

Part I. Grammar test

Демоверсия

Choose the best answer, only one answer is correct.

1. Fred feels _____ today than he did yesterday.
a. good b. weller c. better d. the best
2. Leave him alone! He _____ on a new project.
a. worked c. works
b. have worked d. is working
3. Helen _____ in a café when I saw her.
a. sat b. was sitting c. has sat d. will sit
4. My sister is on holiday. She _____ to France.
a. goes b. was going c. has gone d. went
5. Michael is friendly, he _____ on well with people.
a. gets b. is getting c. have got d. get
6. Will _____ help me to do this work?
a. somebody c. anything
b. something d. anybody
7. We missed the train and _____ wait for forty minutes.
a. must b. could c. had to d. have to
8. Every season is beautiful in _____ own way.
a. its b. his c. their d. it
9. Jake _____ the match at 8 o'clock yesterday evening.
a. is watching c. watched
b. was watching d. has watched
10. There is _____ juice left. I must buy some.
a. few b. little c. a few d. a little
11. If he _____, he will get into trouble.
a. does not pay c. is not paying
b. will not pay d. has not paid
12. Who _____ porridge for breakfast?
a. did eat b. eat c. ate d. did ate
13. They _____ in our town for five years, but then they moved to Minsk.

- a. was living b. lived c. have lived d. live
14. _____ your brother absent from the lessons?
a. Was b. Were c. Has d. Did
15. Bob never _____ in the mountains when he was a child.
a. has skied b. skies c. is skiing d. skied
16. Ann _____ for her key from 2 to 3 yesterday.
a. looked c. was looking
b. has looked d. is looking
17. It _____ today.
a. does not snow c. has not snowed
b. did not snow d. was not snowing
18. I think I _____ this piece of cake. It looks delicious.
a. take c. have taken
b. are taking d. will take
19. Amanda _____ her driving test this morning.
a. has passed c. passes
b. passed d. was passing
20. I will wait here until your taxi _____.
a. will come b. has come c. comes d. came
21. As I _____ my flat, it didn't look untidy.
a. cleaned c. had cleaned
b. was cleaning d. had been cleaning
22. I can't find my car. I think it _____.
a. is stolen c. will be stolen
b. was stolen d. has been stolen
23. Granny said that she _____ her glasses.
a. has lost b. had lost c. lose d. was losing
24. My wallet wasn't in my bag as somebody _____.
a. stole c. had stolen
b. was stealing d. was stolen
25. The fridge is empty. All food _____.
a. is eaten b. were eaten c. ate d. has been eaten

Part II. Word Formation

Complete the sentences with words derived from the words in bold

1. The bad weather spoiled our _____ of the holiday. (**ENJOY**)
2. Bright colours _____ his paintings. (**CHARACTER**)
3. This TV comedy is highly _____. (**SUCCESS**)
4. It is _____ to sell tobacco to someone under 18. (**LEGAL**)
5. I will never forget the _____ you have shown me. (**KIND**)
6. It is very _____ of you to let me borrow your car. (**GENEROSITY**)
7. Sleep _____ is a serious psychological problem. (**ORDER**)
8. Sandra received an _____ to speak at a scientific conference. (**INVITE**)
9. It is strange Tim isn't here, he is usually so _____. (**RELY**)
10. I realized that what I was wearing was completely _____ for such a formal occasion. (**APPROPRIATE**)

Part III. Reading.

Task 1. *Read the text and do the task below it.*

In 1608 an Englishman whose name was Thomas Coryate visited Italy. He liked the country and noted down every interesting thing he found. But there was one thing which he found more interesting than others. In his diary Thomas wrote, 'When the Italians eat meat, they use small forks. They do not eat with hands because, as they say, people do not always have clean hands.'

Before leaving for England, Thomas Coryate bought a few forks.

At home Thomas gave a dinner party to show the invention to his friends. When the servant brought the steak, he took out a fork and began to eat like they did in Italy.

Everybody looked at him in surprise. When he told his friends what it was, they all wanted to take a good look at the strange thing. All his friends

said that the Italians were very strange people because the fork was very inconvenient.

Thomas Coryate tried to prove the opposite. He said it was not nice to eat meat with one's fingers because they were not always clean.

Everybody got angry at that. Did Mr Coryate think that people in England always had dirty hands? And weren't the ten fingers they had enough for them?

Thomas Coryate wanted to show that it was very easy to use the fork. But the first piece of meat he took with the fork fell to the floor. His friends began to laugh and he had to take the fork away.

Only fifty years later people in England began to use forks.

Choose the best answers A, B, C or D:

1. *Why did Thomas Coryate bring forks to England?*
 - A. He wanted to make his friends surprised.
 - B. He believed it was not nice to eat meat with fingers.
 - C. Forks were beautiful.
 - D. He wanted to make business selling forks.
2. *Why did everybody look at Thomas when he began to eat like the Italians?*
 - A. They believed it to be bad manners.
 - B. Nobody ate meat with hands in England.
 - C. Everybody thought it was an amazing invention.
 - D. Nobody had seen a fork before.
3. *Coryate's friends _____.*
 - A. began to eat meat with forks at once
 - B. became ashamed of eating meat with their hands
 - C. didn't like the forks
 - D. didn't pay any attention to the fork
4. *Why did the first piece of meat fall to the floor when Thomas took it with the fork?*
 - A. The fork was very inconvenient to use.
 - B. The fork was bad.
 - C. Thomas was not used to eating with a fork.
 - D. The steak was too tough.

5. *When did people in England begin to use forks?*

- A. In 1658
- B. In 1568
- C. In 1856
- D. In 1685

Task 2. *Read the text and match headings (a-f) to paragraphs (1-5). There is one heading you do not need.*

- a. For tourists
- b. The scientists' opinion
- c. a British mystery
- d. What is Loch Ness?
- e. Who is 'Nessie'?
- f. The loch museum

The Loch Ness Monster

1 _____

One of the most famous natural mysteries in Great Britain is the 'Loch Ness Monster'. People all over the world know about it. There are books, films and television programmes about it but it is still a great mystery. Is 'Nessie' real or not?

2 _____

Loch Ness is a large lake in Scotland. The water is very cold and very deep. Around the lake there are mountains, forests and farms. It is a beautiful part of Scotland and many people go there for holidays and to walk in the countryside.

3 _____

People say that a large monster lives in the loch and there are lots of photographs of it. The people who believe in the monster think it is like a sea dinosaur and lives at the bottom of the loch. When it's hungry it comes up and takes sheep and cows from the farms. Some people think it has a family of little monsters that it gives food to.

4 _____

The people who live near the loch say that it is real. But 'Nessie' is good for tourists. A lot of people come to Loch Ness to try to see the monster and spend lots of money there. You can buy everything from clothes to towels with 'Nessie' on them! This is good for the area.

5 _____

Most scientists don't believe in 'Nessie'. A few years ago some scientists looked at the bottom of the loch with special cameras but they didn't find anything. They say it's all a joke. Who is right? People like mysteries. It's good to know that nature still has some secrets!

Part IV. Writing

You have received a letter from your English-speaking friend Ron.

... I love reading very much. Now I am reading a book called "Vanity Fair" and I rather like it, though I was told to read it at school.

Do you like reading? What kind of books do you prefer and why? Which book are you reading now?

Write him a letter and answer his 3 questions.

Write 100-120 words. Remember the rules of letter writing.

Part V. Speaking

Interview with a teacher on the studied topics.