

PHRASES AND CLAUSES

I. Choose the best answer to complete each of the following sentences.

1. _____ the post office was closed, I couldn't mail my package.
A. Therefore B. Because C. However D. Since
2. _____ the secret of how to make silk remained inside Asia, Europeans were forced to pay incredibly high sums of money for this mysterious material to be brought overland to Europe.
A. Although B. Only if C. Due to D. As long as
3. My sister hates animals. She likes _____ cats _____ dogs.
A. both - and B. not only - but also C. either - or D. neither - nor
4. _____ the parents _____ the son have gone on holiday.
A. Both - and B. Not only - but also C. Either - or D. Neither - nor
5. _____ I was dead tired, I walked all the way home.
A. Despite B. Although C. In spite of D. Even
6. Mr. Wilson hopes to avoid surgery. He will not agree to the operation _____ he is convinced that it is absolutely necessary.
A. in the event that B. only if C. if D. unless
7. Some English words have the same pronunciation _____ they are spelled differently, for example, *dear* and *deer*.
A. unless B. even though C. since D. only if
8. Olives are a principal source of cooking oil, but by no means the only source. _____ olives, cooking oil can be extracted from coconuts, corn, and sunflower seeds.
A. Because of B. In spite of C. In case of D. In addition to
9. I couldn't use the pay phone, _____ I didn't have any coins with me.
A. yet B. despite C. for D. even though
10. I have to eat breakfast in the morning. _____, I will get hungry before my lunch break.
A. Consequently B. Furthermore C. Otherwise D. However
11. _____ Nancy is an honest person, I still wonder whether she's telling the truth about the incident.
A. In spite of B. In the event that C. Though D. Since
12. The professor told me that I was doing well, _____ my final grade was awful!
A. so B. therefore C. in spite of D. yet
13. _____ Daisy has a new car, she no longer takes the commuter train to work. She drives to work every day.
A. Now that B. While C. Although D. In case
14. You'd better give me your answer quickly, _____, I'll withdraw the invitation.
A. although B. nevertheless C. even though D. or else
15. I have to go to the meeting _____ I want to or not.
A. provided that B. whether C. even if D. only if
16. What time do you expect Tom to be home? I must talk to him. I usually go to bed around ten, but tell him to call me tonight _____ it's past midnight.
A. however B. in case C. even if D. as long as
17. _____ you're going to the fruit market, would you please pick up a few apples for me?
A. Even if B. Although C. So D. As long as
18. I guess I'm a soft touch. I just lent Jane some money for lunch _____ she never paid me back my last loan.
A. even though B. unless C. or else D. only if
19. I think I did OK in my speech last night _____ I'd had almost no sleep for 24 hours.

A. despite the fact that

C. unless

B. in spite of

D. even

20. I ask Mary to run the office while I'm away _____ I know I can depend on her.

A. unless

C. although

B. since

D. therefore