

MULTIPLE CHOICES

Exercise 1: Choose the best answer:

1. He couldn't _____ his father that he was telling the truth.
A, admit B, confide C, trust D, convince
2. It was difficult to guess what her _____ to the news would be.
A, feelings B, reaction C, capital D, opinion
3. In order to buy this house he had to obtain a large _____ from his bank.
A, loan B, finance C, capital D, debt
4. My passport _____ last month, so I will have to get a new one.
A, elapsed B, expired C, ended D, terminated
5. The Department is also deeply _____ in various improvement schemes.
A, connected B, entailed C, involved D, implied
6. His answer was so confused that I could hardly make any _____ of it at all.
A, interpretation B, meaning C, intelligibility D, sense
7. The main attraction of the job was that it offered the _____ to do research.
A, possibility B, proposal C, opportunity D, prospect
8. I wish you would tell me what I _____ do in this difficult situation.
A, shall B, would C, should D, ought
9. A competitor may submit any number of entries _____ each one is accompanied by a packet top.
A, supposing B, notwithstanding C, assuredly D, provided
10. They always kept on good _____ with their next-door neighbors for the children's sake.
A, friendship B, relation C, will D, terms
11. He earns his living by _____ old paintings.
A, reviving B, restoring C, reforming D, replenishing
12. Hotel rooms must be _____ by noon, but luggage may be left with the porter.
A, vacated B, evacuated C, abandoned D, left
13. The majority of nurses are women, but in the higher ranks of the medical profession women are in a _____.
A, rarity B, minority C, scarcity D, minimum
14. Although he was under no _____ the shopkeeper replaced the defective battery free of charge.
A, urgency B, guarantee C, obligation D, insistence
15. Old Mr. Brown's condition looks very serious and it is doubtful if he will _____.
A, pull through B, pull up C, pull back D, pull out
16. To be a good short story writer one needs, among other things, a very _____ imagination.
A, vivid B, living C, bright D, sparkling
17. This ticket _____ you to a free meal in our new restaurant.
A, confers B, entitles C, grants D, credits
18. He was completely _____ by the thief's disguise.
A, taken away B, taken down C, taken in D, taken through
19. This book gives a brief _____ of the history of the castle and details of the art collection in the main hall.
A, outline B, reference C, article D, research
20. Mark is very set in his ways, but John has a more _____ attitude to life.
A, changeable B, flexible C, moveable D, fluid
21. The BBC tries to _____ for all tastes with its four national programmers
A, suit B, furnish C, regard D, cater
22. It won't _____ matter if you arrive a few minutes late.
A, greatly B, largely C, grandly D, considerably
23. All three TV channels provide extensive _____ of sporting events.
A, vision B, coverage C, broadcast D, network
24. _____ I am aware, there were no problems during the first six months.
A, as far as B, so much as C, much more than D, expect that
25. The overcrowded living conditions _____ a heavy strain on the family.
A, set B, put C, made D, pressed

Exercise 2: ERROR IDENTIFICATION

Choose the underlined part of the sentence that needs correction.

1. The American soprano Mary Gardener, who had one of the greatest operatic voices of her era, retired at the height of the career.
A B C D
2. That cats have nine lives have been believed for centuries.
A B C D
3. Approximately the third of Alaska's land areas lies north of the Arctic Circle.
A B C D
4. Mathematics have taken centuries to develop the methods that we now use in arithmetic.
A B C D
5. Almost lemons grown in the United States come from farms in Florida and California
A B C D
6. Traditionally named for women, Bob was chosen as the first male name for a hurricane
A B C D
7. Historically there has been only two major factions in the Republican Party the liberals and the conservatives.
A B C D
8. Rock music is not only popular in the United States but also abroad.
A B C D
9. Not one in a hundred seeds develop into a healthy plant, even under laboratory conditions.
A B C D
10. It is extremely important for an engineer to know to use a computer.
A B C D

Exercise 3: choose the best option (A, B, C or D) to complete the sentence

1. The whole building collapsed, but fortunately there were no _____.
A, wounded B, hurt C, casualties D, victims
2. He is a successful politician but he has achieved his goals at the _____ of his colleagues.
A, detriment B, sacrifice C, expense D, mercy
3. The company is launching a new advertising campaign to _____ new customers to its stores.
A, appeal B, attract C, interest D, fascinate
4. How could you just abandon me in the middle of London with no money and leave me _____ and dry.
A, cold B, put C, low D, high
5. _____ English, which has no gender system, German has masculine, feminine and neuter.
A, Besides B, Except C, Apart D, Unlike
6. By using all the latest technology, the yachtsman managed to cross the Atlantic in _____ time.
A, record B, lightning C, top D, quickest
7. We're very busy this week. Can you work _____?
A, extra time B, overtime C, double time D, supplementary time
8. Sue found it very difficult to _____ the busy street.
A, pass B, overtake C, surpass D, cross
9. You're too old to carry on working. It's time you called it a _____.
A, day B, week C, month D, year
10. The job requires a good _____ for figures.
A, brain B, head C, faculty D, understanding

Exercise 4: choose the best option (A, B, C or D) to complete the sentence

1. All the way along the winding street _____.
A, he came B, came he C, did he come D, comes he
2. It _____ able to finish it in an hour.
A, couldn't be too hard if you are B, can't have been too hard if you were
C, can't have been too hard if you had been D, couldn't be too hard if you had been

3. You must _____ asleep in the train
 A, have been tired if you had fallen B, be tired if you had fallen
 C, have been tired if you fell D, have been tired if you fall
4. John was the first person _____ hospital.
 A, leaving B, to leave C, in leaving D, leave
5. _____ of their size and weight, grizzly bears are remarkably nimble animals.
 A, Animals B, Among animals C, As animals D, To be animals
6. The postman couldn't make out _____ addressed to, so he took it back.
 A, the letter B, who the letter was
 C, where the letter was D, the letter was
7. The date on this yoghurt is 1st June. It _____ bad by now.
 A, must have gone B, will have been C, could be D, must go
8. Mark is near sighted. He _____ glasses ever since he was ten years old.
 A, should have worn B, must wear
 C, need wear D, has had to wear
9. Every Christmas of my childhood was the same. My father _____ late for lunch, weighed down with presents for the family.
 A, would arrive B, had arrived
 C, was arriving D, was used to arriving
10. I wish Ben worked as hard as Mary _____.
 A, does B, did C, had D, would

Exercise 5: Choose the best word from A, B, C or D that fits each blank.

1. Did you notice Bob trying to _____ doing the washing up?
 A, get up to B, break out to C, get out of D, get along with
2. The elaborate bridal costumes of the coastal Indians are _____: from mother to daughter.
 A, taken after B, put by C, parted with D, handed down
3. Paloma will have to _____ her antiques, because she needs the money.
 A, part with B, take out C, move on D, clear up
4. I expect the new trend will soon _____ here.
 A, catch up B, catch on C, take up D, identify with
5. The meeting didn't _____ until late.
 A, end up B, break up C, come about D, fall through
6. I couldn't hear what he said, because he was muttering _____ his breath.
 A, out of B, under C, in D, on
7. The red light goes on outside the studio door to let people know that you are _____ air.
 A, on the B, by C, in D, through the
8. I've taken this watch _____ pieces, and now I can't put it together again
 A, into B, to C, in D, out of
9. _____ luck, we should be in London by 3 o'clock
 A, For B, By C, With D, Under
10. Some people find it hard to accommodate _____ new situation.
 A, for B, on C, to D, from

Exercise 6: Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to choose the sentence which is closest in meaning to the given one.

1. **There had been prior warning of the flood; nevertheless, it came as a shock to the people living in remote villages.**
 A. Even though the flood had been predicted, inhabitants of isolated villages were taken by surprise by it
 B. There had been warnings about the flood, so the people in isolated villages must not have been surprised by it.
 C. The flood had been predicted, so even those people living in isolated villages were prepared for it.
 D. The flood had been predicted, yet the people in isolated villages were struck before they received the warning.

2. **It isn't just that the level of education of this school is high, it's that it's also been consistent for years.**
 - A. The level of education in this school, which is usually quite high, shows only slight variations from years to years.
 - B. The standard of education is not high in this school, but at least all the students are at the same level.
 - C. Not only are the standards of education good in this school, but it has maintained those standards over the years.
 - D. It isn't fair to deny that this school is successful, as it has had the same high standards for many years now
3. **In Japan, as in Turkey, it is unthinkable to enter a house wearing shoes**
 - A. The Japanese and Turks are culturally very similar, an example of which is not wearing shoes inside
 - B. Nobody even considers going into a home with shoes on in Japan, and this custom is the same in Turkey.
 - C. That the Turks appreciate about the Japanese is that, like them, they too don't like wearing shoes in the house.
 - D. Japan and Turkey are exactly the same, even to the point that shoes are not worth in the house
4. **Taking photographs inside the museum is strictly forbidden.**
 - A. We were only able to take photos of the museum's exterior
 - B. It's not advisable to trying to bring a camera into the museum.
 - C. People are not allowed to photograph the interior of the museum.
 - D. No one has ever taken a photo inside the museum.
5. **None of his classmates can compete with him as regards his mathematical genius.**
 - A. In mathematics, he is by far the best student in his class.
 - B. He is in competition with his classmates for the position of mathematical genius.
 - C. In competitions, he usually beats the others in his class when the subject is maths.
 - D. Nobody in his class considers him to be a genius at maths.
6. **Of the people interviewed, all were in favour of the government proposal.**
 - A. No one was interviewed unless they thought the government's proposal was advantageous.
 - B. They only interviewed people who were positive about the government's proposal.
 - C. Only the people who weren't interviewed were against the government's proposal.
 - D. Everyone who was interviewed thought that the government's proposal was a good idea.
7. **As opposed to being beneficial, too much sleep can actually lower a person's performance.**
 - A. Sleeping a little more than necessary can greatly improve one's health.
 - B. An excess of sleep may be worse for a person rather than better.
 - C. People who are very active feel the benefit of rest more than those who aren't.
 - D. If a person is really tired, it is better for him to sleep a little more than he really needs.
8. **So far, thanks to the fine weather, the project has gone according to schedule.**
 - A. There hasn't yet been any bad weather to cause a change in the project's schedule.
 - B. Unless the weather turns in our favour, trying to keep to the schedule is far from being realistic
 - C. The plan could not have gone ahead so quickly if they hadn't been help by good weather.
 - D. The project can only proceed as scheduled if the climate permits.
9. **The accident wasn't her fault because her car was stationary at the time**
 - A. You can't blame her for not moving when the accident occurred.
 - B. She wasn't responsible for the accident since it took place after she'd stopped.
 - C. She was too slow at stopping the car in time to avoid the accident.
 - D. As her car wasn't moving when the accident happened, she wasn't to blame for it.
10. **Quite apart from the fact that he is unattractive, Ben just doesn't have a very likeable personality**
 - A. It's just because he looks ugly that people don't like Ben.
 - B. Not only does Ben not like other people, he also looks ugly.
 - C. Besides not being very good-looking, Ben just isn't a nice person.
 - D. Although it's not a very pleasant thing to say, Ben just isn't nice at all.

Exercise 7. Put the stress pattern on the correct syllable. WRITE number 1,2,3 or 4.

chivalrous	audacious	indecent	ingenious	courteous	imminent
illiteracy	disreputable	exuberant	notoriety	persistence	corpulence
obstructive	hindrance	apathetic	explicit	ingenuity	treacherous
contagious	enslave	frivolous	contemptible	pilgrimage	benevolent

Exercise 8. Match the OPPOSITE. There may be more than ONE correct match possible for some of the word in Column A

Column A	Answer	Column B
(a) affable		(i) industrious / diligent
(b) aloof		(ii) reserved / introverted / unsociable
(c) belligerent		(iii) submissive / deferential / cooperative
(d) benevolent		(iv) conventional
(e) capricious		(v) uncultured / ignorant
(f) cynical		(vi) dependable / steady
(g) dogmatic		(vii) accommodating / agreeable
(h) eccentric		(viii) trusting / optimistic
(i) erudite		(ix) approachable / friendly
(j) gregarious		(x) standoffish
(k) impetuous		(xi) malevolent
(l) indolent		(xii) cautious / circumspect

Exercise 9. Odd one out

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(a) For each of the following, 1 - 12, identify and circle the odd one out.

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| 1. (a) aching | (b) bleeding | (c) throbbing | (d) nagging |
| 2. (a) scalpel | (b) probe | (c) forceps | (d) bandage |
| 3. (a) break | (b) crack | (c) fracture | (d) wound |
| 4. (a) sling | (b) splint | (c) syringe | (d) brace |
| 5. (a) stretcher | (b) crutch | (c) drip | (d) wheelchair |
| 6. (a) blister | (b) fever | (c) rash | (d) spot |
| 7. (a) coherent | (b) responsive | (c) conscious | (d) comatose |
| 8. (a) vomit | (b) perspiration | (c) phlegm | (d) pus |
| 9. (a) constipation | (b) indigestion | (c) meningitis | (d) diarrhoea |
| 10. (a) contagious | (b) congenital | (c) hereditary | (d) genetic |
| 11. (a) recuperating | (b) terminal | (c) lethal | (d) fatal |
| 12. (a) coroner | (b) doner | (c) consultant | (d) physician |