



14. If we want to \_\_\_\_\_ up with them, we'd better hurry.  
 A. come                      B. arrive                      C. approach                      D. catch
15. He can't afford to go on holiday \_\_\_\_\_ taking a job.  
 A. unless                      B. until                      C. if                      D. without
16. In fact, they have never \_\_\_\_\_ any experience of living overseas.  
 A. had                      B. wished                      C. done                      D. made

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the most suitable response to complete each of the following exchanges.**

17. Tom: "Thank you very much for your lovely gift! I really like it."  
 Maria: " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
 A. You're welcome.                      B. Oh, it's OK.  
 C. I'm pleased.                      D. It's not good.

18. Robert: " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
 Mary: "I'd love to, but I have an evening class tonight."  
 A. Do you want to go out for a walk with me?  
 B. Should you go for dinner with me tonight?  
 C. Would you like to come to my party tonight?  
 D. Do you think we must go for dinner tonight?

**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.**

19. Sue and Daisy are as different as chalk and cheese. No wonder their friendship has broken up recently.  
 A. changed                      B. ended                      C. improved                      D. appeared
20. He was astounded at his bad luck. He couldn't believe it.  
 A. unhappy                      B. frightened                      C. astonished                      D. amused

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

21. A surprising percentage of the population in remote areas is illiterate.  
 A. able to speak fluently                      B. unable to speak fluently  
 C. unable to read and write                      D. able to read and write
22. These shoes are made of imitation leather, so they are not expensive.  
 A. natural                      B. valuable                      C. man-made                      D. cheap

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct word that best fits each of the numbered blanks.**

Intelligence tests have been used for many years to judge people's Intelligence Quotient, or IQ. A (23) \_\_\_\_\_ more recent invention, but one which is gaining in popularity, is the measuring of Emotional Intelligence, known as EQ. Emotional

Intelligence is divided (24) \_\_\_\_\_ five areas: self-awareness - recognizing your own feelings; managing emotions - handling your feelings in an appropriate way, and dealing with negative emotions well; motivating oneself - this (25) \_\_\_\_\_ things like self-control, and using your emotions to achieve goals; empathy - understanding other people's feelings, and seeing their point of view; and handling relationships - your social skills, and how well you emotionally interact with other people. Many people believe that your Emotional Intelligence is more (26) \_\_\_\_\_ than any other intelligence, and is a better predictor of how successful you will be in work, and in life. Some employers have even started giving EQ (27) \_\_\_\_\_ to job applicants

23. A. much                      B. very                      C. many                      D. lot  
24. A. to                        B. into                      C. for                        D. with  
25. A. consists                B. has                        C. gets                        D. includes  
26. A. important              B. vital                      C. critical                    D. fundamental  
27. A. exams                    B. checks                    C. tests                      D. proofs

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.**

A good deal of **fascinating** research has been done into the reading patterns of young people, and it's surprising to discover at what an early age children start expressing preferences for particular kinds of books. A recent report, which examined in detail the reading habit of primary school children, showed that even seven-year-old boys and girls have clear views about what they want to read. Girls, in general, read more, and far more girls than boys preferred reading stories. Boys were showing a taste for the more instant appeal of picture stories, or else books about their hobbies.

These tastes continue unchanged until the children are teenagers. Apparently girls read more in general, but more fiction in particular. You could say that there are more opportunities for girls to read fiction: magazines encourage the fiction habit in girls in their early teens, and by their late teens, girls have probably moved on to the adult women's magazines. Teenage boys tend to buy magazines about their hobbies: sports, motorcycles, heavy transport and so on.

28. Recent research into children's reading has shown that they \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. start to read at a very early age  
B. have formed their reading tastes by the time they are seven  
C. examine in detail what they read at school  
D. can read clearly and distinctly in primary school
29. A close look at the reading habits of boys and girls shows that \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. schools give more encouragement to girls than to boys  
B. magazines appeal more to boys than girls

- C. picture stories appeal more to girls than boys  
D. girls are more interested in fiction than boys
30. We can see from the passage that \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. far more boys than girls are interested in love stories  
B. there are more opportunities for girls to buy magazines than for boys  
C. children generally don't care what they should read  
D. teenage boys shows a taste for magazines about their hobbies
31. The word "**fascinating**" in the passage means most nearly the same as \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. having a lot of fiction  
B. having a lot of information  
C. having great attraction  
D. having great pleasure
32. Which of the following is NOT true?
- A. Girls start reading earlier than boys.  
B. Girls read more than boys when they are teenagers.  
C. Girls prefer reading fiction when they are teenagers.  
D. Girls are usually interested in women's magazines in their late teens.

## II. WRITING (2.0 points)

*Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.*

33. They bought a gift that was very expensive for their son.
- A. They gave their son a gift that was very expensive.  
B. Their son bought an expensive gift for his birthday.  
C. The gift was so expensive that they didn't buy it for their son.  
D. Although the gift was inexpensive, they didn't buy it for their son.
34. He wants his wife to quit her job and look after their children.
- A. He would like his wife to stop working and looking after their children.  
B. He wants to quit his job and his wife look after their children.  
C. He would like his wife to continue working in spite of looking after their children.  
D. He would like his wife to stop working and look after their children.
35. If I hadn't had so much work to do, I would have gone to the movies.
- A. I never go to the movies if I had work to do.  
B. Because I had to do so much work, I couldn't go to the movies.  
C. I would go to the movies when I had done so much work.  
D. A lot of work couldn't prevent me from going to the movies.
36. "I'm sorry for not keeping my promise, Mum!" said John.
- A. John said he was sorry for not keeping his promise.  
B. John apologised to his Mum for breaking his promise.  
C. John apologised his Mum because he didn't keep his promise.  
D. John felt sorry for his mum's not keeping her promise.