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SAMPLE PROFICIENCY EXAM

Full name:

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Mark your group on the optic form!

Time: 90 mins.

1. Jane _____ a lot in her job and at the moment she _____ around Europe for a conference.
A. is travelling / travels
B. travels / is travelling
C. is travel / travels
D. travel / is travelling
2. Let's stay under this tree _____ raining.
A. as soon as it stops
B. until it will stop
C. until it stops
D. so it stops
3. When he arrived, his parents _____ for him at home to congratulate his birthday.
A. were waiting
B. was waiting
C. waited
D. will wait
4. While I _____ for my passport, I _____ this old photograph.
A. looked / was finding
B. was looking / was finding
C. was looking / found
D. looked / found
5. By the time we _____ home, we saw that somebody _____ one of our windows.
A. got / had broken
B. got / broke
C. had got / broke
D. had got / had broken
6. When I see her tomorrow, I _____ the good news.
A. will be telling
B. will have told
C. will tell
D. am telling
7. Come to the hotel lobby at nine o'clock tomorrow. Your guide _____ in the reception.
A. is waiting
B. will wait
C. will have waited
D. will be waiting
8. My children _____ a lot when they were babies because of my job.
A. are travelling
B. used to travelling
C. are used to travel
D. used to travel
9. Sarah went to the hair dresser this morning. She _____ her hair cut. She _____ very beautiful now.
A. had / looks
B. has / looks
C. had / is looking
D. has / is looking
10. It is very hot in here. _____ I turn on the air conditioning?
A. Would
B. Will
C. Shall
D. Could
11. **Alan:** How many countries _____ so far?
Rob: I _____ to 40 countries since 2000. I last _____ to Italy in 2013.
A. have you visited / have gone / went
B. have you visited / went / have been
C. did you visit / have been / have gone
D. have you visited / have been / went

12. Nick really hates _____ dogs, but he has got _____ cat.
 A. the / the B. a / a C. - / a D. the / -
13. There isn't _____ airport near where I live. _____ nearest airport is 70 miles away.
 A. an / A B. the / The C. a / - D. an / The
14. John _____ very happy after being the champion of the tournament.
 A. may be B. must be C. can be D. could be
15. He _____ in the city centre. He said he wanted to go home.
 A. could be B. must be C. can't be D. may be
16. The painting, _____ is one of Picasso's most famous, was sold for millions of dollars.
 A. which B. who C. where D. whose
17. This is the architect _____ built the highest skyscraper in the world.
 A. whose B. who C. where D. which
18. What _____ if you _____ your favourite actor?
 A. did you do / would meet C. would you do / would meet
 B. did you do / met D. would you do / met
19. Unless we _____ early, we _____ the train to the city centre.
 A. leave / wouldn't catch C. will leave/catch
 B. leave/ won't catch D. will leave/will catch
20. We might finish the work on time if they _____ us.
 A. helped B. help C. had helped D. have helped
21. If I were a millionaire, I _____ work now.
 A. wouldn't have to B. don't have to C. won't have to D. didn't have to
22. She _____ in a hotel since her family came to Germany three weeks ago.
 A. had stayed B. has been staying C. stayed D. is staying
23. We live in a world _____ is changing all the time.
 A. which B. what C. - D. where
24. The teacher told me _____ talking.
 A. that I stop B. that I stopped C. to stop D. stop
25. Mark: 'Did she arrive late yesterday?'
 Mark _____ me _____.
 A. said / did she arrive late the day before.
 B. wanted to know / when she had arrived that day.
 C. asked / whether she had arrived late the previous day.
 D. told / if she did arrive late the previous day.

26. Could you tell me _____?
 A. where the nearest bank is
 B. what time does the concert start
 C. how can go to the bank
 D. are the shops open on Sunday
27. Joe: 'I've been to a wedding.'
 Joe _____ he _____ to a wedding.
 A. said / went
 B. said / had been
 C. told / has been
 D. told / would have been
28. I know I locked the door. I clearly remember _____ it.
 A. locking
 B. to lock
 C. lock
 D. to locking
29. _____ in the park every morning makes me energetic.
 A. To run
 B. Run
 C. To running
 D. Running
30. I'd like _____ a job abroad, preferably in Canada.
 A. to get
 B. get
 C. getting
 D. to getting
31. I will buy this car because it is _____ than the other one.
 A. less expensive
 B. the least expensive
 C. the most expensive
 D. as expensive as
32. The chair in my office isn't _____ the chair at home.
 A. as comfortable than
 B. as comfortable as
 C. more comfortable
 D. less comfortable
33. People are _____ stressed today when it is compared to past.
 A. the same as
 B. worse
 C. the most
 D. more
34. We _____ buy tickets for the concert – entrance is free.
 A. mustn't
 B. don't have to
 C. should
 D. are going to
35. You _____ smoke inside the school building. It is strictly forbidden.
 A. mustn't
 B. shouldn't
 C. may not
 D. don't have to
36. **Husband:** 'You _____ help me paint the living room tonight.'
Wife: 'You _____ .I'm too tired.'
 A. have to / have joked
 B. need to / must joke
 C. should / must be joking
 D. ought to / need a joke
37. **Mark:** How _____ sugar do we have? I'm going to make a cake.
Sue: _____. I've used it all.
 A. much / Any
 B. much / Not much
 C. much / None
 D. much / A few
38. Susan didn't enjoy the party on Saturday, because there were too _____ people and there wasn't - _____ food and drink.
 A. many / enough
 B. much / many
 C. many / a lot of
 D. much / enough
39. **Tom:** These shoes are _____ small for me. Can you try them on?
Mark: OK. They aren't big _____ for me either.
 A. enough / too
 B. too / very
 C. too / enough
 D. much / too

40. Candidates for the job _____ between July 26th and August 3rd.
 A. are interviewing C. will interview
 B. will have interviewed D. will be interviewed
41. The museum _____ at the moment, so it's closed.
 A. has been painted B. paints C. is painting D. is being painted
42. This meat has to _____ today.
 A. ate B. be eaten C. was eaten D. eat
43. A woman phoned at lunch time yesterday and asked _____ to Paul.
 A. speaking B. can she speak C. she can speak D. if she could speak
44. The police officer stopped us and asked us where _____.
 A. were we going B. are we going C. we are going D. we were going
45. I _____ tennis a lot, but now I don't play very often.
 A. used to play B. was playing C. use to play D. was used to play
46. If I _____ taller, I would be better at basketball.
 A. am B. would be C. were D. had been
47. You failed the proficiency exam last year. You _____ more this year.
 A. had studied B. should study C. would study D. could study
48. **Tom:** Jane's car was stolen because she hadn't locked it.
Jack: I suppose it's her fault then so don't forget _____ yours.
 A. lock B. to lock C. locking D. not to lock
49. Adrian asked me if I could _____ him some money.
 A. lend B. borrow C. take D. owe
50. I don't know how to set up my new computer, Can you help me to _____ the essential programs?
 A. interact B. certify C. install D. renew
51. She's so _____. She won't tell anything to others when you tell her something secret.
 A. reliable B. sensitive C. arrogant D. selfish
52. Buying a house is always a good _____.
 A. budget B. investment C. loan D. bill
53. My mobile rang in the middle of the film; it was so _____! Everyone in the cinema looked at me.
 A. satisfied B. embarrassed C. satisfying D. embarrassing
54. You need to _____ before the exam if you don't want to _____ it again.
 A. cheat / take B. study / pass C. work / do D. revise / fail
55. We met at _____, we were _____.
 A. work / colleagues C. company / retired
 B. scene / customers D. job / partners

56. You need at least two years of work _____ and special _____ to work in this company.
 A. contract / salary C. promotion / wages
 B. experience / qualifications D. load / knowledge
57. The bell boy was _____ after carrying all the luggage to the sixth floor.
 A. tiring B. exhausted C. filthy D. terrified
58. Fred Lorz was _____ from athletics in 1904 because he _____.
 A. awarded / passed C. banned / cheated
 B. promoted / failed D. revised / invested
59. The writer of the book earned a lot of money on this book but she _____ all the money for the _____.
 A. put away / bank C. threw away / company
 B. gave away / charity D. went away / holiday
60. Twelve _____ died in the plane crash last month.
 A. audience B. guests C. spectators D. passengers
61. We arrived late because there was a terrible traffic _____.
 A. jam B. block C. lights D. problems
62. How _____ does it _____ you to get to İzmir from Çanakkale?
 A. far / cost B. much / take C. many / cost D. long / take
63. My plane _____ at 10:00 a.m. and _____ at 14:00 p.m.
 A. took off / landed C. took up / boarded
 B. set off / boarded D. set up / landed
64. After we left university, we _____ because he moved to İstanbul and I stayed in İzmir.
 A. got to know B. got on C. knocked out D. lost touch
65. Do you often have arguments with your family or do you _____ them?
 A. get out of B. get away with C. get on well with D. get together
66. Bank _____ escape with 500.000 dollars after police are forced to give up search.
 A. robbers B. burglars C. thieves D. murderers
67. My throat and chest feel really sore. I must have some kind of _____.
 A. bruise B. cough C. infection D. scar
68. John's finally _____ his medical operation and is back at work now.
 A. come across B. got over C. looked after D. run down
69. We have to _____ the environment for future generations.
 A. reduce B. protect C. destroy D. pollute
70. You _____ people when you say good things about what they want to do.
 A. insist B. argue C. complain D. encourage

Answer the questions 71 - 75 according to the passage.

Marco Polo's Influence

Marco Polo undertook the journey to the Far East when he was only 17 years old. He travelled with his father and uncle, and after the trip was over, he completed a book about what he had seen. It was full of information about the cultures and geography of the Asian lands he had visited, as well as stories of his adventures. Although other explorers had visited this remote part of the world before, Polo's reports were unparalleled in their level of excitement and detail.

Polo arrived home in Venice in 1295. Then, three years later, he was called to fight in a war between the cities of Venice and Genoa and had the misfortune to be taken and held by the Genoan side. While waiting to be freed, he met a writer named Rustichello da Pisa who greatly admired the stories Polo told him. Rustichello da Pisa wrote them down in the form of a book that was published and called *The Description of the World* or *The Travels of Marco Polo*. It became very popular and was much admired by many people. However, some people did not believe it was true and said it should be called *The Million Lies*. Despite this, the book contributed greatly to an increased interest in the Far East.

Christopher Columbus knew about the travels of Marco Polo when he first sailed westward with the objective of finding a new route to the Eastern lands in 1492. In fact, one writer at the time claimed that Columbus had read and studied the book prior to asking Portugal to finance his voyage. However, he may have got the information through word of mouth. A library in Seville has a copy of Polo's book that was owned by Columbus. It has notes written in it, possibly by Columbus himself. However, these notes appear to have been written only after Columbus's third trip to the Americas. So did he read Polo's book before 1492, or didn't he? It's up to future researchers to try to discover the answer.

71. What is the main purpose of the passage?
- A. to give information about the cultures and geography of the Far East
 - B. to show how Marco Polo's book affected the world
 - C. to explain why Columbus decided to make his voyages
 - D. to summarize what Marco Polo wrote about
72. According to the writer, which event happened first?
- A. Polo met the writer Rustichello da Pisa.
 - B. Polo travelled to the Far East.
 - C. Polo came to Venice in 1295.
 - D. Polo was called to fight in a war.
73. In paragraph 1, sentence 4, the word "their" means ____.
- A. cultures
 - B. Asian lands
 - C. adventures
 - D. reports
74. The information in the book *The Travels of Marco Polo* ____.
- A. was supplied by Rustichello da Pisa
 - B. was not very interesting to most people
 - C. was fictional
 - D. was not believed by some people
75. What is the main idea of paragraph 3?
- A. Columbus was influenced by Marco Polo.
 - B. Columbus wanted to find a new route to the Far East.
 - C. Columbus asked Portugal to finance his voyage.
 - D. Columbus had read Marco Polo's book.

Answer the questions 76 - 80 according to the passage.

A Master of Perfume

The creation of a new perfume is not a simple process. It requires a lot of imagination, a deep understanding of how the sense of smell works, and almost always a considerable amount of time. Edmond Roudnitska, a Frenchman who died in 1996, was a world-renowned perfume expert. Some people claim that he had the greatest nose of all time. In his 60 years in the business, he created only 17 perfumes that he considered good enough to put on the market. However, these 17 are some of the most commercially successful combinations of essences of the 20th century, and include several products for Marcel Rochas and Christian Dior.

Roudnitska didn't follow the traditional route of other perfume makers. Although he was born in Grasse, the perfume capital of the world at the time, he had no education, background, or work experience when he first found employment in his city in the industry. Within a year, he left his hometown to take over as the top perfumer for a company outside of Paris. After working there for about 20 years, he formed his own creative workplace, Art et Parfum, in a small town near Paris. Later he moved the company to a location near Grasse, where he lived and worked until he died at age 91.

Roudnitska had an excellent understanding of biology and how the sense of smell works in humans. He used this skill to create his distinctive perfumes. He emphasized that people needed to understand two basic rules if they wanted to obtain results like his. The first rule is that even though you put a lot of a certain essence into a mixture, the nose is never able to sense all of it. The second rule is that if one essence in a mixture is present in an extremely small amount, the nose will automatically strengthen this odor, perhaps causing it to dominate others in the mix. Making use of these special understandings, Roudnitska created some of the most successful perfumes in the world.

76. The purpose of this passage is to ____.
- A. describe how perfume is made
 - B. describe what makes a perfume commercially successful
 - C. describe the life work of Edmond Roudnitska
 - D. describe some distinctive perfumes
77. Roudnitska worked as a perfumer for ____ years.
- A. 17
 - B. 20
 - C. 60
 - D. 91
78. In paragraph 1, sentence 5, what do the words 'put on the market' mean?
- A. sell to the general public
 - B. sell at a local market
 - C. display in stores
 - D. become extremely successful
79. Which of these activities did Edmond Roudnitska do first?
- A. He formed the company Art et Parfum.
 - B. He worked for a perfume company in Grasse.
 - C. He worked for a perfume company outside of Paris.
 - D. He created perfumes for Christian Dior.
80. What is the main idea of paragraph 3?
- A. Roudnitska was able to create only a few distinctive perfumes.
 - B. The nose can't smell all the essences in a mixture.
 - C. Sometimes a small amount of an essence can dominate others in a mixture.
 - D. Successful perfumers understand how the sense of smell works.

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