PRACTICE EXERCISES

1. I must have offended her because she isn't being friendly towards me. (SHOULDER)
   - I must have offended her because she……...
2. His insistence on dropping out of the race at the last minute came as no shock to everybody.
   - He ……..
3. Jim was told off about his unacceptable behaviour but he _____ it.
   A. have a cheek for
   B. lose one's head for
   C. didn't lose any sleep for it
   D. have an eye for
4. He _____in attempting to convince his employers to use more technology and fewer people.
   A. persisted B. insisted C. interested D. specialized
5. _____that she burst into tears.
   A. She was so anger
   B. Such her anger was
   C. So angry she was
   D. Her anger was such
6. They turned down the proposal _____ that it didn't fulfill their requirement.
   A. by reason B. on the grounds C. as a cause D. allowing
7. _____ that took American art out of the romanticism of the mid- 1800's and carried it to the most powerful heights of realism.
   A. Winslow Homers' paintings
   B. It was Winslow Homers' paintings
   C. When Winslow Homers' paintings
   D. Paintings of Winslow Homers'
8. He demanded _____ sentences for those behind the violence. (**EXAMPLE**)
9. My boss says I can use his car whenever I want to, so long as I'm careful. (**disposal**)
   - My boss_____, so long as I'm careful.
10. Adeles tries hard, but she doesn't get anywhere.
    → Hard _____
11. It is proposed that physical education, which is often considered as an optional subject, _____ compulsory in school curriculum.
    A. be made B. would be made C. being made D. to be made
12. It is the environmentalists' political and economic pressure that has _____.
    A. made possible the decrease in illegal whaling.
    B. made it possible the decrease in illegal whaling.
    C. been made possibly the decrease in illegal whaling.
    D. been possibly made for the decrease in illegal whaling.
13. The jury _____her compliments on her excellent knowledge of the subject.
    A. paid B. gave C. made D. said
14. Mr. Jones knew who had won the contest, but he kept it under his _____until it was announced publicly.

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A. cap B. tongue C. umbrella D. hat

15. They live in a very _____populated area of Italy.
A. sparsely B. scarcely C. hardly D. barely

16. I_____ my best suit – everyone else was very casually dressed.
A. needn't wear C. mustn't wear
B. needn't have worn D. mustn't have worn

17. Unfortunately, their house _____while they were at the restaurant celebrating their anniversary.
A. had burgled B. got burgled C. went burgled D. burgled

18. The play _____ for a lot of criticism when it first opened.
A. came in B. was up C. met with D. took out

19. According to the WHO, _____there to be an outbreak of any of the six most dangerous diseases, this could be cause for quarantine.
A. were B. they were C. there were D. were they

20. He traveled _____for 20 years and then he decided to return home.
A. farther away B. far and wide C. far from it D. farthest of all

21. Italy produces many excellent wines, _____.
A. Spain is B. does Spain C. Spain do D. in Spain

22. I'm afraid we haven't got a spare bed. Can you _____with a mattress on the floor?
A. make do B. make by C. make over D. make up

23. Up _____when it saw its master.
A. jumped the dog C. did the dog jump
B. the dog jumped D. does the dog jump

24. _____was caused by breathing impure air was once a common belief.
A. Malaria B. That malaria C. Why malaria D. For malaria

25. You should sound your parents _____ and see what they think of your plan.

26. We were taken out for a meal _____ the company's expense.

27. She's worked very hard at her tennis and she's progressing _____ leaps and bounds.

28. You can't just suddenly decide to go on a safari. You need to plan things very carefully. (SPUR)
- Going on safari isn't a decision you can make_____moment. You need to plan things very carefully.

29. Some services may be running late due to bad weather. (SUBJECT)
- Some services _____due to bad weather.

30. Sally became known throughout the country as a result of her popular TV series. (HOUSEHOLD)
- Sally _____a result of her popular TV series.

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