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Instructions: Read each question carefully and circle the correct answer.

1. Choose the sentence that is correctly written and is not a fragment or run-on.
   A. His name was known throughout the land.
   B. Throughout the land.
   C. His name was known. Throughout the land.
   D. Through out the land; his name was known.

2. How can the error in the following sentence be fixed?

   There I was, sitting alone at the store, waiting for.
   A. Add the name "Ambika" after the word "was."
   B. Remove the word "There."
   C. Remove the word "alone."
   D. Add the name "Ambika" after the word "for."

3. Choose the sentence that is correctly written and is not a fragment or run-on.
   A. We have sold forty tickets, to next week's play.
   B. We have sold. Next week's play.
   C. We have sold forty tickets; next week's play.
   D. We have sold forty tickets to next week's play.

4. Which of the following would best complete the sentence?

   I hope I do not have any ____________ pulled when I go to the dentist.
   A. teeth
   B. teethes
   C. toothes
   D. tooths
5. Which of the following would best complete the sentence?

The baby has three _______________.

A. tooths  
B. teeths  
C. teeth  
D. toothes

6. Which of the following would best complete the sentence?

The police officer caught the two _______________.

A. thiefs  
B. thieves  
C. thievs  
D. thief

7. In the following sentence, identify the indefinite pronoun.

The choir isn't ready for the performance; few know their parts.

A. know  
B. for  
C. their  
D. few

8. In the following sentence, identify the indefinite pronoun.

Some of the cookies were eaten last night.

A. of  
B. were  
C. some  
D. eaten

9. In the following sentence, identify the indefinite pronoun.

Can anyone take me to the train station tomorrow?

A. anyone  
B. me  
C. to  
D. can
10. Choose the answer that correctly combines the following underlined sentences.

Linus made the cookies.
Linus did not make the cake.

A. Linus made the cookies, but he did not make the cake.
B. The cookies were made by Linus, not the cake.
C. The cake and cookies were made by Linus.
D. Linus made the cookies.

11. Choose the answer that correctly combines the following underlined sentences.

Stu likes to paint pictures of lions.
Stu likes to paint pictures of horses.

A. Stu likes to paint pictures of lions and horses.
B. Stu likes to paint pictures. Of lions and horses.
C. Stu likes to paint pictures of lions; pictures of horses.
D. Stu likes to paint pictures; lions and horses.

12. Choose the answer that correctly combines the following underlined sentences.

M.J. is an artist.
Dillan is an artist.
Brenda is an artist.

A. M.J., Dillan, and Brenda is an artist.
B. M.J., and Dillan, and Brenda are artists.
C. M.J. and Dillan and Brenda are artists.
D. M.J., Dillan, and Brenda are artists.

13. Choose the best order for the sentences.

1. Van and Reka woke up early and decided to go to the golf course.
2. The shoes were waterproof and very expensive.
3. On the way to the course, Van stopped and bought new shoes.
4. Van tested his new waterproof shoes when his ball fell into the lake.
5. He didn't know if he should be pleased or not!
6. Although he hit a poor shot from the lake's edge, his feet remained dry.

A. 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6
B. 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 6 - 5
C. 1 - 3 - 2 - 4 - 6 - 5
D. 1 - 3 - 2 - 6 - 4 - 5
14. Choose the best order for the sentences.

1. The next day they drove from Flagstaff to the Grand Canyon.
2. The entire family hiked down into the Grand Canyon and spent the night in a cabin.
3. They drove from Anaheim to Flagstaff, Arizona.
4. In Flagstaff, Sylvia and her family ate dinner and spent the night at a motel.
5. Sylvia and her family took a driving trip last summer.
6. The trip started in Anaheim, California, where they went to Disneyland for two days.

A. 5 - 6 - 4 - 3 - 1 - 2
B. 5 - 6 - 3 - 4 - 1 - 2
C. 5 - 6 - 3 - 1 - 2 - 4
D. 5 - 6 - 3 - 2 - 4 - 1

15. Choose the best order for the sentences.

1. The loud noise continued for several minutes.
2. This morning when her alarm went off, Jana simply ignored it.
3. Last night, Jana set her alarm for 4 a.m.
4. Finally, Jana's sister came into her room and threw the alarm out the window.
5. She planned on getting up early to study for her final.
6. When Jana finally awoke, it was after 7 a.m.!

A. 3 - 5 - 2 - 1 - 4 - 6
B. 5 - 3 - 2 - 1 - 4 - 6
C. 3 - 5 - 1 - 2 - 4 - 6
D. 3 - 5 - 2 - 4 - 6 - 1

16. Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

The gum and ice cream ___________ three dollars.

A. cost
B. costs
C. costed
D. costing

17. Choose the word or phrase that best completes the sentence.

The young children _________________ songs.

A. are singing
B. sings
C. is sung
D. are sunging
18. Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

Some people like cats; others __________ dogs.

A. liken
B. like
C. likess
D. likes

19. Choose the best topic sentence for the paragraph.

____________________________________________________  The gorillas form small groups called families. In these families, the gorillas help support the other members of their community. Gorillas also share with humans the desire for personal grooming. Their standards might be different than ours, but they still take time to clean themselves and each other. Furthermore, gorillas are very protective of their young. Just like human parents, they look out for and protect their children.

A. Gorillas live in the shrinking rain forests.
B. Many people enjoy watching gorillas at the zoo.
C. Humans are very similar to gorillas.
D. The gorilla has many human-like qualities.

20. Choose the best topic sentence for the paragraph.

____________________________________________________   Although other fish make up the better part of the piranha's diet, this violent fish has been known to attack animals and humans. Piranhas, much like sharks, are attracted to the smell of blood. Fishermen loathe piranhas because they often attack fish caught on a hook. The piranhas devour not only the fish, but the hook as well.

A. Piranhas used to be sold as aquarium fish in the United States.
B. The structure of the jaw is effective for devouring prey.
C. Piranhas are found in tropical freshwater lakes.
D. Piranhas are notorious for being savage beasts of the water.

21. Choose the answer that best develops the topic sentence.

There are times when the moon looks like a dull penny in the sky.

A. The smog in major cities is bad for a person's health.
B. Years ago the moon was believed to be made of cheese.
C. During a lunar eclipse, the moon turns a copper color.
D. The sun's diameter is 400 times larger than the moon's diameter.
22. Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

Jennifer was just about to start walking home. _____ her mom showed up.

A. So  
B. Third  
C. In conclusion  
D. Then

23. Read the passage below and answer the question that follows.

Not many people know about bees. One of the unique qualities of bees is that they have two pairs of wings. Another unique quality is that they have three eyes.

There are many interesting facts to learn about bees. First, it is important to know that although bees are related to wasps, there are some stingless bees in Central America. ____________________________ Bees attack when their hives or nests are being invaded. Generally, bees do not attack when they are gathering nectar. The bee's sting is usually used for defense against animals, humans, and other bees. Most bees can sting many times if necessary.

Which sentence could end the second paragraph?

A. First of all, bees are angry insects.  
B. Second, these stingless bees are harmless, but look the same as other bees.  
C. So bees are very aggressive insects.  
D. Then bees avoid stinging humans and animals.

24. Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

___________, Jill was called into the dentist's office after waiting for an hour.

A. Always  
B. Finally  
C. Then  
D. Within

25. Which of the following sentences does not contain a mistake?

A. Ronald he is a very nice man.  
B. Ronald is a very nice man.  
C. That Ronald man is a very nice man.  
D. Ronald very nice.
26. Which of the following sentences does not contain a mistake?
   
   A. Thomas has never been to Michigan.  
   B. Thomas ain't never been to Michigan.  
   C. Thomas has not never been to Michigan.  
   D. Thomas hadn't never been to Michigan.

27. Which of the following sentences does not contain a mistake?
   
   A. I'm taking the ferryboat because I have never ridden on one.  
   B. I'm taking the ferryboat because I haven't never ridden on one.  
   C. I'm taking the ferryboat because I ain't never ridden on one.  
   D. I'm taking the ferryboat because I never ridden one.

28. Choose the best sentence.
   
   A. They don't want no visitors.  
   B. They don't want any visitors.  
   C. They doesn't want no visitors.  
   D. They doesn't want any visitors.

29. Choose the best sentence.
   
   A. Feeling a sense of regret, the boy tell his mom about the broke vase.  
   B. Feels a sense of regret, the boy told his mom about the broken vase.  
   C. Feeling a sense of regret, the boy telling his mom about the broken vase.  
   D. Feeling a sense of regret, the boy told his mom about the broken vase.

30. Choose the best sentence.
   
   A. Miriam run to answer the phone.  
   B. Miriam she ran to answer the phone.  
   C. Miriam she run to answer the phone.  
   D. Miriam ran to answer the phone.

31. Choose the answer that best completes the sentence.
   
   The ____________ lives in the deepest parts of the ocean.
   
   A. Portuguese shark  
   B. Portuguese Shark  
   C. portuguese shark  
   D. portuguese Shark
32. Choose the answer that best completes the sentence.

__________________ was written by Maya Angelou.

A. I Know Why The Caged Bird Sings
B. I know why the Caged Bird Sings
C. I know why the caged bird sings
D. I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings

33. Choose the answer that best completes the sentence.

__________________ baked a cake.

A. Kevin and i
B. kevin and i
C. Kevin And I
D. Kevin and I

34. Which of the following sentences is punctuated correctly?

A. A Wrinkle in Time is my favorite book.
B. "A Wrinkle in Time" is my favorite book.
C. A Wrinkle in Time is my favorite book.
D. A wrinkle in time is my favorite book.

35. Which of the following sentences is punctuated correctly?

A. We studied the poem Narcissa, by Gwendolyn Brooks.
B. We studied the poem Narcissa, by Gwendolyn Brooks.
C. We studied the poem "Narcissa," by Gwendolyn Brooks.
D. We studied the poem "Narcissa," by Gwendolyn Brooks.

36. Choose the answer that shows the best capitalization and punctuation for the underlined part of the sentence.

Clark asked "where is Lois?"

A. asked "Where
B. asked where
C. asked, "where
D. asked, "Where