

1. It is inevitable to face challenges in life, but it is possible to build up the mental ---- to handle them better.
- A) resemblance  
B) susceptibility  
C) resilience  
D) similarity  
E) exposure
2. What discussions about AI and creativity often overlook is the fact that creativity is not an absolute quality that can be defined, measured and reproduced ----.
- A) objectively  
B) tediously  
C) intricately  
D) notoriously  
E) questionably
3. A report released last month concluded that studies highlighting the ---- impact of heavy fines on speeding within the city are essentially unsound, with well-off drivers repeating it over and over again.
- A) deterrent  
B) acceptable  
C) remarkable  
D) prominent  
E) swelling
4. Polio, diphtheria and many other conditions have been ---- thanks largely to dedicated work of scientists who developed vaccines.
- A) contracted  
B) eradicated  
C) diagnosed  
D) distressed  
E) plummeted
5. The ---- exposure limits for those processing dangerous chemicals have not been updated for a long time, which risks the lives of many workers in the chemistry sector.
- A) distant  
B) allowable  
C) essential  
D) thorough  
E) anticipated
6. A new study suggests ancient humans ---- giant mole rats and other rodents high in the mountains of Ethiopia to survive the last ice age.
- A) called for  
B) took over  
C) gave up  
D) lived off  
E) put out
7. The Leaning Tower of Pisa is undoubtedly the most magnificent piece of architecture in Italy, but the lean only ---- apparent once three of the tower's eight stories had been built, leaving no chance ---- what had been done.
- A) becomes / reversed  
B) has become / to be reversed  
C) became / to reverse  
D) had become / reversing  
E) is becoming / reverse
8. When researchers ---- information from consumers easily by direct questioning or observations, social media management software ---- assistance in no time.
- A) shouldn't obtained / had provided  
B) used to obtain / has provided  
C) had to obtain / is providing  
D) don't have to obtain / provided  
E) can't obtain / provides

9. The literary figures of the Romantic era went beyond simply telling about things as they were; ----, they gave their audiences a different perspective to make them feel the beauty in the objects surrounding them.

- A) besides
- B) yet
- C) thus
- D) instead
- E) similarly

10. ---- the epidemic plaguing the cities and communities unevenly, not everyone is keen to get back to business as usual and many prefer to remain on paid or unpaid leave almost --- good.

- A) With / for
- B) For / to
- C) As / out
- D) Upon / by
- E) Under / at

11. The incredible heterogeneity in size, shape and way of life , ---- bacteria living in hot springs at temperatures near the boiling point of water to fungi thriving ---- ice in Antarctica, is what attracts many young biology enthusiasts.

- A) of / with
- B) from / on
- C) with / by
- D) for / since
- E) across / onto

12. The calculation of the optimal amount of enzyme a cell should make is complicated because the answer depends ---- on the specific function of the enzyme ---- how its actions may affect other chemical reactions within the cell.

- A) as / as
- B) the more / the more
- C) such / that
- D) whether / or
- E) both / and

13. Afrikaans, one of the most popular languages ---- in South Africa ---- from 17th century Dutch, does not bother you with the details and has simple rules compared to Dutch itself.

- A) spoken / originating
- B) to speak / to be originating
- C) to be spoken / originated
- D) to have spoken / originate
- E) speaking / to originate

14. Our bodies can successfully cope with the low levels of radiation that we are exposed to every day; too much of it can damage tissues by changing cell structure ,----.

- A) otherwise
- B) for example
- C) meanwhile
- D) though
- E) thus

15. Ancient Egyptians can be said ---- iron in beads first, which were originally composed of high amounts of meteoric nickel, according to findings ---- in a tomb in Gerzeh .

- A) to have been used / to discover
- B) to be used / to be discovered
- C) to have used / discovered
- D) to be using / discovering
- E) to use / to have been discovered

16. As a result of some behavioural adaptations such as wearing appropriate clothing and building shelters, humans have been able to live in temperate and, ultimately, arctic regions ---- their physiological traits, which would allow them to live essentially in tropical climates.

- A) due to
- B) rather than
- C) despite
- D) in contrast to
- E) except for

**CLOZE TEST 1**

Many universities assign their students reflective writing so that they learn from a particular practical experience by making connections between what they **(17)** ---- in theory and what they need to do in practice. Reflective writing needs to go way **(18)** ---- simply summarising what happened. In fact, your reader needs to gain an insight into what the experience meant to you, how you feel about it, how it connects to other things you have experienced and what you plan to do **(19)** ---- . Reflective writing requires a clear line of thought, use of evidence or examples to illustrate your reflections, and an analytical approach. You should **(20)** ---- to strike a balance between your personal perspective and the requirements of good academic practice and rigorous thinking. **(21)** ---- , this also means demonstrating you are well informed, have read relevant literature and reflected on its relevance to your own development.

**17.**

- A) are taught
- B) teach
- C) taught
- D) have taught
- E) were taught

**18.**

- A) into
- B) for
- C) towards
- D) beyond
- E) against

**19.**

- A) in brief
- B) in contrast
- C) in response
- D) in addition
- E) in conclusion

**20.**

- A) hit back
- B) give in
- C) draw on
- D) look for
- E) set out

**21.**

- A) Hence
- B) Therefore
- C) However
- D) In contrast
- E) Namely

**CLOZE TEST 2**

The Universal Grammar Approach, the most notable one in the field, following in the footsteps of L1 (mother tongue) (22) ---- research, applies the Chomskyan paradigm to the study of L2 (second language) development. This linguistic theory claims that humans inherit a mental language faculty which highly constrains the shape that human languages can take and (23) ---- severely limits the kind of hypotheses that children can construct regarding the structure of the language they are exposed to. This is why children acquire their first language easily and speedily (24) ---- its complexity and abstractness, at an age when they are not cognitively equipped to grasp abstract concepts. In this view, the core of language is separate from other aspects of cognition, although it operates (25) ---- close interaction with them. This theory is also often called the “innateness hypothesis”, which indicates that language acquisition is completely dissimilar to other kinds of learning or acquisition such as learning (26) ---- a game.

22.

- A) implementation
- B) acquisition
- C) dedication
- D) adherence
- E) interference

23.

- A) conversely
- B) however
- C) therefore
- D) in short
- E) in other words

24.

- A) in spite of
- B) owing to
- C) contrary to
- D) as far as
- E) with respect to

25.

- A) with
- B) for
- C) to
- D) in
- E) by

26.

- A) to play
- B) playing
- C) play
- D) played
- E) to be played

27. Considering the low bioavailability of vitamin A from green leafy vegetables, ----.

- A) the consumption of dark-green vegetables has increased
- B) there have been major new discoveries in nutrition and health over the past 30 years
- C) its deficiency impairs immunity and causes severe problems in the long run
- D) it might be necessary to resort to supplements to make up for any deficiency
- E) farmers plan to profit more from a million hectares of biotech crops

28. ----, glasses are status symbols of intelligence and prosperity.

- A) Although they are still hailed as a common treatment for imperfect eyes
- B) When Romans first created magnifying glasses with spheres to see small text
- C) Because scholarship is still a prized attribute as it has been since the Renaissance
- D) While ordinary people use pocket glasses that can be folded
- E) Since primitive lenses are set into wooden or leather frames

29. ----, some portion is absorbed by water vapour and other greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.

- A) Though the greenhouse effect is a naturally-occurring process and in fact, is quite necessary for survival on Earth
- B) Even if the amount of infrared radiation energy the Earth gives off depends on its temperature
- C) While a considerable amount of the Sun's energy radiates back into space as infrared energy after it hits the Earth
- D) Given that anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions lead to atmospheric concentrations of carbon dioxide and methane
- E) As soon as the re-emitted energy returns to the surface and warms the lower atmosphere and surface

30. ----, it may not be possible for a company to build a corporate identity, get higher revenue and so an edge in the market.

- A) Because the ultimate goal of any business should be to have corporate strategic goals
- B) Unless employees are intrinsically motivated to deliver high quality work consistently
- C) While a company's financial statements could show revenues that are growing quarter-over-quarter
- D) If recruiting and hiring processes have changed fundamentally thanks to technology
- E) Even if large marketing corporations have more applicants than they can readily manage

76. (I) Though it is unclear exactly when cacao came on the scene, the history of chocolate can be traced to the Mayans, and even earlier to the ancient Olmecs of southern Mexico. (II) According to Hayes Lavis, cultural arts curator for the Smithsonian's National Museum, ancient Olmec pots and vessels from around 1500 B.C. were discovered with traces of theobromine, a stimulant compound found in chocolate. (III) This compound, when consumed at high doses, may produce mild effects, including sweating, trembling, and headaches. (IV) It is thought cacao was used to create beverages to drink during spiritual ceremonies at the time. (V) However, without written history, opinions differ on if cacao beans were used in concoctions or just the pulp of the cacao pod.

A) I B) II C) III D) IV E) V

77. (I) Artificial sweeteners, also called sugar substitutes or alternative sweeteners, are substances used to replace sugar in foods and beverages. (II) They can be divided into two: nutritive sweeteners, providing energy in the form of calories, and non-nutritive sweeteners, high-intensity sweeteners providing almost no energy. (III) Nutritive sweeteners include the natural sugars such as sucrose in table sugar, fructose found in fruit as well as table sugar, and galactose, or milk sugar. (IV) Sucrose differs from fruit sugar because it undergoes processing and manufacturers tend to overuse it as additives in food and other products. (V) Non-nutritive sweeteners, such as saccharin and aspartame, are synthetic compounds that are between 160 and 13,000 times as sweet as sucrose.

A) I B) II C) III D) IV E) V

78. (I) The number of wild boars in Denmark has fallen since a 70-kilometer fence was erected along the German border to protect the valuable Danish pork industry. (II) Danish pork producers observed high standards of animal welfare, and farmers constantly strove to improve the welfare of live pigs. (III) The aim was to prevent wild swine crossing from Germany and breeding with farm pigs or possibly bringing in disease. (IV) There were concerns the barrier would not work because the fence had gaps where it crossed roads and rivers. (V) However, since then, the number of wild pigs in Denmark has fallen from 40 to fewer than 25.

A) I B) II C) III D) IV E) V

79. (I) Hawking realised black holes could be a way to explore physics' holy grail: a unified theory that combined general relativity with quantum mechanics. (II) These two powerful but incompatible theories describe the universe at the cosmic scale and subatomic scale respectively. (III) Hawking's attempts to combine them produced a surprising result – that black holes should shine. (IV) Searching for small black holes meant looking for places where their powerful gravitational fields bend light — a phenomenon called microlensing. (V) The equation Hawking came up with to explain how this phenomenon works became his most notable achievement, which was named after him – Hawking radiation.

A) I B) II C) III D) IV E) V

80. (I) Chronic inflammation is believed to be among the leading drivers of many diseases, including heart disease, cancer, metabolic syndrome, diabetes, and arthritis and can be relieved using olive oil. (II) Olive oil, and especially virgin olive oil, is recognized as one of the healthiest edible oils in human diet for good reason. (III) Multiple biological properties, providing beneficial effects in the prevention of degenerative diseases and also of aging, have been attributed to it. (IV) With its high content of oleic acid and the wide number of minor constituents with antioxidant properties, it is much better at fighting inflammation. (V) Apart from inflammation, studies also support the view that olive oil intake protects against heart disease and LDL cholesterol.

A) I B) II C) III D) IV E) V

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5.	B	25.	D
6.	D	26.	A
7.	C	27.	D
8.	E	28.	A
9.	D	29.	c
10.	A	30.	b
11.	B	76.	C
12.	E	77.	D
13.	A	78.	B
14.	D	79.	D
15.	C	80.	a
16.	C		
17.	A		
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