- 26. Njeri wondered what Aoko was doing at 33. The phrase "buried in the paper" as used
 - A. it was already 10 o'clock.
 - B. she wanted to play with her.
 - C. they were close friends.
 - D. it was unusual for Aoko to be late.
- 27. During the school holidays, the girls
 - A. always met at nine o'clock
 - B. loved listening to stories
 - C. became close friends
 - D. spent the better part of the day together.
- 28. Why did Njeri suggest that they "go away and come back later"?
 - A. She was bored.
 - B. She was nervous.
 - C. She was impatient.
 - D. She was worried.
- 29. Which of the following statements best explains why Cherono greeted the old lady in Aoko's mother tongue?
 - A. She knew the old lady did not know English.
 - B. She assumed the old lady was from Aoko's community.
 - C. She knew the old lady could understand the language.
 - D. She wanted to surprise the old lady by speaking her language.
- 30. When Njeri did not understand what the old lady was saying, she must have felt
 - A. embarassed
 - B. annoyed
 - C. frustrated
 - D. rejected.
- **31**. Which of the following is **not** a possible explanation why Cherono was curious about the old lady?
 - A. The old lady was about a hundred years
 - B. She had never seen the old lady before.
 - C. The old lady had toothless gums.
 - D. She had learnt the old lady's language.
- 32. Njeri was reluctant to 'go out and chat' with the old lady because
 - A. only Cherono could understand the old lady's language.
 - B. she did not enjoy stories in another language.
 - C. She thought the stories would not be in English.
 - D. the old lady was not from her community.

- in the passage means
 - A. covered with the paper.
 - B. reading the paper keenly.
 - C. looking at the paper.
 - D. the old lady was dead.
- 34. The expression "taken aback" as used in the passage means
 - A. shocked.
 - B. surprised.
 - C. frightened.
 - D. excited.
- 35. Why do you think the old lady "let out a hearty laugh"?
 - A. She was amused by the girls' ignorance.
 - B. She wanted to surprise the girls.
 - C. She wanted to show off that she knew English.
 - D. She was proud about her community.
- 36. The old lady was 'astonished' because Cherono
 - A. was not from her community
 - B. had been taught her language
 - C. was a good interpreter
 - D. could speak her language fluently.
- 37. Which of the following statements is not true about Aoko?
 - A. She was shocked to find her friends with her great grandmother.
 - B. She had been away for over thirty minutes.
 - C. She was an obedient girl.
 - D. She loved being with her friends.
- 38. Which of the following sayings can best apply to this passage?
 - A. A stitch in time saves nine.
 - B. Do not judge a book by its cover.
 - C. Experience is the best teacher.
 - D. Better late than never.