

## PART 1

For questions 1-12, read the text below and decide which answer A, B, C or D best fits each space. There is an example at the beginning (0). Mark your answers on the separate answer sheet.

→ Example: 0

A first

B ideal

C special

D best

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### THE BEST STUDENTS

According to most professors, mature students are (0) ideal students because they are hard-working and become actively (1) \_\_\_\_\_ in all aspects of the learning process.

The majority of mature students have a poor educational background but they (2) \_\_\_\_\_ to do exceptionally well at tertiary level. (3) \_\_\_\_\_ many of them have a mortgage, a job and children to (4) \_\_\_\_\_, they are always present at seminars and lectures and always hand (5) \_\_\_\_\_ essays on time. They like studying and writing essays and they enjoy the class discussions that take place. Consequently, they (6) \_\_\_\_\_ excellent results. In fact, as they have (7) \_\_\_\_\_ many of life's pleasures, they are content with their lives and this has a positive (8) \_\_\_\_\_ on their attitude, making them (9) \_\_\_\_\_ to learn.

On the other hand, despite their enthusiasm and commitment, mature students (10) \_\_\_\_\_ from anxiety. The fact that they have made many sacrifices to get into university puts extra pressure on them to succeed. (11) \_\_\_\_\_, completing a degree gives mature students a sense of achievement, boosts their confidence and (12) \_\_\_\_\_ their job prospects.

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|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| 1 A included  | B related     | C involved     | D combined    |
| 2 A able      | B succeed     | C manage       | D capable     |
| 3 A Although  | B Despite     | C However      | D In spite of |
| 4 A grow      | B develop     | C rise         | D raise       |
| 5 A in        | B over        | C out          | D up          |
| 6 A fulfil    | B achieve     | C reach        | D earn        |
| 7 A known     | B experienced | C found out    | D recognised  |
| 8 A effect    | B affect      | C conclusion   | D consequence |
| 9 A eager     | B anxious     | C interested   | D impatient   |
| 10 A tolerate | B resist      | C suffer       | D complain    |
| 11 A Likewise | B Furthermore | C Nevertheless | D Otherwise   |
| 12 A creates  | B improves    | C progresses   | D advances    |

### ANSWER SHEET

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11	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D
12	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D

## PART 2

For questions 13-24, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each space. Use only one word in each space. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your word on the separate answer sheet.

➔ Example: 0    0    *down*    0

## TV RATINGS

As you settle (0) *down* in front of your television, have you (13) \_\_\_\_\_ wondered how TV ratings are calculated? Don't worry, we're not (14) \_\_\_\_\_ watched while we're in front of the TV. It's the Audience Research Board (ARB) that works (15) \_\_\_\_\_ the ratings for each programme. To (16) \_\_\_\_\_ this, the board appoints researchers whose task is to choose from a sample of viewers, who receive a small payment for (17) \_\_\_\_\_ cooperation. To gather the required information, the researchers connect the viewer's TV set and video recorder to electronic meters which record when these appliances are turned on and off and what is being viewed.

There is a difference (18) \_\_\_\_\_ counting TV programmes and those recorded on video. To count the latter, the day, time and channel are imprinted by the electronic meter. (19) \_\_\_\_\_, only when the video is watched does the programme recorder on the meter become activated. It sounds complicated but the ARB need to separate live recordings (20) \_\_\_\_\_ taped ones.

(21) \_\_\_\_\_ problem is the number of viewers in one household. If there is (22) \_\_\_\_\_ than one viewer, then the household is given a special remote control.

Finally, (23) \_\_\_\_\_ all the figures are collected, they are compared to the TV guides and (24) \_\_\_\_\_ the end the national viewing figures are calculated.

## ANSWER SHEET

DO NOT WRITE  
HERE

13		13
14		14
15		15
16		16
17		17
18		18
19		19
20		20
21		21
22		22
23		23
24		24



## PART 3

For questions 25-34, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the space in the same line. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your word on the separate answer sheet.

➔ Example: 0 

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*philosopher*

0	
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## PYTHAGORAS

Pythagoras was a (0) *philosopher* born on the Aegean island of Samos. He was well known as a great (25) \_\_\_\_\_ and his academic excellence has been (26) \_\_\_\_\_ for over 2000 years. As a young man, he travelled and was (27) \_\_\_\_\_ influenced by some (28) \_\_\_\_\_ ideas he came across in Egypt and Babylon. Over time, he made (29) \_\_\_\_\_ mathematical investigations, which included "Pythagoras' Theorem", a great (30) \_\_\_\_\_ stating that the square of the hypotenuse of a right angled triangle is equal to the sum of the squares. In (31) \_\_\_\_\_, Pythagoras was one of the earliest (32) \_\_\_\_\_ to suggest that the earth was a sphere revolving around a (32) \_\_\_\_\_ fire. Without doubt, his (34) \_\_\_\_\_ to the scientific world will always be acknowledged.

PHILOSOPHY  
MATHEMATICS  
RESPECT  
GREAT  
REMARK  
EXTEND  
DISCOVER  
  
ADD  
SCIENCE  
CENTRE  
CONTRIBUTE

## ANSWER SHEET

DO NOT WRITE  
HERE

25		25
26		26
27		27
28		28
29		29
30		30
31		31
32		32
33		33
34		34

## PART 4

For questions 35-42, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write only the missing words on the separate answer sheet.

➔ Example: 0

When I was younger, I played tennis every Sunday.

**used** When I was younger, I used to play tennis every Sunday.

0	<u>used to play</u>	0
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35 Judy is as old as Helen.

**same** Judy \_\_\_\_\_ Helen.

36 I would strongly advise you to apologise for your mistake.

**better** You \_\_\_\_\_ your mistake.

37 Take a coat because it might get colder in the evening.

**case** Take a coat \_\_\_\_\_ colder in the evening.

38 They had to postpone the match until Friday.

**off** The match \_\_\_\_\_ until Friday.

39 Although he tries hard, he never manages to win a game.

**matter** He never manages to win a game \_\_\_\_\_ he tries.

40 "No, I won't pick you up from the airport," said Nick to James.

**refused** Nick \_\_\_\_\_ from the airport.

41 You won't become fitter if you don't exercise more.

**unless** You won't become fitter \_\_\_\_\_ more.

42 You should learn how to operate the washing machine.

**about** It is \_\_\_\_\_ how to operate the washing machine.

## ANSWER SHEET

DO NOT WRITE  
HERE

35		35
36		36
37		37
38		38
39		39
40		40
41		41
42		42

## GRAMMAR

1. \_\_\_\_\_ a doctor's appointment tomorrow?
  - a. Have got
  - b. Do you have
  - c. you have
  - d. You have
2. When I \_\_\_\_\_ the book, I'll return it to the library.
  - a. will finish
  - b. will have finished
  - c. finish
  - d. am finishing
3. She has many friends, one of \_\_\_\_\_ is a doctor.
  - a. which
  - b. that
  - c. whom
  - d. whose
4. My bike is the same \_\_\_\_\_ yours.
  - a. to
  - b. with
  - c. like
  - d. as
5. "I want to go to Eurodisney this year."  
"So \_\_\_\_\_ my brother."
  - a. wants
  - b. does
  - c. is
  - d. will
6. My husband prefers to cook rather than \_\_\_\_\_ the dishes.
  - a. to wash
  - b. washing
  - c. to washing
  - d. wash
7. Your car is twice \_\_\_\_\_ mine.
  - a. as big as
  - b. bigger than
  - c. big to
  - d. more bigger than
8. If only I \_\_\_\_\_ on vacation now.
  - a. had been
  - b. would be
  - c. were
  - d. have been
9. Our house looks dirty. It must definitely \_\_\_\_\_ this summer.
  - a. been painted
  - b. be painted
  - c. being painted
  - d. have been painted
10. She has her brother \_\_\_\_\_ the dishes every morning.
  - a. do
  - b. to do
  - c. done
  - d. doing
11. A friend of \_\_\_\_\_ called this afternoon.
  - a. you
  - b. your
  - c. yourself
  - d. yours
12. When the firefighters arrived, the fire was out of control but they managed to put it \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. off
  - b. out
  - c. up
  - d. through
13. They wondered \_\_\_\_\_ the letter yet.
  - a. if I had received
  - b. if had I received
  - c. whether did I receive
  - d. whether have I received
14. She didn't go \_\_\_\_\_ last night. She stayed at home.
  - a. somewhere
  - b. nowhere
  - c. everywhere
  - d. anywhere



15. \_\_\_\_\_ earlier about your coming, we would have prepared something to eat.
- If we had informed
  - If we were informed
  - Had we informed
  - Had we been informed
16. Sally bought \_\_\_\_\_ furniture that her apartment looks great after the renovation.
- such a nice
  - so a nice
  - such nice
  - so nice
17. He \_\_\_\_\_ have caused the accident; he's a careful driver.
- can't
  - mustn't
  - didn't have to
  - wouldn't
18. She \_\_\_\_\_ this book for five months.
- is reading
  - reads
  - has read
  - has been reading
19. My father suggested \_\_\_\_\_ the National Museum.
- to visit
  - us to visit
  - us visit
  - visiting
20. Susan always dresses \_\_\_\_\_ her mother.
- as
  - such as
  - the same like
  - like
21. \_\_\_\_\_ the hotel was very luxurious, Alan was not satisfied with anything.
- Despite
  - Even though
  - Despite of
  - In spite of
22. She was so beautiful in that dress that I couldn't take my eyes \_\_\_\_\_ her.
- from
  - out of
  - by
  - off
23. Chris would rather \_\_\_\_\_ to work today.
- to not go
  - not to go
  - not go
  - don't go
24. It was the first time she \_\_\_\_\_ sushi.
- has ever tasted
  - had ever tasted
  - ever tastes
  - was ever tasted
25. Our teacher gave us \_\_\_\_\_ homework for the weekend.
- far much
  - too much
  - such much
  - a lot much
26. We objected \_\_\_\_\_ on vacation alone.
- to his going
  - him going
  - him to go
  - his to go
27. It wasn't long \_\_\_\_\_ I realised I had lost my wallet.
- when
  - before
  - just as
  - as soon as
28. The new government promised to bring \_\_\_\_\_ changes in the country's economy.
- about
  - up
  - along
  - back
29. It's about time she \_\_\_\_\_ studying for her exams.
- starts
  - started
  - has started
  - had started
30. You had better \_\_\_\_\_ to Jeremy for your bad behaviour.
- apologise
  - to apologise
  - apologised
  - have apologised

## ECCE test

31. I always shop \_\_\_\_\_ credit because I don't want to carry cash on me.  
a. by  
b. with  
c. on  
d. in
32. Why not \_\_\_\_\_ camping this year?  
a. to go  
b. to going  
c. go  
d. going
33. I will write to you provided you \_\_\_\_\_ back.  
a. will write  
b. have written  
c. write  
d. wrote
34. Anne accused Tim \_\_\_\_\_ breaking her sunglasses.  
a. of  
b. for  
c. about  
d. to
35. She's clearly superior \_\_\_\_\_ the other candidates; she should definitely get the job.  
a. of  
b. from  
c. to  
d. on

## VOCABULARY

36. I \_\_\_\_\_ an ironic tone in his voice when I spoke to him about my promotion.  
a. detected  
b. found out  
c. discovered  
d. invented
37. The demonstrators asked the \_\_\_\_\_ to join in the demonstration.  
a. witnesses  
b. sightseers  
c. onlookers  
d. viewers
38. A lot of famous artists have \_\_\_\_\_ themselves how to paint.  
a. learnt  
b. educated  
c. instructed  
d. taught
39. The zoologist was studying the \_\_\_\_\_ of tigers in their natural habitat.  
a. attitude  
b. behaviour  
c. mood  
d. temper
40. This weekend I have more homework than \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. usual  
b. regular  
c. typical  
d. ordinary
41. Over the years we have grown rather fond of foreign \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. expedition  
b. excursion  
c. travel  
d. voyage
42. Curry powder is \_\_\_\_\_ to most European dishes.  
a. strange  
b. peculiar  
c. foreign  
d. unaware
43. There will be a one-hundred-dollar \_\_\_\_\_ for anyone who finds my Siamese cat.  
a. bonus  
b. donation  
c. award  
d. reward

44. Kim got a twenty per cent \_\_\_\_\_ when she bought her vacuum cleaner during the sales.
- account
  - fee
  - receipt
  - discount
45. I \_\_\_\_\_ Craig thirty dollars, but I can't pay him back until I get paid.
- borrow
  - let
  - owe
  - own
46. I don't usually carry \_\_\_\_\_. I prefer to use my credit card.
- change
  - currency
  - budget
  - cash
47. Famous people know that even when they wear dark glasses, they are sometimes \_\_\_\_\_.
- realised
  - recognised
  - distinguished
  - neglected
48. You shouldn't \_\_\_\_\_ that your house is safe just because you have installed a burglar alarm.
- guess
  - assume
  - estimate
  - appreciate
49. His \_\_\_\_\_ as mayor was an occasion for celebration.
- selection
  - choice
  - election
  - option
50. "Be \_\_\_\_\_, Jack! How can I lend you my car when you're only fifteen."
- responsible
  - reliable
  - relevant
  - reasonable
51. You \_\_\_\_\_ something about a reduction in prices. What did you mean by that?
- reported
  - mentioned
  - referred
  - expressed
52. He gave me detailed \_\_\_\_\_ how to operate the fax machine.
- directions
  - recipe
  - advice
  - instructions
53. The Supreme Court \_\_\_\_\_ the appeal due to lack of evidence.
- rejected
  - resisted
  - denied
  - refused
54. Trespassing is \_\_\_\_\_ and offenders will be prosecuted.
- prevented
  - convicted
  - prohibited
  - sentenced
55. Two police officers \_\_\_\_\_ the bank robbers who ran down the alley.
- hunted
  - chased
  - banned
  - forbade
56. I pretended to be sick so that I wouldn't have to do my homework, but my mother knew that I was trying to \_\_\_\_\_ her.
- cheat
  - blackmail
  - pursue
  - deceive
57. The Titanic sank after \_\_\_\_\_ an iceberg.
- hitting
  - knocking
  - beating
  - omitting



## ECCE test

58. Cyclists should always wear helmets to \_\_\_\_\_ their heads in case of an accident.  
a. secure  
b. defend  
c. protect  
d. save
59. Mary is very \_\_\_\_\_ to criticism so be careful what you say.  
a. sensitive  
b. sensible  
c. sensational  
d. emotional
60. The police officer waved her hand as a \_\_\_\_\_ for the driver to stop.  
a. notice  
b. warning  
c. caution  
d. signal
61. I have never played golf, as it's never \_\_\_\_\_ to me.  
a. impressed  
b. appealed  
c. attracted  
d. urged
62. \_\_\_\_\_ me to show you the way.  
a. Accept  
b. Oblige  
c. Allow  
d. Let
63. The exam \_\_\_\_\_ will be out tomorrow.  
a. results  
b. effects  
c. influences  
d. consequences
64. Don't throw that box away! It may \_\_\_\_\_ in handy.  
a. come  
b. get  
c. be  
d. go
65. I think that Cathy has become \_\_\_\_\_ to chocolate. She eats at least four bars a day.  
a. fond  
b. keen  
c. addicted  
d. adjusted
66. I disliked the place the moment I \_\_\_\_\_ eyes on it.  
a. put  
b. kept  
c. set  
d. got
67. Andrew \_\_\_\_\_ greater responsibilities when he was promoted.  
a. went over  
b. put up  
c. took on  
d. got over
68. This picture is \_\_\_\_\_ to one my mother has in her living room.  
a. identical  
b. same  
c. equal  
d. engaged
69. Every now and then, I \_\_\_\_\_ my grandparents a visit just to keep them company.  
a. give  
b. have  
c. take  
d. pay
70. When we got off the bus, the tour guide told us to \_\_\_\_\_ of pickpockets.  
a. beware  
b. warn  
c. compete  
d. distinguish