

1. We will move into the new headquarters ----- the building is finished.
(A) once
(B) even
(C) besides
(D) however
2. In the decade ----- it was founded, Liu and Wang Corporation has become a legend in creative advertising.
(A) however
(B) therefore
(C) so
(D) since
3. Aya Kodura maintained a rigorous practice schedule ----- her national tour.
(A) during
(B) when
(C) although
(D) while
4. ----- Malone Heating can provide same-day installation of heating units, an extra fee will be charged.
(A) But
(B) Though
(C) Despite
(D) However
5. ----- the hypothesis, the results show something contrary.
(A) In spite of
(B) Even though
(C) Because
(D) If
6. Sometimes the job search is by choice; -----, the job search may result from a layoff.
(A) nevertheless
(B) so
(C) neither
(D) when
7. Alcohol was thought to be bad. -----, moderate alcohol consumption could have some health benefits.
(A) Although
(B) After
(C) However
(D) Despite
8. He will contact our office ----- the brochure needs changing.
(A) prevented from
(B) if
(C) asking for
(D) about
9. We made a significant profit last year ---- the losses of our international office.
(A) although
(B) however
(C) despite
(D) as a result
10. Ms. Adam refused the promotion ---- the large raise.
(A) because
(B) but
(C) despite
(D) neither
11. Restaurant food handlers must wear latex gloves ----- health regulations.
(A) because of
(B) since
(C) because
(D) though
12. ----- you listen to your body more, you will know when your body starts to break down.
(A) Or
(B) And
(C) If
(D) Furthermore

13. The seminar is open to part-time -----
-- full-time employees.
(A) and
(B) addition
(C) not
(D) to
14. The theatre will raise ticket prices -----
- the expensive new sound and lighting system.
(A) when
(B) because
(C) due to
(D) despite of
15. ----- her experience in sales, Ms. Woo has a background in public relations.
(A) Although
(B) Besides
(C) Whether
(D) Until
16. ----- this quarter's sales are high, we are all getting bonuses.
(A) In case of
(B) After all
(C) Since
(D) Subsequent to
17. ----- the new office building is occupied, construction vehicles will not be allowed into the parking area.
(A) Once
(B) Next
(C) On
(D) But
18. ----- repeated delays in construction, the new supermarket was finished in time.
(A) Despite
(B) Although
(C) When
(D) After that
19. ----- she has been here for only two years, she has already worked on very high-profile projects.
(A) Although
(B) Moreover
(C) Despite
(D) Yet
20. We are going to replace the old elevator. -----, a new staircase will also be installed.
(A) Moreover
(B) In
(C) And
(D) So
1. You can enter the club ----- you are a member.
(A) if
(B) although
(C) despite
(D) before
2. She couldn't eat ----- she was hungry.
(A) however
(B) even though
(C) because
(D) despite

3. The shop is open ----- 9: 30 and 5:30.
(A) between
(B) from
(C) both
(D) either
4. Neither Ms. Chen ----- Mr. Martinec was able to attend the seminar.
(A) nor
(B) neither
(C) and
(D) or
5. The outdoor ceremony won't be postponed ----- it looks like rain.
(A) because
(B) though
(C) since
(D) neither
6. The hotel will accept no guests ----- it is being renovated.
(A) while
(B) after
(C) therefore
(D) due to
7. ----- to the airline tickets, Mr. Jones had to postpone his business trip in Rome.
(A) Owing
(B) Because
(C) Due
(D) As
8. I think you would be great in recruiting ----- you are energetic and communicate well.
(A) since
(B) due to
(C) unless
(D) even though
9. Candidates should have strong research skills, be fluent in English ---- have a college degree in business.
(A) but
(B) either
(C) and
(D) both
10. Applicants should not only have a degree in social science ----- also have at least four year experience in a research faculty.
(A) and
(B) but
(C) or
(D) nor
11. The bank will maintain exceptional service ----- renovations are underway in several branches.
(A) although
(B) despite
(C) in spite
(D) however
12. To prepare for marathon, I ran 15 kilometers three ----- four days a week.
(A) either
(B) only
(C) but
(D) or

13. ----- the housekeeping staff was getting the room ready, I decided to wait outside.
(A) Although
(B) While
(C) For
(D) But
14. Those in research positions are responsible for compiling and ----- research data.
(A) store
(B) storage
(C) storing
(D) to store
15. Development expenditures are expected to grow in ----- the private and public sectors.
(A) both
(B) either
(C) neither
(D) not only
16. If this notice was sent in error, please contact us either by telephone ----- by email.
(A) and
(B) or
(C) nor
(D) but
17. I had to wait for an hour for my food ----- the fact that the restaurant was rather empty.
(A) although
(B) nevertheless
(C) despite
(D) without
18. The conference was postponed ----- the small number of attendees.
(A) due to
(B) owed
(C) despite
(D) resulting in
19. The casual ----- professional environment will allow attendees to have an open conversation.
(A) nor
(B) but
(C) as
(D) though
20. ----- some oil in the state of Oklahoma is exported to the Far East, most of it is consumed within the country.
(A) Because
(B) Both
(C) Yet
(D) While

PART 6

Directions: Read the texts that follow. A word, phrase, or sentence is missing in parts of each text. Four answer choices for each question are given below the text. Select the best answer to complete the text. Then mark the letter (A), (B), (C), or (D) on your answer sheet.

Questions 131–134 refer to the following notice.

Urgent! Journeyman Plumber Needed

Ace Plumbing is looking for an experienced plumber to join our _____ business here in Columbia. _____ We have always been a family-owned-and-run business, but with the _____ increase in Columbia's population over the last three years, we have an opportunity to welcome in a new journeyman plumber. The candidate should have experience with all _____ of plumbing, both commercial and residential. Please send your resume to aceplumbing@gmail.com and we will schedule an interview.

- 131.** (A) expanding
(B) expecting
(C) contracting
(D) controlling

- 133.** (A) monstrous
(B) dramatic
(C) impossible
(D) insane

- 132.** (A) Ace Plumbing has been servicing the Columbia area since 1954.
(B) We have little connection to the community.
(C) We have been struggling to pay our bills.
(D) Ace Plumbing is in financial trouble.

- 134.** (A) pieces
(B) flows
(C) installations
(D) types

Questions 135–138 refer to the following web page.

Learn social media marketing tactics only at Genius Marketing's Power Conference

Are you ready to take your social media marketing to the next level? Then _____ Genius Marketing's Power Conference and learn cutting-edge social media marketing tactics. _____ This could be the most educational two days of your year.

Genius Marketing will give you real-world tactics to boost your paid and organic social media marketing efforts. _____ you buy social media advertising or focus on organic social media engagement, Genius Marketing's Power Conference is the conference you need to attend this year. You'll be inspired by experts, meet others with your challenges, and get actionable tactics to drive traffic, increase sales and _____ customer satisfaction. To apply, just click the link below.

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135. (A) attend
(B) attends
(C) attended
(D) attending

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136. (A) Guide people in the industry to greatness by joining today.
(B) The conference will be in Houston on May 3 and 4.
(C) Registration for this two-week course will be on November 20.
(D) Classes will be held throughout the month of March.

137. (A) Either
(B) Whether
(C) Rather
(D) Not only

138. (A) divide
(B) engage
(C) devalue
(D) endure

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Questions 139–142 refer to the following e-mail.

To: Nancy Craft
From: Omar Patel
Date: January 16
Subject: Pre-shipping Procedures

At the manufacturing team meeting, _____ was raised that inventory wasn't always being properly stored before being shipped. _____ to that concern, the team decided to review the written procedure to determine if additional steps should be added. _____ Please try to arrange the schedules of the team in the packaging and storage wing so a majority of the managers can attend this meeting.

I am confident that the packaging and storage team management _____ that the written procedure leaves no room for any inventory to accidentally be improperly stored. Any suggestions made by the packaging and storage team will only enhance a superior checklist.

139. (A) understanding
(B) concern
(C) challenges
(D) patience

140. (A) So
(B) Due to
(C) Regardless of
(D) Provided

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141. (A) A meeting of the packaging and storage team has been set for Tuesday, January 23.
(B) All employees should be asked to review the procedure before starting work on Tuesday.
(C) The meeting will investigate the possibility of redundancies in the packaging process.
(D) Additional training sessions plan to be added sometime at the end of December.

142. (A) is discovering
(B) have been discovered
(C) will discover
(D) has discovered

Questions 143–146 refer to the following letter.

June 3, 2016
Yui Minakuchi
143 Dean St. Apt. 3
Brooklyn, NY 10787

Dear Ms. Minakuchi,

It is my pleasure to inform you that Hannover Design would like _____ you to interview for our summer intern program. We are only interviewing fifteen candidates this year for the six positions we have available. You will be pleased to know that you were selected out of a group of over 200 people _____ applied for an interview.

We will be holding interviews on March 6 and 7 from 1:00 to 6:00 P.M. We would like for you to come on the 6th at 1:30 P.M. if you are able to. If not, we can _____ for you to come on the 7th. _____ If you have any questions, feel free to call our office (212-347-9919) and the human resources department will be able to assist you. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Max Wright
Office Manager
Hannover Design
212-326-1268
M.Wright@hannoverdesign.com

143. (A) to invite
(B) will invite
(C) has invited
(D) will be inviting

144. (A) whom
(B) that
(C) whose
(D) which

145. (A) order
(B) arrange
(C) oblige
(D) attend

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146. (A) You will need to bring a completed application and some type of identification card.
(B) Please let us know as soon as possible if you will be able to attend.
(C) We wish we were able to accept your offer, but we must decline it.
(D) Please RSVP and indicate if you plan on bringing a guest.

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