

## Unit 4. THE MASS MEDIA

### PART 2: VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

#### I. Complete the following sentences with "for" or "since", and the correct form of five verb in brackets.

1. I ..... (not have) time to finish my work ..... Sunday.
2. Nobody ..... (write) to Norma ..... she left university.
3. She ..... (eat) the same food ..... three days.
4. I ..... (not play) tennis ..... a year now.
5. I don't think I ..... (see) you ..... 2003.
6. It ..... (not rain) here ..... last June.
7. We ..... (live) in this house ..... it was finished.
8. My father ..... (not listen) to me ..... I failed the entrance exam to university.
9. They ..... (not study) ..... Tet holidays.
10. Mum ..... (be) to America ..... three weeks.

#### II. Choose the right alternative.

1. I washed/ have washed my hands so that I can help you with the cooking.
2. She arrived/ has arrived at Kennedy Airport at 2 o'clock this morning.
3. The Pharaohs ruled/ has ruled Egypt for thousands of years.
4. I found/ have found the letter you looked/ were looking for. Here it is.
5. They grew/ have grown such a lot since we last saw/ has seen them.
6. We recently started/ have recently started to walk to work instead of taking the bus.
7. When I was younger I played/ had played badminton for my local team.
8. I have had/ am having the pains for three weeks now.
9. So far it was/ has been so cold that we stayed/ have stayed in the house all day.
10. The last time I went/ have gone to Brighton is/ was in August.
11. Don't disturb Amy. She just went/ has just gone to sleep.
12. Bill phones/ is phoning his girlfriend again. That's the third time he phoned/ has phoned her this evening.
13. Since the eruption started/ has started all the villages on the slopes of the volcano have evacuated/ have been evacuated.
14. House prices increased/ have increased dramatically in recent years.
15. Jim decided/ has decided to continue the course, even though it is proved/ was proving very difficult.

#### III. Indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

1. Media plays a significant role in keeping everyone **updated** about the various events around the world.  
A. informed      B. disinterested      C. indifferent      D. reluctant
2. Today, we can check out the latest news and current **affairs** with just few clicks of mouse or by simply switching on the radio or television  
A. matters      B. meetings      C. affections      D. approval
3. The main purpose of media is to **disseminate** the information and knowledge.  
A. restrict      B. spread      C. conceal      D. make it off the record
4. Cyber-bullying is commonplace online, causes emotional **trauma**, and sometimes even leads to suicide.  
A. stimulation      B. motivation      C. disorder      D. excitement
5. The Internet is a treasure trove of information, which offers knowledge on any given topic **under the sun**.  
A. sparsely      B. scarcely      C. abundantly      D. undoubtedly
6. The webs update news about the latest **breakthroughs** in the field of medicine, technology, and other domains of science.  
A. setbacks      B. demerits      C. hindrances      D. headways
7. Finding the latest updates about celebrities and exploring lifestyle websites have become **day-to-day** activities of many Internet consumers.  
A. abnormal      B. extraordinary      C. exceptional      D. habitual
8. These days, online gaming has tasted dramatic and **phenomenal** success because of its ever-increasing demand throughout the world.  
A. usual      B. ordinary      C. remarkable      D. run-of-the-mill
9. Social networking has also evolved as a great medium to connect with **like-minded** individuals and become a part of interesting groups and communities.  
A. having similar ideas and interests      B. having indifferent behaviors  
C. having habits in common      D. having similar mental disorders
10. Children **addicted to** computers are being sent on camping holidays designed to help them kick the habit.  
A. dependent on      B. hooked on      C. indifferent to      D. exhausted by

**IV. Indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.**

1. **Excessive** amounts of time at a computer can contribute to obesity, undeveloped social skills and a form of addictive behavior.  
A. over the top      B. a bit much      C. unrestrained      D. limited
2. The Internet has become an **indispensable** business tool, which has helped bring the world closer.  
A. fundamental      B. vital      C. dispensable      D. significant

3. Newspapers enjoyed the position of the most preferred medium to reach a wider audience until electronic communication **emerged** on the media scene.

A. turned up      B. came into view      C. came out      D. disappeared

4. For many teens, texting is the **dominant** way that they communicate on a day-to-day basis with their friends.

A. secondary      B. principal      C. leading      D. outstanding

5. Duolingo helps you learn multiple languages **simultaneously** at no extra charge.

A. concurrently      B. together      C. at the same time      D. singly

6. These days more and more children are experiencing a stressful and **miserable** adolescence due to bullying.

A. sorrowful      B. depressed      C. contented      D. tragic

7. Studies show that bullying can greatly impact a child's life and have **long-lasting** negative effects.

A. durable      B. short-lived      C. permanent      D. lifelong

8. Until recently, many teachers and school officials **turned a blind eye to** bullying, believing that the students would eventually sort it out by themselves.

A. became attentive to      B. paid no attention to  
C. seemed ignorant of to      D. took no interest in

9. Some people with large enough fan bases can earn a very **wealthy** living by uploading a few videos every week.

A. impoverished      B. well off      C. rolling in money      D. well-to-do

10. **Face-to-face** socializing is not as preferred as virtual socializing among the youth.

A. facing      B. eyeball to eyeball      C. indirect      D. direct

**V. Choose the best answer A, B, C or D to complete the sentences.**

1. Have you any comment to \_\_\_\_ about the cause of the disaster?  
A. make      B. complain      C. show      D. demonstrate
2. Any event attended by the actor received \_\_\_\_ media coverage.  
A. big      B. large      C. widespread      D. much
3. The \_\_\_\_ of 4, 5 and 9 is 6.  
A. total      B. sum      C. amount      D. average
4. We thought she was arrogant \_\_\_\_ in fact she was just very shy.  
A. whereas      B. although      C. despite      D. provided
5. Are you \_\_\_\_ trouble again?  
A. doing      B. causing      C. creating      D. bringing
6. The sword was presented by the family \_\_\_\_ the museum.

A. for                    B. onto                    C. to                    D. with

7. The truth of this statement has been effectively \_\_\_\_ in Chapter 1.

A. demonstrated    B. pronounced    C. declared    D. published

8. Their music still enjoys widespread \_\_\_\_ among teenagers.

A. popular            B. popularity            C. public            D. publicity

9. As far as I'm \_\_\_\_ nobody has done anything about it.

A. know            B. aware            C. hope            D. awake

10. Focusing upon human curiosity is an ingenious idea that would \_\_\_\_ to the creation and launch of Quora in June, 2009.

A. direct            B. go                    C. lead                    D. aim

11. The app - WhatsApp - relies \_\_\_\_ the Internet to send images, texts, documents audio and video messages to other users that have the app installed on their devices.

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

12. The lessons provided by Duolingo are designed to increase in difficulty as the user \_\_\_\_.

A. continues            B. moves forward    C. progresses    D. goes forward

13. With Anki App, users can \_\_\_\_ themselves through quick sessions, often lasting one minute or less, in order to test their knowledge of Japanese.

A. challenge            B. compete            C. stop                    D. doubt

14. The commission is calling for a global ban \_\_\_\_ whaling.

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

15. I haven't seen Gary \_\_\_\_ a long time. Who is he?

A. in                    B. for                    C. since                    D. at

16. It's ages \_\_\_\_ I last ate Italian food.

A. for                    B. when                    C. while                    D. since

17. I've written to Helen \_\_\_\_.

A. last week            B. yet                    C. recently                    D. nowadays

18. What have you been doing \_\_\_\_?

A. today                    B. yesterday                    C. far so                    D. all ready

19. I had dinner with Sue \_\_\_\_.

A. last night            B. already                    C. so far                    D. lately

20. Twitter is a micro-blogging \_\_\_\_ that allows users to post brief, 140 character messages - called "tweets" – and follow other users' activities.

A. device      B. appliance      C. instrument      D. tool

21. After you \_\_\_, it automatically connects you to all the people in your address book who also are using WhatsApp.

A. log out      B. sign up      C. start      D. access

22. Similar to the way they use Facebook, teens may \_\_\_ the "success" of their photos - even their self-worth - by the number of likes or comments they receive.

A. value      B. indicate      C. weigh      D. measure

23. This social network - LinkedIn-basically lets you \_\_\_ with people in a professional way.

A. join      B. connect      C. relate      D. associate

24. Tom hasn't been here \_\_\_ you came here together.

A. for      B. when      C. since      D. as

25. Harry \_\_\_ look well since he on a diet.

A. doesn't - went      B. didn't go      C. hasn't - went      D. hasn't - has gone

26. I can't give you the report I \_\_\_ for today because I \_\_\_.

A. promise - don't finish      B. promised - didn't finish  
C. have promised - didn't finish      D. have promised - haven't finished

27. I'm sorry about not coming last week. I \_\_\_ a cold and so I \_\_\_ at home.

A. have - stay      B. had - stayed      C. have had - stayed      D. have/ have stayed

28. Wait a minute. I \_\_\_ an idea. Let's go and see Roger. We last \_\_\_ him a long time ago.

A. had - saw      B. have - saw      C. have - see      D. have - had seen

29. It's nice to be back here, in London. It's the second time I \_\_\_ here.

A. am coming      B. have come      C. come      D. came

30. I'm phoning about your advertisement for a bicycle for sale, which \_\_\_ in the local paper. \_\_\_ it? Or is it still available?

A. Saw - Have you sold      B. have seen - did you sell  
C. saw - did you sell      D. have seen - have you sold

#### **VI. Choose the underlined part among A, B, C or D that needs correcting.**

1. I was merely questioning weather we had the money to fund such a project.

A      B      C      D

2. We'll see you after the performance also give you £50 for the tickets, or however much they cost.

A      B      C      D

3. Do they play any other sports beside basketball and volleyball?

A      B      C      D

4. In addition her flat in Hanoi, she has a new house in Vung Tau and a villa in Ho Chi Minh City.

A      B      C      D

5. There's not much flour left but you're welcome to what few there is.

A      B      C      D

6. Susan slept soundly for 10 hours! You must wake her.

A      B      C      D

7. Because of coming into the office on weekends, Mr. Smith never gets enough work done.

A      B      C      D

8. Sales of the newest computer have doubled since the past eight months.

A      B      C      D

9. The members of the personnel committee has decided to revise the employee handbook.

A      B      C      D

10. No one knows what the ultimate affect of the global pollution will be.

A      B      C      D