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ملحوظة مهمة: اختر رمز الإجابة الصحيحة في كل فقرة مما يأتي، ثم ظلّل بشكل غامق الدائرة التي تشير إلى رمز الإجابة في نموذج الإجابة (ورقة القارئ الضوئي) فهو النموذج المعتمد (فقط) لاحتساب علامتك، علماً أن عدد الفقرات (30)، وعدد الصفحات (6).

Read the following text, then choose the correct answer from A, B, C or D to complete the sentences that follow.

1. Have you heard that the Inuit have hundreds of different words for snow? The theory goes that because snow is so much more present in their lives, and often of vital importance, they actually perceive it differently, and recognise more subtle distinctions between different types of snow and ice than those of us living in warmer climes. In fact, this theory is something of a myth, not least because there isn't a single Inuit language, but a variety of dialects. However, recent research has shown that there is at least some truth in the idea that these dialects have more ways of distinguishing different types of snow than many other languages do. This concept is referred to as linguistic relativity or, more famously, the Sapir-Whorf hypothesis, after two scientists who both wrote, separately, about this idea.

- The main idea in the text above is to

- A) describe research into the impact of a grammatical feature on the speaker's perception.
- B) refer to research into the effect of language on character.
- C) outline a well-known theory about the effect of language on how we see the world.
- D) mention a benefit to perceiving the world differently.

2. Malek crossed the Plaça de Catalunya in the intense heat of the afternoon. The city square was teeming with tourists and locals and he found the noise startling. Back home in the countryside, life moved at a gentle pace. On any given day, he never saw more than a handful of people. When Malek had announced his intention to leave his home state for the first time and travel alone to Barcelona, everyone tried to talk him out of it, but he was determined. It was a dream since childhood to visit the great football stadium, Camp Nou. And now, in his early 20s, he was making it happen.

- Malek's dream when he was a child was to

- A) live in the Plaça de Catalunya with his family.
- B) go back home in the countryside.
- C) travel alone to Barcelona and work there.
- D) visit the great football stadium, Camp Nou.

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3. Possibly, the first thing we can take from economics is the importance of doing a cost-benefit analysis when making big decisions. Comfortable though we may be with making a list of pros and cons, we should recognise that it is actually a rather ineffective tool. Just one of the cons might easily outweigh all of the pros. A cost-benefit analysis is something altogether more sophisticated, which allows you to be more objective. For example, let's say that you have to decide whether to make a journey by train or aeroplane. The financial cost of each journey is obvious, but there are also other costs to take into account, such as the cost in your time, the cost in terms of how tired you'll be on arrival, the environmental cost and so on.

- The author considers a pros and cons list isn't very effective because

- A) it doesn't take the relative importance into account.
- B) it gives a false illusion of control over the outcome.
- C) we only use it because we're used to doing it.
- D) a problem isn't always just about two alternatives.

4. It's a police series, nothing too exciting. But then, oh no – the detective goes into a fish and chip shop. Your senses are suddenly on full alert. You can smell the vinegar, hear the chips sizzling in the fryer, and your stomach rumbles. The policeman bites into the fish, and your mouth starts to water. The policeman bites into the fish, and your mouth starts to water. What do you do? Well, what I do is head for the kitchen, rustle up what I've just seen on the screen – and then feel awful afterwards

- The underlined phrase (your stomach rumbles) means

- A) your stomach let your body digest dinner
- B) you get a sudden message from your stomach.
- C) the stomach usually eat everything
- D) you quickly cook something to eat.

5. It takes an exceptional individual to perform in any high-stakes tournament and to compete under enormous pressure and scrutiny, but that is what professional athletes do for a living. In spite of their dedication and skill, even the best of sportspeople can be plagued by doubts and fears. The need to be in the right mindset to perform, unhindered by nerves, has paved the way for a relatively new role in the sports sector, that of the sports psychologist. The field of sports psychology has grown rapidly in recent years and has become a mainstream element of professional sports.

- The main idea in the text above is that

- A) the professional athletes should play under pressure and scrutiny.
- B) the best of sportspeople need to be plagued by doubts and fears.
- C) sports psychology has become a mainstream element of professional sports.
- D) sports psychology is necessary only when the athletes feel nervous.

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6. Even when we've made a good decision, we should also be aware of the law of diminishing returns. This economic concept states that after a certain point, investing more money (or effort) does not lead to increased benefits, and, notwithstanding the objective risk, may even have an adverse impact. For example, if you get your friends round to help you decorate your room. To begin with, having more people to help seems constructive, but if you invite too many friends round, you'll end up with a problem: imagine 20 or 30 people all trying to paint the same room at the same time! This principle might seem obvious, but it is really a reminder that doing your best is good enough. If you keep pushing and trying to do even more, you'll end up subject to the law of diminishing returns.

- The main idea in the text above is that

- A) law of diminish returns helps people to do more than expected.
 B) law of diminish returns teaches people to avoid overdoing things
 C) law of diminish returns enables people to make risky investment.
 D) law of diminish returns means losing money than expected.
7. In the interest of safety, Malek stood back from the track, but it was a poor choice of spot. Inadvertently, he was blocking the path of commuters milling around the platform, bolting this way and that, colliding, heads down, wordless. With some effort, Malek dragged himself towards the wall, and waited there.

- The word that has a similar meaning to the phrasal verb (*crashing into*) is

- A) colliding B) milling C) bolting D) blocking
8. That said, many people do feel they take on a new identity when using another language. A 2006 study of bilingual Mexican-Americans asked them to take a personality test in both English and Spanish. Amazingly, the results varied, depending on which language each individual was using. Undoubtedly, how much you pick up a culture alongside a language will depend on how and why you are learning it, and whether you wish to become part of the second language culture, but it's fascinating to consider that you might actually be a (slightly) different person when speaking a second language.

- The underlined pronoun (*it*) refers to

- A) personality B) culture C) language D) identity
9. Read the following extract from *Black Beauty* novel by Anna Sewell and answer the question that follows.

One day, when there was a good deal of kicking, my mother whinnied to me to come to her, and then she said: "I wish you to pay attention to what I am going to say to you. The colts who live here are very good colts, but they are cart-horse colts, and of course they have not learned manners. You have been well-bred and well-born; your father has a great name in these parts, and your grandfather won the cup two years at the Newmarket races; your grandmother had the sweetest temper of any horse I ever knew, and I think you have never seen me kick or bite.

- The main theme of the above extract that the *Black Beauty's* mother introduced is

- A) avoiding dealing with any colt that he doesn't know.
 B) being more silent when he gets older.
 C) behaving like cart-horse colts.
 D) expecting her son to have proper behaviour.

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10. Tom is very kind but as he often forgets appointments and birthdays.
 A) absent-minded B) thin-skinned C) tight-fisted D) narrow-minded
11. He encountered some obstacles while training to become a pilot. It wasn't all sailing.
 A) steer B) wall C) downhill D) plain
12. We'd been gradually increasing customer loyalty in that area.
 - The underlined phrasal verb (gradually increasing) means
 A) breaking into B) winning them over C) building up D) signing up
13. I had to throw the bread away-it is
 A) velvety B) grisly C) gooey D) mouldy
14. I really need a holiday! I've been running on empty for month now.
 - The underlined idiom (I've been running on empty) in the sentence above means
 A) to have no energy left B) to focus on something
 C) to learn how to do something D) to do something successfully and easily
15. The internet has led to a in shopping habits.
 A) transformation B) transform C) transformational D) transformative
16. If the virus....., it the population to another deadly disease.
 A) spread / will expose B) spreads / will expose
 C) spread / would expose D) spreads / would have exposed
17. This time last week, we my brother's wedding party in the hotel.
 A) had been celebrated B) had celebrated
 C) were celebrating D) were being celebrated
18. Aisha left the exam room after just ten minutes. She have failed
 A) mustn't B) can't C) can D) must
19. The trainer met the participants of the training course after break.
 - The correct passive voice form of the sentence above is:
 A) The participants of the training course was met after break.
 B) The participants of the training course are met after break.
 C) The participants of the training course is met after break.
 D) The participants of the training course were met after break.
20. Saif didn't realise he'd won the race until he got out of the car.
 - The correct inversion form of the sentence above is:
 A) Only after he had got out of the car did Saif realise that he'd won the race.
 B) Only after Saif realises that he'd won the race he had got out of the car.
 C) Only after he had got out of the car Saif realised that he'd won the race.
 D) Only after he had got out of the car Saif did realise that he'd won the race.

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21. Taha Hussein was my favourite writer of Arabic literature.

- The **correct cleft sentence** of the sentence above is:

- A) The person was my favourite writer of Arabic literature is Taha Hussein.
- B) The person who was my favourite writer of Arabic literature was Taha Hussein.
- C) The person Taha Hussein who was my favourite writer of Arabic literature was.
- D) The person who my favourite writer of Arabic literature is Taha Hussein.

22. Salma didn't take her exam today as she was ill, so she **has to** take it tomorrow instead.

- The underlined modal (**has to**) in the above sentence means

- A) not have the ability to do something.
- B) be almost impossible that.
- C) have no choice but to do something
- D) not be allowed to do something.

23. The conditional sentence which refers to a **little more tentative unreal situation in the present or future** is:

- A) If you spend more time in studying, you will get higher grades.
- B) If you had spent more time in studying, you would have get higher grades.
- C) If you should spend more time in studying, you would get higher grades.
- D) If you were to spend more time in studying, you would get higher grades.

24. We are **obliged to** come to school on time.

- The underlined phrasal verb (**obliged to**) in the sentence above means that

- A) We must come to school on time.
- B) We can come to school on time.
- C) We might come to school on time.
- D) We could come to school on time.

25. The restaurant is easily accessed from a rear car park, which has contributed to its success.

- The sentence above could be rewritten **using nominalization** as the following:

- A) Easy from a rear car park has contributed access to the restaurant's success
- B) Easy access from a rear car park has contributed to the restaurant's success
- C) Easily from a rear car park has contributed to the restaurant's success access
- D) Easily to the restaurant's success has contributed access from a rear car park

26. After a certain point..... investing more money not lead to increased benefits, and may even have a impact.

- A) , / do / ditrimental
- B) , / does / ditrimental
- C) , / does / detrimental
- D) , / do / detrimental

27. **(they / if / an / organic / opened / us / go / near / there / regularly / I'd / café)**

- A) If they opened there an café near us, I'd go organic regularly.
- B) If they go an café near us, I'd opened organic there regularly.
- C) If they go there an organic café near us, I'd opened regularly.
- D) If they opened an organic café near us, I'd go there regularly.

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28. The number of syllables in the word (**different**) is
A) Two B) three C) four D) fives
29. The cluster (**nger**) is pronounced like /ndʒ/ in the word
A) hanger B) anger C) ginger D) stronger
30. In paraphrasing what you hear, you can summarize that by saying
A) to put is in another way..... B) so, what it boils down to is that
C) if I am hearing you correctly..... D) let me get this straight

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