

## Vocabulary

### 1 Choose the correct item.

- 1 I ..... on the wet floor and hurt myself.  
A passed                      C went  
B moved                      D slipped
- 2 Always check you have been given the ..... change before you leave the shop.  
A correct                      C exact  
B just                          D proper
- 3 The cost of the holiday ..... flights, accommodation and all meals.  
A consists                      C includes  
B involves                      D constitutes
- 4 We hid Lee's car keys as a joke but he didn't find it .....  
A humorous                      C amused  
B amusing                      D playful
- 5 Contrary to popular ....., not everyone can afford a summer holiday.  
A impression                      C opinion  
B idea                          D belief
- 6 My ..... of going on holiday this year are slim at best.  
A ways                          C chances  
B reasons                      D opportunities
- 7 My parents won't ..... me go on holiday by myself until I am 18 years old.  
A allow                          C agree  
B let                              D arrange
- 8 Jane wasn't ..... sure where she wanted to go, so she asked the travel agent to recommend a resort.  
A fully                          C increasingly  
B greatly                          D entirely
- 9 Derek deserved the ..... criticism he got for his work because he hadn't tried at all.  
A harsh                          C violent  
B cruel                              D strict
- 10 People who play contact sports are more likely to ..... themselves than those who play in non-contact sports.  
A suffer                          C harm  
B wound                          D injure
- 11 After his accident, Dan was in a ..... of depression for weeks.  
A health                          C state  
B form                              D condition
- 12 As ....., James has left packing for his holiday to the last minute.  
A normal                          C natural  
B usual                              D regular
- 13 I can't stand making polite ..... with people I don't know at parties.  
A speech                          C conversation  
B talk                              D debate
- 14 Paul didn't ..... his Caribbean holiday to his colleagues as he didn't want them to be jealous.  
A mention                          C remark  
B tell                              D refer
- 15 The hurricane caused ..... damage all along the coast.  
A extreme                          C intensive  
B extensive                          D concentrated
- 16 I felt so proud when my boss was ..... interested in my ideas for the project.  
A sincerely                          C positively  
B genuinely                          D actually
- 17 This is the first ..... I've ever been to Russia.  
A instance                          C time  
B event                              D moment
- 18 Matt's new job makes ..... demands on his time.  
A deep                              C important  
B considerable                          D big
- 19 Some believe that the main ..... of education should be to enable people to find employment.  
A function                          C work  
B activity                              D occupation
- 20 There are ..... nice hotels in the area.  
A lots                              C all  
B several                              D every

## Grammar

### 2 Choose the correct item.

- 1 I can't concentrate ..... my homework with all that noise.  
A at C to  
B on D with
- 2 When you arrive at the airport, you will be met by our tour guide ..... will take you to your hotel.  
A which C who  
B whose D where
- 3 Sarah isn't ..... on foreign holidays, she prefers to stay nearer home.  
A enthusiastic C eager  
B fond D keen
- 4 Craig ..... travelling for three weeks now. When is he coming back?  
A had been C is  
B has been D will have been
- 5 He decided to buy a new TV ..... of repairing his old one.  
A instead C because  
B on account D in spite
- 6 Nicole ..... about studying History at university as she finds it a very interesting subject.  
A had thought C thinks  
B is thinking D had been thinking
- 7 He was charged ..... theft and will serve a five-year sentence in prison.  
A of C by  
B for D with
- 8 "It's high time you ..... to type," said the careers counsellor.  
A learn C have learned  
B learnt D will learn
- 9 Jenny has always been very sporty. She ..... a bike when she was three.  
A able to ride C could ride  
B could to ride D is able to ride
- 10 In England, you ..... to train for 6 years to become a solicitor.  
A have C should  
B must D will
- 11 Henry drinks far too ..... Coca Cola.  
A many C much  
B more D lot
- 12 Martha has the flu and she's feeling very run .....  
A through C over  
B out D down
- 13 Mark insisted that he ..... with me to the doctor.  
A came C would come  
B comes D come
- 14 Would you mind ..... me with the dishes?  
A to help C that you help  
B helping D if you help
- 15 Wendy thanked Tim for ..... the help he gave her.  
A a lot of C all  
B much of D many of
- 16 James bought a ..... plate back from Holland as a souvenir.  
A blue, lovely, china C lovely, blue, china  
B china, blue, lovely D lovely, china, blue
- 17 That ..... John, I saw him leave an hour ago.  
A mustn't be C shouldn't be  
B can't be D wouldn't be
- 18 Susan, ..... an actress, has appeared in three TV series this year.  
A who is C that is  
B which is D whose
- 19 Emma ..... at the hairdresser's and it looks lovely.  
A done her hair C had done her hair  
B did her hair D had her hair done
- 20 If Anne ..... set off earlier, she would have been on time for the meeting.  
A have C hadn't  
B had D haven't



- 3 **RNE** Read the text and complete gaps 1-7 with the correct form and tense of each verb in capitals.



Jackie entered the house looking upset. Her mum looked at the clock a little surprised. "Could Jackie 1) ..... her driving test already?" she wondered. She walked up to Jackie, put an arm around her and said, "You 2) ..... the test, did you? Why don't you tell me what happened?" Jackie 3) ..... sadly and said, "Oh, Mum, it was awful. As soon as the examiner showed up, my mind went blank. I forgot everything I had learnt in my lessons." "Oh, you poor thing," said her mum. "That's what happened the last time you 4) ..... the test. I thought you were over that by now." "Well, to tell you the truth, I was and I am," exclaimed Jackie. "I 5) ..... your leg just now, Mum. I wasn't nervous in the least!" Her mother looked up and saw the huge smile on her daughter's face. "I 6) ..... it. You mean you passed?" "With flying colours! I even aced in the reverse parking part of the test. So, Mum – how about 7) ..... over the keys to the car? I'm ready to take you for a ride."

**FINISH**

**NOT PASS**

**SIGH**

**TAKE**

**PULL**

**NOT BELIEVE**

**HAND**

- 4 **RNE** Read the text and complete gaps 1-6 with the correct derivative of each word in capitals.

## JAPANESE DELIGHTS

Who knew that the perfect little place for Asian cuisine is 1) ..... located in the city? Well, it's time my readers know what I have discovered. Sanraku is the perfect 2) ..... of well-cooked dishes and sushi at unquestionably the best prices in town. Don't be put off by its small size and simple décor. Sanraku will be an 3) ..... delight!

As is customary in Japanese restaurants, Sanraku has a sushi bar and a few private rooms where you sit on pillows around a low table to eat. 4) ..... can choose from a variety of freshly made sushi and tasty tempura dishes served by friendly and hospitable waiters.

Sanraku is one of my top recommendations for delicious reasonably-priced Asian cuisine. The only 5) ..... I found was the lack of 6) ..... nearby. However, the delightful culinary experience made up for it!

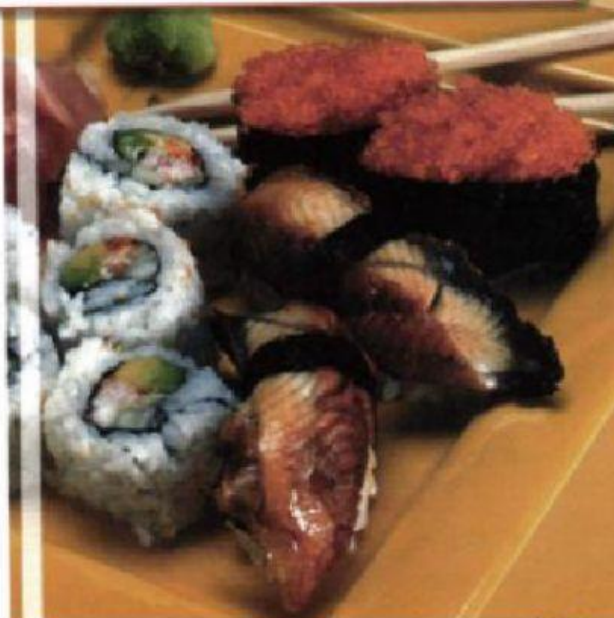
**CENTRAL**

**COMBINE**

**EXPECT**

**VISIT**

**CONVENIENT  
PARK**



You are going to read an article about a job interview. Read the text and choose the correct parts of sentences A-G to complete gaps 1-6. There is one part of a sentence you do not need to use.

## My First Job Interview

In my experience, a job interview can take many different forms, from a quick chat over the telephone to a five-day grilling by a panel of experts. To a large extent, the nature of the interview depends on the type of job involved; you are unlikely to be interviewed by telephone if you are applying for the post of managing director in a large international company!

I remember my first interview as if it were yesterday. I was still at school 1) ..... . A few of us, those students who were interested in electronics, agreed to meet them as we thought we would hear a talk about the industry. To be honest, I don't think that even our teacher had a clear idea of what was going to happen, 2) .....

We were totally unprepared for the reality. Instead of a talk that got us away from dull lessons for a couple of hours, we were spoken to one by one. We were, in fact, being interviewed as potential trainee engineers for the company. When this became apparent, many of my friends decided not to continue, 3) ..... . After all, I was still undecided about what I was going to do when I left school so I felt I had nothing to lose.

For the next hour I answered questions on my background, interests and future plans. The two gentlemen who interviewed me seemed quite pleased with my responses and then asked me to read a circuit diagram. I was a bit worried by this, 4) ..... . I happily explained the function of the main components and traced the signal path for them and that was it. I was told that the interview was over and that I would be hearing from them shortly.

I immediately put the whole business out of my mind. I didn't mention it to my parents, thinking that would be the last we would hear from the company. After all, I was supposed to be preparing for a university education, not training to be an engineer for an electronics firm. Surely they would find more suitable candidates in other schools?

The company had other ideas. About three weeks later, I returned home to find my mother in a very agitated state. She demanded to know what I thought I was doing applying for a job as an electronics engineer 5) ..... . Apparently, I had no sense of responsibility or respect for her wishes.

Eventually she calmed down enough to show me the letter she had received. I must admit that I was rather flattered by the contents. It seemed that, in the company's opinion, I had all the right qualities to become one of their leading service engineers and I was invited to start training at once. I immediately sat down and wrote back to decline their kind offer, 6) ..... . Peace in the family home was restored.

So that was my first job interview. It came totally out of the blue and I was completely unprepared for it, but I obviously did rather well. For all my subsequent interviews, I followed the conventional advice. I made sure that I arrived in plenty of time for the interview and that I was smartly dressed. Unfortunately, I never felt quite as relaxed as I had done during that first interview. Sometimes, I wonder whether perhaps, just perhaps, I should have accepted their offer.

- A but then I recognised it as part of a television receiver
- B explaining that I had set my sights on a different sort of career
- C but I decided to carry on
- D thinking that this could be the start of an exciting career
- E when she fully expected me to go on to be a top lawyer or doctor
- F so I don't blame him for the farce that developed
- G when representatives of an electronics company paid us a visit

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### The Volcano

- 1 Apart from Lucy, the number in her holiday group was
- 1) five.
  - 2) sixteen.
  - 3) seven.
- 2 When the holiday-makers first heard about the volcano they were
- 1) worried it might be like the 1783 eruption.
  - 2) certain it would not affect their home country.
  - 3) impressed by the power of nature.
- 3 By the weekend, Lucy's family understood
- 1) that more than 73,000 flights were cancelled.
  - 2) that they were trapped.
  - 3) much more about the global economy.
- 4 The owner of the chalet let Lucy and her relatives stay for
- 1) free.
  - 2) a whole week's price.
  - 3) half price
- 5 Which is TRUE about Lucy's Mum and Aunty Jane
- 1) They urgently needed to be home by Monday.
  - 2) They thought it would be nice to stay a bit longer.
  - 3) They could work remotely with Wi-Fi if needed.
- 6 At Geneva Airport Lucy and her relatives learned that
- 1) flights would probably resume later in the week.
  - 2) there would be no flights that weekend.
  - 3) the next flight to Birmingham had 8 available places.
- 7 On the journey home, Lucy reflected that
- 1) in the future, international travel could be unpredictable.
  - 2) the ash cloud made it hard to think about the past and the future.
  - 3) the planet was still quite young.