

I. Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct sentence with the same meaning as the one printed before it.

Question 1. They got success since they took my advice.

- A. If they did not take my advice, they would not get success.
- B. But for my advice, they would not have got success.
- C..They took my advice, and failed
- D. My advice stopped them from getting success.

Question 2. He last had his eyes tested ten months ago.

- A. He hasn't had his eyes tested for ten months
- B.. He had not tested his eyes for ten months then.
- C. He had tested his eyes ten months ago.
- D. He didn't have any test on his eyes in ten months

Question 3. "I'll call you as soon as I arrive at the airport," he said to me.

- A. He reminded me to call him as soon as he arrived at the airport.
- B. He denied calling me as soon as he arrived at the airport.
- C. He objected to calling me as soon as he arrived at the airport.
- D. He promised to call me as soon as he arrived at the airport.

II. Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct sentence that best combines each pair of sentences in the following questions.

Question 4. We paid for the meal. We wanted to say sorry for what we had done.

- A. We paid for the meal in order to say sorry for what we had done.
- B. In order to pay for the meal, we wanted to say sorry for what we had done.
- C. The meal we paid for is what we want to say sorry for what we had done.
- D. We paid for the meal although we wanted to say sorry for what we had done.

Question 5. He works in the same office with two women. They are very beautiful and tactful.

- A. The two women's beauty and tact explain why he wants to work at their office.
- B. He works in the same office with two women who are very beautiful and tactful.
- C. The offices where he and the two very beautiful and tactful women work are the same.
- D. Working in the same office with the two beautiful women makes him very tactful.

III. Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word which is stressed differently from the rest.

Question 6. A. environment

B. biology

C. scientific

D. geography

Question 7. A. floppy

B. idol

C. cotton

D. embrace

IV. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct response to each of the following exchanges.

Question 8. A: "Have you seen the news about the black man holding two hotdogs and the chicken head?"

B: "_____"

- A. No, I don't like it.
- B. Yes, it's very popular on facebook these days.
- C. Yes, there's a story like that.
- D. Thanks, I'll see it.

Question 9. "Do you fancy going to a movie this evening?" "_____"

- A. That would be nice.
- B. Not so bad. And you?
- C. I'm sorry. I don't know that.
- D. Not at all. Go ahead.

V. Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions.

Question 10. Had he come earlier, he _____ her.

A. wouldn't have met B. will have met C. would have met D. would meet

Question 11. The tiger is _____ of extinction. It is difficult to find them in the wild.

A. on the ground B. on the rocks C. on the verge D. on the wing

Question 12. Peter is much _____ his brother.

A. more young and intelligent than B. the more intelligent and younger than
C. younger and more intelligent than D. more intelligent and younger than

Question 13. Urbanization can bring social health and benefit; _____, it also has its drawback.

A. Furthermore B. By the way C. Moreover D. However

Question 14. I'd rather _____ than anything else.

A. going/ to shop B. going/ shopping C. to go/ shopping D. go/ shopping

Question 15. The students got the librarian _____ books for them.

A. buying B. to buy C. buy D. bought

Question 16. I hate _____ newspapers; they're just full of gossip, scandal and lies!

A. online B. daily C. magazine D. tabloid

Question 17. They hope to _____ a cure for the disease.

A. fill up with B. go along with C. come up with D. catch up on

Question 18. I and Kenny _____ pen pal friends since I _____ Singapore.

A. are/ visit B. were/ have visited C. were/ visited D. have been/ visited

Question 19. Iphone 11 Pro Max is the latest _____ in the field of smartphone design of Apple.

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

Question 20. _____ tennis is my favourite sport. I play once or twice _____ week if I can, but I'm not _____ very good player.

A. X/ a/ the B. X / the/ a C. X/ a/ a D. a/ x/ the

Question 21. I don't mind _____ you _____ the washing up.

A. helping/ doing B. help/ do C. to help/ to do D. helping/ do

Question 22. We need to act quickly to _____ to climate change, or it will be a disaster for the whole planet.

A. transit B. reverse C. go back D. adapt

Question 23. He is very keen _____ English, but he is not good _____ listening.

A. on/ at B. on/ in C. at/ on D. at/ at

VI. Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined word or phrase in each sentence that needs correcting.

Question 24. In an essay writing in 1779, Judith Sargeant Murray promoted the cause of women's education.

A. the cause of B. writing C. In an essay D. women's education

Question 25. Air pollution, together with littering, are causing many problems in our large, industrial cities today.

A. are B. industrial C. problems D. with

Question 26. Before becoming successful, Charles Kettering, former vice president of General Motors, was so poor that he has to use the hayloft of a barn as a laboratory.

A. as B. so poor C. has to D. successful

VII. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word or phrase that is CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined part in each of the following questions.

Question 27. The project has been put on ice until our boss decides what to do next.

A. delayed B. controverted C. cancelled D. discussed

Question 28. Many Vietnamese teenagers used to idolize Ngo Ba Kha because of his weird dances and negative speeches.

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

VIII. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word for each of the blanks.

CHRISTMAS

The Christmas season begins very early in Britain. By the end of October, you may see Christmas decorations in the streets and Christmas cards and gifts in the shops. (29) _____, people start to decorate their houses one or two weeks before 25th December, (30) _____ is Christmas Day.

There are a lot of traditions connected to Christmas. The most important one is the giving of presents. Family members wrap up their gifts and leave them at the bottom of the Christmas tree on Christmas morning. Children leave a long sock or stocking at the end of their bed on Christmas Eve, 24th December, hoping that Father Christmas will turn (31) _____ during the night and (32) _____ them small presents, fruits and nuts. They are not usually disappointed. Sometimes on Christmas Day, the family will sit down for a big turkey dinner and Christmas pudding. Later in the afternoon, they may watch the Queen on television as she (33) _____ her traditional Christmas message to the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth. If they have rooms for even more food, they may enjoy a piece of Christmas cake or eat a hot mince pie. 26th December is also a public holiday, Boxing Day, and this is the time to visit friends and relatives or watch football.

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Question 29. A. Tradition B. Traditioning C. Traditional D. Traditionally

Question 30. A. where B. on that C. when D. which

Question 31. A. at B. up C. in D. with

Question 32. A. to bring B. bring C. bringing D. brought

Question 33. A. sends B. talks C. gives away D. delivers

IX. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word or phrase that is OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined part in each of the following questions.

Question 34. Although it's a long day for us, we are all contented with what we do.

A. interested B. pleased C. dissatisfied D. excited

Question 35. New electronic devices have been developed to satisfy users' ever-changing needs.

A. predictable B. changeable C. constant D. unstable

X. Read the following passage and blacken the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions

Since water is the basis of life, composing the greater part of the tissues of all living things, the crucial problem of desert animals is to survive in a world where sources of flowing water are rare. And since man's **inexorable** necessity is to absorb large quantities of water at frequent intervals, he can scarcely comprehend that many creatures of the desert pass their entire lives without a single drop.

Uncompromising as it is, the desert has not eliminated life but only **those forms** unable to withstand its desiccating effects. No moist-skinned, water-loving animals can exist there. Few large animals are found. The giants of the North American desert are the deer, the coyote, and the bobcat. Since desert country is open, it holds more swift-footed running and leaping creatures than the tangled forest. Its population is largely nocturnal, silent, filled with reticence, and ruled by stealth. Yet they are not **emaciated**. Having adapted to their austere environment, they are as healthy as animals anywhere else in the world.

The secret of their adjustment lies in the combination of behavior and physiology. None could survive if, like Mad dogs and Englishmen, they went out in the midday sun; many would die in a matter of minutes. So most of **them** pass the burning hours asleep in cool, humid **burrows** underneath the ground, emerging to hunt only by night. The surface of the sun-baked desert averages around 150 degrees, but 18 inches down the temperature is only 60 degrees.

Question 36. The title for this passage could be _____

- A. "Man's Life in a Desert Environment"
- B. "Life Underground"
- C. "Desert Plants"
- D. "Animal Life in a Desert Environment"

Question 37. The phrase "**those forms**" in the passage refers to all of the following EXCEPT _____.

- A. moist-skinned animals
- B. many large animals
- C. the coyote and the bobcat
- D. water-loving animals

Question 38. Man can hardly understand why many animals live their whole life in the desert, as _____.

- A. sources of flowing water are rare in a desert
- B. water composes the greater part of the tissues of living things
- C. water is an essential part of his existence
- D. very few large animals are found in the desert

Question 39. The word "Them" in the passage refer to _____

- A. minutes
- B. animals
- C. people
- D. water

Question 40. According to the passage, creatures in the desert _____.

- A. live in an accommodating environment
- B. are not as healthy as those anywhere else in the world
- C. are more active during the day than those in the tangled forest
- D. are smaller and fleeter than forest animals

XI. Read the following passage and blacken the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions

Clara Barton became known as "The Angel of the Battlefield" during the American Civil War. Born in Oxford, Massachusetts in 1821, Clara Barton's interest in helping soldiers on the battlefield began when she was told army stories from her father. Another event that influenced her decision to help soldiers was an accident her brother had. His injuries were cared for by Barton for 2 year. At the time, she was only 11 years old. Barton began teaching school at the age of 15. She taught for 18 years before she moved to Washington, D.C in 1854.

The civil war **broke out** 6 years later. Immediately, Barton started war service by helping the soldiers with their needs. At the battle of Bull run, Clara Barton received permission from the government to take care of the sick and hurt. Barton did **this** with great empathy and kindness. She **acknowledged** each soldier as a person. her endurance and courage on the battlefield were admired by many. When the war ended in 1865, she used 4 years of her life to assist the government in searching for soldiers who were missing during the war.

The search for missing soldiers and years of hard work made her feeble physically. In 1869, her doctors recommended a trip to Europe for a rest. While she was on vacation, she became involved with the International Red Cross, an organization set up by the Geneva Convention in 1864. Clara Barton realized that the Red Cross would be a best help to the United States. After she returned to the United States, she worked very hard to create an American Red Cross. She talked to government leaders and let American people know about the Red Cross. In 1881, the National Society of the Red Cross was finally established with its headquarters in Washington, D.C. Clara Barton managed its activities for 23 years.

Barton never let her age stop her from helping people. At the age of 79, she helped food victims in Galveston, Texas. Barton finally resigned from the Red Cross in 1904. She was 92 years old and had truly earned her title "The Angel of the Battle".

Question 41. What can be the best title of the reading passage?

- A. The angle of the Battlefied
- B. The American Civil War
- C. The International Red Cross
- D. The American Red Cross

Question 42. What is the main idea of the passage?

- A. Clara Barton becam a nurse during the American Civil War.
- B. Clara Barton worked for disaster victims until she was old.
- C. Clara Barton helped wounded soldiers and she was the founder of the Red Cross.
- D. Clara Barton was a kind and strong woman who helped people in need.

Question 43. The word **acknowledged** in paragraph 2 could best be replaced by _____.

- A. believed
- B. recognized
- C. nursed
- D. pleaded

Question 44. The word **this** in paragraph 2 refers to _____.

- A. received permission
- B. cooked for soldiers
- C. recognized each soldier as a person
- D. took care of the sick and hurt

Question 45. According to the paragraph 1, which of the following is true of the young Barton Clara?

- A. She suffered from an accident when she was 11.
- B. She helped her brother who hurt in an accident.
- C. She made a decision to live with her brother for 2 years.
- D. She helped her father when he was a soldier.

Question 46. What can be inferred about the government?

- A. It did not have the money to help Clara Barton.
- B. It did not always agree with Clara Barton.
- C. It had respect for Clara Barton
- D. It showed Clara Barton great empathy and kindness.

Question 47. The phrase **broke out** in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. extended
- B. broken down
- C. began
- D. closed

Question 48. What does the author mention about the American Red Cross?

- A. The American people were not interested in the Red Cross.
- B. Barton tried to have it set up in American

- C. It was first established in the United States.
D. It was disapproved again and again by the Geneva Convention.

XII. Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the others.

Question 49. A. stranger

B. transfer

C. change

D. danger

Question 50. A. noticed

B. turned

C. fixed

D. helped

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