

1. **Roald Amundsen is acknowledged as one of the pillars of the 'Heroic Age' of polar exploration, and his extensive studies, which ---- Earth's both polar regions in the early 20th century, are legendary even by today's standards.**
- A) extended over  
B) relieved from  
C) called for  
D) pulled over  
E) went through
2. **Broad distinctions that exist ---- every known form of living substance and every other component of the material world justify the separation of the biological sciences ---- all others.**
- A) forward / to  
B) behind / by  
C) from / with  
D) between / from  
E) among / into
3. **The climate crisis poses an escalating threat to all kinds of life forms on Earth, ---- those in Australia following the unprecedented wildfires.**
- A) cautiously  
B) constantly  
C) elaborately  
D) predominantly  
E) virtually
4. **Ecosystems are not static things since wetlands, forests, and landscapes constantly evolve ---- changing temperatures, light availability and activities of plants, animals and other forms of life.**
- A) thanks to  
B) in response to  
C) with a view to  
D) in place of  
E) in case of
5. **Violence, though ---- to many causes, is due mainly to frustration, exposure to violent media, violence in the home, and a tendency of certain people ---- other people's actions as hostile even when they are not.**
- A) attributing / seeing  
B) being attributed / see  
C) attributed / to see  
D) being attributed / see  
E) to be attributed / to be seen
6. **In Canada, indigenous peoples ---- the majority of the total homeless population in large cities and are eight times more likely to be homeless than non-indigenous people.**
- A) cope with                      B) take up  
C) make out                      D) come about  
E) make up
7. **Mahatma Gandhi, the leader of the Indian nationalist movement, ---- a nonviolent protest against British rule called *Salt March*, thanks to which he ---- international attention.**
- A) has initiated / has received  
B) initiates / receives  
C) initiated / received  
D) had initiated / would receive  
E) was initiating / had received
8. **Gobekli Tepe, actually a complex ---- of many temples, can be the first temple in the world and evidence ---- at the site suggests that it for religious purposes.**
- A) comprising / finding  
B) to comprise / to be found  
C) comprise / having found  
D) comprised / found  
E) to be comprised / to find

9. **British Parliament, like many others that demanded full authority across the country they ruled, once passed a law ---- all books ---- prior to publication.**
- A) to require / to approve  
B) to be required / approved  
C) require / being approved  
D) required / having approved  
E) requiring / to be approved
10. **Earth is known to be only a small ball of rock in a ---- of unimaginable vastness and the birth of the solar system was probably only one event among many that occurred at that time.**
- A) velocity  
B) space  
C) mission  
D) fluid  
E) gravity
11. **According to a new study, individuals ---- relatively elevated symptoms of Adult Separation Anxiety Disorder respond more favourably ---- adverts with home concepts.**
- A) with / to  
B) from / in  
C) for / of  
D) upon / by  
E) into / on
12. **---- large numbers of teachers are reaching retirement age, there is a high demand for new ones in the challenging and rewarding profession of teaching.**
- A) Unless  
B) Since  
C) Whether  
D) Until  
E) Although
13. **---- there are laws and regulations to combat human trafficking, the fight against this crime that turns many people into modern-day slaves has not been won.**
- A) Just as  
B) Until  
C) Although  
D) When  
E) Given that
14. **A new drug which proves to prolong human life will not receive regulatory approval ---- health authorities accept that ageing is a treatable medical condition that needs to be treated.**
- A) so that  
B) provided that  
C) unless  
D) in case  
E) since
15. **From its origins in women's suffrage to its influential role in the Russian Revolution, the International Women's Day has been ---- a call for change ---- a time of celebration.**
- A) rather / than  
B) as / as  
C) just as / so  
D) such / that  
E) both / and
16. **As a sedentary lifestyle could increase your levels of exhaustion, taking the stairs ---- taking the elevator, and adding a daily walk can make you feel more energized.**
- A) in spite of  
B) instead of  
C) in excess of  
D) in excess of  
E) as well as

For these questions, choose the best word or expression to fill the spaces in the passage.

Serendipity and fate differ **(1)**---- meaning in a number of important ways. The former is defined as "the **(2)**---- or phenomenon of finding valuable or agreeable things and these are predominantly things not **(3)**---- for." While fate **(4)**---- may be concerned with "something that happens to a person," it need not - in fact, often is not- be pleasant. **(5)**---- the meanings of fate are "an inevitable and often adverse outcome, condition, or end," "final outcome,"

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| A) from | B) in     |
| C) on   | D) beyond |
| E) by   |           |

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| A) location | B) discipline |
| C) faculty  | D) case       |
| E) sake     |               |

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| A) sought       | B) seeking |
| C) to be sought | D) to seek |
| E) seek         |            |

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| A) likewise    | B) therefore |
| C) in contrast | D) however   |
| E) for example |              |

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| A) Of     | B) Through |
| C) From   | D) Among   |
| E) Beyond |            |

Of the meanings of fate are "an inevitable and often adverse outcome, condition, or end," "final outcome," and "the circumstances that (6)---- someone or something. Yet another question that awaits us is this: What is the difference between serendipity and luck? There is considerable similarity between luck and serendipity, (7)---- there are *settings* in which one word might be more *apt* than the other. Serendipity has a (8)---- narrow meaning, one that is concerned with finding pleasing things that one had not been looking for, while luck has a somewhat broader range, (9)---- meanings such as "a force that brings good fortune or adversity," "success," and "the events or circumstances that (10)---- for or against an individual." One might easily be said to have luck that is bad, which one (11)---- of serendipity.

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| A) locate | B) regulate |
| C) befall | D) obey     |
| E) appear |             |

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|-----------------|--------------|
| A) however      | B) thus      |
| C) in contrast  | D) similarly |
| E) for instance |              |

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| A) severely      | B) thoroughly |
| C) fairly        | D) luckily    |
| E) fundamentally |               |

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| A) from | B) with |
| C) of   | D) as   |
| E) by   |         |

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| A) struggle | B) operate |
| C) improve  | D) realize |
| E) narrate  |            |

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| A) would not say      | B) needn't say       |
| C) must not say       | D) don't have to say |
| E) had better not say |                      |

For these questions, choose the best word or expression to fill the spaces in the passage.

Pangolin, also called scaly anteater, are one of the eight species of armoured mammals. **(17)** ---- all eight species, adult tail length ranges from about 26 to 70 cm. **(18)** ---- the sides of the face and underside of the body, where there are no hairs, these animals are all covered with brownish scales composed of hairs. Some pangolins, such as the African black-bellied pangolin live in trees, **(19)** ---- others, such as the giant ground pangolin of Africa, are terrestrial. Pangolins **(20)** ---- termites but also eat ants and other insects. In most species, only one offspring is born at a time. Their life span in the wild is unknown; however, some captive animals are known **(21)** ---- the age of 20.

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| A) From  | B) Across |
| C) Upon  | D) Beyond |
| E) Below |           |

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| A) Except for      | B) Thanks to  |
| C) Regardless of   | D) In case of |
| E) For the sake of |               |

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| A) because | B) namely |
| C) while   | D) unless |
| E) thus    |           |

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| A) bring about | B) put off |
| C) break into  | D) live on |
| E) took on     |            |

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| A) to be reached        | B) to reach |
| C) reached              | D) reaching |
| E) to have been reached |             |

**22-26: For these questions, choose the best word or expression to fill the spaces in the passage.**

While over a century of social resistance and hard work has helped to improve the lives of many women, they still face bias and prejudice in almost every aspect of life. The United Nations says they **(22)** ---- a long way to ensure that women have the same access to life's basic needs as men over the last decades. But gender gaps are still too obvious in other areas, particularly those that **(23)** ---- power relations. **(24)** ---- men's positive behaviour to achieve gender equality for the last two decades, some of the biggest progress has been seen in Chile, Australia, the US, and the Netherlands. **(25)** ----, the United Nations says most countries have showed a backlash, with men in Sweden, Germany, India, and Mexico showing the biggest increase in bias against women. Progress **(26)** ---- gender equality has been made in some countries, but there is still a lot of work to do.

**22.**

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| A) came       | B) come      |
| C) have come  | D) will come |
| E) would come |              |

**23.**

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| A) enhance  | B) challenge |
| C) postpone | D) relieve   |
| E) dedicate |              |

**24.**

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| A) In search for | B) In comparison with |
| C) Instead of    | D) In response to     |
| E) In terms of   |                       |

**25.**

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| A) However      | B) Therefore |
| C) For instance | D) Otherwise |
| E) Furthermore  |              |

**26.**

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| A) against | B) across  |
| C) from    | D) towards |
| E) along   |            |

1.	A	21.	B	41.		61.	
2.	D	22.	C	42.		62.	
3.	D	23.	B	43.		63.	
4.	B	24.	E	44.		64.	
5.	C	25.	A	45.		65.	
6.	E	26.	D	46.		66.	
7.	C	27.		47.		67.	
8.	D	28.		48.		68.	
9.	E	29.		49.		69.	
10.	B	30.		50.		70.	
11.	A	31.		51.		71.	
12.	B	32.		52.		72.	
13.	C	33.		53.		73.	
14.	C	34.		54.		74.	
15.	E	35.		55.		75.	
16.	B	36.		56.		76.	
17.	B	37.		57.		77.	
18.	A	38.		58.		78.	
19.	C	39.		59.		79.	
20.	D	40.		60.		80.	

**Bonus cloze test Key**

**1.B 2. C 3.A 4.A 5.D 6.C 7.A 8.C 9.B 10.B 11.A**