

### I. PRONUNCIATION:

1. Pick out the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the rest  
A. stationer      B. opportunity      C. patient      D. ambitious
2. Pick out the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the rest  
A. estate      B. baker      C. agent      D. charity
3. Pick out the word which has the different main stress.  
A. grocer      B. stuntman      C. police      D. jewel
4. Pick out the word which has the different main stress.  
A. employee      B. architect      C. operate      D. groundskeeper
5. Pick out the word which has the different main stress.  
A. entrepreneur      B. society      C. delivery      D. receptionist

### II. WORD FORM: Fill in each blank with the correct form of the word:

6. The \_\_\_\_\_ between parents and schools is essential for educating a child. (**COOPERATE**)
7. Driving on the city's chaotic roads really \_\_\_\_\_ some people out. (**STRESSFUL**)
8. \_\_\_\_\_ mushrooms may upset your stomach, so remember to cook them well. (**COOK**)
9. "Don't click the button \_\_\_\_\_. Instead, click it once and wait for response." – the technician instructed. (**REPEAT**)
10. You can believe in Kim. She's a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ girl who never fails to keep a promise. (**RELY**)

### III. USE OF ENGLISH

#### Choose the correct answer A, B, C or D to complete the sentence.

11. \_\_\_\_\_ the contract carefully before you signed it?  
A. Were you read      B. Had you read      C. Were you reading      D. Have you read

12. Go quickly if you \_\_\_\_\_ to buy that last pair of shoes.

A. want      B. wants      C. wanted      D. don't want

13. Would you prefer \_\_\_\_\_ by cash, cheque, or credit card?

A. paying      B. pay      C. to paying      D. to pay

14. By the time Martin became a successful businessman, he \_\_\_\_\_ as a waiter for nearly 10 years.

A. had been worked      B. worked      C. was working      D. had worked

15. Do you remember the station \_\_\_\_\_ we caught the train?

A. where      B. which      C. why      D. that

16. It was the first time I \_\_\_\_\_ raw salmon.

A. had been ever eaten      B. have ever eaten      C. had ever eaten      D. ever ate

17. Jenny \_\_\_\_\_ twenty-six on Thursday next week.

A. turns      B. will turn      C. is going to turn      D. is turning

18. Sam: "There's no coffee left." – Philips: "Oh! I \_\_\_\_\_ some from the shop."

A. am going to get      B. am getting      C. will get      D. get

19. There are several small ponds in \_\_\_\_\_ a variety of fish live.

A. where      B. whose      C. whom      D. which

20. Look at that boy at the top of that tree! He \_\_\_\_\_.

A. is falling      B. is going to fall      C. will fall      D. falls

**From questions 21 to 25, choose the underlined part that needs correcting in each sentence.**

21. Don't worry! It's not really late. I promise I am going to drive carefully.

A. Don't      B. really late      C. am going to drive      D. carefully

22. The famous singer is wearing sunglasses to avoid photographing by paparazzi.

A. famous singer B. is wearing      C. to avoid      D. photographing

23. Peter, that is one of my high school friends, has just graduated from Harvard.

A. that      B. friends      C. has just graduated      D. from

24. His terrible **mini-management left** the company **desperately in need of** restructuring.

A. mini-management B. left C. desperately D. in need of

25. **After** I moved **into** my own **apartment**, I **had already finished** high school.

A. After B. into C. apartment D. had already finished

#### IV. READING

##### A. Gap-filling.

Choose a suitable word from the box to fill in the paragraph

**affect** **millionaires** **afford** **refund** **however** **applications** **sale**

When asked the question "What would you do with a million dollars?" most people tend to give similar answer: "Quit my job," "Buy my dream house," or "Go travelling." People often think that having a million dollars would make all their dreams come true. A million dollars may not really be that much money. Twenty years ago, it might have been possible to (26) \_\_\_\_\_ most necessities. (27) \_\_\_\_\_, things are not so easy today.

In most industrialized countries, prices for everything from food to transport to university fees have steadily increased over the years. Housing prices have risen greatly. The main reason is that the population has increased but there are fewer homes available for (28) \_\_\_\_\_ or rent. For example, in the U.S, the average price of a new home in 1990 was \$149,800, while that of 2010 was \$272,900. With increases like that, you can see why many (29) \_\_\_\_\_ are investing in real estate.

Due to increased demand for housing, higher inflation, and a longer life expectancy, a million dollars may not be enough to live on. Of course, where you live and how long you live will (30) \_\_\_\_\_ how far a million dollars can go. To be able to retire early, travel the world, and build your dream home, you may have to be a millionaire many times over!

**B. Reading comprehension.** Read a paragraph and choose the best answer A, B, C or D.

Can you imagine what it would be like when working at night? You'd start your day when everyone else was going to bed, and you'd go to bed when everyone else was getting up. Is that really a natural way to live?

These days more and more jobs need to be done at night. Most big hotels offer 24-hour room service and need staff reception and working in the bars. Many companies have 24-hour call centres to deal with emergency enquiries. There are

24-hour supermarkets, and of course there are the workers for the emergency services such as fire-fighters, the police and hospital workers. However, few people can work well at night. This is partly because we cannot easily change our sleeping habits. Some people can manage on as little as three hours' sleep while others need as many as eleven hours – you're either a 'short sleeper' or a 'long sleeper'. If working at night stops you from getting the amount of sleep you need, you will damage your health.

The best part of the day for everyone is around lunchtime and the worst point is between 2 a.m. and 4 a.m. So, if you're driving home at this time or doing something important at work, things are far more likely to go wrong! Humans are used to sleeping at night and being awake during the day, and they'll never be able to do things the other way round. The problem is that today's 24-hour society isn't going to slow down which means that night-workers will remain.

31. What is the writer's main aim in writing the text?

- A. to describe the importance of work.
- B. to say how working at night can be bad for you
- C. to suggest how people can change their way of life
- D. to recommend people spend more time sleeping

32. What does the writer say about night jobs?

- A. Many people refuse to work at night
- B. It is easier than working during the day
- C. It is easier to demand better working conditions
- D. There is a variety of them

33. What would a reader learn about sleep from the text?

- A. Everybody needs the same amount.
- B. It's difficult to change your sleeping needs.
- C. People sleep better in the early morning
- D. Many people need more than 11 hours' sleep

34. What does the writer say about the future?

- A. Some jobs will always be done at night.
- B. Fewer people will work during the day
- C. People will demand fewer services.
- D. People will work longer hours

35. Which of the following could also be a title for this text?

- A. A good night's sleep can change your life!
- B. A worker that sleeps more works more!
- C. Society is changing but our bodies are not!
- D. The loneliest jobs in the world!

## V. SENTENCE TRANSFORMATION

**Rewrite these following sentences without changing the meaning (Use no more than 5 words)**

36. I have talked about Benjamin. He is standing over there.

→ Benjamin \_\_\_\_\_ is standing over there.

37. You are allowed to hang out, but don't stay out late.

→ \_\_\_\_\_ if you don't stay out late.

38. The director signed the contract, then gave it to his subordinate.

→ By the time the director \_\_\_\_\_ to his subordinate, he \_\_\_\_\_ it.

39. Some jobs will soon disappear because of AI technology although people are doing those jobs today.

→ Some jobs \_\_\_\_\_ will soon disappear because of AI technology.

40. You should ask for Jenny's help.

→ If I \_\_\_\_\_ for Jenny's help.