

**Choose the best answers:**

Question 1: He wasn't aware that only one mistake could \_\_\_\_\_ his chances of getting the job.

- A. destroy                      B. damage                      C. ruin                      D. devastate

Question 2: The committee \_\_\_\_\_ and censured him for his uncooperative attitude.

- A. reprimanded                      B. scolded                      C. reproached                      D. rebuked

Question 3: There were 79 killed and 230 \_\_\_\_\_ in a bomb explosion at the embassy.

- A. injured                      B. wounded                      C. hurt                      D. ached

Question 4: This wine comes \_\_\_\_\_ recommended. You should try it!

- A. high                      B. highly                      C. heighten                      D. height

Question 5: The police have every good \_\_\_\_\_ to believe that he is guilty.

- A. excuse                      B. cause                      C. reason                      D. ground

Question 6: You should be \_\_\_\_\_ of yourself for telling such lies.

- A. shy                      B. bashful                      C. inhibited                      D. ashamed

Question 7: His new car is the \_\_\_\_\_ of all his friends.

- A. envy                      B. jealousy                      C. grudge                      D. grievance

Question 8: \_\_\_\_\_ is a strong, dangerous wind that forms itself into an upside-down spinning cone and is able to destroy buildings as it moves across the ground.

- A. Typhoon                      B. Hurricane                      C. Cyclone                      D. Tornado

Question 9: A \_\_\_\_\_ of \$10,000 has been offered for the capture of his murderer.

- A. prize                      B. gift                      C. bounty                      D. award

Question 10: Big supermarkets can undercut all \_\_\_\_\_, especially small high- street shops.

- A. rivals                      B. opponents                      C. contenders                      D. challenger

Question 11: The rain has been \_\_\_\_\_ since this morning, which makes me feel bored.

- A. continuous                      B. continual                      C. continuation                      D. continuity

Question 12: A system of checks and balances exists to ensure that our government is \_\_\_\_\_ democratic.

- A. positively                      B. genuinely                      C. actually                      D. truly

Question 13: You can't complain of being \_\_\_\_\_ when you don't make any effort to meet people.

- A. alone                      B. lonely                      C. solitary                      D. loneliness

Question 14: It is reported that the building was completely \_\_\_\_\_ by fire.

- A. spoilt                      B. ruined                      C. damaged                      D. destroyed

Question 15: He never raised his voice or \_\_\_\_\_ his children unfairly.

- A. chided                      B. scolded                      C. reproached                      D. reprimanded

Question 16: You could tell that the speaker was nervous from her \_\_\_\_\_ voice.

- A. husky                      B. monotonous                      C. deep                      D. wobbly

Question 17: His \_\_\_\_\_ good looks are what have made his fortune.

- A. juvenile                      B. childish                      C. infant                      D. youthful

Question 18: Unfortunately, he's never \_\_\_\_\_ his potential, which is a great shame.

- A. granted                      B. gained                      C. fulfilled                      D. received

Question 19: You \_\_\_\_\_ that it wasn't going to be easy to become a doctor – everyone warned you.

- A. might realise                      B. can have realised                      C. should realise                      D. must have realized

Question 20: The ending of the book was \_\_\_\_\_ because the main character finally abandoned her dreams.

- A. poignant                      B. painless                      C. severe                      D. sympathetic

Question 21: She was \_\_\_\_\_ disappointed when she realised that she couldn't go on holiday with her friends.

- A. amazingly      B. seriously      C. exceptionally      D. bitterly

Question 22: There's a training course next week for staff to improve their sales \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. technologies      B. techniques      C. routines      D. customs

Question 23: In business it's important to build up a good \_\_\_\_\_ with your customers.

- A. rapport      B. affiliation      C. association      D. membership

Question 24: In the \_\_\_\_\_ of a fire, leave the building immediately.

- A. case      B. occasion      C. event      D. exception

Question 25: Unfortunately, my flatmate and I aren't very \_\_\_\_\_ - she's very tidy and I'm quite messy.

- A. relevant      B. compatible      C. corresponding      D. adaptable