

2. SUBJECT AND VERB AGREEMENT

A. Choose the right word or phrase best completes the sentence:

1. Three weeks _____ not enough holiday.
A. are B. were C. was D. been
2. Each of you _____ a share in the work.
A. having B. has C. to have D. have
3. A number of students _____ volunteered to the job.
A. have B. has C. to have D. having
4. Linguistics _____ out the ways in which languages work.
A. find B. finding C. to find D. finds
5. The Philippines _____ of more than 7,000 islands.
A. consist B. consisting C. consisted D. consists
6. The United Nations _____ its head quarters in New York city.
A. have B. having C. has D. to have
7. One of my neighbours _____ curious about other people's private life.
A. being B. were C. is D. been
8. Tom doesn't agree but the rest of us _____.
A. does B. done C. do D. doing
9. There _____ a few flowers in this garden last summer.
A. being B. were C. are D. is
10. A large number of reporters _____ at the meeting yesterday.
A. being B. were C. are D. is
11. Much progress _____ been made in recent years.
A. have B. has C. having D. to have
12. Collecting old coins and paper notes _____ one of my hobbies.
A. being B. were C. are D. is
13. The number of pupils getting poor marks since the beginning of the semester _____ appalling.
A. to be B. have been C. are D. is
14. Five thousand pounds _____ stolen in the robbery last night.
A. being B. were C. are D. was
15. Mr. Thomson with his wife and his three children _____ abroad.
A. to be B. have been C. are D. is
16. One of the girls who _____ working in this department _____ my niece.
A. is/being B. are/is C. is/are D. was/were
17. The English _____ to drink tea.
A. likes B. to like C. like D. has liked
18. Everybody _____ trying to do their best at present.
A. to be B. have been C. are D. is
19. Jim as well as I _____ always busy doing English homework.
A. am B. has been C. are D. is
20. Neither Daisy nor I _____ glad to do that.
A. am B. has been C. are D. is
21. That you take a computer course _____ very necessary.
A. am B. have been C. are D. is
22. The police _____ come to the site of the accident.

- A. have B. has C. having D. to have
23. The pilot along with his passengers ____ rescued last night.
A. am B. have been C. was D. is
24. What we need most ____ books.
A. is B. were C. are D. to be
25. My brother together with his friends often ____ in the park.
A. jogs B. jogging C. jog D. to jog
26. Neither he nor they ____ here yesterday.
A. are B. were C. is D. be
27. Either John or his children ____ breakfast each morning.
A. make B. makes C. making D. to make
28. I don't like the hot weather. Thirty degrees ____ too warm for me.
A. was B. are C. being D. is
29. Not only a dog but also two cats ____ at home in his garage.
A. was B. are C. been D. is
30. Both a poem and a short story ____ been written by the young author.
A. has B. to have C. have D. having

B. Identify the one underlined word or phrase that must be changed in order to make the sentence correct

31. The professor together with his three students have been called to court.
A B C D
32. Fifty dollars seem a reasonable price to pay for that.
A B C D
33. Walking in the rain are not a good idea.
A B C D
34. The unemployed really needs to be given more help.
A B C D
35. To learn foreign languages are necessary for us to have a good job.
A B C D
36. The police is asking him a lot of questions which he can't answer.
A B C D
37. Life is not easy for those who is without jobs.
A B C D
38. The Chinese is very famous for their food.
A B C D
39. I love swimming which are a good sport for my health.
A B C D
40. All the books on the top shelf belongs to me.
A B C D
41. One of the biggest problems facing our society are unemployment.
A B C D
42. A few of the audience is enjoying every minute of the performance.
A B C D
43. How you got there do not concern me.
A B C D
44. What I say about these problems are my own affair.

- A B C D
45. A great deal of money have been spent on the books.
A B C D
46. Either you or the headmaster are handing the prizes to these gifted students at the meeting.
A B C D
47. The poor woman with her two children were seen begging in a street corner.
A B C D
48. Happiness and success depends on your ability and luck.
A B C D
49. There are forty students in the class. Half of the class is boys.
A B C D
50. The Vietnamese is hard-working, intelligent and brave.
A B C D