

ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST

This test consists of three parts:

<u>Part</u>	<u>Questions</u>
I. Grammar	35
II. Vocabulary	35
III. Comprehension	15

Total	85

Part I: Grammar

1. You will be going on the trip with us tomorrow, _____ you?
(a) don't (c) can't
(b) won't (d) isn't
2. I couldn't find _____ to fix my roof after the heavy rain.
(a) few (c) little
(b) none (d) anyone
3. Nora has joined the swim team because she is a _____ swimmer.
(a) good (c) worst
(b) best (d) worse
4. We thanked all the people _____ helped us in organizing this event.
(a) they (c) who
(b) whose (d) whom
5. Next year, my brother _____ graduating from Harvard University.
(a) will be (c) was
(b) is being (d) will
6. _____ mother and daughter practice yoga every morning.
(a) Either (c) Neither
(b) Several (d) Both
7. Nora _____ her famous cheesecake when the electricity went down.
(a) is preparing (c) can prepare
(b) was preparing (d) will prepare
8. _____ has become the main language in many universities.
(a) An English (c) English
(b) In English (d) The English
9. Whose pen is this? It's _____.
(a) Mona's (c) Monas
(b) Mona (d) to Mona

10. Sharks are very large sea fish that attack people swimming _____ them.
- (a) such as (c) because of
(b) within (d) near
11. Because Essa is so thin, the risk of him getting sick is _____.
- (a) greater (c) good
(b) best (d) greatest
12. _____ I would rather stay home and read instead of going out.
- (a) Next (c) Ever
(b) Nowadays (d) Yesterday
13. Susan _____ early for class.
- (a) are often (c) often is
(b) often are (d) is often
14. The art exhibition _____ this weekend but the artists cancelled because of the theft of their paintings.
- (a) had been held (c) was held
(b) be held (d) was to be held
15. Since she studied French in high school, it has become easier for Nora _____ with her friends living in France.
- (a) communicates (c) communicated
(b) to communicate (d) communicating
16. Manar remembers _____ to Canada when she was younger.
- (a) has gone (c) to have gone
(b) has been going (d) having gone
17. I recommend you eat _____ apple pie at this restaurant.
- (a) many (c) the
(b) a few (d) a

18. On _____ days during the month of April, the weather is cool and pleasant.
- (a) most (c) most of
(b) mostly (d) the most
19. It's the best sales period of the year. Let's shop _____ the mall closes for the night.
- (a) during (c) through
(b) until (d) despite
20. How many times _____ asked you not to smoke inside the gas station?
- (a) haven't I (c) I have
(b) I had (d) have I
21. If we _____ to land on the moon, why can't we clean up the oceans?
- (a) could (c) was able
(b) can (d) were able
22. Thanks to good marketing, she _____ become a billionaire before she turned thirty.
- (a) can (c) will
(b) had (d) is
23. She was so sad when she heard the news that she broke _____ and cried.
- (a) up (c) off
(b) down (d) into
24. If we _____ to believe the weather report, schools may be closed tomorrow.
- (a) should (c) can
(b) shall (d) are
25. Tell me again, please. To _____ did you talk when you called my office?
- (a) which (c) what
(b) where (d) whom
26. I will do whatever you want. _____ wish is my command.
- (a) You're (c) You've
(b) Your (d) Yours

27. This is the car that Fahad _____.
- (a) bought it (c) buying
(b) buys it (d) bought
28. The Pyramids of Egypt _____ by thousands of people every year.
- (a) have visited (c) are visiting
(b) had visited (d) are visited
29. It is our duty to _____ aid and supplies to the refugees in Syria and Yemen.
- (a) sends (c) send
(b) sent (d) sending
30. _____ Oxford University in case you are accepted?
- (a) Will you be joining (c) You will be joining
(b) Will you joining (d) You will join
31. Are you _____ or against war? I believe it's a crime against humanity.
- (a) in (c) on
(b) for (d) at
32. _____ beautiful paintings are these?
- (a) When (c) Whose
(b) Why (d) Where
33. Adel passed the driving test and so _____ his brother.
- (a) is (c) does
(b) was (d) did
34. When the Emir _____, the music band will play the National Anthem.
- (a) arrives (c) is arriving
(b) arrived (d) will arrive
35. _____ he lives far from the city, he attends morning classes regularly.
- (a) Except (c) Although
(b) However (d) Upon

Part II: Vocabulary

36. In order to build his house, Sami hired a famous _____ from Italy.
- (a) effect (c) architect
(b) neglect (d) dialect
37. If you fail once, don't _____. Try again and you will succeed.
- (a) give to (c) put down
(b) give up (d) put up
38. Cold hands and feet could be a sign of poor blood _____ in your body.
- (a) circulation (c) recycling
(b) citation (d) circles
39. Last night's musical _____ at the Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmad cultural center was fabulous.
- (a) accordance (c) importance
(b) abhorrence (d) performance
40. Because of the recent heavy rain, new plants and flowers will _____ in the desert this spring.
- (a) groom (c) bloom
(b) balloon (d) broom
41. People who volunteer to help the poor usually have _____ feelings for their welfare.
- (a) genuine (c) decline
(b) canine (d) guideline
42. We spent our vacation in a beautiful resort in _____ village in the Swiss Alps.
- (a) a frustrated (c) an inflated
(b) a dictated (d) an isolated
43. When driving a car, one must stop to allow _____ to cross the street.
- (a) pedestrians (c) humanitarians
(b) mathematicians (d) veterinarians

44. My favorite English_____ is: "When there's a will, there's a way."
- (a) herb (c) adverb
(b) verb (d) proverb
45. Waleed and Hamad are business _____ who own a small company selling sports equipment to gyms.
- (a) officers (c) criminals
(b) lawyers (d) partners
46. Ahmed was upset that his friends _____ him from their plans last weekend.
- (a) excluded (c) concluded
(b) precluded (d) included
47. The meteorologist has _____ that there will be a severe thunderstorm with heavy rain tomorrow morning.
- (a) questioned (c) predicted
(b) received (d) assumed
48. Had Aziz not been _____ to join the water polo team, he could have become a professional player on the Kuwaiti national water polo team.
- (a) enthusiastic (c) violent
(b) reluctant (d) drastic
49. I love watching Indian dancers because every movement and hand gesture has a _____ meaning.
- (a) static (c) convenient
(b) disobedient (d) specific
50. The Kuwait Red Crescent Society is an organization that accepts _____ in order to help refugees and areas affected by natural disasters.
- (a) donations (c) detentions
(b) afflictions (d) mentions
51. With the use of mobile phones, you will rarely call someone and find the phone line _____.
- (a) taken (c) busy
(b) used (d) connected

52. My sister is so _____. I had to work hard to convince her to come with me to the movies.
- (a) adaptable (c) flexible
(b) stubborn (d) willing
53. Some people are never happy unless they have a problem to _____.
- (a) release (c) dissolve
(b) receive (d) solve
54. When I am in a crowded place, I fear that a thief might _____ my smart phone and run away with it.
- (a) snap (c) stab
(b) slap (d) grab
55. This university is a very reputable _____. It has an excellent academic reputation.
- (a) astonishment (c) establishment
(b) disagreement (d) entertainment
56. Scientific studies show that people who have a positive _____ are more likely to succeed.
- (a) attitude (c) solitude
(b) altitude (d) magnitude
57. Large farms often hire technicians specializing in _____ so they can grow better and cheaper vegetables in their fields.
- (a) autonomy (c) literature
(b) agronomy (d) linguistics
58. This building _____ rain water and uses it to fill up its water tanks.
- (a) dissects (c) collects
(b) suspects (d) corrects
59. Some supermarkets try to _____ customers by promoting items as if they were on sale, even though the proposed price of these items is the regular price.
- (a) perceive (c) receive
(b) conceive (d) deceive

60. I have not seen you _____ Monday. Where have you been?
- (a) since (c) rarely
(b) still (d) for
61. The minister of health presented his _____ to the prime minister after the media revealed that some hospitals charged patients more money than allowed.
- (a) amputation (c) combination
(b) resignation (d) punctuation
62. It is wrong and useless to be _____ of other people's success. One should, instead, work harder to get better results.
- (a) serious (c) fabulous
(b) jealous (d) precious
63. It's important to have a relevant degree but we also need employees with several years of job _____.
- (a) negligence (c) difference
(b) experience (d) innocence
64. Some people find it hard to sleep in hotels where the _____ and mattresses are too soft.
- (a) shadows (c) fellows
(b) pillows (d) windows
65. To stay in business, a shop must offer _____ prices.
- (a) speculative (c) descriptive
(b) inquisitive (d) competitive
66. It is polite to _____ to one's email rapidly.
- (a) rescue (c) reply
(b) regard (d) recur
67. The heavy rainfall and flooding that Kuwait experienced caused a major _____ on many of the new roads and bridges, which had to be closed.
- (a) solution (c) disaster
(b) factor (d) action

68. Because Maria was careless, her car was constantly _____.
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| (a) breaking up | (c) falling off |
| (b) breaking down | (d) falling down |
69. Hasan has been saving money since he started working in order to _____ a new house.
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| (a) purchase | (c) divide |
| (b) conquer | (d) add |
70. Abdullah graduated from high school with high honors and his parents were very proud of his _____.
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| (a) bewilderment | (c) reception |
| (b) deception | (d) achievement |

Part III: Reading Comprehension

In 1859 in Italy, on the day of the battle taking place between the allies France and Piedmont-Sardinia, who were fighting against Austria, a Swiss merchant, Henri Dunant, was witness to thousands of soldiers being injured on the battlefield of Solferino, Italy. The soldiers were dying without finding proper care or means of transportation to hospitals. These appalling images of neglect deeply moved and motivated him to transfer them to the entire world in his book, which he titled *Un Souvenir de Solferino (A Memory of Solferino)*. Dunant's accounts of suffering in the book had a very strong impact on the whole of Europe.

Dunant then met a number of prominent people in Switzerland who then joined him and together they formed "the International Committee for the Aid of the Injured", and in October 1863, 14 states took part in a meeting in Geneva organized by the committee to discuss the improvement of care for wounded soldiers. A year later, on 22 August 1864, a diplomatic conference organized by the Swiss Parliament led to the signing of the first Geneva Convention by 12 states. This committee then became what is now known as the International Committee for the Red Cross. In 1901, Dunant was awarded the first-ever Nobel Peace Prize for his role in founding the International Red Cross Movement and initiating the Geneva Convention.

71. Henri Dunant was upset because of _____.
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| (a) signing the Geneva Convention | (c) reading <i>A Memory of Solferino</i> |
| (b) meeting prominent people | (d) the neglect of injured soldiers |
72. According to the reading, Henri Dunant was from _____.
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| (a) Italy | (c) Austria |
| (b) Switzerland | (d) France |
73. During the battle, which country was France's enemy?
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| (a) Sardinia | (c) Italy |
| (b) Switzerland | (d) Austria |
74. What year was the first Geneva Convention signed?
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| (a) 1863 | (c) 1864 |
| (b) 1901 | (d) 1859 |
75. Who was responsible for helping establish the Geneva convention and starting the International Red Cross Movement?
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| (a) The Swiss parliament | (c) The committee |
| (b) Henri Dunant | (d) A wounded soldier |

Archaeologists have reported an astonishing find at the Bahra 1 archaeological site on the northern coast of Kuwait Bay in eastern Kuwait. Sophisticated human civilization may have started further back in time than previously thought after a 7,500-year-old temple city was uncovered.

Archaeologists working at a site in Kuwait have discovered a new temple and public plaza that suggest an advanced society. The Ubaid civilization — of which little is known — were the first agricultural settlers to move into the region which would later become Sumer in the southernmost region of ancient Mesopotamia. The ancient culture is characterized by large village settlements, with sophisticated irrigation techniques and the appearance of the first temples, i.e., buildings with a cultic function. Further research may prove the buildings are the oldest of their kind — not only in Kuwait but also in the whole Gulf region and even the whole world.

A large space between the buildings was also reported, something archaeologists identified as a plaza or village square, which points to town planning, which is very surprising at a site with such an early date. Furthermore, at least ten other structures and 16,000 pottery fragments were discovered. Bahra 1 is the largest Ubaid settlement found on the Arabian Peninsula. It is believed that the mysterious culture led to the creation of the region's first cities and boasted a complex social structure.

76. What is the name of the civilization that seems to have built the Bahra 1 site?

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| (a) Indian | (c) Sumer |
| (b) Egyptian | (d) Ubaid |

77. The main use of the 7,500 year-old city was _____.

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| (a) religious | (c) commercial |
| (b) administrative | (d) industrial |

78. _____ was the major innovation of the Bahra 1 civilization.

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| (a) Hunting | (c) Writing |
| (b) Farming | (d) Fishing |

79. Which of these statements is true?

- (a) The Bahra 1 civilization was able to water its fields efficiently.
- (b) Sumer is older than the Bahra 1 civilization.
- (c) Bigger Ubaid settlements than Bahra 1 are found in Saudi Arabia.
- (d) All of the above.

80. The word settlers refers to people who _____.

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| (a) use clay to make pots | (c) move into an area |
| (b) design city plans | (d) move out of an area |

Climate change is a change in the statistical distribution of weather patterns. It includes major changes in temperature, precipitation, or wind patterns, among other effects, that occur over several decades or longer. Climate change comes as a result of changes in the atmosphere as well as interactions between the atmosphere and various other geological, chemical, biological, and geographic factors within the Earth system. Certain human activities have been identified as primary causes of ongoing climate change, often known as global warming, which refers to the recent and ongoing rise in global average temperature near Earth's surface. However, global warming itself represents only one aspect of climate change.

Scientists actively work to understand past and future climate by using observations and theoretical models. A climate record—extending deep into the Earth's past—has been assembled, and continues to be built up. Over the past century, human activities have released large amounts of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases into the atmosphere. The majority of greenhouse gases come from burning fuels to produce energy, although deforestation, industrial processes, and some agricultural practices also release gases into the atmosphere. Greenhouse gases act like a blanket around Earth, trapping energy in the atmosphere and causing it to warm up. This phenomenon is called the greenhouse effect and is natural and necessary to support life on Earth. However, the buildup of greenhouse gases, now and in the future, can change Earth's climate and result in dangerous effects on human health and welfare and on eco-systems.

81. Scientists have set up a _____ in order to understand and predict climate change.
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| (a) meeting | (c) greenhouse |
| (b) warm surface | (d) climate record |
82. The main cause for climate change is _____.
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| (a) human activities | (c) the eco-system |
| (b) the atmosphere | (d) active scientists |
83. Global warming refers to _____.
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| (a) carbon-dioxide gases | (c) rising temperatures in the world |
| (b) agricultural practices | (d) warm international relations |
84. According to the passage, which of the following sentences is not true?
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| (a) Most greenhouse gases come from burning fuels. |
| (b) The greenhouse effect will end in the near future. |
| (c) The increase in greenhouse gases is dangerous to human health. |
| (d) The greenhouse effect is natural and necessary for Earth. |
85. Climate change includes change in _____.
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| (a) precipitation | (c) wind patterns |
| (b) temperatures | (d) all of the above |

