

MULTIPLE - CHOICE TEST

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- 1 I shall do the job to the best of my _____.
A capacity B ability C knowledge D talent
- 2 Are there enough apples for us to have one _____ ?
A every B each C individually D self
- 3 The judge _____ the pedestrian for the accident.
A accused B charged C blamed D sued
- 4 Let's just _____ our differences and be friends.
A forget B leave C stop D rid
- 5 There has been a great _____ in his English:
A escalation B increase C improvement D rise
- 6 Even after I washed the coat, it still had some _____ marks on it.
A weak B faint C thin D uncertain
- 7 The difference between the cost and the selling price is usually the _____.
A advantage B increase C winnings D profit
- 8 The woman said, "This carpet was made _____, so it is expensive."
A by hand B by the hand C by hands D by our hands
- 9 I was wakened by the sound of someone _____ on the door.
A crashing B bumping C knocking D hitting
- 10 The _____ of the poetry competition will be known today.
A decision B result C effect D choice
- 11 _____ of the shop, my friend Roger went in.
A Coming out B On coming out
C When coming out D As I came out
- 12 Helen asked me _____ the film called 'Star Wars'.
A have I seen B have you seen
C if I had seen D if had I seen
- 13 _____ the fighting stopped, travel across country has been quite safe.
A When B Since C After which D Unless
- 14 She is eighteen, so by law her father cannot _____ her marriage.
A avoid B defeat C prevent D fail
- 15 By raising their weapons the men showed their _____ to continue the fight.
A ready B readiness C were ready D readily
- 16 The visit of the president will increase the _____ between the two countries.
A understanding B peace C quiet D knowledge
- 17 She had done more work in one day than her husband _____ in three days.
A do B may do C could do D done
- 18 You are going to come to the party, _____ ?
A aren't you B do you C will you D won't you
- 19 David always _____ over to my house after he had done his homework.
A came B went C gone D passed
- 20 The librarian went to look in the cupboard _____ rare books were kept.
A which B where C that D there
- 21 What do you usually _____ for delivering things?
A demand B charge C cost D price
- 22 "I'll call _____ you at 6 o'clock," said James.
A by B up C for D in

- 23 Have I you about how Mary is getting on at college?
 A said B explained C answered D told
- 24 The plane crashed into a bridge because it was flying too
 A deep B shallow C low D narrow
- 25 The film several scenes that might upset young children.
 A admits B involves C contains D displays

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- 1 The car burst into but the driver managed to escape.
 A fire B burning C heat D flames
- 2 The vase is definitely not, but just a very good imitation.
 A real B factual C genuine D true
- 3 Her parents were very because she was out so late that night.
 A responsible B sorry C worried D overcome
- 4 I was just to go out when you telephoned.
 A around B about C thinking D planned
- 5 This morning the postman was down the street by my dog.
 A hunted B chased C run D sped
- 6 The noise of the traffic prevented me from to sleep.
 A falling B starting C beginning D going
- 7 It was very difficult for the inspector to what recommendations he should make.
 A realise B settle C solve D decide
- 8 It's a good idea to see your doctor regularly for a(n)
 A revision B control C investigation D check-up
- 9 You can learn as much theory as you like, but you only master a skill by it a lot.
 A practising B training C exercising D doing
- 10 The blue curtains began to after they had been hanging in the sun for two months.
 A fade B die C dissolve D melt
- 11 After the water workers went on strike there was a of water.
 A drain B shortage C loss D decrease
- 12 From the hotel there is a good of the mountains.
 A vision B view C sight D picture
- 13 The bank won't lend you the money without some that you will pay it back.
 A profit B interest C charge D guarantee
- 14 This is the oldest building the village.
 A of B by C in D to
- 15 She can't get home she has no money.
 A unless B if C until D without
- 16 The losing team were disappointed at the result, but all the players agreed that it had been a good
 A play B score C game D sport
- 17 Let's go for a long walk, we?
 A will B do C shall D must
- 18 They were very about keeping so much money in the house overnight
 A dangerous B willing C nervous D risky

- 19 The three friends all _____ for the same job.
A requested B chose C applied D referred
- 20 I took someone else's coat from the cloakroom by _____.
A mistake B fortune C error D forgetfulness
- 21 He _____ me to take a lawyer to court with me.
A advised B suggested C threatened D insisted
- 22 He _____ me by asking me stupid questions while I'm working.
A annoys B quarrels C damages D interests
- 23 In order to finance the project the Council will have to get a large _____ from the bank.
A profit B interest C gain D loan
- 24 He refused to give up work, _____ he'd won a million pounds.
A despite B however C even though D as though
- 25 Firemen rescued several people from the _____ floor of the blazing building.
A high B top C basement D low

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- 1 I'm sure they were _____ lies!
A telling B speaking C talking D saying
- 2 She always _____ the crossword in the paper before breakfast.
A makes B writes C does D works
- 3 The newspaper report contained _____ important information.
A many B another C an D a lot of
- 4 He couldn't _____ his father that he was telling the truth.
A admit B confide C trust D convince
- 5 The main road through Salisbury was blocked for two hours today after an accident _____ several vehicles.
A containing B connecting C involving D including
- 6 That old vase will _____ an attractive lamp-holder.
A compose B form C make D assemble
- 7 The police are _____ the town for the missing vehicle.
A seeking B looking C investigating D combing
- 8 Armed terrorists are reported to have _____ the Embassy.
A taken up B taken to C taken over D taken into
- 9 When he woke up, he realised that the things he had dreamt about could not _____ have happened.
A possibly B likely C certainly D potentially
- 10 He cannot _____ ignorance as his excuse; he should have known what was happening in his own department.
A insist B plead C refer D defend
- 11 The Government's present policy is seen as a _____ to local democracy.
A threat B harm C suppression D sneer
- 12 It was not easy to understand her _____ to the situation.
A feelings B conduct C outlook D reaction
- 13 He always did well at school _____ having his early education disrupted by illness.
A on account of B in spite of C in addition to D even though
- 14 He told his father a long and _____ story to explain his lateness.
A inconceivable B unconvincing C unimaginable D incredulous

- 15 After listening to all the arguments I am now of the that there should be no new road.
A attitude B opinion C thought D idea
- 16 One condition of this job is that you must be to work at weekends.
A available B capable C acceptable D accessible
- 17 It was too late to of the contract.
A back out B back down C back up D back away
- 18 All his companies had been successful and he was known to be rich.
A absolutely B completely C extremely D thoroughly
- 19 Religion and politics interest him almost
A equally B the same C similarly D alike
- 20 Employees who have a are encouraged to discuss it with the management..
A hindrance B disturbance C disadvantage D grievance
- 21 Sparkling pools of water lay trapped among the rocks as the tide
A removed B refilled C retired D receded
- 22 The police have been ordered not to if the students attack them.
A combat B retaliate C challenge D rebuff
- 23 The woman was from hospital yesterday only a week after her operation.
A ejected B expelled C evicted D discharged
- 24 According to the of the contract, tenants must give six months notice if they intend to leave.
A laws B rules C terms D details
- 25 In spite of his poor education, he was a most speaker.
A articulate B ambiguous C attentive D authoritarian

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- 1 Please accept our congratulations!
A finest B warmest C dearest D deepest
- 2 It is difficult for museums to find funds to protect the nation's
A inheritance B heritage C possessions D legacy
- 3 A part-time job gives me the freedom to my own interests.
A pursue B chase C seek D catch
- 4 She's interrupting me while I'm talking.
A sometimes B never C always D just
- 5 In his first game for Newcastle, Keegan a goal after 58 minutes.
A scored B won C earned D gained
- 6 Shy people often find it difficult to group discussions.
A take place in B take part in
C get on with D get in touch with
- 7 It a lot of patience to be a nurse.
A uses B takes C spends D costs
- 8 I couldn't decide between the two records, so I bought of them.
A each B both C either D all
- 9 People still haven't how dangerous pollution can be.
A remarked B noted C realised D minded
- 10 After I finished working, I switched off the machine.
A have B had C having D to have