



UNIT 9 - VOCABULARY

Part I. PHONETICS

Exercise 1. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

1. A. tedious B. secure C. temporary D. rewarding
2. A. enthusiastic B. smooth C. southern D. trustworthy
3. A. tertiary B. trustworthy C. tempting D. shortlist
4. A. pension B. commission C. passion D. decision
5. A. shortlist B. temporary C. afford D. accordingly

Exercise 2. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of the primary stress in each of the following questions.

6. A. rewarding B. fascinating C. tedious D. challenging
7. A. prospect B. reference C. promoted D. interview
8. A. unemployment B. economics C. manufacture D. responsible
9. A. workforce B. high-flyer C. handshake D. headhunt
10. A. commuter B. commitment C. employee D. attendant

Part II. VOCABULARY

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

11. I was only absent ____ the office for a few minutes!
A. for B. from C. in D. about
12. She became a full-time member of ____ last year.
A. employees B. employers C. workers D. staff
13. The ____ for this position starts at thirty thousand euros per year.
A. wage B. payment C. salary D. tip
14. Shelley disagreed with the board's decision so she ____ and went to work for another company.
A. retired B. fired C. sacked D. resigned
15. Being a flight attendant is a ____ job. You may have to work long hours on long haul flights and not get enough sleep.
A. tedious B. demanding C. rewarding D. fascinating
16. I think that doing medical research would be really ____ because this job would save people's lives.
A. challenging B. tiresome C. rewarding D. monotonous

17. I am writing in ____ to your advertisement on *Vietnamework.com* for the post of a personal assistant.
A. connection B. association C. relation D. response
18. Some people ____ to London every day from as far away as Leeds.
A. connect B. commute C. commence D. correspond
19. When the factory closed, over a hundred people were ____ redundant.
A. made B. given C. taken D. done
20. Most governments tax people on the amount of money they ____ each year.
A. win B. gain C. earn D. benefit
21. After working at the same company for thirty years, my grandfather was looking forward to his ____.
A. overtime B. pension C. charity D. allowance
22. Who is responsible ____ dealing with complaints?
A. with B. for C. in D. at
23. Success in this industry depends a lot ____ luck!
A. with B. from C. at D. on
24. Don't you think you should apply for the job ____ writing?
A. with B. for C. at D. in
25. The ____ I'm a member of is calling for a nationwide strike next week.
A. union B. charity C. organization D. company
26. Have you had any news about that ____ you applied for yet?
A. work B. job C. career D. vacancy
27. In some professions, you have to ____ when you're 60 or 65 years old.
A. resign B. terminate C. retire D. dismiss
28. We began ____ looking round for advertising agencies which have experience of our market.
A. to B. with C. by D. at
29. The covering letter wasn't attached ____ the CV.
A. to B. with C. from D. by
30. Certificates provide proofs of your ____.
A. qualifications B. qualities C. diplomas D. ambitions
31. I'd like to speak to the person in ____ please.
A. duty B. responsibility C. obligation D. charge
32. When you ____ the interview, remember to bring some sample of your work.
A. apply B. join C. attend D. make
33. I would be grateful for an opportunity to visit your company and discuss my application with you ____.

A. in privacy B. individually C. privately D. in person

34. If my application is successful, I will be able to start work from 15th of August when I finish all my exams. I am ____ my CV with this letter.

A. sending B. attaching C. closing D. enclosing

35. Like many young people today, I'm thinking about taking a year ____ first, or as people often say, spending a year at "the university of life".

A. off B. away C. out D. at

Exercise 4. 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.

36. As he lived in a small town outside the city, he had to commute every day.

A. take a bus to work B. drive to work
C. take a lift to work D. travel a long way to and from work

37. The atmosphere at work was so bad that Brian eventually decided to hand in his notice.

A. notify the boss B. apply for another job C. give up his job D. be given a better job

38. My boss has a reputation for being such a slave-driver!

A. working overtime B. working excessively hard
C. being slave to work D. making his staff work too hard

39. There are excellent prospects for promotion, and you'll know you're doing something to benefit society.

A. opportunities B. likelihoods C. futures D. potentials

40. We want to recruit the brightest and the best. If you think you fit the bill, fill in an application form today.

A. are able to pay the bill B. are suitable C. are of the right size D. are excellent

41. I am available for an interview all afternoons, except on Tuesday because I am doing a computer course to improve my typing skills.

A. willing B. free C. impatient D. longing

42. Finally, Amy decided to quit her job as she couldn't stand doing the same things days in days out. It's so monotonous!

A. easy B. low-paid C. tedious D. secure

43. Lucy has just finished her A levels and she has got a place at university, but she would really like a break from the academic world. Therefore, she decides to take a gap year and travel around the world!

A. a year off B. a year out C. a year away D. a year's trip 122

44. The experience from an adventurous expedition to a rainforest will broaden your horizons and teach you new skills.

- A. expand your range of interests and knowledge B. open your views
C. widen your eyes D. be an eye-opener

45. I consider myself to be trustworthy, responsible and enthusiastic.

- A. worthwhile B. talented C. honest D. skilled

Exercise 5. 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.

46. Well, I want to go straight to university, but I'm also thinking of applying for a temporary job in the summer.

- A. part-time B. full-time C. permanent D. seasonal

47. John was promoted last month for being such a committed worker.

- A. dishonest B. irresponsible C. unenthusiastic D. unreliable

48. With so many breakthroughs in robotic science and technology, much manual work will soon be taken over by robots.

- A. intellectual work B. physical work C. monotonous work D. dull work

49. I'd go mad if I had to do a dead-end job like working on a supermarket checkout.

- A. boring B. monotonous C. fascinating D. demanding

50. He's just so flexible. He'll adapt to any situation.

- A. adaptable B. rigid C. intelligent D. autonomous