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## PLACEMENT TEST

*Circle the correct letter.*

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- 1 I'm 18 and my brother is 20, so he's ..... me.  
**a** the oldest of  
**b** older than  
**c** as old as
- 2 Carl's very ..... . He's never late, and he never forgets to do things.  
**a** reliable  
**b** patient  
**c** strict
- 3 We stayed in a lovely villa ..... the sea.  
**a** it overlooks  
**b** overlooked  
**c** overlooking
- 4 Not until the 1980s ..... for the average person to own a computer.  
**a** it was possible  
**b** was it possible  
**c** was possible
- 5 Jan ..... her arm on a hot iron.  
**a** broke  
**b** burned  
**c** sprained
- 6 Tomorrow's a holiday, so we ..... go to work.  
**a** have to  
**b** mustn't  
**c** don't have to
- 7 I usually ..... swimming at least once a week.  
**a** go  
**b** do  
**c** play
- 8 My friend Siena ..... to Russia last year.  
**a** went  
**b** has gone  
**c** has been
- 9 This is ..... area, with a lot of factories and warehouses.  
**a** an agricultural  
**b** an industrial  
**c** a residential
- 10 If I ..... well in my exams, I ..... to university.  
**a** will do; will go  
**b** will do; go  
**c** do; will go
- 11 She was so upset that she burst ..... tears.  
**a** into  
**b** out  
**c** with
- 12 Where did you go ..... holiday last year?  
**a** for  
**b** on  
**c** to
- 13 Ocean currents ..... play an important part in regulating global climate.  
**a** are known to  
**b** thought to  
**c** are believed that they
- 14 My cousin ..... getting a job in Bahrain.  
**a** would like  
**b** is planning  
**c** is thinking of

- 15 I can't ..... your hair, because I haven't got any scissors.  
**a** brush  
**b** cut  
**c** wash
- 16 I wish I ..... have an exam tomorrow!  
**a** don't  
**b** didn't  
**c** won't
- 17 The government plans to ..... taxes on sales of luxury items.  
**a** increase  
**b** expand  
**c** go up
- 18 When I first moved to Hong Kong, life in a different country was very strange, but now I'm used ..... here.  
**a** living  
**b** to live  
**c** to living
- 19 There ..... milk in the fridge.  
**a** is some  
**b** are some  
**c** is a
- 20 Criminals are people who are guilty of ..... the law.  
**a** breaking  
**b** cheating  
**c** committing
- 21 Why on earth isn't Josh here yet? ..... for him for over an hour!  
**a** I'm waiting  
**b** I've been waiting  
**c** I've waited
- 22 "It's pouring down, and it's freezing." What are the weather conditions?  
**a** high winds and snow  
**b** heavy rain and cold temperatures  
**c** thick cloud but quite warm
- 23 ..... feeling OK? You don't look very well.  
**a** Do you  
**b** You are  
**c** Are you
- 24 Daniel's hair is getting far too long; he should ..... soon.  
**a** cut it  
**b** have cut it  
**c** have it cut
- 25 Mandy works for a computer software company. She got ..... recently, and so now she's an area manager.  
**a** made redundant  
**b** promoted  
**c** a raise
- 26 I can't hear you – it's ..... noisy in here.  
**a** too  
**b** too much  
**c** too many
- 27 Jamal has just sent me ..... to arrange plans for this weekend.  
**a** a blog  
**b** an email  
**c** a website
- 28 I promise I'll call you as soon as I .....  
**a** I arrive  
**b** I arrived  
**c** I'll arrive

- 29 Photographers and designers need to be very ..... .  
**a** creative  
**b** fit  
**c** annoying
- 30 The global financial crisis, ..... is forcing lots of small businesses to close, does not look set to end soon.  
**a** it  
**b** that  
**c** which
- 31 There ..... a terrible accident if the pilot hadn't reacted so quickly.  
**a** had been  
**b** was  
**c** would have been
- 32 "Are you ready to order?"  
 "Not yet – I'm still looking at the ..... ."  
**a** bill  
**b** menu  
**c** service
- 33 "My job is never boring."  
 The speaker's job is always ..... .  
**a** interesting  
**b** popular  
**c** difficult
- 34 I've been working here ..... about the last two years.  
**a** during  
**b** for  
**c** since
- 35 "It leaves from Platform 2 at 4.15."  
 The speaker is talking about ..... .  
**a** an airline flight  
**b** a train  
**c** a taxi
- 36 I went to a lovely ..... last Saturday. The bride was my best friend when we were at school.  
**a** anniversary  
**b** marriage  
**c** wedding
- 37 "I've got a headache."  
 "Maybe you ..... to take an aspirin."  
**a** should  
**b** ought  
**c** don't
- 38 The patient had an ..... to insert metal pins in his broken leg.  
**a** injection  
**b** operation  
**c** X-ray
- 39 She won a seat in parliament at the last ..... .  
**a** general election  
**b** opinion poll  
**c** referendum
- 40 I'm surprised you didn't get upset. If someone said that to me, ..... really angry.  
**a** I'm  
**b** I was  
**c** I'd be

- 41 This used to be ..... part of the city, but since the old buildings were renovated it's become a very fashionable area.  
**a** an affluent  
**b** a run-down  
**c** a trendy
- 42 Cassie went to bed early because she was .....  
**a** tired  
**b** stressed  
**c** relaxed
- 43 In the 1960s, computers were ..... expensive that ordinary people couldn't afford them.  
**a** so  
**b** such  
**c** too
- 44 Do you want ..... the match tonight?  
**a** watching  
**b** watch  
**c** to watch
- 45 Researchers claim the new discovery is a major ..... in the fight against malaria.  
**a** breakthrough  
**b** investigation  
**c** progress
- 46 The Maths problem was really difficult and I just couldn't ..... the answer.  
**a** check in  
**b** set off  
**c** work out
- 47 When I was a child, I never ..... about the future.  
**a** have worried  
**b** used to worry  
**c** was worrying
- 48 A local politician has ..... charges of corruption made by the opposition party.  
**a** accused  
**b** blamed  
**c** denied
- 49 ..... worries me about society today is how completely we have come to depend on technology.  
**a** That  
**b** What  
**c** Which
- 50 Cats and dogs are usually kept as .....  
**a** farm animals  
**b** wild animals  
**c** pets