Choose the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following sentences.

1. Nutritionists believe that vitamins circumvent diseases.

A. defeat B. nourish C. help D. treat

2. Adverse weather conditions made it difficult to play the game.

A. favourable B. bad C. comfortable D. severe

3. He revealed his intentions of leaving the company to the manager during the office dinner party.

A. disclosed B. concealed C. misled D. influenced

4. Most of the guests at the dinner party chose to dress elegantly, but one man wore jeans and a T-shirt, he was later identified as a high school teacher.

A. unsophisticatedly B. decently C. gaudily D. gracefully

5. The minister came under fire for his rash decision to close the factory.

A. was dismissed B. was acclaimed C. was criticized D. was penalized

6. Those who advocate for doctor-assisted suicide say the terminally ill should not have to suffer.

A. support B. oppose C. annul D. convict

7. Golf wear has become a very lucrative business for both the manufacturers and golf stars.

A. unprofitable B. impoverished C. inexpensive D. unfavourable

8. Unless you get your information from a credible website, you should doubt the veracity of the facts until you have confirmed them elsewhere.

A. inexactness B. falsehood C. inaccuracy D. unfairness

9. If any employee knowingly breaks the terms of this contract, he will be dismissed immediately.

A. coincidentally B. deliberately C. instinctively D. accidentally

10. Because Jack defaulted on his loan, the bank took him to court.

A. failed to pay B. paid in full C. had a bad personality D. was paid much money

11. His career in the illicit drug trade ended with the police raid this morning.

A. elicited B. irregular C. secret D. legal

12. The government is not prepared to tolerate this situation any longer.

A. look down on B. put up with C. take away from D. give on to

13. I clearly remember talking to him in a chance meeting last summer.

A. unplanned B. deliberate C. accidental D. unintentional

14. The US troops are using much more sophisticated weapons in the Far East.

A. expensive B. complicated C. simple and easy to use D. difficult to operate

15. In remote communities, it's important to replenish stocks before the winter sets in.

A. remake B. empty C. refill D. repeat

16. There has been no discernible improvement in the noise levels since lorries were banned.

A. clear B. obvious C. thin D. insignificant

17. She had a cosy little apartment in Boston.

A. uncomfortable B. warm C. lazy D. dirty

18. He was so insubordinate that he lost his job within a week.

A. fresh B. disobedient C. obedient D. understanding

19. There is growing concern about the way man has destroyed the environment.

A. ease B. attraction C. consideration D. speculation

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20. Fruit and vegetables grew in abundance on the island. The islanders even exported the surplus.

A. large quantity B. small quantity C. excess D. sufficiency

21. During the five- decade history the Asian Games have been advancing in all aspects.

A. holding at B. holding back C. holding to D. holding by

22. The distinction between schooling and education implied by this remark is important.

A. explicit B. implicit C. obscure D. odd

23. A chronic lack of sleep may make us irritable and reduces our motivation to work.

A. uncomfortable B. responsive C. calm D. miserable

24. Population growth rates vary among regions and even among countries within the same region.

A. restrain B. stay unchanged C. remain unstable D. fluctuate

25. Unless the two signatures are identical, the bank won't honour the check.

A. similar B. different C. fake D. genuine

26. Strongly advocating health foods, Jane doesn't eat any chocolate.

A. supporting B. impugning C. advising D. denying

27. Her father likes the head cabbage rare.

A. over-boiled B. precious C. scarce D. scare

28. It was apparent from her face that she was really upset.

A. obvious B. indistinct C. transparent D. evident

29. My cousin tends to look on the bright side in any circumstance.

A. be optimistic B. be pessimistic C. be confident D. be smart

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31. Solar energy is not only plentiful but also infinite.

A. without limit B. boundless C. limited D. indefinite

32. His replies were inconsistent with his previous testimony.

A. contradicted B. compatible C. enhanced D. incorporated

33. We are now a 24/7 society where shops and services must be available all hours.

A. an active society B. an inactive society C. a physical society D. a working society

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35. We'd better speed up if we want to get there in time.

A. slow down B. turn down C. put down D. lie down

36. She is a very generous old woman. She has given most of her wealth to a charity organization.

A. mean B. amicable C. kind D. hospitable

37. Her thoughtless comments made him very angry.

A. honest B. kind C. pleasant D. thoughtful

38. My first impression of her was her impassive face.

A. emotional B. respectful C. solid D. fractious

39. She wrote me a vicious letter.

A. helpful B. gently C. dangerous D. healthy

40. We are very grateful to Professor Humble for his generosity in donating this wonderful painting to the museum.

A. meanness B. sympathy C. gratitude D. churlishness

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