

Read the following two passages about *Blue Jeans*.

For questions, **9-15**, choose the best answer (**A, B or C**).

Mark your answers on the separate Answer sheet.

Blue Jeans

The Birth of Blue Jeans

On May 20, 1873, Levi Strauss, a businessman, and Jacob Davis, his tailor, invented the first blue jeans for working men. The design of the new product, called 501, was influenced by the trousers sailors were wearing at the time.

Strauss first had some women make the trousers in their homes. Later, he started his own factory in San Francisco, California. Blue jeans made Strauss a very rich man. In 1902, Strauss died and his nephews took over the business. In 1918, they introduced a new line of trousers for women, called Freedom-Alls, which gave women the freedom to move more comfortably than in dresses. The advertisements for Freedom-Alls showed women doing housework or exercising at the gym. However, the idea of women wearing trousers was not generally accepted by society and in 1919, the company cancelled this line. In 1934, however, the Levi company created Lady Levi's, the first jeans for women, and changed fashion for ever.

For some time, jeans were forbidden at American schools, theatres or cinemas. In the 1950s, however, American movie stars wore jeans both in films and in public and everyone wanted to wear them despite their high price. Today, jeans come at different prices and are the world's most popular styles of trousers.

9. According to the 1st paragraph, what is **TRUE** about the first blue jeans?
 - A. They were the product of one man's idea.
 - B. They were made for working men.
 - C. They were designed for sailors.
10. What is **FALSE** according to the 2nd paragraph?
 - A. Strauss's factory was unsuccessful while Strauss was alive.
 - B. Strauss's nephews introduced a line of trousers for women.
 - C. The first blue jeans were made at some women's houses.
11. The production of the Freedom-Alls lasted only a year because
 - A. they were not comfortable to wear.
 - B. there was a lack of advertising for the product.
 - C. the public thought trousers were unsuitable for women.
12. In the 1950s, the popularity of blue jeans grew when
 - A. famous people started wearing them.
 - B. their price was reduced.
 - C. they came in different styles.

Why Are Blue Jeans Popular?

Jeans are the preferred choice of trousers among the general population with millions of pairs being made and sold every day worldwide. One of the reasons for their popularity is that the life of a pair of jeans can be long if we take care of them correctly. For example, we should avoid washing our jeans in a washing machine because we may damage them; whether they are cheap or expensive, hand-washing is the best way to clean them. Another reason jeans are popular is that the older they get, the more attractive they look. When their colour fades, their appearance is much better. That is why a lot of us prefer to buy jeans which look old. As they age, they become softer as well, which is an important quality in a piece of clothing we wear every day.

Jeans are also easy to match with other kinds of clothes. Traditional high-quality blue jeans go with just about any style. This is good for people who spend a lot of time trying to decide what to wear. Jeans now may range from cheap to expensive so we can find a pair to wear for any occasion, whether casual or formal. Finally, celebrities have long worn jeans and it is no secret that they influence people's clothing choices.

13. One of the reasons for the popularity of jeans is that they
 - A. need to be well-cared for.
 - B. can be washed by hand.
 - C. can last for a long time.
14. What is **TRUE** according to the 1st paragraph?
 - A. The appearance of jeans improves as they get older.
 - B. Jeans get harder the more we wash them.
 - C. Old-looking jeans are not popular.
15. According to the 2nd paragraph, what is **FALSE** about blue jeans?
 - A. It is difficult to find them in different sizes.
 - B. We can now find jeans at a variety of prices.
 - C. They are now acceptable for any occasion.

For questions **16-30**, choose the best answer (**A, B or C**).

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16. Don't phone her at 5 o'clock. She at that time.
A. is about to sleeping
B. will be sleeping
C. has slept
17. If he had told me about the rock concert, I tickets online.
A. would have bought
B. might be buying
C. could buy
18. He told me that he would rather on Saturdays.
A. he doesn't work
B. not working
C. not work
19. She thought that the online directions to the museum were
A. confused
B. confusing
C. confusingly
20. All the students to finish the entire test in less than an hour.
A. ordered
B. managed
C. succeeded
21. Due to bad weather, the concert
A. has cancelled
B. will be cancelling.
C. was cancelled.
22. Our guide was friendly, but he inexperienced.
A. thought
B. seemed
C. was appeared

23. Although life is getting, we need to stay positive.
A. more harder
B. much hard
C. harder and harder
24. He told his friend that he for a job for months.
A. has looked
B. is looking
C. had been looking
25. Do you know keys these are?
A. whose
B. who's
C. whom
26. I'm afraid I can't tell you where last night.
A. did he go
B. he went
C. he has gone
27. Her best friend gave her useful advice.
A. some
B. an
C. few
28. Their teacher gave them a lot of exercises, none of was easy to do.
A. which
B. those
C. them
29. They looked up and saw countless stars the sky.
A. on
B. at
C. in
30. He had to run fast to with his friends.
A. find out
B. catch up
C. drop by

For questions **31-40**, choose the best answer (**A, B or C**) to fill in the gaps.

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Mountain Holidays

No one doubts the beneficial effects that summer holidays by the sea (31) on our health. To name a few, swimming reduces stress, sunlight strengthens our bones and the salty sea air helps our body (32) off viruses and bacteria. (33), a holiday in the mountains can also be good for our health. First of all, there are a lot of sports that we can take part in (34) we are there. For example, hiking, one of the most popular mountain sports, can give our body a lot of benefits. It is not only a good workout but (35) can also be a successful way to relieve stress. Further, group hiking allows us to socialise and (36) our network of friends. Another benefit of mountain holidays is that the air in the mountains is (37) polluted than in the city and so the atmosphere is healthier. In fact, according to doctors, spending (38) in the mountains can be the best way to recover (39) an illness. Of course, a place which (40) both sea and mountains is probably the ideal holiday destination.

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| 31. A. put | B. have | C. take |
| 32. A. fighting | B. will fight | C. to fight |
| 33. A. In case | B. However | C. To conclude |
| 34. A. when | B. although | C. usually |
| 35. A. which | B. they | C. it |
| 36. A. the increase | B. to increasing | C. increase |
| 37. A. the least | B. little | C. less |
| 38. A. the times | B. some time | C. a time |
| 39. A. also | B. and | C. from |
| 40. A. combines | B. has to combine | C. is combined |