

## BIRDS PETS INSECTS

### Task 1. BIRDS. Match the bird with its description.

1. <i>canary</i>	2. <i>cuckoo</i>	3. <i>eagle</i>	4. <i>gull</i>	5. <i>lark</i>
6. <i>magpie</i>	7. <i>nightingale</i>	8. <i>ostrich</i>	9. <i>owl</i>	10. <i>peacock</i>
		11. <i>pigeon</i>	12. <i>stork</i>	

- a. is yellow and sings in a cage
- b. the most celebrated song bird
- c. has a magnificent tail
- d. a wise bird with big eyes
- e. sings high in the sky
- f. haunts seas and big rivers
- g. can carry messages
- h. lays eggs in other birds' nests
- i. white with red beak and legs, delivers babies
- j. cannot fly
- k. a black and white thief
- l. a white one is the symbol of Poland

### Task 2. PETS. Choose the right answer.

- 1. He stroked his cat's silky fur and the cat ..... contentedly.  
a) growled      b) hummed      c) purred      d) roared
- 2. This ..... of dog is very useful for hunting.  
a) breed      b) clan      c) stock      d) tribe
- 3. A cat ..... its paw before it washes its face.  
a) bites      b) chews      c) laps      d) licks

4. It's dangerous to go near that building site as it is ..... by a fierce dog.

a) defended      b) guarded      c) resisted      d) restricted

5. Don't take any ..... of that dog. It is only playing.

a) care      b) game      c) notice      d) part

6. My dog always ..... when it sees the postman.

a) barks      b) cries      c) purrs      d) spits

7. The noise was caused by a dog ..... a cat through the garden.

a) catching      b) chasing      c) fighting      d) running

8. If your cat often has to stay indoors, then a ..... tray must be provided.

a) garbage      b) litter      c) rubbish      d) waste

9. You should take notice of warnings which state that guard dogs are on .....

a) alert      b) defence      c) patrol      d) watch

10. The dog felt very ..... when his owners left the house, dressed for a walk.

a) cheated      b) deceived      c) deceptive      d) disappointed

11. In big cities animals should be kept under .....

a) authority      b) check      c) control      d) discipline

12. The poor cat was ..... at the top of the tree.

a) bent      b) climbed      c) fixed      d) stuck

13. Don't touch the cat, he may ..... you.

a) kick      b) scratch      c) scream      d) tear

14. Dogs have a habit of ..... bones in the garden.

a) burying      b) covering      c) digging      d) planting

15. Both kindness and firmness are needed to ..... domestic animals successfully.

a) educate      b) practice      c) train      d) tutor

16. It is difficult to ..... a dog, if you live in a flat.

a) have      b) hold      c) keep      d) take

17. A dog can be a very pleasant .... on long country walks.

a) companion      b) company      c) fellow      d) friend

18. They put the bird in a cage to ..... it flying away.

a) avoid      b) hinder      c) let      d) stop

19. A cat purrs when it is pleased, but a dog ..... its tail.

a) bends      b) moves      c) wags      d) waves

20. I was badly scratched by my cat's .....

a) claws      b) hooves      c) nails      d) paws

21. When my wife comes home, our dog always jumps up and ..... her face.

a) kisses      b) licks      c) moistens      d) sucks

22. When the cat is angry, its ..... stands up on end.

a) feather      b) fur      c) hide      d) skin

23. His dog has done everything he told it to do; it is a most .... animal.

a) acceptable      b) commanding      c) obedient      d) orderly

24. Dogs in city streets should be kept on a .....

a) cord      b) lead      c) rope      d) string

### Task 3. PETS. Choose the best answer.

1. The dogs in the circus were trained to walk on their ..... legs.

a) base      b) hind      c) rear      d) tail

2. The trouble with cats and dogs is that their hair comes out in the spring when they . . . .

a) cast      b) moult      c) peel      d) shed

3. As the cat lay asleep, dreaming, his whiskers . . . .

a) jerked      b) jogged      c) tweaked      d) twitched

4. He had taught his dog to . . . . the rabbits he shot.

a) recover      b) regain      c) restore      d) retrieve

5. Even a small dog in a house can . . . . a thief.

a) arrest      b) counter      c) deter      d) forestall

6. Much is done in our city to . . . . the suffering of unwanted domestic pets.

a) alleviate      b) help      c) improve      d) remedy

7. The dog let out a . . . . of pain when his tail was trodden on.

a) bark      b) croak      c) squawk      d) yelp

8. The dog . . . . up his ears when he heard his master's voice.

a) lifted      b) pointed      c) pricked      d) raised

9. To keep a dog's . . . . in good condition, it should be brushed daily.

a) coat      b) fleece      c) fur      d) hide

10. The dog's ears . . . . as he heard footsteps outside the house.

a) trembled      b) twitched      c) wagged      d) wrungled