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POST-UME SCREENING EXERCISE 2006/2007
ENGLISH 2006/2007

From the words or group of word lettered A to d, Choose the word or group of word that best completes each of the following sentences.

1. _____ of the five boys was able to show me the way to the zoo. A. none B. neither C. any D. some
2. This _____ be David's handwriting, I know his handwriting well enough A. may B. will c. ought D. can't
3. _____ things she had in the room were thrown out. A. so few B. the few C. all few D. very few
4. There are five boys _____ A. of which two were beaten B. whom two were beaten C. two of whom were beaten D. of whom two of them were beaten.
5. This is the man _____ told me the story A. whom I said B. who I said C. said that he D. who I said he
6. Many students find Mathematics _____ than English A. difficult B. too difficult C. very difficult D. more difficult
7. It is such a bad Place _____ is will never dream of going there another time A. Therefore B. thus C. that D. than
8. He has not been seen by his parents' _____ last month. A. since B. for C. getting D. since over.
9. The _____ came here last week A. handsome tall young man B. young tall handsome man C. tall handsome young man D. young handsome tall man
10. The activities marking the golden jubilee celebrations of the club were _____ with a party. A. round off B. rounded over C. rounded through D. rounded up.

Choose the option that is nearly apposite in meaning to the underlined word

11. To encourage productivity we must reward industry and _____ laziness A. withhold B. withdraw C. punish D. oppose
12. It is quite customary to introduce the guest speaker but _____ to insult him. A. illegal B. implore C. unusual D. useless
13. I encouraged my younger brothers to take on law as a profession while I _____ my sister from doing so A. warned B. dissuaded C. persuaded D. t
14. Olu was able to kinds the from which my father had to _____ later. A. switch B. distinguish C. destroy D. ignite

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15. It is curious how Bayo can be so carefree in his way when his brother is so _____ A. meticulous B. eccentric C. easy going D. different

Choose the word that best explains the underlined Idiomatic Expression

16. Mr. John has always managed to keep his head above water. A. keep his head above water while swimming B. know the techniques of swimming C. stay out of financials difficulty D. he is trying to pay up borrowed money.

17. The men eventually got back on their oppressors. A. strike B. have their revenge on C. beat up D. abuse

18. He went off the rails as soon as he heard of his failure in the last examination A. became annoyed B. wept bitterly C. became disorganized D. lost consciousness.

19. She is eating her heart out for a sailor who is away at sea. A. long for B. quarrelling with C. fuming about D. hating

20. You can't make bricks without straws. A. used straw for making bricks B. afford not to have all the necessary materials C. seek a leader D. erect a brick without straws.

Provide the synonyms for the underlined words

21. The superintendent was appalled by the attitude of some of their employees toward their word. A. annoyed B. disappointed C. shocked D. provoked

22. The lawyer's argument of the case was exhaustive. A. fascinating B. exaggerating C. exhilarating D. thorough

23. The monk lived an ascetic life in order to discipline himself. A. a holy B. a religious C. a prayerful D. an austere

24. Okon attempted to entice Eno with the promise of a handsome sum of money. A. deceive B. force C. trick D. tempt

25. It is absurd to suggest that Kunle should marry that saucy lady. A. pinable B. hopeless C. humorous D. ridiculous.

ANSWERS TO ENGLISH 2006/2007

1.A 2.D 3.B 4.A 5. A 6.D 7.C 8.A 9.C 10.A 11.C 12.C 13,B 14.B 15.A 16.C 17.C 18.C 19.A 20.B 21.C 22.D 23.D 24.D 25.D.

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SECTION A: From the words or group of words lettered A to D, choose the one that best completes each of the following sentences.

1. After much debate on the controversial issues, the meeting was _____ till the next morning. A. postponed B. proscribed C. adjourned D. delayed.
2. The company distributed gifts to its staff as an _____ to hard work. A. incentive B. inception C. interest D. induction
3. You must have _____ I was coming. A. know B. knowed C. known D. know
4. The chairman _____ by the news of his defeat A. was shake B. was shook C. was shaken D. was shocked
5. Who _____ this sketch? A. drew B. drawn C. drewed D. drawn.

In each of the following sentences there is one word or group of words underlined and one gap. From the list of words lettered A to D, choose the word or group of words that is most nearly opposite in meaning to the underlined word and that will at the same time correctly fill the gap in the sentences.

6. Etim is very frugal whereas his friend Nsikak is _____. A. miserly B. thrifty C. precocious D. extravagant.
7. You should be _____ so as not to be caught unawares. A. serious B. sober C. ready D. alert
8. The manager who was sacked last month has been _____. A. retired B. suspended C. reinstated D. promoted.
9. The school authorities expected the contributions to be _____ rather than compulsory A. willful B. voluntary C. deliberate D. outright.

After each of the following sentences, a list of the possible interpretations of the sentence is given. Choose the interpretation that you consider most appreciate for each sentence.

10. It was quite impossible for him not to have noticed that Lola had arrived. This means that he ____ A. should have known that Lola had arrived B. found it impossible to say that Lola had arrived C. said that Lola had not arrived D. pretended not to know that Lola had arrived.
11. My father advised us not to go with the crowd. This means that he advised us not to _____ A. stay in the crowd B. have many friends C. travel with many people D. be unduly influenced by others.
12. We would grant request if we had money. This means that _____ A. we have the money but will not grant your request B. we have the money and will grant

your request C. we will have the money and will grant your request D. we do not have the money and cannot grant your request.

13. Amina has an infectious smile. This means Amina _____ A. spread infection when she smiles B. has sore in her teeth C. makes other smile when she smiles D. becomes infected when she smiles.

From the words lettered A to D, choose the word that is nearest in meaning to the underlined word.

14. Your inability to decide on a line of action can mar your future. A. build b. make C. destroy D. none of above.

15. Erne's waist is adorned with beads A. surrounded B. besieged C. decorated D. defaced

16. Samuel was skeptical about the story Umoh told him A. ignorant B. confused C. doubtful D. combined

17. The politician made very scurrilous remarks about his opponent. A. abusive B. intolerable C. false D. sharp.

From the words lettered A to D, choose the word that has the same vowel sound as the one represented by the letter(s) underlined.

18. Seat A. sot B. key C. cite D. set

19. Dirty A. worn B. sun C. burn D. date

20. Time A. beam B. that C. by D. baby

21. Bad A. man B. pan C. all D. car

From the words lettered A to D, choose the word that has the same consonant sound as the sound represented by the letter(s) underlined

22. Vast A. fast B. laugh C. nephew D. offer

23. Joke A. watch B. age C. ago D. leg

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