

## B2 CEFR ENGLISH GRAMMAR & VOCABULARY WORKSHEET

### SPM ENGLISH 1119 | FORM 4 & FORM 5

**Level:** B2 (Upper-Intermediate)

**Subject:** English Language

**Focus:** Vocabulary, Grammar and Idioms for Essay Writing

**Suggested Time:** 60–75 minutes

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Class:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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### SECTION A: VOCABULARY

#### Part 1: Fill in the Blanks (25 marks)

**Instructions:** Complete each sentence with the most suitable word from the word bank.  
Use each word only once.

#### Word Bank

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|             |                |
|-------------|----------------|
| beneficial  | overcome       |
| encourage   | responsibility |
| environment | significant    |
| essential   | participate    |
| improve     | convenient     |
| maintain    | contribute     |
| opportunity | awareness      |
| pollution   | achieve        |
| effective   | challenge      |
| confidence  | appreciate     |
| influence   | reduce         |
| technology  | determination  |
| volunteer   |                |

#### Questions

1. Regular exercise is \_\_\_\_\_ to our physical and mental health.
2. Teachers should \_\_\_\_\_ students to develop a habit of reading every day.
3. We must protect the \_\_\_\_\_ by reducing plastic waste and planting more trees.
4. A balanced diet and sufficient sleep are \_\_\_\_\_ for maintaining good health.
5. Students can \_\_\_\_\_ their writing skills by reading high-quality articles and practising  
regularly.
6. It is important to \_\_\_\_\_ a healthy lifestyle even when we have a busy schedule.
7. Joining a school club provides students with an excellent \_\_\_\_\_ to develop their  
leadership skills.
8. Air \_\_\_\_\_ has become a serious problem in many urban areas.
9. Creating a daily revision timetable is an \_\_\_\_\_ way to prepare for examinations.
10. Public speaking activities can help students build their \_\_\_\_\_ and overcome their fear  
of speaking in front of others.
11. Friends can have a strong \_\_\_\_\_ on teenagers' behaviour and decision-making.
12. Modern \_\_\_\_\_ has transformed the way students learn and communicate.
13. Many students \_\_\_\_\_ at community programmes to help the less fortunate.
14. Students must learn to \_\_\_\_\_ difficulties instead of giving up when faced with failure.
15. Every student has a \_\_\_\_\_ to keep the school clean and respect school rules.
16. Regular reading can make a \_\_\_\_\_ difference to a student's vocabulary and comprehension skills.
17. All students should \_\_\_\_\_ in co-curricular activities to develop their talents and social  
skills.

18. Online learning is a \_\_\_\_\_ option for students who need flexible access to educational materials.
19. Everyone can \_\_\_\_\_ to protecting the environment by recycling and avoiding single-use plastics.
20. Schools should raise students' \_\_\_\_\_ of cyberbullying and its harmful effects.
21. With hard work and perseverance, students can \_\_\_\_\_ their academic goals.
22. Managing time effectively is a common \_\_\_\_\_ for students who have many commitments.
23. We should \_\_\_\_\_ the sacrifices our parents make to provide us with a better future.
24. Governments should introduce measures to \_\_\_\_\_ the amount of waste sent to landfills.
25. Success requires patience, hard work and \_\_\_\_\_, especially when we face repeated failures.
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## SECTION B: GRAMMAR

### Part 2: Multiple-Choice Questions (35 marks)

**Instructions:** Choose the best answer, A, B, C or D, to complete each sentence.

#### Tenses

1. By the time we arrived at the cinema, the film \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. begins
  - B. has begun
  - C. had begun
  - D. was beginning

2. Sarah \_\_\_\_\_ English for five years, and she can now communicate confidently with foreign visitors.

- A. studies
- B. has been studying
- C. studied
- D. is studying

3. If it \_\_\_\_\_ tomorrow, the school sports event will be postponed.

- A. rained
- B. will rain
- C. rains
- D. would rain

4. While the students \_\_\_\_\_ for the examination, their teacher was preparing additional exercises.

- A. revised
- B. were revising
- C. have revised
- D. are revising

5. By next December, my brother \_\_\_\_\_ from university.

- A. graduates
- B. graduated
- C. will have graduated
- D. has graduated

### **Subject-Verb Agreement**

6. Neither the teachers nor the principal \_\_\_\_\_ aware of the sudden change in the schedule.

- A. were
- B. are
- C. have been
- D. was

7. Each of the participants \_\_\_\_\_ a certificate after completing the competition.

- A. receive
- B. receives
- C. have received
- D. receiving

8. The number of students joining the English Language Society \_\_\_\_\_ increased significantly this year.

- A. have
- B. are
- C. has
- D. were

9. Mathematics \_\_\_\_\_ one of the subjects that many students find challenging.

- A. are
- B. were
- C. is
- D. have been

10. A variety of activities \_\_\_\_\_ organised during the school carnival every year.

- A. is
- B. are
- C. was
- D. has

### **Modals**

11. Students \_\_\_\_\_ submit their assignments before Friday because the deadline is compulsory.

- A. might
- B. must
- C. could
- D. would

12. You \_\_\_\_\_ have informed the teacher earlier instead of waiting until the last minute.

- A. should
- B. can
- C. may
- D. will

13. We \_\_\_\_\_ respect people from different cultural backgrounds to promote harmony.

- A. ought to
- B. might have
- C. would have
- D. could have

14. You \_\_\_\_\_ bring your own food because refreshments will be provided at the event.

- A. must not
- B. cannot
- C. need not
- D. should not have

15. The students \_\_\_\_\_ be in the library; I saw them entering it a few minutes ago.

- A. must
- B. would
- C. should have
- D. need

### **Conditionals**

16. If I had more free time, I \_\_\_\_\_ a volunteer at the local animal shelter.

- A. will become
- B. would become
- C. would have become
- D. became

17. If the students had prepared more thoroughly, they \_\_\_\_\_ better results in the competition.

- A. achieve
- B. will achieve
- C. would have achieved
- D. would achieve

18. Unless we \_\_\_\_\_ immediate action, environmental problems will become more serious.

- A. take
- B. took
- C. will take
- D. would take

19. If people recycled more regularly, the amount of household waste \_\_\_\_\_ significantly.

- A. decreases
- B. will decrease
- C. would decrease
- D. would have decreased

20. If you heat water to 100°C under normal atmospheric pressure, it \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. boiled
- B. boils
- C. will have boiled
- D. would boil

### Passive Voice

21. The school hall \_\_\_\_\_ before the annual prize-giving ceremony yesterday.

- A. decorated
- B. has decorated
- C. was decorated
- D. is decorating

22. All assignments must \_\_\_\_\_ by the end of the week.

- A. submit
- B. be submitted
- C. have submitted
- D. be submitting

23. A new pedestrian bridge \_\_\_\_\_ near the school next year.

- A. builds
- B. built
- C. will build
- D. will be built

24. The winners \_\_\_\_\_ by the judges at the moment.

- A. announce
- B. announced
- C. are being announced
- D. have announced

25. The damaged computers \_\_\_\_\_ yet.

- A. have not repaired
- B. have not been repaired
- C. were not repairing
- D. are not repair

### Relative Clauses

26. The student \_\_\_\_\_ won the public speaking competition will represent the school at district level.

- A. which
- B. whose
- C. who
- D. whom

27. The library, \_\_\_\_\_ was renovated recently, now provides a comfortable study environment.

- A. who
- B. which
- C. whose
- D. whom

28. The woman \_\_\_\_\_ son received a scholarship is my English teacher.

- A. who
- B. whom
- C. which
- D. whose

### Prepositions

29. Many teenagers are interested \_\_\_\_\_ learning new languages through mobile applications.

- A. at
- B. on
- C. in
- D. for

30. Students should refrain \_\_\_\_\_ using their mobile phones during examinations.

- A. from
- B. of
- C. with
- D. by

31. The success of the programme depends \_\_\_\_\_ the cooperation of teachers, parents and students.

- A. at
- B. on
- C. in
- D. to

### Gerunds and Infinitives

32. My sister enjoys \_\_\_\_\_ novels in her free time.

- A. read
- B. to read
- C. reading
- D. reads

33. The teacher encouraged us \_\_\_\_\_ our opinions confidently during the discussion.

- A. express
- B. expressing
- C. expressed
- D. to express

34. Despite \_\_\_\_\_ several difficulties, the team managed to complete the project successfully.

- A. face
- B. facing
- C. to face
- D. faced

35. Students should avoid \_\_\_\_\_ too much time on activities that do not support their academic goals.

- A. spend
  - B. to spend
  - C. spending
  - D. spent
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## SECTION C: IDIOMS FOR SPM ESSAY WRITING

### Part 3: Match the Idioms with Their Meanings (10 marks)

**Instructions:** Match each idiom in Column A with its correct meaning in Column B. Write the correct letter in the space provided.

#### Column A: Idioms

| No. | Idiom                                 | Answer |
|-----|---------------------------------------|--------|
| 1   | A piece of cake                       | _____  |
| 2   | Once in a blue moon                   | _____  |
| 3   | Better late than never                | _____  |
| 4   | Practice makes perfect                | _____  |
| 5   | Where there is a will, there is a way | _____  |
| 6   | Actions speak louder than words       | _____  |
| 7   | Every cloud has a silver lining       | _____  |
| 8   | Two heads are better than one         | _____  |
| 9   | Time flies                            | _____  |
| 10  | Make a difference                     | _____  |

#### Column B: Meanings

- A. Working together can produce better ideas and solutions.
- B. To have a positive effect on a person or situation.
- C. Something that is very easy to do.
- D. Time passes quickly, often without us noticing.
- E. It is better to do something late than not do it at all.
- F. Regular practice helps people improve their skills.
- G. Even difficult or unpleasant situations can have positive outcomes.
- H. Determined people can find ways to achieve their goals.
- I. What people do is more important than what they say.

J. Something that happens very rarely.

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## SECTION D: USING IDIOMS IN SPM ESSAYS

### Part 4: Complete the Sentences (5 marks)

**Instructions:** Choose the most suitable idiom from the box to complete each sentence. Use each idiom only once.

#### Idiom Bank

- a piece of cake
- practice makes perfect
- where there is a will, there is a way
- actions speak louder than words
- every cloud has a silver lining

1. Although Amir failed his first examination, he did not give up because he believed that \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Learning to speak English fluently requires regular practice because \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Some people promise to help the poor, but \_\_\_\_\_.
4. For an experienced computer programmer, solving the basic technical problem was \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Although the school trip was cancelled due to bad weather, the students enjoyed a wonderful indoor programme instead. Indeed, \_\_\_\_\_.

**END OF WORKSHEET**

**Keep learning, keep practising, and keep improving!**

*Suggested writing tip: Use idioms naturally in SPM essays. One or two relevant idioms are usually better than including too many unnecessarily.*