

Read the article and select the best answer to each question.

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11. What would a good title for this article be?

- a. How to Communicate Emotions
- b. Hearing Aids vs. Cochlear Implants
- c. One Man's Experience in Biotechnology

12. What caused Chorost to get a cochlear implant?

- a. He went deaf in 2001.
- b. He researched biotechnology.
- c. His hearing improved significantly.

13. Where is a cochlear implant placed?

- a. inside the head
- b. on top of the ear
- c. both a and b

14. According to Paragraph 2, how does Chorost feel about having a hearing loss?

- a. Sometimes he likes it.
- b. He doesn't notice his hearing loss.
- c. He wishes he had complete hearing.

15. Which paragraph is mainly about how Chorost views his hearing abilities?

- a. Paragraph 1
- b. Paragraph 2
- c. Paragraph 3 _____

16. What point is Chorost making when he says, "Having normal ears would mean I couldn't shut off the world and concentrate"?

- a. He doesn't like being deaf.
- b. People who can hear have a harder time concentrating.
- c. The cochlear implant has helped him have normal hearing.

17. What is true about the device Michael has been developing recently?

- a. It is being used by the military.
- b. It will help improve people's hearing.
- c. It could help people understand each other's emotions.

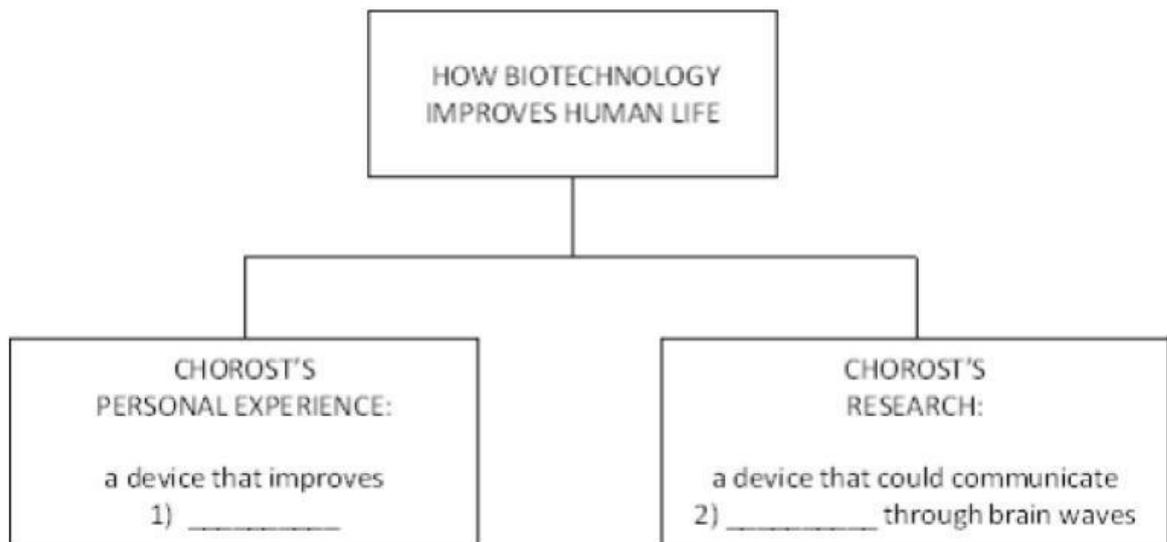
18. What is the best description of biotechnical from the article?

- a. communicating emotions through brain waves
- b. to pick up sounds and send electric signals to the brain
- c. relating to devices that partner with the natural, biological systems of the body

Read the article. Complete the box chart with the correct words from the article.

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19. 1) _____
20. 2) _____

Select the correct option to complete each sentence

21. Who ____ penicillin? a. discovered b. extended c. assembled
22. I'm not sure which career to ____. a. coast b. evolve c. pursue
23. The device is ____-controlled, so you can control it from another location.
a. remote b. autonomous c. customized
24. The audience listened ____ to the man's story. They could sense the pain and sadness he felt.
a. cooperatively b. sympathetically c. with half an ear
25. Spending time in nature helps me feel ____.
a. asserted b. restored c. provoked ____
26. Could you please ____ that? I didn't understand.
a. clarify b. assess c. discredit

Complete each sentence with the correct word from the box.

conflict/ function /innovations /leisurely /raise /reluctantly

27. If you have a(n) _____ with someone at work, don't be afraid to talk to someone about it and try to solve the problem.

28. The boy listened _____ as his mother told him what work he needed to do. He really wanted to be running around outside.

29. I think it would be fun to _____ children in a big city. You could take them to zoos, parks, the theater, and other fun places.

30. When is the last time you walked _____ down the road with nothing to rush home to and no real reason for walking?

31. The latest _____ in technology and health care will help people live better lives.

32. Some people have small robots in their homes. One _____ of these robots is to clean the floors. Select the correct option to complete each sentence. _____

33. People _____ live longer in the future. a. be should able to b. should be able to c. to be able should _____

34. When Clarice turns 40, she _____ here for twenty years. a. been working will have b. have working will been c. will have been working _____

35. If you push this button, the device _____. a. will fly b. is flying c. would fly _____

36. "When is the meeting?" She asked me when the meeting _____. a. is b. was c. had been _____

37. You shouldn't try to do _____ things at one time. a. every b. a lot of c. a little bit of _____

38. If the company had been more concerned about the employees' safety, they _____ the smoke alarms before the fire. a. would replace b. will have replaced c. would have replaced

Complete the paragraph with the correct word or words in parentheses ().

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