

For questions below, read the sentences below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. Write A, B, C or D in the spaces provided. Please use CAPITAL LETTERS.

14 I don't believe for a moment that if you play that record backwards, you'll hear a _____ message in the background.
A telepathic B subliminal C subsiding D sublingual

15 Aunt Doris has always been a bit of a hoarder but when we realised just how much _____ she had accumulated of late, even we were shocked.
A chaos B confusion C muddle D clutter

16 He's always been a _____, so we weren't at all surprised when he decided to buck the system and do his own thing.
A nonconformist B unconformist C misconformist D reconformist

17 _____ they couldn't have told us all that we were likely to lose our jobs because the business was failing is beyond me.
A When B Why C How D Whether

18 Whether or not I _____ work and travel for a while depends very much on my father's health.
A have decided to quit B 'm quitting C will be quitting D decide to quit

19 Yawning in a meeting isn't considered polite so I knew I had to _____ the one I could feel coming.
A smother B squash C hush D stifle

20 He maintains that he has managed to keep his youthful appearance by always taking a short _____ in the afternoon.
A nap B slumber C nod D roost

21 We were _____ disappointed when the award for best project went to our main competitors.
A virtually B bitterly C absolutely D completely

22 The party can regain public confidence _____ it tackles the issue of expense claims in a just and open manner.

A otherwise B not unless C unless D providing that

23 If we had known it was going to be so difficult to reach the summit before nightfall, we wouldn't even _____ to attempt it.

A begin B had begun C have begun D have been beginning

24 He's such a charming young man. It's clear that his parents have _____ good manners in him.

A inserted B instilled C inspired D incited

25 He didn't mention his recent promotion for fear that it would _____ trouble amongst his colleagues.

A set off B spark off C set out D lead off

26 What do you think would be the best venue for the party then, _____ place or ours?

A theirs B there C they're D their

27 If you fancy _____ while you're in the area, give us a bell.

A to meet up B to meeting up C meet up D meeting up

28 The boat struggled _____ course in the gale force storms.

A to stay on B staying on C to stay for D staying for

29 The _____ green paisley tie he wore really set him apart from the other interview candidates.

A vibrant B lively C vital D dynamic

30 When she's that excited, it's nigh on impossible to get a word in _____. Believe me, I've tried!

A sideways B sidelong C edgewise D edgeways

33 _____ help me make this decision. I'm just so unsure of which direction to take for my future.

A I'd sooner you will B I wish you will C If only you could D I rather you

34 After a momentary _____ in concentration, Simon managed to regain his focus and complete the test.

A lapse B fault C failure D error