

PRE-INTERMEDIATE TEST - 3

- Past Simple - Past Continuous
- Irregular verbs - Linking words
- Prepositions

1. I was born in Africa ____ 1970.
A) on B) at C) in D) last
2. My parents moved back to England ____ I was five.
A) when B) ago C) * D) for
3. We lived in Bristol ____ three years.
A) last B) for C) at D) *
4. I left college three years ____.
A) nothing B) ago C) for D) in
5. I found a flat on my own ____ last year.
A) at B) for C) * D) on
6. I usually go home ____ the weekend.
A) in B) when C) at D) of
7. I didn't go home ____ weekend because some friends came to stay.
A) for B) last C) * D) at
8. They arrived ____ three o'clock ____ the afternoon.
A) at / in B) in / for C) when / ago D) last / *
9. ____ Saturday evening we went out to a concert.
A) Last B) In C) For D) On
10. ____ we got home we listened to some music.
A) For B) Last C) Last D) When
11. We got up late ____ Sunday morning.
A) * B) at C) on D) in
12. ____ the afternoon we went for a walk.
A) At B) For C) On D) In
13. I bought a car a few weeks ____.
A) last B) when C) ago D) for
14. I had an accident ____ last night.
A) in B) * C) on D) at
15. It happened ____ seven o'clock ____ the evening.
A) when / * B) in / at C) at / last D) at / in
16. I took my car to the garage ____ this morning.
A) in B) when C) * D) at
17. It will be ready ____ two weeks.
A) * B) in C) on D) for
18. I ____ a friend while I ____ the shopping
A) was meeting / did B) met / was doing
C) meet / do D) met / did
19. I ____ for my things when I ____ someone call my name.
A) paid / was hearing B) pay / heard
C) was paying / hear D) was paying / heard
20. I ____ round and ____ Paula.
A) turned / saw B) was turning / was seeing
C) turn / was seeing D) was turning / saw
21. She ____ a bright red coat yesterday.
A) wore B) was wearing
C) wear D) was wear
22. We ____ to have a cup of coffee.
A) decided B) were deciding
C) decides D) will deciding
23. While we ____ a drink, a waiter ____ a pile of plates.
A) had / was dropping B) have / dropped
C) have / drop D) were having / dropped
24. We all ____ a terrible shock.
A) were getting B) gets
C) getting D) got
25. While the waiter ____ up the broken plates, he ____ his finger.
A) picked / was cutting B) was picking / cut
C) pick / cut D) picks / cut

This morning I ____ (26) ____ to work. I ____ (27) ____ to go by bus because the sun ____ (28) _____. While I ____ (29) ____ past the supermarket, I ____ (30) ____ something strange. A man ____ (31) ____ near me and he ____ (32) ____ a song very loudly on his own! He ____ (33) ____ for a few minutes. Then he ____ (34) ____ a friend and he ____ (35) ____ singing.

26. A) was walking B) walked C) walk D) walking
27. A) didn't want B) wasn't wanting
C) don't want D) am not wanting
28. A) shone B) is shining C) was shining D) shines
29. A) walked B) am walking C) was walked D) was walking
30. A) was seeing B) saw C) am seeing D) see
31. A) passed B) was passing C) pass D) passes
32. A) sang B) sing C) was singing D) song
33. A) was continuing B) continues
C) is continuing D) continued
34. A) will met B) met C) was meeting D) meet
35. A) was stopping B) stop
C) stopped D) is stopping
36. I ____ a very good program on TV last night.
A) was seeing B) see C) am seeing D) saw
37. While I ____ this morning, I ____ my money. I don't know how.
A) shopped / lose B) was shopping / lost
C) shopped / was losing D) shop / lose
38. Last week the police ____ Alan in his car because he ____ over eighty miles an hour.
A) were stopping / was driving
B) stop / drove
C) stopped / was driving
D) was stopping / drove
39. How ____ your finger?
A) are you cutting B) were you cutting
C) did you cut D) you cut
40. I ____ and I ____ the knife.
A) cooked / was dropping B) cook / drop
C) was cooking / dropped D) cooked / dropped
41. When I ____ at the party, everyone ____ a good time.
A) was arriving / had B) arrived / was having
C) arrived / had D) arrived / were having
42. ____ a good time last night?
A) Did you have B) Were you having
C) Will you have D) Are you having
43. While I ____ to work this morning I ____ an old friend.
A) went / meet B) am going / met
C) go / was meeting D) was going / met
44. I ____ to get up this morning. It ____ and it was cold, and my bed was so warm.
A) don't want / is raining B) am not wanting / rains
C) wasn't wanting / rained D) didn't want / was raining
45. I ____ to the news on the radio when the phone ____.
A) listened / was ringing B) am listening / was ringing
C) was listening / rang D) listen / is ringing
46. But when I ____ up the phone, there was no one there.
A) pick B) am picking C) picked D) was picking
47. I ____ hello to the children, but they didn't say anything because they ____ television.
A) say / watched B) said / were watching
C) was / saying D) said / watched
48. What ____ at 8.00 last night?
A) did you do B) you did
C) were you doing D) are you doing
49. We played tennis ____ two hours.
A) during B) while C) nothing D) for
50. I worked on a farm ____ the holidays.
A) for B) since C) while D) on