

LESSON 35: PAST SUBJUNCTIVE

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Exercise 1: Put the verbs in brackets into correct form:

1. I wish I (know) _____ something about computers.
2. I wish the traffic (not make) _____ so much noise everyday.
3. It's high time the children (prepare) _____ their lesson. They are watching TV now.
4. If only it (be) _____ warm and sunny today. I'm fed up with snow and cold.
5. Everybody was exhausted. It looked as if they (work) _____ hard.
6. I'd rather my teacher (give) _____ fewer compositions tonight.
7. My neighbors always treat us as if we (be) _____ their servants.
8. Nick is quite ready for the exam. It looks as if he (prepare) _____ everything.
9. I wish it (not rain) _____ heavily last Sunday.
10. They are making so much noise. It looks as if they (have) _____ a party.
11. If only I (be) _____ rich now.
12. It's high time for us (leave) _____.
13. If only I (have) _____ a phone. I'm tired of queuing outside the public phone box.
14. He walks as if he (have) _____ a wooden leg
15. Henry's girlfriend does not work in the same department. He would rather that she (work) _____ in the same department as he does.

Exercise 2: Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

Question 1: I enjoyed the movie very much. I wish I _____ the book from which it was made.

A. have read B. had read C. should have read D. am reading

Question 2: You are late. If you _____ a few minutes earlier, you _____ him.

A. came/would meet B. had come/would have met
C. come/will meet D. had come/would meet

Question 3: I can't stand him. He always talks as though he _____ everything.

A. knew B. knows C. has known D. had known

Question 4: His doctor suggested that he _____ a short trip abroad.

A. will take B. would take C. take D. took

Question 5: We might have failed if you _____ us a helping hand.

A. have not given B. would not give C. had not given D. did not give

Question 6: The law requires that everyone _____ his car checked at least once a month.

A. has B. have C. had D. will have

Question 7: He was busy yesterday, otherwise he _____ to the meeting.

A. would come B. would have been C. could have been D. would be

Question 8: If there were no subjunctive mood, English _____ much easier.

A. will be B. would have been C. could have been D. would be

Question 9: I don't understand this point of grammar. I wish I _____ it better.

A. understood B. would understand C. had understood D. understand

Question 10: It never stops raining here. I wish it _____ raining.

A. stopped B. would stop C. had stopped D. stops

Question 11: To avoid unnecessary injury, the coach insisted that the players' tackling drills _____ on the proper way to fall down.

A. focused B. focus C. were focused D. to focus

Question 12: I wish I _____ to retake my exams.

A. do not have B. will not have C. am about D. did not have

Question 13: The spaceman felt as if he _____ in a paradise.

A. had fallen B. falls C. fall D. has fallen

Question 14: I cannot sleep. The dog next door is making too much noise. I wish it _____ quiet.

A. kept B. would keep C. had kept D. will keep

Question 15: -"What will you do during winter vacation?"

-"I don't know, but it's about time _____ something."

A. I decided B. I'll decide C. I'd decided D. I'm deciding

Question 16: It is necessary that everything _____ ready by two o'clock tomorrow.

A. be B. was C. were D. would have been

Question 17: They recommend that she _____ to a ski resort in Spain.

A. will go B. would have gone C. should go D. should have gone

Question 18: It is about time you _____ harder for the next exam.

A. work B. are working C. worked D. have worked

Question 19: The ceiling in this room doesn't look very safe. It looks as if it _____ down.

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

Question 20: Team rules require that each player _____ responsible for memorizing one rule and then for teaching that rule to all of the players.

A. is B. was C. be D. were

PRACTICE TEST 6 (BAL.)

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 26 to 30.

What do we mean when we speak of a calorie? Well, we know that the food we eat is (21) _____ and provides heat. Some foods can provide much heat and other foods provide very little. The foods (22) _____ provide much heat provide many calories. We measure the amount of heat a food provides in calories, just as we measure your (23) _____ in inches or your weight in pounds. A calorie is a measure of the heat required to (24) _____ the temperature of one gram of water one degree centigrade. One calorie of food can also raise one pound of matter to a height of 40 inches. Two thousand calories a day of food in the body can provide a lot of heat and the (25) _____ to do a lot of work.

21. A. burn	B. burning	C. burned	D. to burn
22. A. what	B. that	C. whom	D. whether
23. A. height	B. length	C. width	D. weight
24. A. produce	B. raise	C. lower	D. change
25. A. function	B. task	C. right	D. ability

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 21 to 25.

The Twin Towers

The side-by-side towers in New York City, which were home to Manhattan's World Trade Center, were more commonly known as the Twin Towers. Each skyscraper was an incredible one hundred and ten stories high. Then, on September 11, 2001, the World Trade Center was attacked by terrorists. What happened on that date in history should never be forgotten.

The attack on September 11th was not the first time the area had been targeted. In 1993, a bomb had been detonated in the North Tower. This explosion killed six people and injured thousands of others. The tower, however, was able to withstand the explosive power of the blast.

In 2001, both towers were attacked. Two planes were flown directly into the buildings. The effect of these attacks was immediately catastrophic. Neither building was built to withstand such structural damage, and the collapse of each building was imminent. The South tower fell in less than one hour after being attacked, and the North tower collapsed soon afterwards. Both towers were completely gone. The land where the World Trade Center once stood is now known as Ground Zero. The day when the towers were attacked is remembered as one of the most infamous days in America's history.

26. What is most likely the reason the World Trade Center buildings were called the Twin Towers?

- The two buildings had similar working hours.
- The two buildings were built on the same acre of land.
- The two buildings were identical in design.
- The two buildings were nothing alike.

27. The underlined word "detonated" most probably means _____.

- attacked
- exploded
- constructed
- damaged

28. Which statement is a fact about the story?

- The World Trade Center was attacked more than once.
- The buildings would have survived if they had not been identical in design.
- September 11, 2001 is the most infamous date in America's history.
- No one should ever construct another building at Ground Zero.

29. The underlined word "infamous" as used in the text is closest in meaning to

- famous for something bad
- interesting and admirable

Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.

31. The first domesticated bird in earth was probably the goose.
A. The B. domesticated C. in D. probably

32. The fish in the lake in the city centre have died because the polluted water.
A. The B. in the city C. have D. because

33. If teachers teach environmental issues at school, students would be more aware of protecting wildlife.
A. issues B. would be C. aware of D. wildlife

34. Australia is home to unique animals like the kangaroo and koala, that are native to Australia.
A. home to B. like C. that D. native

35. Generally speaking, proteins that come from animal sources are complete whereas those that come from another sources are incomplete proteins.
A. Generally speaking B. animal sources
C. those that D. another

Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.

36. "May I borrow your bicycle this afternoon?"
A. "Would you mind lending me your bicycle this afternoon?"
B. "You must lend me your bicycle this afternoon."
C. "Do I have to borrow your bicycle this afternoon?"
D. "It is necessary that I take your bicycle this afternoon."

37. In these plans nothing has been overlooked.
A. These plans have covered nothing.
B. These plans have covered everything.
C. In these plans nothing has been looked over.
D. In these plans everything has been looked over.

38. I'm very pleased that we shall meet again soon.
A. We shall never meet each other again.
B. I've been looking for you for a long time.
C. I'm looking forward to meeting you again soon.
D. Please don't come and meet us again.

39. Her living conditions were not good. She studied very well.
A. She studied very well although her living conditions were not easy.
B. She studied very well just because she lived in difficult conditions.
C. Living in difficult conditions forced she to study very well.
D. Living in difficult conditions, she had no choice but to study well.

40. A child is influenced as much by his schooling as by his parents.
A. Schooling doesn't influence a child as much as his parents do.
B. A child's parents have greater influence on him than his schooling.
C. A child can influence his parents as much as his schooling.
D. A child's schooling influences him as much as his parents do.