Test 3b

Choose the correct answer – *a*, *b*, *c* or *d* – to complete the following texts. Only one answer is correct.

1. **Would you mind _____ your bike for half an hour?**
   - ☐ **a)** that I lend
   - ☐ **b)** if I borrowed
   - ☐ **c)** borrowing me
   - ☐ **d)** if I lent

2. **I _____ myself since your birthday party last year. What a fantastic party that was!**
   - ☐ **a)** didn't really enjoy
   - ☐ **b)** haven't been enjoying
   - ☐ **c)** really didn't enjoy
   - ☐ **d)** haven't really enjoyed

3. **I've apologised to her but she still refuses _____ to me.**
   - ☐ **a)** to speak
   - ☐ **b)** speaking
   - ☐ **c)** of speaking
   - ☐ **d)** that she speaks

4. **If you don't improve your sales figures, you're going to lose your job. Can't you see the _____?**
   - ☐ **a)** writing on the board
   - ☐ **b)** writing on the wall
   - ☐ **c)** script on the scroll
   - ☐ **d)** spelling on the scroll

5. **The children have _____ to do at the weekends.**
   - ☐ **a)** much homeworks
   - ☐ **b)** lots of homeworks
   - ☐ **c)** a lot of homework
   - ☐ **d)** many homeworks

6. **How dare you accuse me _____! I would never do such a thing.**
   - ☐ **a)** with cheating
   - ☐ **b)** of cheating
   - ☐ **c)** that I cheat
   - ☐ **d)** that I cheated

7. **The cat has been trapped in the tree for hours. If only we _____ a ladder!**
   - ☐ **a)** have
   - ☐ **b)** would have
   - ☐ **c)** were having
   - ☐ **d)** had

8. **What _____ in your spare time? Have you got any hobbies?**
   - ☐ **a)** have you done
   - ☐ **b)** did you do
   - ☐ **c)** do you do
   - ☐ **d)** have you made

9. **I didn't stop at the traffic lights because I _____. The light was green!**
   - ☐ **a)** didn't have to
   - ☐ **b)** didn't have
   - ☐ **c)** mustn't
   - ☐ **d)** 'd better not

10. **—I have to go to the bathroom. If the phone _____, can you answer it?**
    —Sure, no problem.
    - ☐ **a)** rang
    - ☐ **b)** rings
    - ☐ **c)** will ring
    - ☐ **d)** would ring

11. **I've been working on a new website. I hope to have it _____ before Christmas.**
    - ☐ **a)** up and running
    - ☐ **b)** functioning and up
    - ☐ **c)** up and jumping
    - ☐ **d)** down and out

12. **The television _____. Now it's working again.**
    - ☐ **a)** has been repaired
    - ☐ **b)** is being repaired
    - ☐ **c)** had been repaired
    - ☐ **d)** was repairing

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13. I pretended _____ interested in all that nonsense about astrology, but I was only being polite. I don't think I've ever heard so much superstitious twaddle in my life.
- ☐ **a)** being
- ☐ **b)** that I'm
- ☐ **c)** to be
- ☐ **d)** that I were

14. If we _____ find a taxi, we wouldn't have come by bus.
- ☐ **a)** could
- ☐ **b)** were able to
- ☐ **c)** managed to
- ☐ **d)** had been able to

15. There were two dozen people in the photo, but I didn't recognise _____ of them. And yet, a mere fifty years before, we had all been at school together.
- ☐ **a)** none
- ☐ **b)** either
- ☐ **c)** any
- ☐ **d)** neither

16. Rosy _____ a lot more money in her last job, but she enjoys this one more.
- ☐ **a)** has earned
- ☐ **b)** earned
- ☐ **c)** has gained
- ☐ **d)** gained

17. It's surprising. Boris _____ but he doesn't earn very much.
- ☐ **a)** works hardly
- ☐ **b)** hardly works
- ☐ **c)** works hard
- ☐ **d)** is working hardly

18. Bernie paid £500 for his snakeskin jacket. I wish I _____ that kind of money to spend on a jacket.
- ☐ **a)** 've had
- ☐ **b)** would have
- ☐ **c)** had
- ☐ **d)** should have

19. I promised the boss I would finish the report before the end of the week, but I see now that it's impossible. I've bitten off more than I can _____.
- ☐ **a)** chew
- ☐ **b)** munch
- ☐ **c)** chomp
- ☐ **d)** gnaw

20. Put on your overcoat _____ it gets cold later.
- ☐ **a)** unless
- ☐ **b)** as long as
- ☐ **c)** although
- ☐ **d)** in case

21. I couldn't get the car out of the garage because there was a huge truck _____ in front of the house.
- ☐ **a)** it was parked
- ☐ **b)** who was parked
- ☐ **c)** had been parked
- ☐ **d)** parked

22. I wonder if there's anything good _____ television this evening.
- ☐ **a)** in
- ☐ **b)** on the
- ☐ **c)** on
- ☐ **d)** in the

23. She _____ living in the country, away from all the shops and cinemas and things, but now she loves it. She says it's much less stressful.
- ☐ **a)** wasn't used to like
- ☐ **b)** wasn't liking
- ☐ **c)** wasn't used to liking
- ☐ **d)** didn't use to like

24. It's obvious that you aren't listening to me, so there's no point _____ this discussion.
- ☐ **a)** in continuing
- ☐ **b)** to continue
- ☐ **c)** for continuing
- ☐ **d)** that we continue

25. I noticed she was wearing a diamond ring _____ her little finger.
- ☐ **a)** in
- ☐ **b)** around
- ☐ **c)** over
- ☐ **d)** on

26. Marco said he would drop me _____ when he got back to Greece, but he never did.
- ☐ **a)** a word
- ☐ **b)** a line
- ☐ **c)** some lines
- ☐ **d)** some words

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27. **This is a nice room but the _____ horrible.**

- ☐ **a)** furniture are
- ☐ **b)** furnitures is
- ☐ **c)** furnitures are
- ☐ **d)** furniture is

28. **The fire spread quickly through the building, but fortunately _____ escape.**

- ☐ **a)** everybody was able to
- ☐ **b)** all could
- ☐ **c)** everybody were able to
- ☐ **d)** all people could

29. **It'll be difficult to find a parking place near the stadium. I'd advise _____ your car here.**

- ☐ **a)** you to leave
- ☐ **b)** you leaving
- ☐ **c)** that you leave
- ☐ **d)** you should leave

30. **At the moment I'm reading a _____ novel.**

- ☐ **a)** new fascinating Irish
- ☐ **b)** fascinating new Irish
- ☐ **c)** new Irish fascinating
- ☐ **d)** fascinating Irish new

31. **I didn't realise that the two photos were different until Tom pointed _____ to me.**

- ☐ **a)** out it
- ☐ **b)** it out
- ☐ **c)** it up
- ☐ **d)** up it

32. **—What are you looking for?**
—I can't find my keys. They _____ out of my pocket.

- ☐ **a)** must have fallen
- ☐ **b)** should have fallen
- ☐ **c)** had to fall
- ☐ **d)** might be falling

33. **The war in Iraq was never popular in Britain. In our small town alone, there were _____ people in the street demonstrating against it right from the very start.**

- ☐ **a)** ten thousands
- ☐ **b)** ten thousands of
- ☐ **c)** ten thousand of
- ☐ **d)** ten thousand

34. **—This is a nice restaurant. Do you come here often?**
—No, it's the first time _____ here. But I agree with you, it's certainly very nice.

- ☐ **a)** I come
- ☐ **b)** I'm coming
- ☐ **c)** I've come
- ☐ **d)** I came

35. **The day she got married is a day she'll always _____ with mixed emotions.**

- ☐ **a)** look forward to
- ☐ **b)** memorise
- ☐ **c)** look back on
- ☐ **d)** ignore

36. **If she _____ her employees a little more, they might have liked her better, but she was alway a miserly sort of person.**

- ☐ **a)** had paid
- ☐ **b)** paid
- ☐ **c)** would pay
- ☐ **d)** would have paid

37. **Don't worry. They're very slow at answering letters but you will get an answer _____.**

- ☐ **a)** after all
- ☐ **b)** one of those days
- ☐ **c)** sooner or later
- ☐ **d)** in a blue moon

38. **When I last saw you, you _____ emigrating to Canada.**

- ☐ **a)** thought of
- ☐ **b)** had thought of
- ☐ **c)** were thinking of
- ☐ **d)** had thought in

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39. Everyone agreed that George was a very _____, charming and intelligent man.

- ☐ **a)** beautiful
- ☐ **b)** gorgeous
- ☐ **c)** pretty
- ☐ **d)** handsome

40. Don't be so unreasonable, Frederick. This is a mere trifle. You're making a mountain out of a _____.

- ☐ **a)** grain of sand
- ☐ **b)** foothill
- ☐ **c)** molehill
- ☐ **d)** mini-mound

41. People enjoy Ben's company because he's very _____.

- ☐ **a)** likeable
- ☐ **b)** adorable
- ☐ **c)** sympathetic
- ☐ **d)** enchanting

42. The boss is in her office, but I wouldn't attempt _____ to her now if I were you. She's in a terrible mood.

- ☐ **a)** to speak
- ☐ **b)** speaking
- ☐ **c)** that I speak
- ☐ **d)** of speaking

43. —What do you think of Monsieur Auge, the French teacher?
—He is a dreadful person. I really can't _____.

- ☐ **a)** support him
- ☐ **b)** swallow him
- ☐ **c)** stand him
- ☐ **d)** withstand him

44. I don't care what they say about harmful rays. When I'm on holiday, I enjoy _____.

- ☐ **a)** sunbathing
- ☐ **b)** taking the sun
- ☐ **c)** having a sunbath
- ☐ **d)** getting sunstroke

45. Don't mention political corruption to Edward. It's like _____ to a bull. The subject makes him furious and unreasonable.

- ☐ **a)** a red flag
- ☐ **b)** a red rag
- ☐ **c)** a red carpet
- ☐ **d)** seeing red

46. It _____ to get dark. Shall I turn the light on?

- ☐ **a)** was beginning
- ☐ **b)** is beginning
- ☐ **c)** begins
- ☐ **d)** began

47. —You don't have enough determination. You don't try hard enough. You _____ too easily.
—Well, nobody's perfect!

- ☐ **a)** leave up
- ☐ **b)** give off
- ☐ **c)** give up
- ☐ **d)** leave out

48. —What do you intend to do about the shortage of office space?
—There's nothing we can do about it. We'll just have to _____ with it until we move to the new premises.

- ☐ **a)** turn up
- ☐ **b)** put along
- ☐ **c)** put up
- ☐ **d)** turn away

49. His novel was _____ by twenty different publishers before finally being accepted.

- ☐ **a)** turned down
- ☐ **b)** turned up
- ☐ **c)** turned off
- ☐ **d)** put away

50. I was standing beside the car when suddenly the antitheft alarm _____.

- ☐ **a)** came off
- ☐ **b)** went on
- ☐ **c)** came on
- ☐ **d)** went off

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