SPORT

Task 1. SOCCER. Complete the following sentences with the words or phrases from the fist below.

captain **football ground (or pitch)** **goal** **referee**
coach **footballer** **kick-off** **score** **draw**
fouls **league** **soccer** **fair** **free (or penalty) kick**
opponents

1. What Europeans call "football", Americans call . . . . .
2. The instructor of the team is the . . . . . .
3. When you play in a football team you are a . . . . .
4. The games take place on a . . . . . .
5. The leader of the team is the . . . . . .
6. The man in the . . . . . is the goal-keeper.
7. The beginning of the match is the . . . . . .
8. During the match each team tries to . . . . . as many goals as possible.
9. When the teams have scored the same number of goals we say it's a . . . . .
10. The players of the other team are the . . . . . .
11. The man who enforces the rules during the game is the . . . . .
12. Playing correctly is called . . . . . play.
13. Unfair moves are called . . . . . .
14. When a player breaks the rules the other team may get a . . . . .
15. A federation of football clubs is called a football . . . . .

Task 1. FOOTBALL. Choose the right answer.

1. This year our team are the . . . . . favourites to win the cup.

a) firm b) full c) grand d) hard

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2. The team's coach insisted on a programme of . . . . , training before the big match.

a) harsh b) rigorous c) severe d) searching

3. The team has practised hard so that it could . . . . . the trophy.

a) regain b) replace c) restore d) return

4. The team's recent wins have . . . . . them for the semi-finals.

a) fitted b) matched c) promoted d) qualified

5. John is always . . . . . about how well he plays football.

a) boasting b) flaunting c) parading d) puffing

6. His poor standard of play fully justifies his . . . . . from the team for the next match.

a) ban b) exception c) exclusion d) rejection

7. The footballer was . . . . . the field for kicking the referee.

a) brought off b) put off c) sent off d) taken off

8. The footballer scored four . . . . . , so his team won the match.

a) aims b) games c) goals d) scores

9. The fan shouted at the . . . . . of his voice.

a) head b) height c) limit d) top

10. The . . . . . at the football match became violent when their team lost.

a) customers b) groups c) observers d) spectators

11. Our village team were hopelessly . . . . . by the professional visitors.

a) outclassed b) outgrown c) outnumbered d) outraced

12. He was nervous at the beginning of the game but later he came into his . . .

a) best b) nature c) own d) style

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13. The . . . . . said it was a foul and gave us a free kick.

a) controller b) director c) referee d) umpire

14. In his first game for our team he . . . . . a goal after two minutes.

a) earned b) gained c) scored d) won

15. Manchester United are playing . . . . . Birmingham this Sunday.

a) against b) facing c) opposite d) with

16. Even though the match wasn't very exciting, the . . . . . managed to make it sound interesting.

a) announcer b) commentator c) narrator d) presenter

17. The football match resulted in a . . . . . .

a) draw b) equalizer c) loss d) zero

18. The football team won partly because they had been trained by such a good . . . . .

a) coach b) director c) instructor d) teacher

19. After their Jong period of training, the footballers were in good . . . . .

a) cut b) figure c) shape d) style

20. The referee . . . . . the goal because of a previous infringement.

a) annulled b) demolished c) disallowed d) disqualified

21. Having lost the match, the team travelled home in . . . . . spirits.

a) cold b) dark c) empty d) low

22. As they watched the match, the crowd . . . . . in unison.

a) bellowed b) chanted c) crowed d) intoned

23. We still don)t know who is going to win, because at half-time the score is one . . . . .

a) all b) each c) equal d) together

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24. I advise you not to . . . . . the referee's decision.

a) condemn b) condone c) conduct d) contest

25. As the minutes ticked by and we held on to our narrow lead our hopes of victory . . . . . steadily.

a) arose b) arouse c) raised d) rose

Task 3. SPORTS. Choose the correct answer.

1. I met Pete . . . . . his bicycle along the pavement.

a) pulling b) rolling c) turning d) wheeling

2. He was . . . . . from the competition because he had not complied with the rules.

a) banished b) disqualified c) forbidden d) outlawed

3. Some of the best golf . . . . . are to be found in England.

a) courses b) courts c) pitches d) tracks

4. Sport is a good . . . . . for aggression.

a) let off b) offshoot c) outlet d) way out

5. When she was told she had won the first prize in the competition, she had to . . . . . herself to make sure she wasn't dreaming.

a) grasp b) pinch c) scratch d) seize

6. This is the running . . . . . where the first 4 minute mile was run.

a) circle b) course c) ring d) track

7. Have you been able to book us a tennis . . . . . for tomorrow?

a) court b) field c) ground d) pitch

8. The boxer . . . . . and almost fell when his opponent hit him.

a) scrambled b) shattered c) staggered d) stammered

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9. He has always been . . . . . supporter of his local rugby team.

a) a forcible b) an unbeaten c) a staunch d) a sure

10. They stood glowering at each other, their fists . . . . . ready for action.

a) clasped b) clenched c) grasped d) joined

11. It seems that the world record for this event is almost impossible to . . . . .

a) balance b) beat c) compare d) meet

12. The boxer . . . . . his opponent as hard as he could.

a) knocked b) punched c) slapped d) touched

13. Our team faced fierce . . . . . in the relay races.

a) attack b) competition c) contest d) opponents

14. She is a good runner but she's not much good at . . . . .

a) barriers b) fences c) hurdles d) jumps

15. He ran four . . . . . of the course in half an hour.

a) hurdles b) laps c) sprints d) vaults

16. Most . . . . . tennis stars learn the game at an early age.

a) hopeful b) prospective c) will-be d) willing

17. Mary tells me she is . . . . . my horse in the Derby.

a) backing b) betting c) gambling d) staking

18. I always feel . . . . . before the start of a race.

a) jerky b) jittery c) timid d) unsteady

19. All the athletes were wearing . . . . . suits when they carne into the stadium.

a) jogging b) running c) sports d) track

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20. The new sports centre . . . . . for all kinds of leisure activities.

a) caters b) deals c) furnishes d) supplies

21. I'm afraid we shall have to call . . . . . the match on account of the bad weather.

a) back b) in c) off d) on

22. I tried to . . . . . my disappointment at losing by cheering the winner loudly.

a) hide b) mask c) shield d) veil

23. The fastest runner took the . . . . . just five metres before the finishing line.

a) advance b) head c) lead d) place

24. There is a lot of friendly . . . . . between the supporters of the two teams.

a) contention b) contest c) defiance d) rivalry

25. He's . . . . . to win. No one else in the race stands a chance.

a) bound b) liable c) probable d) unavoidable

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