**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.**

**Question 1**: Lack of water and nutrients has **impeded** the growth of these plants.

A. promoted

B. assisted

C. realized

D prevented

**Question 2:** Few businesses are **flourishing** in the present economic climate.

A. taking off

B. setting up

C. growing well.

D. closing down

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.**

**Question 3**: Many parents always **kept a tight rein on** their children.

A. gave less money

B let loose

C. set free

D. helped to ride

**Question 4:** The Red Cross is an international humanitarian agency dedicated to reducing the **sufferings** of wounded soldiers, civilians and prisoners of war.

A happiness

B. loss

C. sadness

D. pain and sorrow

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.**

**Question 5:** We got lost, so we had to stop .............. for directions

A. to ask

B. ask

C. asking

D. to be asked

**Question 6:** Two people are reported .............. in an earthquake yesterday.

A. to be injured

B. being injured

C. to have been injured

D. having been injured

**Question 7:** When we came last night, they .............. dinner with their family.

A. was having

B. have

C. are having

D. were having

**Question 8:** Henry doesn't like fish, and ...............

A. so does Tom

B. Tom doesn't, neither

C. neither does Tom

D. Tom does, too

**Question 9:** After three days' taking medication, Mary .............. over her flu.

A. turn

B. come

C. get

D. look

**Question 10:** The plague, otherwise known as the Black Death, was a .............. disease.

A contagious.

B. contiguous

C. contingent

D. congenial

**Question 11:** The human brain .............. only two percent of an adult's body weight.

A. which makes up

B. it makes up

C. makes it up

D. makes up

**Question 12:** He was .............. from the competition for using drugs.

A. disqualified

B. omitted

C. sacked

D. prevented

**Question 13:** Your sister hardly talks to anyone, ..............\_?

A. does she

B. is she

C. doesn't she

D. isn't she

**Question 14:** ..............\_ up late last night, she wouldn't be sick now.

A. If she didn't stay

B. Were she to stay

C. Had she not stayed

D. Unless she stayed

**Question 15:** Women seem to be easily terrified ..............\_ small insects such as spiders, cockroaches.

A. for

B. about

C. with

D. of

**Question 16:** The cyclists are warned about the lane full of .............. and turns.

A. toss

B. tears

C. twists

D. tucks

**Question 17:** The conflict between the two countries should be settled by .............. means, not lighting.

A. diplomacy

B. diplomatic

C. diplomatically

D. diplomat

**Question 18:** Elephants scratch themselves with a stick ...............

A. which hold in their trunks

B. are held in their trunks

C. holding in their trunks

D. held in their trunks

**Question 19:** Henry looks so frightened and upset. He .............. something terrible.

A. should have experienced

B. must have experienced

C. needn't have experienced

D. can have experienced

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best completes each of the following exchanges.**

**Question 20:**

- Peter: "Might I have more bread?"

- Mary:"..............”

A. It's my pleasure.

B. Not at all. I'll do it.

C. Please, help yourself.

D. Yes, that's very kind of you.

**Question 21:**

- Laura: "It's a lovely party. Thanks a lot!"

- Maria: “..............\_”

A. No, not very. What a pity! B. It's a pleasure. I'm glad you like it.

C. Thank you for your help. D. What a nice surprise. Thanks.

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word which differs from the other three in the position of the main stress in each of the following questions.**

**Question 22:**

A. comfortable

B. powerful

C. accurate

D. opinion

**Question 23:**

A. improvement

B. communicate

C. occasional

D. reservation

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.**

**Question 24:**

A. **ch**allenge

B. a**ch**ievement

C. **ch**ance

D. s**ch**olarship

Question 25:

A. sol**d**ier

B. lea**d**er

C. a**d**opt

D. won**d**er

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 26 to 30.**

Acupuncture is a Chinese method of (26) .............. illnesses by inserting needles into certain points of the body. The idea is that this restores the natural balance of energy, which is disturbed when a person is ill. The origins of this therapy have been traced (27) .............. over five thousand year, but it only began to be accepted in the West' the 1970s.

In 1971, James Reston, a well-known journalist from the New York Times, was visiting China when he developed appendicitis. He was operated on in a hospital in Peking, where the doctors used acupuncture to (28) .............. his pain. Reston was surprised at how effective it was, and wrote about it in an article for the newspaper.

Soon afterwards, Chairman Mao Tse-tung invited a group of (29) .............. Western doctors over to China to witness for themselves that acupuncture worked. They were accompanied by television crews, and soon viewers in the West were watching operations being carried out on patients with acupuncture needle sticking out of them. The patients felt (30) .............. pain. The Western experts were a little embarrassed at what they saw, because they had previously ridiculed idea that patients could be treated with needles. Now they had to admit that acupuncture actually worked.

**Question 26:**

A. improving

B. doctoring

C. practicing

D treating

**Question 27:**

A back

B. forward

C. up

D. towards

**Question 28:**

A. release

B. repair

C. relieve

D. retain

**Question 29**:

A. distinguished

B. impressive

C. distinct

D. related

**Question 30**:

A. not

B. any

C. no

D. none

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to the sentence given in each of the following questions**

**Question 31:** You needn't have taken so many warm clothes there.

A. It's not necessary for you to take so many warm clothes there.

B. You have taken so many warm clothes there that I don't need.

C. There is no need for you to take so many warm clothes there.

D. You took lots of warm clothes there but it turned out not necessary.

**Question 32:** No sooner had she put the telephone down than her boss rang back.

A. As soon as her boss rang back, she put down the telephone.

B. Scarcely had she put the telephone down when her boss rang back.

C. Hardly she had hung up, she rang her boss immediately.

D. She had hardly put the telephone down without her boss rang back.

**Question 33:** Twice as many men as women are insurance agents.

A. More men than women have insurance.

B. Male insurance agents outnumber female agents.

C. Women are twice as likely as men to have insurance.

D. Insurance is twice as difficult to sell to women as to men.

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 34 to 40**

Crows are probably the most frequently met and easily identifiable members of the native fauna of the United States. The great number of tales, legends, and myths about these bird indicates that people have been exceptionally interested in them for a long time. On the other hand, when it comes to substantive-particularly behavioral - information, crows are less well known than many **comparably** common species and, for that matter, now a few uncommon ones: the endangered California condor, to cite one obvious example. There are practical reasons for this.

Crows are notoriously poor and aggravating subjects for field research Keen observers and quick learners, they are astute about the intentions of other creatures, including researchers, and adept at avoiding **them**. Because they are so numerous, active, and monochromatic, it is difficult to distinguish one crow from another. Bands, radio transmitters, or other identifying devices can be attached to the, but this of course requires catching live crows, who are among the wariest and most untrappable of birds.

Technical difficulties aside, crow research is daunting because the ways of these birds are so complex and various. As preeminent generalists, members of this species ingeniously exploit a great range of habitats and resources, and they can quickly adjust to changes in their circumstances. Being so educable, individual birds have markedly different interests and inclinations, strategies and scams. For example, one pet crow learned how to let a dog out of its kennel by pulling the pin on the door. When the dog escaped, the bird went into the kennel and ate its food.

**Question 34:** What does the passage mainly discuss?

A. The ways in which crows differ from other common birds

B. The myths and legends about crows

C. The characteristics that make crows difficult to study

D. The existing methods for investigating crow behavior

**Question 35:** According to the first paragraph, what evidence is there that crows have interested people for a long time?

A. The large number of stories about crows

B. The frequency with which crows are sighted

C. The amount of research that has been conducted on crows

D. The ease with which crows are identified

**Question 36:** The word "comparably" in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to

A. interestingly

B. Similarly

C. otherwise

D. sometimes

**Question 37:** The word "them" in paragraph 2 refers to

A. crows

B. subjects

C. intentions

D. researchers

**Question 38:** According to the second paragraph, crows are poor subjects for field research for all of the following reasons EXCEPT:

A. They can successfully avoid observers.

B. They are hard to distinguish from one another.

C. They can be quite aggressive.

D. They are difficult to catch.

**Question 39:** According to the passage, the author implies that using radio transmitters would allow a researcher who studies crows to

A. identify individual crows.

B. follow flocks of crows over long distances.

C. record the times when crows are most active.

D. help crows that become sick or injured.

**Question 40:** The author mentions a pet crow to illustrate ...............

A. the clever ways that crows solve problems

B. the differences between pet crows and wild crows

C. the ease with which crows can be tamed

D. the affection that crows show to other creatures

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 41 to 45**

Another critical factor that plays a part in susceptibility to colds is age. A study done by the University of Michigan School of Public Health revealed **particulars** that seem to hold true for the general population. Infants are the most cold-ridden group, averaging more than six colds in their first year. Boys have more colds than girls up to age three. After the age of three, girls are more susceptible than boys, and teenage girls average three colds a year to boys' two.

The general incidence of colds continues to decline into maturity Elderly people who are in good health have as few as one or two colds annually. One exception is found among people in their twenties, especially women who show a rise in cold infections, because people in this age group are most likely to have young children. Adults who delay having children until their thirties and forties experience the same sudden increase in cold infections.

The study also found that economics plays an important role. As income increases, the frequency at which colds are reported in the family decreases. Families with the lowest income suffer about a third more colds than families at the highest end. Lower income in general forces people to live in more cramped quarters than those typically occupied by wealthier people, and crowding increases the opportunities for cold virus to travel from person to person. Low income may also adversely influence diet. The degree to Which poor nutrition affects susceptibility to colds is not yet clearly established, but an inadequate diet is suspected of lowering resistance in general.

**Question 41:** Which of the following is closest in meaning to the word "particulars”

in the paragraph?

A. Minor errors

B. Specific facts

C. Small distinctions

D. Individual people

**Question 42:** According to the passage, which of the following groups of people is

most likely to catch colds?

A, Infant boys

B. Young girls

C. Teenage boys

D. Elderly women

**Question 43:** The information in the second paragraph supports which of the following conclusions?

A. Men are more susceptible to colds than women

B. Children infect their parents with colds.

C. People who live in cold climate have more colds than those who live in a warm one.

D. People who don't have children are more susceptible to colds than those who do.

**Question 44:** The author's main purpose in writing the last paragraph is to

A. explain how cold viruses are transmitted.

B. prove that a poor diet causes colds.

C discuss the relationship between income and frequency of colds.

D. discuss the distribution of income among the people in the study.

**Question 45:** The author's tone in this passage could best be described as

A. neutral and objective.

B. humorous.

C. tentative but interested.

D. highly critical

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.**

**Question 46:** Alike all other mammals, dolphins have lungs.

A. Alike

B. all other

C. have

D. lungs

**Question 47:** The books for my engineering course are much more expensive than my other courses.

A. The

B. much

C. than

D. other

**Question 48**: While verbalization is the most common form of language in existence, humans make use of many others systems and techniques to express their thoughts and feelings.

A. the most common form

B. in existence

C. others systems

D. to express

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best combines each pair of sentences in the following questions**

**Question 49:** The team leader allowed members to make important decisions. He fostered their spirit of commitment.

A. Allowing members to make important decisions, the team leader fostered their spirit of commitment

B. On behalf of the team, the leader made important decisions to foster their spirit of commitment.

C. Although the team leader wanted to foster the spirit of commitment among members, he made important decisions on his own.

D. All members could make important decisions, so that the spirit of commitment would be discouraged.

**Question 50:** Nam defeated the former champion in three sets. He finally won the inter- school table tennis championship.

A. Being defeated by the former champion, Nam lost the chance to play the final game of inter-school table tennis championship.

B. Having defeated the former champion in the inter-school table tennis, Nam did not hold the title of champion.

C. Having defeated the former champion in three sets, Nam won the inter-school table tennis championship.

D. Although Nam defeated the former champion in three sets, he did not win the title of the inter-school table tennis champion.