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Contemporary English-I-100E1

Multiple Choice Questions.

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ a number of detective novels when I was a child.

- A. read
- B. was read
- C. had read
- D. have read

ANSWER: A

2. Sorry, you can't borrow my pencil. I \_\_\_ it myself.

- A. was using
- B. using
- C. use
- D. am using

ANSWER: D

3. She \_\_\_ the piano very well.

- A. will play
- B. plays
- C. play
- D. playing

ANSWER: B

4. For dinner last night we \_\_\_ fish and chips.

- A. had
- B. are having
- C. have had
- D. will have

ANSWER: A

5. The police \_\_\_\_\_ the thief red-handed.

- A. Catch
- B. Caught
- C. Is caught
- D. Catching

ANSWER: B

6. I \_\_\_\_\_ the assignment before the bell \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Finished, had rung
- B. Had finished, rang
- C. Had finished, had rung
- D. Finish, will ring

ANSWER: B

7. The phone \_\_\_\_\_ . can you answer it, please?

- A. rings
- B. ring
- C. is ringing
- D. rang

ANSWER: C

8. The whole day the boys \_\_\_\_\_ to the cricket commentary.

- A. Listen
- B. will listen
- C. has listened
- D. listened

ANSWER: D

9. A bomb scare \_\_\_\_\_ a delay of the flight.

- A. caused
- B. cause
- C. was caused
- D. had caused

ANSWER: A

10. I \_\_\_\_\_ French from my friend who \_\_\_\_\_ in France.

- A. Learn, lives
- B. Learnt, lives
- C. Learn, lived
- D. Had learnt, lives

ANSWER: B

11. I am \_\_\_\_\_ oldest in my family.

- A. a
- B. an
- C. the
- D. on

ANSWER: C

12. There are \_\_\_\_\_ students in the class.

- A. much
- B. few
- C. a lot of
- D. many

ANSWER: D

13. \_\_\_\_his friends speaks any English.

- A. Both of
- B. Some
- C. Many
- D. Neither of

ANSWER: D

14. \_\_\_\_teachers prefer a class that is fairly consistent in having pupils of the same level.

- A. Each
- B. Every
- C. Most
- D. Neither

ANSWER: C

15. The police spoke separately to \_\_\_\_suspect.

- A. every
- B. each
- C. some
- D. any

ANSWER: B

16. I don't think\_\_\_\_is coming to the party.

- A. everybody
- B. somebody
- C. anybody
- D. nobody

ANSWER: B

17. I always keep\_\_\_\_money in my wallet for emergencies.

- A. any
- B. every
- C. some
- D. each

ANSWER: C

18. According to the studies, dolphins, whales and\_\_\_\_other sea creatures use highly sophisticated navigation systems.

- A. any
- B. a little
- C. many
- D. much

ANSWER: C

19. When I\_\_\_\_\_to the hospital, the doctor \_\_\_\_\_the operation.

- A. Had gone, performed
- B. Went, performed

C. Went , had performed

D. Go, performed

ANSWER: C

20. I used my shoe as \_\_\_\_\_hammer.

A. a

B. an

C. the

D. some

ANSWER: A

21. World war I and World war II were\_\_\_\_\_ the 20th century.

A. on

B. in

C. at

D. into

ANSWER: B

22. You \_\_\_\_\_touch burning items.

A. shouldn't

B. mustn't

C. can't

D. can

ANSWER: A

23. Your father\_\_\_\_\_ stop smoking.

A. must

B. would

C. should

D. can

ANSWER: C

24. If you have \_\_\_\_\_ questions, I'm ready to answer.

A. any

B. much

C. many

D. little

ANSWER: A

25. You\_\_\_\_\_smoke near children.

A. have to

B. may

C. shouldn't

D. couldn't

ANSWER: C

26. Richard doesn't get \_\_\_\_\_at home.

A. many phone call

- B. much phone call
- C. much phone calls
- D. many phone calls

ANSWER: D

27. People who study hard to improve their lives should be proud of \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. yourselves
- B. themselves
- C. yourself
- D. ourself

ANSWER: B

28. Two-thirds of the \_\_\_\_\_ French and English.

- A. students speak
- B. speak student
- C. students speakes
- D. student's speak

ANSWER: A

29. \_\_\_\_\_ in your class have questions about the new homework?

- A. Do any of the student
- B. Do any of the students
- C. Did any of the students
- D. Does any of the students

ANSWER: B

30. More than half of the \_\_\_\_\_ in my class \_\_\_\_\_ from another country.

- A. student / comes
- B. students / comes
- C. students / come
- D. student / come

ANSWER: C

31. The first sentence is in the ACTIVE VOICE. Choose the most correct way of saying the same thing in the PASSIVE VOICE: They were interviewing her for the job. She \_\_\_\_\_ for the job.

- A. was being interviewed
- B. was interviewed
- C. has been interviewed
- D. will been interviewed

ANSWER: A

32. Change into passive: Tom is writing the letter. The letter \_\_\_\_\_ by Tom.

- A. was written
- B. is being written
- C. has been written
- D. had been written

ANSWER: B

33. Change into passive: Everyone understands English. English\_\_\_\_\_by everyone.

- A. is understood
- B. has been understood
- C. was understood
- D. had understood

ANSWER: A

34. Change into passive: The employees brought up this issue during the meeting. This issue\_\_\_\_\_ by the employees during the meeting.

- A. has been brought up
- B. is brought up
- C. was brought up
- D. had brought up

ANSWER: C

35. Change into passive: The professor told him not to talk in class. He\_\_\_\_\_by the professor not to talk in class.

- A. has been told
- B. was told
- C. was being told
- D. had tod

ANSWER: B

36. He has been waiting for me \_\_\_\_\_ three weeks.

- A. on
- B. from
- C. for
- D. since

ANSWER: C

37. Work is necessary\_\_\_\_\_ health.

- A. in
- B. for
- C. by
- D. to

ANSWER: B

38. They are called\_\_\_\_\_different names.

- A. for
- B. with
- C. in
- D. by

ANSWER: D

39. He poured the tea \_\_\_\_\_ the mug.

- A. on
- B. into
- C. in

D. to  
ANSWER: B

40. He goes \_\_\_\_\_ school by car.  
A. to  
B. at  
C. on  
D. onto

ANSWER: A

41. We should travel \_\_\_\_\_ night, as it will be cooler.  
A. in  
B. with  
C. by  
D. at

ANSWER: A

42. Two persons are sitting \_\_\_\_\_ chair.  
A. on  
B. in  
C. from  
D. to

ANSWER: A

43. We should not spend money \_\_\_\_\_ luxuries.  
A. on  
B. for  
C. with  
D. over

ANSWER: A

44. This material is different \_\_\_\_\_ that.  
A. in  
B. from  
C. with  
D. to

ANSWER: B

45. You should explain this \_\_\_\_\_ them.  
A. at  
B. with  
C. by  
D. to

ANSWER: D

46. \_\_\_\_\_ all her friends were on holiday, she stayed in.  
A. Because of  
B. Since

- C. For
- D. because

ANSWER: B

47. F1 races are \_\_\_ fast that the wheels of their cars have to be special.

- A. so
- B. such
- C. very much
- D. much

ANSWER: A

48. French people love cooking, \_\_\_\_\_ the English don't seem very interested.

- A. When
- B. Whenever
- C. where
- D. Whereas

ANSWER: D

49. I tried to look happy \_\_\_\_\_ feeling miserable.

- A. in spite of
- B. Although
- C. however
- D. as

ANSWER: A

50. We went out \_\_\_\_\_ the cold weather.

- A. besides
- B. although
- C. However
- D. despite

ANSWER: D

51. The word communication comes from the Latin word '\_\_\_\_\_ '.

- A. Communis
- B. Communais
- C. comunis
- D. communiz

ANSWER: A

52. \_\_\_\_\_ is the act of conveying information.

- A. Listening
- B. Observing
- C. Communication
- D. Questioning

ANSWER: C

53. The act of communicating draws on several \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. interpersonal and intrapersonal skills



- B. linguistics
  - C. history
  - D. criticism
- ANSWER: A

54. Recipients of a message must be able to identify the \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. receiver's intent
- B. receiver's perception
- C. sender's intent
- D. Speaker

ANSWER: C

55. Communication spans a broad

- A. rich array of subjects
- B. history
- C. sociology
- D. psychology

ANSWER: A

56. To communicate is \_\_\_\_\_ the world.

- A. to guide
- B. to shape
- C. to lead
- D. to hold

ANSWER: B

57. Communication often hold highly influential positions as

- A. spectators
- B. receiver
- C. journalists
- D. sender

ANSWER: C

58. The communication process is the guide towards realizing

- A. poor communication
- B. effective communication
- C. incorrect pronunciation
- D. improper communication

ANSWER: B

59. The communication process is made up of \_\_\_\_\_ key components.

- A. 4
- B. 3
- C. 7
- D. 5

ANSWER: A

60. Individuals that follow the communication process will have the opportunity to become more

\_\_\_\_\_ in every aspect of their profession.

- A. productive
- B. destructive
- C. procrastinating
- D. pessimistic

ANSWER: A

61. The \_\_\_\_\_ is one who initiates the communication.

- A. receiver
- B. spectator
- C. audience
- D. sender

ANSWER: D

62. Successful communication takes place when the receiver \_\_\_\_\_ interprets the sender's message.

- A. wrongly
- B. ironically
- C. correctly
- D. actively

ANSWER: C

63. The barriers are factors that have a \_\_\_\_\_ on the communication process.

- A. positive impact
- B. negative impact
- C. optimistic impact
- D. appropriate medium

ANSWER: B

64. Communication process is \_\_\_\_\_ in nature.

- A. dynamic
- B. static
- C. idle
- D. lethargic

ANSWER: A

65. The subject matter of communication is \_\_\_\_\_ in nature.

- A. tangible
- B. practical
- C. theoretical
- D. related to soft skills

ANSWER: C

66. Managers need to deliver \_\_\_\_\_ achievable goals to both teams and individuals.

- A. unclear
- B. clear
- C. hazy
- D. improper

ANSWER: B

67. Communication is a \_\_\_\_\_ process.

- A. three-way
- B. four-way
- C. two-way
- D. five-way

ANSWER: C

68. \_\_\_\_\_ shows respect and allows you to learn.

- A. Listening
- B. Speaking
- C. Reading
- D. Writing

ANSWER: A

69. There are " \_\_\_\_\_ C's" in Communication principles.

- A. eight
- B. seven
- C. nine
- D. five

ANSWER: B

70. In \_\_\_\_\_ five W's should be checked.

- A. conciseness
- B. clarity
- C. completeness
- D. consideration

ANSWER: C

71. What type of message saves time and expense for both sender and receiver?

- A. consideration
- B. conciseness
- C. concreteness
- D. completeness

ANSWER: B

72. By eliminating \_\_\_\_\_ words, you can help to make ideas stand out.

- A. necessary
- B. repetitive
- C. unnecessary
- D. correct

ANSWER: C

73. Communicating concretely means being \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. vague
- B. general
- C. specific

D. irrelevant  
ANSWER: C

74. There are \_\_\_\_\_ C's of good business communication in consideration.
- A. seven
  - B. eight
  - C. six
  - D. three

ANSWER: C

75. Most conflict is the result of \_\_\_\_\_ communication.
- A. effective
  - B. misunderstood
  - C. ineffective
  - D. spontaneous

ANSWER: B

76. Phonology is the pattern of \_\_\_\_\_ used in a particular language.
- A. speech sounds
  - B. spellings
  - C. sentence patterns
  - D. meanings

ANSWER: A

77. The IPA or International Phonetic Alphabet is an alphabet of \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. letters
  - B. sounds
  - C. dialect
  - D. syllables

ANSWER: B

78. \_\_\_\_\_ forms of speech in the classroom is an integral part of pupils' success.
- A. Correct
  - B. Incorrect
  - C. Improper
  - D. Invalid

ANSWER: A

79. \_\_\_\_\_ refers to the emphasis laid on specific syllables of a word or a specific word in a sentence.
- A. Syllables
  - B. Phonemes
  - C. Stress
  - D. Letters

ANSWER: C

80. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a unit of sound.
- A. syllable

- B. letter
- C. spelling
- D. stress

ANSWER: A

81. \_\_\_\_\_ is the way in which our voice changes as the pitch rises and falls.

- A. Stress
- B. Intonation
- C. Beat
- D. Accent

ANSWER: B

82. The stress is always on a \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. consonant
- B. tone
- C. word
- D. vowel

ANSWER: D

83. Stressed words are considered as \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. content words
- B. function words
- C. non-stressed words
- D. unaccented

ANSWER: A

84. \_\_\_\_\_ words are the key to excellent pronunciation and understanding of English.

- A. Stressed
- B. Function
- C. unaccented
- D. non-stressed

ANSWER: A

85. \_\_\_\_\_ refers to the music of the English language.

- A. Syllables and stress
- B. Intonation and stress
- C. Sounds and symbols
- D. Accent and sounds

ANSWER: B

86. The falling tune is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the glide-down
- B. the glide-up
- C. the dive
- D. the take-off

ANSWER: A

87. The first rising tune is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the glide-up
- B. the glide-down
- C. the dive
- D. the take -off

ANSWER: A

88. The second rising tune is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the glide-up
- B. the glide-down
- C. the dive
- D. the take-off

ANSWER: D

89. The falling-rising tune is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the glide-up
- B. the glide-down
- C. the dive
- D. the take-off

ANSWER: C

90. The Glide-down are used for \_\_\_\_\_ statements.

- A. complete
- B. incomplete
- C. indefinite
- D. imperfect

ANSWER: A

91. For tag-questions after commands use \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Take-Off
- B. the glide-up
- C. the glide-down
- D. the dive

ANSWER: A

92. For Yes -No questions \_\_\_\_\_ is used.

- A. the falling tune
- B. the first rising tune
- C. the second rising tune
- D. the falling-rising tune

ANSWER: B

93. For strong exclamations \_\_\_\_\_ is used.

- A. the glide-up
- B. the glide-down
- C. the dive
- D. the take-off

ANSWER: B

94. For greetings and for saying good bye \_\_\_\_\_ is used.

- A. the glide-up
- B. the glide-down
- C. the dive
- D. the take-off

ANSWER: A

95. 'Employee' is a \_\_\_\_\_ syllable stressed word.

- A. two
- B. three
- C. one
- D. four

ANSWER: B

96. 'Eat' is a \_\_\_\_\_ syllable stressed word.

- A. two
- B. one
- C. three
- D. four

ANSWER: B

97. \_\_\_\_\_ is a stress-timed language.

- A. Spanish
- B. Japanese
- C. English
- D. German

ANSWER: C

98. With the change of \_\_\_\_\_ different meanings can be expressed.

- A. pitch
- B. voice
- C. accent
- D. sounds

ANSWER: A

99. \_\_\_\_\_ should participate constructively in classroom discussions.

- A. Teachers
- B. Students
- C. Staff
- D. Instructors

ANSWER: B

100. Be quick learners and tend to acquire \_\_\_\_\_ pronunciation.

- A. good
- B. bad
- C. ineffective
- D. improper

ANSWER: A

101. The important criteria in a description is \_\_\_\_\_

- A. being specific
- B. being attractive
- C. describing to the point
- D. none of the above

ANSWER: A

102. \_\_\_\_\_ are often used while describing places and feelings.

- A. clauses
- B. adverbs
- C. adjectives
- D. past tenses

ANSWER: C

103. Use past simple endings: I tried \_\_\_\_\_ a parachuting course last year.

- A. took
- B. taking
- C. taken
- D. take

ANSWER: B

104. The ability to motivate others and improve morale is a \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Inter personal skill
- B. Intra personal skill
- C. Listening skill
- D. Soft skill

ANSWER: D

105. Being successful after a lot of effort gives us a sense of \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Achievement
- B. Arrangement
- C. Agreement
- D. Attainment

ANSWER: A

106. Business leaders need to have a sense of \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Compliment
- B. Detachment
- C. Relief
- D. Commitment

ANSWER: D

107. He is reasonable, practical and mature, he is very \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Sensitive
- B. Senseless
- C. Sensible
- D. Intellectual



ANSWER: C

108. The candidate has a strong \_\_\_\_\_ in marketing.

- A. Aptitude
- B. Background
- C. Competence
- D. Experience

ANSWER: B

109. A \_\_\_\_\_ is paid monthly, but a \_\_\_\_\_ is paid hourly, or by piecework.

- A. bonus/commission
- B. reimbursement/remuneration
- C. salary/wage
- D. retirement/pension

ANSWER: C

110. A natural ability to do something well or to learn it quickly is a \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Skill
- B. Knowledge
- C. Experience
- D. Ability

ANSWER: A

111. A \_\_\_\_\_ is fictional work of prose that is shorter in length than a novel.

- A. Novella
- B. Non-Fiction
- C. Short Story
- D. Poem

ANSWER: C

112. A short story can range from 1,000 to \_\_\_\_\_ words.

- A. 1,10,000
- B. 20,000
- C. 5,56,000
- D. 130

ANSWER: B

113. For a short story, \_\_\_\_\_ is at the heart of all fiction.

- A. Plot
- B. Sub-theme
- C. Moral
- D. Characters

ANSWER: D

114. In a short story, people express themselves by the things they say, which is also known as \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Monologues
- B. Essays

- C. Ideas
- D. Dialogues

ANSWER: D

115. Characters must move in a realistic setting in a short story, for which a \_\_\_\_\_ is required.

- A. A natural scenery
- B. A riverbed
- C. Convincing background
- D. A bhoot bungalow

ANSWER: C

116. "Kick the bucket" is an Euphemism that describes

- A. death of a person
- B. illness of a person
- C. that the person is not available at the moment
- D. kicking the bucket

ANSWER: A

117. Euphemism helps writers to convey those ideas which have become a social \_\_\_\_\_ and are too embarrassing to mention directly.

- A. Norm
- B. Taboo
- C. Custom
- D. Ideology

ANSWER: B

118. \_\_\_\_\_ means trying something new and different from your fashion comfort zone.

- A. Mobile Community
- B. Furlough Employees
- C. Donning the idea
- D. Donning the fedora

ANSWER: D

119. Euphemisms are \_\_\_\_\_ expressions.

- A. Polished
- B. Idiomatic
- C. Polite
- D. Novel

ANSWER: B

120. A radio story is basically

- A. read over the air
- B. directed on-air
- C. a promotional strategy
- D. not in use today

ANSWER: A

121. No short story can exist without \_\_\_\_\_

- A. idea
- B. conflict
- C. theme
- D. moral

ANSWER: B

122. \_\_\_\_\_ in a short story, whether subtle and low key or of great intensity, is the very life blood of successful fiction

- A. conflict
- B. good opening
- C. suspense
- D. characters

ANSWER: C

123. A single problem and a single period of time will give the short story that tautness of \_\_\_\_\_ which is so important.

- A. construction
- B. shape
- C. structure
- D. flow

ANSWER: A

124. A good short story is almost always a moment of \_\_\_\_\_ realization

- A. instant
- B. vivid
- C. miraculous
- D. profound

ANSWER: D

125. Intonation is the first step to be perceived by ear rather than the \_\_\_\_\_ of an utterance.

- A. oral content
- B. verbal content
- C. speech
- D. monologue

ANSWER: B

126. How many tiffin boxes does each tray hold?

- A. 40
- B. 45
- C. 35
- D. 50

ANSWER: A

127. Ragunath Medge is the \_\_\_\_\_ of Nutan Mumbai Tiffin Box suppliers charity trust.

- A. Secretary
- B. Member
- C. Treasurer
- D. President

ANSWER: D

128. \_\_\_\_\_ gave the service of dabbawalahs its highest quality rating of Sigma.

- A. The Times of India
- B. Times Magazine
- C. Forbes Magazine
- D. India Today

ANSWER: C

129. The Dabbawallahs service began way back in \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. 1890
- B. 1818
- C. 1905
- D. 1924

ANSWER: A

130. Explain a woeful ballad.

- A. a love song
- B. a happy song
- C. a song of god
- D. a sad song

ANSWER: D

131. Bacon begins the essay by comparing ambition with a \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Bile
- B. Choler
- C. Phlegm
- D. Sanguine

ANSWER: B

132. The use of ambitious men is required in \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. forming an alliance
- B. plotting against kings
- C. pulling down the greatness of other subjects
- D. their use is not required at all

ANSWER: C

133. According to Bacon, \_\_\_\_\_ has three things attached to it.

- A. Honor
- B. Ambition
- C. Skill
- D. Image

ANSWER: B

134. Francis Bacon was Knighted in the year \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. 1608
- B. 1616
- C. 1604

D. 1600

ANSWER: C

135. William Shakespeare, called the English National poet, is considered to be \_\_\_\_\_ of all time.

- A. greatest philosopher
- B. orator
- C. greatest dramatist
- D. King

ANSWER: C

136. Why does the poet call the last stage to be "second childishness" of a person?

- A. He behaves like a child
- B. He has to be taken care again like a child
- C. He keeps forgetting everything
- D. He is immature in behavior

ANSWER: B

137. To which stage of life does the soldier belong?

- A. second stage
- B. third stage
- C. fourth stage
- D. fifth stage

ANSWER: C

138. Dabbawalas work with \_\_\_\_\_

- A. clarity and speed
- B. precision and speed
- C. carefulness and swiftness
- D. precision and sharp

ANSWER: B

139. Rabindranath Tagore composed the Nation Anthem for \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. India and Bangladesh
- B. India and Pakistan
- C. India and Sri Lanka
- D. India and China

ANSWER: A

140. Tagore's poetry had inspiration from traditional vaishnava folk and was often \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. metaphysical
- B. contemporary
- C. idealistic
- D. deeply mystical

ANSWER: D

141. "I load my boats with \_\_\_\_\_ flowers from our garden".

- A. chrysanthemum
- B. Shiuli

C. rose

D. lilly

ANSWER: B

142. Whom does the "playmate" refer to in the poem "Paper Boats"?

A. A sister

B. A close friend

C. A distant relative

D. An imaginary friend

ANSWER: D

143. Guy de Maupassant is a \_\_\_\_\_ author.

A. British author

B. Japanese author

C. French author

D. American author

ANSWER: C

144. Monsieur Loisel worked as a clerk at the \_\_\_\_\_.

A. Minster of Finance

B. Minister of Education

C. Minister of Defense

D. District Magistrate

ANSWER: B

145. Madam Loisel was a \_\_\_\_\_ at the party organized by the Ministry of Education

A. a complete success

B. a complete failure

C. lovely person

D. lovable character

ANSWER: A

146. What is the unique feature of the success of the Mumbai dabbawalas business?

A. Mumbai's history

B. Mumbai's economy

C. Mumbai's geography

D. Mumbai's society

ANSWER: C

147. RK Narayan was born in \_\_\_\_\_.

A. Mysore

B. Mangalore

C. Madras

D. Malgudi

ANSWER: C

148. As per the beggar's belief, which God had visited the house in the form of a Cobra?

A. Natraja

- B. Shiva
  - C. Subramanya
  - D. Vinayaka
- ANSWER: C

149. Who announced the entry of the cobra into the compound?

- A. Dasa
- B. The neighbor
- C. The lady servant
- D. The cyclist

ANSWER: D

150. Where had Dasa confined the cobra?

- A. the plate
- B. the bowl
- C. the tin
- D. the water

ANSWER: D

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