

III. PRACTICE EXERCISES

Exercise 1: Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following questions.

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| Question 1: | A. reliable | B. independent | C. responsible | D. decisiveness |
| Question 2: | A. difficult | B. confident | C. critical | D. important |
| Question 3: | A. permission | B. well-informed | C. activity | D. effective |
| Question 4: | A. routine | B. problem | C. lonely | D. hygiene |
| Question 5: | A. laundry | B. punish | C. depend | D. reason |

Exercise 2: Mark the letter A, B, c, or D indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

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| Question 6: | A. chore | B. work | C. more | D. divorce |
| Question 7: | A. trashed | B. considered | C. balanced | D. washed |
| Question 8: | A. prepare | B. help | C. benefit | D. extend |

- Question 9:** A. husband B. contribute C. vulnerable D. mum
Question 10: A. skill B. split C. children D. finance

Exercise 3: Mark the letter A, B, c, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

Question 11: I'm responsible for cooking dinner as my mother usually works _____.

- A. lately B. latter C. later D. late

Question 12: I usually my _____ younger sisters when my parents are away on business.

- A. look into B. look after C. look for D. look up

Question 13: In my family my father always takes charge of doing the _____ lifting.

- A. strong B. hard C. heavy D. huge

Question 14: _____ the rubbish in the early morning is a part of my daily routine.

- A. Taking out B. Coming out C. Pulling out D. Bringing out

Question 15: My wife is going on her business next week so I have to _____ most of the chores around the house.

- A. distribute B. control C. take D. handle

Question 16: As a blue - collar worker, he found it difficult to be in charge of the household _____

- A. financial B. financially C. finances D. financier

Question 17: _____ is a person who works at home and takes care of the house and family.

- A. Breadwinner B. Homemaker C. Servant D. Houseman

Question 18: My mother and I often go to the supermarket to shop for _____ at weekends.

- A. cook B. groceries C. heavy lifting D. the chores

Question 19: Her husband is very kind. He always cares _____ her and never puts all of the housework _____ her.

- A. about - in B. for - in C. about - on D. with - on

Question 20: To Hoa, her father is the greatest person in the world and he always sets a good _____ for her.

- A. role B. behavior C. example D. action

Question 21: We take _____ in _____ doing the washing-up, cleaning the floor and watering the flowers.

- A. action B. power C. note D. turns

Question 22: Most people will receive _____ benefits when sharing the housework in their family.

- A. enormous B. huge C. big D. great

Question 23: When getting into troubles, Jack never _____ on other people for help. He always solves them on his own.

- A. determines B. influences C. relies D. manages

Question 24: It was essential for him to be financially _____ of his parents, so he decided to find a part-time job.

- A. dependent B. independent C. dependable D. undependable

Question 25: We've divided the group report into three parts and you're _____ for the conclusion one.

- A. responsible B. irresponsible C. response D. responsive

Question 26: My father advised me to make a list of things to do and _____ them if you want to work effectively.

- A. do B. arrange C. prioritize D. approach

Question 27: Despite my parents' disagreement, I'm _____ to drop out of university and establish my own business.

- A. determined B. confident C. successful D. hesitant

Question 28: There are a lot of dirty clothes and sheets in Tom's room, so it's time for him to do his _____

- A. washing-up B. garbage C. laundry D. household chores

Question 29: As a housewife, she stays at home and _____ her children. She takes care of them, feeds them and protects them to develop.

- A. nurtures B. nurture C. nature D. natures

Question 30: According to a survey, a lot of young people prefer to live in _____ families which consist of parents and children.

- A. nuclear B. extended C. three generation D. four generation

Question 31: Parents today want their kids spending time on things that can bring them success, _____ we've stopped doing one thing that's actually been a proven predictor of success and that's household chores.

- A. automatically B. spontaneously C. ironically D. immediately

Question 32: You are old enough to take _____ for what you have done.

- A. responsible B. responsibility C. responsibly D. irresponsible

Question 33: With greatly increased workloads, everyone is _____ pressure... now.

- A. under B. above C. upon D. out of

Question 34: Belonging to a family is one bond almost everyone in the world shares, but family _____ vary from country to country.

- A. manners B. styles C. patterns D. ways

Question 35: While most American families are traditional, comprising a father, mother and one or more children, 22.5 percent of all American families in 1983 were _____ by one parent, usually a woman.

- A. leaded B. headed C. supported D. raised

Question 36: In a few families in the United States, there are no children. These childless couples may believe that they would not make good parents; they may want freedom from the responsibilities _____; or perhaps they are not physically able to have children.

- A. child-rearing B. child-bearing C. childcare D. healthcare

Question 37: The most important job for a family is to give _____ support and security.

- A. finance B. emotional C. personal D. individual

Question 38: A family can be two or more people who share goals and values, have long-term _____ to one another, and usually live in the same house.

- A. commit B. commitments C. committed D. commutative

Question 39: The traditional definition of a nuclear family is a family unit that _____ two married

parents of opposite genders and their biological or adopted children living in the same residence.

- A. insists B. contains C. comprise D. includes

Question 40: My mother is a _____ woman. She does all the household chores to make US more comfortable.

- A. caring B. careless C. careful D. cared

Exercise 4: Mark the letter A, B, c, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

Question 41: Ms. Mai asked me how she could divide household chores equally in her family.

- A. make B. split C. give D. contribute

Question 42: Parents are recommended to collaborate with teachers in educating children.

- A. integrate B. cooperate C. separate D. disagree

Question 43: We're surprised to hear that his musical talent was nurtured by their loving parents when he was a child.

- A. abandoned B. limited C. fostered D. restricted

Question 44: In spite of poverty, we manage to raise our children properly.

- A. give up B. go up C. make up D. bring up

Question 45: She decided to find a job to earn money instead of just living at home and being a housekeeper.

- A. lend B. make C. borrow D. raise

Question 46: It is advisable that everyone in family shares the household duties.

- A. views B. ideas C. jobs D. chores

Question 47: In the 20th century, most of the traditional attitudes to remarriage are changing.

- A. conventional B. contemporary C. latest D. new

Question 48: After consideration, teaching is still a career worth pursuing as I prefer to become a teacher like my mother and my father.

- A. work B. unemployment C. occupation D. professor

Question 49: The government needs to seek a solution to prevent domestic violence as soon as possible.

- A. recreation B. remedy C. keyword D. technique

Question 50: Billy, come and give me a hand with cooking.

- A. help B. prepared C. be busy D. attempt

Question 51: Whenever problems come up, we discuss them frankly and find solutions quickly.

- A. happen B. encounter C. arrive D. clean

Question 52: My brothers love joining my dad in mending things around the house at weekends.

- A. repairing B. amending C. replacing D. impairing

Question 53: John is the black sheep of the family. He is currently serving 5 years in jail for stealing a car.

- A. a member of a family who is regarded as a disgrace and an embarrassment.

- B. a member of a family who support family by raising sheep.
- C. a member of a family who confers prestige on his family.
- D. a breadwinner.

Question 54: We're all ambitious - it seems to run in the family.

- A. be in our blood
- B. be a chip off the old block
- C. be flesh and blood
- D. be in the family way

Question 55: She is over the moon because she has just known that she is in the family way.

- A. be promoted
- B. be praised
- C. be pregnant
- D. be criticized

Exercise 5: Mark the letter A, B, c, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) **OPPOSITE** in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

Question 56: She got up late and ruled to the bus stop.

- A. came into
- B. went leisurely
- C. went quickly
- D. dropped by

Question 57: My family is the base from which we can go into the world with confidence.

- A. excitement
- B. amazement
- C. embarrassment
- D. anxiety

Question 58: In my family both my parents join hands to give US a nice house anda happy home.

- A. work together
- B. work individually
- C. work enthusiastically
- D. work responsibly

Question 59: My brothers are often very obedient to what I say. They are really lovable.

- A. mischievous
- B. contumacious
- C. alienated
- D. disaffected

Question 60: From my point of view, parental divorce can cause lasting negative consequences for children.

- A. beginning of a marriage
- B. the situation of not marrying
- C. single person
- D. ending of a marriage

Question 61: In my view, husbands should contribute to the household duties in order to reduce burden on their wives.

- A. minimize
- B. lower
- C. decrease
- D. increase

Question 62: We try to create an atmosphere of comfort and security for our children.

- A. safety
- B. harmony
- C. danger
- D. shelter

Question 63: My husband willingly helps me do the chores at weekends so that I can have more time to relax.

- A. eagerly
- B. reluctantly
- C. agreeably
- D. readily

Question 64: In my family, my mother always does the cooking and shopping, my father has responsibility for mending things, especially electrical devices.

- A. impairing
- B. fixing
- C. repairing
- D. curing

Question 65: When having days off, he always helps his wife tidy up the house.

- A. clear up
- B. sort out
- C. arrange
- D. mess up

Question 66: His parents have been highly critical of his recent disobedience.

- A. disapproving
- B. favorable

C. crucial

D. uncomplimentary

Question 67: Setting and clearing the table, making bed and taking out the trash are suitable chores for 8- to 10-years-old children.

A. inappropriate

B. proper

C. acceptable

D. reasonable

Question 68: My parents seemed fully satisfied with the result of my entrance exam.

A. pleased

B. contented

C. disappointed

D. joyful

Question 69: My brother is truly a reliable friend. He will always be with me and never let me down.

A. undependable

B. independent

C. decisive

D. dependable

Question 70: My parents are very proud of my sister, who is not only good at learning but also well-informed about everything around the world.

A. perfectly-informed

B. badly-informed

C. bad-informed

D. ill-informed