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Directions

Items in the first part of this section are incomplete sentences. Under each of these sentences, there are four words or phrases. You will choose the **one** word or phrase—(A), (B), (C), or (D)—that best completes the sentence.

EXAMPLE I

Reflexes _____ very valuable in protecting the body against harm.

- (A) that are
- (B) being
- (C) are
- (D) are being

The sentence should read, "Reflexes are very valuable in protecting the body against harm." You should therefore choose (C).

EXAMPLE II

Seismographs are used to locate oil, to determine ocean depth, and _____ and measure earthquakes.

- (A) detect
- (B) to detect
- (C) be detecting
- (D) are detecting

The sentence should read, "Seismographs are used to locate oil, to determine ocean depth, and to detect and measure earthquakes." You should therefore choose (B).

1. Snakes have an organ in a pit on their heads _____ infrared rays.
(A) detects
(B) a detection of
(C) it detects
(D) that detects
2. Helium is not inflammable, _____ therefore safer than hydrogen.
(A) that is
(B) and is
(C) but is
(D) and it
3. In 1849 Walter Hunt, _____ American inventor, patented a design that served as the basis for modern safety pins.
(A) an
(B) he was an
(C) being
(D) who was, as an
4. Ansel Adams was a landscape photographer _____ photographs of the western United States show nature on a grand scale.
(A) whose
(B) of his
(C) of whom
(D) his
5. Contact lenses _____ of acrylic are more transparent and less fragile than lenses made of glass.
(A) making
(B) made
(C) are made
(D) which make
6. _____ other cells in the body, nerve cells are not healed or replaced when they are damaged or destroyed.
(A) Different
(B) Unlikely
(C) Unlike
(D) But
7. The higher the content of carbon dioxide in the air, _____.
(A) more heat it retains
(B) than it retains more heat
(C) it retains more heat
(D) the more heat it retains
8. _____ most brilliant Greek inventor was Archimedes, who lived about 2,250 years ago.
(A) The
(B) One of the
(C) As the
(D) Of the
9. _____ flying, a bat emits a rapid series of ultrasonic signals, which bounce off any object in its path.
(A) When it
(B) When it is
(C) It is
(D) When is
10. _____ does not circle around the earth was proven by Galileo.
(A) Since the rest of the universe
(B) As the rest of the universe
(C) The rest of the universe
(D) That the rest of the universe

11. _____ cell in the body is far from a capillary.
(A) Not
(B) No
(C) Not only a
(D) Neither a
12. Ralph Waldo Emerson's belief _____ the individual freedom of all people greatly influenced later American thinkers.
(A) as of
(B) on
(C) in
(D) as in
13. Thomas Malthus claimed that disease, war, famine, and _____ act as checks on population growth.
(A) moral restraining
(B) morally restrain
(C) by moral restraint
(D) moral restraint
14. _____ phobias do not involve loss of contact with reality, they may severely limit a person's life.
(A) Although
(B) Despite
(C) That
(D) As
15. During the 1930s, unsuitable farming techniques and excessive grazing of grassland in the Great Plains produced _____.
(A) which it became known as the Dust Bowl
(B) what became known as the Dust Bowl
(C) it became known as the Dust Bowl
(D) that it became known as the Dust Bowl

The rest of the items in this section consist of sentences in which four words or phrases have been underlined.

EXAMPLE 1

A

B

C

D

Though it is one of the rarest metals, gold was one of the first to be discover.

A B C D

D

16. The first laser is made by an American scientist called Theodore Maiman working in California in 1960.

A

B

C

working in California in 1960.

D

17. Almost medical doctors have had some training in psychology and psychiatry.

A

B

C

D

psychiatry.

18. Washington Irving, one of America's most famous authors, was a lawyer,
a businessman, and a United States diplomatic to England and Spain.

A

B

a businessman, and a United States diplomatic to England and Spain.

 $\bar{C}$

D

19. The Douglas fir is a very tall American evergreen tree that is grown not
 only for ornament and for its high-quality timber.
 B C D

A

B

C
$$\overline{D}$$

20. Nuclear energy, a almost limitless source of power, was harnessed
during the mid-1900s.

 $\bar{A}$

B

C

during the mid-1900s.

D

21. Plants, which make up 90 percentage of visible living organisms, get their food energy from sunlight.
A B C D
22. Total eclipses of the moon are considerably rarest than total eclipses of the sun.
A B C D
23. According to Freud, mental life is characterized by internal conflicts who are largely unconscious.
A B C D
24. In 1729, Benjamin Franklin published the *Pennsylvania Gazette*, which soon became the most read widely newspaper in the colonies.
A D C D
25. Large, perfect shaped pearls rank in value with the most precious stones.
A B C D
26. Algae range in size from microscope one-celled plants to huge masses of seaweed.
A B C D
27. The pharmacology is a recent science, but it is closely connected with one of the oldest, the giving of remedies to relieve diseases.
A B C D
28. Frances Perkins, the first woman to become a U.S. cabinet member, was instrument in the adoption of the Social Security Act.
A B C D
29. In the company of human beings, parrots demonstrate a remarkable talent for mimicry, for which they never use in the forest.
A B C D
30. The first national known male singers of popular music appeared during the 1920s.
A B C D
31. The Puffer is a type of fish that can inflate one's body like a balloon.
A B C D

- $\overline{D}$