

- 1.-16. Choose the best word(s) or expression(s) to fill the space(s).
- While not a substitute for professional ----, for those living in undeveloped regions and those who may otherwise receive no help, self-help is a good starting point for agoraphobia.
 - A) consent
- B) interpretation
- C) aptitude
- D) accomplishment
- E) treatment
- 2. The first period of Roman history was characterised by incessant territorial ---- as its power and landmass continuously spread out.
 - A) fortification
- B) violation
- C) collapse
- D) expansion
- E) catastrophe
- Violent behaviour and rejection by society are mutually---- and unless both are addressed urgently, they are likely to induce further social ills.
 - A) manifest
- B) ubiquitous
- C) reinforcing
- D) penetrating
- E) redundant
- 4. Lack of exercise is definitely a risk factor for heart disease but it is ---- small when compared with other serious factors such as smoking.
 - A) fundamentally
- B) relatively
- C) virtually
- D) severely
- E) suspiciously
- Children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity
 Disorder violate the norms or rules, and they
 tend to ---- aggressive behaviours toward
 people and animals.
 - A) suggest
- B) alter
- C) attain
- D) exhibit
- E) relieve

- 6. Eminent scientists from all around the world have put forward a number of hypotheses in an attempt to ---- the rise in global temperatures.
 - A) account for
- B) look up
- C) take up
- D) call for
- E) pull over
- Certain plant diseases, from simple ones to the most complicated, especially those ---- largely by viruses, bacteria, or fungi, might kill the plant itself and the people and animals consuming it if ---- untreated.
 - A) to cause / leaving
 - B) causing / to leave
 - C) caused / left
 - D) cause / leave
 - E) to be caused / to have left
- 8. The atmosphere of the Earth is thought ---- little or no free oxygen, consisting principally of carbon dioxide and nitrogen, at the time life ---- according to a recent study.
 - A) contained / has arisen
 - B) to contain / had arisen
 - C) to have contained / arose
 - D) to be containing / was arising
 - E) containing / arises
- A super volcano is, in the light of new research, assumed ---- in what is now Africa for the first time and sent ash and other scientifically valuable debris, without which modern archaeologists ---- almost no chance to study the period.
 - A) having erupted / might have
 - B) to be erupting / can have
 - C) to erupt / should have
 - D) erupting / could have
 - E) to have erupted / would have



- 10. People who only sleep four or five hours a night are ---- a much higher risk of causing a car crash than those ---- a sleeping time enough for a total relaxing rest.
 - A) at / with
- B) in / for
- C) on / by
- D) under / from
- E) for / from
- 11. International Women's Day celebrates the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women ---- the globe, and calls attention to the need --- accelerating gender parity at all levels.
 - A) in / on
- B) across / for
- C) around / in
- D) towards / to
- E) throughout / by
- 12. The brain may not develop at the same rate in each individual ---- it continues to mature throughout life in all people.
 - A) as soon as
- B) before
- C) although
- D) if
- E) once
- 13. ---- a dramatic rise in primary school enrolment in Mozambique over the past 15 years, educational outcomes remain far from satisfactory considering the high illiteracy rate.
 - A) Unlike
- B) Despite
- C) By means of
- D) In terms of
- E) Besides
- 14. Children are susceptible to the harms of lead exposure ---- their developing bodies absorb the chemical in higher amounts and their brains are more sensitive to it.
 - A) as
- B) so
- C) though
- D) whether
- E) yet

- 15. All forms of precipitation, including rain, snow, and hail can occur, whether in winter or spring, ---- a portion of the atmosphere has become saturated with water vapour.
 - A) unless
- B) as if
- C) so that
- D) though
- E) once
- 16. Wars have the potential to cause---- destruction and death ---- generations of hatred between communities.
 - A) such / as
- B) the more / the more
- C) just as / so
- D) neither / nor
- E) not only / but also

17. - 21. Choose the best option to complete sentences.

The Silk Road is the name of the trade routes connecting Europe and the Mediterranean with Asia. The route was over 6,500 km and got its name because the early Chinese traded silk along it. Silk was valuable as it is now. (17) ---- it was the main trading item for quite a long time, there were some other goods travelling along the Silk Road. Throughout history, a wide variety of goods of Chinese origin found their way (18) ---- continents thanks to this road, appealing to many diverse cultures and tastes. The ancient Romans were the first people (19) ---- the value of silk as a commercial product with a delicate texture and shinv look. Indians followed suit and traded silk with the Chinese (20) ---- gold and other precious materials. Travelling along the route was dangerous, though, due to the hot desert, high mountains and sandstorms. Caravans carried most of the goods. Over the centuries, people (21) ---- along the ancient route and many towns, ports and cities emerged. Later on, there were fewer hardships people had to overcome, but by no means was it easy.

17.

- A) Because
- B) Although
- C) As if
- D) When
- E) As long as

18.

- A) from
- B) for
- C) above
- D) across
- E) beyond

19.

- A) to realize
- B) realized
- C) realizing
- D) having realized
- E) to be realised

20.

- A) regardless of
- B) on behalf of
- C) in exchange for
- D) as opposed to
- E) irrespective of

21.

- A) have settled
- B) settle
- C) may settle
- D) are settling
- E) settled

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22. - 26. Choose the best option to complete sentences.

Children never cease to surprise even those who have never lost their curiosity, questioning each and every thing they encounter. Some of the (22) ---- questions of childhood are "Why is the sky blue? or Why are trees green?" You (23) ---- these as a child to your own self or your elders, or you may have a child now asking you! Objects appear different colours as they absorb some colours (wavelengths) and reflect or transmit other colours. The colours we see are the wavelengths that are reflected or transmitted. (24) ----, a red shirt looks red because the dye molecules in the fabric have absorbed the wavelengths of light from the violet/blue end of the spectrum. Red light is, interestingly enough, the only light that is reflected from the shirt. If only blue light is shone (25) ---- a red shirt, the shirt would appear black, because the blue would be absorbed and there would be no red light to be reflected. White objects appear white because they reflect all colours, whereas black objects absorb all colours, (26) ---- no light is reflected.

22.

- A) perennial B) pertinent
- C) sceptical D) elusive
- E) rhetorical

23.

- A) should have asked B) might have asked
- C) had to ask
- D) must have asked
- E) would have asked

24.

- A) However
- B) Otherwise
- C) Therefore
- D) Likewise
- E) For example

25.

- A) above
- B) through
- C) onto
- D) behind
- E) with

26.

- A) indeed
- B) otherwise
- C) on the other hand
- D) as a result
- E) in addition



27. - 36. Choose the best option to complete the given sentence.

27. Whereas today's experimental vehicles are modified versions of ordinary cars and use standard size and equipment, ----.

- A) engineers are doubtful if they are ever going to make any changes to diesel vehicles
- B) ordinary cars will always be better than some experimental vehicles
- c) in the past most vehicles didn't show a sign of improvement or progress
- D) the future versions of experimental vehicles will come in many shapes and sizes, and there will be no pedals
- E) some experts say that they are not going to remedy the current traffic problems and bad roads

29. Lassa fever is not a new disease, nor is it unknown to experts; ----.

- A) therefore, scientists don't know what precautions to take in the face of this deadly disease
- B) in addition, the officials announced that it would be much more difficult to put an end to this
- C) however, the current outbreak is unprecedented, spreading faster and further than ever before
- D) consequently, there is nothing much to do to prevent this disease from spreading
- E) obviously, the world is worried about how fast this disease has spread across the continents

28. ----, almost everyone can afford to buy one and make their point or show off their interests.

- A) Since slogan t-shirts tend to be cheap and can be found easily
- B) Although everybody wears one nowadays without paying any attention
- C) Until fashion designers tried to raise the awareness of people with their t-shirts
- No matter what people think about feminism or its slogans on new t-shirts
- E) If people wanted to let everyone know what they think about politics or music

30. Considered to have essential fatty acids, ----.

- A) experts suggest a certain amount of Omega 3 be consumed every day
- B) Omega 3 is found in plant sources such as nuts
- C) recent research shows how beneficial Omega 3 is for children in particular
- D) pharmacies sell a lot of supplementary pills
- E) people lead a very unhealthy life in big cities



31. In a case where one stops caring about people and cut off all contact, ---.

- A) a pathological neglect of social relations is very likely to be in sight
- B) most people would think that such a person is only being environmentally conscious
- c) serious problems regarding the social relationships are out of question
- D) that other people may stop trying to see you in social settings is in the cards
- you have to think about its effects on your professional and family relationships

32. Thinking that all people out there had better take the road we have taken, we tend to criticise being alone ----.

- A) because people prefer being alone rather than being in socially awkward situations
- B) so that we can be alone and stay away from all the toxic people around us
- C) although emerging research suggests some potential benefits to being on your own
- D) despite the harmful effects of globalisation on society and relationships between people
- E) and so being alone doesn't necessarily mean you don't have any friends

33. Leonardo da Vinci once observed that just as iron rusts from disuse, ----.

- A) other materials can also stay better for a long time
- B) it must be used more frequently in fields other than shipbuilding
- C) steel would replace iron in the near future
- D) the intellect is spoiled by inaction and procrastination
- E) many believe it does not do much good in building ships

34. The native people have asked the museum to return to them the bones of their ancestors ----.

- A) although some bones are in very good condition
- B) because the museum had researched where these bones came from
- c) so that these bones can be returned to their original burial place
- D) if some people objected to the exhibition of bones
- E) so most artefacts are still acquired with illegal methods

----, but its reliance on borrowing and investment from the West has led to serious political concerns about debt risk and sustainability.

- A) It is known China is in massive debt due to economic stagnation
- B) Political concerns have given rise to a major crisis in China
- C) China's economy is getting worse each day
- D) The concerns over population should be taken into consideration
- E) China is now the world's second-largest economy

36. Examining the chemistry of chewing gum for four consecutive years, ----.

- A) it has been discovered that the main component of the gun can be used in many consumer goods
- B) experts should do more research on chewing gums before releasing a product
- C) chewing gums seem to have a calming effect on people in stressful times
- D) some people do not know why they like chewing gums and cannot do without them
- E) designer Anna Bullus discovered that its main ingredient is commonly a synthetic rubber



70. The word "happy" would lose its meaning if happiness were not balanced by sadness.

- A) The word "happy" loses its meaning sometimes when it is overwhelmed by sadness.
- B) If the word "happy" loses its meaning, then it means it is overwhelmed by sadness
- C) Should people overcome sadness, they can only understand the word "happy".
- D) Only if the feeling of sadness emerges can the word "happy", which expresses our feeling of happiness, lose its meaning.
- E) Because the feeling of sadness balances the feeling of happiness, the word "happy" does not lose its meaning.

71. The Renaissance revival of classical Rome was as important in architecture as it was in literature.

- A) The revival of classical Rome during the Renaissance was of equal importance for both architecture and literature.
- B) The Renaissance revival of classical Rome was more important for architecture than it was for literature.
- C) Classical Rome was revived during the Renaissance and it was important for architecture and literature to some extent.
- D) During the revival of classical Rome in the Renaissance, architecture and literature both benefitted from the event.
- E) Architecture and literature during the Renaissance benefitted from the revival of classical Rome to almost the same degree.

72. – 75. Choose the best option to complete the missing part of the passage.

- 72. Literacy is a fundamental skill that unlocks learning and provides individuals with the means to pursue knowledge and enjoyment independently. These skills need to grow and mature over the course of every person's life, giving each individual the reading, writing and thinking skills needed for success in the academic, workforce and personal situations. --- Consequently, insufficient literacy skills exclude far too many children, adolescents, and adults from pursuing their academic, career, and life goals.
 - A) Essentially, the skills needed for reading as well as writing, develop at an early age.
 - B) However, many people never develop such skills
 - C) In fact, one should use both audio and visual learning.
 - D) In doing so, they should be promoted with a focus on children and adults.
 - E) So, students become literate as they interpret and use language confidently.

- 73. The names Great Britain and the United Kingdom are often used interchangeably, but they are not synonymous. Great Britain is a geographic term referring to the island also known simply as Britain. It is also a political term for the part of the United Kingdom made up of England, Scotland, and Wales including the outlying islands that they administer, like the Isle of Wight. ---- It is the independent country that encompasses all of Great Britain and the region now called Northern Ireland.
 - A) The difference between them has to do with the extensive history of the British Isles.
 - B) To start with, there's the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.
 - C) As a result, Great Britain had no official significance until 1707.
 - D) Trying to find the United Kingdom in a list of countries is an irritating experience.
 - E) The United Kingdom, on the other hand, is purely a political term.
- 74. In recent years, the role of the bacteria and other organisms in the gut, or intestines, have become a major focus of those looking to improve health and wellness. Probiotic companies that promise everything from improved digestion to a better mood have made billions selling their products. They believe that their products are beneficial and suitable for anyone. Yet, not every gut is the same, and like people themselves, theirs guts are entirely unique. ---- A new company called Viome is looking for more individualistic solutions to satisfy this need. And it is trying to provide personal solutions with its tailor-made probiotic products.
 - A) Viome is the only company that uses RNA sequencing to analyse your gut microbiome.
 - B) Customers also do a metabolic test and complete a questionnaire about their habits.
 - C) RNA only gets created when something is alive.
 - D) What may work for you may do little for someone else, so it's important to know exactly what your gut needs.
 - E) They are researching the causes and effects of consuming too much probiotic and the best way to overcome side effects.

- 75. If recent trends continue, scientists estimate that there'll be between 269-350 further extinctions of birds and mammals by 2100. But if efforts to conserve the species on the Endangered or Critically Endangered list don't work, the number could be as high as 1,000. Much less is known about plants and invertebrates but losses among vertebrates give a decent estimate of losses in other parts of the ecosystem. ----
 - A) Whatever the exact projection, it's clear that we're losing biodiversity fast.
 - B) Biodiversity is defined as the variety of living organisms, but also the diversity within each species.
 - C) A mass extinction event is defined as one that far exceeds the normal rate of species extinction.
 - D) Reclaiming wetlands from the edges of cities like New Orleans and Kolkata allows for urban growth.
 - E) Non-native species arrive either intentionally or accidentally.

76. - 80. Choose the irrelevant sentence in the passage.

- 76. (I) In 2013, again, like many other events that we had witnessed before, three whales washed-up dead on China's western shore. (II) Chinese fishermen, already notorious for hunting whales illegally, are the first people officials suspect in such cases. (III) That event in itself was not particularly unusual, but these whales were unlike any that biologists had seen before. (IV) They were smaller and darker than Baird's beaked whale, one of the largest of the 22 species of beaked whale found in the North Pacific Ocean. (V) The results of the DNA tests Chinese researchers conducted hinted at the fact that the three whales might be members of a new species of beaked whale.
 - A) I B) II C) III D
- D) IV

- 77. (I) The Japanese stick to their traditions and are anxious to have prestige and recognition of their status by other people. (II) As a traditional dress, Kimono, for example, has an important part to play in the traditional Japanese culture and also gives clues about one's status. (III) Status and their position in the eyes of people around them are more important to them than anything else, say money or comfort. (IV) One of the reasons why Japanese work hard is, therefore, to achieve status and receive praise and if possible, approval. (V) In fact, they do not get much personal, inner satisfaction from their work itself, but they are as diligent as possible so that their seniors or section chiefs recognise their effort and the higher executives will praise their efforts.
 - A) I B) II C) III D) IV E) V
- 78. (I) As the twentieth century began, the importance of formal education in the United States was understood better and being well-educated was considered merit. (II) The economic line of life became industrialised and bureaucratised, and this caused people to look for jobs in the city. (III) Just as more expertise meant better positions in the workplace and the social ladder, better education paved the way for a bright career. (IV) Therefore, as traditional farming practices had disappeared, even Americans still living in towns with limited means to get educated were looking for ways to get out of their vicious circle through education. (V) Indeed, schooling and receiving formal education increasingly came to be seen as an important, if not the only, way for economic and social mobility.
 - A) I
- B) II
- C) III
- D) IV
- E) V

- 79. (I) Much praiseworthy conservation and research work is being done to make coral reefs more resilient to climate change. (II) The loss of the world's coral reefs will result in hundreds of millions of people needing alternative supplies of food as a result of the rapid decline in productivity. (III) We already see the adverse effects and a movement away from coral reef fisheries. (IV) In eastern Indonesia, research has found fishers are increasingly dependent on alternative habitats such as seagrass meadows and mangrove forests, instead of degraded and damaged coral reef habitats. (V) By moving away from coral reefs, this highly intense fishing is being focused onto smaller areas, which decimates fish stocks even further.
 - A) I B) II C) III
- E) V D) IV
- 80. (I) Recent research has tried to answer one of the weightiest questions of all: where does life come from? (II) There is a place in the world where all the forces of nature merge and create an environment so unique on Earth. (III) Rainforest-covered volcanoes soar out of an ocean filled with vibrant coral reefs, ecosystems meeting to create unrivalled biodiversity and almost untouched islands and so on. (IV) This is the land where Alfred Russel Wallace spent eight years exploring from 1854 to 1862, and where he made some of the most important scientific discoveries of all time. (V) Wallace played a key role in the discovery of many ecosystems and evolution, and also laid the foundations for our understanding of how these islands influence the natural world.
 - A) I
- B) II
- C) III
- D) IV
- E) V

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