

GRAMMAR**1 Choose the correct answer.**

- 1 What _____ if he had left?
A you would have done B would you have done C would you do
- 2 I _____ go to the store tomorrow to get a phone card.
A need to B must C am necessary
- 3 Look at all this money. She _____ to the bank.
A could have been B would have been C must have been
- 4 He asked me _____ help him.
A could I B if I could C I
- 5 They _____ left because the car's still here.
A couldn't have B mustn't have C can't have
- 6 If I _____ enough time, I'd have met up with them.
A had B would have C had had
- 7 They suggested _____ here after dinner.
A coming B to come C come
- 8 She didn't want to go to school today, _____ ?
A didn't she B does she C did she
- 9 She is hoping _____ some money to help her with her studies.
A giving B will be given C to be given
- 10 He _____ to worry as the exams were really easy.
A didn't need B hadn't C mustn't
- 11 I _____ to get my MP3 player fixed last week.

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- A got B could C had
- 12 The pizza _____ after he's finished his work.
- A will deliver B delivers C will be delivered
- 13 His cold just _____ for weeks. I thought he was really ill.
- A went B went on C went up
- 14 I can't remember if he _____ or not.
- A gives it up B it gave up C gave it up
- 15 Nobody realized the electricity _____ off.
- A switched B is switched C had been switched
- 16 He _____ meet some new friends that evening so he was pleased.
- A could B might C was able to
- 17 He bought some new DVDs _____ his girlfriend would be happy.
- A so that B in order to C unless
- 18 My grandma _____ to go to school because at that time girls didn't usually work when they left school.
- A needn't B mustn't C didn't need
- 19 Before _____ in the morning I always read a chapter of a book.
- A get up B to get up C getting up
- 20 If I don't pass the test, I _____ to drive to Baja California.
- A can't B couldn't C won't be able
- 21 Usually we _____ to stay out after midnight but today's a holiday so it's different.
- A aren't allowed B aren't made C don't let
- 22 Foods _____ broccoli and spinach are supposed to be very good for you.

A for example

B such as

C as

- 23 Ingvar Kamprad, _____ started the firm Ikea, is one of the richest people in the world.

A who

B that

C which

- 24 _____ her friend, she was able to go and see her favorite band.

A Consequently

B So

C Thanks to

- 25 She seemed very happy, _____ he started looking more and more unhappy.

A in addition

B whereas

C not only

- 26 I don't know when he _____ here.

A has arrived

B had arrived

C arrived

- 27 It _____ fine before it suddenly went off.

A has been working

B has worked

C had been working

- 28 If she hadn't said hello to me, I _____ her.

A would never have
recognized

B hadn't ever recognized

C would never recognize

- 29 They promised _____ as soon as possible.

A they would come

B they come

C that they come

- 30 I don't know what's happened to them. They _____ stuck in traffic.

A would have got

B might have got

C can have got

_____ / 30 points

READING

2 Complete texts A–E with suitable words.

The first cell phone?

A

Silbo Gomero is a kind of language, but you won't find many people speaking it. Actually, nobody speaks it, they whistle it, and the only (1) _____ they do this is on the Spanish Canary Island of La Gomera, off the coast of Morocco.

B

A few years ago, Silbo Gomero was dying out, but in schools on La Gomera it is now being (2) _____ as a compulsory subject to all children so they can learn about their island's history and culture. The people who speak it well these days are generally very old. They use it to do things like calling a friend, a husband, or wife.

C

In fact, people (3) _____ communicate quite complicated messages in Silbo as the language contains four whistled vowels, four whistled consonants and over 4,000 whistled words. What you need to do to "speak" Silbo well is master all the different tones it contains, and realize that in many ways it is (4) _____ to Spanish. It has a similar rhythm to Spanish, goes (5) _____ and down in the same ways, and uses Spanish grammar.

D

In the past, Silbo was extremely useful on La Gomera. It is a rocky, mountainous place with lots of valleys and hills, so it was (6) _____ to travel around and to meet up with people. The tones of Silbo could be heard four kilometers away, and one person would hear them and whistle them on to the (7) _____ person. In this way messages could be sent from one end of the island to the (8) _____. People whistled Silbo especially to help them with their work as farmers on the island to say things like "shut the gate" or "I've lost some sheep." You can see why some researchers think of Silbo as an early kind of cell phone.

E

Silbo dates back to before the Spanish invasion of the island in the 15th (9) ____ .
Some say it came from Morocco, which is very close to the Canaries and where some villages can still be (10) ____ that use a kind of Silbo. Other places have their own whistling languages: Greece, Turkey, Mexico, and China, for example, but none seems to be as developed or elaborate as Silbo Gomero.

3 Read the text again and match topics 1–10 to paragraphs A–E.

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| 1 | How Silbo Gomero works as a language | _____ |
| 2 | How far its sound travels | _____ |
| 3 | The influence of geographical features on Silbo Gomero | _____ |
| 4 | Why people are speaking it again | _____ |
| 5 | How old the language is | _____ |
| 6 | How Silbo Gomero is different to other whistling languages | _____ |
| 7 | How it was used in agriculture | _____ |
| 8 | How it depended on teamwork to communicate over long distances | _____ |
| 9 | Where Silbo is spoken | _____ |
| 10 | Who is learning it now | _____ |

_____ / 20 points

WRITING

4 Think about other ways of communicating without speaking, for example:

- text messaging
- sign language for the deaf
- Morse code

Write a paragraph about the advantages of being able to communicate without speaking.

____ / 10 points

SPEAKING**5 EITHER ...**

With a partner, each choose one of these cards. You are the thing it says on the card.

Take a few minutes to make notes on the answers to the questions on the cards. Now discuss this question, and at the end give your real opinion.

Which is the best way of communicating, a cell phone or MSN?

You are a cellphone

What are your advantages?

What are your disadvantages?

You are MSN

What are your advantages?

What are your disadvantages?

OR ...

In pairs discuss these questions:

- Do you think that speaking good English will be important in your life? Why / why not?
- What is the best way for children to learn English?
- If children didn't want to learn English at school, would you make them? Why / why not?

_____ / 10 points

Total: _____ / 70 points