

## TEST 6

- 1- The emperor built a wall around the city as a/an ..... against invading armies.
- A) weapon                      B) armament                      C) attack  
D) defence                      E) aggression
- 2- The recent drought in Rwanda has been almost as ..... as the war there — so many lives have been lost in both.
- A) fragile                      B) catastrophic  
C) disorderly                      D) chaotic  
E) distant
- 3- I love watching the swallows as they ..... gracefully through the air, barely moving their wings.
- A) glide                      B) skip                      C) skate  
D) gallop                      E) slip
- 4- Everyone who wants to come on the picnic should make a small financial ..... towards the cost of the food.
- A) contribution                      B) expense  
C) subscription                      D) loss                      E) profit
- 5- The general knew that he had won a great ..... when he saw the enemy's white flag being raised.
- A) profit                      B) achievement  
C) victory                      D) praise  
E) applause
- 6- Both my sister and I would prefer not to work on Saturdays, but as one of us has to be in the shop, we do it..... so at least, we each have every second Saturday off.
- A) regularly                      B) alternatively  
C) rationally .                      D) sparingly  
E) alternately
- 7- Tricia's little boy can ..... and is very mobile, but he shows no signs of learning to walk yet.
- A) stroll                      B) sprint                      C) creep  
D) crawl                      E) rush
- 8- Although malaria is a nasty disease, these days it is ..... and not nearly so many people die from it.
- A) intense                      B) curable                      C) lethal  
D) scarce                      E) visible
- 9- Mark was horrified ..... when the doctor told him his wife was going to have triplets, but he's thrilled now that he's had time to get used to the idea.
- A) terminally                      B) frequently  
C) gradually                      D) indifferently  
E) initially

- 10- The Coopers have applied for planning permission to adopt a/an ..... to their house — they want to build a new bathroom and a spare bedroom.
- A) bonus                      B) architecture                      C) space  
D) extension                      E) density
- 11- When Colin is not in the house, he is often out in the ..... with the cows, keeping an eye on them while they graze.
- A) barn                      B) cellar  
C) pasture                      D) puddle  
E) landscape
- 12- I can't understand the attraction of watching show-jumping? Why would anyone want to watch a horse ..... over a fence?
- A) leap                      B) ride                      C) climb                      D) walk                      E) drag
- 13- "Until the thief is caught", explained the detective, "everyone in the room is under ....."
- A) account                      B) evidence  
C) comment                      D) suspicion  
E) allegation
- 14- Miranda's father is very ..... in the world of journalism, so once he's talked to a few friends, she's sure to get a job with a good newspaper.
- A) informal                      B) talkative                      C) fluent  
D) influential                      E) sociable
- 15- Fiona's applying to various universities at the moment her ..... is for Oxford, but if her marks aren't good enough, she'll go to Sheffield instead.
- A) enthusiasm                      B) preference  
C) approval                      D) efficiency  
E) omission
- 16- Because he's trying to give up smoking, Tom is always chewing gum these days, and he particularly likes the kind with mint.....
- A) softness                      B) type  
C) flavour                      D) pleasure  
E) imitation
- 17- It was so cold last night that we were all..... as we were waiting for the bus.
- A) dropping                      B) corrupting  
C) blushing                      D) vanishing  
E) shivering

18- Teachers have observed that student success in exams is directly ..... to the amount of time they spend studying those who spend more time studying do better.

- A) proportional                      B) gradual  
C) descriptive                        D) obedient  
E) logical

19- It's not fair to hold Tom responsible for the loss of the project. We didn't ..... hard for it either.

- A) respect                                B) agree  
C) respond                               D) strive  
E) hasten

20- Mandy had to work hard to ..... the committee to accept her ideas, but in the end, she managed it.

- A) appoint                                B) convince  
C) contest                                D) despise  
E) offend

21- Humans' memories become ..... weaker as they grow older, and after a certain age, they have difficulty recalling names and dates.

- A) occasionally                        B) deliberately  
C) exclusively                            D) immediately  
E) progressively

22- Karen dyed her brown hair red, but I don't think the dye was very effective because the difference is hardly ..... .

- A) random                                B) excellent  
C) noticeable                            D) defensive  
E) drastic

23- I don't think it is right to try to ..... animals such as monkeys or tigers — these animals must live in the wild, not in houses.

- A) stabilize                                B) conquer  
C) domesticate                            D) weaken  
E) encounter

24- I bought this dress here yesterday. It looked fine in the shop, but when I took it home and looked at it more ..... I noticed this small tear at the neck.

- A) professionally                        B) closely  
C) suitably                                D) objectively  
E) neatly

25- I'm not surprised Sam has left his wife - she always seemed to be trying to ..... him in front of others, by telling him that he was dull, and by contradicting everything he said.

- A) astonish                                B) embrace  
C) improve                                D) humiliate  
E) mislead

26- Our cat has just had her first kittens and she seems to know what to do ..... — she didn't need to read any books on baby care!

- A) selfishly                                B) mindlessly  
C) persistently                            D) instinctively  
E) dramatically

27- Two of the rooms in Pete's new fiat are quite small, but the living room is really ..... and great for parties.

- A) spacious                                B) creative  
C) comparable                            D) compact  
E) infinite

28- Mrs Barry, a famous 18<sup>th</sup> century actress, used to live in this very house, which has recently been turned into a restaurant by Henry Barry, a direct ..... of the actress.

- A) ancestor                                B) partner  
C) admirer                                D) descendant  
E) character

29- Henry Deal gave shares in his company to his three sons, but he decided to ..... 51% of the shares so that he would remain the majority shareholder.

- A) remain                                B) grasp                                C) retain  
D) select                                E) grant

30- Greg took aim carefully and fired the gun, but he obviously needs more practice because he missed the ..... completely.

- A) target                                B) rifle                                C) barrel  
D) revolver                                E) bullet

31- I need to ..... my plans for tomorrow a little because I have to take my child to the doctor's. Could our meeting be postponed until Thursday?

- A) schedule                                B) alter  
C) cancel                                D) fasten  
E) firm

32- Julie is going in for the next Olympics, so she has to go to the pool twice a day to .....

- A) perform                                B) rehearse  
C) educate                                D) revenge  
E) train

33- When your back feels a bit..... from sitting all day, it's a good idea to do a few gentle exercises to loosen it up and maintain your flexibility.

- A) solid                                B) stiff  
C) upright                                D) weakened                            E) hasty

34- You have to research your rivals ..... if you want to succeed in this particular industry, otherwise, you will not be ready for their tactics.

- A) extensively                      B) partly  
C) superficially                      D) admirably  
E) previously

35- At the air show yesterday, we were all..... by the low flying jets. They were so loud that we couldn't hear each other speak.

- A) encountered                      B) deafened  
C) dictated                              D) weakened  
E) compelled

36- We walked for miles along the ..... watching the birds, the small boats and the fishermen.

- A) waves                                      B) depth                              C) shore  
D) bottom                                      E) shell

37- In the past, people used oxen to ..... the fields and prepare them for planting, but now it's all done by tools drawn by tractors.

- A) drain                                      B) loosen                                      C) plow  
C) harvest                                      D) flood

38- Thick stone walls were built around the city to ..... it against its enemies.

- A) fortify                                      B) develop  
C) improve                                      D) renovate  
E) rescue

39- After hours of awkward questions, the police were ..... with George's explanation and let him go.

- A) vague                                      B) horrified  
C) satisfied                                      D) permissive  
E) insistent

40- If you want to pass your driving test, you must be more ..... to your instructor. Everything he says is very important.

- A) intensive                                      B) attentive  
C) manageable                                      D) bearable  
E) applicable

41- Our house was so badly damaged by the fire that it had to be ..... . It is so sad to see an empty space where it used to be.

- A) constructed                                      B) adapted  
C) claimed                                      D) demolished  
E) absorbed

42- Your skin is very sensitive and needs some ..... against the sun use a sunscreen and take care.

- A) division                                      B) distance  
C) defence                                      D) tolerance  
E) protection

43- I like to sit on the patio at ..... and watch the last of the light fading from the sky. Sometimes I sit until it's quite dark without switching on a light.

- A) dusk                                      B) daybreak                                      C) noon  
D) dawn                                      E) sunrise

44- The ..... of the new soft drink, Pepla, onto the market has caused a small stir among the other soft drink manufacturers.

- A) disappearance                                      B) discharge  
C) survival                                      D) creation  
E) emergence

45- I avoid drinking coffee at night as I find it too ..... which makes it difficult for me to relax and go to sleep.

- A) valueless                                      B) stimulating  
C) changeable                                      D) offensive  
E) enhancing

46- From the way she looks at him, it's quite ..... that Fran is in love with Steve, but I'm sure he has no idea about it.

- A) constant                                      B) secretive  
C) anxious                                      D) apparent  
E) tender

47- The painting 'The Hay Wain' by John Constable is ..... in its detail. It must have taken him quite a long time to paint.

- A) useless                                      B) haphazard  
C) meticulous                                      D) intentional  
E) reliable

48- It is not right to ..... the books of Dickens and Chaucer because they lived in totally different times, and their styles are so different.

- A) judge                                      B) avoid  
C) resemble                                      D) compile  
E) compare

49- Perhaps in the future, human beings will learn to ..... their brains to the full capacity — today, most of us only use about 17% of our brain power.

- A) utilize                                      B) achieve  
C) succeed                                      D) determine  
E) equip

50- Zoos should be banned. There's something awful about keeping animals in ..... especially when the conditions are poor.

- A) detention                      B) prison  
C) stable                          D) captivity  
E) court

51- When Glenda won the lottery, she ..... decided not to do anything with the money until she'd had a few months to think about it — so many others have made the mistake of spending all the money too quickly.

- A) meanly                         B) wastefully  
C) gradually                      D) satisfactorily  
E) wisely

52- Rhonda and Stewart are lucky that they're so happy, because they got married rather ..... — they'd only met six weeks earlier.

- A) immaturely                  B) swiftly  
C) immediately                D) briefly  
E) shortly

53- Ben works so hard that he has no time for ..... . I don't think it's right he should be able to spend some time with his Mends, playing sport and just relaxing.

- A) laziness                        B) admiration  
C) recreation                    D) occupation  
E) overtime

54- When Susan won £1000 at the drawing competition, she decided to ..... her lifelong ambition and took a trip to Japan.

- A) grant                            B) permit  
C) gain                             D) fulfill  
E) dream

55- "This is a lovely clock," enthused the salesman, "but you must..... it up every day or it will not keep good time."

- A) keep                      B) hold                      C) wipe                      D) sort                      E) wind

56- During the exam, my pencil became blunt and needed .....

- A) sharpening                    B) peeling  
C) revealing                      D) assisting  
E) shelling

57- Helen's been blind from birth, but she's really independent and copes very well with many things despite her .....

- A) shortage                      B) disability  
C) disease                        D) calamity  
E) sickness

58- I think we should approach that stray dog very ..... because it could easily be dangerous and we could get bitten!

- A) proudly                        B) erratically  
C) cautiously                    D) fearlessly  
E) eagerly

59- Brad isn't really a close friend of mine and I don't know him that well — he's just a/an ..... I met through work.

- A) relative                        B) acquaintance            C) alien  
D) rival                            E) requirement

60- Alfred is ..... responsible for education within the company. However, he also has a role in human resource management.

- A) formerly                        B) instinctively  
C) inexplicably                    D) utterly  
E) primarily

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