

Comprehensive Nautical English Exam

Name: _____ Date: _____

I. Present Simple & Present Continuous

Choose the correct form to describe ship routines or current actions.

1. The lighthouse _____ a bright beam every ten seconds to warn ships.
 - a) emits
 - b) is emitting
 - c) emit
 - d) emitting

2. Hurry! The tide _____ very quickly, and we need to move the boat.
 - a) rises
 - b) is rising
 - c) rise
 - d) rose

3. The crew usually _____ the deck at 06:00, but today they are resting.
 - a) is cleaning
 - b) cleans
 - c) clean
 - d) cleaned

4. Listen! The engine _____ a strange noise. Can you hear it?
 - a) makes
 - b) is making
 - c) make
 - d) made

5. Navigation officers _____ the stars when the GPS fails.

- a) use
- b) are using
- c) uses
- d) used

6. Right now, the First Mate _____ the cargo manifest in the office.

- a) reviews
- b) is reviewing
- c) review
- d) reviewed

7. We _____ through the Suez Canal today; it's a long process.

- a) travel
- b) are traveling
- c) travels
- d) traveled

8. A standard tanker _____ about 15 knots on average.

- a) is doing
- b) do
- c) does
- d) doing

9. Why _____ you _____ the emergency flare? There is no danger!

- a) do / hold
- b) are / holding
- c) does / hold
- d) did / hold

10. The sun _____ in the East, which helps us check our compass.

a) is rising

b) rises

c) rise

d) rising

II. There is / There are & Quantifiers

(a, some, any, how much, how many, too much, too many)

11. _____ there any lifeboats on the port side of the vessel?

a) Is

b) Are

c) Am

d) Was

12. We don't have _____ spare fuel for the auxiliary engine.

a) some

b) a

c) any

d) many

13. How _____ knots is the ship traveling at right now?

a) much

b) many

c) some

d) any

14. There is _____ leak in the hull! We need a pump immediately.

a) a

b) some

c) any

d) many

15. There is _____ salt on the equipment; we must wash it with fresh water.

- a) too many
- b) too much
- c) any
- d) a

16. How _____ fresh water is left in the storage tanks?

- a) many
- b) much
- c) any
- d) some

17. Are there _____ survivors from the shipwreck?

- a) any
- b) some
- c) a
- d) much

18. There are _____ many containers on deck; the ship is unstable.

- a) much
- b) too
- c) enough
- d) a

19. We have _____ extra rope in the locker if you need it.

- a) any
- b) some
- c) a
- d) many

20. Is there _____ radio signal in this part of the ocean?

- a) any
- b) many
- c) a
- d) some

III. Comparatives & Superlatives

Compare different vessels, weather conditions, and equipment.

21. The North Sea is often _____ than the Mediterranean.

- a) rougher
- b) more rough
- c) roughest
- d) rough

22. This is the _____ storm I have ever seen at sea!

- a) worse
- b) baddest
- c) worst
- d) more bad

23. A cruise ship is _____ than a fishing trawler.

- a) more big
- b) bigger
- c) biggest
- d) as big

24. Modern GPS systems are _____ than old paper charts.

- a) more accurate
- b) accurater
- c) most accurate
- d) accurate

25. Mount Everest is high, but the Mariana Trench is the _____ point on Earth.

- a) deeper
- b) deepest
- c) more deep
- d) most deep

26. Is steel _____ than fiberglass for building a hull?

- a) heavy
- b) heavier
- c) more heavy
- d) heaviest

27. This cabin is the _____ comfortable one on the whole ship.

- a) more
- b) most
- c) better
- d) best

28. The engine room is the _____ place on the vessel.

- a) noisier
- b) noisiest
- c) more noisy
- d) noisy

29. Sailing is _____ than motoring when the wind is strong.

- a) fast
- b) faster
- c) more fast
- d) fastest

30. That was the _____ sunset I've seen in my career.

- a) more beautiful
- b) most beautiful
- c) beautifulest
- d) beautiful

IV. Past Simple (Was/Were & Regular/Irregular Verbs)

Describe incidents or journeys that happened in the past.

31. Where _____ the Captain when the alarm sounded?

- a) was
- b) were
- c) did
- d) is

32. Yesterday, the crew _____ the anchor at exactly 08:00.

- a) raises
- b) raised
- c) rise
- d) was raising

33. We _____ any whales during our trip last week.

- a) didn't see
- b) don't see
- c) wasn't see
- d) didn't saw

34. The waves _____ very high during the hurricane last night.

- a) was
- b) were
- c) did
- d) been

35. The Titanic _____ an iceberg in 1912.

- a) hit
- b) hitted
- c) hits
- d) was hit

36. Last month, I _____ to the Caribbean on a cargo ship.

- a) go
- b) went
- c) gone
- d) was go

37. _____ the radio working when the storm started?

- a) Was
- b) Were
- c) Did
- d) Does

38. They _____ the lifeboats as soon as the ship started to tilt.

- a) lowered
- b) lower
- c) lowers
- d) was lower

39. The sailor _____ into the water, but we rescued him quickly.

- a) fell
- b) fall
- c) felled
- d) falls

40. We _____ out of fuel two days before reaching the port.

- a) run
- b) ran
- c) runs
- d) running

V. Futures (Will, Be Going To, Present Continuous)

Predictions and future plans.

41. Look at those black clouds! It _____ rain.

- a) will
- b) is going to
- c) rains
- d) was going to

42. The ship _____ in Marseille at 10:00 AM tomorrow.

- a) arrives
- b) is arriving
- c) arrived
- d) was arriving

43. I think ships _____ be fully autonomous in the future.

- a) will
- b) are going to
- c) are
- d) shall

44. We _____ the engine tomorrow morning to see why it's leaking.

- a) are going to check
- b) checked
- c) checks
- d) checking

45. "The wind is picking up." "Okay, I _____ close the hatches."

- a) am going to
- b) will
- c) do
- d) am closing

46. We _____ a party on the deck this Saturday night.

- a) have
- b) are having
- c) had
- d) will to have

47. Watch out! You _____ hit that buoy!

- a) will
- b) are going to
- c) hit
- d) are hitting

48. The Captain _____ a speech at the end of the voyage.

- a) is going to give
- b) gave
- c) gives
- d) giving

49. I _____ you in the galley for dinner later.

- a) see
- b) will see
- c) am seeing
- d) saw

50. Next year, the company _____ buy two new tankers.

- a) will
- b) is going to
- c) buying
- d) buys