

PRACTICE TEST 23

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

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| 1. A. machine | B. <u>ch</u> apter | C. ex <u>ch</u> ange | D. <u>ch</u> ildren |
| 2. A. hu <u>m</u> or | B. stu <u>d</u> ent | C. mu <u>sh</u> room | D. mu <u>s</u> ic |
| 3. A. wa <u>sh</u> es | B. mi <u>x</u> es | C. mi <u>ss</u> es | D. li <u>v</u> es |
| 4. A. im <u>p</u> ressed | B. de <u>p</u> ended | C. pr <u>o</u> mised | D. fi <u>n</u> ished |
| 5. A. <u>k</u> nife | B. <u>k</u> nock | C. <u>k</u> ick | D. <u>k</u> now |

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6. Yoko _____ in Vietnam since last year.
A. has worked B. worked C. is working D. works
7. Town criers would shout the latest news through city streets, _____?
A. didn't they B. weren't they C. don't they D. wouldn't they
8. Jack loves taking photographs. He wishes he _____ a camera now.
A. had B. has C. would have D. had had
9. The students haven't finished _____ the exercises yet.
A. to answer B. answer C. answered D. answering
10. This math problem is too hard for me _____.
A. to solve B. solving C. solve D. solved
11. Pat _____ some money if he sold this old car.
A. will get B. would get C. got D. gets
12. A cake _____ in the kitchen at the moment by Mrs. Jones.
A. is made B. has been made C. is making D. is being made
13. It _____ rain tonight but I'm not sure.
A. must B. need C. should D. might
14. Not only Mr. Jones but also the children _____ very excited about the campaign to clean the beach last Sunday.
A. was B. have been C. are D. were

15. When I saw Rose, she was _____ the bus.
A. asking for B. taking off C. waiting for D. picking up
16. You should brush your teeth twice _____ day to keep them clean and healthy.
A. a B. no article C. the D. an
17. The Parkers often eat hamburgers and hot dogs _____ the weekend.
A. at B. to C. from D. of
18. Ann's father usually tells his children _____ stories.
A. amused B. amusement C. amusingly D. amusing
19. They have bought a _____ house in the countryside.
A. small lovely brick C. brick lovely small
B. lovely small brick D. lovely brick small
20. You can go to the cinema with Linh, _____ you can stay home watching TV with me.
A. or B. so C. and D. but
21. When the police came, a gang of youths _____.
A. are fighting B. fought C. would be fighting D. were fighting
22. Hue is famous for its _____ tourist attractions.
A. beauty B. beautify C. beautiful D. beautifully
23. Tony's mother doesn't want him to _____ a habit of surfing the internet too late at night.
A. take B. create C. gain D. make
24. You should watch the news every day. It's very _____.
A. costly B. boring C. violent D. informative
25. Our boss is very kind. She's always _____ towards her employees.
A. distinguished B. considerate C. proud D. happy
26. This is Mr. Smith, _____ son I'm studying with.
A. who B. whose C. which D. whom

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

27. My daughter was deeply affected by that sentimental movie. She cried a lot.
A. sad B. touched C. annoyed D. influenced
28. Many schools provide environmental education to increase students' awareness of conservation needs.
A. effort B. benefit C. exploitation D. knowledge

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

29. Now, when so many frogs were killed, there are more insects in the surroundings.
A. rare C. some
B. fewer D. useful
30. Her first novel was an immediate success. It was translated into twenty different languages.
A. failure B. victory C. fault D. fame

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best completes each of the following exchanges.

31. Cindy is complimenting Mary's hair style.
- Cindy: "Your hairstyle is terrific, Mary!" - Mary: "_____."
A. Yes, all right. C. Never mention it.
B. Thanks, Cindy. I had it done yesterday. D. Thanks, but I'm afraid.
32. Jim and Ann are in the office.
- Jim: "Would you mind if I use your laptop for an hour?"
- Ann: "_____."
A. Not at all. I've finished my job C. Of course not. I still need it now
B. Yes, you can use it. D. Yes, it's all right.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.

33. When Mr. Ba is young, he used to go for a walk in the park in the afternoon.
A B C D

34. The author Susan Glaspell won a Pulitzer Prize in 1931 for their play,

A

B

C D

Alison's House.

35. She offered me more money or a car and I chose the later.

A

B

C

D

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 36 to 40.

The tiny village of Frinley is said to possess a "cursed tree" because the tree was mentioned in a newspaper, the number of (36) _____ to Frinley has now increased. The tree (37) _____ near a church fifty years ago, but it is only in recent years that it has gained an evil reputation. It is said that if anyone touches the tree, he will have bad luck; if he picks a leaf, he will die. (38) _____ villagers believe that the tree has already claimed a number of victims. The vicar has been asked to have the tree cut (39) _____, but so far he has refused. He has pointed out that the tree is a useful source of income as tourists have been coming from all parts of the country to see it. In spite of all that has been said, the tourists have been picking leaves and cutting their names on the tree trunk. So far, not one of them has been struck down by sudden (40) _____.

36. A. visitors B. guests C. customers D. clients

37. A. planted B. plant C. was planted D. was planting

38. A. Much B. Many C. A lot D. Lots

39. A. down B. up C. out D. off

40. A. dead B. death C. die D. deadly

Read the passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 41 to 45.

The countryside of Britain is well known for its beauty and many contrasts: its bare mountains and moorland, its lakes, rivers and woods, and its long, often wild coastline. Many of the most beautiful areas are national parks and are protected from development. When British people think of the countryside they think of farmland, as well as open spaces. They imagine cows or sheep in green fields **enclosed** by hedges or stone walls, and fields of wheat and barley. Most farmland is privately owned but is crossed by a network of public footpaths.

Many people associate the countryside with peace and relaxation. They spend their free time walking or cycling there, or go to the country for a picnic or a pub lunch. In summer people go to fruit farms and pick strawberries and other fruit. Only a few people who live in the country work on farms. Many commute to work in towns. Many others dream of living in the country, where they believe they would have a better and healthier lifestyle.

The countryside faces many threats. Some are **associated with** modern farming practices, and the use of chemicals harmful to plants and wildlife. Land is also needed for new houses. The green belt, an area of land around many cities, is under increasing pressure. Plans to build new roads are strongly opposed by organizations trying to protect the countryside. Protesters set up camps to prevent, or at least delay, the building work.

41. What could be the best title of the passage?

- A. The Countryside of Britain: Beauty and Contrasts
- B. Why People Prefer Living in the Countryside
- C. Beautiful Countryside
- D. Countryside and City

42. We can see from the passage that in the countryside of Britain _____.

- A. it is difficult to travel from one farm to another
- B. only a few farms are publicly owned
- C. none of the areas faces the sea
- D. most beautiful areas are not well preserved

43. Which of the following threatens the countryside in Britain?

- A. protests against the building work
- B. plants and wildlife
- C. modern farming practices
- D. the green belt around cities

44. The word "**enclosed**" in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. surrounded
- B. embraced
- C. blocked
- D. rotated

45. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as an activity of relaxation in the countryside of Britain?

- A. riding a bicycle
- B. going for a walk
- C. going swimming
- D. picking fruit