

GRAMMAR EXAM

PART 1: Tenses (8 pts)

1. By the time we arrived, the meeting _____ already started.
A) has B) had C) was D) would
2. She _____ for three hours when she finally found the answer.
A) has been studying B) had been studying C) was studying D) studied
3. This time next week, I _____ on a beach in Spain.
A) will lie B) am lying C) will be lying D) would lie
4. He _____ in that company since 2015.
A) works B) has been working C) had worked D) was working
5. They _____ the project before the deadline, so the boss was pleased.
A) finish B) have finished C) had finished D) finished
6. She said she _____ the email the following day.
A) will send B) sends C) would send D) has sent
7. When I got home, my flatmate _____ dinner.
A) cooked B) was cooking C) has cooked D) is cooking
8. By 2030, scientists _____ a cure for this disease.
A) find B) will find C) will have found D) have found

PART 2: Modal and Semi-Modal Verbs (8 pts)

9. You _____ submit the form before Friday — it's compulsory.
A) should B) must C) might D) could
10. She _____ have left already — her coat is gone.
A) can't B) mustn't C) must D) needn't
11. You _____ have called me! I was so worried.
A) ought to B) had to C) might D) should
12. He _____ speak three languages fluently by the time he was twelve.
A) could B) can C) must D) would
13. It's necessary for you to stay — you _____ leave whenever you like.
A) must B) can't C) needn't D) shouldn't
14. I'm certain he's lying — his story _____ be true.
A) mustn't B) can't C) shouldn't D) mightn't
15. _____ you help me with this, please? It won't take long.
A) Should B) Must C) Could D) Shall
16. She _____ have passed — she studied so hard!
A) should B) could C) would D) might

PART 3: Conditionals and Wishes (9 pts)

Choose the best answer to complete each sentence.

17. If I had studied harder, I _____ the exam.
A) pass B) will pass C) would have passed D) would pass
18. If she _____ more money, she could travel more.
A) earns B) earned C) had earned D) will earn
19. I wish I _____ a car — I'd love to drive to the coast.
A) had B) have C) would have D) had had
20. If you heat water to 100°C, it _____.
A) would boil B) boils C) boiled D) will have boiled
21. He talks as if he _____ everything, but he doesn't.
A) knows B) knew C) had known D) would know
22. Unless you _____ now, you'll miss the train.
A) leave B) left C) had left D) will leave
23. I wish they _____ make so much noise — it's really distracting.
A) don't B) wouldn't C) didn't D) won't
24. She would have called, _____ she had your number.
A) unless B) provided C) if D) whether
25. It's high time you _____ a decision.
A) make B) made C) have made D) making

PART 4: Past Habits, Future in the Past and Participle Clauses (8 pts)

Choose the best answer to complete each sentence.

26. My mum _____ always bring us a present when she went away for work.
A) tended B) will C) used D) would
27. Liam _____ swimming so far. Normally he just does a few lengths.
A) got used to B) used to C) isn't used to D) didn't use to
28. As soon as she gets in, she _____ straight to her bedroom. She never even says hello.
A) 's going B) 'll go C) would go D) used to go
29. We're organising a talk for people _____ to move overseas.
A) planned B) are planned C) planning D) are planning
30. I was chatting to a man who _____ as a tourist guide at the moment.
A) working B) 's working C) worked D) 's worked
31. The bracelet, _____ to my auntie as a wedding present, is thought to be worth a lot of money.
A) given B) giving C) was giving D) was given
32. Staff _____ for annual leave will need to inform their manager at least a fortnight in advance.
A) apply B) will apply C) will be applying D) applying
33. The medal, which _____ for services to the community, is made of solid silver.
A) awarding B) is awarding C) awarded D) is awarded

PART 5: Cleft Sentences and Substitution (8 pts)

Choose the best answer to complete each sentence.

34. What _____ that we should live each moment to the fullest.
A) I believe B) do I believe C) I believe is D) do I believe is
35. What they _____ a seat near the window.
A) asked for B) asked for was C) did ask for D) did was ask
36. What _____ you when I'm leaving work.
A) I call is B) do I call is C) I'll call is D) I'll do is call
37. What she _____ my favourite T-shirt. I was furious!
A) did was throw away B) was threw away C) threw away D) was did throw away
38. None of my friends had a phone until they were sixteen, but I _____.
A) do B) did C) have D) had
39. Trish hasn't found a suitable job yet, but Lin _____. He starts next week.
A) does B) was C) has D) is
40. My husband will be able to help you, but I _____. I've got something else on.
A) do B) don't C) will D) won't
41. I haven't got any spare paper, but Keith might have _____.
A) one B) some C) any D) none

PART 6: Modal Verbs, Stative Verbs and Aspect (9 pts)

Choose the best answer to complete each sentence.

42. We _____ a holiday cottage next year. I don't want to stay in a hotel again.
A) should rent B) shouldn't rent C) should have rented D) shouldn't have rented
43. You _____ Connie your jacket last night. It was a bad idea.
A) should lend B) shouldn't lend C) should have lent D) shouldn't have lent
44. They _____ any minute now. Let's wait for them outside.
A) should be arriving B) shouldn't be arriving C) should have arrived D) shouldn't have arrived
45. _____ by a snake, you must seek medical attention immediately.
A) Should you be biting B) You should be biting C) Should you be bitten D) You should be bitten
46. I _____ that man. I've never seen him before.
A) recognise B) don't recognise C) 'm recognising D) 'm not recognising
47. What _____ at? Have I said something funny?
A) do you laugh B) you do laugh C) are you laughing D) you are laughing
48. _____ the piano for long before you did your first concert?
A) You had learnt B) Had you learnt C) You had been learning D) Had you been learning
49. Her father _____ two houses, but he's going to sell one.
A) owns B) is owning C) has owned D) has been owning
50. Heidi _____ on that essay for hours and she still hasn't finished it.
A) worked B) has worked C) was working D) has been working