TEST 2 WEEK 24

I.VOCABULARY:

1. A lot of the coffee we drink is _____ in Brazil.

A. produced B. called C. created D. designed

2. When was the North Pole _____?

A. designed B. shown C. made D. discovered

3. The art gallery was _____ by the Queen on 15th July 2000.

A. built B. painted C. opened D. made

4. In this subject we learn about plays and novels. What subject is it?

A. maths B. literature C. history D. chemistry

5. We learn about different parts of the world. What subject is it?

A. biology B. art C. geography D. IT

II. GRAMMAR:

6. A Have you ever climbed a mountain?

B Yes, I have. It _____ in 2007.

A. was B. has been C. been D. be

7. He _____ play football when he was young.

A. was used to B. use to C. used D. used to

8. I _____ like public speaking. Now I love it.

A. don't use to B. didn't use to

C. didn't used to D. used to

9. The film was directed _____ Quentin Tarantino.

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A. for B. from C. by D. in

10. When _____ iPods invented?

A. are B. be C. were D. was

III. READING:

The best inventions

This week in Inventor's World, we asked one reader, Ben Cross, aged 25, to tell us which inventions he thinks have changed our lives the most. Which inventions did he choose? Do you agree with him?

I work in IT, so I have a close relationship with electrical gadgets! In my opinion, one recent invention that has changed our lives is the laptop computer. It allows us to work anywhere, and has made our working lives so much easier. The idea for the first laptop (or portable computer) was created by Alan Kay in 1968. Kay wanted to make a personal computer for children to learn computer skills. It was known as the Dynabook. In fact, the Dynabook was never built. But his idea was used by other companies to develop laptops and PCs. The first portable computer in the shops was made by Osborne Computer Corporation in 1981. It was called Osborne 1. I'm too young to remember all this, but my boss told me that the first laptops were very heavy and difficult to carry around. I can't imagine life without my laptop. What did people use to do before they were invented?

It's clear to me that another invention that has changed all our lives is the electric light bulb. We can go out or work late in the evening and through the night, if we want to. These extra hours mean that we can do more and be more successful. What would we do if we couldn't go out in the evenings because it was too dark to see? The light bulb wasn't invented recently – it was invented in 1879 by Thomas Edison – but I can't think of another invention that has made such a difference to our lives. The early glass light bulbs were made by hand. Later they were produced by machine, and became cheaper to buy. These days, light bulbs are made in a variety of different types and sizes. They are used in the home, at work, in cars, in torches, on Christmas trees, and so on. Life would be very dark without them.

11. The person who first had the idea for the laptop was_____.

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A. Thomas Edison B. Alan Kay C. Osborne Computer Corporation

12. The inventor of the laptop wanted to make a PC for_____.

A. himself B. his friends C. children

13. The Dynabook wasn't ever _____.

A. built B. successful C. used in schools

14. The idea for the Dynabook was used by _____.

A. other IT companies B. schools C. no-one else

15. The first laptops were difficult to _____.

A. open B. carry C. use

16. Ben says the electric light bulb gives us _____.

A. cheaper electricity B. more time to do things C. less work to do

17. The invention of the light bulb happened in _____.

A. 1976 B. 1889 C. 1879

18. The early electric light bulbs were made by _____.

A. machine B. women C. hand

19. Ben thinks that _____ have changed our lives more than the light bulb.

A. more recent inventions B. no other inventions C. machines

20. Nowadays, there is a _____ variety of electric light bulbs.

A. bigger B. smaller C. boring

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