

**BANQUE D'ÉPREUVES DUT-BTS
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I. Grammar and vocabulary

Choose the correct answer for each question

1. If everyone _____, it would be the job of the pharmaceutical companies to persuade us that we were not.
 - a. is healthy
 - b. would be healthy
 - c. were healthy
 - d. was healthy
2. Studies show that temperature trends are _____ sea ice concentrations.
 - a. closely joined with
 - b. closely tied with
 - c. closely linked to
 - d. linked closely to
3. Even 35 years may be _____ to allow for certainty.
 - a. too short time
 - b. too short a time
 - c. too much a short time
 - d. a too short time
4. Concerning sound waves, the higher the frequency, _____.
 - a. higher is the pitch
 - b. the pitch is higher
 - c. the higher the pitch
 - d. pitch is the higher
5. _____ is a poisonous metallic element.
 - a. It is arsenic
 - b. The arsenic
 - c. That arsenic
 - d. Arsenic
6. Help is finally here for people who _____ remember their pin. A biometric card has been developed.
 - a. struggle to
 - b. struggle with
 - c. fight with
 - d. wrestle to
7. Aspirin is used _____ blood.
 - a. thinning
 - b. thin
 - c. thins
 - d. to thin
8. Greenhouse gases accumulate in the atmosphere and _____ from escaping from the planet.
 - a. to prevent the sun's heat
 - b. the sun's heat prevent
 - c. prevent the sun's heat
 - d. the sun's heat prevents
9. "_____ such a ridiculous sight!"
 - a. I never have seen
 - b. Never have I seen
 - c. I ever saw
 - d. I have ever seen

10. "I think it's very important to _____ school activities."
a. participate to
b. participate with
c. take part of
d. participate in
11. "Don't be so worried. He is only 15 minutes late _____."
a. after all
b. all after
c. afterward
d. always
12. I have a big family, but I don't get to see them much. _____ living in the States right now.
a. There
b. Their
c. They're
d. There are
13. My boss expects me to answer the phone, to take messages and _____ some letters.
a. typed
b. typing
c. typewrite
d. to type
14. Paul and Mike used to be very close, but they had a fight a few months ago and now they won't speak _____.
a. to each other
b. one to each other
c. each another
d. one to another
15. We haven't seen _____ her brother or him.
a. neither
b. either
c. and
d. not
16. "Okay, I'll tell you what you want to know, but you have to promise _____ angry."
a. not get
b. not to get
c. to no get
d. not getting
17. "Yes, it was me _____ you saw at the restaurant last night."
a. which
b. Ø
c. what
d. where
18. Helena _____.
a. drives always to work
b. drives always at work
c. always drives to work
d. always drives at work

19. Jack and Jill _____.
- went Monday to Paris
 - went monday to Paris
 - went to Paris Monday
 - monday went to Paris
20. It is essential that he _____.
- deposit the check
 - deposits the check
 - deposited the check
 - will deposit the check
21. In case of insomnia, try _____ an hour before bedtime.
- to drink warm milk
 - drink warm milk
 - a drink warm milk
 - drinking warm milk
22. I intend _____ to Australia for my 3rd year.
- go
 - went
 - to going
 - going
23. To get to the post office, turn left at the next intersection, then go ____ three blocks. It will be on the left.
- straight on
 - ahead
 - on straight
 - ahead on
24. Here is a memento to remember _____.
- of us
 - us by
 - ourselves
 - about us
25. My parents live in the _____ house on the corner.
- big yellow wood
 - wood yellow big
 - yellow big wood
 - big wood yellow
26. I remember _____ the letter.
- posting
 - to post
 - post
 - posted
27. Tickets to the gala cost 50€ _____.
- one
 - all
 - every
 - each
28. We look forward _____ with you in the near future.
- working
 - to work
 - to working
 - work

29. When Louise _____ to pay for the gift she _____, she realized she _____ her wallet at home.
- went / was choosing / had left
 - had went / choosed / left
 - got / chosen / left
 - went / had chosen / had left
30. I arrived here at 2.15 and it's already 5.30! I've been here _____ over 3 hours.
- since
 - for
 - during
 - while
31. This is the first time I _____ Japan
- visited
 - visit
 - I'm visit
 - have visited
32. "Hmm this menu looks great. It's hard to decide, but _____ the coq au vin."
- I not take
 - I'm about to take
 - I take
 - I'll take
33. His supervisor was not pleased with his report and Jake _____ to rewrite the whole thing.
- was made
 - made
 - had been made
 - is made
34. Had I known this exam was so difficult, I _____.
- never would take it.
 - would ever take it
 - never would have taken it.
 - never take it.
35. "That looks like Dr. Smith over there, but it _____ be! He's travelling in South America right now."
- might
 - could
 - can't
 - may
36. "We have to find a way out of this situation. Can anyone _____ an idea?"
- come out with
 - come up with
 - find out
 - come to
37. Many of the clothes you're wearing right now _____ in Bangladesh.
- have made
 - had made
 - are being made
 - have been made
38. There would be peace in the world, if only _____ fighting.
- everyone stopped
 - everyone stop
 - everyone had stopped
 - everyone has stopped

39. I wish I _____ the answer .
- would know
 - knew
 - know
 - would have known
40. Ebola _____ thousands of people last year.
- is killed
 - was killed
 - is said killed
 - is said to have killed
41. I'm sorry, but Paul can't go skiing with you this year. His doctor recommended he _____ any risks.
- not take
 - not takes
 - no take
 - doesn't take
42. "Why don't you wear something lighter? It _____ be quite hot here in the afternoon."
- would
 - shall
 - could to
 - may.
43. I have a friend who _____ every week, while I wash my own only once a year.
- has his car washed
 - has his car wash
 - has washed his car
 - has his car washes
44. If I had filled my car this morning, I _____ out of petrol.
- not run
 - wouldn't have run
 - won't run
 - hadn't run
45. _____ are herbivores with very long necks.
- The giraffes
 - Giraffes
 - Some giraffes
 - All of giraffes
46. His paper is due tomorrow. It's high time he _____.
- start
 - got started
 - will start
 - starts
47. By this time next year, we _____ 3 different countries.
- will have visited
 - have visited
 - would visit
 - will visit
48. I have no intention _____ this course. I've worked too hard to get this far.
- to fail
 - fail
 - of fail
 - of failing

49. France is famous for _____ excellent cuisine.
- her
 - its
 - his
 - it's
50. The suspect _____ to have escaped to South America.
- thinks
 - is thought
 - is told
 - thought
51. We have reserved seats so we _____ hurry to get there.
- mustn't
 - needn't
 - can't
 - shouldn't
52. When I was a young man I _____ 100 metres in 10 seconds.
- run
 - could run
 - could ran
 - runned
53. "Could I please borrow your pen for a moment?" "Yes please _____!"
- borrow
 - borrow it
 - don't worry
 - do
54. What _____ if the negotiations break down?
- do you
 - you do
 - would you do
 - will you do
55. "So where did your brother go on holiday?" "Well, you suggested he _____ to London, so he did."
- goes
 - go
 - to go
 - will go
56. But for your hard work, the project _____ failed.
- will
 - would
 - would have
 - will have
57. Should you go by the grocery store, _____ pick up some milk?
- you
 - would you
 - might you
 - may you
58. Do you enjoy _____ ?
- swimming
 - to swim
 - the swimming
 - swim

59. _____ you possibly give me a hand ?
- May
 - Must
 - Could
 - Should
60. You _____ believe it, but I just saw Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie in a restaurant!
- wouldn't
 - can't
 - must
 - mightn't
61. When my grandparents were children, they _____ 5 miles to school every day.
- were used to walk
 - were walking
 - had walked
 - used to walk
62. "Who broke that vase? I don't know, but Mary said it _____."
- isn't her
 - wasn't her
 - didn't be her
 - isn't she
63. Oh, if only the weather _____ nice!
- is
 - was
 - were
 - would be
64. "I wonder where my brother is. He assured me he _____ to pick me up."
- would come
 - came
 - will come
 - come
65. Here is the to do list. Just _____ as you do them.
- check things up
 - check things out
 - check things off
 - check things in
66. Can I use your mobile phone please? My battery has _____.
- run down
 - run in
 - run off
 - run away
67. You don't speak Russian, _____?
- you do
 - don't you
 - you don't
 - do you
68. My colleague assured me _____ happy with the new job.
- I will be
 - I might be
 - I wasn't
 - I would be

69. In the United States you can't go into a bar, unless you _____ 21 years old.
- are going to be
 - will be
 - were
 - are
70. As hard as I pulled, the door just _____ open.
- not open
 - wouldn't
 - shouldn't
 - wasn't
71. Everyone in my family smokes a lot, so I _____ smoke.
- am habited to
 - have the habit to
 - am used to
 - used to
72. I was wondering if you _____ what time the next bus leaves.
- know
 - knew
 - do know
 - did knew
73. "Hey, I've found the perfect house for a reasonable price!" " _____? That's wonderful!"
- Did you
 - Find you
 - Did you find
 - Have you
74. _____ champagne is my favourite drink.
- ∅
 - The
 - Some
 - A
75. The Prime Minister _____ by aides _____ preparing a manifesto.
- is told / to be
 - is said / are
 - is said / to be
 - is telling / is
76. My father stopped jogging a year ago, which is a pity. He _____ run an hour a day, until he gave it up.
- was used to
 - used to
 - sometimes
 - would
77. Can you tell me what time _____ ?
- does the shop open
 - opens the shop
 - the shop opens
 - will the shop open
78. Traditionally, _____ English don't like _____ French but they usually love _____ French food.
- the / ∅ / the
 - ∅ / ∅ / ∅
 - the / the / the
 - the / the / ∅

79. I'll talk to _____ will listen to me.
- they
 - who
 - which one
 - whomever
80. Do you know _____ ?
- what her name is
 - what is her name
 - how she is called
 - how is her name
81. I love swimming ; _____,I excel at it.
- however
 - nevertheless
 - whatever
 - moreover
82. Scotland Yard has said it will _____ a review after a man ran up to David Cameron and pushed him.
- carry out
 - carry on
 - carry off
 - carry up
83. The man was released _____ after being arrested.
- soonly
 - short
 - short time
 - shortly
84. _____her first gold record in 2007 has the star had such a success with a music video.
- Not before
 - Never since
 - Not since
 - Not after
85. _____ people say _____ global warming is a myth.
- Some / Ø
 - The / the
 - The / Ø
 - Some / the
86. Your mother has _____ of luggage. Maybe you should help her.
- rather a lot
 - too many
 - dozens
 - too much
87. "Don't you just love Ironman 2? I think it's _____ movie."
- so great a
 - a such great
 - a so great
 - such a great
88. It has been _____ the largest protest since the center-right government took power in 2010.
- so far
 - from far
 - by far
 - of far

89. I must _____ a few problems to be handled.
- point out
 - point at
 - point to
 - point
90. "I love your new car, but I think it must have cost _____ money."
- very much
 - many
 - quite a lot
 - loads of
91. _____ panda is _____ animal that has trouble reproducing in _____ captivity.
- A / the / ∅
 - A / an / the
 - The / the / the
 - The / an / ∅
92. It's hot in here. Would you mind _____ the window.
- to open
 - open
 - opening
 - opened
93. Chinese is becoming a very popular language to learn, but _____ wants to learn Swahili.
- rather no one
 - some
 - rather a lot
 - hardly anyone
94. I'm not sure what to do here. I really need _____.
- some advice
 - a few advices
 - some advises
 - a few advises
95. "Paris is a beautiful city." " _____."
- Me, I think it too.
 - Yes, I think it too.
 - Yes, I think so too.
 - Me, too.
96. "It's important to find a job where you can be happy." " Yes, _____."
- I'm agree
 - I do agree
 - I'm accord
 - I agree
97. I think someone has left _____ bag under the table.
- their
 - his
 - her
 - its
98. "When do you want my report?" _____.
- "The soonest, the best"
 - "The sooner than later"
 - "The sooner the better"
 - "Sooner than later"

99. Could you please _____ ?
- tell me where is the station
 - say me where is the station
 - tell me where the station is
 - tell me where is the station
100. I have visited _____ Great Lakes several times, but I've never seen _____ Lake Como.
- ∅ / ∅
 - ∅ / the
 - The / the
 - The / ∅
101. Thank you for your excellent_____.
- counsel
 - advice
 - council
 - advise
102. The Minister of Education _____ in a poor neighbourhood of Abbeville
- grew up
 - growed up
 - has grown up
 - was grown
103. Many employers are now requiring English that is _____ to handle negotiations.
- enough well
 - well enough
 - good enough
 - enough good
104. The 'flu vaccine didn't have the expected _____ this year.
- affect
 - affection
 - effect
 - effective
105. I'm afraid the president is not available Friday. He must _____ a conference.
- attend to
 - assist
 - attend
 - assist to
106. Would you please discuss this _____ and give me your reply by Friday?
- between us
 - among us
 - among yourselves
 - between them
107. A young engineer, just starting his career can expect _____ a decent salary.
- to earn
 - to gain
 - to win
 - earning
108. Pfeiffer did _____ research on the subject of success.
- complete
 - entire
 - thorough
 - through

109. Not only did he note all the qualities of successful people, but he _____ elements that were present and lacking.
- sought
 - searched
 - seeked
 - researched
110. He found that energy and strength _____ outlast your opposition.
- permit you
 - able you to
 - enable you to
 - allow you

II. . Reading comprehension

Choose the correct answer for each question

Google's Alan Eustace beats Baumgartner's skydiving record (bbc.com - 24 October 2014)

A senior Google vice president, Alan Eustace, has broken the world altitude record for a parachute jump set in 2012 by Felix Baumgartner. Mr Eustace was (111)_____ a large helium balloon from New Mexico to over 40km (25 miles) above the earth.

The 57-year-old (112)_____ out in a specially-designed space (113)_____, reaching speeds of more than 1,300km/h. He exceeded the speed of sound, setting off a small sonic boom, and set several skydiving records in the process.

The dive was part of a project led by Paragon Space Development Corporation, aimed at the exploration of the stratosphere above 100,000 feet (30,480 metres). Mr Eustace successfully jumped from near the top of the stratosphere (114)_____ an altitude of 135,890 feet, the World Air Sports Federation (FAI) confirmed (115)_____ Friday. The previous record was set by Mr. Baumgartner (116)_____ after he jumped from a (117) _____ of nearly 128,000 feet.

Mr. Eustace (118) _____ from an abandoned airfield in Roswell, New Mexico early on Friday morning. He was connected to a balloon module which carried him for two hours and seven minutes to his target altitude and wore a self-contained commercial space suit enabling him to explore the stratosphere. Alan Eustace is Google's senior vice president of (119)_____.

Mr. Eustace also broke the world records for vertical speed reached during free-fall with a peak velocity of 1,321km/h (822 mph) and total free-fall distance of 123,414 feet - lasting four minutes and 27 seconds.

The Google (120)_____ - who is also a veteran pilot and parachutist - (121)_____ this jump (122) _____ several years, working in secret with a small group of people trained in parachute and balloon technology, says the BBC's David Willis in Los Angeles.

Mr. Eustace completed it without the aid of sponsorship, and with considerably less fanfare than the previous record holder, Felix Baumgartner, (123)_____ jump from the edge of space was streamed live over the internet two years ago.

"It was amazing," Mr. Eustace was quoted by the New York Times as saying. "It was beautiful. You could see the darkness of space and you could see the (124)_____ of atmosphere, which I had never seen before." He told the newspaper that he did not feel or hear the sonic boom as he passed the speed of sound, (125)_____ it was heard by observers on the ground.

Choose the correct option to complete the text.

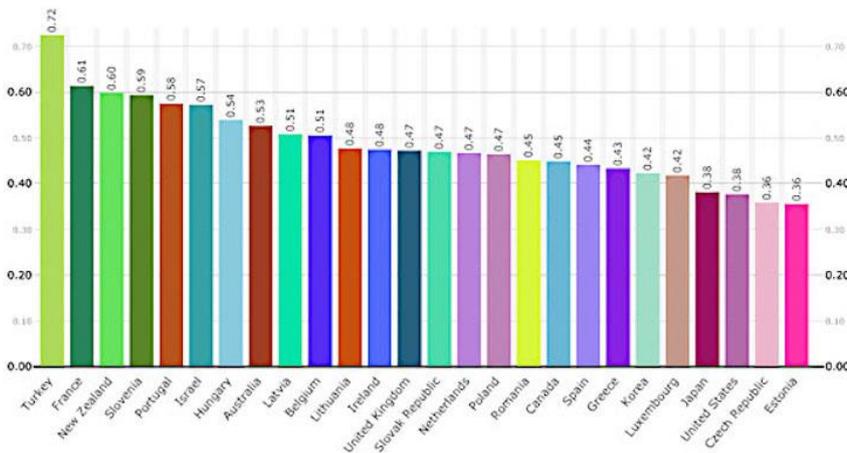
- | | | | | |
|------|------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 111. | a. carried | b. carried off | c. carrying | d. carried by |
| 112. | a. leapt | b. lept | c. will leap | d. walked |
| 113. | a. costume | b. disguise | c. suit | d. disguisement |
| 114. | a. on | b. at | c. in | d. to |
| 115. | a. on | b. at | c. in | d. to |

116. a. there is 2 years b. there was 2 years c. since 2 years d. 2 years ago.
 117. a. tall b. height c. high d. hight
 118. a. set off b. set on c. set about d. set in
 119. a. knowing b. intellect c. knowledge d. intelligence
 120. a. cadre b. executive c. boss d. executor
 121. a. had been planning b. has been planning c. has planned d. was planning
 122. a. since b. during c. while d. for
 123. a. which b. that c. whose d. whom
 124. a. floors b. levels c. coats d. layers
 125. a. even b. although c. so d. despite

Compare The U.S. Minimum Wage To Other Countries

This chart shows us what the minimum wage is in a given country as a (126)_____ of the median (127)_____, which is the exact middle of wages in those countries. In (128)_____ words, if you find the point at which half of the population makes more than X and half makes below X, then the graph below shows just how much (129)_____ X the minimum wage actually is. We're #24 out of 26.

Minimum Wage as % of Median Wage



Some may argue that " minimum wage is (130) _____ in those countries because you have to pay more for everything." In some of those countries, it does indeed (131)_____ more for basics. In some, it costs much less. Here are some examples:

Cost of Living

- Turkey: Consumer prices including rent are 43.6% lower than the United States
- France: Consumer prices including rent are 15.3% higher than the United States
- Australia: Consumer prices including rent are 45.26% higher than the United States
- Slovenia: Consumer prices including rent are 20.02% lower than the United States
- The Netherlands: Consumer prices including rent are 14.8% higher than the United States
- Latvia: Consumer prices including rent are 33.76% lower than the United States
- Canada: Consumer prices including rent are 7.45% higher than the United States

Line 17

(Figures are as of September 2014)

Of course, there are other factors to consider here. For example, many countries have a nationalized (132)____ care system of some sort and other social (133)_____nets so that people don't die (134)_____ working too many minimum wage jobs.

Choose the correct option to complete the text and answer the questions.

126. a. percent b. percentage c. for cent d. a hundredth
 127. a. wage b. gauge c. salaray d. wages
 128. a. some b. other c. the other d. otherwise

129. a. underneath b. lower c. below d. above
130. a. above b. higher c. upper d. more than
131. a. pay b. cost c. costed d. paid
132. a. sanity b. healthy c. health d. sane
133. a. safer b. secure c. safety d. security
134. a. from b. with c. at d. to
135. The word "*figures*" in line 17 is closest in meaning to _____
 a. shapes b. forms c. bodies d. numbers
136. The general idea of this article is that _____.
 a. life in the USA is expensive
 b. life in the rest of the world is cheap
 c. the minimum wage is too high in the rest of the world
 d. the minimum wage should be higher in the USA

Meeting deadlines by D.N. for *The Economist* 3/10/14

If you want something done, the saying goes, give it to a busy person. A paper recently published in the *Journal of Consumer Research* suggests it may, in fact, be true – as long as the busy person conceptualises the deadline in the right way.

- 5 Two researchers examined how individuals **go about** both thinking about and completing tasks. Previous studies have shown that such activity progresses through four distinct phases: pre-decision, post-decision (but pre-action), action and review. It is thought that what motivates the **shift** from the decision-making stages to the doing-something stage is a change in mindset. Human beings are a deliberative sort, weighing the pros and cons of future actions and remaining open to
- 10 other ideas and influences. However, once a decision is taken, the mind becomes more "implemental" and focuses on the task at hand. The researchers advise, that "the key step in getting things done is to get started." But what **drives** that? They believe the key that unlocks the implemental mode lies in how people categorise time. They suggest that tasks are more likely to be viewed with an implemental mindset if an imposed deadline is linked to "now".
- 15 (A future date within the same month or calendar year, for example). Conversely, a deadline placed outside ("unlike-the-present") exists merely as a circle on a calendar, and as such is more likely to be considered deliberatively and then ignored until the last minute. They carried out five sets of tests, with volunteers ranging from farmers in India to undergraduate students in Toronto. In one test, the farmers were offered a financial incentive to open a bank account and make a deposit
- 20 within six months. The researchers predicted those approached in June would consider a deadline before December 31st as "like-the-present". Those approached in July, by contrast, received a deadline into the next year, and were expected to think of their deadline as unlike-the-present. Those with a deadline in the same year were four times as likely to open the account immediately as those for whom the deadline lay in the following year.
- 25 In another set of experiments, undergraduate students were given a calendar on a Wednesday and asked to suggest an appropriate day to carry out certain tasks before the following Sunday. The trick was that some were given a calendar with all of the weekdays coloured purple, with weekends in beige (making a visual distinction between a Wednesday and the following Sunday). Others were given a calendar in which every other week, Monday to Sunday, was a solid colour (meaning that a Wednesday and the following Sunday

30 were thus the same colour). Even this minor visual cue affected how like- or unlike-the-present the respondents tended to view task priorities.

All the research supports the thesis that making people link a future event to today triggers an implemental response, regardless of how far in the future the deadline actually lies. If the journey of 1,000 miles starts with a single step, the authors might suggest that you take that step before this time next week.

Choose the correct option to answer the questions.

137. The phrase "go about" in line 5 is closest in meaning to _____.
a. travel b. avoid c. go around d. proceed
138. The word "shift" in line 7 is closest in meaning to _____.
a. change gears b. switch c. exchange d. go faster
139. The word "mindset" in line 8 is closest in meaning to _____.
a. mood b. disposition c. ideas d. both a and b are correct
140. The word "drives" in line 12 is closest in meaning to _____.
a. impels b. forces c. moves d. chauffeurs
141. When a person is in implemental mode they _____ the project
a. start to work on b. stop working on c. have finished d. ignore
142. The key to getting started is _____.
a. how people view time b. just doing it c. how close the deadline is d. in the category
143. The farmers in India were given _____ bank account.
a. motivation to open a b. money to put in their c. a d. tests
144. Another experiment explored how the subjects reacted to _____ on a calendar.
a. Wednesday or Sunday deadlines b. different colours c. different days d. getting
145. This article says that deadlines are _____.
a. disliked b. hard to meet c. bad d. seen differently by everyone