylic

The correct answer is option [C]

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...."like a steer in a slaughterhouse" is an example of ____.

A. simile

B. metaphor

C. personification

D. assonance

The correct answer is option [A].

Personification is ascribing human qualities to inanimate things or objects.

611. A dramatic performance with only bodily movements and without vocal utterance is called _____.

A. a mime

B. a drama

C. a soliloquy

D. an opera

The correct answer is option [A]

612. The sonnet is a 14-line poem in iambic pentameter with a set _____.

A. rhyme scheme

B. metrical scheme

C. rythymic sound

D. metrical foot

The correct answer is option [A]

613. If we must die let it not be like dogs
hunted and penned in an inglorious spot
while around us bark the mad and hungry dogs,
making their mock at our accursed lot.
The mood of the writer is that of _____.

A. disgust

B. indignation

C. disrespect

D. consternation

The correct answer is option [B]

614. The repetition of similar vowel sounds without lines is known as _____.

A. alliteration

B. assonance

C. onomatopoeia

D. rhyme

The correct answer is option [A]

615. An aside is a dramatic device in which a character _____.

A. addresses another character and the audience

B. says something intended for the audience only

C. reveals his intentions to his friends in the audience

D. mumbles words heard by characters on another end of the stage

The correct answer is option [B]

616. "True wit is nature to advantage dressed,

What oft was thought, but ne'er so well expressed".

The above verse can be best described as a _____.

A. couplet

B. limerick

C. sonnet

D. cinquain

The correct answer is option [A]

617. An address to a metaphysical source of inspiration by a poet is called _____.

A. clairvoyance

B. inspiration

C. invocation

D. nemesis

The correct answer is option [C]

618. _____ novel is a popular sub-genre of prose fiction which is usually satirical and depicts, in realistic and often humorous detail, the adventures of a roguish hero of low social class who lives by his wits in a corrupt society.

A. A historical

B. An epistolary

C. A picaresque

D. An epic

The correct answer is option [C]

619. "The afternoon sun threw down very strong heat. But it was not long before its presence was being menaced by some other celestial element. Droves of black cloud floated past its face now and then, defiant, as in a determined and fearless draft of protest, and the earth below was treated just as often to brief intervals of sunless calm. Not many birds played beneath the changing light and shade. The few that ventured, showed against the vast celestial sheet either as swift, active, little black bolts or else like so many big charred leaves rising out of a bonfire and floating lazily across the face of the sky."

(The Victims, by Isidore Okpewho)

The author describes the afternoon sun as _____.

A. nonchalant

B. disinterested

C. scourging

D. defiant

The correct answer is option [C]

620. Free flowing narrative with a wide range of characters, events and expriences is called _____.

A. plot

B. prose

C. drama

D. poetry

The correct answer is option [B]

621. Alliteration in poetry, also known as _____ rhyme refers to matching initial consonant sounds in words.

A. imperfect

B. head

C. perfect

D. syllabic

The correct answer is option [B]

Distich is another name for couplet (that is, a poem of two lines)

622. The number of metrical feet in an heptametre is _____.

A. three

B. four

C. seven

D. five

The correct answer is option [C]

623. Christianity shone like a beacon in the black night of paganism illustrates the use of _____.

A. meiosis

B. diction

C. simile

D. synedoche

The correct answer is option [C]

624. I love to pass my fingers

As tide through the weeds of the sea

And wind the tall fern fronds

Through the strands of your hair

Dark as night that screens the naked moon

The dominant figure of speech employed in the lines above is _____.

A. metaphor

B. alliteration

C. rhythm

D. simile

The correct answer is option [D]

625. "I must comfort the weaker vessel, as doublet and hose ought to show itself courageous to petticoat" is an example of _____.

A. pun

B. onomatopoeia

C. simile

D. metonymy

E. metaphor

The correct answer is option [D]

626. Literature is studied as a subject in school because it _____.

A. enhances the student's literary skills

B. sharpens a reader's critical thinking

C. merely gives additional work to students

D. entertains the audience

E. provides a means to kill time

The correct answer is option [A]

627. An actor who says one thing but intends the opposite, is making use of _____.

A. dramatic irony

B. verbal irony

C. aside

D. soliloquy

The correct answer is option [A]

628. "The bike fly high over the hills beyond the corn fields". What poetic device is used in the above expression?

A. Assonance

B. Alliteration

C. Metaphor

D. Metonymy

The correct answer is option [A]

629. I too crossed the rivers, and the virgin ambushes of the forests, where hyenas hung down, more treacherous than serpents'.

In the eyes of the writer, the word 'forest' can be interpreted as _____.

A. friendliness

B. insecurity

C. innocence

D. fertility

E. safety

The correct answer is option [B]

630. The main character in a literary work is also known as _____.

A. antagonist

B. protagonist

C. narrator

D. villain

The correct answer is option [B]

631. The objective of _____ is to preach some kind of a moral lesson.

A. syllepsis

B. literature

C. allegory

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [C]

632. The specific literary term used to distinguish a novel from a play is _____.

A. genre

B. verse

C. diction

D. style

The correct answer is option [A]

633. The hero in a story is also known as the _____.

A. observer

B. antagonist

C. actor

D. protagonist

The correct answer is option [D]

634. "The whole city was present at the naming ceremony" is an example of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. hyperbole

C. onomatopoeia

D. repetition

The correct answer is option [B]

635. A _____ is an emotional discharge through which one can achieve a state of moral or spiritual renewal or achieve a state of liberation from anxiety and stress.

A. catharsis

B. cadence

C. ballad

D. soliloquy

The correct answer is option [A]

636. My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow on the sky

So was it when my life began,

So is it now that I am a man

So be it when I shall grow

The child is the father of the man

The literary device used in line one is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. alliteration

C. litotes

D. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

637. "The Comstock's belong to the most dismal of all classes, the middle middle class, the landless gentry. In their miserable poverty they had not even the snobbish consolation of regarding poverty; they had not even the snobbish consolation of regarding them".

The writer's tone is _____.

A. melancholic

B. matter-of-fact

C. bitterly humorous

D. sympathetic

E. sad

The correct answer is option [D]

638. "I think we've reached a point of great decision, not just for our nation, not only for all humanity, but for life upon the earth".

The literary device used in the above description is an example of _____.

A. climax

B. metaphor

C. simile

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [A]

639. A Septet is a poem of _____ lines.

A. sixteen

B. seventeen

C. six

D. seven

E. eight

The correct answer is option [D]

640. Which of the following is not a characteristic of narrative poem?

A. Legendary

B. Chronicled

C. It is short

D. It is long

The correct answer is option [C]

641. Representing a thing or a person by the something associated with them refers to the term _____.

A. metonymy

B. litotes

C. absurb

D. synecdoche

The correct answer is option [D]

642. Slowly, the silence on the mountain top deepened till the click of the fire and the soft hiss of roasting meat could be heard clearly...

'Soft hiss of roasting meat' refers to the _____.

A. gentle response of the animal being roasted

B. rudeness of the animal to the hunter

C. gentle process of roasting on the fire

D. dropping of the meat's fat in the fire

The correct answer is option [D]

643. A phrase or line repeated at intervals within a poem, or at the end of a stanza is known as _____.

A. a refrain

B. a chorus

C. a dialogue

D. an aside

The correct answer is option [A]

644. Can you can a can as a canner would can a can? The literary device used here is _____.

A. verbal irony

B. assonance

C. alliteration

D. imagery

The correct answer is option [C]

645. What technique does a writer apply when he manipulates fictional time by using a character's memory to provide details from an earlier time that inform the time of the main action?

A. Slow motion

B. Flashback

C. Summary

D. Anaphora

The correct answer is option [B]

Cacophony: The juxtaposition of words producing a harsh sound

Euphony: The juxtaposition of words producing a pleasant sound

646. The month of July crept in. The sky like a hooded monk wore black, as in morning, ready to shred its load. The sun was mystified while heaps of sand and dust spiraled high up in the sky sending high and low alike scurrying into hiding . The town had never known such a damper. It was forty-eight hours of weeping by both the heavens and the inhabitants of Olosi who lost most of their life's savings in this destructive blessing.

"High and low alike" in the society refers to _____.

A. rulers of the village

B. women and their children

C. chiefs and their subjects

D. the rich and the poor

The correct answer is option [D]

647. The act of creating a ridiculous effect by the unintentional misuse of words that sound alike is known as _____.

A. malapropism

B. metonymy

C. onomatopoeia

D. pun

The correct answer is option [A]

648. "Seasons of mists and mellow fruitfulness.
Close bosom-friend of the mating sun
Conspiring with him how to load and bless
With the fruit the vines that round the
thatch-eves run;
To blend with apples and moss'd cottage trees,
And fill all fruit with ripeness to the core
To swell the gourd, and plump the hazel shells
With sweet kernel; to set budding more,
And still more, later flowers for the bees,
Until they think warm days will never cease,
For summer has o'er brimm'd their clammy cells."
The dominant image in the above poem is _____.

A. cosmic
B. metallic
C. harsh
D. sensuous
E. domestic

The correct answer is option [E]

649. A drama that is essentially musical is known as _____.

A. an opera
B. a fable
C. a lampoon
D. a limerick

The correct answer is option [A]

650. "Money here money there

Everywhere, anywhere, whatever you want, money
But where is the money to spend?"
Children and family matters, you are useful
Health and education matters
Food and transport
Night and day
Church and mosque
In the Lord's name".
The mood set here can be described as one of _____.

A. sarcasm

B. indifference

C. despair

D. joy

The correct answer is option [C]

651. To be total or complete, a play needs to have _____

A. soliloquy

B. conflict

C. prologue

D. epilogue

The correct answer is option [B]

652. What is an antithesis?

A. The juxtaposition of similar or like ideas.

B. The arrangement of words in an increasing order.

C. The use of contrasting or opposing ideas.

D. The arrangement of words in a decreasing order.

The correct answer is option [C]

Juxtaposition means the act of placing or positioning side by side.

653. A character that develops with events and situations in a novel is _____ character.

A. a flat

B. a sound

C. a minor

D. the main

The correct answer is option [D]

654. "How soon hath Time, the subtle thief of youth,

Stolen on his wing my three and twentieth year!

My hasting days fly on with full career,

But my late spring no bud or blossom shew'th".

The above verse is an example of _____ rhyme.

A. Tercet

B. couplet

C. enclosed rhyme

D. Sestet

The correct answer is option [C]

655. The figure of speech employed in "a loud silence greeted the last election", is _____.

A. apostrophe

B. metaphor

C. oxymoron

D. paradox

E. simile

The correct answer is option [C]

656. A symbolic representation of ideas, actions and situations in a work of art is called _____.

A. fable

B. allegory

C. romance

D. parody

The correct answer is option [B]

657. "Put a sword in the heart of the land", implies _____.

A. murder

B. danger

C. strife

D. destruction

The correct answer is option [D]

658. Another name for the villain is the _____.

A. hero

B. antagonist

C. foil character

D. flat character

E. backdrop character

The correct answer is option [B]

659. "Nothing so true as what you once let fall, most women have no characters at all".

The mood in the above statement is _____.

A. pessimistic

B. jubilant

C. anticipatory

D. optimistic

The correct answer is option [A]

660. An overstatement deliberately made for artistic impact is called _____.

A. repetition

B. hyperbole

C. contrast

D. irony

The correct answer is option [B]

661. Read the poem below and answer the following question

O stealing time, the subject of delay

Delay the rack of unrefrained desire

What strange design has thou my hopes to stay?

My hopes which do but to mine own aspire

Old age is wise, and full of constant truth

Old age well stayed from ranging humour lives

Old age hath known, whatever was in youth

Old age overcome the greater honour gives

The predominant figure of speech in stanza 2 is _____.

A. consonance

B. alliteration

C. personification

D. epigram

The correct answer is option [C]

Epigram is a short witty statement that contains wisdom in it, like proverbs.

662. "My mother-inlaw has kicked the bucket", illustrates the use of _____.

A. bathos

B. euphemism

C. paradox

D. irony

The correct answer is option [B]

663. There are _____ types of style.

A. four

B. three

C. six

D. five

The correct answer is option [A]

664. _____ is the discrepancy between expectation and reality.

A. Irony

B. Simile

C. Metaphor

D. Synecdoche

The correct answer is option [A]

665. The dramatic disagreement between the protoganist and the antogonist in a play is known _____.

A. Dialogue

B. conflict

C. understanding

D. climax

The correct answer is option [B]

666. In spite of the stain, the princess looked beautiful in her blue satin dress.

The two underlined words are knowns as _____.

A. homophones

B. polygram

C. homonyms

D. anagram

The correct answer is option [D]

667. Drama is a type of_____ usually written to be ____.

A. stanza, performed

B. literary, danced

C. literature, performed

D. literature, harnessed

The correct answer is option [C]

668. The bees are buzzing and humming with great zest,

the doves are cooing,

and the children chatter

as they chatter downstairs

to come and dabble in the cool system.

"What is the predominant sound device in the above verse?

A. assonance

B. consonance

C. onomatopoeia

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [C]

669. The repetition of initial consonant sound in poetry is ____.

A. assonance

B. rhyme

C. alliteration

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [C]

670. A character that serves by contrast to highlight or emphasize opposing traits in another character is called _____.

A. an antagonist

B. a pawn

C. a foil

D. a clown

The correct answer is option [C]

671. Read the passage and answer the question.

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The theme of the passage is that _____.

A. whales are a menace to mankind

B. the killing of whales is unnecessary

C. the importance of whale hunting

D. whales are highly intelligent

The correct answer is option [B]

672. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Eulogy

B. Clown

C. Protagonist

D. Antagonist

E. Villain

The correct answer is option [A] because it is a type of poetry while others are related to drama or prose.

673. "The mosquito-proof netting was dust clogged and had holes large enough to admit cows"

The literary device used in this expression is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. metaphor

C. hyperbole

D. simile

The correct answer is option [C]

674. The _____ of a work of fiction is, generally refers to the context surrounding the characters which includes the physical environment, the time period, and the emotional atmosphere of a work of fiction.

A. setting

B. plot

C. theme

D. structure

The correct answer is option [A]

675. A piece of writing that attacks or makes fun of a person in an insulting manner is known as _____.

A. lampoon

B. paradox

C. leading

D. demagogue

The correct answer is option [A]

676. "Here comes the princess; now, heaven walks on earth".

This statement illustrates the use of _____.

A. contrast

B. metaphor

C. metonymy

D. meiosis

The correct answer is option [B]

677. "The moon has ascended between us

Between two pines

That bow to each other;

Love with the moon has ascended

Has fed on our solitary stems;

And we are now shadows

That cling to each other,

But kiss the air only".

In the poem, "the moon" is the metaphor for _____.

A. beauty

B. love

C. division

D. attention

The correct answer is option [C]

678. An author uses _____ to create a series of events that leads to a climax that captivates the audience and makes them tense and anxious to know what is going to happen.

A. theme

B. plot

C. suspense

D. denouement

The correct answer is option [C]

679. "...a light to his feet and a lamp to his path" is an example of

A. metaphor

B. synedoche

C. climax

D. bathos

The correct answer is option [A]

680. "O stranger of the future!

O inconceivable being!

whatever the shape of your house,

however you scoot from place to place,

no matter how strange and colorless

the clothes you may wear,

I bet nobody likes a wet dog either.

The above verse is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. innuendo

C. apostrophe

D. hyperbole

The correct answer is option [C]

681. "My heart is a lonely hunter that hunts on a lonely hill." illustrates the use of _____.

A. simile

B. alliteration

C. hyperbole

D. assonance

The correct answer is option [B]

682. The events that unfold in a story is termed as the _____.

A. enjambment

B. rhyme

C. peroration

D. theme

E. plot

The correct answer is option [E]

Plot is peculiar to drama; others are peculiar to poetry

683. A poem lamenting the death of someone is known as _____.

A. lyric

B. sonnet

C. ballad

D. threnody

The correct answer is option [D]

684. The leaves are withered

Roses fold and shrink

Dog the panting athlete shows his tongue

A dwarfed shadow flees

Hide under legs

Nuts wrinkle and crack

_____ is a predominant image presented in the poem.

A. A spent life

B. Summer

C. Death

D. Tiredness

The correct answer is option [A]

685. _____ is the act of using two contradictory words for emphasis and poetic beauty.

A. Apostrophe

B. Oxymoron

C. Metaphor

D. Simile

The correct answer is option [B]

686. An allegorical narrative intended to convey a moral lesson is known as _____.

A. apologue

B. climax

C. apology

D. syllepsis

The correct answer is option [A]

687. "Ignorance is strength" is an example of _____.

A. assonance

B. ryhme

C. paradox

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [C]

688. A narrative in oral tradition that may include legends and fables is a _____.

A. ballad

B. pastoral

C. folktale

D. romance

The correct answer is option [A]

Read the poem and answer the question.

689. Behold her, single in the field

Yon solitary highland lass!

Reaping and singing by herself;

Stop here or gently pass!

Alone she cuts and binds the grain,

And sings a melancholy strain;

O listen! for the vale profound

Is overflowing with the sound.

The rhyming scheme in the first stanza of the poem is ___.

A. abcb

B. abab

C. abca

D. abcd

The correct answer is option [A]

690. A figure of speech in which a part stands for a whole or a whole for a part is referred to as _____.

A. personification

B. partition

C. simile

D. meiosis

E. synecdoche

The correct answer is option [E]

691. A word spelled out by rearrangement of the letters of another word; is known as _____.

A. monogram

B. homonym

C. malapropism

D. anagram

The correct answer is option [D]

692. "Fear knocked on the door. Faith answered", is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. simile

C. metaphor

D. hyperbole

The correct answer is option [A]

693. A literary work can be termed didactic if it _____.

A. entertains

B. comforts

C. criticizes

D. instructs

The correct answer is option [D]

694. The moment of peak tension in a play is the _____.

A. denouement

B. catharsis

C. cast

D. climax

The correct answer is option [D]

695. Here she lies, a pretty bud,
Lately made of flesh and blood,
Who as soon fell fast asleep
As her little eyes did peep.
Give her strewings, but not stir
The earth that lightly covers her.
- Robert Herrick

The above verse is an example of _____.

A. a proverb

B. a dialogue

C. an epigram

D. an epitaph

The correct answer is option [D]

696. The introductory segment of a dramatic performance is known as _____.

A. An epilogue

B. A prelude

C. An interlude

D. A prologue

The correct answer is option [D]

697. In literature, _____ are often used to provide emphasis, freshness of expression, or clarity.

A. figures of speech

B. rhetorical questions

C. parts of speech

D. phonemic expressions

The correct answer is option [A]

698. "The afternoon sun threw down very strong heat. But it was not long before its presence was being menaced by some other celestial element. Droves of black cloud floated past its face now and then, defiant, as in a determined and fearless draft of protest, and the earth below was treated just as often to brief intervals of sunless calm. Not many birds played beneath the changing light and shade. The few that ventured showed against the vast celestial sheet either as swift, active, little black bolts or else like so many big charred leaves rising out of a bonfire and floating lazily across the face of the sky."

(The Victims', by Isidore Okpewho)

"The afternoon sun threw down very strong heat" is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. litotes

C. personification

D. hyperbole

The correct answer is option [C]

699. Attack is the best form of defence is an example of _____.

A. euphemism

B. oxymoron

C. paradox

D. litotes

The correct answer is option [C]

700. How many pictures of one Nymph we view,

All how unlike each other, all how true!

Arcadia's Countess, here, in ermin'd pride,

Is, there, Pastora by a fountain side.

Here Fannia, leering on her own good man,

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. aabbc

B. abcaa

C. abcbb

D. aabcc

The correct answer is option [A]

701. "Life is a working shadow" is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. simile

C. apostrophe

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [A]

702. "Her voice is full of money." is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. metaphor

C. synecdoche

D. metonymy

The correct answer is option [D]

703. I have wandered on the wilderness

The great wilderness men call life

The rain has beaten me,

And the sharp stumps cut as keen as knives

To the writer, living is an experience to be described as _____.

A. pleasant

B. difficult

C. rewarding

D. exciting

E. bracing

The correct answer is option [B]

704. "And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity."

-1 Corinthians 13:13

The literary device used in the above description is an example of _____.

A. anticlimax

B. climax

C. onomatopoeia

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [B]

705. The Oedipus Rex is a type of _____.

A. tragedy

B. central thought

C. tragi-comedy

D. satire

The correct answer is option [A]

706. When a persona in a novel tells his own story, the style adopted is known as _____

A. narrative style

B. first person style

C. omniscient style

D. objective style

The correct answer is option [B]

707. Which of the following is not a type of drama?

A. Burlesque

B. Resolution

C. Tragedy

D. Pantomine

The correct answer is option [B]

708. Read the passage and answer the question

Joseph turned around, " Be careful you don't slip", he called. Her heel dug for a third step and then the moss stripped off a little. Her hands gripped the moss and tore it out. Joseph saw her head describe a little arc and strike the ground.

As he ran towards her, she turned on her side. Her whole body shuddered violently for a second and then relaxed. He stood over her for an instant before he ran to the spring and filled his hands with water. But when he came back to her, he let the water fall to

the ground for he saw the position of her neck, and the gray that was stealing into her cheeks. " It was too simple, too easy, too quick ", he said.

Joseph's mood here, is one of _____.

A. shock

B. indifference

C. happiness

D. kindness

The correct answer is option [A]

709. Identify the odd literary device from the list below:

A. Enjambment

B. Plot

C. Rhyme

D. Alliteration

The correct answer is option [B]

710. Read the passage and answer the question.

In England, her love for Henry blossomed like spring flowers after a hard winter. But she abhorred the way he dressed in England. They fell in love when she was working in the little coffee shop across from the Crystal Palace.

Tall and jovial, he fell romantically in love with her at first sight.

After a brief and hilarious courtship, they got married in a small Presbyterian Chapel in North London. Her people came and mother shed a tear when it was announced that the newly wed couple would go to Africa.

From that day, her world collapsed. He had never even hinted that he had joined the colonial service, neither did she know her honeymoon would be a hurried affair in Brighton. She wept most of the time on board the M.V. Apapa that took them to Africa.

Eight years and her temper grew worse. She got farther and farther away from her husband. They never had a child. A child would have made all the difference in the world.

"From that day her world collapsed " means that _____.

A. she lost touch with every member of her family

B. travelling to Africa will make her wise and resentful

C. she became suspicious and afraid of her husband

D. nothing made sense to her anymore

The correct answer is option [D]

711. Moments they come and go

Itchy they will fly around

In with December's falling snow

Some love of winter is found

Yesterday is never again born

Only vanishing footsteps going

Through their stepwise worn

Open with the moments flowing

The theme of the above verse is _____.

A. Confusion

B. Love

C. Christmas

D. Time

The correct answer is option [D]

712. The ending of most comedies is _____.

A. happy

B. natural

C. calm

D. uncertain

The correct answer is option [A]

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The correct answer is option [A]

714. "Poisonous pleasure of wine". This expression illustrates the use of _____.

A. metonymy

B. synecdoche

C. paradox

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [D]

715. "Hedwig, in spite of her misfortune, held her head high to high heavens". The dominant literary device in the preceding statement is _____.

A. alliteration

B. anagnarisis

C. personification

D. prolepsis

The correct answer is option [A]

716. A complete play needs to have a _____.

A. soliloquy

B. conflict

C. prologue

D. epilogue

E. personification

The correct answer is option [B]

717. "The country grows more prosperous every year." This statement is an example of _____.

A. synecdoche

B. denouement

C. peroration

D. conclusion

E. an index

The correct answer is option [A]

718. A narrative that is designed to produce a single dominant effect and contains the elements of drama is called a ____.

A. novel

B. discourse

C. tragedy

D. short story

E. drama

The correct answer is option [D]

719. Poetry that avoids the use of regular metre is known as _____.

A. lyric

B. limerick

C. free verse

D. blank space.

The correct answer is option [C]

720. The apparition of these faces in the crowd;

Petals on a wet black bough.

The lines illustrate the use of _____.

A. metaphor

B. simile

C. hyperbole

D. personification

The correct answer is option [A]

721. The expression " The poor girl stole away my heart and my money." is an example of _____.

A. apologue

B. anaphora

C. syllepsis

D. litotes

The correct answer is option [C]

722. A character in a literary work that exists primarily to enhance the personal traits of another character through contrast, is considered first as a _____.

A. protagonist

B. antagonist

C. mirror character

D. foil

The correct answer is option [D]

Protagonist is the principal character in a work of fiction.

Foil is a character that serves by contrast to call attention to another thing's good qualities.

723. To that same lot, however mean or high,

Toward which Time leads me, and the will of Heav'n:

All is, if I have grace to use it so

As ever in my great Task-Master's eye

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abcd

B. abca

C. aabb

D. abcc

The correct answer is option [B]

724. "Gullied like the sole of modern shoes", illustrates the use of _____.

A. simile

B. litotes

C. contrast

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [A]

725. Now joy is born of parents poor
And pleasure of our richer kind
Though pleasure's free, she cannot sing
As sweet a song as joy confined
Pleasure is a moth that sleeps by day
And dances by false glare at night
But joy is a butterfly that loves
to spread its wings in nature's light.

The underlined expression in the verse refers to _____.

A. a man-made light

B. nature's light

C. the moon's light

D. the sun's light

The correct answer is option [A]

726. Which of the following is not true of the ballad?

A. It was originally sung.

B. It is mostly part of oral tradition.

C. It tells a popular story.

D. It is written in iambic metre.

The correct answer is option [C]

727. A poem which expresses grief on the death of a person is called _____.

A. epic

B. elegy

C. ode

D. ballad

The correct answer is option [B]

728. That is no country for old men. The young

In one another's arms, birds in the trees

– Those dying generations – at their song,

The salmon-falls, the mackerel-crowded seas,

Fish, flesh, or fowl, commend all summer long

Whatever is begotten, born, and dies.

Caught in that sensual music all neglect

Monuments of unageing intellect.

- W. B. Yeats, "Sailing to Byzantium"

From lines 1, 3, and 5, what rhyme style did the author use?

A. Alternate half rhyme

B. Alternate perfect rhyme

C. Perfect rhyme

D. Imperfect rhyme

The correct answer is option [A]

729. The expression "All the world is a stage" is an illustration of the figure of speech referred to as _____.

A. simile

B. paradox

C. metaphor

D. parody

The correct answer is option [C]

730. _____ broadly refers to the description and development of characters.

A. Characterization

B. Casting

C. Categorization

D. Characterzing

The correct answer is option [A]

731. "Death lays his icy hands on kings"

is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. paradox

C. hyperbole

D. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

732. A _____ character in a story who has many aspects to his or her personality and may be unpredictable.

A. whole

B. virtuous

C. flat

D. round

The correct answer is option [D]

733. Read the passage and answer the question.

The killing of a whale at sea isn't pleasant to witness or even to contemplate. Hunted down through solar and other many specialised equipment, the whale has no more chance of escape like a steer in a slaughter house. The manner of its death, however, is very different. A grenade tipped-harpoon explodes deep within his body often causing prolonged suffering before the gentle giant, whose intelligence may be second only to our own, is reduced to a carcass ready for processing into crayons, lipsticks, shoe polish, fertilizer, margarine and pet food.

THE HUMAN MANNER OF DEATH, however, is the least part of the scandal known as the whaling industry. Much more important is the fact that the killing is quite unnecessary.

Adequate substitutes exist for every single use to which the whale carcass are currently put, and although some 32,000 whales are killed every year, the sum of commodities they provide is insignificant in the world's economy.

The expression in capital letters suggests that the writer _____.

A. has an aversion to the process of killing whales

B. finds the whole process of whale hunting fascinating

C. stands aloof to watch whale hunters carry out the activity

D. does not dislike the byproducts of the murdered whales

The correct answer is option [A]

734. _____ helps in creating an atmosphere in a literary work through setting, theme, diction and tone.

A. Hubris

B. Prologue

C. Dialogue

D. Mood

The correct answer is option [D]

735. A long narrative poem which depicts country life is called a _____.

A. pasture

B. pastorial

C. pastoral

D. pastural

The correct answer is option [C]

736. Dialogue in a literary work varies in structure and tone depending on the characters participating conversation as well as the mood the author desires to maintain in his writing.

A. False

B. True

The correct answer is option [B]

737. The basic elements of poetry include the following except_____.

A. stanza

B. parody

C. rhyme

D. poetic form

E. poetic diction

The correct answer is option [B]

Prosody is the study of the meter, rhythm, and intonation of a poem.

Rhyme, alliteration, assonance and consonance are ways of creating repetitive patterns of sound. They may be used as an independent structural element in a poem, to reinforce rhythmic patterns, or as an ornamental element.

Poetic diction treats of the manner in which language is used, and refers not only to the sound but also to the underlying meaning and its interaction with sound and form. Many languages and poetic forms have very specific poetic dictions, to the point where distinct grammars and dialects are used specifically for poetry.

738. Setting can also be referred to as _____.

A. prose

B. poetry

C. location

D. diction

The correct answer is option [C]

739. But the towering earth was tired of sitting in one position. She moved, suddenly, and the houses crumbled, the mountains heaved horribly, and the work of a million years was lost.

What is the subject matter of the short narration?

A. Earthquake

B. House movement

C. Sea waves

D. Storm

The correct answer is option [A]

740. What figure of is used when someone says. "I have wheels"?

A. Personification

B. Partition

C. Synecdoche

D. Metonymy

The correct answer is option [C]

741. A complex plot can be described as the plot structure that has _____.

A. multiple scenes in a drama series

B. strands of events running concurrently

C. well developed characters

D. an abstract subject and setting

The correct answer is option [B]

742. "My finger click with a snickers and, chuckling they knuckle the key" the dominant figure of speech used here is _____.

A. parallelism

B. litotes

C. hyperbole

D. onomatopoeia

The correct answer is option [D]

743. What is referred to as the sequence of beat in a poem?

A. Rhythm

B. Rhyme

C. Meter

D. Stanza

The correct answer is option [A]

744. The rhyme scheme for limerick is _____.

A. aabba

B. abcde

C. aabcd

D. aabbc

The correct answer is option [A]

745. "How can he compare our church outing with theirs? After all, millions of people attended ours while very few people were seen at theirs". The predominant literary device used by the speaker is _____.

A. paradox

B. oxymoron

C. hyperbole

D. comparison

The correct answer is option [C]

746. "I need more hands to finish this job."is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. tempo

C. synecdoche

D. mixed feelings

E. hyperbole

The correct answer is option [C]

747. The main idea in a novel also known as its _____.

A. style

B. plot

C. theme

D. image

The correct answer is option [C]

748. An expression that an author uses to create a mental picture is known as _____.

A. paradox

B. exaggeration

C. imagery

D. symbolism

The correct answer is option [C]

Read the poem and answer question.

749. I have to thank God I'm a woman,

For in these ordered days a woman only

Is free to be very hungry, very lonely.

The tone of the verse is one of _____.

A. sorrow

B. sarcasm

C. happiness

D. anger

The correct answer is option [B]

750. When a character seems to allow reality slip away from him because a huge amount of power he may have gained and the false belief that he is untouchable, he is said to potray _____.

A. pride

B. tragedy

C. dialogue

D. hubris

The correct answer is option [D]

751. The concluding segment of a dramatic performance is known as _____.

A. a prelude

B. an epilogue

C. a prologue

D. an interlude

The correct answer is option [B]

752. "The cat, quick as lightning, pounced on the rat" is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. simile

C. personification

D. assonance

The correct answer is option [B]

753. "It is an outrage to bind a Roman citizen; it is a crime to scourge him; it is almost patricide to kill him; but to crucify him - what shall I say of this?" This statement illustrates the use of _____.

A. style

B. plot

C. theme

D. climax

The correct answer is option [D]

Climax here is a figure of speech that refers to the arrangement of words, clauses, or sentences in order of importance, the least forcible coming first and others rising in power until the last.

754. "She has too many mouths to feed" illustrates the use of _____.

A. euphemism

B. apostrophe

C. synecdoche

D. antithesis

The correct answer is option [C]

755. When he gave me the bottle and opened it, I was shocked by the odour that hit my nose. I immediately corked it again, and spat on the floor.

The persona's reaction here is that of _____.

A. rejection

B. anger

C. irritation

D. disgust

The correct answer is option [D]

756. A song composed in spontaneous lamentation of the dead is called _____.

A. an elegy

B. a lyric

C. a dirge

D. a sonnet

The correct answer is option [C]

757. A narrative point of view includes _____.

A. eternal, enternal omniscient and external subjective narrator

B. objective, external omniscient and external subjective narrator

C. internal, external omniscient and external subjective narrator

D. objective, external subjective and external objective narrator

E. none of the above

The correct answer is option [C]

Internal Narrator (the 1st person point of view; the narrator uses "I" to refer to himself/herself): the narrator is a character in the story, often, but not necessarily, the protagonist. This narrative point of view allows for a very personal touch in the story telling.

External Omniscient Narrator (multiple points of view; the narrator is "all-knowing"): the narrator is not a character in the story but knows everything about the story. The omniscient narrator can show the thoughts and experiences of any character in the story. It permits the writer the broadest scope.

External Subjective Narrator (the 3rd person point of view): the narrator is not a character in the story but looks at things only through the eyes of a single character. This type of narrative permits the narrator to quickly build a close bond between the protagonist and the reader, without being confined by the protagonist's educational or language restrictions.

758. 'The moon smiles each time it comes out new' is an example of _____.

A. allegory

B. litotes

C. personification

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [C]

759. " Now deep in Taylor and the Book of Martyrs,

Now drinking citron with his grace and chartres:

Now conscience chills her, and now passion burns;

And atheism and religion take their turns;

A very heathen in the carnal part.

"The rhyme scheme of the above verse

is _____.

A. abbcc

B. abcab

C. abcab

D. aabbc

The correct answer is option [D]

760. "Reason is to faith as the eye to the telescope." is an example of _____.

A. pun

B. simile

C. alliteration

D. assonance

E. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [B]

761. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Structure

B. Mood

C. Style

D. Language

The correct answer is option [C]

762. It is a brief hymn or song of lamentation and grief; typically composed to be performed at a funeral. It is usually shorter and less meditative than an elegy. This best describes _____.

A. an epigram

B. an epitaph

C. a eulogy

D. a dirge

The correct answer is option [D]

763. "Thousands of eyes gazed at her as she stood to give her address." is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. partition

C. synecdoche

D. metonymy

The correct answer is option [C]

764. Which of the following is not a function of literary devices?

A. They give inexplicable meanings to a piece of literature.

B. They help readers to determine the worth of a litrary work.

C. They help a reader to visualize characters and scenes more clearly.

D. They help a reader to compare the works of different writers.

The correct answer is option [A]

765. The language that expresses powerful emotions and ideas in stanzas that may use rhythm and rhyme, as well as other rhetorical devices is called _____.

A. paradox

B. metaphysics

C. logic

D. poetry

E. poem

The correct answer is option [D]

766. El-hadji Abdou Kadir Beye was revered in princely style at the girl's home. The food was exquisite and the scent of incense filled N'Gone's small wooden room. Nothing was omitted in the careful process of conditioning the man.

The writer suggests that El-Hadji is being _____.

A. expected

B. worshipped

C. entertained

D. manipulated

The correct answer is option [D]

767. The dominant idea in a literary work is called _____.

A. technique

B. content

C. theme

D. menu

The correct answer is option [C]

768. One rhyme scheme typical of the English sonnet is _____.

A. abab cded cdedce

B. abba abba cde cde

C. abba abba cde dce

D. abab cdcd efef gg

The correct answer is option [D]

Sonnet is a verse consisting of 14 lines with fixed rhyme scheme.

769. Read the poem below and answer the following question

Thou art the judge of man

Judging his plans and behaviour

Judging his speech and egotism

You are the patient judge

Nations plan without having thee in view

they boast of their will

But soon you show them their follies

You are the patient judge

Tomorrow and Tomorrow, go here and there

Time smiles and laughs

He frowns his face and consults with fate

You are the patient judge

The poetic device used in the first line is _____.

A. apostrophe

B. personification

C. euphemism

D. litotes

The correct answer is option [A]

Apostrophe is an address to an absent or imaginary person.

770. The expression, "heart of stone" is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metonymy

C. paradox

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [D]

771. Now joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasure's free, she cannot sing

As sweet a song as joy confined

Pleasure is a moth that sleeps by day

And dances by false glare at night

But joy is a butterfly that loves

to spread its wings in nature's light.

The underlined expression, is an example of _____.

A. metonym

B. synecdoche

C. personification

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [C]

772. The Assyrian came down like the wolf on the fold,

And his cohorts were gleaming in purple and gold;

And the sheen of their spears was like stars on the sea,

When the blue wave rolls nightly on deep Galilee.

-Lord Byron "The Destruction of Sennacherib".

The metrical foot used in the poem is known as _____.

A. anapest

B. dactyl

C. anecdote

D. rhythm

The correct answer is option [A]

773. 'He uttered a volley of oaths' is an example of _____.

A. climax

B. A lyric

C. metaphor

D. A sonnet

The correct answer is option [C]

774. Which of these is not an agreeable definition for literature?

A. Literature is everything in the newspaper.

B. Literature is everything on print.

C. Literature is an imaginary garden in which real people live.

D. Literature is a means of communication between a literary artist and his audience

The correct answer is option [C]

775. Wow! The temperature is below ten degrees; it's going to be a little cool today.

The above statement is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. understatement

C. litotes

D. irony

The correct answer is option [B]

776. Apart from being the attitude of a writer towards a subject or the audience, _____ throws light on the personalities and dispositions of characters so the reader can better understand them.

A. setting

B. theme

C. tone

D. mood

The correct answer is option [C]

777. "Was this the face that launched a thousand ships and burnt the topless towers of Ilium?" is an example of _____.

A. pun

B. apostrophe

C. synecdoche

D. onomatopoeia

E. personification

The correct answer is option [C]

778. A good plot must possess _____.

A. many exciting events

B. good interesting characters

C. a pleasant environment

D. a quality of arousing curiosity

E. a complete and ordered action

The correct answer is option [D]

779. "Horrendous horros haunted Helen's happiness" illustrates the use of _____.

A. alliteration

B. rhythm

C. rhyme

D. assonance

The correct answer is option [A]

780. And there lay the rider distorted and pale,

With the dew on his brow, and the rust on his mail:

And the tents were all silent, the banners alone,

The lances unlifted, the trumpet unblown.

-Lord Byron "The Destruction of Sennacherib".

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abcd

B. aabb

C. abab

D. abca

The correct answer is option [B]

781. Read the poem below and answer the question

Now, joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasures of free, she cannot sing

As sweet a song as joy confined

Pleasure's a moth that sleeps by day

And dances by false glare at night

But Joy's a beauty Butterfly, that loves

To spread it's wings in Nature's light.

"False glare" refers to _____.

A. man-made light

B. nature's light

C. the moon light

D. the sunlight

The correct answer is option [A]

782. 'A little learning is dangerous.

Drink deep or taste not the Pierian spring.'

The lines are an example of a _____.

A. quatrain

B. hexameter

C. couplet

D. sestet

The correct answer is option [C]

783. Now joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasure's free, she cannot sing

As sweet a song as joy confined

Pleasure is a moth that sleeps by day

And dances by false glare at night

But joy is a butterfly that loves

to spread its wings in nature's light.

The dominant device used in presenting "Joy" and "pleasure" in this verse is _____.

A. diction

B. oxymoron

C. personification

D. conceit

The correct answer is option [C]

784. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Euphemism

B. Oxymoron

C. Hyperbole

D. Rhythm

The correct answer is option [A]

785. “It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was the epoch of incredulity, it was the season of Light, it was the season of Darkness, it was the spring of hope, it was the winter of despair.”

-Charles Dickens "A Tale of Two Cities".

By repeating "it" while making the reader to focus on the traits of the age, the writer employs _____.

A. anaphora

B. anipest

C. analogy

D. assonance

The correct answer is option [A]

786. Any literary art which holds up society to ridicule is a _____.

A. satire

B. satin

C. lampoon

D. limerick

The correct answer is option [A]

787. Though we know that something was wrong with our society, we made no attempt to assess it. Trinidad was too unimportant and we could never be convinced of the value of reading the history of a place which was, as everyone said, only a dot on the map of the world.

The writer here maintains that Trinidad _____.

A. was too insignificant to have a history

B. was so small that her people did not value her history

C. was a mere dot and did not therefore attract people's attention

D. lacked historical significant because it could not compete with the rest of the world.

The correct answer is option [B]

788. What literary term describes a situation where a hero intends to achieve something but, while doing so, he commits an intentional or accidental error and he ends up achieving exactly the opposite with disastrous results marked by a reversal in fortune?

A. Catastrophe

B. Deus ex Machina

C. Prophesy

D. Hamartia

The correct answer is option [D]

789. What are the basic elements of drama?

A. Character, plot, episode

B. Dialogue, chorus, plot

C. Character, action, setting

D. Character, monologue, plot

The correct answer is option [A]

790. A type of rhyme in which the final syllable of one line mimics the sound of the final syllable of another line is called _____ rhyme.

A. feminine

B. internal

C. eye

D. masculine

The correct answer is option [D]

791. A speech by one of the actors at the end of a play asking for the indulgence of the critics and audiences known as _____.

A. epilogue

B. denouement

C. peroration

D. conclusion

The correct answer is option [A]

Denouement is the final resolution of the main complication of a literay or dramatic work.

Peroration is the concluding part of a speech or discourse, in which the speaker or writer summarises the principal points and utters them with greater earnestness and force.

792. A form of hamartia or tragic flaw that stems from overbearing pride and lack of piety is called _____.

A. tragedy

B. nemesis

C. catharsis

D. hubris

The correct answer is option [D]

793. The recurrence of rhythmic pattern of stress in a poem is called _____.

A. couplet

B. metre

C. consonance

D. scansion

The correct answer is option [B]

794. 'She is a lady of easy virtue' is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. personification

C. euphemism

D. synecdoche

The correct answer is option [C].

Euphemism is a figure of speech that is used to express a blunt, embarrassing, or painful feeling or thought in a mild and gentle way.

795. Read the passage and answer the question.

The long column of misery tended to grow longer, as the more robust struggled to get as far as possible from the pursuing French,

and as the weaker fell farther and farther behind. There were enough weaklings. In all conscience, even in summer, the men had been badly clothed, and even in victory, insufficiently fed, and now, it is winter, and Espinosa had been fought and lost, and the route of the retreat lay away from the fertile plains and up into the inhospitable mountains.

The rain had fallen upon them in deluges for days, and now as they climbed higher, it was turning into sleet, and a bitter cold wind blew.

Ahead of them, they could see the snow lying thick on the mountain passes, through which they would have to climb, without food or fuel or rest, and with terror of the French to urge them on. Disease had come inevitably to complete the work so well begun by hunger, exposure and the sword.

The _____is a suitable title for the passage.

A. March of Soldiers

B. Agony of War

C. Pangs of Hunger

D. Dread of Disease

The correct answer is option [B]

796. "And yonder all before us lie deserts of vast eternity" illustrates the use of _____.

A. allegory

B. personification

C. oxymoron

D. allusion

The correct answer is option [B]

797. The main female character in a play is called a _____.

A. hero

B. heroine

C. heroin

D. herodian

The correct answer is option [B]

798. A stanza of four lines is _____.

A. an octave

B. a couplet

C. a quatrain

D. a tercet

The correct answer is option [C]

799. An ode is a poem written for _____.

A. condemnation

B. celebration

C. instruction

D. entertainment

The correct answer is option [B]

800. "Penny wise, pound foolish". This statement is an example of _____.

A. metonymy

B. hyperbole

C. metaphor

D. paradox

The correct answer is option [D]

801. The expression "The world is a stage" is an illustration of the figure of speech referred to as _____.

A. simile

B. paradox

C. metaphor

D. parody

The correct answer is option [C]

802. In drama, the act of talking to oneself; oblivious to any hearers present is known as _____.

A. stage direction

B. dialogue

C. characterisation

D. soliloquy

The correct answer is option [D]

803. "Ensure that you be a light in a sea of darkness", the Rector advised the graduating students.

The Rector's advise is an example of _____.

A. irony

B. litotes

C. simile

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [D]

804. The most important concepts in poetry is _____.

A. story and action

B. plot and rhythm

C. rhythm and imagery

D. plot and character

The correct answer is option [C]

805. Which of the following statements best describes the literary term known as satire?

A. It is used to say one thing when something else is meant with the intent of ridiculing the ills of the society.

B. It is used to expose and ridicule human vice or weakness, often with the intent of correcting, or changing, the subject of the attack.

C. Literary work which ridicules the ills of the society or individuals with the intent of causing a political disturbance in the society.

D. A literary work which praises society with intent of causing more positive change and moral stability.

The correct answer is option [B]

806. Catharsis is a Greek word that means _____.

A. cleansing

B. temper

C. clash

D. disagreement

The correct answer is option [A]

807. Rhythm in poetry is created by the regular pattern of _____.

A. vowels and consonants

B. long and short words

C. stressed and unstressed syllables

D. stressed syllables and rhymes

The correct answer is option [C]

808. "2207 is already boiling on the Bunden Burner" exemplifies the use of _____.

A. alliteration

B. assonance

C. onomatopoeia

D. pun

The correct answer is option [A]

809. The police killed time and the thief.

The above statement is an example of _____.

A. understatement

B. hyperbole

C. irony

D. zeugma

The correct answer is option [D]

810. The _____ is a popular narrative song passed down orally and recounts tragic, comic, or heroic stories with emphasis on a central dramatic event to convey cultural values.

A. elegy

B. ballad

C. ode

D. ballade

The correct answer is option [B]

811. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Cast

B. Costume

C. Metre

D. Dialogue

E. Stage

The correct answer is option [C] because it is a poetiv device while others are associated with drama.

813. Stanzas are also known as _____in a poem.

A. devices

B. lines

C. sections

D. division

The correct answer is option [C]

814. "O miserable abundance, O beggarly riches!" is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. synecdoche

C. irony

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [D]

815. You would often hear one hen remark to another, "under the guidance of our leader, Comrade Napoleon, I have laid five eggs in six days ", or two cows , enjoying a drink at the pool would exclaim, "Thanks to the leadership of Comrade Napoleon, how excellent this water tastes!"

It is obvious from this excerpt that the narrator _____.

A. agrees with the animals' good opinion of Napoleon

B. thinks the hens are correct while the cow is wrong

C. agrees with the cows and disagrees with the hens

D. feels it is not possible to know the truth

E. is being ironic since neither the cows nor the hens are correct

The correct answer is option [E]

816. "I looked upon the rotting sea,

And drew my eyes away;

I looked upon the rotting deck,

And there the dead men lay".

One lierary device used in the above verse is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. repetition

C. antithesis

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [B]

817. "The temperature is several degrees below zero. My sentences are frozen as they come out of my mouth, and are thawed in the course of the summer, making strange noises and unexpected assertions in various parts of the church."

The above narration is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. Oxymoran

C. simile

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [A]

818. The two parts of the sonnet are called _____.

A. octave and tercet

B. octave and quatrain

C. octave and sestet

D. octave and couplet

The correct answer is option [C]

819. The hero in a story is the _____.

A. observer

B. protagonist

C. antagonist

D. actor

The correct answer is option [B]

820. "The harpsichord sounds like two skeletons copulating on a corrugated tin roof." is an example of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. paradox

C. litotes

D. simile

E. synecdoche

The correct answer is option [D]

821. Ngoba informed us that she was leaving for greener pastures and two years. The underlined part of the above statement is example of _____.

A. understatement

B. symbolism

C. zeugma

D. irony

E. litotes

The correct answer is option [C]

822. 'The man tore through the building' is an example of _____.

A. narrative technique

B. metaphor

C. setting

D. plot

The correct answer is option [B]

823. Not a bad day's work on the whole,' he muttered, as he quietly took off his mask, and his pale, fox-like eyes glittered in the red glow of the fire. 'Not a bad day's work.

The underlined phrase is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. assonance

C. litotes

D. personification

The correct answer is option [C]

824. _____is a type of rhyme in which the all words of two entire lines rhyme.

A. Holo-rhyme

B. Syllabic ryhme

C. Assonance

D. Alliteration

The correct answer is option [A]

825. There was an Old Man with a beard,

Who said, "It is just as I feared!—

Two Owls and a Hen, four Larks and a Wren,

Have all built their nests in my beard.

- Edward Lear

The rhyming scheme of the above verse best describes it as a _____.

A. heroic

B. octave

C. limerick

D. couplet

The correct answer is option [C]

Read the poem and answer the question

826. Now, joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasure's of free, she cannot sing

As sweet a song as joy confined

Pleasure's a moth that sleeps by day

And dances by false glare at night

But Joy's a beauty butterfly, that loves

To spread its wings in nature's light.

The poem implies that "Joy" is _____.

A. only experienced by the poor

B. natural expression

C. artificial and transitory

D. for those in love

The correct answer is option [B]

827. 'For I have known them all; already known them all

Have known the evenings, mornings, afternoons

I have measured out my life with coffee spoons'

The tone in these lines suggests _____.

A. a desire

B. tension

C. caution

D. exasperation

The correct answer is option [C]

828. But the towering earth was tired of sitting in one position. She moved suddenly, and the houses crumbled, the mountains heaved horribly, and the work of a million years was lost.

The subject of the above piece is _____.

A. earthquake

B. house movement

C. sea waves

D. storm

The correct answer is option [A]

829. _____is a term also used for the arrangement of words, or sentences in a way that the least forcible comes first and the others rise in power until the last.

A. crisis

B. anticlimax

C. denouement

D. climax

The correct answer is option [D]

830. What is the rhyme scheme of the lines below?

If I were a dead leaf thou mightest bear;

If I were a swift cloud to fly with thee;

A wave to pant beneath thy power, and share

The impulse of thy strength, only less free

A. abcd

B. abbc

C. abba

D. abab

The correct answer is option [D]

831. 'In the arena

they began to sing my song

we could hear it faintly

passing through the air

The figure of speech used here is _____.

A. metaphor

B. irony

C. personification

D. simile

The correct answer is option [C]

832. The figure of speech anadiplosis refers to the repetition of _____.

A. a certain word at the beginning and end of a line of verse

B. the same alphabet at the end of a word and the beginning of the next

C. a word at the end of a clause and the beginning of the next

D. the same sound at the beginning of a every line of a verse

E. the last word of a line of verse at the beginning of the next line

The correct answer is option [E]

Anadiplosis is a rhetorical figure of speech that means to "double back" and repeat a word or phrase that appears at the end of a sentence or clause at the beginning of the next sentence or clause. More generally, it refers to rhetorical repetition for emphasis. For example "The Isles of Greece, the Isles of Greece, where burning Sappho loved and sung"

833. “I cannot but conclude the bulk of your natives to be the most pernicious race of little odious vermin that nature ever suffered to crawl upon the surface of the earth.”

-Jonathan Swift

The above statement is an example of _____.

A. characterization

B. sarcasm

C. irony

D. invective

The correct answer is option [D]

834. My heart leaps up when I behold

A rainbow on the sky

So was it when my life began,

So is it now that I am a man

So be it when I shall grow

The child is the father of the man

The literary device used in line six is an example of _____.

A. synecdoche

B. irony

C. paradox

D. hyperbole

The correct answer is option [C]

835. Dialogue is crucial in a piece of drama because it _____

A. makes the audience laugh

B. is like a discourse

C. reveals the character's mind

D. makes the characters honest

The correct answer is option [C]

836. But the towering earth was tired of sitting in one position. She moved, suddenly, and the houses crumbled, the mountains heaved horribly, and the work of a million years was lost.

The image created depicts _____.

A. destruction

B. merriment

C. happiness

D. admiration

The correct answer is option [A]

837. Dramatic irony entails _____.

A. the praise of the audience

B. a statement with a deeper significance

C. a statement hilarious and sarcastic

D. the praise tag of a great person

The correct answer is option [B]

838. The expression "the slay, like a hooded monk wore black" illustrates _____.

A. symbolism

B. paradox

C. personification

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [A]

839. "For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light", illustrates the use of _____.

A. bathos

B. euphemism

C. paradox

D. irony

The correct answer is option [C]

840. Which of the following African author has written poems, plays and prose?

A. Wole Soyinka

B. Zaynab Alkali

C. Chinua Achebe

D. Flora Nwapa

The correct answer is option [A]

841. The phrase "all hands on deck", is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. onomatopoeia

C. metaphor

D. synecdoche

The correct answer is option [D]

842. Happy ye leaves! When as those lily hands,

Which hold my life in their dead doing might,

Shall handle you, and hold in love's soft bands,

Like captives trembling at the victor's sight.

And happy lines on which, with starry light.

The rhyme scheme of the above is _____.

A. abcab

B. aaabb

C. ababb

D. abacd

The correct answer is option [C]

843. Which of the following is not a characteristic of realistic fiction?

A. It portrays the world, as it is.

B. It contains no fantasy.

C. It contains no supernatural element.

D. It depicts ordinary people's daily life.

E. It is a story of the impossible.

The correct answer is option [E]

844. Hail to them, by the spirit

Bird thou wert

That from heaven or near it,

In profuse strains of unpremeditated art

The main figure of speech in the poem is _____.

A. apostrophe

B. hyperbole

C. euphemism

D. metonymy

The correct answer is option [A]

845. A long narrative poem centred on the hero and his exploits is called _____.

A. an epic

B. a sonnet

C. a lyric

D. an ode

The correct answer is option [A]

846. A peculiar feature of drama in general is _____.

A. humour

B. satire

C. sarcasm

D. action

E. none of the above

The correct answer is option [D]

847. The figure of speech employed in "a loud silence greeted the last election", is _____.

A. apostrophe

B. metaphor

C. oxymoron

D. paradox

E. simile

The correct answer is option [C]

848. Any work of literature which sets out to instruct may be called _____.

A. dialectic

B. decedent

C. definitive

D. didactic

The correct answer is option [D]

849. Any literary art which holds up society to ridicule is a ____.

A. satire

B. satin

C. lampoon

D. limerick

The correct answer is option [A]

850. Brenda suddenly stiffened in her chair and half turned her ear to the window. Silent like an animal waiting to spring, an alertness that transformed her face to temporary ugliness. Arthur noticed it, and swilled down the last of his tea 'He's coming', she said 'I heard the gate open'

In this short text, the writer succeeds in creating ____.

A. anti-climax

B. aggression

C. comic relief

D. suspense

E. characters

The correct answer is option [D]

851. Poetic genres include the following except _____.

A. metaphoric poetry

B. narrative poetry

C. dramatic poetry

D. satirical poetry

E. epic poetry

The correct answer is option [A]

852. A literary form that imitates human actions and is designed for stage presentation in front of an audience is called ____.

A. dialogue

B. drama

C. orchestra

D. playwright

The correct answer is option [B]

853. "A knave, a rascal, an eater of broken meats; a base, proud, shallow, beggarly, three-suited, hundred-pound, filthy worsted-stocking knave; a lily-livered, action-taking, whoreson, glass-gazing, super-serviceable, finical rogue; one-trunk-inheriting slave..."

The above speech culled from Shakespeare's King Lear is an example of _____.

A. symbolism

B. synecdoche

C. anaphora

D. invective

E. hyperbole

The correct answer is option [D].

Invective is got from a Latin word "invectus" which means "attack with words." It refers to a word or phrase that is meant to insult or degrade. It is an abusive or insulting language.

854. The expression, "destructive blessing" is an example of _____.

A. antithesis

B. oxymoron

C. apostrophe

D. parallelism

The correct answer is option [B]

855. A long poem which deals with heroic deeds is called ____.

A. a lyric

B. an epic

C. an ode

D. an euphony

The correct answer is option [B]

856. The three genres of literature are _____.

A. prose, poetry, plot

B. prose, poetry, drama

C. theme, setting, character

D. diction, locality, plot

The correct answer is option [B]

857. Can you can a can as a canner would can a can? The literary device used here is _____.

A. verbal irony

B. assonance

C. alliteration

D. imagery

The correct answer is option [C]

859. "It is cruel to be kind" is an example of an _____.

A. anti-climax

B. oxymoron

C. anecdote

D. antithesis

E. internal rhyme

The correct answer is option [B]

860. Unrhymed iambic pentameter lines illustrates

A. a rhyme scheme

B. a heroic couplet

C. a blank verse

D. a free verse

The correct answer is option [C]

861. "Reaching the moon was no ordinary task" illustrates the use of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. litotes

C. synecdoche

D. onomatopoeia

The correct answer is option [B]

862. Apart from being the attitude of a writer towards a subject or the audience, _____ throws light on the personalities and dispositions of characters so the reader can better understand them.

A. setting

B. theme

C. tone

D. mood

The correct answer is option [C]

863. A term an author uses to create strong, emotional effect is _____.

A. personification

B. anaphora

C. eclipse

D. metaphor

E. None of the above

The correct answer is option [B]

864. An expression, idea, or element of an artistic work which has become overused to the point of losing its original meaning, or effect is called _____.

A. a cliché

B. a cacophony

C. an epigram

D. an archetype

The correct answer is option [A]

Cacophony is a loud confusing disagreeable sounds.

Archetype is an original model on which something is patterned.

865. 'The moon smiles each time it comes out new' is an example of _____.

A. allegory

B. litotes

C. personification

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [C]

866. An evil character whose aim is to cause problems and unhappiness in a story is known as _____.

A. a pentagonist

B. an antagonist

C. a protagonist

D. a playwright

The correct answer is option [B]

867. The settings of a narrative include the following except _____.

A. the time

B. the general environment

C. the geographical environment

D. the theme

E. the general circumstance

The correct answer is option [D]

868. When one work of art attempts to imitate the style of another work in a mocking manner, we describe the newer work as _____.

A. parody

B. innuendo

C. pun

D. farce

The correct answer is option [A]

869. Read the poem below and answer the question

I wonder how long, you awful parasite
Shall share with me this little bed
And make me, from sweet dreams be lost
By sucking blood from my poor head

I should not say man has much
Blood which you and your families do feed
On; for supper, diner and lunch
And besides, you do in my bed breed

Clever thou art, tiny creature;
You attend me when I am asleep
When thou art sure, I can't you capture
Just at the time I snore deep

Tis so strange that before twilight
The bed clear of you would seem;
For not one of you is on my sight
As if your presence was in a dream

The subject of the poem is a _____.

A. bad habit

B. healthy meal

C. insect bite

D. sound sleep

The correct answer is option [C]

It is only the bed bug that lives in a bed amongst the options given above.

870. One of the following writers is better known as a playwright than a novelist?

A. C. Achebe

B. C. Ekwensi

C. W. Soyinka

D. J. P. Clark

E. E. G. Okoro

The correct answer is option [C]

871. _____ is the arrangement of a poem in lines.

A. lination

B. lineation

C. linen

D. lininng

The correct answer is option [B]

872. If we must die let it not be like dogs
hunted and penned in an inglorious spot
while around us bark the mad and hungry dogs,
Making their mock at our accursed lot.

The mood of the writer is that of _____.

A. disgust

B. indignation

C. disrespect

D. consternation

The correct answer is option [B]

873. Then suddenly her heart was whipped up, she now rode on strange waves alone defying the wind and the rain, alone fighting hunger and thirst in the desert; alone struggling with strange demons in the forest, bringing glad tidings to her people.

The mood of the lady in this passage is one of

A. arrogant defeat

B. agonising depression

C. triumphant defiance

D. simple elation

E. grueling sorrow

The correct answer is option [C]

874. "Nothing so true as what you once let fall, most women have no characters at all".

The mood in the above statement is _____.

A. pessimistic

B. jubilant

C. anticipatory

D. optimistic

The correct answer is option [A]

875. Look out a window
At the traffic below.
Where are they going
I don’t really know

Each has a destination
That they want to get to;

Some it will be work
With a long drive ahead,

While others it will be home
So they can rest their head.

The rhyme scheme of the verse is _____.

A. aabcc

B. abbbc

C. abcab

D. aaaab

The correct answer is option [A]

876. 'Clothes were like tattered flags flying off
To expose dangling breasts
As jaggered blinding flashes
Rumble, tremble, and crack
Amidst the smell of fired smoke
And the pelting march of the storm'

The general atmosphere portrayed above is _____.

A. peace and quiet

B. contentment and calm

C. anger and anxiety

D. commotion and confusion

E. poverty and want

The correct answer is option [D]

877. "The moon has ascended between us

Between two pines

That bow to each other;

Love with the moon has ascended

Has fed on our solitary stems;

And we are now shadows

That cling to each other,

But kiss the air only".

In the poem, "the moon" is the metaphor for _____.

A. beauty

B. love

C. division

D. attention

The correct answer is option [C]

878. Dialogue in a literary work varies in structure and tone depending on the people participating in the conversation and the _____ that the author is trying to maintain.

A. plot

B. mood

C. style

D. aspect

The correct answer is option [B]

879. Nature sent him into the world strong and lusty in a throwing condition wearing his own hair on his head the proper branches of this reasoning vegetable until the axe of intemperance has lopped off his green boughs and left him a withered trunk.

In this passage, 'axe of intemperance' means _____.

A. hot temper

B. cool temper

C. evil mind

D. recklessness

The correct answer is option [D].

880. But the towering earth was tired of sitting in one position. She moved suddenly, and the houses crumbled, the mountains heaved horribly, and the work of a million years was lost.

The subject of the above piece is _____.

A. earthquake

B. house movement

C. sea waves

D. storm

The correct answer is option [A]

881. The characteristics of poetry include all except it _____.

A. tends to have a regular rhythmic

B. is usually written in careful close words figures of speech

C. is not meant to be recited

D. is usually divided into stanzas, verses or run on line

The correct answer is option [C]

882. The story of a person's life written by another is known as _____.

A. history

B. autobiography

C. biography

D. anthology

The correct answer is option [C]

Read the poem and answer the question.

883. Behold her, single in the field
Yon solitary highland lass!
Reaping and singing by herself;
Stop here or gently pass!
Alone she cuts and binds the grain,
And sings a melancholy strain;
O listen! for the vale profound
Is overflowing with the sound.

The rhyming scheme in the first stanza of the poem is ___.

A. abcb

B. abab

C. abca

D. abcd

The correct answer is option [A]

884. _____ can be described as a phrase with a specialized meaning not based on the literal meaning of the words in it.

A. A contradiction

B. A figure of speech

C. An understatement

D. Poetic license

The correct answer is option [B]

Theme is the main idea that a writer or poet presents in his work.

885. Read the passage and answer the question.

The long column of misery tended to grow longer, as the more robust struggled to get as far as possible from the pursuing French,

And as the weaker fell farther and farther behind. There were enough weaklings. In all conscience, even in summer, the men had been badly clothed, and even in victory, insufficiently fed, and now, it is winter, and Espinosa had been fought and lost, and the route of the retreat lay away from the fertile plains and up into the inhospitable mountains.

The rain had fallen upon them in deluges for days, and now as they climbed higher, it was turning into sleet, and a bitter cold wind blew.

Ahead of them, they could see the snow lying thick on the mountain passes, through which they would have to climb, without food or fuel or rest, and with terror of the French to urge them on. Disease had come inevitably to complete the work so well begun by hunger, exposure and the sword.

What is the mood of the poem?

A. annoyance

B. anxiety

C. sympathy

D. delusion

The correct answer is option [C]

886. “Dan will be a serpent by the roadside, a viper along the path that bites the horse’s heels so that its rider tumbles backward". (Gen 49:17)

The use of the words "serpent and viper" to describe Dan in the above speech is an example of _____.

A. personification

B. a lyric

C. an apostrophe

D. connotation

The correct answer is option [D]

887. "I have read Shakespeare"; This statement is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. paradox

C. parody

D. metonymy

The correct answer is option [D]

888. "Tlot-tlot; tlot-tlot! Had they heard it?

The horse-hoofs ringing clear;

Tlot-tlot, tlot-tlot, in the distance?

Were they deaf that they did not hear

Down the ribbon of moonlight, over the brow of the hill,

The highwayman came riding,

Riding, riding!

There is the predominant use of _____in the first three lines of the poem.

A. onomatopoeia

B. synecdoche

C. oxymoron

D. paradox

The correct answer is option [A]

889. 'All was quiet in this park

Until the wind, like a gasping messenger, announced

The tyrants coming

Then did the branches talk in agony'

'... like a gasping messenger ...' is an example of _____.

A. oxymoron

B. metonymy

C. alliteration

D. simile

E. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

890. The style of a narrative include the following except _____.

A. dialogue

B. plot

C. word choice

D. sentence construction

E. exposition

The correct answer is option [B]

891. "He held his head high". The dominant literary device in this statement is _____.

A. onomatopoeia

B. synecdoche

C. alliteration

D. euphemism

The correct answer is option [C]

892. A literary work that ridicules ideas or the follies of people is a _____.

A. fable

B. allegory

C. romance

D. parody

The correct answer is option [A]

893. Point of view is a technique that is commonly associated with the _____ of a literary work.

A. narrative structure

B. characterization

C. original manuscript

D. atmospheric setting

The correct answer is option [A]

894. He sits under a bough

Utters a loud cough,

Wipes his sweating brow

And gives the dog a blow.

The poet makes use of _____ in the above verse.

A. masculine rhyme

B. eye rhyme

C. internal rhyme

D. end rhyme

The correct answer is option [D]

895. _____ rhyme can be defined as a rhyme in which the stressed syllables of ending consonants match, however the preceding vowel sounds do not match.

A. Ending

B. Absurd

C. Full

D. Half

The correct answer is option [D]

896. "Ngoto was pleased. And Nyokabi and Njeri were full of joy at the news. For the first time for many years, something like a glimmer of light shone in Ngotho's eyes. He could even be seen making an effort to walk upright".

The mood of the people in the narration is that of _____.

A. sadness and tiredness

B. depression and anxiety

C. happiness and hope

D. anger and aggression

The correct answer is option [C]

897. Tragic flaw can also be referred to as_____.

A. sorrow

B. hamartia

C. anxiety

D. sarcasm

The correct answer is option [B]

898. In literature, _____ are often used to provide emphasis, freshness of expression, or clarity.

A. figures of speech

B. rhetorical questions

C. parts of speech

D. phonemic expressions

The correct answer is option [A]

899. "My finger click with a snickers and, chuckling they knuckle the key" the dominant figure of speech used here is _____.

A. parallelism

B. litotes

C. hyperbole

D. onomatopoeia

The correct answer is option [D]

900. Which of the following is not a type of narrative poem?

A. Lyric

B. Epic

C. Ballad

D. Idyll

The correct answer is option [A]

901. "The wretched rich fool cleaned his nails with dry saliva".

What is the literary device used in the above statement?

A. Anti-climax

B. Oxymoron

C. Anecdote

D. Antithesis

The correct answer is option [B]

902. In literary criticism, a casual reference to a figure or an event is regarded as an _____.

A. alliteration

B. allegory

C. allusion

D. ambiguity

The correct answer is option [C]

903. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Prose

B. Ode

C. Ryhme

D. Stanza

The correct answer is option [A]

904. "Now, Joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasure's free, she cannot sing".

What is the rhyme scheme of the above lines?

A. aab

B. abc

C. abb

D. aim

The correct answer is option [B]

905. Another name for the villain is the _____.

A. hero

B. antagonist

C. foil character

D. flat character

E. backdrop character

The correct answer is option [B]

906. Climax is the _____ point of suspense in a literary work.

A. beginning

B. rising action

C. ending

D. highest

The correct answer is option [D]

907. "Assonance" in a poem results from the use of _____.

A. many consonants

B. similar sounding vowels

C. similar sounding consonants

D. different sounding vowels

The correct answer is option [B]

908. A narrative on the oral tradition that may include legends and fables is a _____.

A. ballad

B. pastoral

C. folktale

D. romance

The correct answer is option [A]

909. Read the poem below and answer the question

Now, joy is born of parents poor

And pleasure of our richer kind

Though pleasures of free, she cannot sing

As sweet a song as joy confined

Pleasure's a moth that sleeps by day

And dances by false glare at night

But Joy's a beauty butterfly that loves

To spread its wings in nature's light.

The feelings associated with joy and pleasure in the poem are conveyed through the use of _____.

A. personification

B. euphemism

C. assonance

D. contrast

The correct answer is option [D]

Contrast is the opposition or dissimilarity of things that are compared

910. The introductory segment of a dramatic performance is known as _____.

A. An epilogue

B. A prelude

C. An interlude

D. A prologue

The correct answer is option [D]

911. Read the passage and answer question.

"Diversion through Larteh". This is the sign in the middle of the road. They have diverted the 24-Kilometre Mamfe-Aburi-Adenta Road because of the major road works. The Mamfe-Larteh-Adenta diversion makes the journey twice as long. The longer route is the shorter.

The little jeep flashes past the deserted police checkpoint. The howling wind, like a stretching comb, stretches Kwyeiwa's hair in flapping furrows behind her as she stands clinging to a metal support in the back of the open jeep, petrified. The jeep negotiates the hairpin bend below the overhang near Tamara's place at breakneck speed; now it is on the stretch to the Kodiable junction. The little vehicle laps up the distance. Presently the travelers arrive at the last crossroads. Kodiabe lies as the crow flies, Somanya to the left. The jeep turns right towards Accra.

Kyeiwa can be described as being _____.

A. relaxed

B. ecstatic

C. frightened

D. elated

The correct answer is option [C]

912. Read the poem below and answer the following question

Thou art the judge of man

Judging his plans and behaviour

Judging his speech and egotism

You are the patient judge

Nations plan without having thee in view

They boast of their will

But soon you show them their follies

You are the patient judge

Tomorrow and tomorrow, go here and there

Time smiles and laughs

He frowns his face and consults with fate

You are the patient judge

The moral behind the poem is knowing that _____.

A. judgment awaits us in due time

B. time is essential to everything we do

C. it is good to make plans early in life

D. some time should be set out for pleasure

The correct answer is option [B]

913. A novel which focuses on the adventures of a rogue who does not change much in the course of the story is called _____.

A. romance

B. grotesque

C. picaresque

D. burlesque

The correct answer is option [C]

Grotesque is a style of art using ugly or absurd figures and design.

Burlesque is a literary composition that aims at provoking laughter by ridiculing serious works. Also known as parody

914. "She is one hundred feet tall." is an example of _____.

A. euphemism

B. hyperbole

C. onomatopoeia

D. alliteration

E. synecdoche

The correct answer is option [B]

915. In literary works, a recurrent image is known as _____.

A. theme

B. motif

C. episode

D. mood

The correct answer is option [B]

916. 'I am not afraid of anything', he told them. 'I have committed all crimes you can think of and been jailed for most of them. I have been in prison more hours than I have been out of it within the last five years.'

In recounting his criminal life, this speaker's tone is _____.

A. repentant

B. boastful

C. regretful

D. subdued

E. remorseful

The correct answer is option [B]

917. Drama differs from poetry because it _____.

A. involves many characters

B. deals with tragic experiences

C. uses elevated language

D. exists mainly in action

The correct answer is option [D]

918. Soft as she mourned, the streams forgot to flow

She flocks around a dumb compassion show"

The dominant device used in the lines above is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. mock-heroic

C. pathetic fallacy

D. satire

The correct answer is option [C]

The pathetic fallacy or anthropomorphic fallacy is the description of inanimate natural objects in a manner that endows them with human feelings, thoughts and sensations. The pathetic fallacy is a special case of the fallacy of reification. The word "pathetic" in this use is related to empathy (capability of feeling), and is not pejorative.

The pathetic fallacy is also related to the concept of personification. Personification is direct and explicit in the ascription of life and sentience to the thing in question, whereas the pathetic fallacy is much broader and more allusive.

919. He would like some good fufu, but without a lot of meat. Street fufu is miserable food and with meat, the cost will crucify a man completely.

The man in this passage is obviously ____.

A. rich

B. poor

C. ignorant

D. hungry

E. desperate

The correct answer is option [B]

920. "We were partners, not soul mates, two separate people who happened to be sharing a menu and a life".

- Amy Tan.

The statement is an example of _____.

A. zeugma

B. innuendo

C. pun

D. farce

The correct answer is option [A]

921. If a character instigates conflicts and sows distrust among the main characters throughout a play is best described as _____.

A. antagonist

B. the enemy

C. an aside

D. protagonist

The correct answer is option [A]

922. And 'mid these dancing looks at once and ever

It flung up momentarily the sacred river

Five miles meandering with a mazy motion

Through wood and dale the sacred river ran'

Line 3 is made memorable by the use of

A. simile

B. metaphor

C. polysyndeton

D. monosyndeton

E. alliteration

The correct answer is option [E]

The initial consonant sound 'm' is repeated.

923. The hero in a story is also known as the _____.

A. observer

B. antagonist

C. actor

D. protagonist

The correct answer is option [D]

924. Read the poem below and answer the following question

O stealing time, the subject of delay

Delay the rack of unrefined desire

What strange design has thou my hopes to stay?

My hopes which do but to mine own aspire

Old age is wise, and full of constant truth

Old age well stayed from ranging humor's lives

Old age hath known, whatever was in youth

Old age overcome the greater honour gives

The rhyme scheme of the poem is _____.

A. alternate

B. internal

C. free verse

D. couplet

The correct answer is option [A]

Free verse is an unrhymed verse without a consistent metrical pattern.

Couplet is a stanza consisting of two successive lines of verse; usually rhymed.

925. "Poisonous pleasure of wine". This expression illustrates the use of _____.

A. metonymy

B. synecdoche

C. paradox

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [D]

926. "It is an outrage to bind a Roman citizen; it is a crime to scourge him; it is almost patricide to kill him; but to crucify him - what shall I say of this?" This statement illustrates the use of _____.

A. style

B. plot

C. theme

D. climax

The correct answer is option [D]

Climax here is a figure of speech that refers to the arrangement of words, clauses, or sentences in order of importance, the least forcible coming first and others rising in power until the last.

927. "Truth sits upon the lips of men", the literary device here is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. personification

C. metaphor

D. epithet

The correct answer is option [B]

928. "Beware of traitorous friends." is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. apostrophe

C. alliteration

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [D]

929. What figure of is used when someone says. “I have wheels"?

A. Personification

B. Partition

C. Synecdoche

D. Metonymy

The correct answer is option [C]

930. So children

If per chance you see a hare that roars

Or an ape perched in a palanquin

Look on in silence...

This poem is an example of _____.

A. climax

B. rhetoric

C. paradox

D. conflict

The correct answer is option [C]

931. The repetition of a word or expression at the beginning of successive verses especially for rhetorical or poetic effect is known as _____.

A. rhetorical question

B. epilogue

C. anaphora

D. apostrophe

The correct answer is option [C]

932. The people created and as presented in a literary work are known as _____.

A. heroes

B. clowns

C. actors

D. characters

The correct answer is option [D]

933. Which of the following is a function of a narrative poem?

A. It preaches a semon.

B. It tells a story.

C. It propounds a philosophy

D. It argues in a narrative manner.

The correct answer is option [B]

934. that is no country for old men. The young

In one another's arms, birds in the trees

– Those dying generations – at their song,

The salmon-falls, the mackerel-crowded seas,

Fish, flesh, or fowl, commend all summer long

Whatever is begotten, born, and dies.

Caught in that sensual music all neglect

Monuments of unageing intellect.

- W. B. Yeats, "Sailing to Byzantium"

What is the rhyme scheme of the poem above?

A. ABABABBC

B. ABABABCC

C. ABBBABCC

D. ABABAACC

The correct answer is option [B]

935 A narrative point of view includes _____.

A. Eternal, enternal omniscient and external subjective narrator

B. Objective, external omniscient and external subjective narrator

C. Internal, external omniscient and external subjective narrator

D. Objective, external subjective and external objective narrator

E. None of the above

The correct answer is option [C]

Internal Narrator (the 1st person point of view; the narrator uses "I" to refer to himself/herself): the narrator is a character in the story, often, but not necessarily, the protagonist. This narrative point of view allows for a very personal touch in the story telling.

External Omniscient Narrator (multiple points of view; the narrator is "all-knowing"): the narrator is not a character in the story but knows everything about the story. The omniscient narrator can show the thoughts and experiences of any character in the story. It permits the writer the broadest scope.

External Subjective Narrator (the 3rd person point of view): the narrator is not a character in the story but looks at things only through the eyes of a single character. This type of narrative permits the narrator to quickly build a close bond between the protagonist and the reader, without being confined by the protagonist's educational or language restrictions.

936. "For life's not a paragraph

And death I think is no parenthesis."

The above lines illustrate the use of _____.

A. litotes

B. simile

C. alliteration

D. synecdoche

The correct answer is option [A]

937. 'If it is true

That the world talks too much

Then let's all keep quiet

And hear the eloquence

Of silence'

One striking device used by the poet is _____.

A. simile

B. contrast

C. alliteration

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [B] Contrast, in literature, means to set in opposition in order to show or emphasize differences.

938._____ is a literary device that the writer uses to bring about a sudden and unexpected turn of events.

A. Synedoche

B. Peripeteia

C. Catastrophe

D. Anagnorisis

The correct answer is option [B]

Peripeteia is a sudden and unexpected change of fortune or reverse of circumstance (especially in a literary work)

939. The literary device used in, "O wild west wind" is _____.

A. synecdoche

B. simile

C. alliteration

D. pun

The correct answer is option [C]

940. A symbolic representation of ideas, emotions and situations in a work of art is _____.

A. fable

B. allegory

C. romance

D. parody

The correct answer is option [B]

941. What is the rhyme scheme of the lines below?

What's to sleep?

Tis a visionary blessing

A dream that's past expressing

Our utmost wish possessing

A. abbb

B. abbc

C. abcd

D. aabb

The correct answer is option [A]

942. When a writer uses more elaborate figures of speech to express the superiority of a deity, he is said to use _____.

A. elevated language

B. poetic license

C. poetic justice

D. religious language

E. lyric language

The correct answer is option [A]

943. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Malapropism

B. Sonnet

C. Litotes

D. Innuendo

The correct answer is option [B]

All options are figures of speech except sonnet which is a type of poem consisting of fourteen (14) lines with a fixed rhyme scheme.

944. A deliberate use of understatement for humor or emphasis is also known as _____.

A. litotes

B. hyperbole

C. antonymy

D. metonymy

The correct answer is option [A]

945. The choice of appropriate words to convey the thoughts of an author is called _____.

A. rhyme

B. setting

C. style

D. diction

The correct answer is option [D]

946. "He was like a cock who thought the sun had risen to hear him crow."

The above statement is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metaphor

C. simile

D. rhetorical question

E. irony

The correct answer is option [C]

947. The use of comic character, speeches or scenes in tragedy provides _____.

A. comic relief

B. atmosphere

C. excitement

D. flash back

The correct answer is option [A]

948. A writer is said to employ _____ when he says for example, "Ibimina tried hard to convince herself that her Nollywood dreams were worth pursuing but her parents, and her inner voice of reason, seemed to disagree.

A. connotation

B. characterization

C. climax

D. conflict

The correct answer is option [D]

949. "Life's but a walking shadow; a poor player." is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. assonance

C. metaphor

D. pun

E. onomatopoeia

The correct answer is option [C]

950. Which of the following is a narrative technique in a novel?

A. Casting

B. Dream

C. Flashback

D. Prologue

E. Social relevance

The correct answer is option [C]

951. The echoing of the meaning of a word by its sound is called _____.

A. phonetics

B. oxymoron

C. personification

D. onomatopoeia

The correct answer is option [D]

Read the poem and answer question.

952. I have to thank God I'm a woman,

For in these ordered days a woman only

Is free to be very hungry, very lonely.

The tone of the verse is one of _____.

A. sorrow

B. sarcasm

C. happiness

D. anger

The correct answer is option [B]

953. There are _____ types of style.

A. four

B. three

C. six

D. five

The correct answer is option [A]

954. Read the passage and answer the question.

The killing of a whale at sea isn't pleasant to witness or even to contemplate. Hunted down through solar and other many specialized equipment, the whale has no more chance of escape like a steer in a slaughter house. The manner of its death, however, is very different. A grenade tipped-harpoon explodes deep within his body often causing prolonged suffering before the gentle giant, whose intelligence may be second only to our own, is reduced to a carcass ready for processing into crayons, lipsticks, shoe polish, fertilizer, margarine and pet food.

THE HUMAN MANNER OF DEATH, however, is the least part of the scandal known as the whaling industry. Much more important is the fact that the killing is quite unnecessary.

Adequate substitutes exist for every single use to which the whale carcass are currently put, and although some 32,000 whales are killed every year, the sum of commodities they provide is insignificant in the world's economy.

The theme of the passage is that _____.

A. whales are a menace to mankind

B. the killing of whales is unnecessary

C. the importance of whale hunting

D. whales are highly intelligent

The correct answer is option [B]

955. The main character in a literary work is also known as _____.

A. antagonist

B. protagonist

C. narrator

D. villain

The correct answer is option [B]

956. Read the passage and answer the question.

The long column of misery tended to grow longer, as the more robust struggled to get as far as possible from the pursuing French,

And as the weaker fell farther and farther behind. There were enough weaklings. In all conscience, even in summer, the men had been badly clothed, and even in victory, insufficiently fed, and now, it is winter, and Espinosa had been fought and lost, and the route of the retreat lay away from the fertile plains and up into the inhospitable mountains.

The rain had fallen upon them in deluges for days, and now as they climbed higher, it was turning into sleet, and a bitter cold wind blew.

Ahead of them, they could see the snow lying thick on the mountain passes, through which they would have to climb, without food or fuel or rest, and with terror of the French to urge them on. Disease had come inevitably to complete the work so well begun by hunger, exposure and the sword.

The attitude of the survivors is best summed up by the word _____.

A. indifference

B. persistence

C. resignation

D. victory

The correct answer is option [C]

957. "I've heard that a million times", is an example of _____.

A. pun

B. alliteration

C. personification

D. synecdoche

E. hyperbole

The correct answer is option [E]

958. _____ gives literature a more natural, conversational flow, which makes it more readable and enjoyable.

A. phonetics

B. plot

C. imagery

D. dialogue

The correct answer is option [D]

959. Literature is studied as a subject in school because it _____.

A. enhances the student's literary skills

B. sharpens a reader's critical thinking

C. merely gives additional work to students

D. entertains the audience

E. provides a means to kill time

The correct answer is option [A]

960. A piece of writing about somebody's life and experiences is a/an _____

A. autobiography

B. biography

C. autography

D. mimeograph

The correct answer is option [B]

Biography is the story of a person's life written by someone else.

961. Which of the following is a wrong combination?

A. Pun and malapropism

B. Synecdoche and metonymy

C. Simile and metaphor

D. Synecdoche and alliteration

The correct answer is option [D]

962. "How can he compare our thanks-giving service with theirs? After all, millions of people attended ours while very few people were seen at theirs".

In the above statement, the speaker uses _____ to express himself.

A. paradox

B. oxymoron

C. hyperbole

D. comparison

The correct answer is option [C]

963. In poetry an image reveals _____.

A. refrain

B. theme

C. rhyme

D. intent

The correct answer is option [B]

964. "By the sweat of thy brow thou shalt eat thy bread." is an example of _____.

A. synecdoche

B. personification

C. apostrophe

D. metonymy

E. alliteration

The correct answer is option [D]

965. The expression "poisonous pleasure of wine" illustrates the use of _____.

A. metonymy

B. synecdoche

C. paradox

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [D]

Oxymoron refers to the use of two terms together, that contradict each other.

Metonymy has to do with placing a thing by something that is closely associated with it.

Synecdoche is a situation where a part is used to represent the whole or the whole is used to represent a part.

966. "My style is public negotiations for parity, rather than private negotiations for position. “Illustrates the use of _____.

A. metaphor

B. alliteration

C. synecdoche

D. personification

E. rhetorical question

The correct answer is option [B]

967. A verse of unrhymed poetry is known as _____.

A. a blank verse

B. an assonance

C. a sonnet

D. a free verse

The correct answer is option [A]

968. "Friendship is a sheltering tree", illustrates the use of _____.

A. simile

B. metaphor

C. personification

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [B]

969. The book "Animal Farm" is an example of _____.

A. apologue

B. elegy

C. lullaby

D. masque

The correct answer is option [A]

970. The rhyme scheme for limerick is _____.

A. aabba

B. abcde

C. aabcd

D. aabbc

The correct answer is option [A]

971. Climbing Mount Everest was no small feat for Sir Edmund Hillary in 1953.

The underlined phrase is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. personification

C. hyperbole

D. litotes

The correct answer is option [D]

972. A type of rhyme in which the final syllable of one line mimics the sound of the final syllable of another line is called _____ rhyme.

A. feminine

B. internal

C. eye

D. masculine

The correct answer is option [D]

973. “See sin in state, majestically drunk;

Proud as a peeress, prouder as a punk;

Chaste to her husband, frank to all beside,

A teeming Mistress, but a barren bride.

What then? Let blood and body bear the fault."

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. abbcd

B. abcde

C. aabbc

D. abbab

The correct answer is option [C]

974. "He was no notorious malefactor, but he had been twice on the pillory, and once burnt in the hand for trifling oversights", is an example of _____.

A. litotes

B. tautology

C. alliteration

D. synecdoche

E. irony

The correct answer is option [E]

975. "You have to lose your life so that you can save it", is an example of _____.

A. apostrophe

B. metonymy

C. oxymoron

D. paradox

E. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

976. A Septet is a poem of _____ lines.

A. sixteen

B. seventeen

C. six

D. seven

E. eight

The correct answer is option [D]

977. A deliberate understatement in which a negative remark is substituted for a positive one is called _____.

A. magnetism

B. oxymoron

C. litotes

D. absurd

The correct answer is option [C]

978. Read the passage and answer the question.

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This article is best described as _____.

A. a descriptive

B. a narrative

C. an argumentative

D. an exposition

The correct answer is option [D]

It exposes the happenings of the whaling industry.

979. Look out a window

At the traffic below.

Where are they going

I don't really know

Each has a destination

That they want to get to;

Some it will be work

With a long drive ahead,

While others it will be home

So they can rest their head.

The poem is about _____.

A. window

B. destination

C. work

D. home

The correct answer is option [B]

980. The strong desire he felt for her faded as he had done the previous night. He tried desperately to excite himself mentally; not a nerve in his body responded. He felt ill, he perspired. He, the stallion who usually flung himself at women was like pulp.

The terseness of the prose above is to _____.

A. capture climax

B. depict tension

C. condemn the man

D. sympathize with the man

The correct answer is option [A]

Terseness is a neatly short and concise expressive style.

981. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Plot

B. Theme

C. Metre

D. Subject

The correct answer is option [C]

982. "Sleep, o sleep

With thy rod of incantation

Charm my imagination

Then, only then, I cease to weep

By thy power

The virgin, by time O'er taken

For years for lorn, forsaken

Enjoys the happy hour

What's to sleep

Tis a visionary blessing."

The dominant device used in the first line is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. rhyme

C. apostrophe

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [C]

983. A pair of rhymed iambic pentameter lines is called a _____.

A. tercet

B. heroic couplet

C. sestet

D. blank verse

The correct answer is option [B]

984. What literary device is illustrated in a situation where a character makes a sentence that conveys he is happy with his good luck on the surface but is actually very unhappy and dissatisfied with his bad luck?

A. Deception

B. Irony

C. Scansion

D. Juxtaposition

The correct answer is option [B]

985. Read the passage and answer the question

Ngotho was pleased. And Nyokabi Njeri was full of joy at the news. For the first time for many years, something like a glimmer of light shone in Ngotho's eyes. He could even be seen making an effort to walk up right. Here at last was a son who might eventually be a match for the Howlands and Jacobos with any others who at all despised him.

Kamanu too was pleased. He hoped he could go on helping Ngoroge. Ngoroge might do something for the family. Ngoroge was happy. His first impulse, when he learnt that he had gone through, was to kneel down and thank God for all He had done for him. "Give me more and more learning and make me the instrument of thy light and peace." To go to secondary school, the big mission at Siriana was no small achievement.

The mood of the people in the extract from Ngugi wa Thiong'o's Weep Not Child is that of _____.

A. sadness and loneliness

B. depression and anxiety

C. happiness and hope

D. anger and aggression

The correct answer is option [C]

986. Free flowing narrative with a wide range of characters, events and experiences is called _____.

A. plot

B. prose

C. drama

D. poetry

The correct answer is option [B]

987. In a literary work, a clown would normally _____.

A. direct the action

B. create comic relief

C. support the protagonist

D. create the tension

The correct answer is option [B]

988. Kent: A knave, a rascal; an eater of broken meats; a base, proud, shallow, beggarly, three-suited, hundred-pound, filthy, worsted-stocking knave... and art nothing but the composition of a knave, beggar, coward, pandar, and the son and heir of a mongrel bitch...

The above speech is a clear example of an _____.

A. insult

B. invective

C. abuse

D. attack

The correct answer is option [B]

989. Soft as he mourned, the streams forgot to flow

She flocks around a dumb compassion show.

The use of "flow" and "show" at the end of the two lines is an example of _____.

A. alliteration

B. contrast

C. rhyming

D. parallel

The correct answer is option [C]

990. The expression, 'All the world is a stage' is an illustration of _____.

A. simile

B. paradox

C. metaphor

D. parody

E. personification

The correct answer is option [C]

991. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Enjambment

B. Plot

C. Rhyme

D. Alliteration

The correct answer is option [B]

992. The Oedipus Rex is a type of _____.

A. tragedy

B. central thought

C. tragi-comedy

D. satire

The correct answer is option [A]

993. The device used by an author to express an unpleasant experience in a mild way, is called _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metaphor

C. euphemism

D. paradox

The correct answer is option [C]

994. A literary work which extols one's virtues and accomplishments is _____.

A. a eulogy

B. a pastoral

C. an elegy

D. an allegory

The correct answer is option [A]

Pastoral is a poem that represents the life of shepherds or country life.

995. 'Political language is designed to make lies sound truthful and

Murder respectable, and to give an appearance of solidity to pure minds.'

The writer here is suggesting that political language is _____.

A. convincing

B. deceptive

C. interesting

D. destructive

E. commendable

The correct answer is option [B]

996. They came for him that Sunday.

He had just returned from a night vigil on the mountain.

He was resting on his bed, Bible open at the book of revelation when two police constables; one tall, the other short, knocked at the door.

The writer arrests the interest of the reader by employing _____.

A. suspense

B. suspicion

C. religion

D. indulgence

The correct answer is option [A]

997. Poetry is defined by _____.

A. words written in sequence

B. condensed use of language

C. evocations of feelings

D. legends and myths

The correct answer is option [C]

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999. Read the poem below and answer the following question

I love you; my gentle one

My love is the fresh milk of rubindi

Which you drank on the wedding day

My love is the butter we were smeared with

To seal fidelity into our hearts

You are the cattle - bird's egg

For those who say you are wealthy

YOU ARE THE PAPYRUS REED OF THE LAKE

WHICH THEY PULL OUT WITH BOTH HANDS

And I sing for you with tears

Because you possess my heart

I love you, my gentle one

The predominant literary device used in the poem is _____.

A. metaphor

B. epigram

C. oxymoron

D. apostrophe

The correct answer is option [A]

1000. "The temperature is several degrees below zero. My sentences are frozen as they come out of my mouth, and are thawed in the course of the summer, making strange noises and unexpected assertions in various parts of the church."

The above narration is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. Oxymoron

C. simile

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [A]

1001. Thou art the judge of man

Judging his plans and behaviour

Judging his speech and egotism

You are the patient judge

Nations plan without having thee in view

They boast of their will

But soon you show them their follies

You are the patient judge

The poet clearly uses _____ to show emphasis.

A. repetition

B. refrain

C. chorus

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [A]

1002. The persona in a literary work is referred to as the _____.

A. author who paints life as a hopeless venture

B. point from which author presents life as absurd

C. position from which the author tells his story

D. narrator of a literary work created by the author

E. None of the above

The correct answer is option [D]

1003. What literary term describes a situation where a hero intends to achieve something but, while doing so, he commits an intentional or accidental error and he ends up achieving exactly the opposite with disastrous results marked by a reversal in fortune?

A. Catastrophe

B. Deus ex Machina

C. Prophesy

D. Hamartia

The correct answer is option [D]

1004. A poem that is short and witty is known as _____.

A. ballad

B. an epigram

C. an epic

D. a lyric

The correct answer is option [B]

1005. When he gave me the bottle and opened it, I was shocked by the odour that hit my nose. I immediately corked it again, and spat on the floor.

The persona's reaction here is that of _____.

A. rejection

B. anger

C. irritation

D. disgust

The correct answer is option [D]

1006. "There is a nightingale near my house

He sings lovingly for my red rose.

Last winter, Red rose asked him to stay forever.

I whispered to my flower, "If you love him, let him go". Later on, they became friends

Forever and ever."

What is the subject of the above narration?

A. Flower

B. Friendship

C. Bird

D. Winter

E. House

The correct answer is option [B]

1007. One of the strongest devices an author uses to awaken the reader's sensory perceptions is _____.

A. resolution

B. interlude

C. inference

D. imagery

The correct answer is option [D]

1008. The central organising element that links up the character, action, style and language in a work of art is referred to as a _____.

A. theory

B. plot

C. theme

D. mood

E. paradox

The correct answer is option [C]

1009. Read the passage and answer the question.

In England, her love for Henry blossomed like spring flowers after a hard winter. But she abhorred the way he dressed in England. They fell in love when she was working in the little coffee shop across from the Crystal Palace.

Tall and jovial, he fell romantically in love with her at first sight.

After a brief and hilarious courtship, they got married in a small Presbyterian Chapel in North London. Her people came and mother shed a tear when it was announced that the newlywed couple would go to Africa.

From that day, her world collapsed. He had never even hinted that he had joined the colonial service, neither did she know her honeymoon would be a hurried affair in Brighton. She wept most of the time on board the M.V. Apapa that took them to Africa.

Eight years and her temper grew worse. She got farther and farther away from her husband. They never had a child. A child would have made all the difference in the world.

In England, she had loved her husband, in Africa she ____.

A. resented him

B. accepted him

C. enjoyed him

D. encouraged him

The correct answer is option [A]

1010. A statement which initially appears to be absurd or contradictory but on a close examination contains important truth is called _____.

A. paradox

B. simile

C. apostrophe

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [A]

1011. That is no country for old men. The young
In one another's arms, birds in the trees
– Those dying generations – at their song,
The salmon-falls, the mackerel-crowded seas,
Fish, flesh, or fowl, commend all summer long
Whatever is begotten, born, and dies.
Caught in that sensual music all neglect
Monuments of unageing intellect.
- W. B. Yeats, "Sailing to Byzantium"
From lines 1, 3, and 5, what rhyme style did the author use?

A. Alternate half rhyme
B. Alternate perfect rhyme
C. Perfect rhyme
D. Imperfect rhyme
The correct answer is option [A]

1012. There was an Old Man with a beard,
Who said, "It is just as I feared!—
Two Owls and a Hen, four Larks and a Wren,
Have all built their nests in my beard
- Edward Lear

Which of the following is the theme of the poem?
A. Relationship
B. Knowledge
C. Power
D. Drama
The correct answer is option [A]

1013. Which of the following is not an element of fiction?

A. theme

B. style

C. cast

D. plot

E. setting

The correct answer is option [C]

1014. Wow! The temperature is below ten degrees; it's going to be a little cool today.

The above statement is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. understatement

C. litotes

D. irony

The correct answer is option [B]

1015. In drama, the thoughts and feelings of the characters are expressed through their _____.

A. speeches and actions

B. actions and dialogue

C. speeches and dialogue

D. diction and language

The correct answer is option [C]

1016. "Ignorance is strength" is an example of _____.

A. assonance

B. rhyme

C. paradox

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [C]

1017. "To err is human, to forgive divine" is an example of _____.

A. anticlimax

B. antiphrasis

C. archetype

D. antithesis

E. euphemism

The correct answer is option [D]

1018. A four-line stanza that rhyming ABAC or ABCB is known as _____.

A. alternate quatrain

B. double couplet

C. enclosed quatrain

D. unbounded quatrain

The correct answer is option [D]

The main character is called the protagonist.

1019. "The afternoon sun threw down very strong heat. But it was not long before its presence was being menaced by some other celestial element. Droves of black cloud floated past its face now and then, defiant, as in a determined and fearless draft of protest, and the earth below was treated just as often to brief intervals of sunless calm. Not many birds played beneath the changing light and shade. The few that ventured showed against the vast celestial sheet either as swift, active, little black bolts or else like so many big charred leaves rising out of a bonfire and floating lazily across the face of the sky."

(The Victims', by Isidore Okpewho)

The passage is an example of _____.

A. description

B. discussion

C. retrospection

D. persuasion

The correct answer is option [A]

1020. The expression "He nodded his agreeing head" is an example of _____.

A. anaphora

B. hypallage

C. litotes

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [B]

1021. What is the difference between tragedy and comedy?

A. The characters in tragedy use invectives while those of comedy sing.

B. The characters in comedy are often disguised with masks while those in tragedy appear without masks.

C. Tragedy has the quality of curiosity while comedy is trite.

D. Comedy deals with love while tragedy deals with everyday issues.

E. Comedy questions the values of a warrior while tragedy is based on the virtues of a warrior.

The correct answer is option [E]

1022. I am not prone to weeping,

Commonly are; the want of which vain dew

Perchance shall dry your pities; but I have

That honourable grief lodged here which burns

Worse than tears drown.

The above lines from Shakespeare's 'The Winter's Tale' can best be described as _____ lines.

A. open-ended

B. running

C. run-on

D. end stopped

The correct answer is option [C]

In poetry, run-on line which is sometimes referred to as enjambment, is the breaking of a phrase, clause, or sentence by the end of a line or between two verses. In this poem, the lines have no pause or end punctuations but have uninterrupted grammatical meaning as they continue into the next.

1023. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Fiction

B. Monologue

C. Aside

D. Soliloquy

The correct answer is option [A]because it is a type of prose while the others are related to drama.

1024. A character that serves by contrast to highlight or emphasize opposing traits in another character is called _____.

A. an antagonist

B. a pawn

C. a foil

D. a clown

The correct answer is option [C]

1025. Another term for oxymoron is _____.

A. climax

B. parable

C. hyperbole

D. paradox

The correct answer is option [D]

Paradox is the use of contradicting terms in a way that oddly reveals a deeper truth by their contradiction.

Climax refers to the most intense, exciting or important point in a work of art

Anti-climax refers to a disappointing end to an exciting series of event.

Hyperbole has to do with conscious exaggeration for special effect.

1026. In spite of the stain, the princess looked beautiful in her blue satin dress.

The two underlined words are knowns as _____.

A. homophones

B. polygram

C. homonyms

D. anagram

The correct answer is option [D]

1027. Read the passage and answer the question

Ngotho was pleased. And Nyokabi Njeri was full of joy at the news. For the first time for many years, something like a glimmer of light shone in Ngotho's eyes. He could even be seen making an effort to walk up right. Here at last was a son who might eventually be a match for the Howlands and Jacobos with any others who at all despised him.

Kamanu too was pleased. He hoped he could go on helping Ngoroge. Ngoroge might do something for the family. Ngoroge was happy. His first impulse, when he learnt that he had gone through, was to kneel down and thank God for all He had done for him. "Give me more and more learning and make me the instrument of thy light and peace." To go to secondary school, the big mission at Siriana was no small achievement.

The theme of the extract from Ngugi wa Thiong'o's Weep Not Child is the _____.

A. resistance to oppression

B. ambition to become a priest

C. quest for education

D. desire for happiness

The correct answer is option [C]

1028. _____ helps the reader to visualize and experience the author’s writings.

A. Dialogue

B. Setting

C. Imagery

D. Theme

The correct answer is option [C]

1029. A metrical pattern of stressed and unstressed syllables illustrates the _____

A. iambus

B. anapaest

C. dactil

D. trochee

The correct answer is option [A]

1030. Poor bastard

Dumped on the ground to make room

For his nocturnal fathers

Or on the mat to spend his horrid nights

Among steaming pot of food

And working rats

The picture presented above is one of _____.

A. loneliness

B. hunger

C. desolation

D. squalor

The correct answer is option [D]

1031. Read the passage and answer the question

Joseph turned around, " Be careful you don't slip", he called. Her heel dug for a third step and then the moss stripped off a little. Her hands gripped the moss and tore it out. Joseph saw her head describe a little arc and strike the ground.

As he ran towards her, she turned on her side. Her whole body shuddered violently for a second and then relaxed. He stood over her for an instant before he ran to the spring and filled his hands with water. But when he came back to her, he let the water fall to the ground for he saw the position of her neck, and the gray that was stealing into her cheeks. " It was too simple, too easy, too quick ", he said.

Joseph's companion has just _____.

A. died

B. arrived

C. relaxed

D. collapsed

The correct answer is option [A]

1032. Aesthetic in literature refers to the creation of _____.

A. imagery

B. lines

C. beauty

D. theme

The correct answer is option [C]

1033. Stanza refers to _____ in a poem.

A. devices

B. lines

C. sections

D. divisions

The correct answer is option [D]

1034. Read the poem below and answer the following question

O stealing time, the subject of delay

Delay the rack of unrefrained desire

What strange design has thou my hopes to stay?

My hopes which do but to mine own aspire

Old age is wise, and full of constant truth

Old age well stayed from ranging humour lives

Old age hath known, whatever was in youth

Old age overcome the greater honour gives

The mood of the poet is that of _____.

A. carelessness

B. happiness

C. cheerfulness

D. helplessness

The correct answer is option [D]

1035. Christianity shone like a beacon in the black night of paganism illustrates the use of _____.

A. meiosis

B. diction

C. simile

D. synedoche

The correct answer is option [C]

1036. An elegy is a poem that usually expresses a state of _____.

A. euphoria

B. confusion and chaos

C. grandeur

D. sorrow and grief

The correct answer is option [D]

1037. Which of the literary devices in the option does not deal with sound?

A. Synecdoche

B. Alliteration

C. Assonance

D. Onomatopoeia

The correct answer is option [A]

1038. _____ stirs up various emotional responses in readers and therefore ensures their emotional attachment to the literary piece they read.

A. Mood

B. Tone

C. Theme

D. Plot

The correct answer is option [A]

1039. A _____ is a poem in the English tradition that usually follows a form of rhymed (abcb) quatrains alternating four-stress and three-stress lines. It is a popular narrative song passed down orally.

A. prose

B. elegy

C. ballad

D. malapropism

The correct answer is option [C]

1040. A poem of four lines is called _____.

A. quatrain

B. sestet

C. sonnet

D. couplet

The correct answer is option [A]

1041. A narrative in oral tradition that may include legends and fables is a _____.

A. ballad

B. pastoral

C. folktale

D. romance

The correct answer is option [A]

1042. 'Dr Johnson takes his tea in oceans' is an example of _____.

A. conflict

B. climax

C. fashback

D. hyperbole

The correct answer is option [D]

1043. And now the bells are chiming

A year is born

And my heart bell is ringing

In a dawn

The writer is in a state of _____.

A. exuberance

B. dejection

C. despair

D. joyful hope

E. dismal sorrow

The correct answer is option [D]

1044. The plot of a novel is best described as the _____.

A. outline of the story in a logicval order

B. story with its beginning, middle and end

C. distinct summary of the story

D. story in all its details

The correct answer is option [A]

1045. "But at my back I always hear times winged chariot hurrying near." The statement illustrates _____.

A. metaphor

B. apostrophe

C. oxymoron

D. metonymy

The correct answer is option [A]

1046. The enclosed rhyme scheme is signified by _____ as its symbol.

A. ABBA

B. ABAB

C. AABB

D. AAAB

The correct answer is option [A]

Enclosed rhyme (or enclosing rhyme) is the rhyme scheme "abba" (that is, where the first and fourth lines, and the second and third lines rhyme).

1047. Which of these is a word formed from two Greek words that mean ‘upon’ and ‘writing’?

A. analogy

B. epiphany

C. apology

D. epigram

E. monogram

The correct answer is option [D]

1048. Lines that usually have a set pattern of metre and rhyme constitute _____.

A. stanza

B. verse

C. rhyme scheme

D. falling metre

The correct answer is option [C]

1049. The outcome of the conflict in a play or story is called _____.

A. climax

B. catharsis

C. conflict

D. resolution

The correct answer is option [D]

1050. Read the passage and answer the question

Joseph turned around, " Be careful you don't slip", he called. Her heel dug for a third step and then the moss stripped off a little. Her hands gripped the moss and tore it out. Joseph saw her head describe a little arc and strike the ground.

As he ran towards her, she turned on her side. Her whole body shuddered violently for a second and then relaxed. He stood over her for an instant before he ran to the spring and filled his hands with water. But when he came back to her, he let the water fall to the ground for he saw the position of her neck, and THE GREY THAT WAS STEALING INTO HER CHEEKS " It was too simple, too easy, too quick ", he said.

The expression written in capital letters is an example of _____.. A. hyperbole

B. metaphor

C. simile

D. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

1051. All eyes may see from what the change arose,

All eyes may see--a pimple on her nose.

Papillia, wedded to her amorous spark,

Sighs for the shades--"How charming is a park!",

A park is purchas'd, but the fair he sees.

The rhyme scheme of the above verse is _____.

A. aabbc

B. abcab

C. aabcb

D. abccb

The correct answer is option [A]

1052. "Destructive blessing" shows the use of _____.

A. anthithesis

B. oxymoron

C. apostrophe

D. parallelism

The correct answer is option [B]

1053. A _____ is a poem of ten lines

A. dio

B. dioxin

C. duo

D. duoxin

The correct answer is option [B]

1054. The _____ of a work of fiction is, generally refers to the context surrounding the characters which includes the physical environment, the time period, and the emotional atmosphere of a work of fiction.

A. setting

B. plot

C. theme

D. structure

The correct answer is option [A]

1055. Ballad is derived from a Latin word "ballore" meaning to _____.

A. dance

B. cry

C. sing

D. sleep

The correct answer is option [A]

1056. "Sleep, o sleep

With thy rod of incantation

Charm my imagination

Then, only then, I cease to weep

By thy power

The virgin, by time O'er taken

For years for lorn, forsaken

Enjoys the happy hour

What's to sleep

Tis a visionary blessing."

The power of sleep is described as being _____.

A. majestic

B. magical

C. poetic

D. worshipful

The correct answer is option [B]

1057. The ending of most _____ is _____.

A. comedies/happy

B. designs/natural

C. comedies/calm

D. dramas/uncertain

The correct answer is option [A]

1058. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Eulogy

B. Clown

C. Protagonist

D. Antagonist

E. Villain

The correct answer is option [A] because it is a type of poetry while others are related to drama or prose.

1059. What literary device is employed when an author describes a scene where a ship, blown by the south wind, is stranded in the uncharted sea but the passengers do not have a single drop of water to drink?

A. Setting

B. Irony

C. Mood

D. Metaphor

The correct answer is option [B]

1060. _____ essay as that which attempts to throw more lights on its subject.

A. A scientific

B. A narrative

C. An argumentative

D. An expository

The correct answer is option [D]

1061. A complete play needs to have a _____. A. soliloquy

B. conflict

C. prologue

D. epilogue

E. personification

The correct answer is option [B]

1062. The theme in an ode is usually _____.

A. love

B. mourning

C. praise

D. narrative

The correct answer is option [A]

1063. I cannot blind myself to putrefying carcasses in the market place pulling giant vultures from the sky.

The writer's tone in the above statement is one of _____.

A. defiance

B. anger

C. mourning

D. anxiety

The correct answer is option [A]

1064. A short poem written on a tomb is a\an _____.

A. dirge

B. panegyric

C. setting

D. epitaph

The correct answer is option [D]

1065. His sleepy mouth, plugged by the heavy ripple

Tugs like a puppy, grunting as he feeds

The repeated 'u' sound is an example of _____.

A. onomatopoeia

B. alliteration

C. assonance

D. consonance

The correct answer is option [C]

1066. A deliberate use of understatement for humour or emphasis is also known as _____.

A. litotes

B. hyperbole

C. anatomy

D. metonymy

E. symbolism

The correct answer is option [A]

1067. "The afternoon sun threw down very strong heat. But it was not long before its presence was being menaced by some other celestial element. Droves of black cloud floated past its face now and then, defiant, as in a determined and fearless draft of protest, and the earth below was treated just as often to brief intervals of sunless calm. Not many birds played beneath the changing light and shade. The few that ventured showed against the vast celestial sheet either as swift, active, little black bolts or else like so many big charred leaves rising out of a bonfire and floating lazily across the face of the sky."

(The Victims', by Isidore Okpewho)

Few birds could play because _____.

A. It was raining

B. It was cloudy

C. It was sunny

D. It was cold

The correct answer is option [B]

1068. The objective of _____ is to preach some kind of a moral lesson.

A. syllepsis

B. literature

C. allegory

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [C]

1069. 'The woman whose breasts I sucked is gone to the worms'.

The statement is an example of _____.

A. sadism

B. sophism

C. satire

D. euphemism

The correct answer is option [D]

Satire is a witty (combining clever conception and facetious expression) language used to convey insults or scorn.

1070. "All fingers are not equal". This statement is an example of _____.

A. meiosis

B. oxymoron

C. hyperbole

D. synecdoche

The correct answer is option [D]

1071. The metre used in the statement, "I walk upon the thorns of life." is _____.

A. trochaic

B. anapaestic

C. iambic

D. dactylic

The correct answer is option [C]

1072. "Somiebi did not look bad at all today". This statement illustrates _____.

A. simile

B. litotes

C. contrast

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [A]

1073. Adewale was not just a warrior, but a family man. A man who walked the knife's edge to preserve his sanity.

What literary device is used in the above description?

A. Characterization

B. Chorus

C. Dramitization

D. Dialogue

The correct answer is option [A]

1074. Read the passage and answer the question.

The killing of a whale at sea isn't pleasant to witness or even to contemplate. Hunted down through solar and other many specialised equipment, the whale has no more chance of escape like a steer in a slaughter house. The manner of its death, however, is very different. A grenade tipped-harpoon explodes deep within his body often causing prolonged suffering before the gentle giant, whose intelligence may be second only to our own, is reduced to a carcass ready for processing into crayons, lipsticks, shoe polish, fertilizer, margarine and pet food.

THE HUMAN MANNER OF DEATH, however, is the least part of the scandal known as the whaling industry. Much more important is the fact that the killing is quite unnecessary.

Adequate substitutes exist for every single use to which the whale carcass are currently put, and although some 32,000 whales are killed every year, the sum of commodities they provide is insignificant in the world's economy.

...."like a steer in a slaughterhouse" is an example of ____.

A. simile

B. metaphor

C. personification

D. assonance

The correct answer is option [A].

Personification is ascribing human qualities to inanimate things or objects.

1075. 'For I have known them all; already known them all

Have known the evenings, mornings, afternoons

I have measured out my life with coffee spoons'

The tone in these lines suggests _____.

A. a desire

B. tension

C. caution

D. exasperation

The correct answer is option [C]

1076. _____ involves the effective use of words in the literal or figurative sense.

A. Metaphor

B. Irony

C. Diction

D. Simile

The correct answer is option [C]

1077. A line of poetry is measured by the _____.

A. number of words

B. number of feet it contains

C. images

D. rhythm

The correct answer is option [A]

1078. There was an Old Man with a beard,

Who said, "It is just as I feared!—

Two Owls and a Hen, four Larks and a Wren,

Have all built their nests in my beard.

- Edward Lear

The rhyming scheme of the above verse best describes it as a _____.

A. heroic

B. octave

C. limerick

D. couplet

The correct answer is option [C]

1079. 'As soon as the fellows were departed, the lawyer who had, it seems, a case of pistols in the seat of the coach, informed the company that if it had been daylight, and he would have come at his pistols, he would not have submitted to the robbery; he likewise set forth that he had often met highway men when he travelled on horseback, but none ever durst attack him; concluding that if he had not been more afraid for the lady than for himself, he should not have now parted with his money so easily. '

It can be inferred from the text that the lawyer is a _____.

A. brave man

B. security operative

C. coward

D. ladies' man

The correct answer is option [C]

1080. A _____ is an emotional discharge through which one can achieve a state of moral or spiritual renewal or achieve a state of liberation from anxiety and stress.

A. catharsis

B. cadence

C. ballad

D. soliloquy

The correct answer is option [A]

1081. "Death lays his icy hands on kings" is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. paradox

C. hyperbole

D. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

1082. _____ is a type of play which is funny but hardly believable.

A. A melodrama

B. A comedy

C. An entertainment

D. A farce

The correct answer is option [D]

Read the poem and answer the question.

1083. "What time of night it is

I do not know

Except that like some fish

Doped out of the deep

I have bobbed up belly wise"

Which of the following literary devices is employed in the poem?

A. alliteration

B. assonance

C. aesthetics

D. onomatopoeia

The correct answer is option [A]

1084. Old father, old artificer bear with me now and ever in good stead.

The word 'artificer' describes _____.

A. sage

B. a craftsman

C. a magician

D. an artificial person

The correct answer is option [B].

1085. A question for which no answer is sought in a piece of writing is known as _____ question.

A. rhetorical

B. paradoxical

C. cross

D. leading

E. pointed

The correct answer is option [A]

1086. Literature helps us to know the world around us.

A. True

B. Sometimes false

C. False

D. All of the above

The correct answer is option [A]

1087. Poetry is focused on which one of the following?

A. Emotion and ideas

B. Beauty and emotion

C. Emotion only

D. Ideas and beauty

The correct answer is option [A]

1088. Kuziene was alone in the crowd on his day at his new school.

The underlined phrase in the above statement is called _____.

A. litotes

B. eclipse

C. paradox

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [D]

1089. The use of rhetorical questions _____ the poet's message.

A. emphasize

B. repeat

C. recast

D. dramatize

The correct answer is option [D]

1090. Alliteration in poetry, also known as _____ rhyme refers to matching initial consonant sounds in words.

A. imperfect

B. head

C. perfect

D. syllabic

The correct answer is option [B]

Distich is another name for couplet (that is, a poem of two lines)

1091. A figure of speech in which two contradictory expressions are used side by side is known as _____.

A. contrast

B. antithesis

C. oxymoron

D. euphemism

The correct answer is option [C]

1092. "The movie was not half bad." illustrates the use of _____.

A. metaphor

B. personification

C. simile

D. litotes

The correct answer is option [D]

1093. A four-line stanza rhyming ABAB is called _____.

A. an interlaced quatrain

B. a double couplet

C. an envelope quatrain

D. a ballad quatrain

The correct answer is option [A]

1094. A ballad is a _____.

A. narrative poem usually set to music

B. novels that tell a folk story

C. love story told by a singing poet

D. poem bearing an interesting climatic episode

E. none of the above

The correct answer is option [A]

1095. The leaves are withered

Roses fold and shrink

Dog the panting athlete shows his tongue

A dwarfed shadow flees

Hide under legs

Nuts wrinkle and crack

_____ is a predominant image presented in the poem.

A. A spent life

B. Summer

C. Death

D. Tiredness

The correct answer is option [A]

Read the poem and answer question.

1096. In front of the gate, the guard stands with his rifle,

Above, untidy clouds are carrying away the moon,

The bedbugs are swarming like army tanks on manoeuvers

While the mosquitoes form squadrons, attacking like frighter planes.

My heart travels a thousand miles towards my native land.

My dream intertwines with sadness like a stein of a thousand threads,

Innocent, I have endured a whole year in prison.

Using my tears for ink, I turn my thoughts into verses.

The imagery in the first four lines is predominantly _____.

A. agricultural

B. military

C. political

D. social

The correct answer is option [B]

1097. "The mosquito-proof netting was dust clogged and had holes large enough to admit cows"

The literary device used in this expression is _____.

A. oxymoron

B. metaphor

C. hyperbole

D. simile

The correct answer is option [C]

1098. Another term for personification is _____.

A. cacophony

B. disguise

C. cinquain

D. prosopopeia

E. none of the above

The correct answer is option [D]

1099. A glooming peace this morning with it brings.

The sun for sorrow will not show his head.

Go hence, to have more talk of these sad things.

Some shall be pardon, and some punished.

The above lines from Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet can best be described as _____ lines.

A. end rhymed

B. dialogued

C. end-stopped

D. run-on

The correct answer is option [C]

In poetry, a line ending in a full pause, often indicated by appropriate punctuations such as a period, semicolon, etc.

1100. "Curley was flopping like a fish on a line" is an example of _____.

A. simile

B. paradox

C. oxymoron

D. metonymy

The correct answer is option [A]

1101. 'The man tore through the building' is an example of _____.

A. narrative technique

B. metaphor

C. setting

D. plot

The correct answer is option [B]

1102. The elegy _____.

A. conforms to a fixed pattern of lines

B. is set in the countryside

C. has a mournful tone

D. celebrates heroic deeds

The correct answer is option [C]

1103. A bitter remark intended to wound a person's feeling is called _____.

A. satire

B. allusion

C. sarcasm

D. ambiguity

The correct answer is option [C]

1104. "I don't fancy forbidden fruits of fashions", illustrates the use of _____.

A. metaphor

B. repetition

C. assonance

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [D]

1105. An author uses _____ to create a series of events that leads to a climax that captivates the audience and makes them tense and anxious to know what is going to happen.

A. theme

B. plot

C. suspense

D. denouement

The correct answer is option [C]

1106. The expression, "heart of stone" is an example of _____.

A. hyperbole

B. metonymy

C. paradox

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [D]

1107. I wonder how long, you awful parasite,

Shall share with me this little bed

And make me, from sweet dreams be lost

By socking blood from my poor head

I should but say man has much

Blood which you and your family do feed

On for supper, dinner and lunch.

The creature in the poem is best described as _____.

A. clever

B. sluggish

C. awkward

D. tiny

The correct answer is option [A]

1108. A recurring theme in a literary work is known as _____.

A. truth

B. plot

C. motif

D. idea

The correct answer is option [C]

1109. The act of creating a ridiculous effect by the unintentional misuse of words that sound alike is known as _____.

A. malapropism

B. metonymy

C. onomatopoeia

D. pun

The correct answer is option [A]

1110. "Life is a working shadow" is an example of _____.

A. metaphor

B. simile

C. apostrophe

D. oxymoron

The correct answer is option [A]

1111. Read the passage and answer the question

Ngotho was pleased. And Nyokabi Njeri was full of joy at the news. For the first time for many years, something like a glimmer of light shone in Ngotho's eyes. He could even be seen making an effort to walk up right. Here at last was a son who might eventually be a match for the Howlands and Jacobos with any others who at all despised him.

Kamanu too was pleased. He hoped he could go on helping Ngoroge. Ngoroge might do something for the family. Ngoroge was happy. His first impulse, when he learnt that he had gone through, was to kneel down and thank God for all He had done for him. "Give me more and more learning and make me the instrument of thy light and peace." To go to secondary school, the big mission at Siriana was no small achievement.

The expression "a glimmer of light" means _____.

A. courage

B. disaster

C. tolerance

D. hope

The correct answer is option [D]

1112. Read the passage and answer the question

Joseph turned around, "Be careful you don't slip", he called. Her heel dug for a third step and then the moss stripped off a little. Her hands gripped the moss and tore it out. Joseph saw her head describe a little arc and strike the ground.

As he ran towards her, she turned on her side. Her whole body shuddered violently for a second and then relaxed. He stood over her for an instant before he ran to the spring and filled his hands with water. But when he came back to her, he let the water fall to the ground for he saw the position of her neck, and the gray that was stealing into her cheeks. "It was too simple, too easy, too quick ", he said.

Joseph's mood here, is one of _____.

A. shock

B. indifference

C. happiness

D. kindness

The correct answer is option [A]

1113. Scientific and journalistic texts are examples of _____ prose

A. factual

B. persuasive

C. partial

D. characteristic

The correct answer is option [A]

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D. characteristic

The correct answer is option [A]

1115. 'Earth has nothing to show fairer

Dull world he be of soul who could pass by

A sight so touching in its majesty

This city now doth like a garment wear

The beauty of the morning'

It is suggested in this poem that _____.

A. the beauty of the morning gains from the beauty of the city

B. the beauty of the city gains from the beauty of the morning

C. the beauty of the city and the beauty of the morning are unrelated

D. the beauty of the same has nothing to do with the city or the morning

E. there is no beauty on earth

The correct answer is option [B]

1116. The repetition of similar vowel sound within lines is _____.

A. parallelism

B. allusion

C. assonance

D. alliteration

The correct answer is option [C]

1117. When a writer refers to past events in order to clarify a current event, he employs _____.

A. retrospection

B. flashback

C. memoir

D. dramatic irony

The correct answer is option [B]

1118. A narrative poem in the manner of oral folk tradition is _____.

A. a pastoral

B. a lyric

C. a ballad

D. an elegy

The correct answer is option [A]

1119. The central issue in a play or novel is known as the _____.

A. theme

B. summary

C. synopsis

D. resume

The correct answer is option [A]

1120. Soft as he mourned, the streams forgot to flow

She flocks around a dumb compassion show.

The above lines can be best described as a _____.

A. couplet

B. rhythm

C. tercet

D. rhyme

The correct answer is option [A]

1121. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Prose

B. Poetry

C. Drama

D. Tragedy

The correct answer is option [D]

1122. "Move him into the sun.

Gently its touch awoke him once.

At home, whispering of fields unsown

Always it woke him

Even in France.

Until this morning and this snow

If anything might rouse him now,

This kind old sun will know.

Think how it wakes the seed".

One of the dominant literary device used in the poem is _____.

A. hyperbole

B. simile

C. assonance

D. metaphor

The correct answer is option [A]

1123. "Uneasy lies the head that wears the crown" is an example of _____.

A. apostrophe

B. anastrophe

C. aphorism

D. analogue

E. epilogue

The correct answer is option [C]

1124. "Was this the face that launched a thousand ships and burnt the topless towers of Ilium?" is an example of _____.

A. pun

B. apostrophe

C. synecdoche

D. onomatopoeia

E. personification

The correct answer is option [C]

1125. A term used in describing an effective choice of words in a literary work is _____.

A. diphthong

B. denotation

C. diction

D. dialogue

The correct answer is option [C]

1126. A poem consisting of fourteen lines is called _____.

A. a narrative

B. a sonnet

C. an ode

D. an elegy

The correct answer is option [B]

1127. Thou art the judge of man

Judging his plans and behaviour

Judging his speech and egotism

You are the patient judge

Nations plan without having thee in view

They boast of their will

But soon you show them their follies

You are the patient judge

The dominant device used in line three of the second verse is _____.

A. alliteration

B. assonance

C. onomatopoeia

D. personification

The correct answer is option [D]

1128. A literary work whose mode of narration is the letteris called _____.

A. a letter fiction

B. an epic

C. an epistle

D. a romantic

The correct answer is option [C]

1129. His mind was crowded with memories; memories of the knowledge that had come to them when they closed in on the struggling pig, knowledge that they had outwitted a living thing, imposed their will upon it, taken away its life like a long satisfying drink.

The dominant device in this text is _____.

A. progressive repetition

B. progressive amplification

C. bold contrast

D. rhetorical emphasis

The correct answer is option [A]

1130. A play is watched by _____.

A. a congregation

B. spectators

C. a crowd

D. an audience

The correct answer is option [D]

1131. The metrical pattern in, "In mist or cloud, on mast or stand" is _____.

A. iambic

B. trochaic

C. anapaestic

D. dactylic

The correct answer is option [A]

1132. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Stanza

B. Verse

C. Line

D. Language

The correct answer is option [D]

1133. Read the poem below and answer the following question

I love you; my gentle one

My love is the fresh milk of rubindi

Which you drank on the wedding day

My love is the butter we were smeared with

To seal fidelity into our hearts

You are the cattle - birds egg

For those who say you are wealthy

YOU ARE THE PAPYRUS REED OF THE LAKE

WHICH THEY PULL OUT WITH BOTH HANDS

And I sing for you with tears

Because you possess my heart

I love you, my gentle one

The poem is a blank verse because it _____.

A. has no rhyme scheme

B. is a contemporary sonnet

C. altrnate rhyme scheme

D. contains couplets

The correct answer is option [A]

1134. 'Fair is fowl, fowl is fair'. What is the literary term and figure of speech used in the statement?

A. Simile and repetition

B. Oxymoron and metaphor

C. Allusion and irony

D. Alliteration and paradox

The correct answer is option [D]

1135. An ode is a poem written for _____.

A. condemnation

B. celebration

C. instruction

D. entertainment

The correct answer is option [B]