

**1** Some who have been made redundant make no effort to get employment in complete ... to those who retrain.

- a) contrast
- b) attitude
- c) comparison

**2** The company decided not to imitate their competitors but ... their structure after the latest trends in business.

- a) make
- b) differ
- c) model

**3** No one is allowed to smoke inside the building but you are ... to smoke outside.

- a) permitted
- b) let
- c) granted

**4** She is ... as a possible future minister.

- a) glanced
- b) looked
- c) seen

**5** They decided to ... to his request for a loan.

- a) accrue
- b) accede

c) adapt

**6** The recently discovered bones are ... to be those of the missing link.

a) argued

b) believed

c) credited

**7** The ... over the rights and wrongs of this issue has been a never-ending discussion.

a) debate

b) chatter

c) rumour

**8** They are worried about the erosion of the cliff face, which is in ... of falling into the sea.

a) risk

b) chance

c) danger

**9** It's more ... twice what I had to pay.

a) than

b) as

c) at

**10** The protesters were ... to go back to work.

a) pursued

b) persuaded

c) perceived

**11** This story is ... on an incident that actually happened.

- a) founded
- b) based
- c) grounded

**12** I'm afraid I shan't be ... to come on Friday.

- a) can
- b) capable
- c) able

**13** You can easily tell that this document .. from the 15th century.

- a) trails
- b) lasts
- c) dates

**14** I'm sorry to tell you but she is ... that this will be the result. She has no proof.

- a) daydreaming
- b) dithering
- c) hypothesizing

**15** I ... you for one of my colleagues, who looks exactly like you.

- a) mistook
- b) believed
- c) accepted

**16** They're bound to object because they've been ... against the idea from the start.

a) derogative

b) prejudiced

c) subjective

**17** That's exactly the ... as the first one.

a) identical

b) apparent

c) same

**18** The main quality of a candidate for this job is to have the ... to get on with people.

a) ability

b) need

c) task

**19** They couldn't hold their meeting in the open air ... of the rain.

a) for

b) but

c) because

**20** She's very good at ... with difficult clients.

a) dealing

b) tackling

c) taking

**21** We often hear that such information cannot be released into the public ... in the interest of national security.

a) domestic

b) domain

c) dominion

**22** They run the risk of facing a ... if they break the official secrets regulations.

a) backlash

b) back strike

c) back whip

**23** When there is a ... inquiry taking place, the rush to get more information is intense.

a) high brow

b) high profile

c) high intensity

**24** The more they try to conceal what is happening, the more it fuels ... about what might be happening.

a) spectacle

b) specialty

c) speculation

**25** A journalist might get hold of sensitive information knowing that he will get ... by government agencies if he dares reveal it.

a) wild

b) savaged

c) torn

**26** They will ... what can be disclosed in newspapers.

- a) sign
- b) signal
- c) signify

**27** Once the disclosure is ... it's the job of the journalist to share the conclusion.

- a) hightailed
- b) highlighted
- c) heightened

**28** They can soon see through the ... of a weak argument.

- a) clarity
- b) clearness
- c) transparency

**29** What is being written is likely to ... a threat to national security.

- a) pose
- b) start
- c) place

**30** You have turned this country into a ... for troublemakers.

- a) port
- b) haven
- c) location