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PRACTICE UNIT 1

I. Find the word which has a different sound in the part underlined.

1. **A.** bird **B.** girl **C.** first **D.** sister
2. **A.** burn **B.** sun **C.** hurt **D.** turn
3. **A.** nurse **B.** picture **C.** surf **D.** return
4. **A.** neighbour **B.** favourite **C.** culture **D.** tourist
5. **A.** hobby **B.** hour **C.** hotel **D.** hot

II. Choose the word which has a different stress pattern from the others.

6. **A.** reporter **B.** collector **C.** gardener **D.** prefer
7. **A.** station **B.** album **C.** collector **D.** mountain
8. **A.** skating **B.** climbing **C.** gardening **D.** collecting
9. **A.** reason **B.** divide **C.** collect **D.** enjoy
10. **A.** unusual **B.** favourite **C.** popular **D.** common

III. Choose the best answer A, B, C or D to complete the sentences.

11. There are many _____ why it is important to have a hobby.

    A. answers **B.** reasons **C.** details **D.** facts

12. Will you _____ making models in the future?

    A. pick up **B.** look for **C.** take up **D.** find

13. Do you think that hobby is _____ and boring?

    A. easy **B.** difficult **C.** danger **D.** interesting

14. I love my sister's paintings because she is very _____ in using colours.

    A. careless **B.** care **C.** creative **D.** imagine

15. A hobby helps you to connect with _____ people.

    A. other **B.** others **C.** another **D.** the other

16. I join a photography club, and all the members love _____ a lot of beautiful photos.

    A. take **B.** taking **C.** make **D.** making

17. What does your father do _____ his free time?

    A. in **B.** at **C.** on **D.** while

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18. I think a hobby will always give you _____ and help you _____.

A. pleased - relax **B.** pleasure - relaxed **C.** pleased - relaxing **D.** pleasure - relax

19. You can share your stamps _____ other collectors _____ a stamp club.

A. with - at **B.** to - at **C.** with - in **D.** to - in

20. I think this hobby does not cost you much, and _____ you need is time.

A. most **B.** all **C.** some **D.** all of

21. Nowadays people _____ hours sitting in front of computers.

A. take **B.** last **C.** set **D.** spend

22. I think you should take up swimming _____ it is suitable for your health condition.

A. so **B.** because **C.** although **D.** but

23. My family enjoys ____ because we can sell vegetables and flowers _____ money.

A. garden - to **B.** gardening - for **C.** gardening - with **D.** garden - of

24. If your hobby is greeting card making, you can give your _____ to your friends as presents.

A. hobby **B.** money **C.** greetings **D.** products

25. My sister's hobby is sewing, and she can get the sewing patterns from the _____ magazines.

A. fashion **B.** cooking **C.** sports **D.** science

26. My brother doesn't like ice-skating because he thinks it is _____.

A. danger **B.** in danger **C.** dangerous **D.** endangered

27. My sister is very keen on swimming, and she goes swimming three _____ a week.

A. time **B.** a time **C.** times **D.** timings

28. We often read the instructions carefully in order to make _____ of the things we like best.

A. meanings **B.** models **C.** copies **D.** uses

29. You need to be _____ to follow eggshell carving because it may take two weeks to complete one shell.

A. careful **B.** interested **C.** fit **D.** patient

30. If you choose sewing as your hobby, you will _____ your own clothes.

A. do **B.** make **C.** take **D.** get

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IV. Fill in each blank with ONE suitable word.

31. We _____ playing table-tennis very interesting because we can meet and make friends with interesting people.
32. My brother and I _____ the same hobby.
33. I love _____ outdoors in my garden to plant flowers and vegetables.
34. My father likes _____ his bike in the park at the weekend.
35. Tom and Peter like water _____, and they go swimming, play water polo and surf together a lot.
36. My hobby is collecting _____ because I love reading whenever I have time.
37. Why don't you _____ jogging because it can help you keep fit?
38. I really enjoy going round the shops in my town to _____ for rare and old teacups.
39. My parents have just bought a new _____ of roller skates.
40. It is very _____ to collect motorcycles because it costs you a lot of money to buy them and get them repaired.

V. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

41. I enjoy (collect)_____ dolls and it becomes my pleasure.
42. We love (watch)_____ new films, and we (go)_____ to watch a new Hollywood film next weekend.
43. My brother hates (do)_____ the same things day after day.
44. Our uncle (play)_____ badminton once a week.
45. I (collect)_____ a lot of stamps from foreign countries so far.

VIII. Choose the correct answer A, B, C or D to fill each blank in the following passage.

I have a very interesting and (61)_____ hobby. I make short video clips with my digital camera. It was my birthday present from my parents last year. Since then, I have (62) _____ three short films. It's great fun! I started asking my friends and relatives to take (63)_____ in the films. I have tried to write the story for my video clips. When I have finished the script, 1 make copies for the "actors". Each scene is small and they can look at the words just (64) we start filming. We film at the weekend in my neighbourhood, (65)____ no one has to travel far. When the video clip is finished, I invite all the "actors" and we watch the film at my house.

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46. **A.** enjoy **B.** enjoyed **C.** enjoying **D.** enjoyable

47. **A.** done **B.** played **C.** made **D.** watched

48. **A.** part **B.** role **C.** scene **D.** film

49. **A.** before **B.** after **C.** only **D.** until

50. **A.** although **B.** because **C.** but **D.** so

IX. Read the passage carefully, and decide whether the sentences are *True* or *False.*

Our school has a model club. The members of the club try to make water rockets. The students taking part in the club love discovering new things and learning science subjects. A water rocket doesn't cost you much. You can use the things you have used such as empty bottles, old tyres of bicycles. The model has two main parts: the base and the rocket. The pump in the base is made up of water pipes and it can increase the pressure of water. The rocket made from empty bottles should have blades in its tail and a pointed head. These parts help the water go in the correct path as the members have planned. When we use the pump to increase the pressure of water, the rocket will take off and fly into the air. Our school club has just won the first prize on making water rockets.

51. The members of the model club have a love of science. _____

52. You can use old things to make water rockets. _____

53. It is expensive to make water rockets. _____

54. The high pressure of water can make the models fly. _____

55. We cannot control the water rockets at all. _____

X. Read the passage, and then choose the correct answer.

Stamp collecting is an interesting hobby. You can learn many things, such as the geography of a country from stamps. Postal stamps are a source of interesting facts and important dates about every country in the world. It makes stamp collecting become very popular.

As you look at the pages of a stamp album, you can learn interesting details of foreign customs, arts, literature, history and culture. Their colours can make you feel relaxed and happy.

Collecting stamps can become a **business**. If you are lucky in finding a special stamp, it will bring you some money besides knowledge and pleasure.

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56. Stamp collecting is an interesting hobby because _____.

A. you can learn many things such as the geography of a country from stamps

B. stamps give you interesting facts and important dates about a country

C. it is very important to collect stamps

D. A and B are correct

57. All of the following are true EXCEPT _____.

A. stamps can make you relaxed and happy

B. stamps can make you know more

C. stamp collecting can make you famous

D. you can earn money from your collection if you are lucky

58. According to the passage, it is true to say that _____.

A. stamp collecting helps you become rich and famous

B. stamp collecting is a very popular hobby

C. stamp collectors can earn a lot of money from stamp collecting

D. stamp collecting is a hobby that costs you a lot of money

59. The word "**business**" in the last paragraph is closest in meaning to _____.

A. the activity of collecting stamps

B. the activity of selling stamps from other countries

C. the activity of buying stamps from other countries

D. the activity of buying or selling something

60. The main idea of the passage is _____.

A. the history of stamp collecting

B. good things from stamp collecting

C. the ways of stamp collecting

D. famous stamp collectors

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