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.

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1. Roger Federer _________ 18 tennis matches so far this season.
   A) won  
   B) has won  
   C) had won  
   D) have won

2. My seven-year-old son can tie his shoes all by ________.
   A) himself  
   B) itself  
   C) ourselves  
   D) themselves

3. Alia does not like the noise ________ the traffic.
   A) up  
   B) at  
   C) on  
   D) of

4. I don’t think you ________ the answer, do you?
   A) know  
   B) are knowing  
   C) to know  
   D) knows

5. Ali is the person ________ studies the hardest in my class.
   A) whose  
   B) who  
   C) which  
   D) whom
6. Nasser is __________ that you can really trust.
   A) everyone
   B) someone
   C) everybody
   D) something

7. I haven’t seen my uncle __________ June.
   A) since
   B) until
   C) before
   D) while

8. Please return the money to __________ as soon as you can.
   A) I
   B) you
   C) it
   D) me

9. My family eats dinner __________ night at 8:00 p.m.
   A) all
   B) every
   C) the whole
   D) some

10. Which sentence is correct English?
    A) Classical music do you enjoy listening to?
    B) Enjoy listening do you to classical music?
    C) Do you enjoy listening to classical music?
    D) Do you classical music enjoy listening to?

11. __________ me if you need any help.
    A) Called
    B) Calls
    C) Calling
    D) Call

12. They are building a mall in Dubai __________ will be the largest in the world.
    A) who
    B) what
    C) which
    D) where

13. Which sentence is correct English?
    A) Our teacher gave a great lesson today.
    B) A great lesson our teacher gave today.
    C) Today a great lesson our teacher gave.
    D) Gave today our teacher a great lesson.
14. My grandfather was very good _________ telling stories.
   A) on  
   B) in  
   C) at  
   D) with

15. Sally is _________ a good dancer.
   A) fairly  
   B) pretty  
   C) quite  
   D) very

16. She can read more _________ now than she could a year ago.
   A) quickly  
   B) quick  
   C) quicker  
   D) quickest

17. I am interested in _________ more about computers.
   A) learns  
   B) learning  
   C) learn  
   D) learned

18. When my sister was little, she only _________ sweets for dinner.
   A) wanted  
   B) will want  
   C) wants  
   D) had wanted

19. They are _________ a very long discussion.
   A) having  
   B) has  
   C) have  
   D) had

20. _________ of these ice creams do you want?
   A) What  
   B) Who  
   C) Which  
   D) How

21. We need _________ because the taxi is waiting for us.
   A) hurrying  
   B) to hurry  
   C) hurry  
   D) hurries
22. My sister __________ rice.
   A) don’t like  
   B) doesn’t like  
   C) do like  
   D) like

23. __________ a pen on the floor. Please pick it up.
   A) There are  
   B) There is  
   C) Its  
   D) It

24. I broke __________ of my pencils during the exam so I had to borrow one.
   A) none  
   B) nor  
   C) neither  
   D) both

25. If your car isn’t repaired by tomorrow you can use __________ for your trip.
   A) my  
   B) mine  
   C) our  
   D) us

26. We have got __________ sugar left on the table.
   A) some  
   B) none  
   C) any  
   D) many

27. I’m very tired today __________ I stayed up too late last night.
   A) because  
   B) so  
   C) although  
   D) while

28. People today seem to spend __________ time with their families than in the past.
   A) little  
   B) less  
   C) few  
   D) least

29. Leila had __________ orange for lunch.
   A) a  
   B) ones  
   C) an  
   D) these
30. You ________ do much better at school if you worked harder.
   A) able to
   B) can
   C) must
   D) could

31. I have neither the time ________ the money to take a holiday now.
   A) and
   B) or
   C) nor
   D) both

32. John is tired because he ________ in the garden all day.
   A) has work
   B) is working
   C) has been working
   D) was worked

33. ________ you ask your mother if you can come to my party?
   A) Did
   B) Do
   C) Does
   D) Don’t

34. There are ________ of tall buildings in Dubai now.
   A) a little
   B) much
   C) a lot
   D) more

35. The final exam will be ________ by two teachers.
   A) mark
   B) marked
   C) marking
   D) marks

36. He started ________ as soon as he saw the birthday cake.
   A) smiled
   B) smiles
   C) smile
   D) smiling

37. You will not pass the exam ________ you spend more time studying.
   A) so
   B) whereas
   C) since
   D) unless
38. My parents ____________ to Oman next month.
   A) goes
   B) gone
   C) is going
   D) are going

39. Many birds fly through the Middle East __________ the fall.
   A) into
   B) from
   C) in
   D) on

40. Mariam worries about her grades, ____________ she always gets good marks.
   A) or
   B) nor
   C) yet
   D) since

41. Latifa’s father spoke to her ____________ about her future plans.
   A) encouragement
   B) encouragingly
   C) encourage
   D) encouraging

42. After spending a week in the desert, it was nice to get back to ____________.
   A) civilize
   B) civilization
   C) civil
   D) civilly

43. The singer was ____________ nervous before the show.
   A) observe
   B) observation
   C) observably
   D) observable

44. I forgot your name again! My ____________ is terrible.
   A) memorize
   B) memory
   C) memorable
   D) memorably

45. I have to ____________ my younger brother with his homework.
   A) helpfully
   B) helper
   C) helpful
   D) help
46. Ahmed closed his business because it was not _________.
   A) rusted  
   B) noisy  
   C) admirable  
   D) profitable

47. _________, I was not in favor of the new law.
   A) Personally  
   B) Usefully  
   C) Closely  
   D) Comparatively

48. We can’t fix the _________ in that car because we don’t have the spare parts.
   A) exit  
   B) marriage  
   C) motor  
   D) staff

49. I _________ my parents a postcard from France.
   A) covered  
   B) sent  
   C) watched  
   D) offered

50. Fahad’s house is _________. It has more than 20 rooms!
   A) urgent  
   B) immense  
   C) ugly  
   D) bare

51. It would be _________ to work any more on this project. It’s as good as it can possibly be.
   A) powerful  
   B) unfamiliar  
   C) unhappy  
   D) senseless

52. Thank you for lending me the money. I’ll _________ it as soon as I can.
   A) differ  
   B) deepen  
   C) repay  
   D) disappear

53. The school is building a new _________ because there are too many students.
   A) extension  
   B) salary  
   C) cow  
   D) calendar
54. An experienced photographer can take good photos with little or no __________.
   A) death  
   B) letter  
   C) effort  
   D) society

55. It is better to build a house on __________ ground than on sand.
   A) firm  
   B) able  
   C) modern  
   D) entire

56. The house was damaged in the storm and needed __________ repairs.
   A) northern  
   B) ill  
   C) factual  
   D) extensive

57. I finished the assignment __________, so I have nothing to do now.
   A) agent  
   B) reference  
   C) leadership  
   D) yesterday

58. Khalil Gibran was a famous Lebanese __________. His writing is beautiful.
   A) urgency  
   B) satisfaction  
   C) defense  
   D) poet

59. I sent him an email but he didn’t __________ to it.
   A) refuse  
   B) reply  
   C) excite  
   D) replace

60. Our children always __________ their hands before eating food.
   A) attend  
   B) push  
   C) prevent  
   D) wash

61. You must always __________ the street at the pedestrian light.
   A) fly  
   B) clothe  
   C) eat  
   D) cross
62. Please help me _________ the vegetables up for our dinner.
   A) inform  
   B) happen 
   C) deal  
   D) cut 

63. I cannot _________ you the job because I’m not the boss.
   A) arrange  
   B) express 
   C) promise  
   D) hang 

64. The _________ of his work is much higher than it was last year.
   A) police  
   B) quality 
   C) relation  
   D) machine 

65. My _________ hurts.
   A) prevention  
   B) nest 
   C) jaw  
   D) bargain 

66. Many people believe that the _________ of a country’s youth is the key to development.
   A) education  
   B) peace 
   C) history  
   D) rate 

67. It is everyone’s _________ to keep parks and streets clean.
   A) circle  
   B) duty 
   C) building  
   D) spot 

68. I forgot my new friend’s name. What a very _________ situation!
   A) ambitious  
   B) awkward 
   C) customary  
   D) theatrical 

69. When my brother tells a _________ everyone laughs.
   A) joke  
   B) dish 
   C) stuff  
   D) beam
70. You can’t go that way. It’s an exit, not an _________.
   A) entrance  
   B) suggestion  
   C) commerce  
   D) host

71. The cat drank all the ________ milk on the floor.
   A) merciful  
   B) spilled  
   C) puzzled  
   D) stained

72. I need to do my homework but I can’t ________ playing a few more video games.
   A) resist  
   B) straighten  
   C) decrease  
   D) owe

73. You should dress ________ when you go to a wedding.
   A) courageously  
   B) unimportantly  
   C) angrily  
   D) formally

74. The most common ingredient in bread is probably ________.
   A) persuasion  
   B) discomfort  
   C) wheat  
   D) basin

75. You shouldn’t smoke ________ because it’s not good for your health.
   A) stove  
   B) arrow  
   C) tobacco  
   D) educator

76. It’s such a ________ day. Let’s go for a drive in the countryside.
   A) plain  
   B) finished  
   C) fat  
   D) nice

77. Sometimes my boss has ________ that our department can’t meet.
   A) demands  
   B) disagreements  
   C) vehicles  
   D) leadership
78. The snow and ice have made the roads very _________.
   A) motherly  
   B) slippery  
   C) rotten  
   D) uppermost  

79. Loud music can hurt your ears. It can even ________ you.
   A) deafen  
   B) brighten  
   C) ripen  
   D) tame  

80. Serious illness can _________ the body.
   A) reproduce  
   B) heal  
   C) weaken  
   D) suck  

81. The boat is very close to the _________.
   A) shore  
   B) pocket  
   C) card  
   D) shoe  

82. The teacher thinks very _________ of her new students.
   A) directly  
   B) highly  
   C) permanently  
   D) privately  

83. The child cried _________ when she lost her favourite doll.
   A) miserably  
   B) morally  
   C) gradually  
   D) rudely  

84. The _________ of our summer holiday is 45 days.
   A) hospital  
   B) length  
   C) pool  
   D) base  

85. All the factories and workshops are in the _________ area of town.
   A) parked  
   B) industrial  
   C) copied  
   D) classified
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
Nature Photography Competition

Calling all photographers from beginners to experts . . .

Take digital photographs of the natural world around you. Send your best photograph in to the International Photography Competition and win great prizes.

The prize for first place is a seven day safari in Kenya.

The prize for second place is a weekend in Scotland.

Three runners up will receive an F90 ClearShot digital camera - the camera that makes every photograph a winner.

Tips for taking great photos

① Great light makes great photos. Try to capture the light of early morning or early evening.

② Don’t be put off by bad weather. Some of the best photographs are those taken in rain or on a foggy day.

③ Pictures of scenery need a “point of interest”. Your eye needs something to look at, such as a tree, a flower or a cloud.

④ If your point of interest is in a shadow on a bright sunny day, use your flash.

⑤ Place the point of interest of your picture to the right or left of the center.

Nature Photography Competition Application Form

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Caption describing the picture

I certify that I took this photograph myself and it has not been published anywhere else.

Signature

Terms and conditions: Only one entry per person. Photographs may be colour or black and white and any size. Images must be submitted on CD and posted to Around the World, PO Box 7990, London, NE15 5AZ, UK. Winning photographs will be chosen according to creativity (50%) and quality of the photograph (50%). The closing date for all entries is 5th March. Winners will be announced in the June edition of Around the World.
86. Which of the following can you photograph for this competition?
   A) football matches
   B) buildings
   C) weddings
   D) trees

87. How many people can win prizes in this competition?
   A) 2
   B) 3
   C) 5
   D) 7

88. The word **capture** in Tip 1 means __________.
   A) catch
   B) get up
   C) miss
   D) switch on

89. The author recommends using a flash when __________.
   A) taking pictures at night
   B) choosing a point of interest
   C) the point of interest is in shadow
   D) taking part in photography competitions

90. For the competition, photographers may only send __________.
   A) a colour photograph
   B) one photograph
   C) a recently published photo
   D) a photograph using flash

91. The names of the winners will be announced __________.
   A) 3 months after the close of the competition.
   B) during the seven-day safari in Kenya.
   C) In the ‘International Photography’ magazine.
   D) on 5th March.

92. What is the main purpose of this text?
   A) to advertise cameras
   B) to help people take better photographs
   C) to tell people about a competition
   D) to feature last year’s winning photo

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Turn to the next page for Text 2
Text 2

In the Middle East and North Africa, camels used to be an important part of the culture. In addition to being a source of food and transportation, they were also used in races for entertainment during holidays and festivals.

With the discovery of oil in the Middle East, along with the fast growth of technology, there was no longer much need for camels as food or transportation, but camel racing is still very popular. The United Arab Emirates, for example, built 12 new camel racetracks in the 1990s, currently has about 14,000 racing camels, and holds many camel races each year. Winners of these races often get big prizes such as expensive luxury cars, and the winning camels are worth millions of dirhams.

The camel racing season in the UAE is about the same as its cool season, from late October to early April. Workers who take care of the camels and the tracks usually come from neighboring countries, such as Oman and Pakistan. In the past, the people who rode the camels during races, known as ‘jockeys’, also came from other countries. These camel jockeys were boys about six or seven years old, and they weighed only about 20 kilos.

Several years ago, however, many people began to say it was wrong for these young boys to race the camels. So the UAE changed the rules for camel jockeys, stating that the jockeys must be at least 15 years old, and weigh at least 45 kilos. Also, in 2005 the Emirates began to use robots instead of people as camel jockeys. These are small automatons that weigh about 15 kilos and are controlled by computers. The robot jockeys cost about 7000 dirhams and are built in Asia, but someday the UAE wants to start making them.

Recently, camel racing has also become popular outside of the Middle East and North Africa. A yearly camel race now takes place in Nevada, USA, and in the past 30 years camel racing has become popular in Australia, too; for example, they hold the yearly Camel Cup race in Alice Springs. Australian camel racing is not quite the same as in the Emirates. In Australian races, the camels are slower and do not run as far, and, unlike in the UAE, the Australian camel jockeys are usually women.

93. According to the text, how many camel racetracks did the UAE build in the 1990s?
   A) ten  
   B) twelve  
   C) fourteen  
   D) twenty

94. The main point of paragraph 2 is to __________.
   A) talk about winners and prizes in the camel races  
   B) discuss the number of racing camels in the UAE  
   C) show that camel racing is still popular in the UAE  
   D) give details about oil discovery and technology

95. The word automatons in paragraph 4 means __________.
   A) camels  
   B) people  
   C) robots  
   D) kilos
96. About how many kilos did the boys who raced camels weigh?
   A) fifteen  
   B) twenty  
   C) twenty-five  
   D) thirty

97. According to the text, where are most of the robot jockeys built?
   A) the USA  
   B) the UAE  
   C) Australia  
   D) Asia

98. The word them in paragraph 4 refers to __________.
   A) 15 kilos  
   B) robot jockeys  
   C) 7,000 dirhams  
   D) computers

99. What is the name of a well-known camel race in Australia?
   A) Camel Cup  
   B) Alice Springs  
   C) Nevada Race  
   D) Aussie Camel

100. According to the text, what is one difference between Australian and Emirati racing camels?
    A) Emirati camels are bigger.  
    B) Australian jockeys are usually men.  
    C) Australian camels run further.  
    D) Australian camels are slower.

101. The main point of the text is to __________.
    A) talk about different types of jockeys  
    B) discuss camel racing in the United Arab Emirates  
    C) look at racing sports in the world  
    D) provide information on camel racing around the world

Turn to the next page for Text 3
Text 4

Known as one of the Seven Wonders of the Modern World, the Empire State Building is located in New York City. It has 102 stories, which made it the tallest building in the world until 1972.

In the 1700s, the land where the Empire State Building is now located was the John Thompson Farm. In the 1800s, a luxury hotel, the Waldorf Astoria, was built there. Then, in the late 1920s, the land was bought by the Bethlehem Engineering Corporation for about $16 million (approximately 58 million Dirhams), and in 1930 construction of the Empire State Building began.

At that time, the Empire State Building was in a world competition, or race, to be the world’s tallest building. The Eiffel Tower, built in 1889, was 295 meters tall. About 3,400 workers, mostly from Europe, built the Empire State Building. Also helping on the project were hundreds of Native Americans who were very good iron workers. Five workers died during the construction of this building. It was finished on 1 May 1931, with a height of 443 meters, making it 148 meters taller than the Eiffel Tower. For the time, the Empire State Building was a huge building, with 85 floors for offices, 73 elevators, 6,500 windows, more than 100 public toilets, and 1,576 steps from bottom to top.

The Empire State Building is one of the most famous buildings in the world, and there are many interesting stories about it. For example, in the race to be the tallest building, the designers had to add five floors at the last minute to make sure it would be taller than the Chrysler Building, also in New York. And since the 102nd floor was originally designed to be a landing platform for gas-filled airships, they decided to add a tower to tie the airships on to, just to make sure that it remained the tallest building. Another story about the building is that of Elvita Adams, who jumped from the 86th floor but was saved when high winds blew her back into an 85th floor window. And did you know that the last rivet, or bolt, put into the building is made of solid gold?

Today, about twenty thousand people work in the Empire State Building, and about four thousand tourists a day go up to the building’s observatory to enjoy a wonderful view of New York City. There is also a race every year, called the Empire State Building Run-Up. In this competition, runners race up the steps to the top of the building. The fastest time was in 1978, when Australian runner Paul Crake ran up the 1,576 steps in only 9 minutes and 33 seconds.

Although there are now several buildings in New York that are taller than the Empire State Building, it is surely one of the best-known and best-loved landmarks in the city.

102. The word *stories* in paragraph 1 refers to __________.

A) plans  
B) books  
C) buildings  
D) floors

103. The Empire State Building was the world’s tallest building for about how many years?

A) 30  
B) 40  
C) 60  
D) 70
104. According to the text, what was the land last used for before the Empire State Building was built there?

A) apartments  
B) a hotel  
C) a farm  
D) a factory

105. The Native Americans mentioned in the text were very good at __________.

A) building the stairs  
B) putting in windows  
C) working with metal  
D) making the observatory

106. How many workers died during the construction of the Empire State Building?

A) less than 10  
B) between 20 and 30  
C) just over 50  
D) nearly 100

107. Where in the text is the best place to put the sentence, “It took about 15 months to finish”?

A) beginning of paragraph 2  
B) middle of paragraph 3  
C) beginning of paragraph 4  
D) end of paragraph 5

108. What is the main theme of paragraph 4?

A) stories about the Empire State Building  
B) the history of the Empire State Building  
C) the 85 floors of the Empire State Building  
D) accidents at the Empire State Building

109. According to the text, which one of these statements is true?

A) Many people still work at the Empire State Building.  
B) The Eiffel Tower is taller than the Empire State Building.  
C) Tourists are not allowed to go up to the observatory.  
D) A luxury hotel will replace the Empire State Building.

110. What is the record time for the Empire State Building Run-Up (in minutes:seconds)?

A) 15:76  
B) 19:78  
C) 20:00  
D) 09:33

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:

People have different views of what makes a person successful.

In your opinion, what makes a person successful? Explain why.

You could write about any of the following:
• money
• family
• education
• respect

Please write in English

التعليمات:
الوقت المحدد لهذا الجزء من الامتحان هو 30 دقيقة.

اكتب موضوعك خلف ورقة الإجابة.

يجب أن يتألف الموضوع من 150 إلى 200 كلمة عن الموضوع التالي، على أن لا يتجاوز الصفحة الواحدة.

للناس وجهات نظر مختلفة في ما يجعل الشخص ناجحا.

في رأيك، ما الذي يجعل الشخص ناجحاً؟ وضح الأسباب.

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