

PART I

SECTION 1 GRAMMAR

Read the following sentences and choose the correct answer to complete each sentence.

/4x1=4points/

1. I can't imagine Susan _____ a horse.
A. has ridden B. rode C. rides D. to ride E. riding
2. I'm very busy with my thesis. I have _____ time for other things.
A. a little B. much C. few D. little E. any
3. My grandmother has had a hard life and has grown old _____ her time.
A. during B. after C. before D. until E. while
4. They asked me a lot of questions, most of _____ I couldn't answer.
A. whom B. which C. that D. where E. when

/11x2=22points/

5. If you put your money in a savings, you _____ eight per cent interest.
A. to get B. were getting C. got D. get E. are getting
6. We didn't like living in the big cities at first, but we _____ it.
A. got used to B. get used to C. am use to D. be used to E. use to
7. Your friends live far from you. You would like them to live nearer to you.
You say: I wish my friends _____ nearer to me.
A. would live B. were living C. lived D. had lived E. have lived
8. Just as I got to the school gate, I realized I _____ my umbrella in the restaurant.
A. would leave B. was leaving C. have left D. had left E. were leaving
9. Many new buildings _____ during the storm.
A. had damaged
B. damaged
C. have damaged
D. was damaged
E. were damaged
10. *Direct speech:* "You play the guitar very well, Chimgee," the teacher told.
Reported speech: The teacher told Chimgee (that) _____.
A. she played the guitar very well
B. she is playing the guitar very well
C. she plays the guitar very well
D. you played the guitar very well
E. you play the guitar very well
11. My interest in music came from my parents, _____ whom were musicians.
A. half of B. none of C. all of D. both of E. neither of
12. Tom's car was broken down. He went to the mechanic's last weekend.
He _____ .
A. repaired his car
B. had repaired his car

- C. had his car repaired
- D. has his car repaired
- E. was repairing his car

13. If he _____ where he was going, he wouldn't have walked into the wall.

- A. has been looking
- B. had been looking
- C. has looked
- D. looked
- E. was looking

14. Chimgee earns two times _____ much _____ I do.

- A. both/and
- B. as/if
- C. like/as
- D. as/as
- E. alike/as

15. I'll turn the TV on _____ I can watch the news.

- A. so as
- B. in order to
- C. to
- D. for
- E. so that

Identify the underlined part that should be corrected in each sentence.

/2x2=4points/

16. Ants are blind to red light, so it is possible to observe themselves in an artificial nest without

- A
- B
- C
- D

disturbing their activities.

E

17. A fully grown male mountain lion may be eight long feet.

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E

SECTION 2

VOCABULARY

Read the sentences and choose the correct word to complete each sentence.

/10x1=10points/

18. We can travel to Brighton _____ by bus or by train; the fare is almost the same.

- A. both
- B. none
- C. either
- D. neither
- E. all

19. The more he exercises, _____ he will be.

- A. healthiest
- B. the healthier
- C. healthier
- D. the healthiest
- E. healthy

20. Alex is very _____ of his younger sister.

- A. protect
- B. protection
- C. protected
- D. protective
- E. protector

21. When you go to the town, could you please buy a _____ of jam for me?

- A. bar
- B. can
- C. bag
- D. carton
- E. jar

22. My boss _____ this language course to me.

- A. influenced
- B. persuaded
- C. recommended
- D. criticized
- E. maintained

23. The Professor just wanted to _____ the importance of learning foreign languages.

- A. grasp
- B. integrate
- C. damage
- D. emphasize
- E. extend

24. The forecast is for dry, sunny weather with no _____ expected.
A. degradation B. desertification C. permission D. protection E. precipitation
25. Millions of birds migrate to the south every year. It is an annual _____.
A. celebration B. motivation C. perception D. phenomenon E. behavior
26. Synthetic fabrics are made from _____ substances, not natural ones.
A. artificial B. organic C. unique D. modern E. combined
27. Many foreign _____ attended the opening ceremony.
A. scavengers B. failures C. abilities D. attempts E. dignitaries

Complete the phrasal verbs with the correct particles.

/3x2=6points/

28. If I could do it _____ again, I'd do it differently.
A. in B. without C. away D. over E. with
29. After the thieves are captured, the stolen items will be turned _____ to the rightful owners.
A. in B. away C. over D. against E. down 30.
- Be careful walking in the woods, there are a lot of branches sticking _____.
A. to B. at C. by D. out E. with

Choose the correct meaning of the underlined idioms.

/3x2=6points/

31. The man was desperate to get rid of his car even though it was only one year old. So I was able to buy it for a song.
A. His car was expensive.
B. He sang a song in his car.
C. He exchanged his car for a different one.
D. He bought a CD with his favorite songs.
E. He bought the car very cheaply.
32. I only got the message by word of mouth.
A. He read the message from the newspaper.
B. The message was passed by his mom.
C. He opened his mouth while he was reading the message.
D. The message passed from person to person.
E. He was only mouthing the message.
33. I was up in the air about selling my house and moving into a bigger one.
A. He was excited about moving into a big house.
B. He was in the air when his wife was moving her house.
C. He always airs his house.
D. He sold his old house and moved into a big one.
E. He left the windows open to let the room air a bit.

SECTION 3 COMMUNICATION

Read the conversations and choose the best answers.

/3x2=6points/

34. *Man:* Who does Mary look like?

Woman: She and her mother look_____ .

- A. unlike B. like C. dislike D. alike E. likely

35. *Woman:* Richard, may I use your phone? I think mine is out of order.

Man: _____ .

- A. Sounds great B. Take it easy C. So do I D. Go ahead E. Feel free

36. *Student:* Did people there use to be poor?

Teacher: _____ They used to be rich.

- A. Yes, they were.
B. Yes, they did.
C. No, they weren't.
D. No, they didn't.
E. No, people weren't.

Read the short conversations and choose the best answers.

/2x2=4points/

37. *Woman:* I was wondering if I could borrow a cup of sugar. I was baking a cake, but I ran out of it.

Man: I'm glad it's your turn to ask for something.

What does the man mean?

- A. He is happy to see the woman again.
B. He is glad the woman went running.
C. He is glad that he can return a favor.
D. It was her turn to ask the question.
E. The woman spent the afternoon baking some cake.

38. *Man:* Is it okay for me to leave my car here just for a few minutes?

Woman: You are blocking the driveway.

What does the woman say?

- A. It's okay to leave the car only for a few minutes.
B. The man can't park there.
C. She doesn't live on this block.

- D. The man should park in the driveway.
- E. She lives around the block.

SECTION 4 READING

Task 1

Read the passage and choose the correct answers.

/6x2=12points/

(1) Daniel Andersen, a famous psychologist, believes that it's important to distinguish television's influences on children from those of the family. We tend to blame TV, he says, for problems it doesn't really cause, overlooking our own roles in shaping children's minds.

(2) One traditional belief about television is that it reduces a child's ability to think and understand the world. While watching TV, children do not merely absorb words and images. Instead, they learn both explicit and hidden meanings from what they see. Actually, children learn the psychology of characters in TV shows earlier. Furthermore, as many teachers agree, children understand far more when their parents watch TV with *them*, explaining new words and ideas. Yet, most parents use an educational program as a chance to park their kids in front of the set and do something else in another room.

(3) Another argument against television is that it replaces reading as a form of entertainment. But according to Anderson, the amount of time spent watching television is not related to the children's reading ability. TV doesn't take the place of reading for most children; it takes the place of similar sorts of recreation, such as listening to the radio and playing sports. Things like parents' educational background have a stronger influence on a child's reading. "A child's reading ability is best predicted by how much a parent reads", Anderson says.

(4) According to traditional wisdom, heavy television watching affects children's IQ scores and even their school performance. However, Anderson notes that no studies have proved it. In fact, research suggests that it's the other way around. "If you are smart, you will watch less TV when you are older", Andersen says. Yet, people with a lower IQ tend to be lifelong television viewers.

(5) For years, researchers have attempted to show that television is dangerous to children. However, the studies have not shown the dangerous effects of television as conventionally believed yet. Anderson suggests that television cannot be *condemned* without considering other influences.

39. By watching TV, children learn_____.

- A. images through words
- B. more about images than words
- C. little about people's psychology
- D. more than explicit meanings
- E. more about words than images

40. An educational program is best watched by a child _____.

- A. on his own
- B. with other kids

- C. with his teachers
D. with his classmates
E. with his parents
41. Which of the following is most related to children's reading ability?
A. parents' educational background
B. radio listening
C. television watching
D. parents' reading list
E. teachers' educational background
42. Anderson believes that _____.
A. the more a child watches TV, the smarter he becomes
B. the younger a child is, the more he watches TV
C. the less a child watches TV, the better he performs at school
D. the smarter a child is, the less likely he gets addicted to TV
E. the older a child is, the less likely he gets addicted to TV
43. The word "*condemned*" in paragraph 5 is closest in meaning to
A. believed
B. considered
C. criticized
D. predicted
E. continued
44. The word "*them*" in paragraph 2 refers to
A. words and images
B. children
C. hidden meanings
D. characters in TV shows
E. teachers

Task 2

Read the information about the zoo and choose the correct word to complete each blank.

/3x2=6points/

The zoo is celebrating its 60th anniversary with a £12 million redevelopment-imaginative landscaping that gives more (45) _____ to animals and birds. One of the zoo's (46) _____ is to keep a small number of species-only 50 mammals-but in larger (47) _____ than usual. Star features include an award-winning primate enclosure, elephant house, new bird house, and underwater viewing facilities for penguins and sea lions.

45. A. impression B. instruction C. democracy D. privacy E. pharmacy
46. A. pets B. services C. viewers D. visitors E. principles
47. A. numbers B. places C. symbols D. audiences E. areas

PART II

2.1 Combine each phrase in column “A” with a suitable phrase from column “B”.

Not all phrases in column “B” will be used.

/6x1=6points/

A

- a. The public reaction
- b. It's a simple dish to prepare, consisting
- c. He managed to eat big lunch despite
- d. Before I went out I
- e. There may, however, be
- f. She tried to explain everything,

B

- 1. I don't like her.
- 2. other reasons that we don't know about.
- 3. had an enormous breakfast.
- 4. for washing dishes.
- 5. mainly of rice and vegetables.
- 6. but the reason for her actions remained unclear.
- 7. to the decision was furious.
- 8. having eaten an enormous breakfast.

2.2 Match the words with their definitions. There are two extra definitions.

/6x1=6points/

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| a. habitat | 1. someone who steals things, especially from stores or banks |
| b. polyglot | 2. a person who lives or has his/her home in a place |
| c. compassion | 3. a person who knows and uses only one language |
| d. resident | 4. a person who knows and uses several languages |
| e. hijacker | 5. sympathy for those who are suffering |
| f. contamination | 6. the presence of unwanted or dangerous substances |
| | 7. the natural environment in which a plant or animal lives |
| | 8. someone who uses force to take control of airplane, ship or train |

2.3 Choose the correct word form that best fits in each blank.

/8x1=8points/

In 1929, when aviation was still very new, a French pilot and novelist-Antoine de St. Exupery-took on a job that (a) _____ the mail service in South America. He set up an air mail route that (b) _____ the cities of South America and cut the (c) _____ time of mail from several months to a few days.

Delivering the mail by air was not a new idea in 1929, but it was still a very daring one. Flying was full of (d)_____. The aviation technology we have today wasn't yet (e)_____. Pilots had to use (f)_____ instruments such as compasses and road maps. Airplanes had small

engines and (g)_____ a lot of power when they flew at high altitudes. These planes couldn't fly over heights, so mountains, tall buildings, and even trees were dangerous. Also, these small planes weren't (h)_____ enough to fly above storms and bad weather.

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|-------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|----------------|
| a. 1. changed | 2. change | 3. changing | 4. changeable | 5. changeless |
| b. 1. jointed | 2. joiner | 3. joint | 4. join | 5. joined |
| c. 1. deliverance | 2. deliver | 3. delivery | 4. deliverable | 5. deliverer |
| d. 1. dangerous | 2. dangers | 3. danger | 4. dangerously | 5. endanger |
| e. 1. invented | 2. invention | 3. inventor | 4. inventive | 5. inventively |
| f. 1. simplicity | 2. simple | 3. simplify | 4. simplification | 5. simply |
| g. 1. lose | 2. loss | 3. losses | 4. lost | 5. loser |
| h. 1. powered | 2. power | 3. powerless | 4. powerfully | 5. powerful |