

Exercise 2. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

1. Acupuncture can treat from simple to complicated ailments.
A. acupoints B. diseases C. points D. treatments
2. Some people believe that acupuncture can be a cure of cancer.
A. allergy B. practice C. therapy D. treatment
3. Acupuncture can ease nausea and vomiting caused by chemotherapy.
A. increase B. prevent C. reduce D. spoil
5. Are there any alternatives that might provide better options for gay people?
A. choices B. decisions C. judgements D. votes
6. The old blood cells are broken down by the spleen and eliminated from the body.
A. cut out B. exhaled C. removed D. held
7. We always split the housework equally - my mom cooks, my dad cleans the house and I do the washing-up.
A. join B. break C. share D. pick up
8. Parents are recommended to collaborate with teachers in educating children.
A. part B. cooperate C. separate D. disagree
9. The major organ in the body of human beings is the brain which is primarily responsible for performing all the functions and actions of the body.
A. having B. fulfilling C. working D. showing
10. In spite of poverty, we manage to raise our children properly.
A. give up B. go up C. make up D. bring up
11. Examples of crisis in the family can include a death, a damaging storm, or a burglary and many other stressful events that can affect the entire family.
A. time of hardship B. time of fun C. time of gathering D. time of reunion
12. Although personal electronic devices are useful in learning a foreign language, they do have some limitations.
A. weaknesses B. preventions C. challenges D. inabilities
13. My smartphone, which is lightweight and easy to carry, can store many free digital lessons about English pronunciation.
A. effective B. portable C. convenient D. relevant
14. The traditional ceremonies had more complicated procedures than the modern weddings.
A. simple B. workable C. complex D. necessary
15. She took advantage of the children's absence to revise for the exam on intercultural communication.
A. made a decision B. paid attention to C. made use of D. took notes of

Exercise 3. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

1. In my view, husbands should contribute to the household duties in order to reduce burden on their wives.
A. minimise B. lower C. decrease D. increase
2. We try to create an atmosphere of comfort and security for our children.
A. safety B. harmony C. danger D. shelter
3. 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
4. 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
6. When having days off, he always helps his wife tidy up the house.
A. clear up B. sort out C. clean up D. mess up
7. If you're looking for a way to make a positive impact on the earth, it's a good idea to start out by taking steps to help the environment by recycling.
A. pessimistic B. good C. neutral D. radical
8. Ms. Lan taught her children to keep their rooms neat and tidy when they were four.
A. ordered and untidy B. messy and arranged
C. messy and dirty D. clean and undusted
9. 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
10. Apart from being used as an ingredient in cooking, turmeric also promotes many health benefits.
A. contributes to B. discourages C. stimulates D. weakens
11. Originally, there were 365 acupoints, but now this has increased to more than 2000 nowadays.
A. reduced B. stabled C. transferred D. turned into
12. Acupuncture is considered to be very safe when enough precautions are taken.
A. comfortable B. dangerous C. Sore D. unhealthy
13. Compound exercises can increase strength and size far effectively than isolation exercises.
A. Light B. Heavy C. Mixed D. Single
14. Turmeric can help in boosting immune system and fight off free radical attacks in the system.
A. destroying B. enhancing C. weakening D. stopping