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GRAMMAR FOR IELTS

Choose the correct answer A, B or C for each question. When you have finished, check your answers.

1. Most university students _____ on campus in their first year.
A. lives
B. live
C. are living
2. From this graph we can see that the economy _____ at the moment.
A. improves
B. improve
C. is improving
3. They _____ personal computers when my father was a student.
A. hadn't
B. didn't have
C. weren't having
4. I _____ want to be a practising doctor but now I'm more interested in research.
A. was used to
B. used to
C. would
5. The teacher _____ us how to do the experiment when the fire bell rang.
A. showed
B. shown
C. was showing
6. I finished my essay yesterday but _____ it in to the tutor yet.
A. I've given
B. I haven't given
C. I didn't give
7. _____ the experiment three times now with different results each time!
A. We've done
B. We did
C. We've been doing

8. When I arrived the lecture _____ so I didn't find it easy to follow.
A. started
B. had started
C. had been starting
9. She _____ well at school but that changed when she became friends with a different group of girls.
A. did
B. had done
C. had been doing
10. _____ the doctor at 2.00 this afternoon so I can't go to the lecture.
A. I'm seeing
B. I see
C. I will see
11. My sister _____ economics and politics when she goes to university.
A. is going to study
B. studies
C. will study
12. While we're working on the project our boss _____ on a beach in Greece!
A. will sit
B. will have sat
C. will be sitting
13. If the train continues, the average income _____ by 107% by 2020.
A. will increase
B. will have increased
C. will be increasing
14. You can base your geography assignment on _____ country – it doesn't matter which.
A. a
B. some
C. any
15. There aren't _____ places left on the course, so you'd better apply soon.
A. much
B. many
C. lots of
16. I don't know whether to accept the job offer. It's _____.
A. a difficult decision
B. the difficult decision
C. difficult decision

17. For those of you new to the company, this leaflet is full of ____
A. a valuable information
B. the valuable information
C. valuable information
18. The manager interviewed ____ candidates in turn.
A. each of the
B. each
C. every
19. I know it's not much of a present, but I made it ____
A. me
B. myself
C. by myself
20. You should visit Bath. It's ____ city.
A. a historical and interesting
B. a historical interesting
C. an interesting historical
21. The government has realised some ____ data showing how schools are not providing an adequate education to our children.
A. shocking
B. shock
C. shocked
22. You really should go to Namibia. The scenery is ____ stunning and the people are very friendly.
A. very
B. fairly
C. absolutely
23. This factory produces some of ____ cameras in the world.
A. best
B. the best
C. the most best
24. ____ people live in the countryside than 100 years ago.
A. less
B. few
C. fewer
25. The bookshop ____ the end of the road is excellent.
A. at
B. on
C. in

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