Part 1 – Grammar, Word Forms and Vocabulary

Instructions:
You should spend about 45 minutes on this part of the test.

Questions 1 – 85 are incomplete sentences.
Choose the best word or phrase to complete each sentence.
Fill in the circle on your answer sheet corresponding to the letters A, B, C or D.

1. My brother bought __________ a book for my birthday.
   A) me  
   B) I  
   C) her  
   D) myself

2. I ate my lunch very late, so I only want __________ dinner.
   A) less  
   B) a few  
   C) a little  
   D) some of

3. There is an exam next door. Please __________ quiet.
   A) you be  
   B) you are  
   C) be  
   D) to be

4. It’s nice to remember some of the good times I had __________ I was a child.
   A) which  
   B) who  
   C) when  
   D) how

5. We could not watch the film to the end __________ it was too boring.
   A) because  
   B) so  
   C) therefore  
   D) but
6. I have five brothers but _________ of them is quite different.
   A) every  
   B) each  
   C) all  
   D) the whole  

7. The blue car is ________.
   A) mine  
   B) my  
   C) myself  
   D) me  

8. Hamza kept ________ the house until he found the keys.
   A) search  
   B) searching  
   C) searches  
   D) searched  

9. We want ________ for a swim this afternoon.
   A) go  
   B) to go  
   C) will go  
   D) goes  

10. When I lived in Saudi Arabia I ________ my family in Sharjah every summer.
    A) will visit  
    B) visited  
    C) visits  
    D) visiting  

11. There’s been a big change ________ the weather lately.
    A) about  
    B) over  
    C) at  
    D) in  

12. I was angry because my brother insisted on ________ my homework.
    A) to copy  
    B) copying  
    C) copy  
    D) copied  

13. ________ Aisha won’t help me, I’ll have to do it all alone.
    A) Whereas  
    B) So  
    C) Until  
    D) Since
14. That's our new neighbor __________ moved in yesterday.
   A) who
   B) what
   C) whom
   D) where

15. __________ you bring your cell phone with you?
   A) Have
   B) Does
   C) Did
   D) Had

16. Sara’s dress is beautiful, and she made it __________.
   A) himself
   B) herself
   C) itself
   D) myself

17. __________ do you make pancakes?
   A) How
   B) Who
   C) Which
   D) What

18. My sister is so healthy - she __________ smokes nor eats junk food.
   A) both
   B) either
   C) neither
   D) nor

19. I don’t know which phone to buy. I like __________ of them.
   A) all
   B) every
   C) less
   D) few

20. I was a little worried __________ my exam results, but I passed.
    A) for
    B) about
    C) in
    D) on

21. The library __________ a lot by the students.
    A) is using
    B) uses
    C) used
    D) is used
22. I _________ to bed early last night, but it was still hard to wake up this morning.
   A) go  
   B) went  
   C) goes  
   D) going

23. Mary is _________ engineer.
   A) an  
   B) a  
   C) these  
   D) this

24. I have wanted to travel to other countries _________ I was a little girl.
   A) since  
   B) before  
   C) until  
   D) whenever

25. There is _________ on the phone asking to speak to you.
   A) each one  
   B) everyone  
   C) anyone  
   D) someone

26. Which sentence is correct English?
   A) My sisters an old photo showed my mother.  
   B) My mother showed my sisters an old photo.  
   C) An old photo my mother showed my sisters.  
   D) Showed my mother an old photo my sisters.

27. Yesterday it rained _________ Ali and I got wet on the way home from school.
   A) yet  
   B) but  
   C) or  
   D) so

28. Can you give me a ride to work today because my mechanic _________ my car.
   A) repairs  
   B) is repairing  
   C) repairing  
   D) is repaired

29. Sharjah has _________ oil than Abu Dhabi.
   A) fewer  
   B) few  
   C) little  
   D) less
30. John is trying to get fit. He __________ getting up at five a.m. every day to go running.

A) been
B) have been
C) are
D) has been

31. I am sure Ahmed’s brother is __________ than him.

A) oldest
B) older
C) old
D) too old

32. They were sorry about __________ me waiting for so long.

A) keeping
B) keep
C) kept
D) keeps

33. Mona and her daughter __________ shopping this evening.

A) going
B) goes
C) were gone
D) are going

34. The driver said he would return __________ noon.

A) on
B) in
C) by
D) of

35. Ayesha did not eat breakfast. She __________ hungry all morning.

A) be
B) has been
C) been
D) being

36. I wanted to buy some roses, but there were __________ left.

A) any
B) some
C) none
D) many

37. Which sentence is correct English?

A) Did you play any sport today?
B) Today any sport did you play?
C) Did any sport you play today?
D) You play any sport did today?
38. I can’t choose which one I want. ________ too many choices.
   A) There is
   B) They are
   C) There are
   D) They is

39. Where ________ you live?
   A) does
   B) is
   C) do
   D) are

40. There is a ________ good chance we will go away for a holiday this year.
   A) pretty
   B) more
   C) still
   D) too

41. Could you ________ the copier with paper? I need to make some copies now.
   A) full
   B) fill
   C) fullness
   D) fully

42. The smell of coffee ________ me – I just can’t stand it!
   A) sickly
   B) sickness
   C) sick
   D) sickens

43. He made his choice confidently and without any ________.
   A) hesitantly
   B) hesitate
   C) hesitant
   D) hesitation

44. Cooking gives me a lot of ________.
   A) enjoy
   B) enjoyment
   C) enjoyably
   D) enjoyable

45. The ________ idea behind Dubai’s new transport system is to reduce car traffic.
   A) based
   B) basis
   C) basic
   D) basically
46. Buckingham Palace is possibly London’s most famous tourist _________.
   A) ownership
   B) attraction
   C) curtain
   D) sheep

47. Ibrahim _________ his plan in great detail.
   A) dismissed
   B) outlined
   C) regretted
   D) pronounced

48. The government made a _________ about the change in the law.
   A) measurement
   B) statement
   C) formation
   D) gentleman

49. After she started working, Maryam needed a _________ to help her at home.
   A) flood
   B) fate
   C) proof
   D) servant

50. _________ the green button to turn off the television.
   A) Represent
   B) Fill
   C) Press
   D) Trade

51. I need to cut this piece of wood. Could you give me that _________, please?
   A) prejudice
   B) repetition
   C) juice
   D) saw

52. A mirror _________ light.
   A) reflects
   B) matches
   C) shops
   D) composes

53. Hamza like all sports, but he is _________ good at soccer.
   A) particularly
   B) conveniently
   C) lazily
   D) originally
54. We had a _________ to celebrate my brother’s graduation from college.
   A) translator  
   B) weekday  
   C) feast  
   D) beak

55. Yemen is the only _________ on the Arabian peninsula.
   A) chicken  
   B) clerk  
   C) resistance  
   D) republic

56. Although there are a few traditional houses left in Dubai, most buildings are _________.
   A) entire  
   B) able  
   C) firm  
   D) modern

57. His _________ at the situation showed on his face.
   A) disgust  
   B) bicycle  
   C) mat  
   D) receipt

58. Many parents __________ their children each night before they go to bed.
   A) kiss  
   B) fold  
   C) drag  
   D) whisper

59. Eating fresh vegetables can keep you in good _________.
   A) bank  
   B) brother  
   C) army  
   D) health

60. You cannot take that book out of the library without special _________ from the director.
   A) holiday  
   B) aunt  
   C) permission  
   D) steam

61. Many household cleaning products contain poisonous _________.
   A) substances  
   B) defeats  
   C) threats  
   D) graces
62.  We stayed in a __________ hotel, but the food was still quite good.

   A) glad
   B) cheap
   C) sympathetic
   D) golden

63.  Nada was __________ about the directions to the restaurant so she got lost and was late.

   A) neglected
   B) confused
   C) charming
   D) shocking

64.  It’s okay to drink a __________ amount of coffee each day, but you shouldn’t have too much.

   A) moderate
   B) excessive
   C) stupid
   D) sincere

65.  I drove too fast on the desert dunes and __________ my Nissan Patrol.

   A) insulted
   B) refreshed
   C) wrecked
   D) obeyed

66.  The fireman ran __________ into the burning building to save the child.

   A) curiously
   B) unimportantly
   C) courageously
   D) formally

67.  The __________ is wide, with five points, and is a yellowish-green colour.

   A) adventure
   B) leaf
   C) lung
   D) sugar

68.  The President climbed the stairs and stood on the __________ to give his speech.

   A) university
   B) pressure
   C) situation
   D) stage

69.  Our next-door neighbor is a kind and __________ woman who cares for homeless cats.

   A) rotten
   B) slippery
   C) motherly
   D) uppermost
70. We had our picnic in a ________ spot under some trees.
   A) shaded
   B) suspicious
   C) excessive
   D) wealthy

71. A seatbelt is a special _________ which can protect you in case of an accident.
   A) cheat
   B) spill
   C) strap
   D) rejoice

72. I love ice cream, but I can’t eat too much or I’ll get _________.
   A) sweet
   B) fat
   C) nice
   D) plain

73. The _________ man in the world is worth more than 150 billion dirhams.
   A) numerous
   B) notable
   C) richest
   D) realistic

74. Since you did such a good job on the project, I think _________ are in order.
   A) robbers
   B) reminders
   C) masteries
   D) congratulations

75. Scientists _________ the Earth is getting warmer.
   A) measure
   B) walk
   C) pass
   D) believe

76. The new director is very _________. He always greets me and asks about my family.
   A) pale
   B) afraid
   C) silent
   D) pleasant

77. The teacher _________ a funny story to his class.
   A) shot
   B) related
   C) checked
   D) sold
78. The moon __________ behind a cloud.
   A) differed  
   B) deepened  
   C) repaid  
   D) disappeared

79. You should take this medicine twice __________.
   A) coldly  
   B) slightly  
   C) daily  
   D) strongly

80. Please put your __________ on the line at the bottom of the page.
   A) cliff  
   B) signature  
   C) stripe  
   D) knot

81. Ahmed broke the __________ for running 100 meters.
   A) today  
   B) tax  
   C) month  
   D) record

82. I ate the food out of politeness, but in fact I found it quite __________.
   A) rightful  
   B) skilled  
   C) colorful  
   D) unpleasant

83. The manager was going in the __________ of the cafeteria when we saw him.
   A) date  
   B) attention  
   C) price  
   D) direction

84. The police are __________ the scene of the crime for clues.
   A) frightening  
   B) untieing  
   C) examining  
   D) colonizing

85. For good health, you should get plenty of sleep and exercise __________.
   A) regularly  
   B) squarely  
   C) lazily  
   D) heavenly
Part 2 – Reading

الجزء الثاني - القراءة

Instructions:

You should spend about 45 minutes on the four texts in this part of the test.

Choose the best answer A, B, C or D according to the information in the text.

Fill in the circle on your answer sheet corresponding to the letters, A, B, C or D.

Turn to the next page for Text 1
Slow Food is a non-profit organization that was founded in 1989. Our aim is to counteract fast food and fast life, and the disappearance of local food traditions. We are also concerned about people’s dwindling interest in the food they eat, where it comes from, how it tastes and how our food choices affect the rest of the world. Today, we have 80,000 members all over the world, with branches in 153 countries. We sponsor 1,300 food education activities yearly. Find out more about us and what we do.

**SLOW WEEK**

**Italy** - Nov 29th 2011
Discussion on global food production and its impact on the environment...[more]

**NEWS**

**London** – Jan 25th 2012
The UK’s first Slow Food market will be held in London from January 25th - February 2nd, 2012. [more]

**SLOW FOOD FOUNDATION**

**Mexico** – 3rd May 2012
The Foundation President will be visiting Mexico for a series of lectures and workshops about how to promote biodiversity in agriculture. [more]

**BOOKSHOP**

**Europe** – December 2011
In shops now! The best book for all good food lovers .... [more]
86. When is the UK’s Slow Food Market to be held?
   A) January 25
   B) November 29
   C) May 3
   D) December 07

87. How many members does Slow Food have?
   A) 153
   B) 1,300
   C) 1,989
   D) 80,000

88. If you want to become a member of the organization, which link should you click on?
   A) About Us
   B) Join Us
   C) Membership
   D) Get Involved

89. When was the Slow Food organization started?
   A) 1989
   B) 1992
   C) 2000
   D) 2007

90. How many different languages can this website be seen in?
   A) 1
   B) 3
   C) 4
   D) 5

91. Where is the Slow Food Conference going to be held?
   A) London
   B) Italy
   C) New York
   D) Mexico

92. What is the News section about?
   A) The Slow Food Foundation
   B) Global food production
   C) A Slow Food market
   D) The University of Food Science

Turn to the next page for Text 2
Text 2

A vegan, pronounced ‘VEE-gun’, is a person who does not eat animal products. Neither vegetarians nor vegans eat meat, but vegans are stricter because, in addition to not eating meat, they also do not eat any other animal products, such as eggs, milk, and cheese. There are basically two types of vegans, strict and non-strict. A strict vegan will not eat animal products, and he will not even use animal products like as leather, wool, and feathers either. Though some people might not have heard of vegans, they have actually been around for a long time; Donald Watson started the first Vegan Society in the UK in 1944. He has been a vegan for more than 60 years.

There are several reasons why people become vegan. One is health. People who do not eat animal products tend to weigh less, have lower blood pressure and cholesterol, and are less likely to become sick from illnesses such as heart disease and cancer. Also, vegans say that eating animal products is both cruel to animals and bad for the environment. Each year about 50 billion animals are killed for meat, and it requires very large amounts of resources, such as land, water, and grain, to raise these billions of animals. There are also people who are vegan for religious reasons; for example, young Japanese Buddhist monks are not permitted to eat any animal products during their years in training.

Sometimes people who eat meat are surprised to hear about the vegan diet because they do not think that it is possible to live without eating animal products. However, most vegans live a very healthy life. They eat foods such as pasta, rice, bread, vegetables, fruits, beans, and nuts, and often have fewer health problems than meat eaters and vegetarians. In fact, there are millions of people around the world who have adopted the vegan diet, and there is now even a World Vegan Day, celebrated each year on 1 November. If you ever have the chance to attend a World Vegan Day celebration, there will definitely be lots of fruit and vegetables around, but you certainly won’t see any meat on the tables!

93. What is the difference between a vegan and a vegetarian?
   A) Vegans are an ancient type of vegetarian.
   B) Vegetarians have a stricter diet than vegans.
   C) The two are exactly the same thing.
   D) Vegans do not eat any animal products.

94. The word they in paragraph 1 refers to __________.
   A) vegans
   B) vegetarians
   C) products
   D) eggs

95. Which of the following is a product a strict vegan will not use?
   A) wood
   B) shoes
   C) feathers
   D) nylon

96. Where in the text is the best place for the sentence, “One question that many meat eaters ask is ‘Why become a vegan?’”
   A) beginning of paragraph 1
   B) end of paragraph 1
   C) beginning of paragraph 2
   D) end of paragraph 2
97. According to the text, what is one benefit of the vegan diet?
   A) increased energy
   B) fewer stomach problems
   C) lower cholesterol
   D) healthier teeth and bones

98. What is the topic of paragraph 2?
   A) why people become vegans
   B) why the vegan diet is healthy
   C) why a meat diet is bad for the planet
   D) why many meat-eaters become sick

99. According to the text, what are four reasons why somebody might become a vegan?
   A) health, environment, cruelty to animals, religion
   B) religion, love, environment, health
   C) cruelty to animals, health, environment, family
   D) health, environment, cruelty to animals, money

100. The word they in paragraph 3 refers to __________.
    A) vegans and vegetarians
    B) products from animals
    C) people who eat meat
    D) food and drink

101. From the text, which of the following is true?
    A) There are many more strict vegans than vegetarians.
    B) Vegans often have some health problems.
    C) Vegans are often healthier than meat eaters.
    D) Most people are vegans because of religion.

Turn to the next page for Text 3
Text 3

They are considered by some to be one of the biggest annoyances of modern life. Cinema-goers want them banned. People on public transport claim they ruin the commute to work. Teachers hate them. Yet some people, especially young people, say they could not imagine life without them. What are they? They are mobile phones. Love them or hate them, they are here to stay. And although people have long used their mobiles to make social connections and do business, they are now beginning to find a use in an unlikely place: education.

Dr. Nicholas Mount of the University of Nottingham in the UK is a lecturer in geography. He often gives lectures to several hundred students at a time which makes it difficult for students to ask him questions. Because of this, he allows students to text questions to him during the lecture and then answers them as part of his lecture. This way, students at the back of the room and those who are too shy to ask questions in front of so many other students get a chance to ask questions and be involved in the lecture.

Mr. Michael Mullane, the manager of the Yorkshire Coast College in the UK, also uses texting with students, but in a different way. In the past, students were only given important dates and events by text but now, students are also informed about their attendance. This has resulted in improved attendance for all students. The college also texts students about other things like room changes, overdue books and homework. The college even texts new students their usernames and passwords before they come to the college so they can start finding out about course information and assignments before they arrive.

Using mobile phones in education is not just limited to the United Kingdom. In China, for example, the leading Chinese media and internet service company ‘Sina’ has joined with the BBC World Service to use mobiles to teach English. This service was launched on the 1st of September, 2003. Chinese students receive a daily text message of an English phrase with its Chinese translation. They can then log onto www.sina.com where they can find more information about the phrase, including an explanation, a dialogue, a reading and a sound file so they can hear it being used.

As mobile phone technology gets cheaper and more accessible worldwide, and as more colleges come up with innovative ways to use the technology, more and more teachers may come to see that mobile phones are not something to be hated, but something to be used for learning.

102. The author considers mobile phones annoying because people _________.
   A) have long used them to make social connections
   B) speak too loudly at restaurants
   C) use them in cinemas and public transport
   D) love them or hate them

103. The word shy in paragraph 2 means someone who _________.
   A) sends a lot of text messages to the lecturer
   B) gets involved with activities like lectures
   C) may find it difficult to talk to a big group of people
   D) sits at the back of lectures because there is no room at the front
104. Dr. Mount’s students now find it easier to take part in lectures by __________.

A) logging on to www.sina.com  
B) getting practice on their mobiles  
C) phoning their lecturers after class  
D) texting questions during class

105. Dr. Mount works at __________.

A) the Yorkshire Coast College  
B) Sina, a Chinese company  
C) the BBC World Service  
D) the University of Nottingham

106. The text states that mobile phone use at Yorkshire Coast College has resulted in __________.

A) higher phone bills for many students  
B) higher examination scores for students  
C) fewer students missing their lessons  
D) students studying harder outside class

107. The word its in paragraph 4 refers to a daily __________.

A) reading  
B) dialogue  
C) explanation  
D) phrase

108. People who use the ‘Sina’ service can get a dialogue and a sound file by __________.

A) writing to the BBC World Service  
B) learning an English phrase  
C) visiting the website  
D) texting their teachers for help

109. How many examples of using mobile phones in education does the text give?

A) four  
B) two  
C) three  
D) one

110. A good title for this text is __________.

A) The popularity of texting for English students  
B) China leads the world in educational texting  
C) The effects of texting on classroom behaviour  
D) A new role for mobile phones in education

Turn to the next page for the writing task
Part 3  
Writing

Instructions:

You should spend about 30 minutes on this part of the test.

Write your essay on the back of the bubble sheet.

The essay should be 150 to 200 words long and may not exceed one page.
Write about the following topic:

Some people argue that it is necessary to test products such as medicines, shampoos, and make-up on animals. Other people argue that animals should not be used for this.

State your opinion and explain why you support it.

Please write in English.