

Epreuve commune à tous les candidats

Durée : 1 h

I. Grammar and Vocabulary

Find the right answer

- 1) He _____ five, next week.
a) has b) is c) will be d) will have
- 2) I think it will cost _____ of money.
a) much b) a little c) a lot d) little
- 3) My brother _____ last week.
a) is born b) was born c) born d) has born
- 4) I have never _____ to Chicago.
a) went b) go c) be d) been
- 5) Don't worry these things _____.
a) happen b) arrive c) happened d) arrived
- 6) I have never heard _____ rubbish.
a) so b) such c) some d) such a
- 7) Easter usually _____ in April.
a) is b) lasts c) falls d) happens
- 8) Make sure you leave no _____ 8 p.m.
a) earlier b) before c) later than d) sooner
- 9) It was regarded _____ an important factor.
a) as b) like c) such d) at
- 10) For _____ you who don't know, he was the director of the company for 20 years.
a) those in b) those of c) those d) what
- 11) I _____ John recently.
a) saw b) could see c) see d) have seen
- 12) _____ of Elvis Presley is still banned in a few countries throughout the world.
a) The music b) This music c) Music d) The music which
- 13) The pressure _____ the coach was intense before the final.
a) under b) over c) on d) of

- 14) Do hurricanes often _____ in Europe?
 a) break out b) break up c) take place d) occur
- 15) The subway station is _____ here.
 a) near b) close c) next d) far
- 16) We had better _____ before it gets dark.
 a) to leave b) leave c) leaving d) to leaving
- 17) A large crowd _____ to hear his speech.
 a) to gather b) would be gathering
 c) had gathered d) shall gather
- 18) In winter accidents happen quite _____ on the roads.
 a) frequently b) quietly c) frequent d) sometimes
- 19) We can _____ tennis next week if you like.
 a) play at b) to play c) play d) playing
- 20) Would you like _____ mustard?
 a) some b) many c) much d) little
- 21) I hope he will be here _____ .
 a) short b) in short c) shortly d) currently
- 22) He spoke to her _____ .
 a) hardly b) hard c) harsh d) harshly
- 23) Please _____ your cigarettes.
 a) put out b) put up c) put d) put off
- 24) How do you _____ such a temperamental man?
 a) put up b) put down c) put off d) put up with
- 25) I don't _____ for this restaurant.
 a) care b) mind c) stand d) show
- 26) They arrived here an hour _____ you did.
 a) ago b) since c) before d) since before
- 27) It's _____ to be true!
 a) good b) bad c) too good d) very good
- 28) This is the place _____ he was murdered.
 a) where b) in c) from which d) how
- 29) John seems to be _____ .
 a) hurry up b) hurried up c) in a hurry d) in hurry
- 30) I couldn't hear what they _____ .
 a) will say b) would say c) have said d) were saying

- 31) _____ the students I know will take the test.
 a) Most b) The most c) Most of d) More
- 32) I won't do it _____ you ask me.
 a) unless b) as long as c) provided d) although
- 33) _____ attempts have been made.
 a) Others b) Another c) Other d) The others
- 34) This is _____ extraordinary!
 a) more b) the more c) most d) the most
- 35) What did he die _____ ?
 a) from b) of c) 0 d) to
- 36) It is time she _____ me the truth!
 a) tell b) tells c) told d) will tell
- 37) I thought you _____ in Chicago!
 a) were b) was c) have been d) will be
- 38) Have you _____ been to Japan?
 a) always b) never c) ever d) hardly
- 39) His wife is _____ engineer, too.
 a) a b) 0 c) an d) the
- 40) The sooner, _____ !
 a) the best b) the better c) the batter d) the later
- 41) Never before _____ this!
 a) did I see b) I saw c) have I seen d) I have seen
- 42) Would you mind _____ please?
 a) repeating b) to repeat c) you repeat d) and repeat
- 43) He denied _____ it.
 a) to do b) doing c) he did d) he has done
- 44) Be careful _____ him!
 a) to disturb b) of not disturbing
 c) not to disturb d) to not disturb
- 45) We need to _____ money to buy a car.
 a) borrow b) lend c) loan d) hire
- 46) I helped him _____ his work.
 a) finishing b) to finish c) to finishing d) he finished
- 47) Please find _____ a copy of the contract.
 a) attaching b) attachment c) joined d) attached

- 48) Peter and Paul are very much _____ .
 a) like b) alike c) unlike d) likely
- 49) I'd rather you _____ him later.
 a) tell b) telling c) have told d) told
- 50) I insist that she _____ me a copy.
 a) send b) sends c) will send d) sent

II. Read the following text and fill in the blanks with the words that best correspond to the meaning.

Flight to the Future – The Economist, Oct 1st, 2011

51 days a \$15,000 car comes with GPS satellite navigation _52_ as standard. But a \$150 m airliner still has to be guided _53_ the skies by _54_ instructions from someone with a radio in a _55_ tower. That is _56_ air-traffic management (ATM) systems are stuck in the _57_.

58 of flying _59_, planes must zigzag from one ground beacon to the next, and _60_ and descend in steps, at each stage obtaining permission _61_ the ground. The controllers' radar only shows _62_ approximate positions, so they must _63_ them well apart. All this _64_ fuel and causes congestion and delays. The _65_ flight in European airspace is 50km (31 miles longer _66_ it need be.

So the world's aviation authorities are _67_ to modernize _68_ system, streamlining the routing of _69_ and providing much more real-time _70_ to pilots and controllers. This could lead to huge orders for electronics firms, _71_ is why, in his recent jobs speech, President Barack Obama called for \$1 billion of extra _72_ to speed up _73_ ATM-modernisation project, NextGen.

A _74_ by consultants from McKinsey of Europe's equivalent project, SESAR, finds that its costs should be dwarfed by the fuel _75_ and the _76_ boost from squeezing more flights into Europe's busy skies. America stands to make similar _77_. It is in everyone's interest to _78_ in modernisation, but the airlines are wary: _79_ times in recent history they have bought expensive kit only to find they cannot use it because controllers have _80_ to upgrade their equipment to match.

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| 51) a) Those | b) Every | c) Each | d) These |
| 52) a) equipped | b) suited | c) fitted | d) fit |
| 53) a) across | b) thorough | c) through | d) among |
| 54) a) spoken | b) speaking | c) written | d) writing |
| 55) a) controlling | b) controller's | c) controls | d) control |
| 56) a) why | b) what | c) because | d) cause |
| 57) a) 1950s | b) 1950's | c) 1950 th | d) 1950 |
| 58) a) Despite | b) In spite | c) Instead | d) In place |
| 59) a) right | b) fast | c) straight | d) along |
| 60) a) get-up | b) wake up | c) fly up | d) ascend |
| 61) a) from | b) of | c) on | d) to |
| 62) a) planes' | b) the plane | c) the plane's | d) planes |
| 63) a) place | b) put | c) space | d) show |

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| 64) a) spoils | b) spends | c) washes | d) waste |
| 65) a) medium | b) average | c) maximum | d) total |
| 66) a) that | b) than | c) which | d) what |
| 67) a) looking | b) searching | c) seeking | d) looking for |
| 68) a) the whole | b) all the | c) all | d) whole |
| 69) a) plane's | b) flights | c) passengers | d) pilots |
| 70) a) information | b) informations | c) advice | d) advise |
| 71) a) what | b) which | c) who | d) this |
| 72) a) currency | b) find | c) cheques | d) cash |
| 73) a) America | b) American | c) America's | d) USA |
| 74) a) poll | b) survey | c) investigation | d) study |
| 75) a) savings | b) expenses | c) save | d) consumption |
| 76) a) economical | b) economy | c) economic | d) economics |
| 77) a) loss | b) losses | c) expenses | d) gains |
| 78) a) pay | b) spend | c) invest | d) expand |
| 79) a) several | b) few | c) a lot | d) a great deal |
| 80) a) managed | b) failed | c) succeeded | d) arranged |