

1. --- I see Mark, he seems to have something to complain about. He never seems satisfied.
- A) Despite  
B) Whenever  
C) While  
D) But for  
E) However
2. Can you please tell me what the problem is --- we can take the necessary measures.
- A) as well as  
B) although  
C) despite  
D) so that  
E) so as to
3. --- the father of the family --- the mother believed that the child was actually sick and unfortunately he passed away last night.
- A) Soon / after  
B) Either / or  
C) Neither / nor  
D) No sooner / than  
E) Hardly / when
4. He cancelled his flight and stayed at home --- a terrorist group hijacking the plane. I think it is stupid.
- A) for fear of  
B) in order that  
C) in spite of  
D) meanwhile  
E) lest
5. Tom invited me --- my brother to his birthday party even though we are not friends so I am very happy.
- A) except for  
B) in addition  
C) instead  
D) as for  
E) as well as
6. --- everybody wanted to succeed, nobody made the effort and the result was a failure as expected.
- A) Although  
B) In spite of  
C) Despite the fact  
D) Regardless  
E) Unless
7. People should be able to have sympathy for each other --- their ethnic background.
- A) as long as  
B) while  
C) regardless of  
D) except for  
E) in order to
8. Kevin needs to buy a car to get to work --- he has started to save money.
- A) therefore  
B) in addition  
C) as well as  
D) inasmuch as  
E) however
9. I will do the grocery shopping before I go home; ---, I will have to stop at the hairdresser to get my hair done for tonight.
- A) while  
B) unless  
C) consequently  
D) in addition  
E) no matter what
10. You may think Karen will never finish her homework but I think --- she will.
- A) consequently  
B) eventually  
C) by the time  
D) for  
E) lest

11. People need to know what to do --- an emergency while driving. For example, when they have a flat tire.

- A) such as
- B) since
- C) on the other hand
- D) with respect to
- E) in case of

12. I was sure Nicole would help me if I asked her --- she refused me and said she was busy.

- A) yet
- B) in that
- C) whatever
- D) therefore
- E) so as to

13. The patient said he would never forgive the doctor and withdraw his complaint --- the doctor apologised to him.

- A) as though
- B) rather than
- C) conversely
- D) even if
- E) since

14. The birds can make their nests anywhere --- the places the snakes can reach. They are the main predators of the eggs or the baby birds.

- A) unlike
- B) except for
- C) in contrast
- D) whether
- E) regardless of

15. No other dictator in history has been --- notoriously known --- Adolf Hitler. He killed millions of people.

- A) no sooner / than
- B) neither / nor
- C) hardly / when
- D) as / as
- E) whether / or not

16. --- he was deadly sick, he would come to work as he generally has a lot of work.

- A) If
- B) Unless
- C) Since
- D) Once
- E) When

17. The winter this year was extremely harsh, and ---, the heating bills were high throughout the country.

- A) whenever
- B) instead of
- C) consequently
- D) meanwhile
- E) although

18. She had --- looked up in the sky --- it started raining, and she was soaked.

- A) no sooner / than
- B) not only / but also
- C) hardly / than
- D) both / and
- E) either / or

19. Theresa moved to the front of the classroom --- hear the teacher better. She wanted to learn all about Physics.

- A) in that
- B) for this reason
- C) because of
- D) in order to
- E) despite

20. He learned all about fashion --- he finished the fashion course he was attending.

- A) while
- B) by means of
- C) though
- D) as opposed to
- E) when



1. --- someone really wants to succeed, he will have the strength to overcome the problems he comes across.  
A) Whether  
B) Although  
C) Before  
D) If  
E) Unless
2. James had already seen the new Will Smith movie --- we asked him, so he refused to join us.  
A) even though  
B) yet  
C) before  
D) after  
E) however
3. My sister was cleaning the house --- I was sleeping and the noise woke me up.  
A) while  
B) before  
C) then  
D) whether  
E) after
4. Maria avoided suburbs all her life --- she should be murdered or robbed. She always walks on the busiest streets.  
A) also  
B) in addition  
C) by the time  
D) for fear of  
E) lest
5. Everybody should evacuate the building immediately --- an earthquake or a fire. The walls don't seem very strong.  
A) in case of  
B) in addition to  
C) so as to  
D) unless  
E) while
6. Melisa asked us to take her on our journey --- she had a broken leg.  
A) even though  
B) whether  
C) in spite of  
D) in case  
E) but for
7. I don't like people who talk about themselves --- they are the king of the world. Nobody should be that arrogant.  
A) when  
B) as if  
C) since  
D) as soon as  
E) while
8. The doctor gave me some pills for my cold and told me to be careful; ---, all I wanted was to go home and smoke.  
A) still  
B) therefore  
C) whatever  
D) however  
E) in that
9. The boss yelled at Jim for about half an hour; he --- threatened to fire him for a small mistake.  
A) by means of  
B) even if  
C) instead  
D) meanwhile  
E) so that
10. Many people are scared of insects. They are --- scared of animals such as mice and rats.  
A) also  
B) providing  
C) except for  
D) despite  
E) thus

11. The wounded girl could not be saved --- all the efforts the ambulance team made. She died within 10 minutes.  
A) no matter  
B) in spite of  
C) due to  
D) in case of  
E) whereas
12. I don't want my daughter to buy things she cannot afford herself ---- we have no money of our own to give her.  
A) owing to  
B) nevertheless  
C) for  
D) however  
E) as if
13. Susan will never be able get that promotion she wants --- what she does as her manager has decided to fire her already.  
A) even if  
B) as opposed to  
C) no matter  
D) though  
E) therefore
14. Maria decided to marry Alex ---- she was sure she loved him and they would be very happy together.  
A) as though  
B) since  
C) as well as  
D) still  
E) on condition
15. ---- you do, you will never be as successful as Jane as she is more intelligent than anyone I know.  
A) Concerning  
B) Whether  
C) No matter  
D) However  
E) Whatever
16. I will try to explain the current political situation ---- I can. I hope everyone will have an idea by the end of our lecture.  
A) as well as  
B) notwithstanding  
C) for fear that  
D) meanwhile  
E) on the other hand
17. All managed to become an airline pilot ---- his unbelievable struggle and desire, and he got a job at British Airways.  
A) as regards  
B) the first time  
C) before  
D) in order to  
E) as a result of
18. Global warming will get worse ---- men keep wasting energy and being greedy.  
A) hence  
B) as long as  
C) rather than  
D) because of  
E) otherwise
19. I think Melissa is sick, ---- she would never miss a school day. She comes every day.  
A) in order to  
B) until  
C) otherwise  
D) meanwhile  
E) after
20. Feriha wants to be a race car driver; ---, it is illegal for women to drive in Saudi Arabia. She will move to a different country to be one.  
A) so long as  
B) therefore  
C) no matter what  
D) such that  
E) however