

TOEFL POST-TEST

SECTION 2

STRUCTURE AND WRITTEN EXPRESSION

Time — 25 minutes

(Including the reading of the directions)

1. The planet Mercury \_\_\_\_\_ rotations during every two trips around the Sun.  
(A) three complete  
(B) completes three  
(C) the completion of three  
(D) completing three of the
2. In prehistoric \_\_\_\_\_ of western Utah was covered by Lake Bonneville.  
(A) times, a large part  
(B) times, there was a large part  
(C) part of the time  
(D) for large parts of time
3. The helicopter is able to hover in \_\_\_\_\_ powered rotors produce lift even at zero forward speed.  
(A) flight because of the  
(B) flying the  
(C) the flying of the  
(D) flight because the
4. The upper levels of the Sun's atmosphere are of very low \_\_\_\_\_ heats the gases there to very high temperatures.  
(A) dense and solar  
(B) density, solar activity  
(C) density, but solar activity  
(D) density and activity of the Sun is

5. Lapis lazuli \_\_\_\_\_ stone, has been valued for ornamental purposes for more than 6,000 years.
- (A) an opaque deep blue
- (B) is an opaque deep blue
- (C) it is an opaque deep blue
- (D) that is an opaque deep blue
6. Mountaineers \_\_\_\_\_ climb Mount Everest must make reservations to do so, often up to seven years in advance.
- (A) want to
- (B) they want to
- (C) who want
- (D) wanting to
7. Created by the dissolution of limestone, the underground cave system \_\_\_\_\_ Mammoth Cave is noted for its stalactites and stalagmites.
- (A) is known as
- (B) it is known to be
- (C) known as
- (D) to be known
8. Most slang terms are simply old words \_\_\_\_\_ additional new meanings.
- (A) give
- (B) given
- (C) are given
- (D) they are given
9. North Carolina's Outer Banks are a chain of low, narrow islands \_\_\_\_\_ the mainland from the frequent Atlantic storms in the area.
- (A) they buffer
- (B) that buffer
- (C) to buffer them
- (D) that they buffer
10. It is at the age of approximately eighteen months \_\_\_\_\_ children begin to make combinations of two or three words.
- (A) when many
- (B) when are many
- (C) when do many
- (D) when have many of the

11. Story of a Bad Boy, a semiautobiographical novel by Thomas Bailey Aldrich, ranks high among books \_\_\_\_\_ have incorporated their boyhood experiences.

- (A) the American authors
- (B) which are American authors
- (C) in which American authors
- (D) are those which American authors

12. In the La Brea tar pits of Los Angeles \_\_\_\_\_ which have been preserved from the Pleistocene period.

- (A) thousands of animals are
- (B) thousands are animals
- (C) the thousands of animals
- (D) are thousands of animals

13.. \_\_\_\_\_ provided a living for nearly 90 percent of the population of the American colonies.

- (A) Farming was what
- (B) What farming
- (C) Farming was

(D) What was farming

14. Not only \_\_\_\_\_ more brittle than hard maples, but they are also less able to withstand high winds.

- (A) soft maples are
- (B) are soft maples
- (C) they are soft maples
- (D) soft maples

15. \_\_\_\_\_ become blocked so that heat and moisture could not escape, death would result.

- (A) Were the skin's pores to
- (B) The pores of the skin were to
- (C) The skin's pores
- (D) If the pores of the skin

### Written Expression

16. The wave lengths of ultraviolet light are short than those of visible light but longer

A

B

C

D

than those of X-rays.

17. All thoroughbreds are descended from three Arabian stallion imported into England

A

B

C

D

between 1689 and 1724.

18. By measuring the rate of decay of potassium isotopes in volcanic ash, scientists

A

can date the layers of volcanic ash and any human remains in they.

B

C

D

19. Hundreds of partial to complete fossil skeletons of Triceratops have been gather in

A

B

C

North America from rocks of the late Cretaceous period.

D

20. By the time of the dinosaurs, turtles have already developed the hard shell

A

B

into which their heads and legs could be drawn.

C

D

21. A zoom lens produces an inverted real image, either on the film in a camera and on

A B C D

the light-sensitive tube of a television camera.

22. The leaves and young twigs of the henna plant are ground into a powder to produce

A B

a paste that can used as a dye.

C D

23. Thirty-one pairs of spinal nerves are present in humans, and each pair have two

A B C D

24. William Randolph Hearst built a chain of newspapers that included 25 dailies and 11

A B C

Sunday editions at their peak in 1937.

D

25 The electromagnetic spectrum consists in bands of different wavelengths

A B C D

26. Lemon trees are similar in longevity and appear to orange trees but have more

A B C

upright growth.

D

27. Christopher Columbus, alike many other explorers, underestimated the size of the

A B C

Earth and overestimated the width of Asia.

D

28. Manganese, found in trace amounts in higher animals, activates a large amount of

A

B

the enzymes involved in metabolic processes.

C

D

29. The remains of Homo erectus, an extinct species of early man, was first discovered

A

B

C

D

on the island of Java by Dutch physician Eugene Debois.

30. The Ford Motor Company introduced the moving assembly line in 1914 so that it

A

will be able to meet the huge demand for its Model T.

B

C

D

31. By 1830, approximately 200 steamboats had become operationally on the

A

B

C

D

Mississippi River.

32. The huge Meteor Crater was created when a 63,000-ton iron meteorites struck the

A

B

C

D

Earth near Winslow, Arizona.



33. Daniel Boone helped to build the Wilderness Road through the Cumberland Gap,

A

B

creating a route for settlers heading westerly.

C

D

34. The Appalachian Mountains extend Georgia and Alabama in the south to Canada in

A

B

C

D

the north.

35. Howard Hughes once did more than half a billion dollars in one day in 1966 when he

A

B

received a single bank draft for \$546,549,171 for his share of TWA.

C

D

36. The city of Tampa, Florida, is located on peninsula across Tampa Bay from Saint

A

B

C

D

Petersburg.

37. The closer it gets to December 21, the first day of winter, the short the days

A

B

C

become

D

38. Only about a hundred out of an estimating 3,000 known mineral species

A

have been found at least reasonably suitable for use as gems

B

C

D

39. Most of the year San Miguel Island is shrouded in fog, and strong northwest winds

A

B

batter relentlessly the island.

C

D

40. Women have admitted to the United States Military Academy at West Point since

A

B

1976, and the first women cadets graduated in 1980.

C

D