

A. SYNONYM 1

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

Question 1. Many young children are spending large amounts of time watching the TV without being aware of its detriment to their school work.

A. harm B. advantage C. support D. benefit

Question 2. Those girls are totally unaware that they are being made use of by this organization.

A. taken for granted B. spoken ill of C. taken advantage of D. made fun of

Question 3. The National Institute of Mental Health is conducting far-reaching research to determine the psychological effects of using drugs.

A. refined B. extensive C. prevalent D. tentative

Question 4. Within their home country, National Red Cross and Red Crescent societies assume the duties and responsibilities of a national relief society.

A. take on B. get off C. go about D. put in

Question 5. During their five-decade history the Asian Games have been advancing in all aspects.

A. going off B. going over C. going by D. going ahead

Question 6. The International Union for Conservation of Nature Red List is a comprehensive catalogue of the conservation status of species.

A. complete B. rational C. understandable D. valuable

Question 7. Lucky will be like a dog with two tails if she gets into the team.

A. very proud B. very exhausted C. extremely pleased D. extremely dazed

Question 8. Marry is always making a mountain out of the molehill.

A. exaggerating B. extravagant C. squandering D. overextending

Question 9. The government decided to pull down the old building after asking for the ideas from the local resident.

A. renovate B. purchase C. maintain D. demolish

Question 10. He may be shy now, but he'll soon come out of his shell when he meets the right girl.

A. hole B. become confident C. shed D. become shy

Question 11. In most countries, compulsory military service does not apply to women.

A. superior B. mandatory C. beneficial D. constructive

Question 12. Scientists warn of the impending extinction of many species of plants and animals.

A. inevitable B. imminent C. controversial D. absolute

Question 13. Soccer has been slow to catch on in the U.S. This is because most people prefer to watch baseball, basketball, and rugby football.

A. get popular B. be entertained C. be frustrating D. be confusing

Question 14: Every time he opens his mouth, he immediately regrets what he said. He's always putting his foot in his mouth.

A. speaking indirectly B. saying something upsetting

C. doing things in the wrong order D. talking too much

Question 15: I will not stand for your bad attitude any longer.

A. like B. mean C. tolerate D. care

Question 16: The works of such men as the English philosophers John Locke and Thomas Hobbes helped pave the way for academic freedom in the modern sense.

A. terminate B. prevent C. initiate D. lighten

Question 17. In some industrial zones, the production processes may result in serious environmental problem.

A. enormous B. little C. minor D. petty

Question 18. I'm not surprised that Tom is ill. He's been burning the candle at both ends for a long time. It was bound to affect his health sooner or later.

A. overworking B. extra work C. overloading D. playing with fire

Question 19. Few businesses are flourishing in the present economic climate.

A. taking off B. setting up C. growing well D. closing down

Question 20. The people interviewed for the survey were **randomly** selected.

A. thoughtfully B. carefully C. indiscriminately D. carelessly

Question 21. An international medical conference **initiated** by Davison resulted in the birth of the League of Red Cross Societies in 1991.

A. treated B. dedicated C. helped D. started

Question 22. He drove so fast that I really felt my life was **in danger**.

A. at the target B. in accident C. at stake D. in comfort

Question 23. We decided to pay for the car on the **installment** plan.

A. cash and carry B. monthly payment C. credit card D. piece by piece

Question 24. I told you clearly and **definitely** not to write your answers in pencil, Smith!

A. altogether B. specifically C. thoroughly D. considerably

Question 25. Whenever problems **come up**, we discuss them frankly and find solutions quickly.

A. arrive B. encounter C. happen D. clean

Question 26. It was **relatively** easy for him to learn baseball because he had been a cricket player.

A. approximately B. comparatively C. nearly D. essentially

Question 27. You have to **be on your toes** if you want to beat her.

A. pay all your attention to what you are doing B. upset her in what she is doing
C. get involved in what she is doing D. make her comply with your orders

Question 28. In daily communication, you should know how to **interpret** other people's body language.

A. understand B. answer C. respond D. notice

Question 29. You never really know where you are with her as she **just blows hot and cold**.

A. keeps going B. keeps taking things
C. keeps changing her mood D. keeps testing

Question 30. Peter is **the black sheep** of the family, so he is never welcomed there.

A. a beloved member B. a bad and embarrassing member
C. the only child D. the eldest child

Question 31. Yes, we went away on holiday last week, but it rained **day in day out**.

A. every single day B. every other day C. every two days D. every second day

Question 32. The government has **passed** laws to protect wildlife from commercial trade.

A. enforced B. enabled C. ensured D. enacted

Question 33. When **posed** with a complicated mathematical equation, some students seek the assistance of a teacher.

A. solved B. presented C. informed D. spaced

Question 34. The way the care-taker treated those little children was **deplorable**. She must be punished for what she did.

A. respectable B. unacceptable C. mischievous D. satisfactory

Question 35. Unless **I miss my guess**, your computer needs a new hard drive.

A. I break the soft drive B. you lack money C. you are my guess D. I make a mistake

Question 36. I missed two assignments. I must **make them up** by the end of this week.

A. hand them in B. do them twice C. compensate for them D. go over them

Question 37. I wanted to prove to my family that I could **make something of myself**.

A. get through the difficult times by myself B. make up my mind without any help
C. become successful through my own efforts D. put my back into studying

Question 38. The students have to **sift through** all the journals in the library to find the information their professor want them to find.

A. sort and select from B. immaculately tidy up C. read carefully D. go over

Question 39. You can safely **cross out** your old reminders once you have achieved your tasks.

A. remember B. forget C. erase D. collect

Question 40. Although we argued with him for a long time, **he stood his ground**.

A. changed his decision B. refused to change his decision
C. felt sorry for us D. wanted to continue