

CHUYÊN ĐỀ 29: CÂU ĐỒNG NGHĨA

Exercise 1.1: *Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.*

Question 1: It's such a pity! My mother can't attend my birthday party.

- A. If only my mother could attend my birthday party.
- B. If only my mother had attended my birthday party.
- C. I am very sorry that my mother didn't attend my birthday party.
- D. I wonder why my mother can't attend my birthday party.

Question 2: Fansipan is the highest mountain in the Indochinese Peninsula.

- A. There are some mountains in the Indochinese Peninsula higher than Fansipan.
- B. The Indochinese Peninsula includes one of the highest mountains on earth.
- C. The highest mountain in the Indochinese Peninsula is exclusive Fansipan.
- D. No mountains in the Indochinese Peninsula are higher than Fansipan.

Question 3: I guess Mary was very disappointed when she failed to get the scholarship.

- A. Mary should have been very disappointed when she failed to get the scholarship.
- B. Mary may have been very disappointed when she failed to get the scholarship.
- C. Mary must have been very disappointed when she failed to get the scholarship.
- D. Mary could have been disappointed when she failed to get the scholarship.

Question 4: Housewives do not have to spend a lot of time doing housework any more.

- A. Housework will never be done by housewives any more.
- B. Housewives have to spend more and more time to do housework.
- C. Never have housewives spent as much time doing housework as they do now.
- D. No longer do housewives have to spend a lot of time doing housework.

Question 5: Jupiter is bigger than all the other planets in the solar system.

- A. No other planets in the solar system is as big as Jupiter.
- B. Jupiter is the biggest planet in the solar system.
- C. All other planets in the solar system are not so big that Jupiter.
- D. Among the planets in the solar system, Jupiter is the biggest of all.

Question 6: "I don't trust you anymore," said Eric to his friend.

- A. Eric's friend told him not to trust her anymore.
- B. Eric advised his friend to trust her from then on.
- C. Eric's friend told him that she didn't trust him anymore.
- D. Eric told his friend that he didn't trust her anymore.

Question 7: I don't think Max broke your vase because he wasn't here then.

- A. Max wouldn't have broken your vase because he wasn't here then.
- B. Max was likely to break your vase because he wasn't here then.
- C. Max can't have broken your vase because he wasn't here then.
- D. Max wasn't able to break your vase because he wasn't here then.

Question 8: Warm-blooded animals have metabolic rates about five to ten times higher than those of similarly sized cold-blooded ones.

- A. Cold-blooded animals have lower metabolic rates than warm-blooded ones which have similar size.
- B. Cold-blooded animals are about five to ten times as small as warm-blooded ones.
- C. Cold-blooded animals' metabolic rates are about five to ten times as low as those of warm-blooded ones.
- D. With the similarly sized animals, the metabolic rates of cold-blooded animals are about five to ten times lower than those of warm-blooded ones.

Question 9: He said: "I haven't met her since she left school."

- A. He said that he hadn't met her since he had left school.
- B. He said that he hadn't met her since he left school.
- C. He said that he hadn't met her since she left school.
- D. He said that he hadn't met her since she had left school.

Question 10: You are not tactful; that is why you are always offending other people.

- A. You must have offended other people because you are not tactful.
- B. If you were tactful, you would satisfy other people.
- C. I wish you were tactful so that you don't offend other people.
- D. You should have been tactful so that you didn't offend other people.

Question 11: Governments should take measures to protect wildlife, or more and more animals will become endangered.

- A. The sooner governments take measures to protect wildlife, the fewer animals will become endangered.
- B. The more governments take measures to protect wildlife, the fewer animals will become endangered.
- C. The more measures governments take to protect wildlife, the fewer animals will become endangered.
- D. Governments take measures to protect wildlife, so that fewer animals will become endangered.

Question 12: "Good luck in your new job. It will work out well for you," said his mother.

- A. His mother wished him good luck and said his new job would work out well for him.
- B. His mother wanted him to get good luck in his new job as it would work out well for him.

C. His mother wondered whether he got luck in his job or it would work out well for him.

D. His mother ascertained that his new job would work out well for him and bring him luck.

Question 13: People cannot have computers solve problems in which the rules do not currently exist.

A. Problems in which rules do not currently exist cannot be solved by computers.

B. People cannot solve computers problems in which rules do not currently exist.

C. Problems in which rules do not currently exist have to be solved by computers.

D. People have to solve problems in which rules do not currently exist by computers.

Question 14: The diagram shows it is hotter in summer than in winter in the northern hemisphere.

A. As can be seen from the diagram, the weather of the northern hemisphere is hotter in summer than that in winter.

B. According to the diagram, in the northern hemisphere is colder in winter than in summer.

C. The diagram illustrates the trend of the climate in the northern hemisphere is that summer is cooler than winter.

D. As we can see from the diagram, the climate of the northern hemisphere is hotter in summer more than in winter.

Question 15: "I'm sorry I forgot your birthday," he told me.

A. He complained that I forgot his birthday.

B. He refused to go to my birthday party.

C. He begged me to forget my birthday.

D. He apologized for forgetting my birthday.

Question 16: I really believe my letter came as a great surprise to John.

A. John may be very surprised to receive my letter.

B. John might have been very surprised to receive my letter.

C. John must be very surprised to receive my letter.

D. John must have been very surprised to receive my letter.

Question 17: "Why don't you stay in and watch a romantic movie this afternoon?", said he.

A. He said let's stay in and watch a romantic movie this afternoon.

B. He suggests staying in to watch a romantic movie that afternoon.

C. He persuaded that staying in and watching a romantic movie will compensate for that boring afternoon.

D. He said If he were me, he would stay in and watch a romantic movie that afternoon.

Question 18: Probably no man had more effect on the daily lives of most people in the United State than did Henry Ford, a pioneer in automobile production.

A. Probably Henry Ford, a pioneer in automobile production, had more effect on the daily lives of most people in the United State than any another man.

B. Probably many men had no effect on the daily lives of most people in the United State rather than did Henry Ford, a pioneer in automobile production.

- C. Probably no man in the United States had as many effect on the daily lives of most people as Henry Ford, a pioneer in automobile production.
- D. Probably Henry Ford, a pioneer in automobile production, had the most effect on the daily lives of most people in the United State.

Question 19: I am sure he said something terrible to her because of her red eyes.

- A. He may have said something terrible to her because I could see it from her red eyes.
- B. He could have said something terrible to her because I could see it from her red eyes.
- C. He should have said something terrible to her because I could see it from her red eyes.
- D. He must have said something terrible to her because I could see it from her red eyes.

Question 20: Steve said to Mike, “Don’t touch the electric wires. It might be deadly.”

- A. Steve warned Mike about not touching the electric wires as it might be deadly.
- B. Steve warned Mike against touching the wires as it might have been deadly.
- C. Steve warned that Mike not touch the electric wires as it might be deadly.
- D. Steve warned Mike not to touch the electric wires as it might be deadly.

Question 21: However much effort he puts into it, I’m sure he’ll never make a success of the business.

- A. Unless he’s willing to make more of an effort, the business is never likely to be a success.
- B. No matter how hard he tries, it’s clear that he won’t ever turn that business into a going concern.
- C. He’s failure as a businessman even though he is extremely hard-working.
- D. The success of the business will be obviously depend upon the amount of hard work he puts into it.

Question 22: It wasn’t necessary for you to go to the doctor to have a check-up because you just had your check-up last week.

- A. You couldn’t have gone to the doctor to have a check-up because you just had your check-up last week.
- B. You can’t have gone to the doctor to have a check-up because you just had your check-up last week.
- C. You needn’t have gone to the doctor to have a check-up because you just had your check-up last week.
- D. You shouldn’t have gone to the doctor to have a check-up because you just had your check-up last week.

Question 23: Tome denied breaking the teacher's laptop.

- A. "No, I refuse to break the teacher's laptop."
- B. "No, I didn't intend to break the teacher's laptop."
- C. "It is not I who broke the teacher's laptop."
- D. "The teacher's laptop was not what I wanted to break."

Question 24: No other student in his class is as successful as Pat.

- A. Pat succeeded in beating all other students in his class.
- B. Pat is the most successful student in his class.
- C. His class is less successful than Pat is.
- D. The more successful his class is, the more success Pat gets.

Question 25: To let Harold join our new project was silly as he knows little about our company.

- A. Harold couldn't have joined our new project with such poor knowledge about our company.
- B. Harold must have known so little about our company that he wasn't let to join our new project.
- C. We shouldn't have allowed Harold to join our new project as he doesn't know much about our company.
- D. We would have joined the new project with Harold provided that he knew much about our company.

Question 26: "You mustn't forget to put a stamp on," said the clerk.

- A. The clerk told me that I mustn't put a stamp on.
- B. The clerk reminded me to put a stamp on.
- C. I told the clerk that I mustn't put a stamp on.
- D. I told the clerk not to forget to put a stamp on.

Question 27: I have never been as relaxed as my sister when talking to our father.

- A. My sister has always been more relaxed than me when she talks to our father.
- B. I have never tried to be relaxed when talking to our father but my sister has.
- C. My sister has always been less relaxed than me when talking to our father.
- D. Both my sister and I are equally relaxed when we talk to our father.

Question 28: I guess Mary was very disappointed when she failed to get the scholarship.

- A. Mary should have been very disappointed when she failed to get the scholarship.
- B. Mary may have been very disappointed when she failed to get the scholarship.
- C. Mary must have been very disappointed when she failed to get the scholarship.
- D. Mary could have been disappointed when she failed to get the scholarship.

Question 29: Meaningful silence is always better than meaningless words.

- A. Meaningless words are not so good as meaningful silence.
- B. Meaningful silence is the best among meaningful words.
- C. Silence is always less meaningful than words are.
- D. Words are always meaningless, and so is silence.

Question 30: "It's the funniest show I've ever seen," Susan said.

- A. Susan said that it was the funniest show she had ever seen.
- B. Susan said that she's never seen such a funny show before.
- C. Susan said no other shows in the world were as funny as this one.

D. Susan said that this was one of the funniest shows of all time.

Question 31: I'm sure it wasn't Ms. Katie you saw because she is in Norway.

- A. It couldn't be Ms. Katie you saw because she is in Norway.
- B. It can't have been Ms. Katie you saw because she is in Norway.
- C. It mustn't have been Ms. Katie you saw because she is in Norway.
- D. It mightn't be Ms. Katie you saw because she is in Norway.

Question 32: I'm sure that they had practiced hard for the games as they won a lot of medals

- A. they couldn't have practiced hard for the games as they won a lot of medals
- B. they must have practiced hard for the games as they won a lot of medals
- C. they shouldn't have practiced hard for the games as they won a lot of medals
- D. they might have practiced hard for the games as they won a lot of medals.

Question 33: "Why didn't you attend the meeting, Mary?" Tom asked.

- A. Tom asked Mary why didn't she attend the meeting.
- B. Tom asked Mary why she hadn't attended the meeting.
- C. Tom asked Mary why hadn't she attended the meeting.
- D. Tom asked Mary why she wasn't attending the meeting.

Question 34: "How long have you lived here, Lucy?" asked Jack.

- A. Jack asked Lucy how long did she live here.
- B. Jack asked Lucy how long had she lived there.
- C. Jack asked Lucy how long she lived here.
- D. Jack asked Lucy how long she had lived there.

Question 35: It was wrong of you to criticise your son in front of his friends.

- A. You could have criticised your son in front of his friends.
- B. You must have criticised your son in front of his friends.
- C. You mightn't have criticised your son in front of his friends.
- D. You shouldn't have criticised your son in front of his friends.

Question 36: My father likes reading newspapers more than watching TV.

- A. My father doesn't like reading newspapers as much as watching TV.
- B. My father likes watching TV as much as reading newspapers.
- C. My father doesn't like watching TV as much as reading newspapers.
- D. My father likes watching TV more than reading newspapers.

Question 37: "What have you done to my laptop, Jane?" asked Tom.

- A. Tom asked Jane what had she done to his laptop.
- B. Tom asked Jane what has she done to his laptop.
- C. Tom asked Jane what she had done to his laptop.
- D. Tom asked Jane what she has done to his laptop.

Question 38: Many teenagers like Facebooking more than doing sport.

- A. Many teenagers like doing sport as much as Facebooking.
- B. Many teenagers don't like Facebooking as much as doing sport.
- C. Many teenagers like doing sport more than Facebooking.
- D. Many teenagers don't like doing sport as much as Facebooking.

Question 39: I'm certain that Joe attended the ceremony as he can vividly recount the event.

- A. Joe could have attended the ceremony as he can vividly recount the event.
- B. Joe must have attended the ceremony as he can vividly recount the event.
- C. Joe mightn't have attended the ceremony as he can vividly recount the event.
- D. Joe needn't have attended the ceremony as he can vividly recount the event.

Question 40: I thought it was not necessary to book tickets for the film in advance, but I was wrong.

- A. I needn't have booked tickets for the film in advance.
- B. I couldn't have booked tickets for the film in advance.
- C. I should have booked tickets for the film in advance.
- D. I must have booked tickets for the film in advance.

Question 41: Paul likes reading comic books more than watching cartoons.

- A. Paul doesn't like watching cartoons as much as reading comic books.
- B. Paul likes watching cartoons as much as reading comic books.
- C. Paul likes watching cartoons more than reading comic books.
- D. Paul doesn't like reading comic books as much as watching cartoons.

Question 42: "When did you start practising yoga?" asked Tom.

- A. Tom wanted to know when I had started practising yoga.
- B. Tom wanted to know when had I started practising yoga.
- C. Tom wanted to know when did I start practising yoga.
- D. Tom wanted to know when I was starting practising yoga.

Question 43: I haven't met my grandparents for five years.

- A. I often met my grandparents five years ago.
- B. I last met my grandparents five years ago.
- C. I have met my grandparents for five years.
- D. I didn't meet my grandparents five years ago.

Question 44: We survived that accident because we were wearing our seat belts.

- A. But for our seat belts, we would have survived that accident.
- B. Had we not been wearing our seat belts, we wouldn't have survived that accident.
- C. Without our seat belts, we could have survived that accident.
- D. If we weren't wearing our seat belts, we couldn't have survived that accident.

Question 45: "No, I won't go to work at the weekend," said Sally.

- A. Sally refused to go to work at the weekend.
- B. Sally promised to go to work at the weekend.

C. Sally apologized for not going to work at the weekend.

D. Sally regretted not going to work at the weekend.

Question 46: "Why I haven't thought of this before?" Tony said to himself.

A. Tony advised himself not to have thought of that before.

B. Tony suggested himself not thinking of that before.

C. Tony said that why he hasn't thought of that before.

D. Tony wondered why he hadn't thought of that before.

Question 47: She is the most intelligent woman I have ever met.

A. I have never met a more intelligent woman than her.

B. She is not as intelligent as the women I have ever met.

C. I have ever met such an intelligent woman.

D. She is more intelligent than I am.

Question 48: She broke down the moment she heard the news.

A. She was broken for a moment when she heard the news.

B. She broke her leg when hearing the news.

C. On hearing the news, she broke down.

D. When she heard the news, she was sick.

Question 49: He last visited London three years ago.

A. He has been in London for three years.

B. He hasn't visited London for three years.

C. He didn't visit London three years ago.

D. He was in London for three years.

Question 50: They were late for the meeting because of the heavy snow.

A. If it snowed heavily, they would be late for the meeting.

B. Had it not snowed heavily, they would have been late for the meeting.

C. But for the heavy snow, they wouldn't have been late for the meeting.

D. If it didn't snow heavily, they wouldn't be late for the meeting.

Exercise 1.2: *Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.*

Question 1: "We will not leave until we see the manager," said the customers.

A. The customers promised to leave before they saw the manager.

B. The customers refused to leave until they saw the manager.

C. The customers agreed to leave before they saw the manager.

D. The customers decided to leave because they did not see the manager.

Question 2: "Why don't we go camping at the weekend?" he said.

A. He denied going camping at the weekend.

B. He suggested going camping at the weekend.

- C. He objected to going camping at the weekend.
- D. He apologized for going camping at the weekend.

Question 3: He was successful in his career thanks to his parents' support.

- A. Had it not been for his parents' support, he wouldn't be successful in his career.
- B. If his parents hadn't supported him, he wouldn't have been successful in his career.
- C. But for his parents' support, he wouldn't be successful in his career.
- D. Without his parents' support, he would have been successful in his career.

Question 4: They cancelled all the sporting events because of the heavy rain.

- A. Without the heavy rain, they wouldn't cancel all the sporting events.
- B. If it hadn't rained heavily, they would have cancelled all the sporting events.
- C. If it didn't rain heavily, they wouldn't cancel all the sporting events.
- D. Had it not rained heavily, they wouldn't have cancelled all the sporting events.

Question 5: "I didn't give John the money," said Mary.

- A. Mary denied giving John the money.
- B. Mary admitted giving John the money.
- C. Mary suggested giving John the money.
- D. Mary remembered giving John the money.

Question 6: I find it useful to join the sports club.

- A. Joining the sports club is not useful for me.
- B. It is useful for me to join the sports club.
- C. I used to join the sports club.
- D. I never like joining the sports club.

Question 7: It is believed that modern farming methods have greatly improved farmers' lives.

- A. Farmers are believed to have enjoyed a much better life thanks to modern farming methods.
- B. Modern farming methods were believed to have greatly improved farmers' lives.
- C. Modern farming methods are believed to have had negative effects on farmers' lives.
- D. People believe that there is little improvement in farmers' lives thanks to modern farming methods.

Question 8: "Would you like to go to the show with me?" Anna said to Bella.

- A. Anna reminded Bella to go to the show with her.
- B. Anna persuaded Bella to go to the show with her.
- C. Anna encouraged Bella to go to the show with her.
- D. Anna invited Bella to go to the show with her.

Question 9: My friend has stopped eating fast food.

- A. My friend sometimes eats fast food.
- B. My friend doesn't like eating fast food.
- C. My friend no longer eats fast food.

D. My friend has never eaten fast food.

Question 10: "You should take better care of your health," said Tom's mother.

- A. Tom's mother promised to take better care of his health.
- B. Tom's mother ordered him to take better care of his health.
- C. Tom's mother required him to take better care of his health.
- D. Tom's mother advised him to take better care of his health.

Question 11: They report that soil pollution has seriously threatened the livelihood of many local farmers.

- A. The livelihood of many local farmers was reported to be seriously endangered by soil pollution.
- B. It is reported that the livelihood of many local farmers has led to serious soil pollution.
- C. Soil pollution is reported to have posed a serious threat to the livelihood of many local farmers.
- D. It has been reported that soil pollution has actually put many local farmers' lives at risk.

Question 12: "Don't forget to submit your assignments by Thursday," said the teacher to the students.

- A. The teacher reminded the students to submit their assignments by Thursday.
- B. The teacher allowed the students to submit their assignments by Thursday.
- C. The teacher ordered the students to submit their assignments by Thursday.
- D. The teacher encouraged the students to submit their assignments by Thursday.

Question 13: They expect that recent changes will bring about an overall improvement in the quality of the country's education.

- A. Recent changes are expected to lead to an overall improvement in the quality of the country's education.
- B. The quality of the country's education is expected to be the consequence of recent changes.
- C. It is expected that recent changes are caused by an overall improvement in the country's education.
- D. It was expected that recent changes would result in an overall improvement in the quality of the country's education.

Question 14: She wasn't early enough to catch the bus.

- A. She wasn't late for the bus.
- B. She didn't arrive late for the bus.
- C. She arrived too early for the bus.
- D. She was too late to catch the bus.

Question 15: "I'm sorry I haven't finished the assignment," Fiona said.

- A. Fiona denied having finished the assignment.
- B. Fiona regretted having finished the assignment.
- C. Fiona refused to finish the assignment.

D. Fiona apologized for not finishing the assignment.

Question 16: Many people think that the new regulations will encourage people to use less energy.

- A. Lower consumption of energy is thought to lead to the introduction of the new regulations.
- B. The new regulations are thought to encourage lower consumption of energy.
- C. It is thought that the new regulations will encourage people to consume more energy.
- D. It was thought that lower consumption of energy was stimulated by the new regulations.

Question 17: It usually takes her an hour to drive to work.

- A. She usually spends an hour driving to work.
- B. She used to drive to work in an hour.
- C. She doesn't usually drive to work in an hour.
- D. She never spends an hour driving to work.

Question 18: Harry no longer smokes a lot.

- A. Harry now smokes a lot.
- B. Harry used to smoke a lot.
- C. Harry didn't use to smoke a lot.
- D. Harry rarely smoked a lot.

Question 19: "I'll call you as soon as I arrive at the airport," he said to me.

- A. He objected to calling me as soon as he arrived at the airport.
- B. He promised to call me as soon as he arrived at the airport.
- C. He denied calling me as soon as he arrived at the airport.
- D. He reminded me to call him as soon as he arrived at the airport

Question 20: People think that traffic congestion in the downtown area is due to the increasing number of private cars.

- A. Traffic congestion in the downtown area is blamed for the increasing number of private cars.
- B. The increasing number of private cars is thought to be responsible for traffic congestion in the downtown area.
- C. The increasing number of private cars is attributed to traffic congestion in the downtown area.
- D. Traffic congestion in the downtown area is thought to result in the increasing number of private cars.

Question 21: "What are you going to do after school, Anne?" Kevin asked.

- A. Kevin asked Anne what was she going to do after school.
- B. Kevin asked Anne what she was going to do after school.
- C. Kevin wanted to know what Anne would do after school.
- D. Kevin wanted to know what would Anne do after school.

Question 22: Sally paid for her travel in advance, but it wasn't necessary.

- A. Sally needn't have paid for her travel in advance.

- B. Sally might not have paid for her travel in advance.
- C. Sally may not have paid for her travel in advance.
- D. Sally couldn't have paid for her travel in advance.

Question 23: "You had better see a doctor if the sore throat does not clear up," she said to me.

- A. She reminded me of seeing a doctor if the sore throat did not clear up.
- B. She ordered me to see a doctor if the sore throat did not clear up.
- C. She insisted that I see a doctor unless the sore throat did not clear up.
- D. She suggested that I see a doctor if the sore throat did not clear up.

Question 24: Without her teacher's advice, she would never have written such a good essay.

- A. Her teacher advised her and she didn't write a good essay.
- B. Her teacher didn't advise her and she didn't write a good essay.
- C. She wrote a good essay as her teacher gave her some advice.
- D. If her teacher didn't advise her, she wouldn't write such a good essay.

Question 25: The candidate was offered the job because of his excellent answers.

- A. The job was offered to the candidate although he couldn't answer the questions.
- B. If it hadn't been for the candidate's excellent answers, he couldn't have got the job.
- C. The candidate answered the questions so excellently that he might get the job.
- D. Because it was such a good job, the candidate tried to answer the questions excellently.

Question 26: This is my first visit to Paris.

- A. I have never visited Paris before.
- B. I am used to visiting Paris.
- C. I used to visit Paris.
- D. I have visited Paris many times before.

Question 27: "You got an A in Chemistry. Congratulations!" Peter said to his classmate.

- A. Peter encouraged his classmate to get an A in Chemistry.
- B. Peter persuaded his classmate to get an A in Chemistry.
- C. Peter insisted on getting an A in Chemistry for his classmate.
- D. Peter congratulated his classmate on getting an A in Chemistry.

Question 28: If you practice harder you will have better results.

- A. The harder you practice, the best results you will have.
- B. The more hardly you practice, the better results you will have.
- C. The hardest you practice, the most results you will have.
- D. The harder you practice, the better results you will have.

Question 29: Tom told his girlfriend, "Let me tell him if you can't".

- A. Tom volunteered to tell him if his girlfriend couldn't.
- B. Tom advised his girlfriend to tell him if you couldn't.
- C. Tom suggested that I should tell him if his girlfriend couldn't.

D. Tom asked his girlfriend to tell him if you couldn't.

Question 30: The room is too small for us to play music in.

- A. We could play music if the room were smaller.
- B. The room is so small that we can play music in.
- C. The room is not large enough for us to play music in.
- D. The room is not small enough for us to play music in.

Question 31: No matter how hard Fred tried to start the motorbike, he didn't succeed.

- A. Fred tried very hard to start the motorbike, and succeeded.
- B. However hard Fred tried he couldn't start the motorbike.
- C. It's hard for Fred to start the motorbike as he never succeeded.
- D. Fred tried hard to start the motorbike, and with success.

Question 32: Martin will no longer be able to attend the university now that the tuition fees have increased so much.

- A. After the raise in the tuition fees, they become unaffordable for Martin, who will now have to leave the university.
- B. The university should never have made the tuition fees so expensive, as now Martin will have to drop out.
- C. With the tuition fees being so high after the recent increase, Martin is thinking of quitting the university.
- D. It will be difficult for Martin to continue attending the university with these costly tuition fees.

Question 33: “I really don't think that he'll attend the meeting tomorrow.”

- A. I did tell you that he would attend the meeting the next day.
- B. I will never forget his attendance at the meeting tomorrow.
- C. I doubt that he will attend the meeting tomorrow.
- D. I don't agree to his attendance at the meeting.

Question 34: The teacher had only just come in the room when the fire alarm rang.

- A. While the teacher was coming in the room, she heard the fire alarm ring.
- B. As soon as the fire alarm had rung, the teacher came in the room.
- C. Before the teacher came in the room, the fire alarm rang
- D. Hardly had the teacher come in the room when the fire alarm rang.

Question 35: “What a novel idea for the farewell party you've got,” said Nam to the monitor.

- A. Nam thought over the novel idea for the farewell party.
- B. Nam came up with the novel idea for the farewell party.
- C. Nam said that it was a novel idea of his classmates for the farewell party.
- D. Nam exclaimed with admiration at the novel idea for the farewell party of the monitor.

Question 36: It is believed that the thief broke into the house through the bedroom window.

- A. The thief is believed that he broke into the house through the bedroom.
- B. The thief is believed to have broken into the house through the bedroom window.
- C. The thief was believed to break into the house through the bedroom window.
- D. The thief was believed to have broken into the house through the bedroom window.

Question 37: Had he known more about the information technology, he would have invested in some computer companies.

- A. Not knowing about the information technology help him invest in some computer company.
- B. He didn't know much about the information technology and he didn't invest in any computer companies.
- C. Knowing about the information technology, he would have invested in some computer companies.
- D. He would have invested in some computer companies without his knowledge of the information technology.

Question 38: My uncle didn't recognize me until I spoke.

- A. My uncle recognized me not until I spoke.
- B. Only when my uncle recognized me did I speak.
- C. Not until I spoke did my uncle recognize me.
- D. When I spoke, my uncle didn't recognize me.

Question 39: “Why don't you complain to the company, John?” said Peter.

- A. Peter suggested that John should complain to the company.
- B. Peter advised John complaining to the company.
- C. Peter threatened John to complain to the company.
- D. Peter asked John why he doesn't complain to the company.

Question 40: My American friend finds it difficult to pick up food with chopsticks.

- A. My American friend doesn't feel like picking up food with chopsticks.
- B. My American friend can't find chopsticks to pick up food.
- C. My American friend didn't used to pick up food with chopsticks.
- D. My American friend is not used to picking up food with chopsticks

Question 41: I couldn't help admiring the way he managed to finish the programme even after such a bad fall.

- A. The way he finished the programme was certainly admirable, as the fall had shaken him up badly.
- B. It was really a very bad fall, but somehow he was still able to finish the programme and I had to admire him for that.
- C. In spite of the fall, he should have finished the programme and we could have admired him for that.
- D. I really admire the way he got up after the fall and completed the programme

Question 42: The noise next door didn't stop until midnight.

- A. Not until midnight did the noise next door stopped.
- B. Hardly had the noise next door stopped than it was midnight.
- C. It was not until midnight that the noise next door stopped.
- D. Only when midnight did the noise next door stopped.

Question 43: He can shout even louder, but I won't take any notice.

- A. No matter how loud he can shout, I won't take any notice.
- B. He can shout even louder won't take any of my notice.
- C. Whatever ability he shout won't take notice of me.
- D. However loud he can shout, but I won't take any notice.

Question 44: It wouldn't be a waste of time to look at that house again.

- A. Did you find that looking at that house again was a waste of time ?
- B. It was worth looking at that house again.
- C. Would we consider to look at that house again ?
- D. You shouldn't waste your time to look at that house again.

Question 45: Because he came to class late, the teacher punished him.

- A. The teacher punished him if he came to class late.
- B. He came to class late, but the teacher punished him.
- C. The teacher threatened to punish him if he came to class late.
- D. The teacher wouldn't have punished him if he hadn't come to class late.

Question 46: She asked if I had passed the English test the week before.

- A. "Have you passed the English test the week before?" she asked.
- B. "Had you passed the English test the week before?" she asked.
- C. "Did you pass the English test last week?" she asked.
- D. "If you passed the English test last week?" she asked.

Question 47: They stayed for hours, which tired us.

- A. We are tiring from their staying for hours.
- B. That they stayed for hours made us tired.
- C. Staying for hours with us made them feel tired.
- D. We are tired so they stayed for hours.

Question 48: Realizing the environmental impact of the fashion industry, some bloggers, vloggers and influencers are now entering the “no-buy” movement.

- A. It is a new trend that some bloggers, vloggers and influencers now refuse to buy new stuff regardless of the environmental impact of the fashion industry.
- B. Instead of using the things they have already owned, some bloggers, vloggers and influencers make a commitment to buy new stuff because of the environmental impact of the fashion industry.

- C. With the fashion industry's environmental impact under consideration, there's a move to avoid new stuff among some bloggers, vloggers and influencers.
- D. Some bloggers, vloggers and influencers, taking fashion industry's environmental impact into account, now deny buying new products.

Question 49: Right after Vietnam national football team won the AFF Cup 2018, thousands of fans flocked to the streets to celebrate.

- A. No sooner had thousands of fans flocked to the streets to celebrate than Vietnam national football team won the AFF Cup 2018.
- B. Only after thousands of fans flocked to the streets to celebrate did Vietnam national football team win the AFF Cup 2018.
- C. Hardly had Vietnam national football team won the AFF Cup 2018 than thousands of fans flocked to the streets to celebrate.
- D. Scarcely had Vietnam national football team won the AFF Cup 2018 when thousands of fans flocked to the streets to celebrate.

Question 50: After many long and tough hours of practice, Rita finally became an accomplished pianist.

- A. Rita accomplished many long, tough hours of practice and became a pianist.
- B. Rita's long and tough hours of practice helped her become an accomplished pianist.
- C. After becoming an accomplished pianist, Rita spent many long, tough hours of practice.
- D. Rita spent many long, tough hours accomplishing her piano practice.

Exercise 1.3: Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.

Question 1: You ought to make up your mind now.

- A. It is high time you made up your mind.
- B. Making up your mind is necessary.
- C. You should have made up your mind.
- D. It is possible to make up your mind.

Question 2: 'No, no, you really must stay a bit longer!' said the boys.

- A. The boys denied my staying a bit longer
- B. The boys refused to let me stay a bit longer.
- C. The boys didn't agree to let stay a bit longer.
- D. The boys insisted on my staying a bit longer.

Question 3: You should have persuaded him to change his mind.

- A. It was essential to persuade him to change his mind but you didn't
- B. You didn't persuade him to change because of his mind.
- C. You should persuade him to change his mind.
- D. You persuaded him to change his mind but he didn't listen.

Question 4: Sometimes having professional assistance with your CV can increase your chance of finding a job.

- A. Having your CV professionally prepared determines whether you'll get the job or not.
- B. The prospects for finding employment can possibly be enhanced by a professionally produced CV.
- C. Having a professional help you with your CV is a sure way to find a job.
- D. Without a professional CV, it is impossible to find a job.

Question 5: My friend works very hard so that he can make a success of his new business.

- A. My friend works very hard so as to avoid mistakes in his new business.
- B. With a view to becoming successful in his new job, my friend works very hard.
- C. My friend is very hard-working so he has made a success of his new business.
- D. My friend works very hard, so he can make a success of his new business.

Question 6: "You should have finished the report by now," the boss said to his secretary.

- A. The boss scolded his secretary for not finishing the report on time.
- B. The boss suggested his secretary should have finished the report on time.
- C. The boss reminded his secretary of finishing the report on time.
- D. The boss advised his secretary to finish the report on time.

Question 7: As long as you stay calm, you have nothing to fear from the interview.

- A. You have remained calm for a long time in spite of your fear of the interview.
- B. Even if you are afraid of the interview, it is important not to let it show.
- C. Interviews are only intimidating for people who are not extremely calm.
- D. Provided you do not get nervous, the interview won't go badly for you.

Question 8: Despite his early retirement, he found no peace in life.

- A. He found no peace in life because he retired early.
- B. Early as he retired, he found no peace in life.
- C. His early retirement has brought him peace in life.
- D. Although he retired early, but he found no peace in life.

Question 9: My impression of him was that he was a very capable person.

- A. He struck me when I was impressed by his capability.
- B. It struck me as an impression that he was a very capable person.
- C. He struck me as being a very capable person.
- D. I struck him with the impression that he was very capable.

Question 10: "Stop smoking or you'll be ill," the doctor told me.

- A. The doctor advised me to give up smoking to avoid illness.
- B. The doctor suggested smoking to treat illness.
- C. I was warned against smoking a lot of cigarettes.
- D. I was ordered not to smoke to recover from illness.

Question 11: If we can solve this problem soon, it will be better for all concerned.

- A. It would be better for all concerned if we can solve this problem soon.
- B. The sooner we solve this problem, the better it will be for all concerned.
- C. If we could solve this problem soon, it would be better for all concerned.
- D. If all concerned are better, we can solve this problem soon.

Question 12: He survived the operation thanks to the skillful surgeon.

- A. He wouldn't have survived the operation without the skillful surgeon.
- B. Though the surgeon was skillful, he couldn't survive the operation.
- C. He survived because he was a skillful surgeon.
- D. There was no skillful surgeon, so he died.

Question 13: The only members of the cat family that can roar are lions, leopards, tigers and jaguars, but lions are by far the loudest.

- A. Lions, leopards, tigers and jaguars are the only four cats that can roar; however, the others can't roar as loudly as lions.
- B. Like leopards, tigers, and jaguars, lions are among the members of the cat family that can roar.
- C. Lions, leopards, tigers and jaguars can roar, however the roar of a lion is not as frightening as that of the others.
- D. Since lions come from the same cat family as leopards, tigers and jaguars do, they can roar as loud as the others.

Question 14: The likelihood of suffering a heart attack rises as one becomes increasingly obese.

- A. Heart attack are happening more and more often, and most of the sufferers are obese.
- B. The more obese one is, the higher the chances for a heart attack become.
- C. Obesity results in only a slight increase in the probability of having a heart attack.
- D. Anyone who is obese is likely to experience a heart attack at any time.

Question 15: It seems to me that we've taken the wrong train.

- A. The trained turned out to be not the one we were supposed to have taken.
- B. There is no chance that we'll catch the train that we're supposed to.
- C. I have a feeling that this train is not the one we should be on.
- D. I wish we had been more careful and taken the right train from the station

Question 16: You may be very intelligent, but you should be careful about this.

- A. No matter how intelligent you may be, you should be careful about this.
- B. No matter whatever intelligent you may be, you should be careful about this.
- C. No matter why intelligent you may be, you should be careful about this.
- D. No matter what intelligent you may be, you should be careful about this.

Question 17: What I found surprising was his lack of confidence.

- A. It was his lack of confidence that surprised me.

- B. He was overconfident, so I was very surprised.
- C. His lack of confidence was what I finally found.
- D. To my surprise, he found himself lacking in confidence.

Question 18: “You damaged my laptop, Tom!” said John.

- A. John accused with Tom to have damaged his laptop.
- B. John accused Tom of damaging his laptop.
- C. John accused Tom to damage his laptop.
- D. John accused to Tom for damaging his laptop.

Question 19: He broke up with her but now he thinks that was a mistake.

- A. He feels a pity that he had broken up with her.
- B. He wishes not to have broken her up.
- C. He regrets having broken up with her.
- D. He was mistaken with breaking up with her.

Question 20: It's possible that the plane has been delayed because of the bad weather.

- A. The weather must have been very bad, or else their plane wouldn't have been delayed.
- B. It may be the bad weather that has caused the plane to be delayed.
- C. The obvious reason for the plane's being delayed for so long is the bad weather.
- D. It's certainly the bad weather which had resulted in the plane's being late.

Question 21: Does it make sense to apply to university or should I take a gap year?

- A. Is it worth applying to university or should I take a gap year?
- B. Is it possible that I should apply to university after a gap year?
- C. Is it sensible that I should apply to university or take a gap year instead?
- D. I can't decide whether to apply to university or take a gap year.

Question 22: Susan will be ready any minute, and then we must leave.

- A. We must leave as soon as Susan will be ready.
- B. We must leave the moment Susan must be ready
- C. We must leave as soon as Susan is ready.
- D. We will leave any minute when Susan will be ready.

Question 23: “Please, let my child go!” she begged the kidnapper.

- A. She begged the kidnapper to let her child to go.
- B. She pleaded with the kidnapper to release her child.
- C. She solemnly ordered the kidnapper to set her child free.
- D. She pleaded the kidnapper to let her child go.

Question 24: I expect you were fully satisfied with the results by the end of the display.

- A. You were fully satisfied when the display came to an end.
- B. By the end of the display you must have quite happy.
- C. You must be completely satisfied with the results by the end of the display.

D. By the end of the display you must have been fully satisfied.

Question 25: “Why don’t you talk to her face-to-face?” asked Bill.

- A. Bill suggested that I should talk to her face-to-face.
- B. Bill advised that I could talk to her face-to-face.
- C. Bill asked me why I hadn’t talked to her face-to-face.
- D. Bill wondered why I don’t talk to her face-to-face.

Question 26: People believed that Jane failed the test because of her laziness.

- A. It is believed that Jane failed the test because of her laziness.
- B. Jane was believed to fail the test on account of her laziness.
- C. Jane is believed to fail the test owing to her laziness.
- D. It was believed that Jane had failed the test due to laziness.

Question 27: The problem was so complicated that the students couldn’t understand it.

- A. It was such complicated problem that the students couldn’t understand.
- B. The problem wasn’t simple enough for the students to understand it.
- C. The problem was too complicated for the students to understand.
- D. It was so complicated problems that the students couldn’t understand.

Question 28: The living room isn’t as big as the kitchen.

- A. The living room is bigger than the kitchen.
- B. The kitchen is smaller than the living room.
- C. The kitchen is bigger than the living room.
- D. The kitchen is not bigger than the living room.

Question 29: My brother quickly adapted to his new job at the bank.

- A. My brother was used to adapting to new jobs at the bank quickly.
- B. My brother’s new job at the bank was easy for him to adapt to.
- C. My brother quickly got used to his new job at the bank.
- D. My brother was able to do his new job at the bank easily.

Question 30: I’m sure it wasn’t Mr. Park you saw at the conference because he is in Seoul now.

- A. It can’t have been Mr. Park you saw at the conference because he is in Seoul now.
- B. It couldn’t be Mr. Park you saw at the conference because he is in Seoul now.
- C. It mustn’t have been Mr. Park you saw at the conference because he is in Seoul now.
- D. It mightn’t be Mr. Park you saw at the conference because he is in Seoul now.

Question 31: “Do you watch television every evening, Jane?”, said Peter.

- A. Peter asked Jane if she’d watched TV every evening.
- B. Peter asked Jane if she watched TV every evening.
- C. Peter asked Jane if she watch TV every evening.
- D. Peter asked Jane did she watch TV every evening.

Question 32: As television programmes become more popular, they seem to get worse.

- A. The more popular television programmes become, the worse they seem.
- B. The most popular television programmes become, the worse they seem.
- C. The more popular television programmes, the worse they seem.
- D. The more popular become television programmes, the worse they seem.

Question 33: I regret not going to the airport to see her off.

- A. I wish had gone to the airport to see her off.
- B. If only I would go to the airport to see her off.
- C. I regret to go to the airport to see her off.
- D. I regret not having gone to the airport to see her off.

Question 34: "John shouldn't have behaved so badly," said Janet.

- A. Janet doesn't like John's behaviour.
- B. Janet objected to John's bad behaviour.
- C. Janet dislikes John.
- D. Janet was angry with John.

Question 35: We did not visit the museum because we had no time.

- A. If we have time, we will visit the museum.
- B. If we had time, we would visit the museum.
- C. If we had had time, we will visit the museum.
- D. If we had had time, we would have visited the museum.

Question 36: The workers only complain because of their unfair treatment.

- A. Were the workers fairly treated, they wouldn't complain.
- B. The workers complain because their employees are unfair.
- C. If the workers are treated fairly, they will not complain.
- D. Are the workers treated fairly, they will not complain.

Question 37: Arguing with the boss has considerably reduced his chances of promotion.

- A. His promotion was certain until he had a dispute with the boss.
- B. He would definitely have been promoted by now if had hadn't quarreled with the boss.
- C. He argued with the boss about why he wasn't considered for promotion.
- D. The likelihood of his being promoted has significantly decreased because of his argument with the boss.

Question 38: Astronomy greatly interests him.

- A. He finds astronomy very interested.
- B. He is very interesting in astronomy.
- C. He takes a keen interest in astronomy.
- D. Astronomy is the subject he enjoys the most.

Question 39: "I'm very pleased at how things have turned out," she said to her employees.

- A. She asked her employees how things had turned out and was pleased to know it.

- B. She expressed her satisfaction with the way things had turned out.
- C. She complimented her employees for making things turn out.
- D. She wanted her employees to tell her how many things had turned out.

Question 40: The teacher made him stay behind after class.

- A. He was made to stay behind the teacher after class.
- B. After class he wanted to stay in the room with the teacher.
- C. The teacher had him stay late to do some work for school.
- D. He had to remain in school after his classmates left.

Question 41: The trainer's strategies were directly responsible for the team's defeat.

- A. The team lost because the trainer has no direct strategies.
- B. The team's responsibility is to defeat the trainer's strategies.
- C. The trainer directly guided the team, but had no responsibility.
- D. The team lost as a direct consequence of the trainer's strategies.

Question 42: He couldn't retake the exam because he missed too many lessons.

- A. He would retake the exam if he didn't miss too many lessons.
- B. He could have retaken the exam if he hadn't missed too many lessons.
- C. If he missed too many lessons, he would retake the exam.
- D. If he had missed too many lessons, he wouldn't have retaken the exam.

Question 43: "I won't return the book you lent me until tomorrow afternoon," said Lucy.

- A. Lucy told me to return the book she had lent me until the next afternoon
- B. Lucy promised to return the book I had lent her until the next afternoon.
- C. Lucy offered to return the book I had lent her until the next afternoon.
- D. Lucy refused to return the book I had lent her until the next afternoon.

Question 44: But for two minor mistakes, I would have got full marks for the test.

- A. Had I made two minor mistakes, I would have got full marks for the test.
- B. If I didn't make these two minor mistakes, I would have got full mark for the test.
- C. If the mistakes hadn't been minor, I could have got full marks for the test.
- D. I would have got full marks for the test if there hadn't been these two minor mistakes.

Question 45: Many people are afraid of sharks, but they rarely attack people.

- A. Sharks rarely attack people because many people are afraid of them.
- B. Rarely attacked by sharks, many people are, therefore, afraid of them.
- C. Many people are afraid of sharks because they are dangerous.
- D. Although sharks rarely attack people, many people are afraid of them.

Question 46: With six children on her hands, she's fully occupied.

- A. She's occupied because she always carries her six children.
- B. Her six children's hands always make her busy.
- C. With six children to look after, she's extremely busy.

D. She's too occupied to look after her six children.

Question 47: The heavy rain made it impossible for us to have our picnic.

- A. In spite of the heavy rain, we were able to have our picnic.
- B. We were stopped from having our picnic by the heavy rain.
- C. We could have our picnic even though it rained heavily.
- D. The heavy rain didn't prevent us from having our picnic.

Question 48: It is said that the man was having business difficulties.

- A. The man was having business difficulties is said.
- B. The man is said to be having business difficulties.
- C. People said that the man was having business difficulties.
- D. The man is said to have been having business difficulties.

Question 49: “I would be grateful if you could send me further information about the job.”, Lee said to me.

- A. Lee thanked me for sending him further information about the job.
- B. Lee felt great because further information about the job had been sent to him.
- C. Lee politely asked me to send him further information about the job.
- D. Lee flattered me because I sent him further information about the job.

Question 50: When he picked up my book he found that the cover had been tom.

- A. Picked up, he saw that the cover of the book was tom.
- B. The cover had been tom when his book is picked up.
- C. Picking up his book, the cover had been tom.
- D. On picking up the book, he saw that the cover had been tom.

Exercise 1.4: Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.

Question 1: “I'll give it to him next week”.

- A. I promised to give it to him the following week.
- B. He would give it away the following week.
- C. He promised to do it the next week.
- D. I said I would give him away the next week.

Question 2: It is not until a Vietnamese girl getting 18 years old that she is allowed to get married legally.

- A. A Vietnamese girl is not allowed to get married legally only when she gets 18 years old.
- B. A Vietnamese girl is allowed to get married legally only when she gets 18 years old.
- C. The legal allowance for a Vietnamese girl to get married will be issued in 18 years.
- D. They never allow a Vietnamese girl to get married legally when she is 18 years old.

Question 3: It is over twenty years since I last got in touch with them.

- A. I can't help keeping getting in touch with them for over 20 years.

- B. I haven't gotten in touch with them for over 20 years.
- C. I used to get in touch with them for over 20 years.
- D. I have been getting in touch with them for over 20 years.

Question 4: He never suspected that she engaged in political conspiracies.

- A. He used to think that she engaged in political conspiracies.
- B. What he thought was she engaged in political conspiracies.
- C. At no time did he suspect that she engaged in political conspiracies.
- D. Never before he had suspected that she engaged in political conspiracies.

Question 5: Maria says she'd like to have been put in a higher class.

- A. Maria wishes that she will be put in a higher class.
- B. Maria wishes that she is put in a higher class.
- C. Maria wishes that she had been put in a higher class.
- D. Maria wishes that she were put in a higher class.

Question 6: "If I hadn't had so much work to do, I would have gone to the movies." said the boy.

- A. As the boy did not have much work to do, he went to the movies.
- B. They boy said that if he hadn't had so much work to do, he would have gone to the movies.
- C. The boy explained the reason why he had so much work to do that he couldn't go to the movies.
- D. The boy didn't want to go to the movies because he did have so much to do.

Question 7: If only you told me the truth about the theft.

- A. You should have told me the truth about the theft.
- B. I do wish you would tell me the truth about the theft.
- C. You must have told me the truth about the theft.
- D. It is necessary that you tell me the truth about the theft.

Question 8: The demand was so great that they had to reprint the book immediately.

- A. They had to print the book immediately to satisfy the increasing demand.
- B. To meet the greater and greater demand, they had to print the book immediately.
- C. There was such a great demand that the book was printed immediately.
- D. So great was the demand that they had to print the book immediately.

Question 9: No sooner had she put the telephone down than her boss rang back.

- A. Hardly she had hung up, she rang her boss immediately.
- B. Scarcely had she put the telephone down when her boss rang back.
- C. She had hardly put the telephone down without her boss rang back.
- D. As soon as her boss rang back, she put down the telephone.

Question 10: Peter said "I wish I hadn't lent him some money."

- A. Peter regretted lending him some money.
- B. Peter thanked him for lending him some money.

- C. Peter wished not to lend him some money.
- D. Peter suggested not lending him some money.

Question 11: As he gets older, he wants to travel less.

- A. The more old age he gets, the less he wants to travel.
- B. The less he wants to travel, the older he gets.
- C. As soon as he wants to travel, he gets older.
- D. The older he gets, the less he wants to travel.

Question 12: It was not until after I got home that I realized I had not set the burglar alarm in the office.

- A. Fortunately, I realized that I hadn't set the burglar alarm just before I left for home; otherwise, I would have had to travel all the way back to the office.
- B. On the way home, I suddenly realized that I had forgotten to turn on the burglar alarm in the office.
- C. I didn't turn the burglar alarm on before I left the office, but I only became aware of this after I'd arrive home.
- D. I wish I had realized before I arrived home that I hadn't turn on the burglar alarm in the office, then it would have been easier to go and set it.

Question 13: Phil wanted to be separated from his family on the business trip for less time than he was on the last.

- A. As he had enjoyed being away from his family for such a long time on his last business trip, Phil hoped that this trip would be even longer.
- B. Phil knew that the business trip he was soon to take would keep him away from his family for less time than the previous one.
- C. On this business trip, Phil hoped that he would not be away from his family for as long a time as he had been on the previous one.
- D. No longer wanting to take lengthy business trips because they separated him from his family, Phil preferred not to go on any at all.

Question 14: When there is so much traffic on the roads, it is sometimes quicker to walk than to go by car.

- A. The traffic is always so heavy that you'd better walk to work; it's quicker.
- B. There is so much traffic these days that it is more pleasant to walk than to drive.
- C. During rush hours, walking gives me much more pleasure than driving in the heavy traffic.
- D. It is faster to walk than to drive in the heavy traffic at certain time of the day.

Question 15: I'm like my mum, whereas my brother looks like my dad.

- A. I'm like my mum, whereas my brother takes after my dad.
- B. I'm like my mum, whereas my brother takes over my dad.
- C. I'm like my mum, whereas my brother takes on my dad.

D. I'm like my mum, whereas my brother takes in my dad.

Question 16: We were surprised because most of the guests turned up two hours early.

- A. Most of the guests turned up two hours early and took us by surprise.
- B. Most of the guests turned up two hours early, which was by no means surprising.
- C. We were taken in when most of the guests showed up two hours early.
- D. We were taken aback by the fact that most of the guests came two hours early.

Question 17: You can enrich your knowledge by watching this TV programme every day.

- A. You will become rich if you watch this TV programme every day.
- B. Watching this TV programme every day makes you know less.
- C. Watching this TV programme every day enables you to be rich.
- D. Watching this TV programme every day, you will know more.

Question 18: People say that Vietnamese students are not well-prepared for their future jobs.

- A. Vietnamese students are said not to be well-prepared for their future jobs.
- B. Vietnamese students say they are not well-prepared for their future jobs.
- C. People do not like Vietnamese students to be well-prepared for their future jobs.
- D. People, as well as Vietnamese students, are not well-prepared for their future jobs.

Question 19: If there hadn't been such a strong wind, it wouldn't have been so difficult to put out the fire.

- A. It was the strong wind which made it difficult for us to put out the fire.
- B. When a strong wind began to blow it was even more difficult to control the fire.
- C. If the wind hadn't been so strong, it would have been much easier to put out the fire.
- D. As the wind was really very strong, it took them a long time to put out the fire.

Question 20: Many teenagers find drawing graffiti on the street walls interesting.

- A. Many teenagers are drawing interesting graffiti on the street walls.
- B. Many teenagers are interested in drawing graffiti on the street walls.
- C. Many teenagers show no interest in drawing graffiti on the street walls.
- D. Many teenagers draw graffiti on the street walls without interesting.

Question 21: Some of Peter's expressions make me think of my brother.

- A. Some of Peter's expressions remind me of thinking of my brother.
- B. Some of Peter's expressions make me remember of my brother.
- C. Some of Peter's expressions remind me of my brother.
- D. Some of Peter's expressions remember me to my brother.

Question 22: Many foreign tourists like Viet Nam as accommodation and food are affordable here.

- A. Many foreign tourists like Viet Nam because accommodation and food here are expensive.
- B. Many foreign tourists have to pay a lot for accommodation and food in Viet Nam.
- C. For many foreign tourists, accommodation and food in Viet Nam are easily purchased.
- D. Accommodation and food in Viet Nam are not expensive for many foreign tourists.

Question 23: “No, it wasn’t me who broke the antique vase.” said the child.

- A. The child denied having broken the antique vase.
- B. The child refused to have broken the antique vase.
- C. The child accepted to have broken the antique vase.
- D. The child objected to having broken the antique vase.

Question 24: The more he learned about the job, the less interested he got.

- A. As soon as he learned about the interesting job, he got it.
- B. Though learning that the job is not interesting, he got it.
- C. Even though the job is not interesting, he learned about it.
- D. When he got to know more about the job, he lost his interest in it.

Question 25: In order not to disturb our conversation, he took his seat quietly.

- A. He took his seat quietly so that he wouldn’t disturb our conversation.
- B. So as to keep us continue our conversation, he took his seat quietly.
- C. Not to disturb our conversation, he took his seat quietly.
- D. As long as he took his seat quietly, we weren’t disturbed to keep on our conversation.

Question 26: I always hated pasta when I was a child. Now I cook it regularly.

- A. If I hadn’t hated pasta when I was a child, I would cook it regularly.
- B. Hating pasta a lot when I was a child, I now cook it regularly.
- C. I didn’t use to like pasta when I was a child but now I cook it regularly.
- D. In spite of hating pasta, I cooked it regularly when I was a child.

Question 27: Experts thought that infected chickens were responsible for the outbreak of flu.

- A. It is thought that infected chickens were responsible for the outbreak of flu.
- B. Infected chickens were thought to be in charge with the outbreak of flu.
- C. Infected chickens were thought to be in charge of the outbreak of flu.
- D. Infected chickens are thought to be responsible for the outbreak of flu.

Question 28: A drug may affect several functions, even though it’s targeted at only one.

- A. A drug is taken for a specific purpose, but it may have a range of other effects.
- B. However effective a drug may be, its functions have to be several.
- C. Despite various other uses, a drug usually has a function for a special effect.
- D. The functions expected of a drug are various even if it is used for a specific disease.

Question 29: Most of the river ferries have been cancelled today due to the lack of visibility caused by the fog.

- A. A few of the ferries need to be rescheduled because of the fog that is causing poor visibility on the river.
- B. Since today’s fog is obstructing visibility, the majority of the river ferries will not be running.
- C. Because of the fog, it will be difficult for most of the ferries to cross the river safely today.

D. Whenever visibility is poor owing to the fog, nearly all of the river ferries are cancelled during the day.

Question 30: Wouldn't it better to let them know about the alterations to the plan?

- A. Don't you think they should be informed about the changes in the plan?
- B. Shouldn't they have been consulted before the scheme was changed?
- C. Why haven't they been informed about the new development?
- D. We'd better ask them to change the plan, hadn't we?

Question 31: "I agree that I am narrow-minded," said the manager.

- A. The manager denied being narrow-minded.
- B. The manager admitted being narrow-minded.
- C. The manager refused to be narrow-minded.
- D. The manager promised to be narrow-minded.

Question 32: A supermarket is more convenient than a shopping centre.

- A. A shopping centre is not as convenient as a supermarket.
- B. A shopping centre is more convenient than a supermarket.
- C. A supermarket is not as convenient as a shopping centre.
- D. A supermarket is as inconvenient as a shopping centre.

Question 33: It was a mistake for Tony to buy that house.

- A. Tony couldn't have bought that house.
- B. Tony can't have bought that house.
- C. Tony needn't have bought that house.
- D. Tony shouldn't have bought that house.

Question 34: "I'll drop you from the team if you don't train harder," said the captain to John.

- A. John was reminded to train harder so as not to be dropped from the team.
- B. The captain threatened to drop John from the team unless he trained harder.
- C. The captain urged that John should train harder in order not to be dropped from the team.
- D. The captain promised to drop John from the team in case he trained harder.

Question 35: It's possible that Joanna didn't receive my message.

- A. Joanna shouldn't have received my message.
- B. Joanna needn't have received my message.
- C. Joanna mightn't have received my message.
- D. Joanna can't have received my message.

Question 36: "What did you do last night?" the policeman asked the woman.

- A. The policeman asked the woman what did she do the night before.
- B. The policeman asked the woman what she had done the night before.
- C. The policeman asked the woman what had she done the night before.
- D. The policeman asked the woman what she did the night before.

Question 37: Harry sat there waiting for Lucy, which was not necessary.

- A. Harry might not have sat there waiting for Lucy.
- B. Harry needn't have sat there waiting for Lucy.
- C. Harry couldn't have sat there waiting for Lucy.
- D. Harry may not have sat there waiting for Lucy.

Question 38: "John left here an hour ago," said Jane.

- A. Jane told me that John had left there an hour before.
- B. Jane said John left there an hour before.
- C. Jane told John to have left there an hour before.
- D. Jane told me that John to leave there an hour before.

Question 39: It is possible that the fire in the ship was started by a bomb.

- A. The fire in the ship might have been started by a bomb.
- B. They say that a bomb started the fire in the ship.
- C. It shall be said the fire in the ship had been started by a bomb.
- D. The fire in the ship is known to have been started by a bomb.

Question 40: The weather was so terrible that we spent the whole day indoors.

- A. The weather was too terrible for us to spend the whole day indoors.
- B. The weather wasn't terrible enough for us to spend the whole day indoors.
- C. It was such terrible weather that we spent the whole day indoors.
- D. The weather was too terrible that we spent the whole day indoors.

Question 41: I have never watched such a romantic film like this before.

- A. The film is so romantic that I have watched it many times.
- B. This is the most romantic film that I've ever watched.
- C. This film is not as romantic as those I had watched before.
- D. I have never watched many romantic films like this before.

Question 42: I should have finished my work last night but I was exhausted.

- A. I finished my work last night though I was exhausted.
- B. Last night I was exhausted but I tried to finish my work.
- C. I was exhausted so I didn't finish my work yesterday as planned.
- D. My work was finished last night but I was exhausted.

Question 43: Greater use of public transport would cut the amount of pollution from cars.

- A. Were more people to use public transport, cars would stop releasing exhaust into the atmosphere.
- B. If more people use public transport, it will cut the amount of pollution from cars.
- C. If public transport was widely used, people would no longer suffer from pollution from cars.
- D. If more people used public transport, there would be less pollution from cars.

Question 44: Mark delayed writing the book until he had done a lot of research.

- A. Mark did a lot of research after he finished writing the book.
- B. It was only when Mark had written the book that he did a lot of research.
- C. Mark delayed writing the book as he had already done any research.
- D. Only after Mark had done a lot of research did he begin to write the book.

Question 45: “Would you like to come out to dinner with me tonight, Jenny?” Paul said.

- A. Paul suggested that Jenny go out to dinner with him that night.
- B. Paul insisted on Jenny going out to dinner with him that night.
- C. Paul invited Jenny to go out to dinner with him that night.
- D. Paul offered Jenny to go out to dinner with him that night.

Question 46: He cannot practice scuba diving because he has a weak heart.

- A. The fact that he has a weak heart cannot stop him practicing scuba diving.
- B. Scuba diving makes him suffer from having a weak heart.
- C. The reason why he cannot practice scuba diving is that he has a weak heart.
- D. He has a weak heart but he continues to practice scuba diving.

Question 47: People believe that neither side wanted war.

- A. Neither side is believed to have wanted war.
- B. Neither side is responsible for the outbreak of war.
- C. War is believed to be wanted by either side.
- D. It is believed that war broke out from both sides.

Question 48: You are in this mess right now because you didn’t listen to my advice in the first place.

- A. If you had listened to my advice in the first place, you wouldn’t have been in this mess right now.
- B. If you listened to my advice in the first place, you wouldn’t be in this mess right now.
- C. If you listen to my advice in the first place, you will not be in this mess right now.
- D. If you had listened to my advice in the first place, you wouldn’t be in this mess right now.

Question 49: It’s no use asking her for help.

- A. There’s no point in asking her for help.
- B. It’s not worth asking her for help.
- C. It’s no good to ask her for help.
- D. We have no trouble asking her for help.

Question 50: Large cars use more gas than smaller ones.

- A. If you own a small car, it uses more gas.
- B. The smaller the car is, the more gas it uses.
- C. The larger the car is, the more gas it uses.
- D. Large cars don’t use as much gas as smaller ones.

Question 51: Le Corbusier was very influential in developing architectural styles.

- A. Le Corbusier was greatly influenced by architectural styles.

- B. Le Corbusier had influenced greatly in developing architectural styles.
- C. Le Corbusier had a great influence on architectural styles.
- D. Developing architectural styles has a great influence on Le Corbusier.

Question 52: “That’s a lovely new dress, Jean,” said her mother.

- A. Jean’s mother said she liked her dress.
- B. Jean’s mother complimented her on her lovely new dress.
- C. Jean’s mother wanted to buy a lovely new dress.
- D. Jean’s mother told her to buy that lovely new dress.