

GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY 5

I. VOCABULARY.

1. Don't go to the city centre during rush hour. You will be _____ like sardines.
A. canned B. packed C. pressed D. pushed
2. Last week, my mother gave me a _____ of ten-thousand notes to buy a bike.
A. fistful B. fist C. fisted D. fisticuff
3. They did have a _____ escape. Their car stopped right at the river bank.
A. narrow B. small C. near D. slight
4. It was Tony who _____ in asking for another glass of brandy and got drunk in the end.
A. endured B. kept C. persisted D. maintained
5. I had to _____ to make myself heard.
A. cry out B. yell C. shout D. scream
6. He is a teacher not for earning money but as a/n _____ of love
A. labor B. work C. job D. occupation
7. The workers are paid weekly. Their _____ though not much can chiefly help them afford all their necessities.
A. payments B. earnings C. salaries D. wages
8. Betty says she cannot stand looking at the rat, _____ touching it.
A. even so B. let alone C. what if D. as far as
9. Something began to go _____ with the experiment when the two scientists were forced to retire.
A. wrong B. stale C. ill D. faulty
10. However strict _____ we took, we couldn't eliminate the risk of any further riots in the streets.
A. controls B. discipline C. measures D. regulations
11. He gave me a furious look and _____ out of the room.
A. stormed B. hurled C. surged D. burst
12. My secretary was _____ to have typed those letters already.
A. asked B. supposed C. requested D. ordered
13. He seemed very quiet, but it would be a mistake to _____ his intelligence.
A. devalue B. depreciate C. underrate D. minimize
14. I am well _____ with the problems encountered in starting a business.
A. aware B. informed C. acquainted D. knowledgeable
15. If production in that factory exceeds the target, the workers get a _____.
A. bonus B. gratuity C. donation D. subsidy
16. Because the law moves so slowly, there is a considerable _____ of untried cases.
A. hangover B. remainder C. backlog D. reserve
17. You needn't have made extra copies of the booklet. We have got plenty to _____ round.
A. circulate B. go C. spread D. suffice
18. John's in hospital again. The poor chap seems _____ to accidents.
A. prone B. disposed C. bound D. destined
19. 'I know that you have an appointment in ten minutes, so I shall not _____ you long,' the professor remarked.
A. retard B. withhold C. postpone D. detain
20. I can't do whatever I want because I am still financially _____ on my parents.
A. determined B. subject C. reliant D. dependable
21. These days the castle is swamped with _____ of tourists.
A. hordes B. cliques C. mobs D. assemblies
22. By being rude to his superiors he is considered to have _____ the mark.
A. transcended B. outrun C. surpassed D. overstepped
23. I have been back to the doctor three times and he still hasn't _____ the reason for all the pain I have been suffering from recently.
A. indicated B. highlighted C. pinpointed D. looked up
24. If you continue to _____ debts at this rate, you will have to declare bankruptcy eventually.
A. save B. raise C. incur D. default
25. He _____ a yawn as the actor began yet another long speech.
A. squashed B. suffocated C. submerged D. stifled
26. I have tried every product on the market and still I can't rid these curtains of the _____ of cigarette smoke.
A. fumes B. fragrance C. stench D. aroma

27. Granddad would spend hours talking to us youngsters around the dinner table _____ about his happy younger days back east on the farm.
 A. recalling B. reminiscing C. reminding D. memorising
28. The winning team were roundly criticised by the local media for the way in which they had _____ over the losing team. It was considered very unsporting.
 A. gloated B. relished C. showed up D. dominated
29. I retired three years ago and didn't know what to do with myself. Getting this dog has given me a new _____ of life.
 A. burst B. loan C. lease D. extension
30. As soon as the bomb was discovered by one of the cleaning staff, the police had the area _____ off and no-one was allowed within two blocks of the cafe.
 A. fenced B. cordoned C. walled D. isolated

II. GRAMMAR AND STRUCTURES

1. To be honest, Harry has _____ than you have.
 A. been more helpful considerably B. been considerably more helpful
 C. been more considerably helpful D. considerably been more helpful
2. There are _____ words in English having more than one meaning. Pay close attention to this fact.
 A. a large many B. quite many C. quite a lot D. a great many
3. The doctor insisted that his patient _____.
 A. he did not work too hard for three months B. take it easy for three months
 C. take it easy inside of three months D. could take some vacations for three months
4. On being told about her sack, _____.
 A. her boss felt sorry for Mary B. Mary was shocked
 C. Mary's face turned pale D. all are correct
5. In no way _____ that people will be prevented from organising peaceful protests.
 A. this law means B. means this law C. does this law mean D. this law does mean
6. You can't just demand _____, you have to earn it.
 A. a respect B. any respect C. the respect D. respect
7. 'Which of these two men is Japanese?' '_____ is.'
 A. Both of them B. All of them C. Neither of them D. None of them
8. I have never seen _____ before.
 A. such good film B. so good film C. so good a film D. such good a film
9. Since they aren't answering the phone, they _____.
 A. need have left B. can't have left C. must have left D. should have left
10. _____ to his brother's graduation party, George wouldn't have met Mary.
 A. Had he not gone B. Hadn't he gone C. If he has not gone D. If he shouldn't have gone

III. COLLOCATIONS AND IDIOMS

1. There's been a slight improvement in his health, but he's not out of the _____ yet. A. bush B. wood C. hand D. reach
2. He's unreliable at the best of times, but forgetting my birthday was the last _____. A. drop B. breath C. straw D. despair
3. The government has been forced into a _____ after the revelation of a cover-up.
 A. climbdown B. getaway C. outbreak D. breakout
4. The workforce has been pared to the _____.
 A. quick B. fruit C. ball D. bone
5. I don't know if Ash would be right for the job; he's a bit of an unknown _____.
 A. quality B. qualification C. quantity D. identity
6. She now says she didn't really want the job that she failed to get, but I think it's just _____.
 A. a cup of tea B. an act C. full of beans D. sour grapes
7. Be realistic! You can't go through life looking at the world through _____.
 A. rosed-coloured spectacles B. bright sights C. magnificent spectacles D. green fingers
8. Those were the ethnic _____ we put people in then.
 A. dogholes B. pigeonholes C. bolt-holes D. foxholes
9. I slept badly last night and am feeling particularly _____ this morning.
 A. slow-witted B. far-reaching C. off-hand D. top-heavy
10. Searching for one man in this city is like looking for a _____.
 A. salt of the earth B. sand in the desert C. needle in a haystack D. drop in the ocean