1. ___ Sahara is the biggest desert in the world.
   a. a  
   b. an  
   c. the  
   d. -
2. I buy all the meat ___ the butcher’s.
   a. at  
   b. to  
   c. on  
   d. of
3. Who’s that standing ___ to your sister?
   a. opposite  
   b. next  
   c. in front of  
   d. behind
4. There’s only ___ housework for you to do. I did most of it yesterday.
   a. a little  
   b. not much  
   c. a few  
   d. many
5. How many different jobs ___ you ___ in your life?
   a. do / have  
   b. have / had  
   c. - / have  
   d. are / have
6. We’ll leave for school after Barry ___.
   a. arrives  
   b. will arrive  
   c. is arriving  
   d. is arrive
7. I ___ Madonna, but I don’t now.
   a. used to liked  
   b. like  
   c. used to like  
   d. to like
8. He always wears ___ expensive clothes and drives ___ expensive car.
   a. an, an  
   b. the, on  
   c. -, an  
   d. -, a
9. Let’s wait under the tree ___ it stops raining.
   a. before  
   b. unless  
   c. if  
   d. until
10. Last night I ___ of a song, and when I ___ on the radio, what did I hear?
    a. thought / turned  
    b. was thinking / was turning  
    c. thought / was turning  
    d. was thinking / turned
11. Steve ___ the violin for a month.
    a. learned  
    b. has been learning  
    c. have learned  
    d. was learning
12. She died when the film ___.
    a. was made  
    b. was being make  
    c. was being made  
    d. has been made
13. I live close ___ the church, in fact next door ___ it.
    a. with … to  
    b. to … with
14. We've met before, ____?
   a. are we?
   b. haven’t we?
   c. didn’t we?
   d. aren’t we?
15. You hardly ever panic, ____ you?
   a. do
   b. have
   c. don’t
   d. aren’t
16. Jack made me ____ him next week.
   a. to promise to call
   b. to promise calling
   c. promise to call
   d. promise calling
17. This bill ____ tomorrow.
   a. has paid
   b. has to be paid
   c. have to be paid
   d. have been paid
18. ‘Could you show me your driving license?’ The policeman asked me ____.
   a. showed her driving license
   b. showing my driving license
   c. to show my driving license
   d. to have shown my driving license
19. It’s a cold day in winter, and you are watching a TV program which shows people on the beach in Australia.
   You say:
   a. If we live in Australia, we’ll be on the beach today.
   b. If we lived in Australia, we’d be on the beach today.
   c. We will be on the beach today, if we will live in Australia,
   d. We would be on the beach, if we live in Australia.
20. Do you think there would be less conflict in the world if all people ____ the same language?
   a. spoke
   b. speak
   c. had spoken
   d. will speak
21. She had to have her phone number ____ because she was receiving obscene calls from a stranger.
   a. changing
   b. changed
   c. to change
   d. change
22. By the time I got to the phone it ____ ringing.
   a. has stopped
   b. have stopped
   c. had stopped
   d. had been stopped
23. If you ____ smoking, you ____ better.
   a. stopped, will feel
   b. stopped, would feel
   c. stop, would feel
   d. stopped, feel
24. You won’t be able to park ____ you ____ there early.
   a. if, get
   b. if not, gets
   c. unless, got
   d. unless, get
25. A: What does Simon’s wife look like? B: She’s quite slim and she has ____ hair.
   a. brown, curly, short
   b. curly, brown, short
   c. brown, short, curly
   d. short, brown, curly
26. Just imagine it. This time tomorrow we ___ the rain, we ___ on a tropical beach.
   a. won’t be watching, will be lying
   b. won’t watch, will lie
   c. haven’t been watching, will be lying
   d. won’t be watch, will be lying

27. Look! He ___. See that suitcase with clothes on the bed?
   a. must came
   b. should have come
   c. may have just come
   d. must have just come

28. I ___ live in Sweden, but now I live in Parma, Italy. I’ve been here for six years now so I ___ the lifestyle.
   a. get used to, am used to
   b. used to, get used to
   c. used to, am used to
   d. use to, got used to

29. ___ was Tony late, but he had left all his books behind.
   a. Only then
   b. Not only
   c. No sooner
   d. Never

30. What would ___ like to do this morning?
   a. someone
   b. one
   c. yourself
   d. you

31. ___ didn’t you tell me that you felt too ill to work?
   a. Whoever
   b. Whatever
   c. However
   d. Why ever

32. ___ nothing much to do in this town.
   a. There’s
   b. It’s not
   c. There’s not
   d. It’s

33. Do you think ___ could help me choose a pair of trousers?
   a. someone
   b. anyone
   c. whoever
   d. there

34. There’s nobody here, and the door’s locked. What ___ now?
   a. do we do
   b. do we doing
   c. are we do
   d. are we doing

35. Graham told Ian he would see him the following day
   “___,” said Graham.
   a. I see you tomorrow
   b. I’ll see you tomorrow
   c. I’d see you tomorrow
   d. I’m seeing you tomorrow

36. Eddie asked Steve who he had been to the cinema with.
   “___ to the cinema with,” asked Eddie.
   a. Who do you go
   b. Who did you go
   c. Who have you gone
   d. Who will you go

37. I’m getting really soaked! I wish I ___ my umbrella.
   a. don’t forget
   b. didn’t forget
   c. haven’t forgotten
   d. hadn’t forgotten

38. Having lovely time in Brighton. I wish you ___ here.
39. I’m sorry, madam, but this carpet ____.
   a. sold
   b. Is sold
   c. Has sold
   d. Has been sold

40. A: What did I do wrong?
    B: _____ these two wires
       a. You shouldn’t have connected
       b. You didn’t have to connect
       c. You mustn’t connect
       d. You needn’t

VOCABULARY

1. I get ______ really well with your sister.
   hhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh. across
   iiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiii. on
   iiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiii. up
   kkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkk. through

37492689. I wouldn’t trust him. He’s so ______-honest.
   hhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh. dis-
   iiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiii. im-
   iiiiijiiijiiiiiiijjjjjjjjjjjjjj. un-
   kkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkkk. co-

98065488. That one’s yours, and this is ______.
   a. my
   b. me
   c. mine
   d. I

98065489. There are over one million _____ in this city.
   a. population
   b. person
   c. inhabitants
   d. habitants

98065490. You need a lot of _____ to write a good story
   a. imagine
   b. imagination
   c. imaginess
   d. imaginative

98065491. You should use suntan lotion when you go to the beach to _____ your skin
   a. rent
   b. keep
   c. protect
   d. save

98065492. I’m afraid there is only one first-class _____ free on the boat.
   a. cabin
   b. harbour
   c. buffet
   d. platform

98065493. If I wear a long-sleeved shirt, I usually _____ the sleeves.
   a. putup
   b. takeup
   c. rollup
   d. getup

98065494. I went shopping and bought a new winter ____.
   a. costume
   b. outfit
   c. suit
98065495. I’m ____ money every week to buy a new sports jacket.
   a. making for  
   b. getting over  
   c. putting aside  
   d. turning in

98065496. The company chairman has a Rolls-Royce driven by a ____.
   a. captain  
   b. conductor  
   c. driver  
   d. chauffeur

98065497. This clock ____ on two small batteries.
   a. goes  
   b. works  
   c. runs  
   d. moves

98065498. We must believe that problems can solved, and not just ____.
   a. makeup  
   b. lookup  
   c. give up  
   d. put up

14. The children never do what I tell them to! They are very ____.
   a. unobedient  
   b. inobedient  
   c. disobedient  
   d. coobedient

15. I can’t eat this! It’s completely ____.
   a. ineatable  
   b. inedible  
   c. uneatable  
   d. inedible

16. Go away! I want to be ____ myself.
   a. by  
   b. with  
   c. –  
   d. for

17. Find the similar word with the word in italics.
   The wedding was cancelled when the bride failed to arrive.
   a. turn up  
   b. fall out  
   c. turn down  
   d. count on

18. The dog ____ its tail furiously when it saw the children.
   a. shook  
   b. wagged  
   c. moved  
   d. rubbed

19. Some of the young people in my town ____ very strange haircuts!
   a. go out with  
   b. go through with  
   c. go back on  
   d. go in for

20. Before we choose a dress for you, let’s ____ all the shops.
   a. look into  
   b. look through  
   c. look around  
   d. look up

21. I don’t want a pattern. I prefer just a/an ____ colour.
   a. plain  
   b. simple  
   c. clear  
   d. only

22. Take the bus, and ____ at Oxford Circus.
23. She didn’t ___ on with her boss, so she left the company.
   a. fall
   b. take
   c. get
   d. get away

24. Sorry, I’m late, but I had a lot of ___ to do.
   a. job
   b. work
   c. task
   d. labour

25. Julie bought herself a complete new ___ for winter.
   a. outfit
   b. cloth
   c. clothing
   d. wear

26. In order to prove Smith is guilty, we must find some ___.
   a. information
   b. evidence
   c. knowledge
   d. means

27. I’m looking for ___. Do you know anywhere I can stay?
   a. place
   b. accommodation
   c. itinerary
   d. work

28. Choose the most appropriate meaning of the sentence: You must lose heart.
   a. Don’t have an operation
   b. Don’t give up hope.
   c. Have an operation
   d. Give up hope

29. Choose the most appropriate meaning of the sentence: This hotel has a class.
   a. You can study hotel management here.
   b. The hotel has a school in it.
   c. The hotel has a high quality.
   d. You can get high qualifications here.

30. Helen has a lovely ___ of hair.
   a. item
   b. piece
   c. head
   d. clap

31. We bought Mike and Lynn a ___ of clattery for a wedding present.
   a. set
   b. sheet
   c. slice
   d. loaf

32. Julie found her flat through a/an ___ agency.
   a. cookery
   b. travelling
   c. spelling
   d. accommodation

33. The weather was fine and everyone was ___ the coast.
   a. going in for
   b. making for
   c. joining in
   d. seeing about

34. Losing my job was a great shock, but I think I’m ___ it.
   a. seeing to
   b. putting up with
   c. standing for
   d. getting over
35. The hotel was terrible, but the wonderful beach ____our disappointment.
   a. got over
   b. faced up to
   c. saw to
   d. made up for

36. Sheila’s gone to ____ having a new phone installed
   a. see about
   b. deal with
   c. get round to
   d. ask after

37. I’ve had to ____ a lot of insulting behavior from you!
   a. look down on
   b. put up with
   c. stand up for
   d. get on with

38. How much money do you manage to ____?
   a. come into
   b. go in for
   c. deal with
   d. live on

39. When he retired he received a monthly ____.
   a. bonus
   b. pension
   c. rewards
   d. charge

40. My house is semi-detached …
   a. … on the third floor of a modern block
   b. … with room for over 200 vehicles
   c. … and he commute to work in the centre.
   d. … and the neighbours often bang on the wall.

READING

Not everyone’s a winner

A. Many people imagine that one day they will be successful entrepreneurs, perhaps even famous business personalities. This might happen, but for every person who becomes a success, many others fail in their attempt.

B. Imagine that you are a man in his thirties or early forties. You have a safe job with a regular income. You earn enough money to look after your family in a rented apartment, and your children go to the local school. You drive a small car and go on an annual vacation, usually camping by the beach. Over the years, you have managed to save some money, money that you could use to buy own house. But you have an idea, a business idea. You have invented something that you are sure everyone will want, that will make you rich and change your life, so you decide to try to raise the money to get your idea started. You plan to borrow money from a bank and add it to your savings.

C. Do you recognize this story? If so, you should be careful. Many people have felt like you and gone on to follow their dream. For most, it has come to nothing, but for some it has resulted in disaster. Starting a successful business is not as easy as it might seem. You need to ask yourself some questions before you put your money into the project, because you might lose everything.

D. The main question is about your idea. Is it really any good? If so, why hasn’t anyone else thought of it? This is the most important question. Many people fail to judge their own idea honestly and objectively. Have you tried selling your idea to a bank or financier? If so, what was their reaction? Did they seem excited and agree to a second meeting? If not, it may be best to drop it. For every successful idea, there are thousands that will not work commercially, and banks are generally pretty good judges of this. After all, they get their money from doing this. You must be sure that there really is a need for your idea. Is it actually better than what is out there already in the marketplace?

E. A final piece of advice: learn when to give up. Too many people have thrown away their lives chasing a dream that never comes to anything. At some point it may be better to look at your life, and ask yourself: isn’t this successful enough? Is it worth risking your job, your security, and your savings for what may be no more than a bigger car or a more exciting vacation?

1. Read the text and decide if the sentences are TRUE or FALSE.
   a. ___________In the world of business there are far more successful entrepreneurs rather than those who fail.
b. You shouldn’t be afraid to put your money into the business, once you decided to, because for most people it resulted in success.

c. According to the text, average salary is sufficient for taking care of your family in a rented apartment, and sending your children to the local schools.

d. The most important thing is being able to evaluate your idea objectively.

e. People mustn’t give up their ideas and stop following their dreams.

2. Match one main idea to each paragraph.
   A. _____  B. _____  C. _____  D. _____  E. _____

1. Be honest with yourself about how good your idea is.
2. Changing a small car for a bigger one is expensive.
3. A story of a common dream.
4. Know when to give up and do something else.
5. Borrow enough money from the bank.
6. Starting a business can have very bad results.

3. Choose the correct answer.
1. What does they refer to in paragraph 1?
   a) visionaries  b) entrepreneurs  c) many people
2. What does you refer to in paragraph 2?
   a) the reader  b) men  c) entrepreneurs
3. What does it refer to in paragraph 3?
   a) starting a business  b) asking some questions  c) resulting in disaster
4. What does it refer to in paragraph 4?
   a) the main question  b) your idea  c) the importance
5. What does they refer to in paragraph 4?
   a) good judges  b) successful ideas  c) banks

4. Find the words in the text for the given definitions:

a. to make an effort to do something (paragraph 1)

b. occurring once a year or every year (paragraph 2)

c. a thing, project, etc., that fails or has been ruined (paragraph 3)

d. a response indicating a person's feelings or emotional attitude (paragraph 4)

e. a period in which a break is taken from work or studies (paragraph 5)