

### III. PRACTICE EXERCISES

**Exercise 1:** Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following questions.

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| <b>Question 1:</b> | A. reliable   | B. independent   | C. responsible | D. decisiveness |
| <b>Question 2:</b> | A. difficult  | B. confident     | C. critical    | D. important    |
| <b>Question 3:</b> | A. permission | B. well-informed | C. activity    | D. effective    |
| <b>Question 4:</b> | A. routine    | B. problem       | C. lonely      | D. hygiene      |
| <b>Question 5:</b> | A. laundry    | B. punish        | C. depend      | D. reason       |

**Exercise 2:** Mark the letter A, B, c, or D indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

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| <b>Question 6:</b> | A. chore   | B. work       | C. more     | D. divorce |
| <b>Question 7:</b> | A. trashed | B. considered | C. balanced | D. washed  |
| <b>Question 8:</b> | A. prepare | B. help       | C. benefit  | D. extend  |

- Question 9:** A. husband                      B. contribute                      C. vulnerable                      D. mum  
**Question 10:** A. skill                      B. split                      C. children                      D. finance

**Exercise 3: Mark the letter A, B, c, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.**

**Question 11:** I'm responsible for cooking dinner as my mother usually works \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. lately                      B. latter                      C. later                      D. late

**Question 12:** I usually my \_\_\_\_\_ younger sisters when my parents are away on business.

- A. look into                      B. look after                      C. look for                      D. look up

**Question 13:** In my family my father always takes charge of doing the \_\_\_\_\_ lifting.

- A. strong                      B. hard                      C. heavy                      D. huge

**Question 14:** \_\_\_\_\_ the rubbish in the early morning is a part of my daily routine.

- A. Taking out                      B. Coming out                      C. Pulling out                      D. Bringing out

**Question 15:** My wife is going on her business next week so I have to \_\_\_\_\_ most of the chores around the house.

- A. distribute                      B. control                      C. take                      D. handle

**Question 16:** As a blue - collar worker, he found it difficult to be in charge of the household \_\_\_\_\_

- A. financial                      B. financially                      C. finances                      D. financier

**Question 17:** \_\_\_\_\_ is a person who works at home and takes care of the house and family.

- A. Breadwinner                      B. Homemaker                      C. Servant                      D. Houseman

**Question 18:** My mother and I often go to the supermarket to shop for \_\_\_\_\_ at weekends.

- A. cook                      B. groceries                      C. heavy lifting                      D. the chores

**Question 19:** Her husband is very kind. He always cares \_\_\_\_\_ her and never puts all of the housework \_\_\_\_\_ her.

- A. about - in                      B. for - in                      C. about - on                      D. with - on

**Question 20:** To Hoa, her father is the greatest person in the world and he always sets a good \_\_\_\_\_ for her.

- A. role                      B. behavior                      C. example                      D. action

**Question 21:** We take \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ doing the washing-up, cleaning the floor and watering the flowers.

- A. action                      B. power                      C. note                      D. turns

**Question 22:** Most people will receive \_\_\_\_\_ benefits when sharing the housework in their family.

- A. enormous                      B. huge                      C. big                      D. great

**Question 23:** When getting into troubles, Jack never \_\_\_\_\_ on other people for help. He always solves them on his own.

- A. determines                      B. influences                      C. relies                      D. manages

**Question 24:** It was essential for him to be financially \_\_\_\_\_ of his parents, so he decided to find a part-time job.

- A. dependent                      B. independent                      C. dependable                      D. undependable

**Question 25:** We've divided the group report into three parts and you're \_\_\_\_\_ for the conclusion one.

- A. responsible                      B. irresponsible                      C. response                      D. responsive

**Question 26:** My father advised me to make a list of things to do and \_\_\_\_\_ them if you want to work effectively.

- A. do                      B. arrange                      C. prioritize                      D. approach

**Question 27:** Despite my parents' disagreement, I'm \_\_\_\_\_ to drop out of university and establish my own business.

- A. determined                      B. confident                      C. successful                      D. hesitant

**Question 28:** There are a lot of dirty clothes and sheets in Tom's room, so it's time for him to do his \_\_\_\_\_

- A. washing-up                      B. garbage                      C. laundry                      D. household chores

**Question 29:** As a housewife, she stays at home and \_\_\_\_\_ her children. She takes care of them, feeds them and protects them to develop.

- A. nurtures                      B. nurture                      C. nature                      D. natures

**Question 30:** According to a survey, a lot of young people prefer to live in \_\_\_\_\_ families which consist of parents and children.

- A. nuclear                      B. extended                      C. three generation                      D. four generation

**Question 31:** Parents today want their kids spending time on things that can bring them success, \_\_\_\_\_ we've stopped doing one thing that's actually been a proven predictor of success and that's household chores.

- A. automatically                      B. spontaneously                      C. ironically                      D. immediately

**Question 32:** You are old enough to take \_\_\_\_\_ for what you have done.

- A. responsible                      B. responsibility                      C. responsibly                      D. irresponsible

**Question 33:** With greatly increased workloads, everyone is \_\_\_\_\_ pressure... now.

- A. under                      B. above                      C. upon                      D. out of

**Question 34:** Belonging to a family is one bond almost everyone in the world shares, but family \_\_\_\_\_ vary from country to country.

- A. manners                      B. styles                      C. patterns                      D. ways

**Question 35:** While most American families are traditional, comprising a father, mother and one or more children, 22.5 percent of all American families in 1983 were \_\_\_\_\_ by one parent, usually a woman.

- A. leaded                      B. headed                      C. supported                      D. raised

**Question 36:** In a few families in the United States, there are no children. These childless couples may believe that they would not make good parents; they may want freedom from the responsibilities \_\_\_\_\_; or perhaps they are not physically able to have children.

- A. child-rearing                      B. child-bearing                      C. childcare                      D. healthcare

**Question 37:** The most important job for a family is to give \_\_\_\_\_ support and security.

- A. finance                      B. emotional                      C. personal                      D. individual

**Question 38:** A family can be two or more people who share goals and values, have long-term \_\_\_\_\_ to one another, and usually live in the same house.

- A. commit                      B. commitments                      C. committed                      D. commutative

**Question 39:** The traditional definition of a nuclear family is a family unit that \_\_\_\_\_ two married



parents of opposite genders and their biological or adopted children living in the same residence.

- A. insists                      B. contains                      C. comprise                      D. includes

**Question 40:** My mother is a \_\_\_\_\_ woman. She does all the household chores to make US more comfortable.

- A. caring                      B. careless                      C. careful                      D. cared

**Exercise 4:** Mark the letter A, B, c, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

**Question 41:** Ms. Mai asked me how she could divide household chores equally in her family.

- A. make                      B. split                      C. give                      D. contribute

**Question 42:** Parents are recommended to collaborate with teachers in educating children.

- A. integrate                      B. cooperate                      C. separate                      D. disagree

**Question 43:** We're surprised to hear that his musical talent was nurtured by their loving parents when he was a child.

- A. abandoned                      B. limited                      C. fostered                      D. restricted

**Question 44:** In spite of poverty, we manage to raise our children properly.

- A. give up                      B. go up                      C. make up                      D. bring up

**Question 45:** She decided to find a job to earn money instead of just living at home and being a housekeeper.

- A. lend                      B. make                      C. borrow                      D. raise

**Question 46:** It is advisable that everyone in family shares the household duties.

- A. views                      B. ideas                      C. jobs                      D. chores

**Question 47:** In the 20<sup>th</sup> century, most of the traditional attitudes to remarriage are changing.

- A. conventional                      B. contemporary                      C. latest                      D. new

**Question 48:** After consideration, teaching is still a career worth pursuing as I prefer to become a teacher like my mother and my father.

- A. work                      B. unemployment                      C. occupation                      D. professor

**Question 49:** The government needs to seek a solution to prevent domestic violence as soon as possible.

- A. recreation                      B. remedy                      C. keyword                      D. technique

**Question 50:** Billy, come and give me a hand with cooking.

- A. help                      B. prepared                      C. be busy                      D. attempt

**Question 51:** Whenever problems come up, we discuss them frankly and find solutions quickly.

- A. happen                      B. encounter                      C. arrive                      D. clean

**Question 52:** My brothers love joining my dad in mending things around the house at weekends.

- A. repairing                      B. amending                      C. replacing                      D. impairing

**Question 53:** John is the black sheep of the family. He is currently serving 5 years in jail for stealing a car.

- A. a member of a family who is regarded as a disgrace and an embarrassment.

- B. a member of a family who support family by raising sheep.
- C. a member of a family who confers prestige on his family.
- D. a breadwinner.

**Question 54:** We're all ambitious - it seems to run in the family.

- A. be in our blood
- B. be a chip off the old block
- C. be flesh and blood
- D. be in the family way

**Question 55:** She is over the moon because she has just known that she is in the family way.

- A. be promoted
- B. be praised
- C. be pregnant
- D. be criticized

**Exercise 5:** Mark the letter A, B, c, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) **OPPOSITE** in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

**Question 56:** She got up late and  rushed  to the bus stop.

- A. came into
- B. went leisurely
- C. went quickly
- D. dropped by

**Question 57:** My family is the base from which we can go into the world with confidence.

- A. excitement
- B. amazement
- C. embarrassment
- D. anxiety

**Question 58:** In my family both my parents join hands to give US a nice house anda happy home.

- A. work together
- B. work individually
- C. work enthusiastically
- D. work responsibly

**Question 59:** My brothers are often very obedient to what I say. They are really lovable.

- A. mischievous
- B. contumacious
- C. alienated
- D. disaffected

**Question 60:** From my point of view, parental divorce can cause lasting negative consequences for children.

- A. beginning of a marriage
- B. the situation of not marrying
- C. single person
- D. ending of a marriage

**Question 61:** In my view, husbands should contribute to the household duties in order to reduce burden on their wives.

- A. minimize
- B. lower
- C. decrease
- D. increase

**Question 62:** We try to create an atmosphere of comfort and security for our children.

- A. safety
- B. harmony
- C. danger
- D. shelter

**Question 63:** My husband willingly helps me do the chores at weekends so that I can have more time to relax.

- A. eagerly
- B. reluctantly
- C. agreeably
- D. readily

**Question 64:** In my family, my mother always does the cooking and shopping, my father has responsibility for mending things, especially electrical devices.

- A. impairing
- B. fixing
- C. repairing
- D. curing

**Question 65:** When having days off, he always helps his wife tidy up the house.

- A. clear up
- B. sort out
- C. arrange
- D. mess up

**Question 66:** His parents have been highly critical of his recent disobedience.

- A. disapproving
- B. favorable

C. crucial

D. uncomplimentary

**Question 67:** Setting and clearing the table, making bed and taking out the trash are suitable chores for 8- to 10-years-old children.

A. inappropriate

B. proper

C. acceptable

D. reasonable

**Question 68:** My parents seemed fully satisfied with the result of my entrance exam.

A. pleased

B. contented

C. disappointed

D. joyful

**Question 69:** My brother is truly a reliable friend. He will always be with me and never let me down.

A. undependable

B. independent

C. decisive

D. dependable

**Question 70:** My parents are very proud of my sister, who is not only good at learning but also well-informed about everything around the world.

A. perfectly-informed

B. badly-informed

C. bad-informed

D. ill-informed