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THE FIRST TERM ENGLISH TEST

CODE: 113

Class: 12 A ...

Duration: 45 minutes

Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the others

1. A. undertake B. cave C. pastime D. spectator
2. A. characteristic B. challenge C. Christmas D. chemical

Choose the word which is stressed differently from the rest.

3. A. powerful B. medical C. dangerous D. computer
4. A. contribute B. keenness C. shortcoming D. labour

Choose the best answer to complete each sentence by circling the corresponding letter A, B, C or D

5. An economic _____ is a time when there is very little economic activity, which causes a lot of unemployment and poverty.

A. improvement B. depression C. development D. mission

6. Many young people are much more concerned with physical_____ when choosing a wife or husband.

A. attraction B. attractive C. attractively D. attractiveness

7. The gentleman _____ next door to me is a well-known orator.

A. who live B. living C. lives D. to living

8. If you had passed the GCSE examination, you would have been allowed to _____ the entrance examination to the university.

A. admit B. take C. give D. send

9. One of the most things is to _____ a good impression on your job interviewer.

A. create B. creativity C. creation D. creatively

10. The girls and the flowers _____ he painted were vivid.

A. who B. which C. whose D. that

11. _____ you, I'd think twice about that decision.

A. Were I B. If I had been C. Should I be D. I were

12. George Washington University, _____ by an act on Congress in 1821, is the largest institution of higher education.

A. found B. was founded C. founded D. was found

13. They asked me _____ in Paris then.

A. if my mother had worked B. if my mother was working
C. was my mother working D. if my mother is working

14. By the end of 21th century, Chinese astronauts _____ on Mars.

A. will land B. will be landing C. has landed D. will have landed

15. **Lan:** "What is the responsibility of _____?"

Hoá: "He helps save people's life."

A. a tourist guide B. an engineer C. a doctor D. an electrician

16. We will need to have our photo _____ for our new passport.

A. taken B. to take C. take D. taking

17. If you had taken your dad's advice, you _____ such a silly mistakes.

A. have avoided B. would have avoid C. would avoid D. would have avoided

18. Father has lost his job, so we'll have to _____ to avoid getting into debt.

A. sell the belt B. buy new belt C. tighten our belt D. have new belt

19. Those companies were _____ due to some seriously financial problems.

A. wiped out B. put away C. taken off D. gone over

20. I will not be here next week. I am going to be _____ business in Mexico.

A. for B. on C. in D. with

21. Davis learned to play _____ guitar when he was ten years old.

A. a B. an C. the D. Ø

22. We didn't go by air because we didn't have enough money.

A. If we had gone by air, we would have had enough money.
B. We wouldn't have gone by air even if we had enough money.
C. We would have gone by air if we had had enough money.
D. If we had enough money, we would go by air.

23. People think that the strange disease originated in Africa.

A. It was thought that the strange disease originated in Africa.
B. The strange disease is think to originate in Afria.
C. The strange disease is thought to have originated in Africa.
D. It is thought that the strange disease originate in America.

24. I like the teacher. I learnt English with her in high school.

A. I like the teacher with whom I learnt English in high school.
B. I like the teacher with who I learnt English in high school.
C. I like the teacher with that I learnt English in high school.
D. I like the teacher whom I learnt English in high school.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the most suitable response to complete each of the following exchanges.

25. David and Tom are talking about yesterday's game.

– David: "Are you still thinking about yesterday's game?" – Tom: "Oh, that's _____."

A. what makes me feel excited B. whatever I feel excited about
C. how I feel about it D. when I feel excited

26. Last week, John did an essay very well, which was complimented.

- Teacher: "John, you've written a much better essay this time." - John: "....."

A. There's no doubt about that. B. You're welcome.
C. Don't mention it. D. Thank you. It's really encouraging.

Choose the underlined words/ phrases that need correcting:

27. A basic (A) knowledge of social studies, such as history (B) and geography, are (C) considered a basic part of the education of every child (D).

28. Once(A) you've got (B) your friend's attention, you shouldn't point with (C) the person or thing you want her to look(D), at

Choose the word or phrase that is OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined part

29. Ask Mum for permission to go out now. She looks like she's in a good mood.

A. healthful **B.** unconcerned **C.** fashionable **D.** unhappy

Choose the word or phrase that is CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined part

30. Sorry, I can't come to your party. I am snowed under with work at the moment.

A. busy with **B.** free from **C.** relaxed about **D.** interested in

Read the passage and fill in each number blank with one suitable word.

If you want to do your best in an exam, you should be relaxed and so one of the best things to do is to take regular (31) even if they are only for a few minutes. During revision time, you (32) take some time off to go for a walk or play your favorite sport. It is a mistake to take up all physical activities. Exercise can help you to relax. You should (33) at least twenty minutes doing something different every day. Parents don't like it when their children spend (34) on the phone, but in fact, chatting to a friend is very good for you but parents think that children are (35) time and money; but research says talking to friends gives you a chance to relax and this will make the time you spend studying more effective.

31. A. trips B. pauses C. holidays D. breaks
32. A. shall B. should C. have D. will
33. A. use B. relax C. spend D. waste
34. A. seconds B. times C. days D. hours

35. A. losing B. spending C. missing D. wasting

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions

Harvard University, today recognized as part of the top echelon of the world's universities, came from very inauspicious and humble beginnings.

This oldest of America universities was founded in 1636, just sixteen years after the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth. Included in the Puritan emigrants to the Massachusetts colony during this period were more than 100 graduates of England's prestigious Oxford and Cambridge universities, and these university graduates in the New World were determined that their sons would have the same educational opportunities that **they** themselves had had. Because of this support in the colony for an institution of higher learning, the General Court of Massachusetts appropriated 400 **pounds** for a college in October of 1636 and early the following year decided on a parcel of land for the school; this land was in an area called Newetowne, which was later renamed Cambridge after its English cousin and is the site of the present-day university.

When a young minister named John Harvard, who came from the neighboring town of Charlestowne, died from tuberculosis in 1638, he willed half of his estate of 1,700 pounds to the fledgling college. In spite of the fact that only half of the bequest was actually paid, the General Court named the college after the minister in appreciation for what he had done. The amount of the bequest may not have been large, particularly by today's standards, but it was more than the General Court had found it necessary to appropriate in order to open the college.

Henry Dunster was appointed the first president of Harvard in 1640, and it should be noted that in addition to serving as president, he was also the entire faculty, with an entering freshman class of four students. Although the staff did expand somewhat, for the first century of its existence the entire teaching staff consisted of the president and three or four tutors.

36: The pronoun "**they**" in the second paragraph refers to_____

A. educational opportunities B. university graduates
C. Oxford and Cambridge universities D. sons

37: The "**pounds**" in the second paragraph are probably

A. units of money B. school campuses C. types of books D. college students

38: Which of the following is NOT mentioned about John Harvard?

A. How much he bequeathed to Harvard B. What he died of
C. Where he was buried D. Where he came from

39: The passage indicates that Harvard is_____

A. one of the oldest universities in America B. the oldest university in America

C. one of the oldest universities in the world D. the oldest university in the world

40: The main idea of this passage is that_____.

A. John Harvard was key to the development of a great university

B. What is today a great university started out small

C. Harvard University developed under the auspices of the General Court of Massachusetts

D. Harvard is one of the world's most prestigious universities.