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Choose the correct answer.

1. No plan is ever perfect, and strategists are _____ trying to refine their plans for future technological innovations.

- a) **constantly** c) mentally
b) uniformly d) equally
e) formerly

2. The 1990s saw a general _____ in aid to poor countries, largely because of fiscal pressures in many rich countries. They had to send less food and medical equipment.

- a) consumption **c) decline**
b) contingency d) conviction
e) expenditure

3. A poorly-planned vegetarian diet will typically be _____ in iron, zinc and calcium. If a diet does not include food rich in vitamins, that may cause some health problems.

- a) varied c) essential
b) nutritious d) deficient
e) balanced

4. The government had not _____ such a big natural disaster, so it did not have the necessary resources to help the people affected by the flood.

- a) influenced c) ensured
b) anticipated d) reached
e) insisted

5. The proposal for a new bridge was _____ by experts because they believed that it would harm the environment.

- a) invested c) constructed
b) reduced d) rewarded
e) rejected

6. He's clever, sharp, and creative. He's always _____ new innovative ideas.

- a) come up against c) cut down on
b) come down with **d) come up with**
e) come up to

7. When Mike sat on the old wooden chair, it _____ completely and he found himself on the floor.

- a) fell off **c) fell on**
b) fell apart d) fell out
e) fell over

8. By the time the key speakers arrive, we _____ everything that will be used in the conference hall.

- a) will arrange c) might arrange
b) would arrange **d) will have arranged**
e) will be arranged

9. The students were keen _____ the National Park. However, the park officials do not permit _____ to the park without an official guide.

- a) visiting / entering c) visited / entering
b) to visit / entering d) to visit / to enter
e) visit / entered

10. Professor Adams _____ has decided to retire at the end of the month.

- a) which sells books and stationery in the capital city
b) where people follow a much traditional lifestyle
c) that is a popular device in many countries
d) whose books are sold all over the world
e) why the students were not interested in attending

11. To me, some of the students' tutors should make them _____ because their grades are very poor.

- a) studied **c) study**
b) to study d) to be studied
e) studying

12. Mr.Skywalker asked if we _____ to join the rebellion army.

- a) have wanted c) want
b) are going to want **d) wanted**
e) may want

13. A big fire broke out at a factory last night. Unfortunately, the fire resulted _____ great damage to the factory.

- a) at
b) on
c) in
d) off

e) by

14. Some comets have _____ long orbits _____ they pass near the Earth only once every million years.

- a) so/ that
b) even/that
c) much/ that
d) very/ that

e) such/ that

Choose the correct words or phrases for the missing parts in the text below (15-19).

The truth is nobody really knows how language first began. Did we all start talking at around the same time (15) _____ of the manner in which our brains had begun to develop? Although there is a lack of clear evidence, people have come up with various theories about the origins of language. One recent theory is that human beings have evolved in (16) _____ a way that we are programmed for language from the moment of birth. In other words, language came about as a result of an evolutionary change in our brains at some stage. Language (17) _____ well be programmed into the brain but, (18) _____ this, people still need stimulus from others around them. From studies, we know that if children are isolated from human contact and have not learnt to construct sentences before they are ten, it is doubtful they will ever do so. This research shows, if (19) _____ else, that language is a social activity, not something invented in isolation.

15. a) as
b) seeing that
c) because
d) when
e) due to

16. a) enough
b) by
c) so
d) such
e) as

17. a) would
b) has to
c) might
d) will
e) would rather

18. a) although
b) instead of
c) in spite
d) despite
e) whereas

19. a) something
b) anything
c) none
d) some
e) nothing

Choose the most appropriate expression for the situation given (20-23).

20. You are hosting a dinner party in your home and want to offer your guests a chance to sit and talk before they come to the table to eat. **As your guests arrive, you say:**

- a) Can I take your coats for you?
b) I hope that you like lamb – it's the main dish tonight.
c) Welcome! Thank you so much for coming.
d) Let's sit down to eat right away. The food's getting cold!
e) Won't you come into the living room to have something to drink and chat before we eat?

21. You are interviewing someone for a job. You don't think the applicant has the right qualifications or even the right character for the position. However, you decide to give him the chance to further explain his talents. **You say:**

- a) If you would like to ask any questions you may do so.
b) This job starts at a low salary, but there is the possibility of promotion.
c) You do realize, don't you, that you will sometimes be required to work at weekends?
d) What makes you think you are the best candidate for this job?
e) Have you applied elsewhere for a job?

22. Your director at work has offered you a promotion. You don't want to take the position even though there would be a large pay increase, because it would involve moving your family to another city. **You go to the director and say:**

- a) What do you think I should do?
b) Thank you for considering me for this position, but I've decided I'd rather stay where I am for now.
c) Could you give me a week to think it over?
d) How much would my salary increase when I get this promotion?
e) I'll take the position only if I can find a good job for my wife and good schools for my children.

23. You are at the airport in a foreign city. You want to hire a taxi to take you to your hotel, but first you want to find out the fare so that the taxi driver can't overcharge you. **You say to the taxi stand attendant:**

- a) Excuse me, could you please tell me approximately how much it will cost me to go to the Smith Hotel?
b) I'm sorry to disturb you, but is there a taxi available to take me to the Smith Hotel?
c) It's very expensive to take a taxi these days, isn't it?
d) Why aren't there any taxis waiting?
e) I think I'll rent a car instead of taking a taxi. Where are the rental offices?

Find the sentence that best completes the given paragraph (24-27)

24. One such person was Thomas Wackley who in 1823 founded a medical journal called 'the Lancet'. At this time, Medicine was still a profession reserved for the rich. _____. The Lancet shone a bright light on the questionable practices undertaken in medicine and particularly in surgery, and finally led to improved standards of care.

- a) But the decisive turning point for moral reform is the French revolution.
- b) In conclusion, rich people like both medicine and art.
- c) Many journalists lived hard lives although they earned well.
- d) If the Italian society did not reform, ruin would surely follow.

e) Besides, access to knowledge was impossible for the common man.

25. _____. If this temperature drops by a small amount, then hypothermia sets in. At 35°C you will be unable to write your own name and even walking is very difficult. At 32°C, most people will collapse, slipping unconscious when their core temperature drops to around 30°C.

- a) Diabetes is the leading cause of blindness in people aged 30 to 65 years old.
- b) For decades, neuroscientists have attempted to learn how the brain makes memories.
- c) Normal body temperature varies from individual to individual, but is typically just over 37°C.
- d) Higher temperatures and more intense storms are likewise linked to "valley fever", a fatal disease contracted from a fungus in the soil of the central valley of California.
- e) In serious allergic disorders, patients are sometimes given a form of immunotherapy known as desensitization.

26. It is now nearly 40 years since President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas, Texas. _____. Was the suspect, Lee Harvey Oswald, alone assassin? Or was the murder the result of a major conspiracy? The fact is that what happened that day is still a mystery.

- a) He was a poet, a musician, a scientist, a historian, an explorer and even a pirate.
- b) Yet the events of that fateful day remain the subject of much controversy.
- c) Though he was a famous seaman, his real importance lies in other accomplishments.
- d) However, the plane landed in a clump of trees near Houston.
- e) California is famous for crazy ideas.

27. Although just a few years ago, most people regarded talk shows as ridiculous, now this chant is recognized and adored by many people in society. The most careful explanation for this is that the shows now have more interesting and captivating topics. _____. The topics have moved away from large scale social issues, like cancer, to relationship and familial issues, like adultery and mothers that are too teasing with their daughter's boyfriends. Most people would argue that the issues being presented now are not as interesting or captivating as the older issues.

a) The basis of most episodes of these shows has changed greatly over the past few years.

b) Talk shows always have interesting and charming topics.

c) However, there are many psychological explanations for the increasing anger experienced by the guests on a talk show.

d) The anxiety which you experienced is gone and replaced by anger, intense anger.

e) Contrary to the other ideologies of the time, nationalism proposed self- sacrifice for the good of others.

Choose the irrelevant sentence in the paragraphs below (28-31).

28. (I) Rainforests play an exceedingly important role in the ecology of the Earth. (II) They overspread almost 7% of the Earth's surface and are home to millions of plants and animals. (III) The plants of the rainforests make up much of the Earth's oxygen and remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. (IV) Many types of tropical rainforests tackle climate change in the world. (V) These herbs are also essential to people in other ways; many are used in new drugs that fight diseases and illnesses.

- a) I
- b) II
- c) III
- d) IV
- e) V

29. (I) In general, style is how a writer picks words and puts them together. (II) The style usually tells you whom the writer expects to read the work. (III) Some writers pick words with deep emotional appeal in order to urge their intellectual reader to act. (IV) The writer expects an educated reader if the sentences are long, and the words are difficult. (V) On the other hand, the target group is a more general group when the language is rich in slang expressions and current phrases.

- a) I
- b) II
- c) III
- d) IV
- e) V

30. (I) One of the problems facing many older people is living on a reduced income. (II) Upon retiring, older people may receive a pension from their company or social security from the government. (III) The amount of their monthly checks is often half the amount of the checks they received when they were employed. (IV) Older people also suffer from several diseases resulting from their age, such as arthritis or rheumatism, bringing out medical expenses. (V) Suddenly, retirees find that they can no longer continue the lifestyle they had become accustomed to, even if it is modest.

- a) I
b) II
c) III
d) IV
e) V

31. (I) Even today, more than 90 percent of the people of the Guineas live in a coastal zone only a few miles wide. (II) The Guinean population is exceptionally mixed, primarily due to former slavery and the system of indentured labor. (III) These systems provided the European planters with workers. (IV) In the latter system, the laborer agreed to work without wages for many years in return for payment of his passage to the colonies. (V) Most of these workers came from India and the East Indies.

- a) I
b) II
c) III
d) IV
e) V

Choose the sentence that is closest in meaning to the sentence given. (32- 36)

32. Traveling by car is convenient as long as you can find a place to park.

- a) Long journeys are more comfortable by car, but sometimes parking is a problem on such trips.
b) It may take a long time to locate a parking place, but going by car is still the best way.
c) Parking is becoming a bigger problem, so traveling by car is getting more difficult.
d) Searching for a place to park takes a lot of time these days.
e) Providing that a parking space is available, taking a car is an easy choice.

33. My parents will have their house redecorated next week.

- a) My parents will redecorate their house next week.
b) Someone will redecorate my parents' house next week.
c) I will help my parents to redecorate their house.
d) I wonder if my parents will redecorate their house next week.
e) It will be very nice if my parents redecorate their house.

34. Despite the fact that I missed my bus, I was punctual for the interview.

- a) I wasn't late for the interview, even though I didn't manage to catch the bus.
b) I overslept and missed the bus, so I wasn't able to get the job.

- c) If I hadn't taken the bus, I might not have arrived so late for the interview.
d) I would have arrived at the interview on time if I had taken the bus.
e) It's not because I overslept and missed the interview, but because I just wasn't able to get on the bus.

35. It is difficult to make ends meet these days; the taxes are being so hard.

- a) People would lead a better life these days if taxes were collected regularly.
b) Were the taxes low, it would be easier for people to make huge savings.
c) So high are the taxes that people are forced to evade paying them.
d) Since taxes are very high, managing on one's income is rather hard nowadays.
e) Because the taxes are so high, nobody pays them.

36. I wish I had learned French when I was in high school.

- a) I hope I'll learn French in high school.
b) If I had learned French in high school, I would be regretful now.
c) I regret not learning French in high school.
d) I want to learn French at high school when I start high school.
e) I would like to learn French one day in the future.

Put the sentences into the correct order to make a meaningful paragraph (37-39).

37. 1- Integrating these people into the economy will be a long and expensive undertaking.

2- There are 6 or 7 million Americans not officially counted as part of the labor force who say that they would like to work.

3- Many companies are reluctant to hire those who have not worked for a long time.

4- As some economic studies have shown, the longer a person is unemployed, the harder it becomes for him or her to find a job.

- a) 1-2-3-4
b) 4-3-2-1
c) 2-4-1-3
d) 4-2-3-1
e) 2-3-1-4

38. 1- Effects like these will not be confined to large manufacturers, either.

2- Actually, these developments will empower smaller companies and individual entrepreneurs.

3- Everything on the planets of the future will be run by smarter software.

4- Introducing new innovative products will become easier and cheaper for them.

5-Digitization in manufacturing will have as widespread an effect as in other industries that have gone digital, including photography, publishing, and films.

- a) 5- 2-3-1-4
b) 4-2-3-1-5
c) 5- 2-4-1-3
d) 4-5-3-2-1
e) 3-5-1-2-4

39. 1- The question is whether we will be able to gain a worthwhile international consensus that enables us to do this with any degree of effectiveness.

2- Nobody on this planet will be able to run away from the impacts of global warming. The resulting environmental deterioration will make life much harder for billions of people.

3- It is too late now to put the clock back, but we can, at least, attempt to reduce the worst effects of global warming.

a) 2-3-1

b) 3-2-1

c) 1-2-3

d) 3-1-2

e) 2-1-3

Answer the questions (40-42) according to the following text.

Electric cars are cars that use electricity for power. While conventional cars use gasoline or diesel for fuel, electric cars have an electric motor powered by batteries or a fuel cell.

There are several different kinds of electric cars. Plug-in hybrids have both a gasoline or diesel engine and an electric motor. The battery of plug-in hybrids is recharged when the car is plugged into an outlet, just like you would plug in any appliance. Battery electric vehicles do not use any fuel, running solely on electricity. Hydrogen fuel cell vehicles power an electric motor by converting hydrogen gas into electricity. Conventional hybrid cars use both gas or diesel and an electric motor for power, alternating between the two depending on the moment-to-moment needs of the car (accelerating, decelerating, idling, etc.). They are not considered to be electric cars since they cannot be plugged in.

Electric cars tend to emit less pollution than the most efficient conventional cars. How much less pollution depends on the type of electric car and where its energy comes from. When you plug a battery electric car into a clean electricity grid, its greenhouse gas emissions are comparable to what would be emitted by a conventional vehicle getting over a hundred miles per gallon. Electric cars that are charged using renewable electricity like solar or wind power are practically emission-free.

The purchase price of electric cars is typically higher than the purchase price of conventional vehicles. Both the federal government and some states offer tax credits for purchasing electric vehicles. Additionally, it costs significantly less over the life of an electric car to recharge its battery than it does to be constantly putting gas or diesel into a conventional car, so over the five to ten years that a person might typically own a vehicle, the total cost of ownership for electric cars can be between \$700 and \$1,000 a year less than that for conventional vehicles.

40. Which vehicles use both gas or diesel and electricity?

a) fuel cell vehicles

b) conventional hybrids

c) plug-in hybrids

d) battery electric vehicles

e) heavy-duty diesel vehicles

41. Which of the following is NOT an advantage of electric cars?

a) They may run on solar or wind power that are renewable.

b) They are less expensive than conventional cars.

c) There may be tax credits for purchasing one.

d) They cost less to power over the life of the vehicle.

e) They emit less pollution, which is desired

42. A hybrid vehicle _____.

a) can go faster than the other ones.

b) doesn't have an electric motor.

c) has a hydrogen fuel cell.

d) use petrol or water.

e) isn't accepted as an electric car.

Answer the questions (43-46) according to the following text.

A garment factory complex in Savar, Bangladesh, Rana Plaza, collapsed on 24 April 2013. The collapse of Rana Plaza, a structurally deficient eight-story building, was a local disaster with global implications. Bangladesh is the world's second-biggest manufacturer of ready-made garments (RMG) after China. The industry is responsible for nearly 80% of the country's exports, earning \$19 billion annually, or about 13% of its GDP (Gross Domestic Product). Some 4 million Bangladeshis— mostly undereducated villagers – work in the country's RMG trade, making T-shirts and jeans for top international brands. Pictures of the collapse put an intimate face on what is, in Bangladesh, a crucial but poorly regulated and often dangerous industry. In early June 2013, six weeks after Rana Plaza fell, a photographer and a reporter teamed up to trace the backstories of the Rana Plaza survivors and victims to try to learn how they lived and died. What they found out was that Bangladesh's RMG workers follow a common developing-world pattern: leave the familiarity of the village for the harsh uncertainty of the city in the hope that higher urban wages translate into a better life for their families and for later generations. What sets Bangladeshi garment workers apart is that they lose their lives on the job with depressing frequency.

43. It can be inferred from the passage that _____.

a) the collapse of the Rana Plaza should have attracted more attention worldwide

b) there were far more workers in the Rana Plaza than the building could handle

c) the Rana Plaza was not properly constructed

d) the Bangladeshi government has always prioritized the conditions of workers in the RMG industry

e) the workers in the Rana Plaza did not have a reputation for producing high-quality garments

44. It is clear from the passage that _____.

a) there are 4 million undereducated villagers in Bangladesh, still waiting to be employed

b) China produces better quality garments than Bangladesh

c) the RMG industry had to be halted in Bangladesh after the collapse

d) ready-made garments comprise the largest share of Bangladesh's exports

e) workers in Bangladesh can earn more by working extra hours in R G industry.

45. According to the passage, _____.
- the working conditions of the deceased have been investigated by the authorities
 - many international brands ceased business with Bangladesh after the disaster
 - pictures of the disaster revealed the truth hidden from developed countries
 - people were let back into the disaster area six weeks later
 - there are very few governmental controls in the RMG industry

46. The author points out that the RMG-workers in Bangladesh differ from other developing-country workers in that _____.

- they are brave enough to leave their villages
- the mortality rates among them are higher
- they dedicate their work to later generations
- they are not intimidated by uncertainties in the city
- they need to work much harder and longer hours

Answer the questions (47-50) according to the following text.

In a crowded job market, success in getting a prime position is closely linked to making a great first impression. But you might be surprised to discover what that first impression should be. Dr. Victoria Brescoll of Yale University showed test subjects one of two recorded job interviews in which the candidate talked about losing an important client at their previous job. Half of the subjects were shown a video where the candidate behaved angrily and blamed his co-workers. The other subjects were shown a version where the candidate expressed sadness at the lost client. Taking responsibility for your mistakes may sound praiseworthy, but the angry candidate was rated as more competent than the sad one and could cope with a position of high responsibility. "For anger to have positive effects, it needs to be used occasionally, targeted carefully, and expressed appropriately." Dr. Hajo Adam of Northwestern University says. Losing your temper is also perceived differently. Western business culture regards anger as an expression of dominance, whereas in Asia, it is seen as a loss of control. In addition, according to a recent study, men who self-identify as disagreeable earn 18 percent more than those who think of themselves as nice.

47. In the passage, Dr. Brescoll's study puts forward that _____.

- blaming someone else for a mistake that you have made is seen as being impolite
- losing your temper can help you appear more skillful in the workplace
- success in the career is best accomplished when you undertake more responsibilities
- analyzing job interviews gives both reliable and unreliable findings on anger-control
- expressing your feelings is not a quality that is generally admired.

48. It is clear from the passage that if anger is to be used in a beneficial way, _____

- it should be aimed only at people who also behave in a similar manner
- it should benefit a person who wants to be nice rather than disagreeable
- for whom, when, and how it will be used should be taken into account
- the appropriate expression becomes necessary while talking to your co-workers
- it needs to be used excessively so that it can act as a deterrent to others

49. It is understood from the passage that _____.

- the interpretation of anger in the workplace varies from culture to culture
- those who regard themselves as nice are more liable to lose their temper
- Asian cultures consider anger as an important factor that helps businesses improve
- Western business culture disapproves of anger if it is used to express power
- the reasons why people behave angrily are quite similar both in Western and Eastern cultures

50. It can be inferred from the passage that _____.

- anger management studies are becoming increasingly popular
- expressing sadness instead of anger for your mistakes is more acceptable in many cultures
- Brescoll's and Adam's findings appear to be contradictory
- there is a general agreement among scholars about why anger is considered negative
- when it is controlled, anger might be the key to dealing with difficult situations