

ECCE Practice 3

Grammar

- 1 'It's hot in here.' '_____ I open the window?'
 - a Do
 - b Shall
 - c Will
 - d Would
- 2 'What are you going to do?' 'Well, _____ I've had a shower, I'm going to go out.'
 - a as soon as
 - b before
 - c while
 - d during
- 3 They've finally announced that the elections are _____ on 21 June.
 - a due
 - b to take place
 - c happening
 - d probably
- 4 I didn't understand the problem _____ she explained it to me.
 - a as soon as
 - b until
 - c before
 - d at once
- 5 I _____ with my aunt when I go to Mexico next summer.
 - a stay
 - b staying
 - c 'll be staying
 - d 'll have been staying
- 6 The crowd are getting very excited. The race _____ start.
 - a is about to
 - b is due to
 - c is to
 - d is just
- 7 We often go to Florida _____ the winter.
 - a while
 - b until
 - c during
 - d since
- 8 John moved away three weeks _____.
 - a since
 - b before
 - c ago
 - d over

Vocabulary

- 9 Do you think she can _____ a promise?
 - a keep
 - b preserve
 - c tell
 - d do
- 10 I'll give you ten minutes to come _____ with a better idea.
 - a out
 - b in
 - c through
 - d up
- 11 Lucy found the missing dog. She was given \$100 as a _____.
 - a profit
 - b benefit
 - c reward
 - d bonus
- 12 'Have they arrested the criminals yet?' 'It's only a _____ of time.'
 - a period
 - b matter
 - c length
 - d waste
- 13 Just think, _____ two years' time, we'll be 18!
 - a under
 - b over
 - c after
 - d in
- 14 I'll give them a call – they should be back home _____ now.
 - a for
 - b until
 - c by
 - d from
- 15 It's been a really difficult time. I don't want to go _____ another week like that.
 - a over
 - b through
 - c back
 - d off
- 16 The Rolling Stones have _____ pleasure to millions of fans for more than 40 years.
 - a made
 - b done
 - c put
 - d given

FCE Practice 3

Part 1

For Questions 1–12, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap.

THE EXECUTIVE WIFE WHO DECIDED TO TAKE OFF

It was a routine problem for an executive wife. Jennifer Murray's husband had treated himself to an expensive new toy but did not have the time to use it. So she decided to (1) a go herself. It was a helicopter. Today, the 56-year-old grandmother (2) off to try to become the first woman to fly a small helicopter around the world. She admits: 'It's crazy.'

Mrs Murray plans to stop in 26 countries in 97 days, risking desert sandstorms and tropical monsoons on the 40,000-kilometre (3) With her co-pilot, she took a survival course in which they (4) through a practice crash-landing in water.

Aboard their four-seater helicopter, two seats have made way for an extra fuel tank which will slow them (5) but ensure that they can go up to 1250 kilometres on a single stretch. They are also carrying special equipment to enable them to survive in freezing conditions in the (6) of a mechanical breakdown.

Mrs Murray said of her husband: 'It's all his (7) He bought a helicopter but he didn't have time to learn to fly it, so he (8) I learn. Now I really have the bug.' After flying for three years, she said as a joke that she should try a trip around the world. She was (9) seriously and planning began. Mr Murray can now fly but he is too busy to make the global trip and will (10) meet her on several stopovers.

The trip is costing hundreds of thousands of pounds but they have succeeded in (11) about half the cost through sponsorship from various companies. They hope to (12) about £500,000 for charity.

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| 1 A hold | B do | C get | D have |
| 2 A comes | B sets | C leaves | D turns |
| 3 A way | B travel | C route | D path |
| 4 A fell | B went | C saw | D put |
| 5 A off | B out | C down | D through |
| 6 A event | B happening | C matter | D occasion |
| 7 A lack | B blame | C guilt | D fault |
| 8 A suggested | B indicated | C warned | D persuaded |
| 9 A caught | B taken | C considered | D given |
| 10 A instead | B rather than | C aside | D other than |
| 11 A fulfilling | B satisfying | C matching | D meeting |
| 12 A mass | B pile | C raise | D grow |