

# Placement test

Language Hub Beginner to Advanced

Complete the dialogues below by choosing the correct option (A–D). An example (0) has been done for you.

- 0 **Emily:** What do you do at the weekends, Yara?  
**Yara:** My sister and I A going to the cinema.  
A like  
B like to  
C want  
D want to
- 1 **Manager:** Where's Mr Davidson?  
**Assistant:** Oh, he's \_\_\_ London today.  
A in  
B on  
C to  
D at
- 2 **Amirah:** Do you like cats?  
**Chris:** No, but there \_\_\_ lots of other animals I like.  
A is  
B be  
C are  
D was
- 3 **Andrew:** Where \_\_\_ Alicia come from?  
**Martin:** I think she's from the United States.  
A is  
B do  
C are  
D does
- 4 **Teacher:** Tell me something about your parents, Lucas.  
**Student:** My mother and father \_\_\_ both very tall.  
A is  
B isn't  
C are  
D aren't
- 5 **Ayla:** That's a nice table, Sophie! Is it new?  
**Sophie:** Oh no, it's my \_\_\_ old dining table.  
A mother  
B mothers  
C mother's  
D mothers'
- 6 **Emma:** What do you do after school?  
**Chloe:** I see my friends. Do you visit people, too?  
**Emma:** No, I \_\_\_ go out.  
A often  
B never  
C always  
D sometimes
- 7 **Katie:** Is Charlotte at school today?  
**Laura:** No, she \_\_\_. She's not well today.  
A isn't  
B aren't  
C doesn't  
D hasn't
- 8 **Alex:** I'd like to make a cake. \_\_\_ eggs have we got?  
**Andrea:** Three, I think. Let me check.  
A How big  
B How much  
C How many  
D How long
- 9 **Ifrah:** Which bus goes to the hospital?  
**Antonia:** \_\_\_ the 236. It stops outside.  
A Get  
B Got  
C Gets  
D Getting
- 10 **Father:** Are we ready to go?  
**Daughter:** No, Mum can't find \_\_\_ hat.  
A its  
B his  
C her  
D their
- 11 **Shop Assistant:** Can I help you?  
**Customer:** Yes, I'd like to buy \_\_\_ trousers.  
A a  
B an  
C this  
D these
- 12 **Mother:** Where's that fish I bought? It was on the table.  
**Daughter:** Oh no! The cat \_\_\_ it.  
A eat  
B eats  
C is eating  
D are eating
- 13 **Amanda:** I like your new sofa.  
**Fahima:** Thanks. It's \_\_\_ comfortable than the other one we had.  
A too  
B very  
C much  
D more
- 14 **Alicia:** I'm going to the supermarket. Do you want anything?  
**Peter:** Could you get \_\_\_ milk, please?  
A a  
B any  
C some  
D every
- 15 **Karina:** When do you want to play football?  
**Aniqa:** I \_\_\_ to play tomorrow, because I don't need to go to work.  
A like  
B likes  
C liked  
D 'd like

- 16 **Manisha:** What did you do at the weekend?  
**Nicola:** I \_\_\_ tennis with my friend on Saturday.  
 A play  
 B played  
 C plays  
 D playing
- 17 **Wife:** Have we got any cheese in the fridge?  
**Husband:** No, we haven't. I'm \_\_\_ buy some this afternoon.  
 A go  
 B go to  
 C going  
 D going to
- 18 **Laura:** Where \_\_\_ you last Tuesday? I tried to phone you.  
**Beatriz:** Oh, I was visiting my grandmother. I didn't have my phone with me.  
 A were  
 B was  
 C are  
 D is
- 19 **Miriam:** Are you coming to my party on Tuesday?  
**Brian:** I'm really sorry, but I \_\_\_ to take my daughter to the airport.  
 A has  
 B had  
 C have  
 D having
- 20 **Saif:** Why do you like running?  
**Isabella:** Because it's \_\_\_ way to keep fit.  
 A best  
 B better  
 C the best  
 D the better
- 21 **Anna:** Have you lived here a long time?  
**Stefan:** Yes, over 40 years. I know \_\_\_ of people in this town.  
 A any  
 B lots  
 C more  
 D most
- 22 **Josef:** Why didn't you come to the cinema last week?  
**Chloe:** I wanted to but I couldn't. I \_\_\_ studying for that test we had on Monday.  
 A was  
 B were  
 C am  
 D been
- 23 **Anna:** That bird's on the garden table again. I think it's hungry.  
**Juliana:** Yes, look! It \_\_\_ eat the bread we put there.  
 A is  
 B will  
 C goes to  
 D is going to
- 24 **Sophie:** How long \_\_\_ married?  
**Ying Yue:** Two years. I met my husband when I was working in New York.  
 A had you got  
 B did you get  
 C have you been  
 D are you being
- 25 **David:** Have you \_\_\_ that new film yet?  
**Susanna:** No, I haven't. We could go on Thursday if you like?  
 A see  
 B saw  
 C seen  
 D seeing
- 26 **Shop Assistant:** Excuse me, please. Could I get past?  
**Customer:** Oh, I'm sorry. I'm getting in the way, \_\_\_ I?  
 A don't  
 B aren't  
 C can't  
 D haven't
- 27 **Wife:** Advertising is a big business for musicians.  
**Husband:** Yes, musicians \_\_\_ a lot of money for writing short pieces of music.  
 A pay  
 B paid  
 C are paid  
 D are paying
- 28 **Son:** Mum, I'd really like a guitar. Can I have one?  
**Mother:** OK, but if we buy one you \_\_\_ have to practise playing it.  
 A will  
 B can  
 C could  
 D must
- 29 **Juliana:** Do you like Brazilian coffee?  
**Miriodere:** No I don't, because it's \_\_\_ strong.  
 A too  
 B such  
 C much  
 D enough
- 30 **Matthew:** Would you like anything from the shop?  
**Alicia:** Yes, I'd like one of \_\_\_ celebrity magazines, please.  
 A most recent  
 B more recent  
 C the most recent  
 D the more recent

- 31 **Daughter:** Mum, my computer is broken again. I really need a new one.  
**Mother:** I \_\_\_ buy one if we had the money, but it's not possible right now.  
 A will  
 B may  
 C should  
 D would
- 32 **Mother:** \_\_\_ you packed your suitcase yet? We're leaving early tomorrow morning.  
**Son:** I'll do it later. It won't take long.  
 A Did  
 B Have  
 C Will  
 D Are
- 33 **Lucas:** Do you play the piano, Natasha?  
**Natasha:** Well, I \_\_\_ play when I was younger, but I'm not sure I remember now.  
 A can  
 B can't  
 C could  
 D couldn't
- 34 **Martina:** What did the doctor say about your stomach pains?  
**Padma:** He asked me what I \_\_\_ for the last two days.  
 A eat  
 B had eaten  
 C was eating  
 D would eat
- 35 **Daughter:** Everyone has arrived apart from Pamela.  
**Mother:** Don't worry, she phoned me this morning and said she \_\_\_ be a bit late.  
 A can  
 B must  
 C should  
 D would
- 36 **Vincent:** Did you see the weather forecast? It's going to be extremely hot this weekend.  
**Pauline:** I know, I can't believe it! It \_\_\_ since Monday.  
 A rains  
 B has been raining  
 C is raining  
 D was raining
- 37 **Ameena:** What colour are you going to paint the living room?  
**Charlotte:** I \_\_\_ probably choose something bright, like yellow.  
 A will  
 B may  
 C can  
 D might
- 38 **Victor:** I'd love to go back in history to see how people lived hundreds of years ago.  
**Simon:** Me too! If I \_\_\_ choose, I'd probably travel to ancient Rome.  
 A can  
 B will  
 C could  
 D would
- 39 **Stephen:** The concert was fantastic yesterday. You \_\_\_ have come.  
**Yuuto:** I know. I wanted to, but I had to work late.  
 A must  
 B could  
 C ought  
 D should
- 40 **Katie:** Would you like to go sightseeing or to the beach this afternoon?  
**Matthew:** I don't mind, I'll let you decide.  
**Katie:** OK, let's go sightseeing, \_\_\_ we?  
 A should  
 B shall  
 C might  
 D would
- 41 **Amanda:** It said on the news that the president also owns all the national newspapers.  
**Andrew:** That \_\_\_ be right! I don't think that's true.  
 A must  
 B can't  
 C won't  
 D would
- 42 **Assistant:** That meeting was really difficult. What would you have done if you \_\_\_ in my position?  
**Manager:** Oh, I think you managed it very well.  
 A are  
 B were  
 C had been  
 D would be
- 43 **Natalia:** My new smartphone doesn't seem to work.  
**Katie:** Oh dear! Perhaps you should take it \_\_\_ and ask for a refund.  
 A up  
 B out  
 C away  
 D back
- 44 **Chris:** I wish I could be with our cousins ...  
**Alison:** Me too! By this time tomorrow they \_\_\_ on a Greek beach while we're revising for our history test.  
 A sunbathe  
 B will sunbathe  
 C will be sunbathing  
 D will have sunbathed

- 45 **Son:** Are you OK, Mum? You don't seem very relaxed.  
**Mother:** I just wish I \_\_\_\_ an aisle seat so that I could get up and walk around more easily.  
 A had chosen  
 B have chosen  
 C would choose  
 D should choose
- 46 **Nicola:** I love this picture, but won't it cost a fortune?  
**Victor:** No, it's just a copy. The original, \_\_\_\_ is a portrait of the artist's friend, sold for €4 million!  
 A whose  
 B which  
 C whom  
 D that
- 47 **Laura:** I can't believe how talented this artist was.  
**Emily:** I know, it's amazing. \_\_\_\_ he was almost 90 when he did them, his paintings are beautiful.  
 A Since  
 B Besides  
 C Although  
 D Therefore
- 48 **Andrea:** I want to buy some new shoes for the winter.  
**Shan:** Well, I \_\_\_\_ looking for a new pair of boots for weeks, but I can't find anything I like.  
 A am  
 B was  
 C had been  
 D have been
- 49 **Client:** I don't have much money – just enough to \_\_\_\_.  
**Accountant:** Well, let me suggest a way of helping you save more.  
 A get by  
 B pay off  
 C do with  
 D make up
- 50 **Pablo:** In April next year I \_\_\_\_ here for ten years exactly.  
**Alison:** Wow! It really doesn't seem that long.  
 A will live  
 B will be living  
 C am going to live  
 D will have been living
- 51 **Student:** Is it true that it took Bell and Watson ages to invent the telephone?  
**Teacher:** Yes. When they finally succeeded, they \_\_\_\_ on it for about 30 years.  
 A must work  
 B had been working  
 C have worked  
 D would be working
- 52 **Rachel:** This would be a lovely place to sit on a dry day.  
**Natasha:** Yes, I know. I just wish the rain \_\_\_\_.  
 A would stop  
 B has stopped  
 C will have stopped  
 D would be stopping
- 53 **Student:** What's today's lesson going to be about?  
**Teacher:** Today we're going to learn about a tribe \_\_\_\_ descendants live in Lima, the capital of Peru.  
 A who  
 B which  
 C whose  
 D whom
- 54 **Andrea:** Did your town have a good market?  
**Katie:** Yes. When I was young we \_\_\_\_ there every Saturday looking for bargains.  
 A had gone  
 B would go  
 C were going  
 D had been going
- 55 **Daughter:** Joanna has been really supportive. I'm so lucky to have her as a friend.  
**Mother:** Yes. Just think – if you hadn't sat next to her in class at school, you \_\_\_\_ so close now.  
 A won't be  
 B wouldn't be  
 C wouldn't have been  
 D aren't
- 56 **David:** Did you see the headline this evening?  
**Nicola:** Yes – the Prime Minister was \_\_\_\_ to resign today.  
 A charged  
 B argued  
 C struggled  
 D forced
- 57 **Student:** I'm concerned about the chemical test results I've just had from the river.  
**Professor:** It \_\_\_\_ be a good idea to check the acid levels as well then.  
 A must  
 B should  
 C might  
 D ought
- 58 **Aamir:** They've just announced that our train has been delayed.  
**Laura:** That's annoying. We \_\_\_\_ have rushed to get here after all.  
 A needn't  
 B could  
 C should  
 D mustn't

- 59 **Liam:** So, your Dad's got a laptop!  
**Cian:** Yes, I bought it for him last year – until then he \_\_\_\_ a typewriter!  
 A used  
 B has used  
 C has been using  
 D had been using
- 60 **Isabella:** The flight is fully booked, so I won't be able to go to Barbados next week.  
**Safia:** If you \_\_\_\_ the ticket sooner, you'd have found a seat.  
 A had booked  
 B were booking  
 C booked  
 D would have booked
- 61 **Receptionist:** You \_\_\_\_ taken a taxi to the hotel since you arrived so late.  
**Customer:** It was OK, actually. There was a direct bus service from the airport.  
 A will have  
 B should have  
 C might have  
 D would have
- 62 **Sophie:** Have they finished interviewing for the manager's position yet?  
**Rafi:** No, but they \_\_\_\_ all the candidates by next Friday.  
 A won't see  
 B would see  
 C haven't seen  
 D will have seen
- 63 **Athlete:** \_\_\_\_ hard I try, I can't run any faster.  
**Coach:** You've improved a lot. I wouldn't worry about it.  
 A Though  
 B Whereas  
 C However  
 D Considering
- 64 **Laura:** That's a really beautiful painting. The colours are so vivid.  
**Jeremy:** Yes, it's amazing to think it was lost for years and \_\_\_\_.  
 A must be restored  
 B had to be restored  
 C has been restoring  
 D would be restoring
- 65 **Charlotte:** I saw the photos from the film festival. Was that you with the actor from *The Hobbit*?  
**Niall:** Yes, it was! \_\_\_\_ did I imagine I would ever actually meet him.  
 A Not  
 B Much  
 C Hardly  
 D Little
- 66 **Pauline:** I hear you got soaked on the golf course this morning.  
**Chris:** Yes. I wish I \_\_\_\_ listened to the weather forecast.  
 A had  
 B have  
 C would have  
 D should have
- 67 **Laura:** How was the meeting?  
**Ricardo:** It finished late because Victor didn't arrive until 5 pm. He told me he \_\_\_\_ been given the wrong directions.  
 A has  
 B had  
 C should have  
 D would have
- 68 **Andrew:** I picked up some of that cat food you wanted.  
**Pedro:** Oh good. Once \_\_\_\_ to these new cat biscuits, they won't want to go back to the other stuff.  
 A we've switched  
 B we'll be switching  
 C we'll have switched  
 D we've been switched
- 69 **Antonia:** Has your son done well in his exams?  
**Phillip:** Yes. Only once \_\_\_\_ he wasn't sufficiently prepared, but he can take that one again.  
 A he found  
 B he has found  
 C did he find  
 D could he find
- 70 **Son:** I had a bit of a stomach ache this morning.  
**Mother:** Oh dear! Well, I did say you \_\_\_\_ eaten that chicken last night.  
 A wouldn't have  
 B couldn't have  
 C mustn't have  
 D shouldn't have