

### A Choose the correct answer.

#### Richard Branson

The British businessman, Richard Branson, has had an amazing (1) ..... He was born in 1950 and it was always his (2) ..... to be successful. He opened a record shop in 1972 and also (3) ..... up a record label, *Virgin Records*. This made him very rich and brought him (4) ..... He then started other businesses and today he's the (5) ..... of a huge business empire. He may be extremely (6) ..... , but Richard Branson has no plans to (7) ..... . Apart from a chain of record shops, he runs an airline and a train (8) ..... and even has his own private island – in the British Virgin Islands!

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|------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------|
| 1 A work   | B job         | C career    | D profession    |
| 2 A want   | B ambition    | C purpose   | D feeling       |
| 3 A put    | B made        | C took      | D set           |
| 4 A fame   | B achievement | C name      | D advertisement |
| 5 A boss   | B staff       | C colleague | D employee      |
| 6 A dear   | B valuable    | C wealthy   | D expensive     |
| 7 A retire | B strike      | C earn      | D fire          |
| 8 A team   | B band        | C club      | D company       |

(1 mark per answer)

### B Complete by changing the form of the word in capitals.

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| 9 I wouldn't like to work as a ..... , because you have to start very early in the morning. | BAKE    |
| 10 John hasn't had a lot of ..... , so I hope his new business does well.                   | SUCCEED |
| 11 The dentist said that it wouldn't hurt, and she was right – it was completely ..... !    | PAIN    |
| 12 We have to wear a hard hat in this job for ..... reasons.                                | SAFE    |
| 13 We need a new ..... – the oven doesn't work on the old one.                              | COOK    |
| 14 Sally was ..... for two years before she found a new job.                                | EMPLOY  |
| 15 In India there are a lot of ..... in the streets.  | BEG     |
| 16 ..... is a great way to keep fit.  | JOG     |
| 17 'I don't need any ..... , thank you,' the old lady said.                                 | ASSIST  |
| 18 When I gave up smoking, I started to put on .....  | WEIGH   |

(1 mark per answer)

### C Complete each second sentence using the word given, so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Write between two and five words in each gap.

- 19 I was so ill that I didn't go to school. **too**  
I was ..... to school.
- 20 I'm much better at this job than Gordon is. **than**  
Gordon is ..... am at this job.

- 21 There were such a lot of customers that I didn't get a break all day. **many**  
There were ..... customers that I didn't get a break all day.
- 22 I've never done a job more difficult than this. **difficult**  
This is ..... I've ever done.
- 23 The hospital was so big that I couldn't find my cousin's bed. **such**  
It was ..... I couldn't find my cousin's bed.
- 24 Tim caught a cold on holiday, but I was lucky and I didn't. **than**  
I ..... Tim and didn't catch a cold on holiday.
- 25 You became ill because the fish wasn't cooked properly. **have**  
You ..... ill if the fish had been cooked properly.
- 26 You didn't get better because you didn't take your pills. **if**  
You would have got better ..... your pills.

(2 marks per answer)

**D Choose the correct answer.**

- 27 If you see a doctor, he or she ..... you  
what's wrong with you.  
A would tell                      C has told  
B will tell                        D is telling
- 28 If you exercise more, you ..... weight.  
A would lose                      C had lost  
B have lost                        D will lose
- 29 If you hadn't had a good interview, you  
..... the job.  
A won't have got                  C haven't got  
B wouldn't have got              D didn't get
- 30 If you don't eat fruit and vegetables, your body  
..... the vitamins it needs.  
A doesn't get                      C didn't get  
B wouldn't get                      D hadn't got
- 31 You wouldn't have got ill if you ..... to  
your doctor's advice.  
A were listening                  C will listen  
B had listened                      D have listened
- 32 We ..... the job sooner if you hadn't  
wasted time.  
A might have finished              C have finished  
B will finish                        D finish
- 33 People ..... happier if they eat well  
and get a little exercise.  
A would be                        C were  
B are                                D would have been
- 34 If you had worn a coat, you ..... a cold.  
A didn't catch                      C wouldn't have caught  
B hadn't caught                      D don't catch

**E Choose the correct answer.**

(1 mark per answer)

- 35 Eating well helps your body fight .....  
disease and illness.  
A for                                C to  
B against                        D at
- 36 I can't eat peanuts because I'm allergic  
..... them.  
A with                              C at  
B on                                D to
- 37 I don't have a job ..... the moment.  
A in                                C on  
B at                                D of
- 38 Bill is completely fed ..... with his job  
and is thinking of leaving.  
A up                                C out  
B over                              D off
- 39 Do you think they will find a/an ..... for  
all diseases one day?  
A benefit                        C cure  
B operation                      D balance
- 40 It took Vanessa a long time to recover  
..... her illness.  
A for                              C over  
B off                                D from
- 41 Mr Williams travels a lot ..... business.  
A in                                C on  
B at                                D from
- 42 I had a cold and couldn't sleep .....  
night.  
A on                                C at  
B in                                D for

(1 mark per answer)