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A) Grammar: Choose the item that is grammatically correct.

1. "Because the boy is lost in the jungle, he does not know which way to go."  
What is the reduced form of the sentence above?  
……………… in the jungle, he does not know which way to go.

a. Is lost in  
b. Lost   
c. The boy is lost  
d. The boy lost

2. "Because she has been told many lies, she does not trust anyone."  
What is the reduced of the sentence above?  
……………… many lies, she does not trust anyone.

a. Having been told   
b. Not having been told   
c. Having not been told   
d. Has been told

3. "The sandwiches smell good. The sandwiches taste good."  
These sentences mean that ……  
a. the sandwiches both smell good but taste good.  
b. the sandwiches neither smell good for taste good.  
c. the sandwiches not only smell good but also taste good.  
d. the sandwiches either smell good or taste good.

4. She is my teacher. She is my mother.  
These sentences mean that…..  
a. she is both my teacher and my mother.  
b. she is neither my teacher nor my mother.  
c. she is either my teacher or my mother.  
d. she is not only my teacher and my mother.

5. We always visit our aunt ……………… she is bad-tempered.

a. therefore  
b. so  
c. because  
d. although

6. Which sentence is NOT grammatically correct?

a. He played the piano for the guests.  
b. He played the guests for the piano.  
c. He played the guests the piano.  
d. He played it for the guests.

7. Picasso's paintings are…………. important …………… are kept in safe places.

a. such, that they  
b. so an, that they  
c. such an, that they  
d. so, that they

8. The manager is …………. angry man …………………….. scared of him.

a. So, that I'm  
b. Such an, that I'm  
c. So, to be  
d. Such a, to be

9. The lessons are …………………. for little kids ……………… easily.

a. interesting enough, to learn  
b. enough interesting, to learn  
c. interesting enough, that they learn  
d. enough interesting, that they learn

10. The rain is ……………… for us ……………….. out without an umbrella.

a. heavy too, to go  
b. too heavy, to go  
c. too heavy, that we go  
d. heavy too, that we go

11. Which sentence is NOT correct grammatically?

a. You should give the money back.  
b. You should give back the money.  
c. You should give back it.  
d. You should give it back.

B) Vocabulary: read the sentence(s) given, and then answer the questions asked based upon the underlined vocabulary items or the gaps.

The word Islam comes from the same verbal root as salam meaning “peace” and, since the religion is based upon total obedience to the will of Allah. (The Concept of Justice in Islam)  
12. Which word is synonym to "the will" underlined?

a. letter of death  
b. wish  
c. to be going to  
d. kindness

Truly your blood, your property, and your honor are ……13….. (Equality in Islam)  
13. Which word best fills the gap?

a. violable  
b. violate  
c. not violate  
d. inviolable

14. Which is the synonym of the word "honor" underlined?

a. house  
b. position  
c. respect  
d. money

Those who utter this testimony as their last words in this life ……15…. Paradise. (The First Pillar: Monotheism)  
15. Which verb best fills the gap?

a. have promised  
b. are promise  
c. have been promised  
d. been promised

16. What is the meaning of the word "testimony" underlined?

a. agreement  
b. denying  
c. rejecting  
d. not accepting

All recitations and movements express submission, humility, and homage to Allah. (Prayer)  
17. Which word is the best synonym for the word "recitations" underlined?

a. actions  
b. deeds  
c. works  
d. sayings

When the Prophet asked his bravest men to go and fight Amr, none of them was eager to come out ……18…… Ali who was able to kill the enemy soon. (The Battle of Khandaq)  
18. Which word best fills the gap?

a. expect  
b. accept  
c. except  
d. then

19. Which word is the best synonym for the word "eager" underlined?

a. uninterested  
b. interested  
c. indifferent   
d. not desirous

Mohammad continued: "O' God, love those who love him, and be hostile to those who are hostile to him." (Event of Qadir Khum)  
20. What is the best antonym (opposite) to the word "hostile" underlined?

a. loving  
b. hating  
c. endangering  
d. enemy

Khadija (pbuh), among the women, and Ali (pbuh) among the men acknowledged Prophet Mohammad (pbuh) as the……21……of Allah. (The Marriage of Mohammad (pbuh))  
21. Which word best fills the gap?

a. human  
b. messenger  
c. friend  
d. father

22. Which one is the best synonym for the word "acknowledged" underlined?

a. rejected  
b. thanked  
c. understood  
d. accepted

One's criticism should be made with sincerity, genuine concern, pain and love. (Be a Mirror!)  
23. Which one is the best synonym for the word "sincerity" underlined?

a. dishonesty  
b. truthfulness  
c. lying  
d. deceiving

After the battles of Badr, Ohod and Khandaq the infidels of Mecca avoided any further military ventures. (Treaty of Hodaibiya)  
24. Which one is the antonym (opposite) of the word "infidels" underlined?

a. nonbelievers  
b. unbelievers  
c. faithful men  
d. unfaithful men

The two teenagers walked dejectedly into the family room and slumped down on the couch. (Parental Guidance)  
25. Which item is the best synonym for "slump down" underlined?

a. fall down  
b. get up  
c. rise  
d. go out

While coming back from the market, he saw an undressed man. (THE BLESSED MONEY)  
26. Which one is the best antonym (opposite) for the word "undressed" underlined?

a. nude  
b. hungry  
c. dressed  
d. poor

C) Reading comprehension: read each text and then answer the questions following.

Text 1: King of the World  
We know how large the dinosaurs were. Some of them were bigger than any animal you have ever seen. But some of them were as small as chickens. Some dinosaurs had bodies as big as locomotives or small aircrafts. They had very long necks and very long tails. They liked the water. They stayed in it as much as they could. It was easy for them to walk in the water. But it was hard for them to walk on land, because they were so heavy. They found much of their food in the water. And they needed a lot of food because they were so big.

27. Which one has NOT been mentioned in the text?

a. Dinosaurs changed the environment.  
b. Some dinosaurs were big.  
c. Dinosaurs spent a lot of time in water.  
d. Dinosaurs ate a lot.

28. According to the text which one is correct?  
a. Dinosaurs could walk on land better than in water.  
b. Dinosaurs were all bigger than locomotives.  
c. Dinosaurs preferred to walk in water.  
d. Dinosaurs were all smaller than chickens.

29. According to the text, how the shape of the Dinosaurs' bodies was?

a. They had big teeth.  
b. They had long tails and necks.  
c. They had short feet.  
d. They looked like chickens.

30. What does the pronoun "it" refer to in line 5?

a. Walking in the water  
b. Dinosaurs  
c. Walking on the land  
d. foods

31. According to the text, why dinosaurs stayed in water?  
a. Because they got hot so often and water cooled them down.  
b. Because their foods were found only in water.  
c. Because water was a good place for living.  
d. Because they were heavy and could move in water better.

Text 2: HE HAD A DREAM  
Dr. King went wherever his help was needed. He went to cities in the South. He went to cities in the North. He went to give help. He went to tell about his work. And he went to tell about his dream. Dr. King’s dream was this: One day black people and white people would live together in peace. Award after award was given to Dr. King as he went from place to place. And in 1964 he was given the Noble Peace Prize. This is a prize given to a person who works to make the world a more peaceful place to live in.

32. Which sentence has NOT been mentioned in the text?

a. Dr. King was from the South.  
b. Dr. King traveled a lot.  
c. Dr. King was a peace activist.  
d. Dr. King had a big wish.

33. Why did Dr. King travel so much?

a. To know more people  
b. To receive awards  
c. To help poor people  
d. To make his dream come true

34. What is a Noble Peace Prize?  
a. It is a prize given to noble people.  
b. It is a prize given to someone who has made a peace between 2 countries.  
c. It is a prize given to those who try to make the world a comfortable place for everyone.  
d. It is a prize given to intelligent people.

35. According to the text…..  
a. Dr. King cured many sick people.  
b. Dr. King was a kind man who cared for other people's rights.  
c. Dr. King was given only one award.  
d. Dr. King's dream did not come true.

36. What does the pronoun "this" in line 3 refer to?

a. The Noble Peace Prize  
b. Dr. King  
c. Black people  
d. Dr. King's dream

Text 3: Megacity!

In developing countries, more and more people are moving from the country to the cities in order to find work. This is because, in many countries, it is no longer possible to make a living as a farmer. The result of this movement is the development of what are sometimes called "megacities". These are huge cities with population of up to 15 million people. People who move to megacities usually believe that cities have many benefits to offer. They believe that there are more jobs available, and that salaries are much higher than they are in the countryside.   
[Tactics for listening, second edition, p.123]

37. Why do people move to megacities?  
a. Because it is crowded there.  
b. Because there is less traffic jam.  
c. Because it is hard to live with farming earnings.  
d. Because there is better education.

38. What is a megacity?  
a. An enormous city with a lot of people living in it  
b. A city in the center of the country with many job vacancies  
c. The capital of the country that has a high population  
d. A city with more jobs and high salaries

39. What do people who move to megacities think of a megacity?  
a. A city of a better healthcare system  
b. A city full of job vacancies and big salaries  
c. A city of a better education system  
d. A big city with a high population

40. What does the term "this movement" in line 3 refer to?  
a. Moving from megacities to big cities  
b. Moving from megacities to the country  
c. Moving from the country to big cities  
d. Moving from developing countries to advanced ones