

A. PRONUNCIATION

Choose the word that has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others.

1. a. admire **b. avid** c. variety d. while
2. **a. occupy** b. simply c. accompany d. hobby
3. a. practised b. stamped **c. indulged** d. accomplished
4. **a. collect** b. common c. modest d. accomplish
5. a. friends b. tunes c. clubs **d. stamps**

B. LANGUAGE FOCUS

I. Choose the word or phrase - a, b, c or d - that best completes the sentence or substitutes for the underlined word or phrase.

6. My father never indulges _____ drinking.
a. on **b. in** c. with d. to
7. I love watching the small fish swimming _____ in the tank.
a. through b. up c. towards **d. about**
8. He wasn't able to cope _____ the stresses and strains of the job.
a. with b. to c. in d. on
9. My friend Dave was really interested in my best stamp, so I _____ it away to him.
a. gave b. threw c. brought d. put
10. These ideas have now been completely discarded.
a. come up with **b. got rid of** c. put forward d. put into practice
11. This vase is quite rare and is almost a _____'s item.
a. collect b. collective c. collection **d. collector**
12. The singer was _____ on the piano by her sister.
a. played b. performed **c. accompanied** d. helped
13. The most important thing is to keep yourself occupied.
a. busy b. relaxed c. comfortable d. free
14. My parents lent me the money. _____, I couldn't have afforded the trip.
a. Only if **b. Otherwise** c. However d. Therefore
15. I don't know the title but I recognize the _____ of this song.
a. sound b. rhyme **c. tune** d. theme

II. Choose the word or phrase - a, b, c or d - that best completes the sentence.

16. _____ saying was so important that I asked everyone to stop talking and listen.

- a. What the woman was b. That the woman was
c. The woman was d. What was the woman
17. Marta Graham, _____ of the pioneers of modern dance, didn't begin dancing until she was 21.
a. who as one b. she was **c. one** d. was one
18. Many communities are dependent oil groundwater _____ from wells for their water supply.
a. that obtained **b. obtained** c. is obtained d. obtain it
19. _____ who was elected the first woman mayor of Chicago in 1979.
a. It was Jane Byrne b. Jane Byrne
c. That Jane Byrne d. When Jane Byrne
20. The first American novelist to have a major impact on world literature _____.
a. who was James Fenimore Cooper b. James Fenimore Cooper was
c. it was James Fenimore Cooper **d. was James Fenimore Cooper**
21. _____ important railroad tunnel in the US was cut through the Hoosac Mountains in Massachuset.
a. At first b. It was the first **c. The first** d. As the first of
22. It was in 1875 _____ joined the staff of the astronomical observatory at Harvard University.
a. that Anna Winlock b. Anna Winlock, who
c. as Anna Winlock d. Anna Winlock then
23. _____ the dollar as its, monetary unit in 1878.
a. Adopted by Canada **b. Canada adopted**
c. It was adopted by Canada d. The Canada adoption of
24. _____ that the capital of South Carolina was moved from Charleston to Columbia.
a. In 1790 was b. There was in 1790
c. In 1790 **d. It was in 1790**
25. It was Mr. Harding _____ the bill to yesterday.
a. who sent my secretary b. to whom my secretary sent
c. that my secretary sent d. my secretary sent

III. Choose the word or phrase - A, B, C or D – that needs correcting.

26. Small distinctions among stamps, unimportant to the person average,

A

B

would mean a great deal to the stamp collector. (average person)

C

D

27. Calcium, the most abundantly mineral in the body, works with

A

B

C

phosphorus in maintaining bones and teeth. (abundant)

D

28. Mark's known for ages that his parents are coming to stay with us

A

B

this weekend, but it was only yesterday did he told me. (that he)

C D

29. On May 20, 1932, Amelia Earhart became the first woman fly solo

A

B

C

across the Atlantic Ocean. (to fly)

D

30. Nitrogen and oxygen are too important that most living organisms

A

B

C

cannot survive without these elements. (so important)

D

C READING

A. Fill in each blank with one appropriate word from the box.

spectator interests decorated range satisfied discarded

bored educational collector engaging positive classified

The word *hobby* is a shortened form of hobbyhorse, which had a (31) decorated wooden framework with an imitation horse's head attached to it. Hobbies today include a vast (32) range of activities. In this sense, hobbies include games and sports, but they leave out purely (33) spectator activities like watching television. They also exclude schooling and work done to make a living.

Hobbies are important for many reasons, First, a hobby can be (34) educational For example, if the hobby is stamp collecting the (35) collector can learn about the countries of the world and even some of their history. Second, (36) engaging in the hobby can lead to meeting people with the same (37) interests. Third, a person's free time is being used in (38) positive way. The person has no time to be (39) bored. Finally some hobbies can lead to a future job. A person who enjoys a hobby related job is more (40) satisfied with life.

B. Read the passage carefully, then choose the correct answer.

The hobby of collecting consists of acquiring specific items based on a particular interest of the collector. These collections of things are often highly organized, carefully cataloged, and attractively displayed. Since collecting depends on the interests of the individual collector, it may deal with almost any subject. The depth and breadth of the collection may also vary. Some collectors choose to focus on a specific subtopic within their area

of general interest: for example, 19th Century postage stamp, milk bottle labels from Sussex, or Mongolian harnesses and tack. Others prefer to keep a more general collection, accumulating Star Trek merchandise, or stamps from all countries of the world. Some collections are capable of being completed, at least to the extent of owning one sample of each possible item in the collection (e.g. a copy of every book by Agatha Christie). Collectors who specifically try to assemble complete collections in this way are sometimes called 'completist'. Upon completing a particular collection, they may stop collecting, expand the collection to include related items, or begin an entirely new collection. The most popular fields in collecting have specialized commercial dealers that trade in the items being collected, as well as related accessories. Many of these dealers started as collectors themselves, then turned their hobby into a profession. There are some limitations on collecting, however. Someone who has the financial means to collect stamps might not be able to collect sport cars, for example. .

41. Collecting may deal with almost any subject because _____.
a. it has a wide range of subjects
b. it depends on the collector's interests
c. it is often classified into different categories
d. it is based on a particular interest of the collector.
42. Which of the following is not mentioned in the passage as a collector's item?
a. stamps b. books c. goods **d. accessories**
43. What do collectors do when they have completed their collections?
a. They sell their collections.
b. They begin to collect the more expensive things.
c. They continue to collect related, items.
d. They become specialized dealers
44. The word 'accumulating' in the passage can best be replaced by _____.
a. building up b. bringing in c. taking on d. carrying on
45. Which of the following is true?
a. Most collections are on public display.
b. It's took a lot of time and money to complete a collection.
c. Most fields in collecting have specialized commercial dealers.
d. Most of the dealers have their experiences in collecting.

D. WRITING

Choose the sentence - a, b, c or d - which is closest in meaning to the printed one.

46. We are now completely out of thermal socks.

a. There is one pair of thermal socks left.

b. There isn't any pair of thermal socks left.

c. We no longer wear thermal socks.

d. We don't sell thermal socks.

47. Their chances of success are small.

a. It's very likely that they will succeed.

b. They will definitely be successful.

c. It's not very likely that they will succeed.

d. They won't have any chance of being successful.

48. Their problems are all self-inflicted.

a. All of their problems are well worth considering.

b. They don't cause their own problems.

c. They are thinking about their problems.

d. Their problems are of their own making.

49. The patient recovered more rapidly than expected.

a. The patient didn't recover as fast as expected.

b. The patient made a more rapid recovery than expected.

c. The patient recovered more slowly than expected.

d. The patient didn't get well as expected.

50. 'If you don't apologize immediately, I'm leaving,' she told him.

a. She told him not to apologize immediately.

b. She asked him to apologize immediately as she was leaving.

c. She threatened to leave unless he apologized immediately.

d. She warned him not to apologize; otherwise, she was leaving