

Upstream Pre-Intermediate Unit 9 Test A

Grammar and vocabulary

B. Circle the correct item.

1. Brad Pitt gave a brilliant ____ in that film.
A. performance B. production C. sensation
2. A ____ works behind the scenes.
A. newsreader B. quizmaster C. make-up artist
3. That's the restaurant ____ we had dinner last week.
A. that B. where C. which
4. There's no need to worry. I am sure everything will turn ____ fine.
A. out B. on C. off
5. The Mona Lisa is one of Leonardo da Vinci's most ____ works.
A. digital B. impressive C. cultural
6. Jennifer Aniston ____ in Friends.
A. performs B. makes C. stars
7. If I ____ breakfast, I wouldn't be so hungry now.
A. ate B. had eaten C. would eat
8. This jacket, ____ I bought yesterday, was very expensive.
A. which B. who C. where
9. Please turn ____ the radio. I am trying to sleep.
A. up B. on C. off
10. If I had bought tickets, I'd ____ the film.
A. would see B. see C. have seen
11. Does Simon enjoy going to the ____?
A. films B. movies C. plays
12. Sam, ____ mother is an actress, goes to my school.
A. whose B. that C. who
13. We booked tickets for the matinee ____ of the play.
A. interval B. circle C. performance
14. I wish I ____ left my wallet at home.
A. haven't B. hasn't C. hadn't
15. I like to watch the latest film ____ at the cinema.
A. techniques B. materials C. releases
16. ____ the beginning of the story, Cinderella is very unhappy.
A. From B. At C. In
17. Please could you turn ____ the TV. It's too loud.
A. down B. up C. off
18. If she ____ ill, she would have gone to work.
A. hasn't been B. haven't been C. hadn't been
19. If only they ____ told us they were coming.
A. have B. will C. had
20. They worked hard to ____ the mystery.
A. experience B. include C. solve
21. I always get scared when I read ____.
A. thrillers B. comics C. biographies
22. This is Mike, ____ lives next door to me.
A. whose B. that C. who
23. Kate turned ____ at the party just as everyone else was leaving.
A. down B. up C. out
24. There will be a 15-minute ____ in the middle of the play.
A. interval B. cast C. time
25. For an evening of ____ laughter, visit Jongleurs Comedy Club.
A. moving B. traditional C. non-stop

Communication

C. Complete the exchanges. There is ONE EXTRA phrase!

- a. She's amazing
b. What would you like to do this weekend
c. Is there a good comedy on TV this evening
d. Can I help you
e. Yes. It was a brilliant film
f. I'd rather go to the theatre
- 1 A: Would you like to go to the Crazy Cats concerts on Saturday?
B: ____.
- 2 A: Have you seen Finding Nemo?
B: ____.
- 3 A: ____?
B: I'd love to go to the cinema.
- 4 A: ____?
B: Well, there's The Big Bang Theory on Channel 4 at 8 o'clock.
- 5 A: ____?
B: Yes, please. I'd like to book two tickets for tonight's performance of Starlight.

Reading

D. Match the texts to the titles. There's ONE EXTRA title.

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| 1. Recovery of a masterpiece | 5. Return to the market |
| 2. Return of the popularity | 6. A happy comeback |
| 3. Dangerous when rare | 7. From Eastern to Western culture |
| 4. Back and deep into the past | 8. They come back in spring |

A. The Mona Lisa, also known as La Gioconda, became world famous after it was stolen from the Louvre in 1911. The painting was missing for two years before police traced the theft to Italian painter, Vincenzo Peruggia, who stole the work to return it to its country of origin. The Louvre Museum in Paris built a separate room to house the Mona Lisa, giving up to five million visitors a year the chance to see the painting.

B. The tradition of telling stories with a series of sequential images has been a part of Japanese culture long before Superman comic strips. The earliest examples of pre-manga artwork that influenced the development of modern Japanese comics are commonly attributed to Toba Sojo, an 11th-century painter-priest with an odd sense of humor. Toba's animal paintings satirized life in the Buddhist priesthood by drawing priests as rabbits or monkeys engaged in silly activities.

C. When the story in which Holmes died was published in a popular magazine in 1893, the British reading public was outraged. More than 20,000 people canceled their subscriptions. The demand for Holmes stories was so great that Conan Doyle brought the great detective back to life by explaining that no one had actually seen Holmes go down the Reichenbach Falls. The public, glad to have new tales, bought the explanation.

D. Caviar refers to the salted eggs of the fish species, sturgeon. At the beginning of the 19th century, the United States was one of the greatest producers of caviar in the world. Because of overfishing, commercial sturgeon harvesting was banned. Today, mostly through farm-raised varieties, caviar production has returned in America. Some American caviar is very high in quality and has been compared favorably to wild Caspian caviar.

E. T.S. Eliot wrote in his poem, "The Waste Land," that April was the "cruellest month." He was living in England at the time, and the weather there can be dreadfully rainy and cold during spring. But from a cook's point of view, April is anything but cruel. The month brings us some of the freshest, most wonderful foods. Consider the first ripe strawberries, asparagus, artichokes, tiny peas, and so much more.

F. When the eruption of Vesuvius started on the morning of 24 August, 79 AD, it caught the local population completely unprepared. The catastrophic magnitude of the eruption was connected with the long period of inactivity that preceded it. The longer the intervals between one eruption and another, the greater the explosion will be. Luckily, the frequent but low-level activity of Vesuvius in recent centuries has relieved the build-up of pressure in the magma chamber.

G. Iron Age Britain can only be understood from the archaeological evidence. There are few spectacular ruins from Iron Age Britain. Unlike in Classical Greece or Ancient Egypt, in Iron Age Britain there was no construction of major cities, palaces, temples or pyramids. Rather, it was an essentially rural world of farms and villages, which had no economic or religious need to build palaces, cities, major tombs or ceremonial sites.

TEXT	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
TITLE							

E. Fill in the missing part of a sentence. THERE IS ONE EXTRA PART!

Changing image

For more than 200 years Madame Tussaud's has been attracting tourists from all over the world and it remains just as popular as it ever was. There are many reasons for this enduring success, but at the heart of it all is good, old-fashioned curiosity.

Madame Tussaud's original concept has entered a brand new era of interactive entertainment **A** _____. Today's visitors are sent on a breathtaking journey in black cabs through hundreds of years of the past. They have a unique chance to see the great legends of history, **B** _____ of politics.

Much of the figure construction technique follows the traditional pattern, beginning whenever possible with the subject **C** _____ and personal characteristics. The surprising likeness of the wax portraits also owes much to many stars **D** _____, either by providing their stage clothes, or simply giving useful advice.

The museum continues constantly to add figures **E** _____ popularity. The attraction also continues to expand globally with established international branches in New York, Hong Kong, Amsterdam and many other cities. And they all have the same rich mix of interaction, authenticity and local appeal.

The museum provides a stimulating and educational environment for schoolchildren. Its specialists are working together with practicing teachers and educational advisors to create different programmes of activities, **F** _____.

1. as well as resources on art, technology and drama
2. as well as the idols of popular music and the icons
3. who is sitting to determine exact measurements
4. ranging from special effects to fully animated figures
5. ranging from all kinds of souvenirs to sports equipment
6. that reflect contemporary public opinion and celebrity
7. who are eager to help in any possible way they can

GAP	A	B	C	D	E	F
PART OF A SENTENCE						