SENTENCE TRANSFORMATION 1

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.

1) Why are you interested in taking up a new hobby? **want**

   Why …… up a new hobby?

2) 'Have you seen my gloves anywhere, Eric?' asked Mrs Noble. **Seen**

   Mrs Noble asked Eric …… her gloves anywhere.

3) Suzanne was too excited to sleep. **that**

   Suzanne was …… not sleep.

4) Robert has not had a job for two years. **out**

   Robert has …… for two years.

5) 'I will complete the work only if you pay me £500 extra,' said Frank. **not**

   'I will …… you pay me £500 extra,' said Frank.

6) The thief ran right past you so I'm sure you saw his face. **must**

   The thief ran right past you so …… his face.

7) The clients demanded to stay in a first-class hotel. **staying**

   The clients …… in a first-class hotel.

8) I don't object to the council building a new road here. **objection**

   I …… the council building a new road here.

9) The author wrote her latest novel while she was staying in Majorca. **was**

   The author's latest novel …… stay in Majorca.

10) The newspaper offered Lynda £5,000 for her story, but she refused. **turned**

    Lynda …… of £5,000 from the newspaper for her story.

11) We were surprised to see Pamela at the party. **expect**

    We_____to see Pamela at the party.

12) Everyone has heard about the canals in Amsterdam **famous**

    Amsterdam _____canals

13) If you pay no attention to him, he'll soon go away. **notice**

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If you_____him, he'll soon go away.

14) John Lennon was forty when he died. **age**

John Lennon _____forty.

15) You can stay with my sister if you're ever in Brighton**. put**

My sister will _____if you're ever in Brighton.

16) She didn't say goodbye when she left. **without**

She _____ goodbye.

17)'I'm sorry I'm late,' he said. **apologized**

He_____late.

18) It's possible that they didn't get the message in time. **might**

They _____the message in time.

19) I haven't smoked for six years**. gave**

Six years_____smoking.

20) It was wrong of you to steal those apples from Mrs Brown's garden. **should**

You_____those apples from Mrs Brown's garden.

21) It's a four-hour journey from Swansea to London**. travel**

It_____from Swansea to London.

22) I don't really want to leave yet. **Rather**

I _____leave yet.

23) We hired a private nurse to look after my mother when she broke her leg. **care**

We hired a private nurse _____my mother when she broke her leg.

24) He's only now beginning to recover from his illness. **get**

It's taken him until _____his illness.

25) David lives quite near the station. **far**

David _____ the station.

26) The programme was so boring that he fell aseep. **such**

It_____that he fell asleep.

27) My parents don't like us smoking at home. **approve**

My parents _____smoking at home.

28) We couldn't drive home because of heavy snow**. prevented**

Heavy snow _____ home.

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29) Peter wishes now that he hadn't sold his flat. **regrets**

Peter_____his flat.

30) They say that caviare tastes nice. **supposed**

Caviare _____nice.

31) It was nearly midnight before everyone left. **time**

By_____it was nearly midnight.

32) She doesn't find this course very interesting**. bored**

She _____this course.

33) Did Angela say why she arrived late? **reason**

Did Angela_____late?

34) She couldn't concentrate because the room was so hot. **difficult**

The heat in the room_____to concentrate.

35) We started eating when all the guests had arrived. **until**

We _____all the guests had arrived.

36) I should very much like to play the guitar. **wish**

I _____play the guitar.

37) The pop star left by the back exit so as to avoid meeting the press. **order**

The pop start left by the back exit _____the press.

38) Our driving laws and theirs are not the same. **different**

Our driving laws _____theirs.

39) Sally hasn't contacted me for over six weeks. **heard**

I _____over six weeks ago.

40) 'You really must stay the night,' he said to us. **insisted**

He _____the night.

41) They make 2,000 cars a week at that factory. **turns**

That factory_____2,000 cars a week.

42) He was punished for his bad behaviour. **badly**

If he _____, he wouldn't have been punished.

43) Speaking personally, I don't care whether she comes with us or not. **matter**

It _____whether she comes with us or not.

44) I don't really want to go out tonight. **prefer**

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I_____go out tonight.

45) 'Would you like to play tennis on Friday?' Emily asked Nick. **felt**

Emily asked Nick _____tennis on Friday.

46) As soon as he came in, he switched on the television. **immediately**

He came in _____the television.

47) Do you want a sandwich? **care**

_____a sandwich?

48) Is this pen yours? **belong**

Does _____you?

49) David was too ill to go camping with us. **enough**

David_____to go camping with us.

50) You can't vote unless you are over eighteen. **must**

You_____to vote.

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