**PRACTICE EXERCISES**

**PART 1. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.**

**1. A.** brochure **B.** champaign **C.** cheap **D.** machine

**2. A.** concerned **B.** received **C.** attached **D.** concealed

**3. A.** broaden **B.** boat **C.** coal **D.** loan

**PART 2. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following questions.**

**4. A.** open **B.** observe **C.** direct  **D.** consult

**5. A.** beginning **B.** chemical  **C.** musician **D.** adventure

**PART 3. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.**

**Vocabulary**

**6.** The next **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** of the competition is at 6.30 p.m. on Monday.

**A.** circle **B.** ring **C.** round **D.** sphere

**7.** The bus only stops here to **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** passengers.

**A.** get off **B.** alight **C.** pick up **D.** get on

**8.** They were accused of match **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.

**A.** fixing **B.** mending **C.** holding **D.** repairing

**9.** The alarming truth is that a quarter of the world’s wild mammal species are now **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** of extinction.

**A.** threatened **B.** at risk **C.** in jeopardy **D.** at the verge

**10.** Governments have \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ laws to protect wildlife from commercial trade and overhunting.

**A.** created **B.** made **C.** enacted **D.** produced

**11.** A number of reserves have been **established** so that a great range of endangered species can have a chance to survive and develop. (**choose a synonym**)

**A.** set out **B.** set off **C.** set in **D.** set up

**12.** This comic book is so good that Ican’t\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**A.** put it down **B.** pick it up **C.** dip into it **D.** look it up

**13.** Major **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** are penalized by one minute in the penalty box.

**A.** mistakes **B.** fouls **C.** faults **D.** weaknesses

**14.** A game is divided \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ quarters ranging from five to eight minutes in length.

**A.** into **B.** as **C.** in **D.** on

**15.** We **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** with a team from the south in the championships.

**A.** won **B.** lost **C.** tied **D.** defeated

**16.** Their prices are better than any of their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**A.** competition **B.** competitors **C.** competitive **D.** competitively

**17.** Hoang Xuan Vinh was awarded with the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** medal in the Olympic 2016.

**A.** bronze **B.** silver **C.** trophy **D.** gold

**18.** A person who comes second in a race or a competition is called a(n) **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.

**A.** winner **B.** runner-up **C.** loser **D.** opponent

**19.** The **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** blew his whistle; victory is for Arsenal.

**A.** referee **B.** umpire **C.** judge **D.** examiner

**20.** The team’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ created a new mood for the community.

**A.** lose **B.** tie **C.** draw **D.** victory

**21.** He used the money to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ an internet business.

**A.** find **B.** found **C.** decorate **D.** refurbish

**22.** The primary causes of species **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** are habitat destruction, commercial exploitation amd pollution.

**A.** survival **B.** lives **C.** extinction **D.** continuity

**23.** A(n) **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** is a report in a newspaper or magazine in which a writer gives his opinion of a book, a film, or a play.

**A.** page **B.** subject **C.** review **D.** journey

**24.** It is a good book. I think it’s interesting enough for you to **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.

**A**. put down **B.** swallow **C.** look up **D.** understand

**25.** When a reader reads an interesting book slowly and carefully, he **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** it.

**A.** reviews **B.** chews and digests **C.** swallows **D.** dips into

**Grammar**

***Modal verbs***

**26.** The swimmer was very tired, but he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the shore before he collapsed.

**A.** was able to reach **B**. can reach

**C.** could reach **D.** might reach

**27.** This library book is overdue. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ better return it today.

**A.** need **B.** must **C.** might **D.** had

**28.** Our company provides free advice on the use of our products. You \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ pay us.

**A.** must **B.** needn’t **C**. have to **D.** mustn’t

**29.** Bill **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** me these flowers. But I am delighted that he did.

**A.** must have sent **B.** should have sent **C.** needn’t have sent **D.** might have sent

**30.** The form **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** in before the deadline.

**A.** must fill **B.** can fill **C.** must be filled **D.** can be filled

***Transitive vs. intransitive verbs***

**31.** It’s difficult to pay one’s bills when prices keep \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**A.** rising **B.** growing **C.** gaining **D.** raising

**32.** Unemployment **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** by 4% since January and now stands at just under three million..

**A.** was raised **B.** has raised **C.** has risen **D.** is increasing

**33.** She was **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** her dress when the door suddenly opened.

**A.** putting on **B.** wearing **C.** dressing **D.** clothing

**34.** It is hot in the daytime , but the temperature **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** sharply at night.

**A.** slips **B.** drops **C.** descends  **D.** reduces

**35.** His parents don’t **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** of his having parties every week.

**A.** agree **B.** support **C.** approve **D.** appreciate

***Double comparatives***

**36.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I study for these exams, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I will do.

**A.** The harder – the better **B.** The more – the much

**C.** The hardest – the best **D.** The more hard – the more good

**37.** Hill is becoming \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**A.** more and more tall **B.** taller and taller

**C.** tall and tall  **D.** much and much tall

**38.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ my father is, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I feel.

**A.** Angrier – worse  **B.** The more angrier/ the more worse

**C.** Angry/ bad **D.** The angrier/ the worse

**39.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ she thinks of, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ she makes.

**A.** Idea/ post  **B.** Ideas/ Posts

**C.** The more ideas/ the more posts **D.** The ideas/ the posts

**40.** Many students think that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ they graduate from university, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ chance they have to find a good job.

**A.** the sooner/ the better **B.** soon/ good

**C.** The soon/ the good **D.** The more soon/ the more good

***Conjunctions***

**41.** You could fly to Athens; \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, it’s not the only way.  
**A.** however **B.** so **C.** therefore **D.** but

**42.** We can’t go out tonight \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ we haven’t got any money.  
**A.** although **B.** because **C.** therefore **D.** but

**43.** George has good knowledge of vocabulary. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, he has no difficulty when doing Reading exercises.  
**A.** Although **B.** However **C.** Therefore **D.** But

**44.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the committee, I’d like to thank you for your generous donation.

**A.** Instead **B.** On behalf **C.** According **D.** In spite

**45.** Businesses will not survive \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ they satisfy their customers.

**A.** or else **B.** because **C.** unless **D.** if

**PART 4. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best completes each of the following exchanges.**

**46.** - Lucy: “What an attractive hair style you have got, Sue!”

- Sue: “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”

**A.** Thank you very much. I am afraid. **B.** You are telling a lie.

**C.** Thank you for your compliment. **D.** I don’t like your sayings.

**47.** - Ken: “I would like to compliment you on your recent achievement.”

**-** John: “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”

**A.** I don’t like what you have said.

**B.** I am not sure I can agree with you or not.

**C.** Thank you for saying so, but it was the work of the whole team.

**D.** That’s a great idea, but I am too busy to listen to you.

**48.** - Mary: “Do you want to come with us to the museum tomorrow?”

**-** Tony: “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”

**A.** Titanic, please. **B.** Thanks, but I’d rather stay at home.

**C.** I’d like two tickets. **D.** I enjoy watching films.

**49.** - Bob: “Do you like a coffee?”

**-** John: “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”

**A.** Oh, dear! **B.** Everything is ok.

**C.** Oh, yes. I’d love one. **D.** How do you do?

**50.** - Howard: “Shall I help you with your suitcase?”

**-** Taylor: “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, but I can manage.”

**A.** No, you can’t **B.** What a pity

**C.** I can’t agree more **D.** That’s very kind of you

**51.** - Karl: “Do you mind if I make a phone call?”

**-** Peter: “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”

**A.** Why not? I’m using my mobile phone. **B.** Yes, certainly. The phone’s in the hall.

**C.** I don’t think so. It’s so annoying. **D.** Of course not. The phone’s in the hall.

**52.** - Josh: “Do you need a lift home”

**-** Luke: “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”

**A.** A lift? No, I’m afraid of height. **B.** I live in a flat on the eighth floor.

**C**. My house doesn’t have a lift. **D.** Thank you. It’s very kind of you.

**53.** - Jenny: “Your cousin is very beautiful, Paul.”

**-** Susan: “Of course. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Her mother used to win a beauty contest on her city.”

**A.** She takes in her mother **B.** Her mother looks after her

**C.** She takes after her mother **D.** She names after her mother

**54.** Mike: “You don’t work at weekends, do you?”

Tom: “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”

**A.** Yes, please. **B.** No problem. **C.** Of course not. **D.** Never mind.

**55.** Sarah: “Oh, my god, I’ve missed my bus.”

Chris: “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Another will come here in ten minutes.”

**A.** I hope so **B.** Don’t mention it **C.** Don’t worry **D.** Thank you

# PART 5. Read the following passages and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

**Passage 01**

We get great pleasure from reading. The more advanced a man is, the greater delight he will find in reading. The ordinary man may think that subjects like philosophy or science are very difficult and that if philosophers and scientists read these subjects, it is not for pleasure.

But this is not true. The mathematician finds the same pleasure in his mathematics as the schoolboy in an adventure story. For both, it is a play of the imagination, a mental recreation and exercise. The pleasure **derived** from this activity is common to all kinds of reading. But different types of books give us differenttypes of pleasure. First in order of popularity is novel reading. Novels contain pictures of imaginary people in imaginary situations and give us an opportunity of escaping into a new world very much like our world and yet different from **it**. Here we seem to live a new life, and the experience of this new life gives us a thrill of pleasure.

Next in order of popularity are travel books, biographies and memoirs. These tell us tales of places we have not seen and of great men in whom we are interested. Some of these books are as wonderful as novels, and they have an added value that they are true. Such books give us knowledge, and we also find **immense** pleasure in knowing details of lands we have not seen and of great men we have only heard of.

Reading is one of the greatest enjoyments of life. To booklovers, nothing is more fascinating than a favorite book. And the ordinary educated man who is interested and absorbed in his daily occupation wants to occasionally escape from his drudgery into the wonderland of books for recreation and refreshment.

**56.** What does the passage mainly discuss?

**A.** Different types of books **B.** Different kinds of reading

**C.** Reading as an exercise for the brain **D.** Reading as a pleasurable activity

**57.** According to paragraph 1, which of the following is NOT true?

**A.** Ordinary people may think that philosophy and science are difficult.

**B.** Reading about mathematics is mentally entertaining for a mathematician.

**C.** Philosophers and scientists do not read for pleasure.

**D.** A more advanced person takes greater pleasure in reading.

**58.** The word “**derived**” in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_\_.

**A.** differed **B.** established **C.** bought **D.** obtained

**59.** According to the passage, travel books, biographies and memoirs \_\_\_\_\_\_.

**A.** are wonderful novels **B.** tell stories of well-known places

**C.** are less popular than novels **D.** are more valuable than novels

**60.** According to paragraph 4, which of the following is the most fascinating to booklovers?

# A. A daily occupation B. An ordinary educated man

# C. The wonderland D. A favorite book

**Passage 02**

Tennis started in France nearly 1000 years ago. The game was originally played in the courtyards of royal palaces, using the walls (like squash) rather than a net. One of the Grand Slam tournaments takes place in Wimbledon every year.

The Tournament or The Fortnight, as the British call the Wimbledon Tennis Championships, is very important to the English. So here you are, standing in the queue to buy your ticket to watch the matches. Everybody is waiting for their turn to get inside. Nobody is pushing. If you are English, you will have all the necessary things with you: a thermos of tea (of course), a folding chair and (surprise, surprise) an umbrella!

At last, you go through the gates, and you discover the atmosphere. People are sitting under their umbrellas enjoying the British weather. The atmosphere is calm and controlled. You feel as if you are in a select private club - and, in fact, you are. The gardens are superb (well, you are in England...). Every year 3,500 geraniums are planted!

What is so special about Wimbledon? Well, it is the oldest tournament in the world, and the last of the big four championships to be played on natural grass. The American, Australian and French Championships are played on cement, artificial grass, and clay. All the players must dress only in white. Wimbledon is free from sponsorship, which makes it different from almost all other sporting events. This means that there are no advertising banners around the courts. The people who come to watch the matches, compared to those who watch many other international tournaments, are well disciplined. You can only sometimes hear shouts or whistles when a player prepares to serve. And if any spectator behaves badly, he or she may be asked to leave.

You think that the English are very serious tennis fans. But if you want a good place, you may well find one around 4 p.m. Where has everybody gone? Look in the tents: they are having strawberries and tea. After all, tennis is just one of many traditions, and the English like to continue them all - especially tea!

**61.** The Fortnight is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**A**. another name for the Grand Slam tournaments.

**B.** the original name for a game similar to squash.

**C.** the name of one of the two Wimbledon tournaments.

**D.** another name for the Wimbledon Championships.

**62**. To enter Wimbledon you have to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**A.** wait in a line of people. **B.** have your own chair.

**C.** book the tickets earlier. **D.** belong to the club.

**63**. Which of these sentences is true?

**A.** Most of the courts at Wimbledon have artificial grass.

**B.** Only the Wimbledon tournament is played on natural grass.

**C.** The Wimbledon championships are played on cement or clay.

**D.** All four Grand Slam Tournaments are played on natural grass.

**64**. It is easier to find a seat at 4 o'clock because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**A.** English spectators go to some special tents.

**B.** most of the spectators leave Wimbledon.

**C.** it is an English tradition to go home for tea.

**D.** serious tennis fans come in the morning.

**65.** The text is mainly about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**A.** the most popular sports in England.

**B.** the tennis tournaments at Wimbledon.

**C.** the history of tennis championships.

**D.** different English customs and traditions.

**Passage 03**

If you enjoy water sports, Hawaii is the place for you! You can go swimming all year round in the warm water. You can go sport fishing from the shore or from a boat. If you like boats, you can go sailing, canoeing, or windsurfing. Or, you can also try some other water sports that are especially popular in Hawaii: surfing, snorkeling and scuba diving.

Surfing is a sport which started in Hawaii many years ago. The Hawaiians called it "he'enalu" which means "to slide on a wave." If you want to try surfing, you need, first of all, to be a good swimmer. You also have to have an excellent sense of balance. You must swim out from the beach with your surfboard under your arm. When you get to where the waves begin to break, you wait for a calm moment. Then you try to stand up on the board. The wave will begin to rise under you. You must try to steer the board with your feet so you stay on top of the wave. The important thing is to keep your balance and not fall down. If you can manage **this**, you will have an exciting ride all the way in to the shore.

Scuba diving and snorkeling are two ways to get a close look at the beauty lying below the surface of the ocean. The waters off the Hawaiian Islands are clean, clear, and warm. They contain hundreds of kinds of colorful fish. The undersea world is made even more colorful by the coral reefs of red, gold, white, and light purple. Among these reefs there may be larger fish or sea turtles. Scuba diving allows you to see the most interesting undersea sights. "SCUBA" means "Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus," that is, equipment for breathing and swimming around far under water. In Hawaii, you can take special courses to learn how to scuba dive. After the courses, you can get a certificate that will allow you to dive alone. Since it can be dangerous, proper instruction and great care are always necessary when you are scuba diving.

If you are less adventurous, you might try snorkeling instead of scuba diving. Less equipment is needed, just a face mask, a breathing tube (snorkel), and flippers for your feet. It only takes a few minutes to learn how to snorkel. Although you cannot dive deep into the water, you can swim with your face below the surface. Breathing through the tube, you float on the surface and keep yourself moving with your flippers. Even from the surface like this, there will be plenty of color and beauty to see.

**66**. This passage is about

**A**. water sports around the world. **B.** surfing

**C.** tourist activities in Hawaii. **D.** water sports in Hawaii

**67.** You can infer from this passage that

**A.** water sports are all expensive.

**B.** you need to take a course for all water sports.

**C.** everyone can find a way to enjoy sports on the water.

**D.** swimming in Hawaii can be dangerous.

**68.** According to the passage, surfing

**A.** began as a sport in 1943. **B.** requires expensive equipment.

**C.** was invented by the native Hawaiians. **D.** is very dangerous.

**69.** The word ‘**this**’ in paragraph 2 refers to

**A.** standing on the board **B.** keeping balanced and not falling down

**C.** an exciting ride **D.** staying on top of the wave

**70.** According to the passage, snorkeling

**A.** requires more expensive equipment than scuba diving.

**B.** can be dangerous.

**C**. is an easy way to see the underwater life.

**D.** was invented in ancient times.

# PART 6. Read the following passages and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

## Cloze text 1

Coincident with concerns about the accelerating loss of species and habitats has been a growing

appreciation of the importance of biological diversity, the (71)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of species in a particular ecosystem, to the health of the Earth and human well-being. Much has been written about the diversity of terrestrial organisms, particularly the exceptionally rich life associated tropical rain forest habitats. Relatively little has been said; (72) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, about diversity of life in the sea even though coral reef systems are comparable to rain forests in terms of richness of life. An alien exploring Earth would probably (73) \_\_\_\_\_\_ priority to the planet's dominants – most distinctive feature - the ocean. Humans have a bias toward land (74) \_\_\_\_\_ sometimes gets in the way of truly examining global issues. Seen from far away, it is easy to realize that landmasses occupy only one-third of the Earth's surface. Given that two thirds of the Earth's surface is water and that marine life lives at all levels of the ocean, the total three-dimensional living space of the ocean is perhaps 100 times (75) \_\_\_\_\_ than that of land and contains more than 90 percent of all life on Earth even though the ocean has fewer distinct species.

**71**. **A.** number **B.** each **C.** amount **D.** few

**72**. **A.** therefore **B.** thus **C.** however **D.** instead

**73**. **A.** make **B.** have **C.** give **D.** bring

**74**. **A.** who **B.** when **C.** that **D.** whose

**75**. **A.** higher **B.** bigger **C.** greater **D.** larger

## Cloze text 2

## Is it worth reading books, (76) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nowadays there are so many other forms of entertainment? (77) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ people say that even paperback books are expensive, and not everyone can borrow books from a library. They might add that television is more exciting and that viewers can relax as they watch their favourite programme. All that may be true, but books are still very popular. They encourage the reader to use his or her imagination for a start. You can read a chapter of a book, or just a few pages, and then stop. Of course, it may be so (78) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_that you can't stop! There are many different kinds of books, so you can choose a crime novel or an autobiography, or a book (79) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_gives you interesting information. If you find it hard to choose, you can read reviews, or ask friends for ideas. Personally, I can't do without books, but I can (80) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_up television easily enough. You can't watch television at bus stops!

## 76. A. therefore B. or C. however D. since

## 77. A. Much B. Some C. Little D. Few

## 78. A. current B. imagined C. interest D. gripping

## 79. A. whose B. which C. what D. when

## 80. A. pick B. look C. give D. turn

## Cloze text 3

**GLOBAL WARMING**

Few people now question the reality of global warming and its effects on the world's climate. Many scientists (81) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_the blame for recent natural disasters on the increase in the world's temperatures and are convinced that, more than ever before, the Earth is at risk from the forces of the wind, rain and sun. According to them, global warming is making extreme weather events, such as hurricanes and droughts, even more (82) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_and causing sea levels all around the world to rise. Environmental groups are putting pressure on governments to take action to reduce the amount of carbon dioxide which is given (83) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_by factories and power plants, thus attacking the problem at its source. They are in favor of more money being spent on research into solar, wind and wave energy devices, (84) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ could then replace existing power station. Some scientists, (85) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, believe that even if we stopped releasing carbon dioxide and other gases into the atmosphere tomorrow, we would have to wait several hundred years to notice the results. Global warming, it seems, is to stay.

**81**. **A.** give **B.** put **C.** take **D.** have

**82**. **A.** strict **B.** severe **C.** strong **D.** healthy

**83**. **A**. off **B**. away **C**. up **D**. over

**84**. **A.** that **B.** which **C.** what **D.** who

**85.** **A.** but **B.** although **C.** despite **D.** however

# PART 7. Write the correct form of the word given to fill in each blank.

**86.** The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the dinosaurs occurred millions of years ago. (**EXTINCT**)

**87.** Several species of wildlife are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with extinction. (**THREAT**)

**88.** She is a research \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for a pharmaceutical company. (**BIOLOGY**)

**89.** Health officials have tried to raise \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ about AIDS. (**AWARE**)

**90.** Children were playing next to the railway line, totally \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the danger. (**AWARENESS**)

**91.** The soil around the plant is heavily \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (**CONTAMINATE**)

**92.** Glacier Bay is wild, clean and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (**POLLUTE**)

**93.** Make sure that all equipment is clean and free of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (**CONTAMINATE**)

**94.** The valley was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and a good crop was a near certainty. (**FERTILITY**)

**95.** When the land is exposed to the harsh tropical sun and torrential rain, it quickly becomes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (**FERTILITY**)

**96.** The number of people employed in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has fallen in the last decade. (**AGRICULTURAL**)

**97.** These orangutans are critically \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ due to habitat loss. (**DANGER**)

**98.** Poor air quality is particularly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for young children. (**DANGER**)

**99.** Through the years, they have made significant contributions to species \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (**CONSERVE**)

**100.** Animals are at their most \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ when searching for food for their young. (**VULNERABILITY**)

**101.** Hurricanes are one of the most \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ powerful forces of nature. (**DESTROY**)

**102.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has been shown to cause floods and drought. (**FOREST**)

**103.** I’ve always had good \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - I can eat whatever I want. (**DIGEST**)

**104.** Sinatra remains one of the top \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of all time. (**ENTERTAIN**)

**105.** They are campaigning for stiffer \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for people who drink and drive. (**PENALIZE**)

# PART 8. Rewrite each sentence in such a way that it means almost the same as the one printed before it.

***Modal verbs (active & passive)***

**106.** It’s possible that Joanna didn’t receive my message. (might)

🡪 Joanne

**107.** It wasn’t necessary for Nancy to clean the flat. (didn’t)

🡪 Nancy

**108.** I am sure you were surprised when you heard all the news. (must)

🡪 You

**109.** Someone almost certainly broke the window on purpose. (must)

🡪 The window

**110.** It is possible that one of the men died on the mountain. (may)

🡪 One of the men

***Double comparatives***

**111.** As he gets older, he wants to travel less.

🡪 The older

**112.** The children are excited with the difficult games.

🡪 The more

**113.** If you read many books, you will have much knowledge.

🡪 The more

**114.** He speaks too much and people feel bored.

🡪 The more

**115.** People learn a lot of things as they travel far.

🡪 The farther

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# PRACTICE TEST 1

**A/ MULTIPLE CHOICE (7 points)**

***Mark the letter A,B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.***

**1. A.** dread **B.** bread **C.** spread **D.** break

**2. A.** cages **B.** cakes **C.** plates **D.** escapes

***Mark the letter A,B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of stress in each of the following questions.***

**3. A.** property **B.** customer **C.** computer **D.** energy

**4. A.** environment **B.** technology **C.** predominance **D.** superstition

***Mark the letter A,B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.***

**5.** The more fast he runs, the more quickly he gets the promotion gifts.

**A.** more fast **B.** more quickly **C.** gets **D.** promotion gifts

**6.** The marine botany Sylvia Earle spent over 6,000 hours underwater exploring the deep sea.

**A.** botany **B.** over **C.** exploring **D.** sea

***Mark the letter A,B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.***

**7.** He was taken to the hospital after his collapse on the football **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.

**A.** plate **B.** court **C.** region **D.** pitch

**8.** Saving **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** species from becoming extinct is necessary for our health and the future of our children.

**A.** dangerous **B.** evolutionary **C.** survive **D.** endangered

**9.** Walking in a rainforest or going scuba-diving over a coral reef helps us to relax and feel at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**A.** calmness **B.** peace **C.** relaxation **D.** enjoyment

***Mark the letter A,B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word in each of the following questions.***

**10.** Many schools provide environmental education to increase students’ **awareness** of conservation needs.

**A.** knowledge **B.** exploitation **C.** benefit **D.** effort

**11.** She was brought up in a **well-off** family. She can’t understand the problems we are facing.

**A.** poor **B.** wealthy **C.** kind **D.** broke

***Mark the letter A,B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word in each of the following questions.***

**12.** The drinking water in this area has become **contaminated** with lead.

**A.** pure **B.** polluted **C.** necessary **D.** important

**13.** My son is working on his science project. He’s been **as busy as bees** all day.

**A.** leisurely **B.** freely **C.** appropriate **D.** critical

***Mark the letter A,B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.***

**14.** I got really wet walking home last night. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ an umbrella.

**A.** need to be taken  **B**. must have been taking

**C.** should have taken **D.** can have taken

**15.** It was clear that Amy was unhappy. **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**, it comes as no surprise she has decided to resign.

**A.** Therefore **B.** However **C.** On the one hand **D.** So

**16.** This report **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** before 3.00 p.m.

**A.** must be finished **B.** had better finish **C.** can finish **D.** is had to finish

**17.** The more severe climate change becomes, **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.

**A.** the more serious is wildlife affected **B.** the most serious is wildlife affected

**C.** the more serious wildlife is affected **D.** the most serious wildlife is affected

**18.** Would all those in favor please **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** their hands?

**A.** rise **B.** raise **C.** lower **D.** arouse

***Mark the letter A,B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentences that best completes each of the following exchanges.***

**19.**  - Ann: “I’ll help you write the CV if you want.”  
- Peter: “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”

**A.** I really want **B.** I don’t want

**C.** Really? That’s very kind of you **D.** You shouldn’t

**20. -** Mike: "I’m terribly sorry. I’m late.”

- Lane: " \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”

**A.** It’s very nice of you to say so  **B.** That’s OK. We’ve just started

**C. I beg your pardon D.** I can’t agree with you more

***Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions from 21 to 24.***

**ARE SPORTS BAD FOR KIDS?**

People think children should play sports. Sports are fun, and children stay healthy while playing with others. However, playing sports can have negative effects on children. It may produce feelings of poor self-esteem or aggressive behavior in some children. According to research on kids and sports, 40 million kids play sports in the US. Of these, 18 million say they have been yelled at or called names while playing sports. **This** leaves many children with a bad impression of sports. They think sports are just too aggressive.

Many researchers believe adults, especially parents and coaches, are the main cause of too much aggression in children’s sports. They believe children copy aggressive adult behavior. This behavior is then further reinforced through both positive and negative **feedback**. Parents and coaches are powerful teachers because children usually look up to them. Often these adults behave aggressively themselves, sending children the message that winning is everything. At children’s sporting events, parents may yell insults at other players or cheer when their child behaves aggressively. As well, children may be taught that hurting other players is acceptable, or they may be pushed to continue playing even when they are injured. In addition, the media  
makes violence seem exciting. Children watch adult sports games and see violent behavior replayed over and over on television.

As a society, we really need to face up to this problem and do something about it. Parents and coaches should act as better examples for children. They also need to teach children better values. They should teach children to enjoy themselves whether they win or not. It is not necessary to knock yourself out to enjoy sports. Winning is not everything. In addition, children should not be allowed to continue to play when they are injured. Sending a child with an injury into a game gives the child the message that health is not as important as winning. If we make some basic changes, children might learn to enjoy sports again.

**21.** The word “**This**” in paragraph 1 refers to \_\_\_\_\_\_.

**A.** being yelled or called while playing sports

**B.** aggressive behavior

**C. millions of kids playing football in the US**

**D.** playing football

**22.** What is the main idea of the passage?

**A.** Playing sports may have negative results.

**B.** Children need to play sports in school.

**C.** Some sports can cause health problems.

**D.** Children often become like their parents.

**23.** All of these are true **EXCEPT**

**A.** Children should be encouraged to continue to play when they don’t feel well.

**B.** Parents and coaches are thought to be the main cause of too much aggression in children’s sports.

**C.** Children may become aggressive when playing sports.

**D.** TV, newspapers also contribute to the feelings of poor self-esteem or aggressive behavior in some children.

**24.** What does the word ‘**feedback’** in the second paragraph mean?

**A.** parents’ reactions toward other players

**B.** parents’ and coaches’ behaviors

**C.** the messages sent to children by adults

**D.** parents’ and coaches’ comments

***Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 25 to 28.***

Not only can books inspire us in terms of capturing our imagination and our view of the world, (25) \_\_\_\_ they can also affect us emotionally. Very simply, emotional experiences have three components. First, subjective experiences; whatever the experience, the emotions felt by a person will be particular to them, and may be different (26) \_\_\_\_\_\_what another person might feel. One person might feel anger over a particular event, whilst another might fear sadness. Second, that our heart may (27) \_\_\_\_\_ faster out of fear is the example of the physiological response. Third, the expression of the emotion, which may be smiling, crying or sighing, is called behavioral responses. Reading (28) \_\_\_ how we feel, how we feel about the world around us and how we want to be in it. It can shape how we want to carry ourselves and behave. Reading can lead to great things.

**25. A.** so **B.** therefore **C.** but **D.** and

**26. A.** upon **B.** from **C.** with **D.** into

**27. A.** drum **B.** beat **C.** clap **D.** tap

**28. A.** affects **B.** effected **C.** effects **D.** affected

**B/ WRITTEN (3 points)**

***Part 1. Write the correct form of the word given to fill in each blank.***

**29.** This river used to have the greatest **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** of freshwater fish in the country, but now very few species are found here. **(DIVERSE)**

**30.** Almost half of turtles and tortoises are known to be threatened with **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**. **(EXTINCT)**

**31.** Swimming produces both **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** and physical benefits. **(PSYCHOLOGY)**

**32.** He could see the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in his parents’ eyes when he failed the exam. **(SATISFY)**

***Part 2. Rewrite each sentence in such a way that it means almost the same as the one printed before it.***

**33.** As the entertainer continued performing, the crowd felt excited.

🡪 The more

**34.** I bought my camera from a friend of mine.

🡪 My camera

**35.** I’m sure it wasn’t Mrs. Mai you saw because she is in Boston.

🡪 It can’t

**36.** The students’ bad behavior should have been severely punished. **(DESERVED)**

🡪 The students who

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# PRACTICE TEST 2

**A/ MULTIPLE CHOICE (7 points)**

***Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.***

**1.** **A.** tru**th** **B. th**in **C.** too**th** **D.** mo**th**er

**2.** **A.** landscap**es B.** eyelash**es**  **C.** convinc**es** **D.** challeng**es**

***Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following questions.***

**3.** **A.** challenging **B.** significant **C.** experienced **D.** successful

**4.** **A.** replace **B.** explore **C.** install **D.** welcome

***Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.***

**5.** The more he drives fast, the most nervous I feel.

**A.** The more **B.** fast **C.** the most **D.** feel

**6.** Houses near industrious sites often do not sell so quickly because they are regarded as undesirable.

**A.** industrious **B.** quickly **C.** regarded **D.** undesirable

***Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.***

**7.** This species of African elephant is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**A.** dying out **B.** dying of **C.** dying down **D.** dying on

**8.** Scientists are making great \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to save rare and endangered species.

**A.** operations **B.** performances **C.** efforts **D.** tries

**9.** After being held in a protected environment, many species may lose their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to cope in the natural habitat.

**A.** tips **B.** techniques **C.** competitiveness **D.** ability

***Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word in each of the following questions.***

**10.** I think we cannot purchase this device this time as it costs **an arm and a leg**.

**A.** is expensive **B.** is confusing **C.** is cheap **D.** is painful

**11.** **Life expectancy** for both men and women has improved greatly in the past twenty years.

**A.** Lifeline **B.** Life skills **C.** Longevity **D.** Living standard

***Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.***

**12.** The critical issue is whether **genuine** artificial intelligence can ever be truly realized.

**A.** authentic **B.** fake **C.** unpretentious **D.** true

**13.** Sorry, I can’t come to your party. I am **snowed under with** work at the moment.

**A.** relaxed about **B.** interested in **C.** free from **D.** busy with

***Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best completes each of the following exchanges.***

**14.** Lucas is going to hold his birthday party. He wants to invite some of his friends to attend the party.

- Lucas: “I would like to invite you to my party this Sunday morning.”

- Alice: “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”

**A.** How about going to the cinema?

**B.** I would love to come, but I have prior commitments. I’m sorry.

**C.** I’m sorry. Can you come to my place?

**D.** Thank you for your offer, but I think it is unnecessary.

**15.** Kelly and Mark are classmates.

- Kelly: “It was very kind of you to give me a lift home.”

- Mark: “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”

**A.** Oh, I’m sorry to bother you.

**B.** I’m not pleased.

**C.** Oh, don’t mention it. I was going past your house anyway.

**D.** As a matter of fact, you are pretty nice.

***Mark the letter A,B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.***

**16.** The examination papers are scored by machine. The students \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ their results next week.

**A.** should be informed **B**. can inform

**C.** will be informed  **D**. need inform

**17.** She sat there quietly, but during all that time she was getting **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**. Finally, she exploded.

**A.** more and more angry **B.** angrier and angrier

**C.** the more angry **D.** the most angry

**18.** David is not home. He **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** go somewhere with Mary. I’m not sure.

**A.** might **B.** must **C.** will **D.** should

**19.** He ate breakfast, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ he was running late.

**A.** therefore **B.** but **C.** so **D.** however

**20.** For the controlled study on drinking habits, we **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** men between 35 and 45.

**A.** applied **B.** recruited **C.** dismissed **D.** advised

***Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.***

**No More Polar Bears?**

We all know that the Earth is getting warmer and warmer. This problem is called “global warming”. We also know that global warming is causing a lot of problems. Ocean levels are getting higher and higher. Because ocean levels are getting higher, storms are getting stronger and stronger. This list of problems goes on and on.

Animals are suffering a lot because of global warming. Polar bears are suffering more than most animals. This is because polar bears live in the North Pole. In the North Pole, global warming is making ice melt. Polar bears hunt from large pieces of floating ice. They jump off the ice and hunt for food. Polar bears have to swim and find these floating pieces of ice. These days, they have to swim farther to find the floating ice. Many of them don’t have enough energy. They get too tired, and they die in the water.

Polar bears are suffering because of other problems, too. Pollution makes their water **dirty**. Many countries go to the North Pole to look for oil and gas, and they damage the environment of the bears. In addition, when ships sail through the North Pole, they cause a lot of damage. Finally, people hunt and kill too many polar bears. However, melting ice is definitely the biggest problem.

Right now, there are about 25,000 polar bears in the world. If global warming continues, there may be only about 12,000 in the year 2050. By the year 2080, that number might be much smaller.

It is important to study polar bears. When we learn about polar bears, we also learn about the health of the North Pole. If polar bears are doing well, then the environment in the North Pole is probably healthy. If polar bears are suffering, then there are probably serious problems in the North Pole.

Right now, governments around the world are working to help polar bears. There are new laws that protect polar bears. However, if global warming continues to get worse, polar bears may disappear forever.

**21.** Why do polar bears have to swim farther?

**A.** They have to look for other bears.

**B.** They have to get away from people.

**C.** They have to find floating ice.

**D.** They have to find cleaner water.

**22.** The word “**dirty**” in the third paragraph is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**A.** salty **B.** polluted **C.** fresh **D.** melted

**23.** All of the following are threats to the survival of polar bears EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**A.** the rise of sea levels in recent years

**B.** increasing poaching in the North Pole

**C.** oil and gas exploitation in the North Pole by many countries

**D.** land pollution caused by ships through the North Pole

**24.** Which of the following is true according to the passage?

**A.** Polar bears are regarded as an indicator of the North Pole’s environment.

**B.** According to studies, polar bears will become extinct soon.

**C.** Polar bears live on food from floating ice.

**D.** Polar bears cannot swim well.

***Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.***

Countries all over the Mediterranean are aware that bird populations are in danger, and many are working to address this problem. In the European Union, hunting migratory birds is illegal in some countries, (25)\_\_\_\_\_ in others, it is strictly controlled - the birds can only be hunted at a certain time of years. This hasn’t completely stopped bird poaching in Europe, but more nature protection groups are making sure that laws are obeyed. The organization WWF Italy, for example, works with volunteers (26)\_\_\_\_\_ come from different countries to stop poachers and destroy birdsong devices that attract birds. This has been successful in (27)\_\_\_\_\_\_ places throughout the country.

Across the Mediterranean, another group, Nature Conservation Egypt, is working to increase protection of its country’s natural scenery and wildlife. As part of current project, the organization is trying to promote activities such as eco-tourism along the coasts. The hope is that, as more tourists come to visit protected natural areas, there will be (28)\_\_\_\_\_\_ to care for birds and their habitats. If this happens, say conservationists, bird populations will quickly return to normal.

**25.** **A.** but **B.** during **C.** while **D.** when

**26.** **A.** who **B.** whom **C.** whose **D.** where

**27.** **A.** every **B.** little **C.** many **D.** much

**28.** **A.** presents **B.** salary **C.** incomes **D.** incentives

**B/ WRITTEN**

***Part 1. Write the correct form of the word given to fill in each blank.***

**29.** The panda is the best known of our **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** species. **(THREAT)**

**30.** To \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ electricity, we are cutting down on our heating. **(CONSERVATION)**

**31.** Sulphur dioxide is one of several \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that are released into the atmosphere by coal-fired power stations. **(POLLUTE)**

**32.** Many local private banks lack **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** with foreign banks. **(COMPETE)**

***Part 2. Rewrite each sentence in such a way that it means almost the same as the one printed before it.***

**33.** You should keep the flowers in a warm sunny place.

🡪 The flowers

**34.** I became increasingly nervous about her fast driving.

🡪 The faster

**35.** We thought the figures were correct. However, we have now discovered some errors. (**BUT**)

🡪 We

**36.** Would you please clarify the question? (**CLEAR**)

🡪 Would you mind me?

**-- THE END --**