

**GENERAL PRACTICE 1****PART I – MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS****I. Choose the word with the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others.**

1. A. rhinoceros      B. vehicle      C. whale      D. uninhabitable

2. A. unconcernedly      B. raggeded      C. sacreded      D. wickeded

3. A. archaic      B. archive      C. choir      D. archery

4. A. suggestionion      B. congestionion      C. digestionion      D. devotionion

5. A. dairy      B. lair      C. fair      D. gait

**II. Choose the word whose main stress pattern is placed differently from that of the others.**

6. A. credulous      B. acropolis      C. dialect      D. obsolete

7. A. ecotourism      B. compromise      C. disposal      D. neighborhood

8. A. beneficial      B. detrimental      C. understanding      D. magnificent

9. A. zoology      B. cement      C. conquest      D. duet

10. A. argumentative      B. psychological      C. contributory      D. hypersensitive

**III. Choose the best answer to complete each sentence.**

11. Air, food and water are \_\_\_\_\_ to human beings.

A. unquestionable      B. indebted      C. undeniable      D. indispensable

12. The court's decision is seen as a major \_\_\_\_\_ to their authority.

A. hit      B. blow      C. damage      D. undermining

13. In the \_\_\_\_\_ of any clear leadership, the rebellion collapsed.

A. lack      B. omission      C. absence      D. vacancy

14. Ronald \_\_\_\_\_ the ball and goal!!!!

A. is kicking      B. has kicked      C. kicks      D. has been kicking

15. Her political future is now hanging by a \_\_\_\_\_.

A. rope      B. cord      C. thread      D. string

16. Now here's an \_\_\_\_\_ on the main news story we've been covering.

A. upshot      B. update      C. upgrade      D. upturn

17. At the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, the \_\_\_\_\_ of teachers to students is very high.

A. proportion      B. ratio      C. number      D. percentage

18. I'm a bit concerned \_\_\_\_\_ how the new law might affect our business.

A. in      B. as      C. for      D. about

19. I am sorry but I can't go with you tomorrow. I \_\_\_\_\_ the doctor.

A. see      B. have seen      C. have been seeing      D. am seeing

20. The planes were delayed and the hotel was awful, but \_\_\_\_\_ we still had a good time.

A. on the contrary      B. by the same token      C. on top of all that      D. for all that

21. Because of rapid technological progress, the computers being made today will be \_\_\_\_\_ in five years' time.  
A. outdone      B. extinct      C. retired      D. obsolete

22. You \_\_\_\_\_ me when I speak. It's so annoying!  
A. have forever interrupted      B. are forever interrupting (= always, constantly)  
C. have forever been interrupting      D. forever interrupt

23. I'd just as \_\_\_\_\_ have a quiet meal at home as eat out.  
A. soon      B. rather      C. well      D. much

24. He has been in \_\_\_\_\_ ever since he was convicted of taking bribes.  
A. shame      B. disrepute      C. reproach      D. disgrace

25. The kids \_\_\_\_\_ in the living room! Look at this mess!  
A. have been playing      B. have played      C. are playing      D. play

26. He was clearly nervous: he was sitting right on the \_\_\_\_\_ of his chair.  
A. outside      B. edge      C. tip      D. border

27. They had a terrible row \_\_\_\_\_ who should do the housework.  
A. on      B. with      C. over      D. relating

28. Lack of rain early in the season meant that the fields \_\_\_\_\_ poor crop.  
A. surrendered      B. generated      C. yielded      D. suffered

29. - "How long \_\_\_\_\_ London?"  
A. has he gone to      B. has he been to      C. is he in      D. has he been in

30. New peace proposals were \_\_\_\_\_ at the recent Middle East conference.  
A. shown off      B. spoken out      C. put forward      D. made up

**IV. Read the following passage and choose the best option to complete the blank or answer the question.**

Since water is the basis of life, composing the greatest part of the tissues of all living things, the crucial problem of desert animals is to survive in a world where sources of flowing water are rare. And since man's **inexorable** necessity is to absorb large quantities of water at frequent intervals, he can scarcely comprehend that many creatures of the desert pass their entire lives without a single drop.

Uncompromising as it is, the desert has not eliminated life but only **those forms** unable to withstand its desiccating effects. No moist-skinned, water-loving animals can exist there. Few large animals are found: the giants of the North American desert are deer, the coyote, and the bobcat. Since desert country is open, it holds more swift-footed, running, and leaping creatures than the tangled forest. Its population is largely nocturnal, silent, filed with reticence, and ruled by stealth.

Yet they are not **emaciated**. Having adapted to their austere environment, they are as healthy as animals anywhere in the world.

The secret of their adjustment lies in a combination of behavior and physiology. None could survive, if, like mad dogs and Englishmen, they went out in the midday sun, many would die in a matter of minutes. So, most of **them** pass the burning hours asleep in cool, humid **burrows** underneath the ground, emerging to hunt only by night. The surface of the sunbaked desert averages around 150 degrees, but 18 inches down the temperature is only 60 degrees.

31. What is the topic of the passage?

A. Desert plants      B. Desert life      C. Animal life      D. Forest life

32. The phrase 'those forms' refers to all the following except \_\_\_\_\_.

A. water-loving animals      B. the bobcat  
C. moist-skinned animals      D. many large animals

33. The word "inexorable" is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. relentless      B. indispensable      C. full      D. demanding

34. The author mentions all of the following as examples of the behavior of desert an animal except \_\_\_\_\_.

A. animals sleep during the day      B. animals dig homes underground  
C. animals are noisy and aggressive      D. animals are watchful and quiet

35. The word 'them' refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. mad dogs and Englishmen      B. desert animals  
C. behavior and physiology      D. minutes

36. The word "emaciated" is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. wild      B. cunning      C. unmanageable      D. unhealthy

37. The author states that one characteristic of animals living in the desert is that they \_\_\_\_\_.

A. are smaller and fleeter than forest animals  
B. are less healthy than animals living in different places  
C. can hunt in temperature of 150 degrees  
D. live in an accommodating environment

38. Which of the following generalizations is supported by the passage?

A. Water is the basis of life.  
B. All living things adjust to their environments.  
C. Desert life is colorful.  
D. Healthy animals live longer lives.

39. The word 'burrows' is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. underground nests      B. underground houses  
C. underground caves      D. underground holes

40. How is the temperature 18 inches underground compared to that on the surface in the desert?

A. the same      B. much higher      C. less than half      D. Half

**V. Read the text below and decide which answer A, B, C or D best fits each space.**

Sylvia Earle, a (41) \_\_\_\_ botanist and one of the (42) \_\_\_\_ deep – sea explorers, has spent over 6,000 hours, more than seven months, under water. From her earliest years, she took her first plunge into the open sea as a teenager. In the years since then, she has taken part in a(n) (43) \_\_\_\_ of landmark underwater projects, from exploratory expeditions around the world to her celebrated "Jim dive" in 1978, which was the deepest solo dive (44) \_\_\_\_ made without cable connecting the diver to a support vessel at the surface of the sea. (45) \_\_\_\_ in a Jim suit, a futuristic suit of plastic and metal armor, which was secured (46) \_\_\_\_ a manned submarine, Sylvia Earle plunged vertically into the Pacific Ocean, at times at the speed of 100 feet

per minute. (47) \_\_\_\_ reaching the ocean floor, Sire was released from the submarine and from that point her only connection to the sub was an 18-foot tether. For the next two and a half hours, Earle (48) \_\_\_\_ the seabed, taking notes, collecting (49) \_\_\_\_ , and painting a US flag. Consumed by a desire to descend deeper still, in 1981 she became involved in the design and manufacture of deep-sea (50) \_\_\_\_ one of which took her to a depth of 3000 feet. This did not end Sylvia Earle's accomplishments.

41. A. marine	B. underwater	C. undersea	D. submarine
42. A. furthest	B. foremost	C. greatest	D. utmost
43. A. mount	B. great deal	C. average	D. number
44. A. really	B. later	C. ever	D. mostly
45. A. Covered	B. Put	C. Clothed	D. Worn
46. A. to	B. with	C. from	D. against
47. A. In	B. On	C. At	D. For
48. A. walled	B. roamed	C. dived	D. strolled
49. A. specimens	B. models	C. remains	D. debris
50. A. subcontractors	B. submariners	C. submersions	D. submersibles

## PART II – OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS

### VI. Put the verbs in the brackets in the correct forms.

51-52. "Bill \_\_\_\_\_ (look) really tired."

"That's because he \_\_\_\_\_ (study) for a Maths test all day."

53. It's almost midnight. \_\_\_\_\_ (you/ not finish) your homework yet?

54-55. "Look at the children! They \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a wonderful time."

"Yes, indeed! They \_\_\_\_\_ (swim) in the pool since morning."

56-57. My brother \_\_\_\_\_ (always, throw) his clothes all over the floor. I \_\_\_\_\_ (have) enough!

58-59. I \_\_\_\_\_ (never see) that man before so I \_\_\_\_\_ (not know) his name.

60. - "We are flying to Agra next week."

- Lucky you! I \_\_\_\_\_ (always / want) to visit the Taj Mahal!"

### VII. Use the correct form of the word in bracket to complete each sentence.

61. His \_\_\_\_\_ annoys some members of the committee because he is always expressing his ideas frankly. (SPEAK)

62. George is very disorganized and not very \_\_\_\_\_. (BUSINESS)

63. She was fully aware of her own \_\_\_\_\_. (SHORT)

64. Low income and little administrative support make teachers \_\_\_\_\_ with their profession. (HEART)

65. A film about the \_\_\_\_\_ ancestors is available in the library. (REPTILE)

66. There are people whose \_\_\_\_\_ begins from the moment of their death. (MORTAL)

67. It's undeniable that the \_\_\_\_\_ of the local incompetent healer was responsible for her sudden death. (DIAGNOSE)

68. As the sole \_\_\_\_\_ of his uncle's will, he inherited a huge fortune. (BENEFIT)

69. This \_\_\_\_\_ she manufacturer. (REPAIR)

70. The first time I tried out my new bike I \_\_\_\_\_ and fell off. (BALANCE)

**VIII. Find the ten mistakes in the passage below. Write your answer in the following format (but remember that it's just an example, not one of the answers):**

**00. Line 1: homes → home**

1        Between 1977 and 1981, three groups of American women, numbered 27 in all, between the  
2        age of 35 and 65, were given month-long tests to determine how they would response to conditions  
3        resembling those on the space shuttle. Carefully selected from many applicants, the women were  
4        volunteers and pay was barely above the minimum wage. They weren't allowed to smoke or drink  
5        alcohol during the tests, and they were expected to tolerate each other's company at closed quarters for  
6        the entire period. Among other things, they had to stand pressure three times of the force of gravity and  
7        carry out both physical and mental tasks while exhausted from strenuous physical exercises. At the end  
8        of ten days, they had to spend a further twenty days absolutely confined to bed, during that time they  
9        suffered backaches and discomforts, and when they were finally allowed up, the more physically active  
10       women were especially subject to pains due to a light calcium loss. Results of the tests suggest that  
11       women have significant advantages on men in space. They need less food and less oxygen and they  
12       stand up to radiation well. Men's advantages in terms of strength and stamina, meanwhile, are virtually  
13       wiped out by the zero-gravity condition in space.

71. Line .....

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74. Line .....

**IX. Fill each gap in the passage below with ONE appropriate word.**

Unlike (81) \_\_\_\_\_ it may seem, there has now been expert confirmation that wild pumas and lynxes are at (82) \_\_\_\_\_ in parts of Britain, rather than being the figments of some wild imaginations. Previous sightings of such large cats had been put (83) \_\_\_\_\_ to exaggeration. After all, the argument went, some people are prone to seeing flying saucers and Loch Ness monsters, particularly when under the influence of one drink. Some newspapers were suspected of having made up stories such as (84) \_\_\_\_\_ of the Beast of Exmoor, an animal that is responsible for the deaths of hundreds of sheep over the past ten years. (85) \_\_\_\_\_ experts have now come up with proof that such stories were in earnest after all. The animals are in all (86) \_\_\_\_\_ pets which have escaped from small zoos, or been abandoned by their owners. Because the keeping of such animals is severely restricted under the (87) \_\_\_\_\_ of the Dangerous Wild Animal Act of 1976\* owners of unlicensed animals might not (88) \_\_\_\_\_ an escape for fear of prosecution. Britain's only surviving native species, the wild cat, is confined to Scotland. After examining hair samples, experts now say that the Beast of Exmoor in the south of England is without (89) \_\_\_\_\_ a puma or lynx, both of which are normally native (90) \_\_\_\_\_ the Middle East and Asia.

**X. Complete each of the following sentences with (a) suitable preposition(s) or particle(s) from the box.**

in for	up to	through	down	off
round	under	out	at	over

91. I wish you wouldn't fly \_\_\_\_\_ me like that every time I make a mistake.

92. The piece of equipment is very well made and stands \_\_\_\_\_ the roughest treatment. You won't have any trouble with it.

93. The new office staff are shaking \_\_\_\_\_ well.

94. I think a sip of wine can bring him \_\_\_\_\_.

95. We are \_\_\_\_\_ no obligation to change goods which were not purchased here.

96. I am not friends with Peter any more. We have fallen \_\_\_\_\_.

97. I knew I was \_\_\_\_\_ the hill when I started needing glasses to read.

98. Tom's family pulled him \_\_\_\_\_ the difficult period following his wife's death.

99. The police came \_\_\_\_\_ a great deal of criticism.

100. I have gone \_\_\_\_\_ computer games. They are not as interesting as before.

**XI. Rewrite the sentences with the given words or beginning in such a way that their meanings remain unchanged.**

101. The only reason the party was a success was that a famous film star attended it.

-> Had it \_\_\_\_\_

102. Government guidelines really do emphasize the importance of starting education early.

-> A lot of emphasis \_\_\_\_\_

103. The trip was so amazing that we will never forget it.

-> It's too \_\_\_\_\_

104. Your silly questions distracted me.

-> You drove \_\_\_\_\_

105. She was so disgusted at the way her friend behaved that she refused to speak to him.

-> Such \_\_\_\_\_.

106. Mike is never reluctant to make tough decisions as a manager. (SHRINKS)

-> \_\_\_\_\_

107. The film is similar to Shakespeare's Hamlet in a number of ways. (RESEMBLANCE)

-> The film \_\_\_\_\_

108. He is determined to become a doctor. (HEART)

-> \_\_\_\_\_

109. Alison bought the big house because she wanted to open a hotel. (VIEW)

-> Alison bought \_\_\_\_\_

110. We feel uncomfortable in the house. (FISH)

-> \_\_\_\_\_

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