Name: _____class: _____ Homework 1

A. Give the correct form of verbs in the brackets with past simple and past continuous

1. While Tom (read)..... , Amely (watch) .....a documentary on TV.

2. Marvin (come)..... home, (switch) .....on the computer and

(check) .....his emails.

3. The thief (sneak)..... into the house, (steal) .....the jewels and

(leave) .....without a trace.

4. Nobody (listen) .....while the teacher (explain) .....the tenses.

5. While we (do) .....a sight-seeing tour, our friends (lie) .....on the beach.

6. He (wake) .....up and (look) .....at his watch.

7. The receptionist (welcome) .....the guests and (ask) .....them to fill in the form.

8. The car (break) .....down and we (have).....to walk home.

9. The boys (swim) .....while the girls .....(sunbathe) .

10. My father (come) .....in, (look) .....around and (tell) .....me to

tidy up my room.

11. As long as one group (prepare) .....dinner, the others (collect) .....wood for

their campfire.

12. While the parents (have) .....breakfast, their children (run)..... about.

13. Martha (turn) .....off the lights and (go)..... to bed.

14. When I (do) .....the washing-up, I (break) .....a plate.

15. While Tom (play) .....the piano, his mother (do) .....the washing-up.

16. He (drink) .....some juice and then he (eat) .....a few chips.

17. I (have) .....dinner when I suddenly (hear) .....a loud bang.

18. When my father (work) .....in the garden, an old friend (pass) .....by to see him.

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19. She (go) .....to school, (take) .....out her textbook and (begin) .....to learn.

20. When it (start) .....to rain, our dog (want) .....to come inside.

21. He (always, run) .....late to work, so he got fired.

22. Mia (always, play) ..... on her iPad, so her mom took it away.

23. My boss (constantly, phone) ..... me in my last job. I hated it.

24. She (forever, lose) ..... her keys.

25.I (listen) ____ to the radio while my sister (watch) ____ TV.

B. Put the verbs in brackets in the past simple or the past continuous tense.

1. Alexander Graham Bell (introduce)..... the telephone in 1876.
2. He (sit) __ _____ in a bar when I (see) ___ _____ him.
3. When I (go) __ _____ out, the sun (shine) ___ _____.
4. you (go)..... out last night?
5. The light (go) ____ _____ out while I (have) __ _____ tea.
6. We (walk) _____ to the station when it (begin) _____ to rain.
7. Yesterday I (be).....busy, so I (not have)..... time to phone you.
8. The house (burn) _____ fast, so we (break) _____ the window to get out.
9. Mr. Brown used (play)..... football when he (be) ……young.
10. All of them (sing) _____ when I came.
11. Why didn't you listen while I (speak) _____ to you?
12. While I (go) _____to school yesterday, I (meet) _____ my friend.
13. Last night I (go)..... to bed late. Suddenly I (hear) .....a noise. I (get)..... up to see what it (be)..... but I (not see) .....anything.
14. The servant (drop) _____ two cups while she (wash up) ____ last night; neither of them (break)_____

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15. While he (write) _____ a letter, the telephone (ring) _____; as he (go) _____ to answer it, he (hear) _____ a knock on the door; the telephone (still, ring) _____ while he (walk) _____ to the door, but just as he (open) _____ it, it (stop) _____.

C. Choose the correct answer (subjunctive mood)

1. It is necessary that you....able to come with us.

A. are B. be C. being D. to be

2. I suggest that Peter....the directions carefully before assembling the bicycle.

A. read B. reading C. reads D. to read

3. We request that she....the window.

A. not open B. not to open C. not opening D. to not open

4. The UK is considering the proposal that it....compensations for damages of the Indian embassy.

A. been paying B. is paying C. paid D. pay

5. Howard prefers that I....to his party.

A. am going B. go C. going D. will go

6. Mary demanded that the heater....immediately. Her apartment was freezing.

A. repaired B. be repaired C. being repaired D. been repaired

7. The monk insisted that the tourists....the temple until they had removed their shoes.

A. not enter B. not entering C. not to enter D. to not enter

8. The recommendation that she....a holiday was carried out.

A. has taken B. take C. taken D. taking

9. Was it really necessary that I....there watching you the entire time you were rehearsing for the play? It was really boring watching you repeat the scenes over and over again.

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A. am sitting B. be sitting C. being sitting D. sitting

10. I propose that we all....together so that nobody gets lost along the way.

A. be driving B. drive s C. driven D. driving

D. Choose the correct answer

1. The mass media are_____ of communication, such as books, newspapers, recordings, radio, movies, television, mobile phones and the Internet.

A. models. B. means C. parts D. types

2. TV companies_____ their programmes across the country or even across the world.

A. broadcast B. refresh C. connect D. publish

3. While a sports match has spectators and radio has listeners, television has_____.

A. audience B. witnesses C. viewers D. commentators

4. There's a great_____ show on BBC1 tonight. Contestants have to race through a supermarket as quickly as they can, filling up their trolleys as they go.

A. talk B. game C. quiz D. live

5. I always get the news from my local radio_____.

A. place B. site C. studio D. station

6. Johnny Depp rarely_____ invitations to do interviews.

A. agrees B. accepts C. denies D. approves

7. How many means of_____ do you use on a regular basis?

A. communication B. communicating C. communicator D. communicative

8. Are you thinking of a career in_____?

A. journal B. journalism C. journalist D. journalistic

9. Students use the library's computers to get access_____ the Internet.

A. for B. to C. with D. by

10. Most people_____ the mass media as their main source of information.

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A. rely on B. try on C. put on D. hold on

11. Each form of mass media has an important ***impact*** on society.

A. influence B. pressure C. affection D. role

12. The programme invited ***viewers*** to write in with their ideas.

A. people who watch the programme B. people who sponsor the programme

C. people who produce the programme D. people who edit the programme

13. Journalists can make mistakes, so don't believe everything you read in ***the press***.

A. publications B. news bulletins

C. reference books D. newspapers and magazines

14. ***Face-to-face*** socializing is not as preferred as virtual socializing among the youth.

A. Direct B. Facial C. Available D. Instant

15. She thinks that unfortunately they may not understand the ***benefits*** of online information.

A. advantages B. points C. features D. amounts

E. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

11. Martin Luther King devoted his life to the ____ of voting right for black people.

A. effort B. realization C. achievement D. performance

12. His father used to be a ____ professor at the university. Many students worshipped him..

A. distinct B. distinctive C. distinguishing D. distinguished

13. Mark Zuckerberg's enormous success has taken a lot of hardwork and ____.

A. indifference B. dedication C. loyalty D. reputation

14. I can't believe she didn't do anything for the company. I will ____ and be in charge.

A. take over B. take on C. take up D. take in

15. During the Medieval period, people were made public ____ of being witches.

A. complaint B. criminal C. trouble D. accusation

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16. That disable boy's victory in the race set the ____ example to all students in the school.

A. finest B. first-class C. rarest D. most convenient

17. A ____ once said "It is a sweet and honourable thing to die for your country."

A. patriotism B. patriotic C. patriot D. patrol

18. He is ____-influenced by his father and grandfather. His behaviors and decisions are exactly the same.

A. mightily B. strongly C. terribly D. weakly

19. IPhone 7 is the latest ____ in the field of smartphone design of Apple.

A. creator B. create C. creativity D. creation

20. Einstein ____ a great impact on modern physics.

A. feels B. does C. a D. has

21. It is the underserved ____ that damaged his life and his family.

A. reputable B. repute C. reputation D. disrepute

22. At the age of 50, Robby William ____ his career after spending his twenty years playing electric guitar.

A. moved B. changed C. adjusted D. stopped

23. She has a wonderful voice but unfortunately, she never gets the ____ to sing in public.

A. event B. occasion C. ability D. chance

24. Michael Hart was the ____ of Project Gutenberg, one of the longest-lasting online library projects.

A. founder B. author C. architect D. father

25. She is not a very nice girl. She seems to enjoy the ____ of others.

A. unfortune B. misfortune C. disfortune D. infortune

26. We ____ the kittens carefully and sold them for a good profit.

A. brought up B. grew up C . rose D. aroused

27. The stores will inevitably end up ____ with each other to increase their market shares.

A. contesting B. contending C. competing D. completing

28. Bill Gates has made large donations to numerous ____ organizations.

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A. charitable B. charitably C. charity D. charities

29. Thanks to the help of the teacher, she is _____ encouraging progress in math.

A. doing B. making C. checking D. stopping

30. The ____ of the soil reduced the productivity of the farm.

A. fertility B. hardship C. poverty D. inadequacy

Exercise 3. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

31. The speaker paused. He hesitated to answer the direct question raised by the audience.

A. decided B. continued C. determined D. wavered

32. Her courage not only inspired her followers but moved her rivals as well.

A. depressed B. motivated C. overlooked D. rejected

33. The government's plans to cut taxes really stimulated the economy.

A. discouraged B. started C. weakened D. improved

34. Chauvet Jeans was a well-known nineteen century painter whose paintings are extraordinarily sophisticated.

A. old-fashioned B. basic C. primitive D. complex

35. Some rock stars started off as rebels with strong and broad principles.

A. beliefs B. honour C. formulas D. law

36. I used to idolize David Beckham because of his dedication and talent.

A. hate B. impress C. worship D. detest

37. Linda is very outgoing, however, her brother is quite reserved.

A. open B. sociable C. easygoing D. shy

38. Ideally, I'd like to work at home but there is no way my boss agrees with that.

A. Generally B. Luckily C. Preferably D. Fortunately

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39. Morgan Freeman began to land big roles and won critical and popular acclaim after years of small parts and limited success.

A. arrive B. gain C. deliver D. Cause

40. Recognizable smaller than most of the kids in his age group, Lionel Messi was diagnosed by doctors as suffering from a hormone deficiency that restricted his growth.

A. inadequacy B. sufficiency C. abundance D. strength

Exercise 4. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) SIMILAR in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

41. During the Great Depression, many people suddenly found themselves jobless after a night.

A. unemployed B. redundant C. unoccupied D. supplementary

42. I was relieved by the news that they had gone home safe and sound.

A. comforted B. concerned C. relaxed D. lightened

43. She comes from an admirable and respectable family.

A. good B. respected C. unworthy D. dignified

44. They are going to have to amputate his left leg which was badly injured in the accident.

A. remove B. separate C. cut off D. mend

45. Her identity will never be revealed in order to protect her children from being judged.

A. uncovered B. proclaimed C. leaked D. hid

46. There are several interesting things emerging from the report.

A. fading B. rising C. coming across D. developing

47. This boy is poorly-educated and doesn't know how to behave properly.

A. uneducated B. knowledgeable C. ignorant D. rude

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Exercise 5. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

51. We ____ to the hospital to visit Mike when he ____ to say that he was fine.

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A. were driving - was calling B. drove - called

C. were driving – called D. drove - was calling

52. What ____ to you on Sunday night?

A. happen B. happened C. was happening D. would happen

53. Last night, we ____ for you for ages but you never ____ up.

A. waited – showed B. would wait - showed

C. were waiting - were showing D. waited – was showing

54. We ____ our quality time when the unexpected guess ____.

A. had – came B. were having - came

C. had been having – came D. have had – would have come

55. Since they ____ us they ____ to visit us last Sunday, we ____ forward to the day.

A. were telling - came - looked B . would tell – would visit - would look

C. told – would come - were looking D. tell - are coming - will look

56. I ____ out last night but at the last minute I ____ that I had a quiz this morning.

A. was going to go – realized B. went – realized

C. had gone – would realize D. would go - have realized

57. She hasn't paid as much attention to her children as she ____ since she ____ working.

A. does – starts B. did - started

C. was doing - was starting D. has done - would start

58. My brother ____ at the road when he ____ into a hole.

A. wasn't looking - was falling B. didn't look - has fallen

C. wasn't looking – fell D. won't look - fall

59. Magellan ____ the first European who ____ through the strait.

A. was - was sailing B. was being - was sailing

C. had been – sailed D. was - sailed

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