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Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the sentence that best completes each of the following exchanges.

Question 1. Ann and John are talking about social media.

- Ann: "Do you think today social media plays an important role in modern society?"

- John: "_____. It allows people to share contents through virtual networks."

- A. I am sorry to hear that B. It doesn't matter at all
C. There's no doubt about that D. It is very kind of you to say so

Question 2. Thomas and Jennifer are at a party.

- Thomas: "What an attractive hairstyle you've got, Jennifer!"

- Jennifer: "_____. I got it done yesterday."

- A. You are telling a lie B. I don't like your saying
C. I'm not sure about that D. Thank you for your compliment

Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

Question 3. Among the students in my class, Peter is _____ not only in school subjects but also in outdoor activities.

- A. most active B. the most active C. the more active D. as active

Question 4. Investment in _____ is crucial to ensure that the workforce is equipped for the information Economy.

- A. educative B. education C. educatively D. educate

Question 5. Martin won the first prize in the English-speaking contest, _____ his chance of gaining the scholarship.

- A. was improved B. improving C. to improve D. improved

Question 6. They are currently _____ nation's best golfers who have earned remarkable results in recent competitions.

- A. the B. a C. an D. Ø (no article)

Question 7. Laura really _____ in the crowd with her red hair and strange clothes.

- A. stands out B. calls out C. makes out D. puts out

Question 8. This beautiful painting _____ to us by my grandfather last year.

- A. gives B. was given C. was giving D. has given

Question 9. She said that she had talked to me but I didn't remember _____ her before.

- A. see B. seeing C. to see D. not seeing

Question 10. The company should allow flexible working hours for employees to avoid traffic congestion, _____?

- A. doesn't it B. does it C. shouldn't it D. can't it

Question 11. The situation became more _____ when two male students reported that they had been sexually abused by their teacher.

- A. aggressive B. problematic C. insignificant D. worried

Question 12. More than forty people _____ the highest tower when the bomb exploded in one of the dustbins.

- A. visit B. were visiting C. visited D. are visiting

Question 13. Some spectators were _____ from the football stadium because of their unacceptable behaviours.

- A. ejected B. plummeted C. refused D. deduced

Question 14. Peter will buy a motorbike _____.

- A. after he was saving enough money B. as soon as he had saved enough money
C. when he saves enough money D. by the time he saved enough money

Question 15. Local health and education authorities have issued a warning about the risks of the toy and asked schools to _____ awareness against products of unknown origin.

- A. make B. pay C. take D. raise

Question 16. Thanks, John. It's very kind _____ you to help me with my homework.

- A. on B. for C. in D. of

Question 17. She dropped a _____ on their first date by telling him that she didn't like pets. Unfortunately, he's always been a real sucker for pets.

- A. stone B. tile C. brick D. block

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

Question 18. A. content B. climate C. class D. city

Question 19. A. high B. five C. dinner D. fight

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of the primary stress in each of the following questions.

Question 20. A. subscribe B. recruit C. publish D. protect

Question 21. A. surgery B. tragedy C. transition D. habitat

Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

Question 22. We have made a provisional decision, but you will know our final one at the end of the week.

- A. long-lasting B. permanent C. temporary D. durable

Question 23. A number of programs have been initiated to provide food and shelter for the underprivileged in the remote areas of the country.

- A. poor inhabitants
C. rich citizens
B. enthusiastic pioneers
D. inactive volunteers

Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

Question 24. One of the reasons why families break up is that parents are always critical of each other.

- A. polite
B. hateful
C. understanding
D. supportive

Question 25. Last year, they had some financial difficulties when her husband was fired. Together, they weathered the storm and figured out how to keep going.

- A. understood a difficult period quickly
C. failed to overcome a difficult period
B. worked in a difficult period slowly
D. came safely through a difficult period

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each the numbered blanks.

There have been (26) _____ famous wild animals in history. One of them is Elsa, the lioness, born in 1956. Elsa's mother was killed by a person, George Adamson, whose job was to protect wild animals. He had killed the lioness to defend himself, (27) _____ he felt guilty about the (28) _____ cubs. He and his wife, Joy, took them home and brought them up. They trained Elsa, one of the cubs, to live in the wild. During her adult life in the wild, she had three cubs and took them to visit her human foster parents. Joy Adamson told Elsa's story in a book called Born Free. Born Free was made into a film, (29) _____ was popular with both adults and children. In 1984, the actors who had (30) _____ in the film started the Born Free Foundation, an organization that protects wildlife in many ways. The Foundation's important work includes improving conditions in zoos and circuses, stopping hunting for 'sport' and working against the killing of elephants for ivory.

(Adapted from Mindset for IELTS Level 1 by Cambridge English)

- Question 26.** A. every
B. other
C. little
D. many
Question 27. A. but
B. because
C. moreover
D. even
Question 28. A. orphaned
B. dangerous
C. depressed
D. vulnerable
Question 29. A. where
B. when
C. which
D. who
Question 30. A. born
B. launched
C. starred
D. made

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the answer to each of the question.

Genetically modified crops are plants that have been changed in some way using advanced biological techniques. These crops are altered by adding genes from other organisms into their DNA, making them easier to grow and healthier to eat. This might include splicing genes from bacteria, animals, or other plants with those of a particular crop to enhance desired traits and eradicate negative qualities.

The primary focus of GM technology over the last decade has been on staple food crops such as maize, rice, soybeans, canola (rapeseed), and also cotton seed oil. Examples of genetic intervention include making crops more tolerant to herbicides or more resistant to insecticides. There are also studies underway to create food crops that could potentially be more resistant to drought, frost, and soils with a higher salt content. Scientists also aspire to create a banana containing a vaccine for the infectious disease Hepatitis B, and biologists in Switzerland and Germany have already created a rice variety fortified with Vitamin A called 'Golden Rice'.

GM crops have been the subject of much controversy since they were first introduced to consumers in the 1990s. Many people are worried about the potential dangers of GM crops. Although most people have already been exposed to some kinds of GM products through processed foods, and scientists maintain they have not found evidence that they are harmful to humans, their long-term health effects remain unknown.

(Adapted from Reading for the Real World 3)

Question 31. Which of the following can be the best title for the passage?

- A. Introduction to Genetically Modified Crops
B. Environmental Impacts of GM Crops
C. Controversies Over Genetic Technologies
D. How Crops Are Genetically Modified

Question 32. The word splicing in paragraph 1 mostly means _____.

- A. containing
B. extracting
C. separating
D. combining

Question 33. According to the passage, GM technology _____.

- A. interferes with the natural growth of staple food crops
B. has a wide range of applications in different fields
C. creates new strains of vaccine-resistant bacteria

D. pollutes the environment with herbicides and insecticides

Question 34. The word **they** in paragraph 3 refers to _____.

- A. consumers B. dangers C. people D. GM crops

Question 35. Which of the following is NOT true according to the passage?

- A. GM crops have not always been welcomed since they were first introduced.
B. The health consequences of GM foods have been proven to be permanent.
C. Genetically modified crops grow more easily and are healthier to consume.
D. GM technology can improve positive traits and leave out negative qualities.

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the answer to each of the question.

The financial crisis of 2008 sent shockwaves throughout many countries in the Eurozone, and indeed the world. One of the hardest-hit nations was Greece. For many Greeks this meant being catapulted onto the breadline or worse still, plunged below the line of poverty. For others, the credit crunch prevented them from using credit cards as their debts mounted. While most people **despaired**, many decided to take the bull by the horns.

When residents of the small town of Volos found themselves struggling to afford even essential items in euros, what they did was to come up with an alternative currency: the TEM. As a local 'backup' currency that people can earn by offering their services or goods to others, the TEM system, which brings to mind the ancient bartering system, operates on an exchange basis. Members of the TEM community gain credit by doing jobs for other people or selling them their produce. For example, by selling clothes in TEM at the market, a trader could get language or computer lessons in return.

But it is not only at the local market that TEM is accepted. Even well-established local shops in Volos will accept both TEM and euros. In some cases, payment can be made in part euro and part TEM. Hard-up customers can, therefore, make more affordable purchases and store owners can cover their costs. This is the reason the TEM is becoming more popular: it can be used in tandem with the euro rather than as a replacement currency.

Such an exchange system is not unique to Volos. Elsewhere in Greece, other communities and social networks have come up with a similar system using an alternative currency called ovolos. This unofficial currency can be used on a national level and is not restricted to a specific city or region. Its users claim that the ovolos has a major advantage over the euro. **It** is not affected by inflation or **downgrading** in the way that the official currency is. Instead, the value of the ovolos remains stable and is protected against devaluation.

Question 36. Which of the following can be the best title for the passage?

- A. The Financial Crisis of 2008 and its Impact on Greece
B. Alternative Currencies in Greece: The Rise of TEM and Ovolos
C. The Benefits of Bartering: A Case Study from Volos
D. How to Protect Your Savings from Inflation and Devaluation

Question 37. According to the passage, the TEM system was created because _____.

- A. some people in Volos had difficulty paying for goods in euros
B. people feared that the euro would disappear
C. a substitute currency for the euro had to be found
D. credit cards were no longer issued to Greeks

Question 38. The word **despaired** in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. discouraged B. disappeared C. challenged D. worried

Question 39. The phrase **downgrading** in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. deterioration B. increase C. difference D. development

Question 40. Which of the following is NOT true about TEM according to the passage?

- A. TEM, recalling the ancient bartering system, operates on an exchange basis.
B. Poor customers can shop for goods properly with TEM.
C. TEM can be used in shops and at the market in Volos only.
D. TEM can be used in other countries of the Eurozone.

Question 41. The word **It** in paragraph 4 refers to _____.

- A. the ovolos B. advantage C. the euro D. the unofficial currency

Question 42. As a result of the economic crisis of 2008, which of the following can be inferred from the passage?

- A. Greece became the poorest country in the Eurozone.
B. Nobody in Greece can afford basic goods.
C. The euro was no longer legal tender in Greece.
D. Many Greeks looked for a solution to their financial difficulties.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the sentence that best combines each pair of sentences in the following questions.

Question 43. Minh didn't pass the exam. His mother didn't buy him a new laptop.

- A. If Minh had passed the exam, his mother would have bought him a new laptop.
B. If Minh didn't pass the exam, his mother didn't buy him a new laptop.
C. If Minh passed the exam, his mother would have bought him a new laptop.
D. If Minh passed the exam, his mother would buy him a new laptop.

Question 44. The football team suffered a shattering defeat by their local rival. Their coach was then sacked as manager.

- A. Only by the football team's suffering a shattering defeat by their local rival was their coach not sacked as manager.
B. Only after their coach was sacked as manager did the football team suffer a shattering defeat by their local rival.
C. No sooner had their coach been sacked as manager than the football team suffered a shattering defeat by their local rival.
D. Barely had the football team suffered a shattering defeat by their local rival when their coach was sacked as manager.

Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.

Question 45. These families made efforts to heal its wounds, compensate and provide care for children who became orphans due to the pandemic.

- A. efforts B. its C. children D. orphans

Question 46. It is essential to provide high school students with adequate career orientation, so they can make more informative decisions about their future major.

- A. essential B. adequate C. informative D. major

Question 47. The national football team make tremendous efforts to win the match yesterday.

- A. national B. efforts C. make D. to win

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.

Question 48. It's unnecessary for you to type the report right now because you can do it later.

- A. You needn't type the report right now because you can do it later.
B. You can't type the report right now because you can do it later.
C. You must type the report right now because you can't do it later.
D. You should type the report right now because you can't do it later.

Question 49. Linh started living in the United States when she was five.

- A. Linh has lived in the United State since she was five.
B. Linh lived in the United State when she was five.
C. Linh hasn't lived in the United State since she was five.
D. Linh has lived in the United State when she was five.

Question 50. "I have just seen your teacher this morning," said John.

- A. Tom told me that he had just seen my teacher that morning.
B. Tom told me that he had just seen my teacher this morning.
C. Tom told me that he had just seen her teacher that morning.
D. Tom told me that he saw my teacher that morning.