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### MINI TEST 16

**Question 1.** I wrote two awful essays and was lucky to \_\_\_\_\_ the exam.

- A. run down      B. scrape through      C. stand out      D. paper over

**Question 2.** You'll have to \_\_\_\_\_ if you want to work in television.

- A. smarten up      B. mess up      C. waste away      D. patch up

**Question 3.** A life-story can often \_\_\_\_\_ what has become a very dry and even boring area of social research.

- A. make over      B. write off      C. liven up      D. brush up

**Question 4.** We decided to \_\_\_\_\_ our differences and become friends again.

- A. write off      B. mess up      C. run down      D. patch up

**Question 5.** She tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the cracks, but I could see that the relationship was failing.

- A. make over      B. paper over      C. touch up      D. patch up

**Question 6.** I'm going to \_\_\_\_\_ those scratches with a bit of paint.

- A. waste away      B. mess up      C. touch up      D. check up

**Question 7.** Public libraries frequently have computers that people can use to \_\_\_\_\_ on their skills.

- A. brush up      B. check out      C. paper over      D. patch up

**Question 8.** The prince has two bodyguards \_\_\_\_\_ him every hour of the day.

- A. checking out      B. watching over      C. picking up      D. smartening up

**Question 9.** Perhaps she would \_\_\_\_\_ now that she had another substantial amount of cash to spend.

- A. brighten up      B. brush up      C. check out      D. mess up

**Question 10.** We \_\_\_\_\_ in the cold for about an hour, waiting for the demo to start.

**A.** stood at                      **B.** stood around                      **C.** stood up                      **D.** stood out

**Question 11.** He spends all day \_\_\_\_\_ with the dogs instead of working.

**A.** messing around      **B.** writing off                      **C.** making over                      **D.** standing out

**Question 12.** I \_\_\_\_\_ several old friends when I went back to my hometown.

**A.** livening up                      **B.** wasting away                      **C.** ran across                      **D.** touched up

**Question 13.** When I returned I felt a big cat \_\_\_\_\_ me as I opened the door.

**A.** pick up                      **B.** brush up                      **C.** check in                      **D.** brush past

**Question 14.** Don't \_\_\_\_\_ me all the time - it makes me nervous.

**A.** stand for                      **B.** stand up                      **C.** stand over                      **D.** stand out

**Question 15.** Jackie and Bill are still trying to \_\_\_\_\_ their marriage.

**A.** liven up                      **B.** patch up                      **C.** paper over                      **D.** run down

**Question 16.** She \_\_\_\_\_ her entrance examination last month.

**A.** sailed through                      **B.** came across                      **C.** checked in                      **D.** touched up

