

## SECTION I: Grammar (Use of English)

1. Listen! A siren is .....

- a) splashing    b) wailing    c) crashing    d) barking

2. Sam hopes .... an astronaut one day.

- a) becoming    b) become    c) to become

3. The man sitting next to me on the plane was very nervous. He.....before.

- a) didn't fly    b) hadn't flown    c) hasn't flown    c) wasn't flying

4. Where's the book I gave you? What.....with it?

- a) have you been doing    b) are you doing    c) have you done

5. "Paul lost his watch." "Well, if he had looked after it, he ... it."

- a) won't lose    b) wouldn't lose    c) wouldn't have lost

6. My father ... to be a teacher, but now he has retired.

- a) used    b) got used    c) is used

7. In recent years there has been a large increase ..... the number of people who take no regular exercise.

- a) of    b) in    c) for

8. By noon, Joe ..... for three hours.

- a) is going to fish    b) will be fishing    c) will have been fishing

9. It rained so hard the whole village .....

- a) scalded    b) burnt    c) flooded

10. "I haven't seen Mark for weeks." "Well, I .... him this afternoon. Why don't you come along?"

- a) am meeting    b) have met    c) meet

11. I can't believe you're going on a cruise this summer; it must be costing the .....!

- a) earth    b) fortune    c) nickel

12. Try ..... with olive oil. It'll taste better.

- a) to cook    b) cooking    c) cook

13. "Where is my bank book?" "If you ... in the drawer, you'll find it."

- a) had looked    b) looked    c) look

14. "This cake tastes very sweet." "I think I put ... sugar in it."

- a) a lot      b) too much      c) too many

15. Neil was reading the newspaper when he came ..... an article about an old friend of his.

- a) into      b) across      c) on      d) up with

16. Jenny seems .... very happy these days.

- a) to be      b) be      c) being

17. "I ..... to reach Jane on the phone all day." "Don't you know? She's gone on holiday."

- a) tried      b) have been trying      c) have tried

18. By the time Eric ..... at the airport, his flight had already departed.

- a) has arrived      b) arrived      c) was arriving

19. She was grateful to all the volunteers ..... their help.

- a) for      b) about      c) of      d) in

20. Lisa ... the house when her husband came home.

- a) paints      b) has painted      c) was painting