

Structure Section

Time: 20 Minutes

25 Questions

Directions: This section measures your ability to recognize language appropriate for standard written English. One type of question consists of incomplete sentences, with a blank showing where information is to be filled in. Choose the word or phrase that most correctly completes the sentence. A second type of question consists of sentences with four underlined words or phrases. For each sentence, choose the one underlined word or phrase that is incorrect in standard written English. Mark the answer in your book or on a separate piece of paper.

- After the data has received and
A
reviewed, the finance department
employees should be able to determine
B C D
the best course of action.
- The Board of Directors determined,
after having tried to enter several
related business arenas, _____
concentrate on its core business.
A. that the company should
B. should
C. that
D. company should
- Owning a home, the dream of many, an
A B
unattainable goal for many young
people (particularly unmarried mothers)
without aid from governmental and
C
non-profit sources.
D
- That fast foods frequently contain a
considerable amount of fat _____
well-known, but many people still find
it difficult to avoid them due to their
work schedules.
A. is
B. quite
C. be
D. being
- After the jury had determined liability,
A
its next task was to decide how much
B C
money should it assess as damages.
D
- This application must be rejected
because it should _____
submitted prior to the commencement
of classes for the term.
A. of been
B. have been
C. being
D. have be
- If the Board had not reversed its
A
position on the petition to approve
B
the fence, the owner would had to
C
remove it.
D

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8. A prolific writer, even when he was B teaching a number of classes, C Harry Crews never achieving popularity D among the masses.
9. Whereas many people visit Internet sites where products are sold, a great number of them still _____ to actually make purchases online.
- A. are hesitant
B. hesitating
C. hesitation
D. being hesitant
10. Attorneys who practice in the area of personal injury generally spending A considerably more money on B advertising in telephone books and on television than other types of attorneys. C D
11. Earlier in the year, the researchers found _____, which they determined is over 6 million years old.
- A. a fossil extremely large
B. extremely large fossil
C. a large extremely fossil
D. an extremely large fossil
12. St. Augustine, Florida, known as oldest A B city in the United States, is home to the oldest schoolhouse, a fort called C Castillo de San Marcos, and other areas D of historical interest.
13. In spite _____ seen as a comfortable and open speaker, Larry dislikes public speaking and will do almost anything to avoid it.
- A. have been
B. of being
C. being
D. having been
14. The committee voted purchase the land A next to the company's existing building, B C but the resolution was not approved at D the full Board meeting.
15. How long _____ left in the cold wilderness is anybody's guess, although it appears that they will all be brought back to health.
- A. has been the children
B. have the children
C. the children have been
D. the children been
16. Students may buy used books if they A had been readily available and correctly B C priced. D
17. Having been stopped by the police for running a red light, _____ it was not in her best interest to argue since she was not wearing her seat belt.
- A. Jane's decision
B. Jane decided
C. decided
D. decision

18. Without a doubt^A, the best way to do well in college to keep up^B constantly^C with the homework, read everything that is required, and regularly^D outline all the class notes.
19. The children were warned not _____ in the retention pond because the water was polluted and a large alligator called it home.
- A. swim
B. swimming
C. to swim
D. should swim
20. In the early^A morning, the hikers broke camp and began^B the long trek towards^C home, hoping to before noon arrive^D.
21. That Ana could handle the job well _____ to her friends and colleagues, who could not understand how the university was still considering the other candidate.
- A. obviously
B. was obvious
C. obvious
D. has obviously
22. Though the danger had passed^A, officials were hesitant^B to allow residents to return^C to their homes because they were unsure how much damage caused^D by the high winds.
23. The company had a two-tier contingency plan in case power was lost, first using gas-operated generators, and then _____ its distant safe operation, where the entire computer operation, including all hardware, software, and data, was able to be run without interruption.
- A. initiation
B. initiate
C. initiating
D. to initiate
24. After having success with individual singers and several bands consisting of teenage boys, _____ both sing and dance, he decided to experiment with bands consisting of teenage girls as well as a co-ed band.
- A. who could
B. could
C. that could
D. which
25. Bob is certain to be hired for the position^A because^B at his interview he displayed^C his talents in writing, speaking, organizing, delegating and to lead^D.

