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КЛАСС 8

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Задания:

**Listening**

1. Maggie has met the teacher once before.  
A) true  
 B) false  
C) not stated
2. The family left Los Angeles to find better schools for Billy.  
A) true  
B) false  
 C) not stated
3. The teacher believes there hasn't really been an improvement since last years.  
A) true  
 B) false  
C) not stated
4. Billy's mother didn't know that he had a story published by the school.  
 A) true  
B) false  
C) not stated
5. Billy's mother was always aware of Billy's spelling problems.  
 A) true  
B) false  
C) not stated
6. Billy's sister Kathy has similar problems.  
A) true  
 B) false  
C) not stated

7. The school has a department dealing with students who have dyslexia.

- A) true
- B) false
- C) not stated

8. The teacher had dyslexia himself when he was much younger.

- A) true
- B) false
- C) not stated

### Grammar

**Choose the correct grammar form.**

9. Ever since she started attending evening courses, Linda.....as much yoga as she.....

- a) wasn't doing / should
- b) didn't do / must
- c) hasn't been able to do / used to

10. There doesn't seem to be.....to get away from the crowd in this town.

- a) anywhere
- b) nowhere
- c) wherever

11.....classical dance for five years, Akiko finally felt ready.....in public.

- a) Studying / to be performed
- b) Being studied / having performed
- c) Having studied / to perform

12. The farmers in the valley eat most of .....they produce, and.....they don't eat, they sell.

- a) which / anything
- b) that / something
- c) what / whatever

13. Yoriko, after working all day, prefers to open a tin.....cook a meal for herself.

- a) otherwise
- b) rather than
- c) instead

14. You have to take the full course of your antibiotics.....you feel better ..... your illness will simply return.

- a) so that / such as
- b) unless / moreover
- c) even if / otherwise

15. If you ..... a car, you should get it ..... regularly.  
a) owned / to service  
b) will own / servicing  
 c) own / serviced
16. Sandy ..... on her car all day long—I wonder if she.....by this evening.  
a) worked / was finishing  
b) had worked / has been finishing  
 c) has been working / will have finished
17. Anna has been interested in learning how to sail a boat ..... she went sailing with her friends a few years ago.  
a) by the time  
 b) just after  
c) ever since
18. We were expecting beautiful weather at the beach, but it was so cold and rainy that.....getting a sun tan, I caught a cold.  
a) in case of  
 b) instead of  
c) just as

### Vocabulary

**Choose the correct word or word expression.**

19. I don't know how we are going to get to the airport. We will have to ...for a taxi to come.

- a. plan
- b. arrange
- c. book
- d. hire

20. If you don't like the soup, why don't you ...to the waiter and he can bring you another one.

- a. complain
- b. protest
- c. criticise
- d. insult

21. If you were a more ...person, you would not have left me waiting for you in the rain for an hour.

- a. polite
- b. considerate

- c. kind
- d. humorous

22. Oh I am so ...! Let's go and rent a video or something.

- a. boring
- b. fed up
- c. tired
- d. unhappy

23. I don't think Alan is .... Sherie is at home with him.

- a. lonely
- b. solitary
- c. unsociable
- d. alone

24. His uncle owns four computer companies and lives in a big ...out in the country.

- a. mansion
- b. bungalow
- c. apartment
- d. hut

25. I am afraid this car doesn't have enough ...to get up that hill. We will have to walk up!

- a. motor
- b. power
- c. charge
- d. engine

26. The company didn't have any ...opening shops in Paris and Marseilles so they closed after only three months.

- a. profit
- b. success
- c. victory
- d. winnings

### **Reading**

**Read the text and *True, False* for the following sentences.**

#### **A Traditional Wedding**

Everybody loves a good wedding and I'm no exception. I've been to a load of them in my native Britain and I must say that I usually have a great time. I've also been to a few abroad, including the Caribbean and Spain, and most recently (last week in fact) to one in the mountains of Sardinia. No two weddings are ever the same

and I really enjoyed this one for one or two of the differences from those in the UK.

First, the two families spent at least three weeks before the big day preparing all the food, from wonderful home-made delicacies to simple traditional breads and pastas. In my experience, in the UK that onerous task is left to the caterers! In the week leading up to the wedding there is a dinner or some form of celebration every day - training for the stomach I guess. I know that we have the traditional Bachelor party and Bachelorette party, but this is more family orientated and certainly a little less rowdy. This particular ceremony was in a beautiful country church and afterwards the couple was driven to the reception in a wonderfully decorated classic Fiat 500, which was really similar to what happens in the UK, even down to the string of tin cans trailing behind the car!

The reception itself was also very similar until I realized that the seven tables in the hall each sat sixty guests (that's four hundred and twenty, for those of you who didn't study Math), an average number for Sardinia but would be considered a very large wedding where I'm from.

The wine flowed, as did the chatter - the famous Italian exuberance showing itself to the full. There were the five or six courses of wonderful food, screaming kids running wild, the ceremonial cutting of the cake by the bride and groom - but no speeches! Not one. In the UK it's traditional for the father of the bride to propose a toast, followed by the groom and finishing up with that of the best man. His is meant to be the highlight of the lunch \ dinner, generally having a good laugh at the groom's expense, but here the groom was spared that particular discomfort.

Instead there was a delightful custom which I'd never seen before, in which six or seven of the male guests pass round the hall banging trays, drums, pots, pans or basically anything that makes a horrendous noise, selling pieces of the groom's tie which has been cut into tiny bits. The money raised is then given to the happy(!) couple to help them set up their new life together. Really nice. Finally the evening saw a lot of traditional dancing, a little disco dancing and some karaoke. Pretty much the part I like best, and again I wasn't disappointed. Can't wait for the next one.

27. The writer generally likes weddings.

- a) True
- b) False

28. He didn't particularly enjoy the Sardinian one.

- a) True
- b) False

29. The families helped the caterers to prepare the food.

a) True

b) False

30. There is usually a dinner the night before the wedding.

a) True

b) False

31. The groom meets the bride outside the church.

a) True

b) False

32. UK wedding receptions are often a lot smaller than Sardinian ones.

a) True

b) False

33. The writer found it hard to understand the speeches.

a) True

b) False

34. The staff of the reception hall cut the cake for the guests.

a) True

b) False

35. There is an auction to sell the groom's tie.

a) True

b) False

36. The money from this helps to pay for the reception.

a) True

b) False

### Writing

You have 30 minutes to do this task. You have received a letter from your English-speaking pen friend Ben.

*...My cat is getting old. But he's still able to jump on the fridge and he likes to watch Mum making dinner for him. And he is so cool: big, white and furry! He is such fun! I can't understand people who prefer to live without pets...*

*...Why don't people want to have any pets? Do you approve of keeping exotic pets like spiders or snakes? What pets are popular in your country? ...*

Write her a letter and answer her 3 questions. Write 100–120 words. Remember the rules of letter writing.

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Letter.

Dear Ben,

Thanks for your email. It was great to hear from you again.

In your letter you asked me about pets. Well, many people don't want to have any pets because they don't want to be responsible. People usually need to take care of their pets, feed them, walk and play with them. Not everyone likes doing such things. Personally, I really enjoy having pets but I'm not keen on keeping exotic pets at home because they're dangerous. In Russia people usually keep cats, dogs or fish in their houses.

Anyway, I'd better go now because I need to help my mum.

Write back soon.

Yours,

Kate