

1. In between the world wars and after 1945, there were numerous wars both between nations and within nations in which ----- were often high.

- A) alliances
- B) casualties
- C) advances
- D) solutions
- E) rejections

2. Americans have become more aware of other cuisines because of the growing ----- of the American population, together with increased business and leisure travel to countries such as Korea, Vietnam, and India.

- A) visibility
- B) diversity
- C) suspicion
- D) interruption
- E) correlation

3. Many people fear that climate change is becoming -----, though there is much lobbying for social change to help slow the trend.

- A) inadequate
- B) immobile
- C) unconvincing
- D) disapproving
- E) irreversible

4. German-born composer George Frideric Handel (1685-1789) ----- studied law before devoting his full attention to a career in music.

- A) abundantly
- B) initially
- C) defensively
- D) strictly
- E) notably

5. By the end of 2020, F1 driver Lewis Hamilton - ---- Michael Schumacher's record for total race wins, equalled his number of world championships, and so became unarguably, the greatest F1 driver of all time.

- A) dissolved
- B) withdrew
- C) postponed
- D) highlighted
- E) overtook

6. Cybercrimes are growing as more people possess computers and ----- them for daily tasks such as shopping, banking, and communicating with each other.

- A) reflect on
- B) get through
- C) depend on
- D) bring about
- E) fall for

17. ----- its independent origins and distinctive forms, Maya writing is organised on principles similar to those of Sumerian writing and other Eurasian writing systems.

- A) Despite
- B) By means of
- C) With the aim of
- D) On behalf of
- E) According to

18. ----- drawing on information from large archaeological sites, archaeologists must also rely on data from a myriad of much smaller sites if they are to construct an accurate interpretation of their findings.

- A) Instead of
- B) Besides
- C) Compared to
- D) Unlike
- E) At the expense of

19. The full involvement of local communities in the tourism sector ----- benefits them and the environment in general ----- improves the quality of the tourism experience.

- A) no sooner / than
- B) not only / but also
- C) the more / the more
- D) as /as
- E) such / that

20. The foreign exchange market, also referred to as the 'forex', is the market ----- currencies are traded and exchange rates are determined.

- A) which
- B) whom
- C) how
- D) where
- E) what

The Nile River valley has produced many indigenous kingdoms and states over the millennia. The most famous may be ancient Egypt, (21)----- others have also come and gone. With the end of the Holocene Wet Phase around 3900 BCE, the rapid growth of the Sahara Desert forced humans and wildlife to migrate (22)----- permanent water and grazing. The Nile itself was restricted to a single channel, and Egypt's early civilisation was a direct result of the need to find water and organise life (23)----- the Nile. Surrounded by the river valley's high cliffs, early Egyptians had to (24)----- agriculture for food production rather than nomadic pastoralism. Further upstream in Sudan, desertification came more slowly, and large areas were found where cattle (25)----- . Today, the desert has expanded south, and green pastures fed by rainfall occur in central Sudan.

21.

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| A) so | B) but |
| C) for | D) instead |
| E) or | |

22.

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| A) in spite of | B) in search of |
| C) because of | D) except for |
| E) with respect to | |

23.

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| A) along | B) between | C) into |
| D) for | E) at | |

24.

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| A) see off |
| B) keep down |
| C) turn to |
| D) break in |
| E) come across |

25.

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| A) might have grazed |
| B) should have grazed |
| C) should graze |
| D) could graze |
| E) must graze |

The Greek alphabet, containing 24 to 26 letters (depending on locale and era), was adapted from the 22-letter alphabet of the ancient Phoenicians, sometime between 800 and 750 BCE. (26)----- this time, Greek societies had used syllabic, pictographic scripts, where one character corresponded to a single syllable: e.g., in modern English, one symbol for 'pen', two for 'pencil'. (27)----- simple in concept, a syllabic system requires several dozens or even hundreds of symbols to accommodate the various sounds in a language. Once the alphabet came into use, the number of symbols was reduced because each symbol was (28)----- a precise sound, not an entire syllable. These alphabetic symbols (letters) can be used flexibly (29)----- innumerable combinations to fit different spoken languages. The ancient Greek letters live on in modern Greek, although several of them (30)----- new pronunciations.

26.

- A) Except for
- B) Similar to
- C) Prior to
- D) Irrespective of
- E) Due to

27.

- A) As if
- C) Since
- E) Now that
- B) Seeing that
- D) Though

28.

- A) printed
- C) borrowed
- E) assigned
- B) enhanced
- D) navigated

29.

- A) in
- D) by
- B) around
- E) for
- C) towards

30.

- A) have acquired
- B) were acquiring
- C) would have acquired
- D) had been acquiring
- E) were to acquire