



# ENGLISH PRACTICE “WORK BOOK”

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English Work Book For H.S.S.C.  
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BANK PO, MAT, CAT....ETC.)



**One word substitution or one word for a sentence :**

1. Fear of Foreigners : Xenophobia
2. Fear of dead body : Necrophobia
3. One word for Fear of oneself : Auto-phobia
4. Fear of home surroundings : Eco-phobia
5. Fear of animals : Zoo-phobia
6. One Word for Fear of height : Aerophobia
7. Wild and noisy disorder : Pandemonium
8. One who resists to the end : Die-hard
9. One who travels from place to place : Itinerant
10. A lover of animals : Philozoic
11. One Word Substitution for A person who love arts : Philotechnic
12. A person who loves God : Philotheist
13. One Word for A lover of dogs : Canaphilist
14. A lover of women : Philogynist
15. A lover of learning : Philomath
16. One word for A lover of art and poetry : Philomuse
17. A person who is hopeful in life : Optimist
18. A person who is not hopeful in life : Pessimistic
19. What do we call A person who has the habit of talking while sleeping ? : Somniloquist
20. A person who walks while asleep : somnambulist
21. One who is excessively patriotic : Chauvinist
22. Govt by the laws of religion : Theocracy
23. Govt by a King or Queen : Monarchy
24. What do we call the Govt by Gods ? : Thearchy
25. Govt by the Rich : Plutocracy
26. Govt by a few persons : Oligarchy
27. Name the Govt by mob : Mobocracy
28. Govt by the worst people : Kekistocracy
29. Govt by the novice : Neocracy
30. Name the Govt by the Officials : Bureaucracy
31. A person who is in 60s - Sexagenarian
32. What do we call a person who is in 70s ? - Septuagenarian
33. A person who is in 80s - Octogenarian

34. One who is in 90s - Nonagenarian

35. A person who is 100 years old - Centenarian

One Word Substitutions related with Places. -  
अनेक शब्दों के लिए शब्द

36. A place for keeping honey- bees -  
Apiary.

37. A water tank for keeping fishes -  
Aquarium .

38. Place of wrestling - Arena  
(अखाड़ा )

39. A place for lunatics - Asylum ( गृह )

40. A place for the political refugees -  
Asylum

41. Place for keeping government records -  
Archives

42. House for the orphans - Orphanage  
(अनाथालय )

43. Name the place where we grow fruit  
trees - Orchard (बाग )

44. What do we call a place where horses  
are kept ? - Stable ( अस्तबल )

45. Name the place where people gamble -  
Casino

46. Place for washing utensils - Scullery

47. Place for burying the dead - Cemetery  
(कब्रिस्तान )

48. Name the Place where the govt coins  
money - Mint

49. Place for keeping pigs - Sty

50. What do we call the place where dead  
bodies are kept for post-mortem ? -  
Mortuary (मुर्दाघर )

51. Place for keeping bees - Hive

52. Where do we call the house of a do ? -  
kennel



53. Name the squirrel's home - Drey
54. Place where skins are processed - Tannery
55. Where do wild animals rest ? - Lair/ Den (मांद )
56. Place for ammunition/ software for storing data- Cache
57. A food storing behavior of animals - Cache
58. Birds' captive place is Cage.
59. Place for keeping birds is Aviary.
60. We keep sword in a sheath.
61. People keep their clothes in a wardrobe.
62. Sick people come here for health recovery - Sanatorium
63. A song embodying religious and sacred emotions - Hymn [HSSC- CLERK 11 DEC. 2016]
64. That which cannot be rectified or made good - Irreparable [HSSC- CLERK 11 DEC. 2016]
65. An old unmarried woman- Spinster [HSSC- 4 Dec 2016]

### EXERCISE 1

66. A person who is a great lover of his country - .....
67. Murder of a king - .....
68. An imaginary name assumed by an author for disguise- .....
69. One new to anything - .....
70. A decision made by voting - .....
71. Killing of sister - .....
72. Killing of one's Father - .....
73. the act of killing one's wife - .....
74. The act of killing of a friend - .....

32) Dogma - belief



75. The act of Killing a prophet - .....

### LIST OF SYNONYMS

- 1) Acquit - exonerate
- 2) Adversity - difficulty
- 3) Affluent - plentiful
- 4) Amenable - agreeable
- 5) Apathetic - dispirited
- 6) Apathy - lethargy
- 7) Apprentice - novice
- 8) Atrocious - appalling
- 9) Banal - plain
- 10) Barren - desolate
- 11) Beseech - importune
- 12) Berate - disapprove
- 13) Berserk - demented
- 14) Bewitch - enchant
- 15) Blasphemous - irreverent
- 16) Boisterous - uproarious
- 17) Bounty - munificence
- 18) Bias - inclination
- 19) Burlesque - sham
- 20) Caricature - imitation
- 21) Censure - denounce
- 22) Cherish - esteem
- 23) Coax - wheedle
- 24) Commemorate - celebrate
- 25) Credulous - trustful
- 26) Culpability - reproach
- 27) Dawdle - dally
- 28) Dormant - comatose
- 29) Dexterous - agile
- 30) Dingy - murky
- 31) Disclose - announce



- 33) Dwindle - abate
- 34) Eccentric - abnormal
- 35) Emanate - arise
- 36) Embezzle - steal
- 37) Eminent - distinguished
- 38) Ephemeral - fugitive
- 39) Etiquette - civility
- 40) Explicit - specific
- 41) Exhilarated - cheerful
- 42) Exuberant - vivacious
- 43) Fastidious - particular
- 44) Fervour - passion
- 45) Feud - argument
- 46) Fleet - swift
- 47) Flirt - coquette
- 48) Frivolous - inconsequential
- 49) Frugal - prudent
- 50) Gaunt - emaciated
- 51) Genealogy - lineage
- 52) Glare - gleam
- 53) Goad - provoke
- 54) Gratuity - tip

- 55) Grandiloquent - bombastic
- 56) Grouse - grumble
- 57) Guile - cunning
- 58) Gullible - credulous
- 59) Hasty - abrupt
- 60) Haughty - arrogant
- 61) Heresy - unorthodox
- 62) Hermetic - airtight
- 63) Highbrow - intellectual
- 64) Hoodwink - cozen
- 65) Hypocrisy - duplicate
- 66) Illustrious - eminent
- 67) Implicate - accuse
- 68) Impregnable - impenetrable
- 69) Importune - beg
- 70) Impromptu - offhand
- 71) Inadvertent - accidental
- 72) Indifferent - apathetic
- 73) Ineluctable - ineludible
- 74) Insidious - deceptive
- 75) Jargon - argot
- 76) Juvenile - adolescent
- 77) Kindle - incite

- 78) Keen - clever
- 79) Knoll - hummock
- 80) Knurled - contorted
- 81) Labor - toil
- 82) Lament - dirge
- 83) Lucid - clear
- 84) Legitimate - valid
- 85) Livid - furious
- 86) Loopy - crazy
- 87) Lousy - awful
- 88) Lumber - trudge
- 89) Mackintosh - waterproof coat
- 90) Manipulate - control
- 91) Mannequin - model
- 92) Marginal - borderline
- 93) Maze - complexity
- 94) Melancholy - lugubrious
- 95) Mendacity - lying
- 96) Middleman - intermediary
- 97) Moderately - reasonably
- 98) Negate - contradict
- 99) Novice - beginner
- 100) Nugatory - worthless

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#### ANTONYMS LIST

- 1) Abeyance - continuance
- 2) Abrogate - enact
- 3) Abstemious - self-indulgent
- 4) Abstruse - obvious
- 5) Abjure - pledge

- 6) Acarpous - fecund
- 7) Accidental - intentional
- 8) Accolade - disapprobation
- 9) Acerbity - sweetness
- 10) Acquiescence - rebellion
- 11) Acquit - convict
- 12) Acrimonious -

- harmonious
- 13) Adhere - detach
- 14) Adulteration - purification
- 15) Advance - retreat
- 16) Advanced - elementary
- 17) Adversity - prosperity
- 18) Affiliation - dissociation



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|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 19) Alacrity - hesitance    | 23) Ascend - descend        | 27) Amuse - bore      |
| 20) Affirmative - negative  | 24) Attention - inattention | 28) Antonym - synonym |
| 21) Approval - disapproval  | 25) Ally - enemy            | 29) Annoy - satisfy   |
| 22) Approximately - exactly | 26) Amateur - professional  | 30) Autumn - spring   |

### Basic Exercise (Level - 0)

1. He was/were going to play Hockey.
2. They have/has finished their homework.
3. You are/is/has/have finished your task.
4. Sohan is/are playing football.
5. Ram write/writes a letter.
6. Mohan play/plays football.
7. I has/have finished my homework.
8. The machineries/machinery is/are in good condition.
9. You was/were in your class.
10. I am/is reading a book.
11. He is/are sleeping.
12. I write/writes a letter.
13. Sita drive/drives a car.
14. Honey taste/tastes sweet.
15. You are/is going to Agra.
16. Does/Do Ram play cricket.
17. The scenery/sceneries of Kashmir is/are very charming.
18. They have/is/are/has/had slept.
19. You have/Owns/has/own a car.
20. I am/do/is writing a letter.
21. The boys plays/play football.
22. The pen was/were stolen by him.
23. Rakesh play/plays football.
24. He was/were great, his deeds was/were mean.
25. I remembers/remember the day that my daughter were/was born.
26. Man are/is the only animal that can think.
27. He and I is/am/are going to park today.
28. You and she has/have not finished the job.
29. Is/are you in your class.
30. Plenty of milk is/are available

here.

31. They is/are playing.
32. Some more water are/is required here.

### Conditional Sentences:

1. If I ..... (study), I ..... (pass) the exams.
2. If the sun ..... (shine), we .....(walk) into town.
3. If he ..... (have) a temperature, he ..... (see) the doctor. —
4. If my friends .....(come), I ..... (be) very happy.
5. If she ..... (earn) a lot of money, she ..... (fly) to New York.
6. If we ..... (travel) to London, we ..... (visit) the museums.
7. If you ..... (wear) sandals in the mountains, you ..... (slip) on the rocks.
8. If Rita ..... (forget) her homework, the teacher ..... (give) her a low mark.
9. If they ..... (go) to the disco, they ..... (listen) to loud music.
10. If you ..... (wait) a minute, I ..... (ask) my parents.
11. If I were rich, I ..... (travel) around the world.
12. She wouldn't have missed the train if she ..... (wake up) earlier.
13. I'll call you if I ..... (come) back early.
14. If he (be) ..... careful, he would not have had that terrible accident.
15. I (pass) ..... the exam if I had worked hard .
16. Her father would not have died, if he (go) ..... to the doctor.
17. If I (wake up) ..... early, I'll go jogging.





18. If I were a star, I (help)..... the poor.
19. She would have been top of her class if she (work)..... hard.
20. If she had taken care of her son, he (not/become) ..... a criminal.
21. She will know the answer, if she (try) ..... to understand.
22. If I (find) ..... her address, I would send her an invitation.
23. If I (find) ..... her address, I would have sent her an invitation.
24. If you had asked me, I (help) ..... you.
25. If it (start) ..... to rain, we would have walked to the museum.

**Articles :**

1. I bought ..... pair of shoes.
2. I saw ..... movie last night.
3. They are staying at ..... hotel.
4. Look at ..... woman over there! She is a famous actress.
5. I do not like ..... basketball.
6. That is ..... girl I told you about.
7. .... night is quiet. Let's take a walk!
8. .... price of gas keeps rising.
9. John traveled to ..... Mexico.
10. Juan is ..... Spanish.
11. I read ..... amazing story yesterday.
12. My brother does not eat ..... chicken.
13. .... love is such ..... beautiful thing.
14. I live in ..... apartment. .... apartment is new.
15. I would like ..... piece of cake.
16. I was in ..... Japanese restaurant. .... restaurant served good food.
17. Sara can play ..... guitar.
18. I borrowed ..... pencil from ..... passenger sitting next to me.
19. I live in ..... house. .... house is quite old and has four bedrooms.
20. I work in ..... factory in New York.
21. .... most of ..... stories people tell about ..... Irish are not true.

22. .... beef we had for dinner last night was excellent.
23. Everyone has problems in ..... life.
24. I don't know much about ..... life of Napoleon.
25. My grandmother had ..... long life.
26. Yes, my name is ..... Simpson, but I'm not ..... Simpson you're looking for.
27. .... people wear jewellery to look more attractive.
28. .... jewellery Diana wearing today is beautiful.
29. Mary is wearing ..... gold ring today. It is made of ..... gold.
30. .... word to ..... wise is ..... sufficient.

**Prepositions:** Choose whether each of the following sentences requires **on**, **in**, or **at**.

1. Will you be ..... home today?

- at  
 in  
 on

2. He is never late. He always comes ..... time.

- at  
 on  
 in

3. How many students are ..... your class?

- in  
 at  
 on

4. The teacher wrote something ..... the board.

- at  
 in  
 on

5. Many people work ..... this building.



- at
- in
- on

6. I will meet you \_\_\_\_\_ 7:00 PM.

- in
- on
- at

7. Let's meet \_\_\_\_\_ Wednesday.

- on
- at
- in

8. I am going to Japan \_\_\_\_\_ seven days.

- in
- at
- on

9. I met John \_\_\_\_\_ my friend's party.

- in
- at
- on

10. She was sitting \_\_\_\_\_ her car.

- at
- on
- in

• 11. Go \_\_\_\_\_ these stairs until you reach the top floor.

- up
- through
- on
- in

• 12. He was stopped by the police for driving \_\_\_\_\_ 120mph.

- to
- at
- for
- on

• 13. I'm going \_\_\_\_\_ Madrid next week.

- to
- in
- at
- of

• 14. We always listen to music \_\_\_\_\_ the way to work.

- by
- for
- in
- on

• 15. Take your purse \_\_\_\_\_ of your pocket and give it to me.

- away
- out
- off
- to

• 16. Are you talking \_\_\_\_\_ me?

- to
- in
- of
- on



- 17. She called me \_\_\_ midnight.

- in
- at
- of
- on

- 18. I'll see you \_\_\_ the morning.

- at
- of
- in
- on

- 19. What did you have \_\_\_ dinner?

- to
- of
- in
- for

- 20. He's the tallest man \_\_\_ the world.

- over
- in
- of
- to

### SPELLINGS ERRORS

Here are some Tips / Rules for Correct Spellings

There are certain rules / tips for correct spellings,

1. 'ie' and 'ei' : When 'ie' is pronounced 'i:' as in

Believe, Belief, Brief, Achieve, Aggrieved

Fierce, Field, Grieve, Relief, Relieve, Chief, Hygiene

2. when 'ei' is pronounced 'i:' as in 'bee', 'ei' comes after the 'c'.

Deceive, Deceit, Conceive, Conceit, Misconceive

Perceive, Preconceived, Receive

However, some exceptions to this rule are :

Counterfeit, Plebeian, Weird, Seize, where the 'ei' spelling doesn't follow a 'c'. You need to learn the spellings for these.

3. **Doubling Consonants** : When adding 'ed' and 'ing' endings to verbs that end with a single vowel plus a consonant, do not double the final consonant if the stress doesn't fall at the end of the word.

Word	'ing' form	'ed' form
Budget	Budgeting	Budgeted
Inherit	Inheriting	Inherited

4. When adding 'ed' and 'ing' endings to verbs that end with a single vowel plus a consonant, double the final consonant if the stress falls at the end of the word.

Word	'ing' form	'ed' form
Commit	Committing	Committed
Admit	Admitting	Admitted
Refer	Referring	Referred

5. **Adding endings to words that end with a double "l"** : Drop the final "l" from words that end with a double "l" before adding endings







which begin with a consonant. (Such as 'ment', 'ful' and 'li')

**Word** 'ly', 'ful' & 'ment' endings

Chill Chilly

Will Wilful (willful in US English)

Skill Skilful (Skillful in US English)

**Note** : The ending 'ness' is an exception to this rule :

(i) Small- Smallness; (ii) Ill - illness

6. **You must have come across the expression** "When two vowels go walking, the first one does not talking". This means that when there are two vowels in a row, the first one usually has a long sound, and the second is silent. "That's why it's 'lean', not 'laen'; 'team', not 'taem'; 'coat', not 'caot'; 'boat' not 'baot'; and 'wait' not 'wiat'

7. Here is the list of some misspelled / confused words. Just observe the common errors carefully, and learn the correct spellings prudently

8. **Correct Spelling : Referred**

a. Common Spelling Errors : Reffered / referred

b. To be observed Carefully : Single 'f' and Double 'r'

9. **Correct Spelling : Occurred**

a. Common Spelling Errors : Ocurrred / Occured

b. To be observed Carefully : Double 'c' & Double 'r'

10. **Correct Spelling : Committed**

a. Common Spelling Errors : Committed / Comitted

b. To be observed Carefully : Double 'm' & Double 'i'

11. **Correct Spelling : Compelled**

a. Common Spelling Errors : Compeled / Comppelled

b. To be observed Carefully : Single 'm' & Double 'i'

12. **Correct Spelling : Occasion**

a. Common Spelling Errors : Occassion / Ocassion

b. To be observed Carefully : Double 'c' & Single 's'

13. **Correct Spelling : Accommodation**

a. Common Spelling Errors : Accomodation / Accommodation

b. To be observed Carefully : Double 'c' & Double 'm'

14. **Correct Spelling : Committee**

a. Common Spelling Errors : Commitee / Comittee

b. To be observed Carefully : Double 'm', Double 't' & Double 'e'

15. **Correct Spelling : Unparalleled**

a. Common Spelling Errors : Unparallelled / Unparaelled

b. To be observed Carefully : Double 'l' only once & Single 'l' latter

16. **Correct Spelling : Manoeuvre / Maneuver (US)**

a. Common Spelling Errors : Manuvre / Manoeuver

b. To be observed Carefully : 'o' comes before 'e' & 'u' comes before 'v'

17. **Correct Spelling : Consummation**

a. Common Spelling Errors : Conssumation / Consumation





b. To be observed Carefully : Single 's' & Double 'm'

**18. Correct Spelling : Languor**

- a. Common Spelling Errors : Langour / Languour
- b. To be observed Carefully : 'u' comes before 'o' & only single 'u' not double (after 'o').

**19. Correct Spelling : Bungalow**

- a. Common Spelling Errors : Bangalow / Bunglow
- b. To be observed Carefully : 'u' comes after 'b' & 'a' comes after 'g'

**20. Correct Spelling : Conscience**

- a. Common Spelling Errors : Consience / Consience / Conscience
- b. To be observed Carefully : 'i' comes before 'e'. So, it is 'ie' and not 'ei'

**21. Correct Spelling : Definitely**

- a. Common Spelling Errors : Defenetly / Defnetly
- b. To be observed Carefully : 'i' comes after 'f' not 'e' & 'u' comes after 'a' at the end.

**22. Correct Spelling : Bureau**

- a. Common Spelling Errors : Bereau / Burow / Beuro
- b. To be observed Carefully : 'e' comes before 'a' & 'u' comes after 'a' at the end.

**23. Correct Spelling : Reclamation**

- a. Common Spelling Errors : Reclammation / Reclaimmation
- b. To be observed Carefully : Single 'c' & Single 'm' & no 'i' before 'm'

**24. Correct Spelling : Indispensible**

- a. Common Spelling Errors : Indispansible /

Indispensible

b. To be observed Carefully : 'i' comes after 'd' & 'e' comes after 'p' & 's' comes before 'able'

**Find Correctly Spelt words.**

1. (a) Efficient (b) Treatmeant  
(c) Beterment (d) Employd
2. (a) Foreign (b) Foreine  
(c) Fariegn (d) Farien
3. (a) Ommineous (b) Omineous  
(c) Ominous (d) Omenous
4. (a) Pessenger (b) Passenger  
(c) Pasanger (d) Pesanger
5. (a) Benefitted (b) Benifited  
(c) Benefited (d) Benefeted
6. (a) Treachrous (b) Trecherous  
(c) Trechearous (d) Treacherous
7. (a) Rigerous (b) Rigourous  
(c) Regerous (d) Rigorous
8. (a) Forcast (b) Forecaste  
(c) Forcaust (d) Forecast
9. (a) Palete (b) Palet  
(c) Palate (d) Pelate
10. (a) Bouquete (b) Bouquette  
(c) Bouquet (d) Boqqet
11. (a) Vetarinary (b) Veteninary  
(c) Vetinary (d) Veterinary
12. (a) Chancelary (b) Chancellery  
(c) Chancelery (d) Chancellary
13. (a) Excessive (b) Exccesive  
(c) Exxcesive (d) Excesive
14. (a) Indipensable (b) Indipenseble  
(c) Indispansible (d) Indispensible
15. (a) Humorous (b) Ganerous  
(c) Pupolous (d) Maretorious

**Practice FEW/LITTLE**



1. Let's go to the movies. I have ---- money.
2. I'm sorry, I can't pay for your lunch. I have ---- money.
3. Not many children like vegetables. For example, ---- children eat squash.
4. Joe is always angry. That's why he has --- friends.
5. Bill didn't drink all the soda. There's ---- left.
6. The party was fun. There were ---- people I knew there.
7. Your house is almost empty! You have --- furniture.
8. Marty : Do you need same help with your math homework?  
Harry : Yes, I could sure use ----.
9. Henry : How many people were at the game last night?  
Kenny : Almost none. ---- people want to watch a team that always loses.
10. Doris : Are Dallas and Ft. Worth very far from each other?  
David: No, they're quite close. There's --- distance between them.
11. There's ---- milk in the refrigerator. About half a quart, I think.
12. Doctor: Have you ever been in bad health or had a serious operation?  
Patient: No, I haven't. I've had ---- medical problems.
13. May I please have ---- more coffee?
14. Greg is always busy; he has ---- free time.
15. ---- of the children were rude, but most were polite.
16. Donald doesn't care for school. He has --- interest in it.
17. I need to talk to you. Do you have ---- minutes?
18. Let's get together when we have ---- free time.
19. Rohit feels that his life is very dull. He has ---- adventures.
20. There are no empty seats on this flight, but there are ---- available on the next one.

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