

## PHRASAL VERBS AND IDIOMS

**I. Choose the best answer among A, B, C or D which has the same meaning as the given sentences**

1. At last he understood. He understood \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. in the end                      B. at least                      C. lastly                      D. at the finish
2. The boys put out the camp fire. The fire wasn't \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. switched on                      B. on fire                      C. on                      D. alight
3. They had run away, so they had \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. dismissed                      B. disturbed                      C. displaced                      D. disappeared
4. The police wanted Tom to call at the station. They wanted him to call them \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. at                      B. in                      C. on                      D. up
5. No one could account for it. They couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ it.  
A. explain                      B. estimate                      C. interpret                      D. describe
6. Where did they \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. it put up                      B. their tent put up                      C. put up it                      D. put their tent up
7. The writer got on the bus but he didn't know where to \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. get down                      B. get off                      C. get out of                      D. get over
8. I paid him a visit. I \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. visited him                      B. made him a visit                      C. did him a visit                      D. paid for a visit
9. Firemen have put out the fire. They have \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. controlled it                      B. checked it                      C. extinguished it                      D. turned it off
10. They discovered the cause of the fire accidentally. They discovered it \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. by chance                      B. chancily                      C. fortunately                      D. luckily
11. Two men took the parcel off the plane. They \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. took off it                      B. it took off                      C. took off                      D. took it off
12. Peter must pay the money back. He must \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. pay it again                      B. pay it                      C. repay it                      D. pay it once more
13. He will take part in a race. He will \_\_\_\_\_ in it.  
A. be                      B. take place                      C. act                      D. do
14. At present they are visiting all parts of the country. They are doing this \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. now                      B. for a short time                      C. in future                      D. all the time
15. On the way, a young man waved to me; this happened \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. before the writer's journey                      B. during the writer's journey  
C. after the writer's journey                      D. a long time ago
16. I looked for my bag. I \_\_\_\_\_ it.  
A. tried to look after                      B. tried to look at                      C. tried to find                      D. tried to see
17. He gave it back to me. He \_\_\_\_\_ to me.  
A. turned it                      B. returned it                      C. turned it back                      D. turned it round
18. "What a pity!" Susan exclaimed. Susan was \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. pleased                      B. glad                      C. sorry                      D. amused

19. Can I return these tickets? I want to \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. give them back      B. give them in      C. give them up      D. give them up
20. You must give up fishing. You must \_\_\_\_\_ fishing.  
 A. stop      B. begin      C. surrender      D. end

**II. Choose the best answer among A, B, C or D.**

1. They had made a mistake. They had been \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. mistake      B. correct      C. right      D. wrong
2. He is the manager of the factory. He's \_\_\_\_\_ it.  
 A. charged it      B. in charge      C. charge      D. in charge of
3. The operation lasted for over four hours. That's how long it \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. went      B. went on      C. went over      D. went off
4. He had a bad temper. He was in a bad \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. spirit      B. mood      C. feeling      D. disposition
5. They made no effort to hide their amusement. They \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. didn't try to      B. didn't afford to      C. couldn't afford to      D. didn't have a trial
6. I produced a packet of sweets from my pocket. I took one \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. off      B. out      C. out of      D. from
7. She would take charge of me. She was \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. dutiful      B. commanding      C. charging      D. responsible
8. She told us to keep calm. She told us not to be \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. nervous      B. angry      C. irritated      D. annoyed
9. He knocked him down with a sharp blow. He \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. beat him      B. blew him over      C. knocked him      D. struck him
10. The policeman lost his temper. He \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. got nervous      B. was in a bad mood      C. lost his nerve      D. was in bad humour
11. I decided to visit a fortune-teller. That's what I \_\_\_\_\_ to do.  
 A. made up      B. made up my mind      C. minded      D. cared
12. This is an experiment. The astronauts will be trying something \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. on      B. out      C. in      D. with
13. A plan was put forward by David. He \_\_\_\_\_ it.  
 A. suggested      B. intended      C. aimed at      D. planned
14. The British feared invasion. They were \_\_\_\_\_ it.  
 A. in favour of      B. afraid of      C. happy about      D. ready for
15. He set off down the main street. He \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. ran      B. walked      C. rode      D. started his journey
16. Jumbo was holding up the traffic. He had \_\_\_\_\_ cars.  
 A. picked up some      B. sat on some      C. stopped the      D. held on to the
17. The police let him off. They \_\_\_\_\_ him.  
 A. allowed      B. permitted      C. didn't arrest      D. didn't finish
18. He may eventually get across the Channel. He may do this \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. next                      B. after                      C. finally                      D. even
19. The clock was erected after 1834. That's when it was put \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. in                      B. up                      C. off                      D. down
20. He set up a new world record. He \_\_\_\_\_ a new record.  
A. did                      B. played                      C. created                      D. found

**III. Choose the best answer among A, B, C or D.**

1. I call you \_\_\_\_\_ as soon as I can.  
A. back                      B. off                      C. away                      D. out
2. The promoters called the concert \_\_\_\_\_ because the singer had a sore throat.  
A. away                      B. up                      C. off                      D. with
3. He called \_\_\_\_\_ his girlfriend to talk to her.  
A. up                      B. at                      C. in                      D. off
4. She checked each item \_\_\_\_\_ as she did her inventory.  
A. up                      B. off                      C. away                      D. with
5. Let's check our hotel room \_\_\_\_\_ before we pay for it.  
A. out                      B. away                      C. up                      D. off
6. He lost the tennis match, so we will try to cheer him \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. off                      B. away                      C. on                      D. up
7. Clean all the countertops \_\_\_\_\_ before you leave the kitchen.  
A. out                      B. off                      C. away                      D. about
8. Did you clear \_\_\_\_\_ your desk drawers before you moved to your new office?  
A. up                      B. off                      C. out                      D. at
9. She cleaned \_\_\_\_\_ all the food she spilled onto the floor.  
A. up                      B. out                      C. of                      D. away
10. He will cross \_\_\_\_\_ each item as it is depleted.  
A. away                      B. off                      C. up                      D. with
11. He asked her \_\_\_\_\_, but she didn't have time to visit him just then.  
A. out                      B. about                      C. in                      D. on
12. The mechanic broke the engine \_\_\_\_\_ its many components.  
A. up into                      B. into                      C. down into                      D. off into
13. He backed the truck \_\_\_\_\_ the edge of the cliff.  
A. away from                      B. out from                      C. from away                      D. from off
14. He asked her \_\_\_\_\_, but she said she already had a boyfriend.  
A. on                      B. out                      C. off                      D. in
15. The police backed the angry crowd \_\_\_\_\_ with their horses and bullhorns.  
A. off                      B. away                      C. out                      D. up
16. The couple broke \_\_\_\_\_ their engagement after they had a huge argument.  
A. up                      B. over                      C. off                      D. away
17. The owner broke \_\_\_\_\_ the team by trading its best players to other teams.  
A. off                      B. up                      C. in                      D. out

18. The new major will bring \_\_\_\_\_ a change in local government policies.

A. with                      B. out                      C. up                      . about

19. Many people wish that they could bring the good old days \_\_\_\_\_.

A. on                      B. back                      C. in                      D. up

20. Parents bring \_\_\_\_\_ their kids the best way they know how.

A. off                      B. up                      C. about                      D. with