

## I.C VOCABULARY



### Vocabulary

Choose the best answer (a, b, c, or d) for the following questions.

1. Ever since she heard that her favourite band was going to be in town, she had been \_\_\_\_\_ about it. As the concert date approached, she \_\_\_\_\_ get front-row tickets and be as close to the stage as possible to see her musical idols perform live.  
a) enthusiastic/ was dying to  
b) miserable/ was mad about  
c) generous / was into  
d) caring/ was a natural at
2. When it comes to dressing for a job interview, it's important to make a/an \_\_\_\_\_ choice that reflects your professionalism and experience, rather than just focusing on your \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) imaginative/ goals  
b) sensible/ appearance  
c) caring/ background  
d) attractive/ achievement
3. Even though the weather was \_\_\_\_\_, the project manager \_\_\_\_\_ to start construction on the new building, knowing that delays could be costly.  
a) ordinary/ hung out  
b) bright/ fell out  
c) depressing/ saw red  
d) miserable/ gave the green light
4. During her research for the medical article, she \_\_\_\_\_ a fascinating case study about a new surgical operation that had shown promising results in \_\_\_\_\_ a rare genetic disorder.  
a) came across/ treating  
b) uncovered / researching  
c) avoided/ worsening  
d) ignored / understanding
5. After conducting a thorough medical examination, the doctor was able to \_\_\_\_\_ the underlying cause of the patient's \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) work out/ symptoms  
b) die out/ temperature  
c) find out/ operation  
d) look up/ evidence

6. I'm sorry, but I can't come to work today because I'm feeling \_\_\_\_\_ and I don't want to risk making any mistakes while working on important tasks that people \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) fit as a fiddle/ come across  
b) lease of life/ set up  
c) on the mend/ bring over  
d) under the weather/ rely on

7. After her surgery, she realized how much she was \_\_\_\_\_ dancing and how important it was for her to \_\_\_\_\_ quickly so she could get back to her training routine.  
a) about/ switch off  
b) into / recover  
c) for / look into  
d) under/ call back

8. His \_\_\_\_\_ got in the way, and he ended up \_\_\_\_\_ his closest friend over something trivial, and now he deeply regrets his actions.  
a) confidence/ hanging out  
b) imagination/ laughing at  
c) pride/ falling out with  
d) loneliness/ setting off

9. It's highly \_\_\_\_\_ that he will experience any \_\_\_\_\_ during his speech, as he has practiced it countless times and is a confident speaker.  
a) unexpected/ pride  
b) unlikely/ embarrassment  
c) probable/ success  
d) sure/ achievement

10. After he refused to help his friend in need, it became clear that he was showing his \_\_\_\_\_, and that incident gave us a/an \_\_\_\_\_ about his real character.  
a) sense of humour/ secret  
b) green light/ appearance  
c) lease of life/ discovery  
d) true colors/ clue

11. Despite not knowing all the details of the case, the detective approached it with \_\_\_\_\_, ready to unravel the \_\_\_\_\_ and solve the crime.  
a) confidence/ mystery  
b) embarrassment/ explanation  
c) pride/ challenge  
d) imagination/ clue

12. Before reaching a final \_\_\_\_\_, we need to \_\_\_\_\_ all the available data to ensure that we have considered all possible factors.  
a) cause/ look up  
b) conclusion/ look into  
c) reason/ look at  
d) theory/ see off

13. After the recent software update, the computer seemed to have a new \_\_\_\_\_, starting up faster and running smoother than ever before, making it a pleasure to \_\_\_\_\_ and get to work.

- a) lease of life/ log in
- b) challenge/ back up
- c) connection/ switch on
- d) competition/ plug in

14. Spending several thousand dollars on a designer handbag may \_\_\_\_\_ to the fashion industry's economy but spending that much money on a single accessory seems \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) harm/ funny
- b) block/ amusing
- c) promote/ sensible
- d) contribute / ridiculous

15. The doctor took my \_\_\_\_\_ and gave me a/an \_\_\_\_\_ of how a fever is the body's natural response to an infection.

- a) temperature/ explanation
- b) blood pressure/ summary
- c) symptoms/ mystery
- d) heart rate/ description

16. \_\_\_\_\_ to the internet opened up a world of \_\_\_\_\_ for the aspiring artist, as she browsed online galleries, watched video tutorials, and discovered new techniques to incorporate into her work.

- a) Depending / encouragement
- b) Relying / imagination
- c) Connecting / inspiration
- d) Disconnecting/ influence

17. The scientist's ground-breaking \_\_\_\_\_ held immense promise for the energy industry, but they were cautious as a single mistake in its construction could cause it to \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) invention/ explode
- b) conclusion/ depend on
- c) inspiration/ contribute to
- d) discovery / protect against

18. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ what's causing my exhaustion and shortness of breath because I feel like I'm \_\_\_\_\_ and can't keep up with my daily tasks anymore.

- a) see off/ on the mend
- b) work out/ fit as a fiddle
- c) find out/ on my last legs
- d) check in/ under the weather

19. She was \_\_\_\_\_ starting her new job, and her \_\_\_\_\_ was running wild with thoughts of all the things that could go wrong on her first day.

- a) nervous about/ imagination
- b) excited for/ memory
- c) proud of/ inspiration
- d) confident about/ self-belief

20. The successful completion of the project was met with great \_\_\_\_\_ as the team had worked tirelessly to achieve their goals and develop innovative security measures to \_\_\_\_\_ potential threats.

- a) celebration / protect against
- b) achievement/ give up
- c) invention/ save
- d) discovery/ focus on

21. The \_\_\_\_\_ drone, which can be operated from a distance, is just one example of the many fascinating \_\_\_\_\_ that have transformed the world of technology.

- a) automatic / achievements
- b) remote-controlled/ inventions
- c) challenging/ gadgets
- d) manual/ disadvantages

22. The yoga \_\_\_\_\_ taught us a breathing exercise that could help \_\_\_\_\_ anxiety and promote relaxation.

- a) instructor/ treat
- b) coach/ harm
- c) professor/ damage
- d) mentor/ experience

23. The new study program is quite \_\_\_\_\_, offering a wide range of courses that will help students \_\_\_\_\_ for their desired careers.

- a) complicated/ analyze
- b) unappealing / workout
- c) monotonous/ prepare
- d) attractive/ train

24. After moving to a new city, Sarah felt a sense of \_\_\_\_\_ and isolation, but \_\_\_\_\_ pictures and videos of her adventures to social media helped her feel more connected to her friends and family back home.

- a) loneliness/uploading
- b) happiness/downloading
- c) excitement/streaming
- d) boredom/sharing

25. When you face with a medical \_\_\_\_\_, it is important to seek immediate assistance and use the necessary\_\_\_\_\_ to treat the condition until medical professionals arrive.

- a) solution/ cure
- b) emergency/ medicine
- c) ease/ treatment
- d) crisis/ illness

26. After a hectic week at work, it's essential to take some time off during the weekend to \_\_\_\_\_ your batteries. By engaging in activities that bring you joy, you can regain your energy and mental clarity, leaving you feeling refreshed and \_\_\_\_\_ for the challenges ahead.

- a) reduce/ ambitious
- b) ruin/ embarrassed
- c) refuse/ proud
- d) recharge/ determined

27. The \_\_\_\_\_ between tech giants like Apple and Google has driven them to \_\_\_\_\_ innovative new products and services to stay ahead of each other in the market.

- a) agreement/ destroy
- b) competition/ create
- c) collaboration/ implement
- d) meeting/plan

28. John seemed to be \_\_\_\_\_ playing the piano, able to effortlessly produce beautiful melodies. He often told his students that to achieve the same level of skill, they needed to \_\_\_\_\_ their practice and put in the necessary effort.

- a) mad about/ avoid
- b) a natural at/ focus on
- c) nervous about/ regard
- d) enthusiastic about/ pass

29. Staying in touch with loved ones is a/an \_\_\_\_\_ issue for me; no matter how busy my schedule gets, I always make time to \_\_\_\_\_ with them and boost my mental well-being.

- a) black and white/ keep in touch
- b) the green light/ contact
- c) true colours/ visit
- d) secret/ disconnect

30. My \_\_\_\_\_ of winning the international science fair not only excited me, but also \_\_\_\_\_ me to choose a career in scientific research and development. I \_\_\_\_\_ this accomplishment allowed me to gain invaluable experience in conducting experiments.

- a) invention/ allowed/ inspire
- b) achievement/ inspired/ believe
- c) award/ believed/ hope
- d) confidence/ challenged/ determine

69. A: "Bob is very upset, you know."

B: "I don't care. Unless he \_\_\_\_\_, I \_\_\_\_\_ to him."

a) apologizes / will speak      b) apologizes / won't speak  
c) apologized / won't have spoken      d) apologized / would speak

70. I \_\_\_\_\_ go to the cinema if I \_\_\_\_\_ time but I don't.

a) will / had      b) would / had  
c) will / have      d) would have gone / had had

71. Melinda likes \_\_\_\_\_ city life, but as \_\_\_\_\_ poor student, she has to manage on \_\_\_\_\_ very small budget. It is \_\_\_\_\_ way she's been used to doing for years.

a) a / the / a / the      b) - / a / a / the      c) - / the / the / a      d) the / a / a / the

72. You should hear Lucy play \_\_\_\_\_ guitar!

a) the      b) some      c) -      d) a

73. In \_\_\_\_\_ fog or rain, you should reduce your speed on the road.

a) -      b) the      c) a      d) an

74. \_\_\_\_\_ health is more important than \_\_\_\_\_ money.

a) The / the      b) The / -      c) - / the      d) - / -

75. A: "Are \_\_\_\_\_ Dutch friendly?"

B: "I don't know. I have never been to \_\_\_\_\_ Netherlands."

a) - / -      b) the / -      c) the / the      d) - / the

76. The driver was doing 70 miles \_\_\_\_\_ hour.

a) the      b) a      c) an      d) -

77. Last night there was \_\_\_\_\_ terrible storm. Our children were frightened by \_\_\_\_\_ thunder.

a) - / the      b) a / the      c) - / -      d) the / the

78. Our trip to China was \_\_\_\_\_ unique opportunity to try authentic Chinese food.

a) a      b) an      c) the      d) -

79. Helen will stay in hospital \_\_\_\_\_ she feels better.

a) before      b) as long as      c) until      d) when

80. I've been waiting for a phone call \_\_\_\_\_ a long time.

a) for      b) since      c) from      d) until

81. I was running \_\_\_\_\_ I slipped on a banana skin.

a) while      b) when      c) after      d) as

82. They have been talking \_\_\_\_\_ Andrew arrived. It is obvious that they have missed each other.

a) as long as      b) as soon as      c) by the time      d) ever since

83. \_\_\_\_\_ you learn to relax more, you won't improve your ability to speak English.  
a) After      b) Until      c) When      d) As soon as

84. She has been working at Super Save \_\_\_\_\_ 1990.

a) for      b) since      c) till      d) before

85. You can only use my PC \_\_\_\_\_ you don't go into my personal folders.  
a) when      b) as soon as      c) as long as      d) where

86. Tell me \_\_\_\_\_ you're ready to leave so I can call a taxi.  
a) when      b) until      c) while      d) as long as

87. A: "Can we go now, Uncle Bill?"

B: "After I \_\_\_\_\_ this paper, we'll go."  
a) have finished      b) will finish      c) finished      d) am finishing

88. He wasn't on duty in the office that day, so he \_\_\_\_\_ have been responsible for the error.

a) didn't need to      b) mustn't      c) couldn't      d) needn't

89. You \_\_\_\_\_ eat it if you don't like spaghetti.  
a) don't need      b) don't have to      c) mustn't      d) could

90. You \_\_\_\_\_ such a long story, but you did. 500 words would have been enough.  
a) shouldn't write      b) ought not to write  
c) needn't have written      d) needn't write

91. I think that people who do high-risk sports \_\_\_\_\_ have courage and a survival instinct so that they \_\_\_\_\_ deal with dangerous situations.

a) should / can      b) had to / must      c) ought to / need to      d) may / are able to

92. Whales \_\_\_\_\_ to come up to the surface of the sea to breathe otherwise they will die.

a) should      b) will      c) must      d) have

93. It's not right for children not to be allowed to play on the grass. Children \_\_\_\_\_ play on the grass.

a) should      b) shouldn't      c) had to      d) needn't

94. Glass \_\_\_\_\_ extensively in many buildings as it is very functional.  
a) being used      b) was used      c) is used      d) used

95. I still can't believe it! My bicycle \_\_\_\_\_ last night.  
a) was stolen      b) was stealing      c) stolen      d) stole

96. Today, many serious childhood diseases \_\_\_\_\_ by early immunization.  
a) are preventing      b) can prevent      c) were prevented      d) can be prevented

97. When we arrived, we found that the class \_\_\_\_\_ some time earlier.  
a) was cancelled      b) is cancelled  
c) has been cancelled      d) had been cancelled

98. A: "When \_\_\_\_\_?"  
B: "In 1928."  
a) penicillin was discovered      b) is penicillin being discovered  
c) was penicillin discovered      d) was penicillin being discovered

99. Vitamin C \_\_\_\_\_ by the human body. It gets into the blood stream quickly.  
a) absorbs easily      b) is easily absorbing  
c) is easily absorbed      d) absorbed easily

100. At this very moment, my brother \_\_\_\_\_ for a new job.  
a) has been interviewed      b) is interviewed  
c) was interviewed      d) is being interviewed

101. Fruits \_\_\_\_\_ are imported from other countries are usually expensive.  
a) that      b) whose      c) who      d) why

102. Do you know the reason \_\_\_\_\_ there are no penguins left in the Arctic?  
a) when      b) that      c) why      d) where

103. My grandfather remembers the time \_\_\_\_\_ there was no television.  
a) –      b) which      c) where      d) why

### **WRITING TOPICS FOR PROBLEM-SOLUTION ESSAY:**

Choose one of the topics below and write your essay of around 200 words.

- a) In many countries day by day rubbish (garbage) is increasing. What can be done to overcome this problem?
- b) Children no longer spend time playing with the kids from their neighbourhood, which negatively affects their communities. What are some possible solutions to this problem?
- c) The demand for food is increasing worldwide. What measures can the international community take to meet this demand?