Fourth Annual College Greek Exam (2012)

TIME: 50 MINUTES

Write YOUR NAME at the top left-hand portion of your answer sheet. Write YOUR LAST NAME FIRST. Be sure to FILL IN THE BUBBLES under your name. DO NOT change the identification number on the sheet or add any additional information.

Mark the correct choice ON YOUR ANSWER SHEET. There is only one correct answer/choice for each question. Choose the BEST POSSIBLE ANSWER.

1. The form of the definite article that agrees with μητρός is
   a. ὁ (41.4%)  c. τάς (4.9%)
   b. τό (5.7%)  *d. τῆς (48.0%)

2. εἵλον serves as a tense of what verb?
   *a. αἱρέω (42.1%)  c. ὁράω (18.0%)
   b. εἶμι (12.7%)  d. λέγω (26.8%)

3. The form which agrees with (modifies) φύσεως is
   a. πονηρῶς (39.3%)  c. πονηρᾶς (11.4%)
   b. πονηροῦ (43.1%)  d. πονηρῶν (5.7%)

4. Which of the following gives the command “Laugh!”
   a. γελᾷς (22.2%)  *c. γέλασον (34.2%)
   b. γελῶ (25.2%)  d. γελάσασθαι (17.5%)

5. The form μεῖναι is a(n)
   *a. aorist infinitive (56.0%)  c. plural noun (17.1%)
   b. present infinitive (17.3%)  d. feminine participle (9.5%)

6. Choose the pronoun that fits correctly into this sentence: τὰ δῶρα _____ἐπέμπομεν καλὰ ἦν.
   a. ὃ (7.0%)  c. ἥ (29.4%)
   b. ὃς (15.4%)  *d. ἃ (48.2%)

7. The sentence μανθάνομεν ὅτι ή ἀνάγκη ἄρχει τῶν ἀνθρώπων is virtually equivalent to:
   a. δεῖ τοὺς ἀνθρώπους μανθάνειν. (5.5%)
   b. δεῖ ἡμᾶς διδάσκειν τοὺς ἀνθρώπους. (8.7%)
   *c. μανθάνομεν τὴν ἀνάγκην ἄρχειν τῶν ἀνθρώπων. (68.1%)
   d. μανθάνει ἡ ἀνάγκη ἡμᾶς ἄρχειν τῶν ἀνθρώπων. (17.8%)
8. Which verb has the appropriate accent over the correct syllable?
   a. ἐγελώμεν (8.5%)  
   b. γελώμεν (13.7%)  
   c. ἐγήλομεν (22.0%)  
   d. ἐγελὼμεν (55.8%)  

9. What is the tense of διδασκόμεθα?
   a. perfect (19.7%)  
   b. aorist (9.3%)  
   c. future (14.0%)  
   d. present (56.4%)  

10. The underlined words in οἱ στρατιῶται ἐφέρον τὰς ἐπιστολὰς καὶ ἔτρεχον εἰς τὴν πόλιν can be replaced by:
    a. φέροντες (66.8%)  
    b. φέρειν (9.9%)  
    c. φερομένας (12.1%)  
    d. φερούσας (11.0%)  

11. Making the person of ἐφίλει plural yields the form
    a. φιλούσι (24.3%)  
    b. ἐφίλουν (55.6%)  
    c. ἐφιλοῦμεν (10.1%)  
    d. ἐφιλοῦ (9.9%)  

12. The tense of τίθησι is
    a. present (35.9%)  
    b. imperfect (6.8%)  
    c. aorist (36.2%)  
    d. perfect (21.1%)  

13. The superlative degree of the adverb πονηρῶς is:
    a. ως πονηρός (4.4%)  
    b. πονηρότερον (14.0%)  
    c. ως πονηρότατος (35.7%)  
    d. πονηρότατα (45.9%)  

14. The dative plural of βασιλεύς is
    a. βασιλέων (8.9%)  
    b. βασιλέως (15.2%)  
    c. βασιλεί (15.4%)  
    d. βασιλεῦσιν (60.5%)  

15. Choose the imperfect tense that corresponds to βάλλουσιν:
    a. ἔβαλον (20.7%)  
    b. βαλοῦσιν (4.4%)  
    c. ἔβαλλον (53.5%)  
    d. ἐβάλλοντο (21.4%)  

16. οἱ γαμοῦντες become
    a. clowns (14.0%)  
    b. letters of the alphabet (19.9%)  
    c. the essence of being (17.8%)  
    d. husbands (48.2%)  

17. Fill in the blank: ὁ Ἡρακλῆς ἐστὶ βελτίων ____________.
    a. ὁ Περσεύς (12.1%)  
    b. αἱ Ἀθῆναι (8.2%)  
    c. τοῦ Περσέως (47.8%)  
    d. τοῖς Ἀθηναίοις (31.5%)
18. Which prose writer explained the history of the wars between Greeks and Persians?
   a. Ἀριστοτέλης (6.6%)       c. Θουκυδίδης (18.4%)
   *b. Ἡρόδοτος (67.7%)      d. Ξενοφῶν (7.2%)

19. The adjective that agrees with the noun ἄρχων is
   a. εὐδαιμόνων (17.3%)     c. ἀξίων (31.7%)
   *b. εὐδαίμων (39.5%)     d. ἄξιον (10.8%)

20. The case of ἦμιν is
   a. nominative (9.7%)       *c. dative (60.0%)
   b. genitive (5.9%)         d. accusative (23.9%)

21. The tense and mood of πεφιληκέναι are
   a. perfect imperative (6.3%)  c. pluperfect indicative (8.7%)
   *b. perfect infinitive (74.2%)  d. perfect indicative (10.8%)

22. Choose the correct adjective to complete this sentence: βλέπομεν _____ τὰς γυναῖκας.
   a. ἀληθής (7.0%)          c. πάντας (54.8%)
   b. ἡδύς (4.2%)        *d. ταύτας (33.4%)

23. Where did the Spartans fight a famous battle?
   a. Μυκῆναι (3.4%)       *c. Θερμοπύλαι (76.3%)
   b. Μαραθών (18.0%)     d. Θῆβαι (2.3%)

24. Which phrase expresses the underlined words? We blocked the pass with (by means of) our bodies.
   a. τῷ σώματι (8.5%)                          c. υπὸ τῶν σωμάτων (26.8%)
   *b. τοῖς σώμασι (55.8%)   d. ἀπὸ τῶν σωμάτων (8.9%)

25. The present middle participle that corresponds to the aorist active participle πείσαντες is
   a. πεισάμενοι (19.2%)        *c. πειθόμενοι (53.3%)
   b. πείθοντες (16.9%)       d. πιπτόμενοι (10.4%)

26. Choose the noun that fits correctly into this sentence: οὐ χρήματα δίδομεν _____ κακαῖς.
   a. ἀνδρί (9.9%)        *c. γυναικί (21.6%)
   b. ἀνδράσι (27.9%)     d. γυναιξί (40.4%)
27. Choose the best translation for τὸ τοῦ ἐκείνου τοῦ ἵππου σώματος εἶδος καλόν.
   a. It’s a fine thing to see that man’s horse. (5.9%)
   *b. The appearance of that horse’s body is beautiful. (76.1%)
   c. That man has a horse with a handsome appearance. (10.8%)
   d. The beautiful appearance belongs to the horse. (6.8%)

28. The English adjective pathetic derives from the third principal part of the verb
   a. πάσχω (50.7%)  c. πέμπω (2.1%)
   b. πείθω (40.4%)  d. πίπτω (6.6%)

29. οὐδένα is a form of which word?
   a. ὁδός (7.4%)  c. οὗτος (4.4%)
   b. αὐτός (1.3%) *d. οὐδείς (86.5%)

30. Choose the correct noun to complete this sentence: τὰ τοῦ κόσμου _____ἄληθῆ ἔστιν.
   a. γυνή (15.9%)  c. ἐλπίδα (55.6%)
   b. εἴδη (15.2%)  d. ὁδός (12.9%)

Answer questions 31-40 based on the passage below. In his essay On the Education of Children (Περὶ παίδων ἀγωγῆς, 9b-c), Plutarch discusses how much effort fathers should use when pushing their children to excel.

1 πατέρες τινὲς σπεύδοντες τοὺς παῖδας ταχέως πρωτεῦσαι πόνους
2 αὐτοῖς ὑπερμέτρους ἐπιβάλλουσιν, οἷς ἀπαυδῶντες ἐκ πίπτουσι
3 καὶ βαρυνόμενοι ταῖς κακοπαθείαις χαλεπῶς δέχονται τὴν
4 μάθησιν. ὥσπερ γὰρ τὰ φυτὰ τοῖς μὲν μετρίοις ὕδασι  τρέφεται,
5 τοῖς δὲ πολλοῖς πάσχει, οὐτως καὶ ἡ ψυχὴ τοῖς μὲν συμμέτροις
6 αὔξεται πόνοις, τοῖς δ’ ὑπερβάλλουσι βαπτίζεται. δεὶ οὖν τοῖς
7 παισὶν ἀναπνοὴν τῶν πόνων διδόναι.

αναπνοή –ῆς ἡ pause (lit. a “breather”)
ἀπαυδάω fail at (+dat.)
αὔξομαι increase
βαπτίζομαι drown, overwhelm
βαρύνω weigh down, depress, oppress
ἐκπίπτω fall off, decline
ἐπιβάλλω lay on, impose
κακοπάθεια –ας ἡ distress
μάθησις, μαθήσεως ἡ lesson
μέτριος –α –ον average, moderate
παις, παιδός ὁ child
πόνος –ου ὁ hard work
πρωτεύω be first
σπεύδω be eager
σύμμετρος –ον proportionate
ὑδας ὑδατος το water
ὑπερβάλλω surpass, exceed
ὑπερβάλλω surpase, exceed
φυτὸν –οῦ το plant
ώστερ just as
31. The mood of πρωτεύσαι (line 1) is
   *a. infinitive (64.5%)  c. participle (11.6%)
   b. indicative (19.0%)  d. imperative (4.7%)

32. In line 2, οἷς refers to what noun or pronoun (i.e., what is its antecedent)?
   a. πατέρες (line 1) (13.7%)  *c. πόνους (line 1) (13.1%)
   b. παῖδας (line 1) (31.7%)  d. αὐτοῖς (line 2) (40.8%)

33. In lines 1-2, why do some fathers treat their children as they do?
   a. Their children are eager to be first. (9.7%)  
   b. The children throw pains on their fathers. (3.0%)  
   *c. The fathers are eager for their children to excel. (85.6%)  
   d. The fathers believe their children suffer too much pain. (1.5%)

34. Lines 2-4 (οἷς…μάθησιν) suggest children do not like their lessons because
   *a. They are stressed out. (64.7%)  
   b. The lessons move too quickly. (20.5%)  
   c. They are not physically fit enough to lift their heavy burdens. (7.8%)  
   d. Their teachers do not introduce the lessons nicely. (6.8%)

35. The word which πολλοῖς (in line 5) agrees with (modifies) is
   a. φυτὰ (line 4) (13.3%)  c. οὕτως (line 5) (7.8%)
   *b. ὕδασι (line 4) (44.8%)  d. πόνοις (line 6) (33.4%)

36. According to lines 4-5 (ὥσπερ... πάσχει) we learn that
   *a. Plants thrive on a moderate amount of water. (77.0%)  
   b. Plants can nourish only so much water. (16.9%)  
   c. Many plants suffer when nourished with water. (3.0%)  
   d. Many plants suffer when children grow them. (2.1%)

37. The word ὑπερβάλλουσι (line 6) is
   a. an infinitive complementary with βαπτίζεται (7.4%)
   b. an infinitive complementary with αὔξεται (3.2%)
   c. a present active verb in the third-person plural (57.5%)
   *d. a participle in the dative case (31.3%)
38. What case and number is παισὶν (line 7)?
   a. nominative singular (2.1%)
   *b. dative plural (80.3%)
   c. accusative singular (11.4%)
   d. nominative plural (4.9%)

39. The word διδόναι (line 7) is
   *a. an infinitive complementary with δεῖ (line 6) (68.5%)
   b. an adjective modifying παισὶν (line 7) (7.6%)
   c. the subject (nominative) of the sentence (9.3%)
   d. a participle in the nominative case (13.3%)

40. In lines 5-7 (οὕτως … διδόναι), Plutarch concludes that
   a. Children should pause to receive gifts when they are overwhelmed. (10.8%)
   b. Children will surpass their peers in order to take a break. (11.8%)
   *c. Children should be pushed moderately in their lessons. (72.7%)
   d. Growing a plant helps children rest from pain. (3.4%)

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(The End)