

**LESSON 25B: PREPOSITIONS**

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**LEVEL A2****I. Choose A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.**

1. Lan is capable \_\_\_\_\_ swimming very fast.  
A. of                                      B. at                                      C. on                                      D. into
2. It took me a lot of time to concentrate \_\_\_\_\_ the questions  
A. with                                      B. at                                      C. on                                      D. of
3. Could you please translate this passage \_\_\_\_\_ English for me?  
A. onto                                      B. into                                      C. to                                      D. with
4. Lan spends a lot of money \_\_\_\_\_ clothes.  
A. into                                      B. on                                      C. of                                      D. at
5. Don't worry \_\_\_\_\_ the child. I'll take care of him.  
A. about                                      B. of                                      C. at                                      D. on
6. There is a big different \_\_\_\_\_ the two children  
A. of                                      B. in                                      C. between                                      D. at
7. Lan apologized to me for taking my phone \_\_\_\_\_ mistake.  
A. with                                      B. of                                      C. by                                      D. on
8. Lan lost her phone \_\_\_\_\_ the way to school.  
A. in                                      B. at                                      C. on                                      D. by
9. He quickly became accustomed \_\_\_\_\_ the local food.  
A. of                                      B. in                                      C. with                                      D. to
10. Before you light \_\_\_\_\_ a cigarette, remember to ask for permission.  
A. up                                      B. down                                      C. on                                      D. off
11. Pupils and students enrich their minds \_\_\_\_\_ knowledge they get from class.  
A. about                                      B. with                                      C. in                                      D. from
12. His son is \_\_\_\_\_ his job.  
A. important to                                      B. rich in                                      C. successful in                                      D. kind to
13. I have a wonderful life. I have nothing to be worried \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. to                                      B. with                                      C. about                                      D. for

14. I've lost my keys. Can you help me look \_\_\_\_\_ them?  
A. after                      B. for                      D. on                      D. at
15. Poverty prevented him \_\_\_\_\_ with his studies.  
A. to continue              B. to continuing              C. from continuing              D. with continuing
16. When the event will be held depends \_\_\_\_\_ the weather.  
A. in                      B. on                      C. up                      D. with
17. It was very kind \_\_\_\_\_ you to help less unfortunate people.  
A. to                      B. of                      C. in                      D. from
18. He is trying to give \_\_\_\_\_ smoking.  
A. away                      B. off                      C. up                      D. in

**II. Complete the sentences with one of the prepositions given below (Some can be used more than once, some may not be used).**

*in                      on                      at                      of                      with                      about*  
*to                      for                      out                      up                      from*

1. I look forward \_\_\_\_\_ hearing from you.
2. Lan is fond \_\_\_\_\_ watching YouTube.
3. Lan is lazy. She usually forgets \_\_\_\_\_ do her homework.
4. Lan is interested \_\_\_\_\_ learning English.
5. I succeeded \_\_\_\_\_ winning the first prize.
6. The skirt is made \_\_\_\_\_ silk.
7. My phone is made \_\_\_\_\_ China.
8. One advantage \_\_\_\_\_ learning English is that you can communicate with many people around the world.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ my opinion, smoking should be banned in public places.
10. We are really sorry \_\_\_\_\_ this mistake.
11. The food is available \_\_\_\_\_ the poor.
12. Doing exercise may be good \_\_\_\_\_ me, but I hate it.
13. Mark is getting very excited \_\_\_\_\_ the holiday.
14. The boy was very interested \_\_\_\_\_ my story.



**LEVEL B1**

**I. Choose A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.**

1. The noise of the typewriter really \_\_\_\_\_ me off. I just couldn't concentrate.  
A. put                      B. set                      C. pulled                      D. took
2. The old car is reliable; so far it hasn't let me \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. down                      B. in                      C. up                      D. through
3. Many young people travel all over the world, and do all kinds of jobs before they \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. lie down                      B. settle down                      C. put down                      D. touch down
4. Inexpensive air fares \_\_\_\_\_ about by the "Visit ASEAN Pass" have facilitated travelling in ASEAN countries.  
A. brought                      B. taken                      C. taking                      D. bringing
5. An animal perfectly in \_\_\_\_\_ with its environment is a perfect mechanism.  
A. sympathy                      B. harmony                      C. balance                      D. discord
6. As its sales have increased, that computer company is going to \_\_\_\_\_ more staff.  
A. take in                      B. take on                      C. take over                      D. take up
7. He'll be very upset if you turn \_\_\_\_\_ his offer.  
A. away                      B. from                      C. down                      D. against
8. I have only had time to dip \_\_\_\_\_ the report.  
A. into                      B. down                      C. through                      D. in
9. The government has brought \_\_\_\_\_ a new law in an effort to prevent further environmental deterioration.  
A. in                      B. about                      C. up                      D. on
10. This part of the country is famous \_\_\_\_\_ its beautiful landscapes and fine cuisine.  
A. of                      B. about                      C. for                      D. on
11. Candidates are requested to \_\_\_\_\_ the form to the admissions officer by July 25<sup>th</sup>.  
A. fill out                      B. show up                      C. pass over                      D. hand in
12. Nowadays, women are considered to be equal \_\_\_\_\_ in all fields.  
A. to                      B. with                      C. as                      D. like
13. Remember to \_\_\_\_\_ your best clothes for the interview.  
A. put on                      B. fill in                      C. show up                      D. wear down
14. All his plans for starting his own business fell \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. in                      B. through                      C. down                      D. away

15. Mary Smith decided to give up her job for the \_\_\_\_\_ of her children.  
A. reason                      B. concern                      C. care                      D. sake
16. Hello. Is that 0167892573? Please put me \_\_\_\_\_ to the manager.  
A. over                      B. up                      C. through                      D. across
17. I think that youngsters should be independent \_\_\_\_\_ their parents to live their own life.  
A. on                      B. in                      C. off                      D. of
18. Learning English isn't difficult once you \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. get on it                      B. get on with it                      C. get down to it                      D. get down with it.
19. I don't believe a word he said; I think he just made \_\_\_\_\_ the story.  
A. up                      B. out                      C. in                      D. off
20. The search for alternative sources of energy has \_\_\_\_\_ in various directions.  
A. resulted                      B. finalized                      C. ended                      D. come
21. A week or two before New Year's Days, the markets are \_\_\_\_\_ people selling and buying things.  
A. filled with                      B. crowded                      C. ready for                      D. crowded with
22. I'm allergic \_\_\_\_\_ most canned foods. That's why I always look for something fresh and chemical-free.  
A. with                      B. to                      C. on                      D. up
23. The kind-hearted woman \_\_\_\_\_ all her life helping the disabled and the poor.  
A. wasted                      B. spent                      C. dedicated                      D. lived
24. Perhaps men \_\_\_\_\_ more from heart disease than women because they do not cry enough.  
A. contract                      B. have                      C. suffer                      D. trouble
25. Lucy was late for school this morning as the alarm didn't \_\_\_\_\_ as usual.  
A. get off                      B. ring off                      C. take off                      D. go off
26. We \_\_\_\_\_ in persuading a lot people to join our protest against low-quality products.



- A. managed                      B. achieved                      C. fulfilled                      D. succeeded
27. Because it was faster, Jim \_\_\_\_\_ on my taking the plane to London instead of the train.  
A. resisted                      B. refused                      C. insisted                      D. reminded
28. I don't think he will get \_\_\_\_\_ the shock in a short period of time.  
A. through                      B. by                      C. over                      D. off
29. Too many factories dispose \_\_\_\_\_ their waste by pumping it into rivers and the sea.  
A. out                      B. away                      C. off                      D. of
30. He was so mean that he could not bear to \_\_\_\_\_ the smallest sum of money for the charity appeal.  
A. part with                      B. give in                      C. pay off                      D. let out
31. The twins look so much alike that almost no one can \_\_\_\_\_ them \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. take- on                      B. tell-away                      C. take- apart                      D. tell-apart
32. Sam confessed \_\_\_\_\_ all the cookies.  
A. eat                      B. eating                      C. to eat                      D. to eating
33. We didn't expect to come up \_\_\_\_\_ many problems.  
A. with                      B. for                      C. about                      D. against

**II. Complete the sentences with one of the words given below (Some may not be used).**

from                      about                      on                      for                      with                      of  
into                      at                      to                      in                      for                      onto

1. The kit can provide you \_\_\_\_\_ the assurance that minor injuries can be dealt with in a quick manner.
2. She didn't study abroad because she had to care \_\_\_\_\_ her elderly parents.
3. We strive to give them hope \_\_\_\_\_ the opportunity to reach their potential.
4. Tom always feels jealous \_\_\_\_\_ his brother because he is handsome and tall.
5. Mrs. Jones scolded and shouted back \_\_\_\_\_ Sally.
6. I insist \_\_\_\_\_ your telling me the truth.
7. Melissa ought to hand \_\_\_\_\_ her homework to her teacher today.
8. This kind of music is pleasant \_\_\_\_\_ the ear.

**LEVEL B2-B2+**

**I. Choose A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.**

1. Police officer have to wear uniforms when they are \_\_\_\_\_ duty.  
A. on                      B. in                      C. at                      D. off
2. The children were all upset and some were \_\_\_\_\_ tears when their team lost the game.  
A. of                      B. with                      C. in                      D. on
3. Don't worry, the situation is now \_\_\_\_\_ control.  
A. under                      B. beneath                      C. out of                      D. with
4. Most governments seem to just \_\_\_\_\_ dealing with environmental problems.  
A. do without                      B. put off                      C. take after                      D. make up for
5. In some countries, research on environmental issues have been \_\_\_\_\_ to gain information about current issues that need solutions.  
A. carried out                      B. put up                      C. set up                      D. made up
6. I'm going to mull it \_\_\_\_\_ for a while before I make the final decision.  
A. off                      B. over                      C. in                      D. on
7. When the fire broke out, the alarm \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. went off                      B. opened up                      C. came in                      D. put out
8. That wasn't accident. I'm sure you did it \_\_\_\_\_ purpose.  
A. on                      B. in                      C. off                      D. with
9. Why did you have to bring that subject \_\_\_\_\_ at dinner?  
A. out                      B. on                      C. up                      D. over
10. The night was very dark, so I couldn't make \_\_\_\_\_ what they were wearing.  
A. up                      B. out                      C. on                      D. off
11. I know we had an argument, but now I'd quite like to \_\_\_\_\_ with him.  
A. look down                      B. fall out                      C. make up                      D. bring up
12. She \_\_\_\_\_ her friend to tell him about the meeting.  
A. turned on                      B. took off                      C. called up                      D. got off
13. I was very sad when the vet said he'd have to \_\_\_\_\_ our lapdog.  
A. put down                      B. pull through                      C. feel up to                      D. wear off
14. If you don't \_\_\_\_\_, you'll stumble with all the obstacles on the track.  
A. look up                      B. watch out                      C. think over                      D. see through



15. Before taking a biology class at university, he should \_\_\_\_\_ his biology from high school.  
A. brush up on      B. look over      C. think through      D. get at
16. In public places, you should ask everyone for permission before you \_\_\_\_\_ a cigarette.  
A. put up      B. light up      C. put on      D. turn up
17. We were angry about the situation and insisted \_\_\_\_\_ by the president.  
A. to see      B. to be seen      C. on seeing      D. on being seen
18. The boss \_\_\_\_\_ to his secretary using the office phone for personal calls.  
A. disagrees      B. objects      C. criticizes      D. disapproves
19. After a quick \_\_\_\_\_ at the patient, the doctor rang for an ambulance.  
A. glance      B. glimpse      C. stare      D. gaze
20. My house is \_\_\_\_\_ fire. Send \_\_\_\_\_ the Fire Brigade.  
A. on-to      B. on-for      C. in-during      D. in-to
21. If you need any support, you can rely on me to \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. set you back      B. put you through      C. face up to you      D. back you up
22. They thought they could deceive me but they were wrong. I could \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. see them off      B. see them through      C. see off them      D. see through them
23. Did Mr. Phillip \_\_\_\_\_ the class while Miss White was ill in hospital.  
A. take on      B. take off      C. take over      D. take up
24. The increase \_\_\_\_\_ unemployment is a characteristic feature of a crisis.  
A. by      B. of      C. in      D. for
25. I want to lose weight so I am \_\_\_\_\_ on cakes and sweets.  
A. cutting down      B. giving up      C. turning down      D. keeping up

## II. Fill in each blank with ONE suitable preposition.

- The two brothers set off in quest \_\_\_\_\_ gold.
- \_\_\_\_\_ balance, I think the government's doing a reasonable job.
- His decision to downshift and swap his managerial position for a less demanding one took everyone \_\_\_\_\_ surprise.
- The shop sent me the cooker \_\_\_\_\_ approval as I wasn't sure it was the model I wanted.
- Green vegetables are rich \_\_\_\_\_ vitamins and minerals.