

*Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.*

**Question 1:** He tries to \_\_\_\_\_ himself with everyone by paying them compliments.

A. gratify      B. please      C. ingratiate      D. commend

**Question 2:** As he made no \_\_\_\_\_ to our quarrel, I assumed he had forgiven me.

A. statement      B. mention      C. reference      D. comment.

**Question 3:** It was found that he lacked the \_\_\_\_\_ to pursue a difficult task to the very end.

A. persuasion      B. commitment      C. engagement      D. obligation

**Question 4:** The newspaper did not mention the \_\_\_\_\_ of the damage caused by the fire.

A. range      B. extent      C. amount      D. quality

**Question 5:** Frankly, I'd rather you \_\_\_\_\_ anything about it for the time being.

A. don't do      B. hadn't done      C. didn't do      D. haven't done

**Question 6:** Since they aren't answering their telephone, they \_\_\_\_\_

A. must have left      B. should have left      C. need have left      D. can have left

**Question 7:** He can not \_\_\_\_\_ ignorance as his excuse; he should have known what was happening in his own department.

A. insist      B. plead      C. refer      D. defend

**Question 8:** I was angry when you saw me because I \_\_\_\_\_ with my sister.

A. have been arguing      B. had been arguing  
C. argued      D. would argue

**Question 9:** Luckily, I \_\_\_\_\_ a new pair of sunglasses as I found mine at the bottom of a bag

A. needn't have bought      B. needed not to buy

**Question 10:** The book would have been perfect \_\_\_\_\_ the ending.

**Question 11:** I'm \_\_\_\_\_ my brother is.

**Question 12:** \_\_\_\_\_ I'd like to help you out, I'm afraid I just haven't got any spare money at the moment.

**A.** Even                    **B.** Despite                    **C.** Much as                    **D.** Try as

**Question 13:** Hardly \_\_\_\_\_ of the paintings at the gallery were for sale.

**Question 14:** Mr. Nixon refused to answer the questions on the \_\_\_\_\_ that the matter was confidential.

**A.** reasons      **B.** excuses      **C.** grounds      **D.** foundation

**Question 15:** William is an authority \_\_\_\_\_ medieval tapestries

**Question 16:** They attempted to \_\_\_\_\_ the painting to its original condition.

A. restore      B. renovate      C. repair      D. refurbish

**Question 17:** Jane's very modest, always \_\_\_\_\_ her success.

A. playing down      B. turning around      C. keeping down      D. pushing back

**Question 18:** I feel \_\_\_\_\_ to inform the committee that a number of members are very unhappy with the decision.

A. my duty      B. it my duty      C. this my duty      D. that my duty

**Question 19:** I'm sure when you've stopped looking for your keys, they'll \_\_\_\_\_ up somewhere.

A. take      B. look      C. turn      D. pull

**Question 20:** It's very easy to \_\_\_\_\_ over when the snow is hard.

A. slide      B. skid      C. skate      D. slip

**Question 21:** All things \_\_\_\_\_, he is the best president we are likely to get.

A. considered      B. thought      C. taken      D. added

**Question 22:** Check the bottles carefully to make sure they have not been \_\_\_\_\_

A. broken into      B. taken out      C. touched up      D. tampered with

**Question 23:** Do you think Ms. Brown will \_\_\_\_\_ for Parliament in the next election?

A. run      B. walk      C. sit      D. stand

**Question 24:** Nearly all of the reporters \_\_\_\_\_ the press conference had questions

A. attend / asked      B. attended / to ask  
C. attending / to ask      D. would attend / to be asked

**Question 25:** The general public \_\_\_\_\_ a large number of computers now, because prices are beginning to decrease.

A. must buy      B. must be buying      C. must have bought      D. must bought

**Question 26:** I'm worried about \_\_\_\_\_ on so much work.

A. she taking      B. she takes      C. her to take      D. her taking

**Question 27:** - Hieroglyphics \_\_\_\_\_ on the walls of caves provide scientists with important details on prehistoric man.

A. Painted      B. were painted      C. have been painted      D. that they painted

**Question 28:** If you \_\_\_\_\_ Peter, could you tell him to ring me up?

A. come into      B. come over      C. come across      D. come back