

## PRACTICE EXERCISES

(DHG)

Choose the best answer.

1. I will \_\_\_\_\_ the idea with the other teachers and see what they think about it.  
A. explain                      B. argue                      C. discuss                      D. talk
2. You will become ill \_\_\_\_\_ you stop working so hard.  
A. until                      B. when                      C. unless                      D. if
3. I'll hand over all my files to my assistant before I \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. am leaving                      B. leave                      C. will leave                      D. shall leave
4. I'm looking \_\_\_\_\_ the summer holidays.  
A. before                      B. forward                      C. for                      D. forward to
5. When Mr. Brown's daughter \_\_\_\_\_ from university, he will be retired.  
A. will be graduating                      B. graduates                      C. has graduated                      D. will graduate
6. The more \_\_\_\_\_ we walk, the longer it will take us to get home.  
A. slowest                      B. slower                      C. slowly                      D. slow
7. He \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. will be here soon                      B. will here be soon  
C. will be soon here                      D. soon will be here
8. She was tired \_\_\_\_\_ her long walk.  
A. because                      B. since                      C. as                      D. because of
9. The driver \_\_\_\_\_ to read a newspaper while he for the lights to change.  
A. had started - waited                      B. has started - has been waiting  
C. was starting - has waited                      D. started - was waiting
10. When he \_\_\_\_\_ all the letters, he took them to the post office.  
A. has written                      B. had written                      C. wrote                      D. had been writing
11. We set off early \_\_\_\_\_ we wouldn't stuck in the traffic.  
A. because                      B. so that                      C. although                      D. in case
12. On arriving home I found that she \_\_\_\_\_ just a few minutes before.  
A. left                      B. was leaving                      C. leaves                      D. had left
13. She wanted to know \_\_\_\_\_ her hat and gloves.  
A. where had I put                      B. where I had put  
C. where did I put                      D. that where I had put
14. She said that she \_\_\_\_\_ you some day.

- A. had visited      B. has visited      C. will visit      D. would visit
15. She came into the room while they \_\_\_\_\_ television.  
A. have watched      B. watched      C. have been watching      D. were watching
16. \_\_\_\_\_ books on this shelf were written by Dickens.  
A. Each      B. All the      C. Every      D. The all
17. She said she felt tired as she \_\_\_\_\_ for five hours.  
A. had been working      B. has worked  
C. worked      D. has been working
18. Instead of buying a new pair of shoes, I had my old ones \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. repair      B. to repair      C. repairing      D. repaired
19. It's possible \_\_\_\_\_ a train across Canada.  
A. take      B. to take      C. taking      D. to be taken
20. The police never found the money \_\_\_\_\_ in the robbery.  
A. stealing      B. be stolen      C. steal      D. stolen
21. "How about going to the theater?" - "OK, but I would rather \_\_\_\_\_ a concert."  
A. attend      B. to attend      C. attending      D. have attended
22. Neither my friends nor I \_\_\_\_\_ particularly interested in the training course next month.  
A. are      B. am      C. be      D. being
23. It's time you \_\_\_\_\_ harder for the next exam.  
A. work      B. are working      C. worked      D. have worked
24. It was \_\_\_\_\_ that everyone answered it correctly.  
A. so a simple question      B. such a simple question  
C. too simple question      D. a more simple question
25. I'll \_\_\_\_\_ you just one more story before you go to sleep.  
A. speak      B. tell      C. say      D. talk

**Choose the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.**

26. I recently posted an advertisement for a vacancy in Sales Department.  
A. available room      B. available seat  
C. available space      D. available position
27. I lived in the U.S. for ten years, so I've lost touch with British politics.  
A. become unaware of      B. forgotten about  
C. become confused about      D. stopped talking about

28. The law made wearing seat belts in cars compulsory.  
A. necessary      B. optional      C. obligatory      D. redundant
29. Some research has shown a strong association between pesticide and certain diseases.  
A. Cooperation      B. Connection      C. Consequence      D. Cause
30. Reaching 35 and obviously aging, Jane has to make up her mind on her future very soon.  
A. give a thought about      B. prepare a plan for  
C. make a decision on      D. pay attention to
31. The stock market crash marked the start of a severe depression.  
A. recession      B. unhappiness      C. development      D. boom
32. Many new graduates take a part - time job and barely make ends meet every month.  
A. become a professional      B. balance study and work  
C. put aside extra money      D. earn enough to live
33. Tony was so absorbed in his assignment that he forgot all about his dinner in the oven.  
A. busy      B. interested      C. obliged      D. distracted
34. It's extremely rude not to say "Thank you" when you are given something.  
A. casual      B. careless      C. embarrassing      D. impolite
35. You can make a good living in sales if you have the right attitude and strategies.  
A. live a good life      B. earn a lot of money  
C. have a comfortable lifestyle      D. achieve considerable success
36. She was brought up in a well-off family. She can't understand the problems we are facing.  
A. wealthy      B. kind      C. broke      D. poor
37. The medical community continues to make progress in the fight against cancer.  
A. speed      B. expect more      C. do better      D. treat better
38. As all of us cannot be available today, let's put off the discussion till later.  
A. present for the event      B. scheduled for the event  
C. arranged for the event      D. appointed for the event
39. Anthropologists believe that in the sixteenth century a few thousands Inuits inhabited northern Canada.  
A. threatened      B. governed      C. lived in      D. fought over
40. The nutritionist stressed the importance of fresh fruit and vegetables in the diet.  
A. pronounced      B. worried      C. emphasized      D. repeated