1 Are these sentences true (T) or false (F)?
   a ___ It costs 2 pence to see the Elephant Man.
   b ___ Dr Treves took the creature to the hospital.
   c ___ Dr Treves gave the creature a card.
   d ___ The police wrote a letter to The Times.
   e ___ Merrick had a picture of his mother.
   f ___ The King of England visited Merrick in hospital.
   g ___ The Queen gave Merrick a box of chocolates.
   h ___ Merrick wrote a letter to the Queen.
   i ___ Merrick did not like the country.
   j ___ Merrick died quietly in the street.

   10 marks

2 Put the following events in the story in the right order. Number them 1–5.
   a ___ The next day I looked in the shop window again, but the picture was not there.
   b ___ We gave Merrick two rooms at the back of the hospital.
   c ___ I saw that the skin on his face was blue, so I knew he was dead.
   d ___ There was a man in the shop. He was a dirty man in an old coat with a cigarette in his mouth.
   e ___ We went to the theatre in a cab with dark windows.

   20 marks

3 Match a number from A with a letter from B to make complete sentences.

   A
   1 ___ Dr Treves is a doctor ...
   2 ___ Merrick wore some old trousers ...
   3 ___ When the nurse saw Merrick, ...
   4 ___ He tried to sleep on his back that night, ...
   5 ___ He was a man with a very ugly body ...

   B
   a ___ she screamed and ran out of the room.
   b ___ but no shirt, coat or shoes.
   c ___ at the London Hospital.
   d ___ but he was a kind man, and he had a lot of friends.
   e ___ but his head came off the bed, and he broke his neck.

   30 marks

4 Complete the dialogue
   Dr Treves  Your Majesty, this ............. Joseph
   Merrick. Joseph, this is Her Majesty, Queen Alexandra, the ............
   of .............

   The Queen  How do you do, Mr Merrick,
   I'm very pleased to ............. you.

   Merrick  How – how ............., Your Majesty.

   20 marks

5 In a few lines, write a short summary of Merrick’s story. (How did Dr Treves find him? Were people always good to him? What did he like? How did he die? etc.).
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   30 marks

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Setting

Choose the best answer.

1 Dr Treves first met Merrick in a ______.
   a ☐ hospital  b ☐ circus  c ☐ shop
d ☐ street
2 This meeting took place in ______.
   a ☐ 1984  b ☐ 1884  c ☐ 1848  d ☐ 1948
3 Dr Treves thought that Merrick was the ______ person he had ever met.
   a ☐ biggest  b ☐ most beautiful
c ☐ ugliest  d ☐ kindest
4 He thought that the most interesting thing about Merrick’s body was his ______.
   a ☐ very big head  b ☐ very big feet
c ☐ big red tooth  d ☐ strange clothes
5 His body had a lot of bags of ______.
   a ☐ dirty money  b ☐ dirty skin
c ☐ clean skin  d ☐ shopping
6 The shopkeeper was ______ Merrick.
   a ☐ kind to  b ☐ unhappy with
c ☐ happy with  d ☐ horrible to
7 He ______ showing Merrick to the public.
   a ☐ made money from  b ☐ didn’t like
c ☐ was worried about  d ☐ was afraid of
8 When people saw Merrick, ______.
   a ☐ they were usually afraid of him
   b ☐ they always talked to him  c ☐ they always laughed at him  d ☐ they were usually angry with him
9 Dr Treves gave Merrick ______.
   a ☐ his home address  b ☐ his card
c ☐ a picture  d ☐ a book
10 At the end of the first visit to hospital, Dr Treves ______.
    a ☐ took Merrick to the theatre  b ☐ took Merrick to his own home
c ☐ ordered a cab  d ☐ took Merrick back to the shop

Dialogue

Who said or wrote this?

21 ‘I take him all over the country, you know.’
   a ☐ the Queen  b ☐ Dr Treves
c ☐ Mrs Merrick  d ☐ Mr Silcock
22 ‘Do you want more money? Is that it?’
   a ☐ Dr Treves  b ☐ Merrick
c ☐ Mr Silcock  d ☐ Mr Carr Gomm
23 ‘Help me up the steps!’
   a ☐ Merrick  b ☐ Dr Treves
c ☐ the Queen  d ☐ Merrick’s mother
24 ‘Can the readers of The Times help us?’
   a ☐ Dr Treves  b ☐ the Queen
c ☐ a nurse  d ☐ Mr Carr Gomm
25 ‘People don’t like looking at me.’
   a ☐ Mr Silcock  b ☐ Merrick
c ☐ Mrs Kendal  d ☐ Dr Treves

Characters

Choose the best answer.

11 Joseph Merrick was ______ years old when Dr Treves first met him.
   a ☐ 35  b ☐ 28  c ☐ 38  d ☐ 25

12 Merrick’s face showed no expression because ______.
   a ☐ a cloth covered his face  b ☐ his skin
could not move  d ☐ he was bored
d ☐ couldn’t understand people
13 His left hand and arm were ______.
   a ☐ beautiful  b ☐ ugly  c ☐ very big
d ☐ very strange
14 Dr Treves thought that Merrick couldn’t ______.
   a ☐ read  b ☐ eat  c ☐ sleep  d ☐ drink
15 Merrick’s mother ______.
   a ☐ died when he was born  b ☐ often wrote
to him  c ☐ gave him to the shopkeeper
d ☐ was a nurse in the hospital
16 Mr Carr Gomm was ______.
   a ☐ a doctor at the hospital  b ☐ the chairman
   of the hospital  c ☐ Merrick’s closest friend
d ☐ a postman
17 Queen Alexandra visited Merrick ______.
   a ☐ only once  b ☐ many times  c ☐ every week
d ☐ every month
18 Merrick was ______ man.
   a ☐ a strange, difficult  b ☐ a good, quiet
c ☐ an unfriendly, rude  d ☐ a loud, friendly
19 His favourite books were ______.
   a ☐ adventure stories  b ☐ horror stories
c ☐ true stories  d ☐ love stories
20 When he was in the country, he made friends with ______.
   a ☐ the local people  b ☐ the cats and dogs
c ☐ the birds  d ☐ the lady next door

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26 ‘This is your home now … You can stay here all your life.’
   a Mr Carr Gomm  b the Queen
   c Dr Treves  d Mr Silcock
27 ‘You have a very difficult life, but people say you’re happy.’
   a Dr Treves  b the Queen
   c Mrs Kendall  d a friend
28 ‘Perhaps I had a Christmas with my mother once, but I do not remember it.’
   a Merrick  b Dr Treves  c a nurse
   d a boy
29 ‘I am going to put some flowers from the country in this letter.’
   a Dr Treves  b Merrick
   c Mr Carr Gomm  d the Queen
30 ‘We liked to talk to him, and we are all very sorry because he is dead.’
   a the Chairman  b a nurse
   c the Queen  d a doctor

Vocabulary

Choose the best answer.
31 a general name for a living thing
   a a cab  b shopkeeper  c creature
   d body
32 you do this with your nose
   a touch  b smell  c feel  d look
33 the opposite of beautiful
   a dirty  b clean  c kind  d ugly
34 to touch somebody with a lot of force
   a hit  b clean  c scream  d help
35 a tall building near the sea, with a strong light to help ships
   a lighter  b white house
   c lighthouse  d theatre
36 you do this when you are sad
   a cry  b shout  c laugh  d scream
37 a place for bad people
   a country  b prison  c palace
   d hospital
38 something you have all over your body
   a hat  b cloth  c skin  d hair
39 something you watch at the theatre
   a play  b box  c chair  d game
40 a small river
   a bath  b water  c fish  d stream

Plot

Choose the best answer.
41 Dr Treves paid the shopkeeper _____ to see the Elephant Man.
   a two pence  b twelve pence
   c two pounds  d twelve pounds
42 When Merrick first went to the hospital, Dr Treves _____.
   a didn’t want to help him  b didn’t talk to him
   c couldn’t help him  d left him on his own
43 The doctor next met Merrick _____ later.
   a two months  b two weeks
   c ten years  d two years
44 The shopkeeper _____ in Belgium.
   a stole Merrick’s coat and hat  b bought a shop
   c stole Merrick’s money  d went to prison in Belgium
45 Merrick was able to live for the rest of his life in the hospital because _____.
   a the readers of The Times gave a lot of money
   b the doctors paid for his rooms
   c the Queen gave a lot of money
   d it was free
46 Merrick always kept a picture of _____.
   a his parents  b Dr Treves
   c his grandmother  d his mother
47 The famous person he met in hospital was _____.
   a an actor  b a singer  c the Queen
   d the King
48 Merrick wanted to see _____.
   a another country  b the country
   c the sea  d another hospital
49 He stayed there for six weeks and _____.
   a was very unhappy  b was very happy
   c wrote a book  d learned to sing
50 Merrick died because he _____ and broke his neck.
   a fell out of bed  b fell over
   c lay on his back  d sat up in bed

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