I. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions. (1-5)

Charles Dickens is a famous story writer. He made a name for himself in the writing world more than a hundred years ago. His books have delighted children and all over the world. He did not have a happy childhood. When he was young, his family was thrown into the prison for not being able to pay their debt. Little Charles had to work very hard. He earned money to support himself by working in the shoe polish factory. Being ambitious, he was determined to succeed in life. He had a passion for writing. He started writing book. His stories became very popular.

Câu 1: Charles Dickens’ family was thrown into the prison for___________
A. not finding much money
B. being poor
C. earning money
D. owing money

Câu 2: What did he do to support himself?
A. He wrote books
B. He worked in the shoe polish factory
C. He polished shoes
D. He wrote old stories

Câu 3: He was determined __________
A. to be successful in life
B. to write fewer stories
C. to polish more shoes
D. to go back to school

Câu 4: His stories are_________
A. not very interesting
B. very happy
C. very boring
D. very famous

Câu 5: What is not true about Charles Dickens?
A. Children in the world enjoy his stories.
B. He was thrown into the prison for not being able to pay the debt.
C. He had an unhappy childhood because of his family background.
D. He had real interest in writing.

II. ERROR IDENTIFICATION Choose the bold part that needs correcting

Câu 6: The telephone rang several times and than it stopped but nobody was there.
A. was  B. times  C. than  D. stopped

Câu 7: They say more people have died this year taking selfies rather than being attacked by a shark.
A. selfies  B. have died  C. rather than  D. being attacked

Câu 8: Did you say that you will have a lot of things to do the following week?
A. that  B. to do  C. will  D. following

Câu 9: We all have to eat out tonight because our mother is too busy preparing dinner.
A. Preparing  B. to eat  C. all  D. too

Câu 10: Marie’s her father had too little money to support her ambition to go to university.
A. too little  B. Marie’s her  C. her ambition  D. to support

III. Choose the word which best fits each gap of the passage

Marie Curie’s mother and father – Bronislawa and Wladyslaw – were both teachers and encouraged her interest in science. When Marie was (11) ________ 10, her mother died and she started attending a boarding school. She then moved to a gymnasium - a selective school for children who
were strong academically. Aged 15, Marie graduated her high school with a gold medal as top student and a burning interest in science. But her father had too money to support her ambition to go to university and higher education was not for girls in Poland. To the obstacles they faced, Marie agreed to work as a tutor. This allowed her to go to France and study medicine in Paris.

Marie Curie was the first woman to be awarded a Nobel Prize.

Câu 11: A. aged  B. like  C. age  D. old
Câu 12: A. at B. from C. for D. in
Câu 13: A. some B. small C. few D. little
Câu 14: A. mature B. harbour C. private D. available
Câu 15: A. determine B. overcome C. take up D. realize

IV. Choose the best option (A, B, C, or D) that completes each sentence
Câu 16: He was the first person the fire.
A. to discover  B. discovered  C. discover  D. discovering
Câu 17: The crumbling sidewalks are extremely for old people.
A. dangerous B. dangerously C. danger D. endangered
Câu 18: Our main objective is to educate students.
A. avoid B. enjoy C. improve D. make
Câu 19: I don’t like stories have an unhappy endings
A. of which B. whose C. that D. they
Câu 20: I don't know the reason she left school.
A. how B. what C. why D. when
Câu 21: I try not to remember this experience that only leaves me with unhappy thoughts
A. threatening B. threat C. threaten D. threatened
Câu 22: she read the letter, she started screaming in panic.
A. After B. Before C. No sooner D. As soon as
Câu 23: Peter will the management of the finance department next month.
A. turn up B. take up C. take in D. work
Câu 24: How do I know if a file is downloaded?
A. unsuccessful B. successful C. success D. successfully
Câu 25: Lan: “ is it from your house to your school?” - Mai: “About 1 km.”
A. How often B. How much C. How far D. How long
Câu 26: Did you use to stay late when you lived abroad?
A. in B. on C. of D. up
Câu 27: After a wait of about six hours, we eventually boarded the plane.
A. tiring B. tired C. tiredness D. tire
Câu 28: Tom: " Which way to the elevator?" - Linda: "Down the hall and to the left".
A. Where B. My pleasure C. Sorry! D. Excuse-me!
Câu 29: Which underlined part of the word is pronounced differently from the others?
A. break B. great C. take D. breakfast
Câu 30: His roses won the first in the local flower competition.
A. reward B. prize C. cup D. award
Câu 31: The shopping mall was crowded customers days before Christmas.
A. for B. in C. of D. with
Câu 32: On the way to school, I saw a car which had broken down, so I stopped if I could help.
A. see  B. saw  C. seeing  D. to see
Câu 33: It was ______ of him to interrupt me while I was speaking.
A. impolite  B. humane  C. polite  D. joyful
Câu 34: Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?
A. entertainment  B. employment  C. overjoyed  D. occupation
Câu 35: A Texas high school student was arrested ______ a clock he made for school.
A. so that  B. although  C. because of  D. because
Câu 36: Burning coal is ________bad for the environment that many companies start using solar energy.
A. so  B. such  C. too  D. such as
Câu 37: How long does it take to get to Dave's place from your flat?
A. Once a week  B. It's a long way  C. Thirty minutes  D. One kilometer
Câu 38: She studied hard and got a degree with ________colors.
A. excellent  B. beautiful  C. flying  D. red
Câu 39: Choose a word that has a different stress pattern.
A. appropriate  B. scientific  C. communicate  D. geography
Câu 40: “Thank you very much for your help!”
A. Have a good day!  B. Thanks  C. Cheers  D. You’re welcome
Câu 41: Everyone knows that it is not good _____ a lot, but not many of us can avoid _____ this habit.
A. smoke/got  B. to smoke/getting  C. to smoke/get  D. smoking/to get
Câu 42: Being unfamiliar with the living______ in Africa, he came back to his hometown.
A. work  B. life  C. conditions  D. cost
Câu 43: Which underlined part of the word is pronounced differently from the others?
A. chocked  B. relieved  C. dipped  D. danced
Câu 44: If there is a mechanical problem, we suggest ______ the manufacturer directly.
A. contact  B. contacted  C. should contact  D. contacting
Câu 45: By the time Tom arrived at the party, all his classmates________.
A. had left  B. was leaving  C. left  D. has left

V. Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the sentence printed before it. (46-50)
1. My uncle began selling pizza in this city 10 years ago.
   My uncle has
   ________________________________________________________________
2. I prefer looking for another job to working in that factory.
   I'd rather
   ________________________________________________________________
3. “Please stay seated and fasten your seat belts”, said the flight attendant.
   The flight attendant asked
   ________________________________________________________________
4. They discussed “Action Plan” for their annual charity cycling event for two hours.
   They spent
   ________________________________________________________________
5. The children enjoy Disney cartoons so much.
   Disney
   ________________________________________________________________

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2. B 17. A 32. D  
3. A 18. C 33. A  
7. C 22. D 37. C  
12. B 27. A 42. C  
14. D 29. D 44. D  
15. B 30. B 45. A  

46. My uncle has sold pizza in this city for 10 years.  
47. I'd rather look for another job than work in that factory.  
48. The flight attendant asked the passengers to stay seated and fasten their seat belts.  
49. They spent 2 hours discussing “Action Plan” for their annual charity cycling event  
50. Disney cartoons are enjoyed so much by the children.