

Drill exercise: Conditional sentences

C. Choose the best answer among A, B, C or D to complete each sentence.

1. I would have visited you before if there _____ quite a lot of people in your house.
A. hadn't B. hadn't been C. wouldn't be D. wasn't
2. If you had caught the bus, you _____ late for work.
A. wouldn't have been B. would have been C. wouldn't be D. would be
3. If I _____, I would express my feelings.
A. were asked B. would ask
C. had been asked D. asked
4. If _____ as I told her, she would have succeeded.
A. she has done B. she had done
C. she does D. she did
5. Will you be angry if I _____ your pocket dictionary?
A. stole B. have stolen C. were to steal D. steal
6. You made a mistake by telling her a lie. It _____ better if you _____ to her.
A. would have been / hadn't lied B. would be / didn't lie
C. will be / don't lie D. would be / hadn't lied
7. John would be taking a great risk if he _____ his money in that business.
A. would invest B. invested C. had invested D. invests
8. She wouldn't have given them all that money if we _____ her to.
A. wouldn't advise B. won't advise
C. hadn't advised D. didn't advise
9. If the tree hadn't been so high, he _____ it up to take his kite down.
A. could have climbed B. climb
C. is climbing D. climbed
10. If the wall weren't so high, he _____ it up to take his ball down.
A. climbed B. could climb C. is climbing D. climb
11. If I _____ her phone number, I _____ her last night
A. had known / could have phoned B. knew / would have phoned
C. know / can phone D. knew / could phone
12. If he _____ the truth, the police wouldn't arrest him.
A. tells B. told C. had told D. would tell
13. If you press that button what _____?
A. would happen B. would have happened
C. will happen D. happen
14. She says if she _____ that the traffic lights were red she _____.
A. had realized / would stop B. realized / could have stopped
C. has realized / stopped D. had realized / would have stopped
15. I am very thin. I think, if I _____ smoking, I might get fat.
A. stop B. had stopped C. will stop D. stopped
16. If I _____ that yesterday, I _____ them.
A. had discovered / would inform
B. had discovered / would have informed
C. had discovered / could inform
D. discovered / can inform
17. If you _____ to the course regularly, they _____ a certificate last year.
A. go / gave B. go / give
C. had gone / would have given D. went / would give

18. I think he is not at home. If he _____ in, he _____ the phone.
 A. was/ answered B. were / would answer
 C. were/ would have answered D. had been / would have answered
19. If I _____ in London now, I could visit British Museum.
 A. were B. had been C. have been D. would be
20. If Columbus _____ money from Queen Isabella, he _____ across the Atlantic.
 A. do not receive / could not sail
 B. had not received / might not have sailed
 C. did not receive / might not have sailed
 D. would not receive / might not sail
21. If you didn't wear shabby clothes, you _____ more good-looking.
 A. will be B. would be C. would have been D. can be
22. If your hair _____ grey now, what _____ you _____?
 A. went / would/ do B. goes/ would /do
 C. had gone / would/do D. had gone / would have / done
23. If you _____ be someone, who _____ you _____?
 A. could / would / have been B. could/ would / be
 C. can / will/ be D. are able to / will / be
24. If I _____ an Angel, I would try to make happy all the children.
 A. am B. have been C. were D. had been
25. John would be taking a great risk if he _____ his money in that business.
 A. would invest B. invested C. had invested D. invests
26. It _____ if nobody had reminded them.
 A. would have been forgot B. would have been forgot
 C. would have forget D. would have been forget
27. The car _____ if somebody takes it there.
 A. will be repaired B. would be repaired
 C. will been repaired D. is repair
28. You _____ to prison if you did that.
 A. would be send B. would have been sent
 C. would be sent D. were sent
29. You would study Italian if it _____ here.
 A. was teaching B. were taught
 C. would be taught D. is taught
30. It _____ if nobody reminded them
 A. was forgotten B. would be forget
 C. would be forgot D. would forget
31. The magazine _____ by more people if it had better articles.
 A. would be reading B. would read
 C. would be read D. been read
32. The joke would not be funny if it _____ into French.
 A. were translated B. is translated
 C. was be translated D. translated
33. A doctor _____ if somebody falls ill.
 A. will be cold for B. will be called for
 C. will call for D. would be call for
34. Would she go if she _____?
 A. were invited B. was be invited
 C. have been invited D. be invited

35. He _____ the death penalty if he were found guilty.
 A. would be given B. would be gave
 C. would given D. were given
36. Who would have won the World War II if the nuclear bomb _____ by the Nazis first.
 A. had be produced B. had produced
 C. had been produced D. would be produced
37. The room _____ if it is not empty.
 A. couldn't be repainted B. cannot be repainted
 C. could be repainted D. can be repainted
38. He _____ the death penalty if he had been found guilty.
 A. would has given B. would has been given
 C. would have given D. would have been given
39. The cars _____ if we had not done such a huge advertising campaign.
 A. would not have been bought B. would not have be bought
 C. would have been bought D. would not had been bought
40. If I were a better conversationalist, _____ to parties more often?
 A. I would be invited B. I would have been invited
 C. would I be invited D. would I have been invited
41. Kevin never seems to get tired. I wish I _____ his energy
 A. can have B. have had C. had D. would have
42. If I _____ him yesterday, I would have to come back tomorrow
 A. didn't meet B. have met C. met D. hadn't met
43. If she _____ the truth, I think she'd never want to see you again
 A. would know B. knows C. will know D. knew
44. I would never have believed _____ it with my own eyes
 A. if I didn't see B. if I hadn't seen
 C. if I haven't seen D. if I wouldn't have seen
45. I wish I had remembered your number. Otherwise, I _____ you
 A. phoned B. would phone
 C. would have phoned D. will have phone
46. Such typing mistakes _____ avoided if you had been more careful
 A. can have been C. would be
 C. might have been D. should be
47. Carol was late for work this morning. But for the traffic jam, she _____ half an hour earlier
 A. could come B. could have come
 C. had come D. can have come
48. Don't worry _____ home late tonight
 A. when I'll be B. if I'll be C. unless I'll be D. if I'm
49. I _____ one of my special desserts for dinner, if you like
 A. make B. will make C. am going to make D. am making
50. When you _____ Bob, tell him he still owes me some money
 A. see B. are going to see C. will see D. are seeing
51. I wish I _____ him, but I don't
 A. like B. can like C. liked D. would like
52. She feels lonely because she doesn't know many people there. She wishes she _____ more people
 A. will know B. knew C. knows D. has known
53. If I _____ the flu, I would have joined you for the trip

- A. hadn't had B. haven't had C. didn't have D. had has
54. "I'm not staying any longer." "I wish you ____."
- A. can B. will C. are D. were
55. But for the hold-up, we ____ here in time
- A. would have been B. could be
- C. had been D. must have been
56. I miss my old motorbike, I wish I ____ it. I had it for years
- A. I didn't sell B. hadn't sold C. had sold D. haven't sold
57. Jill regrets having bought that second-hand laptop. She wishes she ____
- A. didn't buy it B. hasn't bought it
- C. wouldn't have bought it D. hadn't bought it
58. I'm sorry I missed seeing my old friend at your party. I wish I ____
- A. had been there B. was there
- C. could have been there D. should have been there
59. I lost your phone number. Otherwise, I ____ you much earlier
- A. will contact B. would have contacted
- C. would contact D. had contacted
60. "I'm sorry you failed the test." "Frankly, I wish I ____ harder."
- A. could study B. had studied
- C. have studied D. would have studied
61. "Are we lost?" "I'm afraid we are. If only we ____ a map with us."
- A. brought B. would have brought
- C. could have brought D. had brought
62. If the lecture ____ so quickly, we'd have understood his speech
- A. didn't speak B. hadn't spoken
- C. wouldn't have spoken D. shouldn't have spoken
63. If you put salt in water, it ____
- A. dissolves B. would dissolve C. could dissolve D. dissolved
64. ____, please paint the windows before you leave
- A. If you'll have enough time
- B. If you have enough time
- C. Unless you have enough time
- D. Unless you can have enough time
65. Jeff wouldn't have bumped into the waitress if he ____ in such a hurry.
- A. weren't B. hasn't been
- C. hadn't been D. wouldn't have been
66. If you ____ Mary by chance, please give her my phone number
- A. met B. should meet C. could meet D. will meet
67. My parents lent me the money. Otherwise, I ____ this shop
- A. hadn't opened B. couldn't open
- C. weren't be able to open D. wouldn't have opened
68. I think she would forgive you if you ____ to speak to her
- A. are trying B. would try C. tried D. have tried
69. I wouldn't have to take this course if my English ____ better
- A. were B. had been C. would be D. would have been
70. If we hadn't got lost, we ____ arrived much earlier
- A. had B. would be C. might be D. could have

71. But for his wife's encouragement, he ____ gotten to the top of his profession.
A. hadn't B. hasn't C. won't have D. wouldn't have
72. I wish I ____ more careful with my money in the future
A. would be B. should be C. could be D. had been
73. "You speak English well." "Yes, but I wish I ____ another foreign language well too."
A. speak B. can speak C. would speak D. could speak
74. "Did you watch the football match late last night?" "No, I didn't, but I wish I ____."
A. were B. have had C. had D. did
75. "I doubt whether I can get through the test." "If you did as I told you, you ____"
A. can succeed B. could succeed
C. had succeeded D. would have succeeded
76. "I'm too tired to study." "If you hadn't watched that late movie last night, you ____ so tired now."
A. wouldn't be B. hadn't been
C. wouldn't have been D. would have been
77. "Did you invest that company, Carol?" "Yes, but now I wish I ____"
A. didn't B. hadn't C. did D had
78. She was too shy. Otherwise, she ____ many more friends.
A. will make B. can make
C. would have made D. should have made
79. If I had known that you couldn't eat eel, I ____ bought it
A. wouldn't B. won't have C. hadn't D. wouldn't have
80. Without the life-jackets, most passengers ____ drowned in that accident
A. would have been B. would be
C. had been D. were
81. "I couldn't have made it without your help" means
A. I couldn't have made it if you helped me.
B. I couldn't have made it if you had helped me.
C. I couldn't have made it if you hadn't helped me.
D. I couldn't have made it if you didn't help me.
82. She didn't stop her car because she didn't see the signal.
A. If she saw the signal, she would stop her car.
B. If she had seen the signal, she would stop her car.
C. If she had seen the signal, she would have stopped her car.
D. If she saw the signal, she would have stopped her car.
83. His flight was delayed so he couldn't be here on time.
A. He would be here in time if his flight were not delayed.
B. He would have been here in time if his flight hadn't been delayed.
C. He would be here in time if his flight hadn't been delayed.
D. He would have been here in time if his flight weren't delayed.
84. Without your help, I couldn't overcome the problem.
A. If you don't help me, I can't overcome the problem.
B. If you didn't help me, I couldn't overcome the problem.
C. If you hadn't helped me, I couldn't overcome the problem.
D. If you hadn't helped me, I couldn't have overcome the problem.
85. Thanks to Laura's report, I was able to finish the project.
A. If there isn't Laura's report, I wouldn't finish the project.
B. Had it not been for Laura's report, I wouldn't have been to finish the project.
C. If Laura didn't help me, I wouldn't finish the project.

D. I wouldn't have finished the project if Laura didn't help me.