

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

Question 1: Early warnings of rising water levels prevented another major catastrophe.

- A. challenge B. epidemic C. disaster D. disadvantage

Question 2: Because of an accident, the train was held up for several hours.

- A. finished B. started C. delayed D. continued

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.

Today there are libraries in almost every town in the world. Even in areas (3) _____ there are no libraries, there are often mobile libraries which take books from one village to the other. But in the days when books were copied by hand (4) _____ than printed, libraries were very rare. The reason is simple: books took a very long time to produce, and there were far fewer copies of any given work around. The greatest library of all that, in Alexandria, had 54,000 books.

In the ancient world, this number (5) _____ considered huge. It was the first time that anyone had collected so many books from all around the world under one roof. There are many theories about why these books were lost. One is that the library accidentally burned down. Another is that one of the rulers of the city ordered the books to be burned. They were taken to various places and it took six months to burn them. Whatever happened, the collection there was (6) _____. Many of the library's treasures were lost forever, some books were never recovered. We cannot even know (7) _____ what the library contained.

- Question 3** A. who B. which C. the place D. where
Question 4: A. much B. else C. more D. rather
Question 5: A. is B. were C. was D. has been
Question 6: A. priceless B. useless C. worthless D. valueless
Question 7: A. exactly B. detailedly C. really D. yet

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the rest in each of the following questions

- Question 8:** A. performed B. prepared C. impressed D. proved
Question 9: A. increase B. peace C. great D. team

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.

Family types vary in different countries and among different cultures. In Western, industrialized societies, the nuclear family ranks as the most common family type. It consists of a father, a mother and their children. But nuclear families exist alongside many other types of family units. In the single-parent family, for example, a mother or a father heads the family alone. A blended family is formed when a divorced or widowed parent remarries. As divorce rates have risen, the number of single-parent and blended families has increased.

In many parts of the world, parents and children live together with other family members under the same roof. These complex families usually contain several generations of family members, including grandparents, parents and children. They may also include brothers or sisters and their families, uncles, aunts and cousins. Even when relatives do not live together, they still consider themselves members of the same extended family including grandparents, uncles, aunts and cousins.

Question 10: The nuclear family ranks as the most common family type _____.

- A. in many industrialized countries B. that leads to the divorce of parents
 C. in countries with nuclear weapons D. that consists of more than two generations

Question 11: In the single-parent family, _____.

- A. there are often no children

- B. children live alone
- C. only one parent lives with his or her child or children
- D. the number of blended children has increased

Question 12: Grandparents, parents and children are mentioned as_____.

- A. the three typical generations of an extended family.
- B. a complex combination
- C. three branches of a family tree
- D. the closest and happiest relatives

Question 13: The second paragraph is about _____.

- A. American culture
- B. the extended family
- C. relatives and family members
- D. the relationship between family members

Question 14: The word “it” in the first paragraph refers to _____.

- A. the nuclear family
- B. society
- C. culture
- D. countries

Question 15: The underlined word “blended” is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. complex
- B. formed
- C. married
- D. mixed

Question 16: The word “They” in the 2nd paragraph refers to _____.

- A. complex families
- B. grandparents
- C. generations
- D. family members

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best combines the pair of sentences given in each of the following questions.

Question 17: She heard the news of the death of her mother. She fainted.

- A. On hearing the news of her dead mother, she fainted.
- B. She fainted so she heard the news of the death of her mother.
- C. On hearing the news of her mother's death, she fainted.
- D. She fainted and then she heard the news of the death of her mother.

Question 18: The man was shot in the bank robbery. The doctors are operating on him.

- A. The doctors are operating on the man who was shot in the bank robbery.
- B. The man was shot in the bank robbery where the doctors are operating on him.
- C. The man was whom the doctors are operating on him shot in the bank robbery.
- D. The man whom the doctors are operating on him shot in the bank robbery.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.

Question 19: “That’s a lovely new dress, Jean,” said her mother.

- A. Jean’s mother said she liked her dress.
- B. Jean’s mother told her to buy that lovely new dress.
- C. Jean’s mother complemented her on the lovely new dress.
- D. Jean’s mother wanted to buy a lovely new dress.

Question 20: Everyone started complaining the moment the announcement was made.

- A. No sooner had the announcement been made than everyone started complaining.
- B. Scarcely was the announcement made than everyone started complaining.
- C. After everyone had complained, the announcement was made.
- D. Hardly had everyone started complaining when the announcement was made.

Question 21: She did not study hard enough to win the scholarship.

- A. She studied hard, but she could not win the scholarship.
- B. It was very hard for her to win the scholarship.
- C. Winning the scholarship did not make her study harder.
- D. She could have won the scholarship if she had studied harder.

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

Question 22: There has been growing public concern about the use of chemicals in food _____ recently.

- A. preservation
- B. conservation
- C. protection
- D. reservation

Question 23: Have you seen my _____ boots anywhere? I’m sure I left them here.

- A. black climbing leather
- B. black leather climbing
- C. leather climbing black
- D. leather black climbing

Question 24: The Red Cross is aimed at providing _____ aid and other help to victims of natural disasters.

- A. medical B. political C. industrial D. agricultural

Question 25: Seventy Vietnamese contestants, _____ in preliminary rounds in Vietnam, Poland, the US and Australia, competed at the Miss Sea Vietnam Global 2018's semi-final in Kien Giang province on April 5

- A. were selected B. having selected C. selected D. who selected

Question 26: There were _____ many books on the shelves that I didn't know which one to choose.

- A. such B. too C. very D. so

Question 27: _____, he would have been able to pass the exam.

- A. If he was studying more B. Studying more
C. Had he studied more D. If he studied more

Question 28: You look exhausted. You _____ in the garden all day.

- A. must have been working B. can't have worked
C. must have been worked D. must be working

Question 29: This morning, I met Chris, _____ I hadn't seen for ages.

- A. which B. that C. whose D. whom

Question 30: The longer the children waited in the long queue, _____.

- A. the more impatient they became B. the most impatient they became
C. the more impatiently they became D. they became more impatient

Question 31: During a job interview, candidates are advised to concentrate _____ the interviewer's questions and make an effort to answer them properly.

- A. in B. with C. for D. on

Question 32: The pace of _____ life is much slower in the country than in the city.

- A. the B. an C. X D. a

Question 33: We thought the figures were correct. _____, we have now discovered some errors.

- A. Therefore B. However C. So D. But

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.

Question 34: Of the two lectures, the first was the best partly because the person who delivered it had
A B C

such a dynamic style.

D

Question 35: The number of people using the Internet have been increasing rapidly in the last few years.

A B C D

Question 36: Because of bad weather conditions, it took the explorers three days reaching their destination.

A B C D

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

Question 37: A. advocate. B. enlightenment C. awareness D. extinction

Question 38: A. officially B. medal C. childbearing D. government

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.

Question 39: Billy hasn't been working hard this term; he won't get through his examinations.

- A. fail B. pass C. succeed D. connect

Question 40: Ludwig van Beethoven was one of the great composers in the history of music.

- A. influential B. unknown C. outstanding D. reliable

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.

In the world today, particularly in the two most industrialized areas, North America and Europe, recycling is the big news. People are talking about it, practicing it, and discovering new ways to be **sensitive** to the environment. Recycling means finding ways to use products a second time. The motto of the recycling movement is "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle".

The first step is to reduce garbage. In stores, a shopper has to buy products in blister packs, boxes and expensive plastic wrappings. A hamburger from a fast food restaurant comes in lots of packaging: usually paper, a box, and a bag. All that packaging is wasted resources. People should try to buy things that are wrapped simply, and to reuse cups and utensils. Another way to reduce waste is to buy high-quality products. When low quality appliances break, many customers throw them away and buy new ones - a loss of more resources and more energy. For example, if a customer buys a high-quality appliance that can be easily repaired, the manufacturer receives an important message. In the same way, if a customer chooses a product with less packaging, that customer sends an important message to the manufacturers. To reduce garbage, the throwaway must stop.

The second step is to reuse. It is better to buy juices and soft drinks in returnable bottles. After customers empty the bottles, they return them to the store. The manufacturers of the drinks collect the bottles, wash them, and then fill them again. The energy that is necessary to make new bottles is saved. In some parts of the world, returning bottles for money is a common practice. In those places, the garbage dumps have relatively little glass and plastic from throwaway bottles.

The third step being environmentally sensitive is to recycle. Spent motor oil can be cleaned and used again. Aluminum cans are expensive to make. It takes the same amount of energy to make one aluminum can as it does to run a color TV set for three hours. When people collect and recycle aluminum (for new cans), they help save one of the world's precious resources.

Question 41: What is the main topic of the passage?

- A. What people often understand about the term 'recycle'.
- B. How to live sensitively to the environment.
- C. How to reduce garbage disposal.
- D. What is involved in the recycling movement.

Question 42: Which is described as one of the most industrialized areas?

- A. Middle East
- B. Asia
- C. Europe
- D. South America

Question 43: What does the word '**sensitive**' in the phrase 'sensitive to the environment' in paragraph 1 mean?

- A. logical
- B. friendly
- C. responding
- D. cautious

Question 44: People can do the following to reduce waste EXCEPT _____.

- A. buy high-quality products
- B. reuse cups
- C. buy fewer hamburgers
- D. buy simply-wrapped things

Question 45: Why is it a waste when customers buy low-quality products?

- A. Because people will soon throw them away.
- B. Because they produce less energy.
- C. Because they have to be repaired many times.
- D. Because customers change their ideas all the time

Question 46: The garbage dumps in some areas have relatively little glass and plastic because _____.

- A. people are ordered to return bottles
- B. each returned bottle is paid
- C. returned bottles are few
- D. not many bottles are made of glass or plastic

Question 47: What are the two things mentioned as examples of recycling?

- A. TV sets and aluminum cans.
- B. Aluminum cans and spent motor oil.
- C. Aluminum cans and plastic wrappings.
- D. Hamburger wrappings and spent motor oil.

Question 48: The energy used to make a can is _____ the energy used to run a color TV set for 3 hours.

- A. more than
- B. less than
- C. not worth being compared to
- D. as much as

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the most suitable response to complete each of the following exchanges.

Question 49: Ken and Tom are high-school students. They are discussing where their study group will meet.

Ken: "Where is our study group going to meet next weekend?"

Tom: "_____"

- A. Studying in a group is great fun
- B. The library would be best.
- C. We are too busy on weekends.
- D. Why don't you look at the atlas?

Question 50: Andrew is talking to a waiter in a restaurant.

Andrew: "Can I have the bill, please?"

Waiter: "_____"

- A. You are very kind.
- B. You're exactly right.
- C. My pleasure.
- D. Just a minute, please.

The end!

