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Instruction

Pick out the options that best fit the gaps respectively

1. Countable nouns can be preceded by _____
(a) A, the, some (b) few, little, many
(c) a, an, many, one (d) two, few, a, an (e) all of the above
2. The meal was _____ and the song was _____
(a) tasty/sumptuous (b) sumptuous/melodic
(c) beautiful/tasty (d) tasty/sumptuous
3. You will soon _____ the button because it is already very _____
(a) loose/lose (b) no answer © lose/lose
(d) lose/loose (e) loose/loose
4. The teacher spoke for _____ minutes
(a) two and half (b) two an a half
(c) two an in half (d) two an half (e) twohalf
5. Each of the _____ to go
(a) boy/is (b) boy/were
(c) boys/is (d) boy/was (e) boy/are

6. The woman is fat. She can also be said to be
(a) fatful (b) plumpful
(c) plumpsy (d) plumpy
7. _____ a good citizen of Nigeria and _____ not going to act otherwise
(a) am/I'm (b) no answer
(c) I'm/I'm (d) I'm/am (e) am/am
8. A finite verb is affected by _____
(a) people, place and position (b) number, person and tense
(c) number, place and tense
9. Which of these expressions is true about proper nouns? (a) they contain many words (b) they begin with upper case letters (c) all of the above (d) they are made of four letters (e) they are made of four letter words
10. The man has a _____ of cars
(a) flirt (b) flight
(c) flit (d) fleet (e) fleet
11. Dogs bark, cats mew, but snakes _____ and frogs _____
(a) whisper/cry (b) sing/weep
(c) sing/shout (d) hiss/croak
12. A teacher told a class of _____ the importance of writing well
(a) student (b) students
(c) students' (d) student's

13. Which of these are pronouns used to refer to a singular object that is near and far respectively.

- (a) here/there (b) that/those
(c) that/this (d) that/them

14. I have a bottle of water and a of pencil.

- a) rod b) pen c) wood d) stick

15. Many students know why they are in school but thanks to God, Lilian Do you why you are here? a) doesn't/does b) do/don't

- c) don't/do d) don't/does

16. He packed the leftover rice in a black

- a) lylon b) hilon c) nylon
d) hylon e) tylon

17. Either Olu or the children to go.

- a) are b) was c) must d) is

18. Abide us oh God as we abide your rules and regulations.

- a) in/with b) at/to
c) with/in d) with/by

19. The long run, the robbers were caught.

- a) as b) on
c) at d) by e) in

20. Nobody God and away with it.

- a) despise/get b) despise/gets
c) spiced/get d) despises/gets

21. This book Ten chapters

- a) comprises b) consist
c) consists d) consist of e) comprises of

22. The students Playing all day

- a) has been b) has being c) have being
d) have been e) are being

23. She has been living in hotel with man since she turned fifteen.

- a) an/a b) an/an c) a/an d) a/a

24. The man has a of ships.

- a) parade b) bulk
c) fleet d) swarm e) garage

25. The vehicle needs

- a) maintenance b) maintainance
c) mentenance d) mentainance

26. The young boy said Oh God, send me.

- a) here I am b) how I am
c) here I am d) where I am e) here is me

27. Tell the students, the of your love for them.

- a) extend b) extence c) extent d) extinct e) extends

28. Which of these expressions is correct?

- a) To before warned is to before harmed b) To be fore-warned is to be fore-armed
c) To be fore-warned is to be fore-harmed d) To be for warn is to be for arm

29. You must study hard in to pass your examinations.

- a) other b) orther c) order d) oughter e) none of the above

30. To be on the side, you have to transfer the money through Western Union Money Transfer.

- a) save b) safe
c) saver d) safer e) safed

31. You need to twice everyday to keep fresh and fine.

- a) bathe b) bath
c) baff d) bad. e) balm

32. She only once last week.

- a) bath b) bathes
c) bathed d) batted e) bathe

33. Many of people don't value education.

- a) we b) I
c) the d) that e) them

34. The first person singular pronoun is

- a) you b) they
c) I d) we e) us

35. onward like a soldier.

- a) match b) mash
c) mate d) march e) mass

Part: choose the most grammatical from the following sentence.

36. I have not sent the letter. This is because of the busy scheduled at work. _____
(a) As in the workload is much (b) I mean the workload is much
(c) Because the workload is much (d) The post office is under lock and key

37. The principal did not sign my letter because _____
(a) I was not on seat (b) He was not in the office
(c) He was not on seat in the office (d) He was not on sit
38. Everyone should submit their assignment at once.
(a) The sentence is correct (b) The sentence is incorrect because it negates the rule of concord
(c) The sentence is substandard
(d) The sentence needs to gain currency in order to achieve standardization
39. There is _____ at the Lagos/Benin Expressway
(a) Hold up (b) Go-slow
(c) Traffic jam (d) Go slowly
40. I hope to see you presently. Presently in the sentence means
(a) Before long (b) I shall see you now
(c) At the moment (d) Immediately
41. The execution of the blueprint is in the offing. Offing in the sentence means
(a) In the cooler (b) In the pipeline
(c) In the office of the director of works (d) It has been suspended
42. The student Union leader is being interrogated. The sentence means
(a) The Union leader has just been interrogated (b) The union leader interrogated s
(c) The union leader is undergoing
(d) The union leader would be interrogated
43. To many Nigerians, English is second language. The expression above means
(a) Many Nigerian consider English to be a second language.
(b) Many Nigerians have many languages and English is one of them.
(c) To many Nigerians, English is required
(d) To many Nigerians, English is learned
44. A salient aspect of language is the fact that it is
(a) A general language (b) It is arbitrary, creative and dynamic
(c) It is easy to learned (d) It is usually learned

45. Two effective means of listening are:
 (a) Passive and passionate listening (b) Passive and effective listening
 (c) Recording and jotting all the lecturer says in the course of the lecture
 (d) Effective listening and there recording of all lecture notes
46. The following is the correct list of the vowels of English:
 (a) A, B, C,D, O (b) A,E,I,U,O
 (c) A,E, I,U (d) F,G,H,I,O
47. One the following is not bud reading habit:
 (a) Read aloud (b) Head movement
 (c) Finger tracing (d) Skimming and scanning
48. Some _____ killed the president of the union during a rally
 (a) Assassimators (b) Assassins
 (c) Murderers (d) Students
49. Every hand must be on deck to surmount the challenges facing institution of monarchy in country
 (a) Everyone must place their hands on the table
 (b) Everyone must be prepared
 (c) Everyone must relax (d) Everyone must send a memo
50. The execution of the policy on free education is on course. This means.
 (a) There is a course dedicated to the execution of free education
 (b) The cause of free education must be tied to the execution
 (c) The execution of the policy is on progress
 (d) There is a curse associated with the execution of free education policy
51. 1 can lift that rockup with one hand. 'can in the sentence means the speaker
 (a) Has the capacity to lift the rock (b) The rock is not so strong
 (c) The speaker is used to lifting the rock
 (d) The speaker suggest he has the capacity to lift the rock
52. Can your wife teach blind children?
 (a) The speaker want to know if the wife had the ability to teach blind children
 (b) The speaker studied special education

- (c) The speaker was not sure if the wife had enough experience to teach the blind
- (d) The speaker was not sure if the wife had the power to impart knowledge unto the blind

53. Take along your umbrella. It might rain to tomorrow. The statement means that:
- (a) The rain would fall tomorrow (b) The will fall tomorrow
 - (c) It is likely that it rains tomorrow
 - (d) The weather is suggestive of a heavy rain tomorrow
54. I can speak German but I can't write it at all. It means the speaker
- (a) Acquired the ability to speak but not the skill to write German
 - (b) Learned German but not the skill to write German
 - (c) Has no physical ability to write German (d) Has a poor writing skill
55. The carpenter can make that kinds of wardrobe. This means
- (a) The carpenter knows how make exact wardrobe
 - (b) The carpenter trained in the same factory as the maker of the wardrobe
 - (c) The carpenter is an expert in designing wardrobes provided he has the prototype
 - (d) The carpenter made such a wardrobe in the past.

Part II

56. The aspect of language study associated with the meaning of meanings is called
- (a) Lexicology (b) Syntax
 - (c) Semantics (d) Paralinguistics
57. A person who speaks three or more languages is called _____
- (a) Linguist (b) Psycholinguistic
 - (c) Bilingual (d) Polyglot
58. The popularity of a language is determined primarily by the population of its speakers. This explains _____ is the most language in world
- (a) Swahili (b) Yoruba
 - (c) Mandarin (d) English
59. _____ is the most international language in the world
- (a) French (b) Spanish
 - (c) English (d) Mandarin

Part HI: literature aspect

60. Which one is correct spelling of this word of speech?
(a) Personification (b) Parsonnification
(c) parsonification (d) personification
61. A play is divided into _____
(a) Chapters (b) Verses
(c) acts and scenes (d) utterance
62. A novel is divided into _____
(a) Chapters (b) acts and scenes
(c) verses (d) genres
63. A prologue is _____
(a) A statement preceeding a literary endeavor
(b) A statement at the end of literary work
(c) An analysis of a work of art (d) The authors life story
64. The protagonist in a novel or play is usually _____
(a) Hero (b) Foil to the hero
(c) Enemy of the main character
(d) Omniscient narrator
65. A novelist is to a novel just as _____ is to A play
(a) Play wright (b) Play write
(c) Author (d) Play writer
66. A play is usually identified through _____
(a) Conversation (b) Rhetorical question
(c) Absence of dialogue (d) Monologue
67. A poem is usually identified through _____
(a) Economy of words (b) Verbosity
(c) Private images (d) Address to an object
68. _____ is the author of IliWinds
(a) Lekan Oyegoke (b) Niyi Adebajo
(c) Wole Soyinka (d) ChinuaAchebe

69. The effect of a piece of drama that results in the purgation of emotion is known as
 (a) Aesthetics (b) Metonymy
 (c) Oxymoron
70. Good _____ is an extension of the principal of active learning.
 (a) Note talking (b) Note making
 (c) Learning process (d) None of the above
71. All of these are purposes of reading skills except.
 (a) Evolve over a lifetime
 (b) Intensive reading skills apply to reading in college
 (c) Effective reading reflects good problem solving skills
 (d) Leads to dancing and wining
72. Sounds of English maybe grouped under _____
 (a) Diphthongs, vowels and letters (b) Letters, consonants and diphthongs
 (c) Vowels, consonants, and letter (d) Vowels and consonants.
73. The baby was rather _____ than I could bear.
 (a) Much more a troublesome (b) Much too troublesome
 (c) So much troublesome (d) Very much troublesome
74. A salient aspect of language is the fact that it is _____
 (a) General language (b) It is arbitrary, creative and dynamic
 (c) It is easy to learn (d) It is usually learned
75. The tourist bought _____
 (a) A brown, small, Nigerian earthen pot (b) A small, brown Nigerian earthen pot
 (c) An earthen. brown, small Nigerian pot (d) A Nigerian small brown earthen
76. The argument between the two neighbours degenerated into
 (a) A free for all (b) A free for all fight
 (c) A flee for all (d) A free fight
77. Linguistic is the scientific study of _____
 (a) Language (b) Sounds
 (c) Words (d) Sentence

78. The adventurers ran into many _____ in the forest.
 (a) Dear (b) Dears
 (c) Deers (d) Deer
79. The hospital was closed _____ because there were no beds to put patients
 (a) Again/upon (b) Off/on
 (c) Down/at (d) Up/in
80. Choose the group that is correctly punctuated from the following arrangement.
 (a) lagos,Ope,ayo, Ibadan (b) Lagos,oPe, Ayo, Ibadan
 (c) Lagos, OPe,Ayo, ibadan (d) Lagos, ope, ayo ibadan
81. Mi was honest and quite as a school boy but too much drinking has now changed his _____ and _____ his tongue
 (a) Temperaztire ntired (b) Character/tightened
 (c) Temperament suned (d) Innocence/worsened
82. Language is a vehicle It oppression of feeling is _____
 (a) Formal view lh) Structural view
 (c) Functional view (d) Traditional view
83. The conversion of spoken words into written language is _____
 (a) Transplantation (b) Transmission
 (c) Transcription (d) Translation
84. It was a _____ presentation and we all enjoyed it thoroughly.
 (a) Masterful (b) Mastery
 (c) Masterly (d) Mastermind
85. The rebel will soon fight back, we have been informed _____ their _____
 (a) Of/predicament (b) About/indulgence
 (c) On/rearmament (d) As for / advancement
86. Emeka is now a _____ student but it took him years to _____
 (a) Matured/mature (b) Mature/mature
 (c) Mature/matured (d) Matured/matured

87. Maria gave _____ for his birthday.
 (a) A football to her little brother r (b) Her tittle brother a football
 (c) To herlittle biulbera football (c) A football for her little brother
88. Apostrophe is a figure of speech which refers to _____.
 (a) The idea of addressing an inanimate object (b) Punctuation style
 (c) best endowment (c) The idea of giving life to an inanimate object
89. Mount Everest is the _____ mountain in the world.
 (a) Higher (b) High
 (c) highest (d) Least high
90. The 2014 edition of the textbook communication in English language recommended for GNS 101 at Olabisi Onahanjo University Ago-Iye, was edited by _____.
 (a) Lekanflairu, Segun Omodunle & Tunde Onadeko
 (b) Kemi Olayemi, Segun Omodunle & Oreofe Williams
 (c) Letanflairu, Segun Omodunle, Samson Dare & Kemi Olayemi
 (d) Wale Ajayi, Segun Omodunle, Samson Dare & Kemi Olayemi
91. The young boys have been caught with parts of the stolen machine but _____ admitted stealing it.
 (a) Neither of them has (b) Neither of them have
 (c) None of them has (d) None of them have
92. Kindly _____ me your book because my friend has _____ mine,
 (a) Borrow/Borrowed (c) Borrow/Rent
 (b) Lend/Lent (d) Lend/Borrowed
93. Students will always blame the teachers when examination results are unfavourable.
 (a) Won't they (b) Wouldn't they
 (c) Isn't it (d) Can't they
94. Soyinka's masterful atmosphere of his childhood helped to make his book, *Ake*, an outright
 (a) Vocation (b) Invocation
 (c) Convocation (d) Revocation

95. Few of those who applied were _____ any job
 (a) Offereed (b) Offered
 (c) Offer (d) Ofered
96. The principal announced that a meeting of the _____ Association would take place on Friday.
 (a) Parent-teacher (b) Parents-Teachers
 (c) Parent-Teachers (d) Parent-Teacher
97. Sounds of English may be grouped under _____
 (a) Diphthongs, vowels and letters (b) Letters, consonants and diphthongs
 (c) Vowels, consonants, and letter (d) Vowels and consonants.
98. Which of the titles fits the text best is the example of _____
 (a) Skimming (b) Scanning
 (c) Intensive reading (d) Extension reading
99. _____ a successful comedian in his home town in Glasgow, he later went on to become international famous.
 (a) Becoming (b) Become
 (c) Had become (d) Having become
100. Choose the correct inversion for the following sentence: I have rarely seen anything so beautiful.
 (a) Rarely have seen anything so beautiful (b) Rarely! have seen anything so beautiful
 (c) Rarely have I seen anything so beautiful (d) Have I rarely seen anything so beautiful
101. My sister is now furious with me. If only I _____ that.
 (a) Don't say (b) Told
 (c) Hadn't said (d) Could have told
102. Choose the best rephrasing of the following sentence in terms of future probability: Don't worry, you will overcome your initial fear.
 (a) Don't worry, you presumably get over your initial fear
 (b) Don't worry, you'll presumably get over your initial fear
 (c) Don't worry, you have hope of getting over your initial fear..
 (d) Don't worry, you're bound to get over your initial fear.

103. The description of language as a means of communication is the _____
 (a) Sociological (b) Sociologists
 (c) Sociologist (d) Society
 (e) None of the above
104. That there is no direct relationship between an object and the name by which it is called established the fact that language is
 (a) Computational (b) Habitual
 (c) Articulatory (d) Arbitrary
 (e) Capillary
105. _____ and _____ are audio—oral skills of language
 (a) Writing and speaking (b) Reading and speaking
 (c) Listening and writing (d) Listening and speaking
 (e) Reading and Listening
106. The _____ skill is basic to all other known skills of language
 (a) Reading (b) Speaking
 (c) Writing (d) Listening
 (e) Feeling
107. Which of these words is realized as sound le?
 (i) Machination (ii) chaos (iii) chores (iv) archway (v) archbishop
 (a) i, ii, and iii (b) i, iii & iv
 (c) iii and iv (d) i & iii
 (e) iii only
108. A very important factor in summary Writing is _____
 (a) Connectivity (b) Acceptability
 (c) Brevity (d) Sensitivity
 (e) Laxity
109. The use of abbreviation is acceptable during the _____ stage of
 (a) Pre-lecture, note-making (b) Lecture, note-taking
 (c) Post-lecture, note making (d) Lecture, note-taken
 (e) None of the above

110. The underlined sound in "bathroom" is the same as same as the one underlined in
 (a) k^ujk (b) Fat
 (c) Felt (d) Foot
 (e) None of the above
111. Which of these groups is correct an through
 (a) Cat, mat sat pat met (b) Meat, neat, scat, feed, wheat
 (c) Knead fead, bread, wheat, leak (d) dine-wine, wine-fine, pain
 (e) Option (b) and (c)
112. In speech, we use _____ but in writing we use _____
 (a) Power, pen (b) Strengthen, speed
 (c) Air energy (d) Sound, Alphabetical, symbols
 (e) People open
113. The thin birthday sounds the same as all thin
 (a) Breathe and breath (b) Wheat and wealthy
 (c) Breath and wealth (d) They and those
 (e) Bath and brother
114. The person who can readwrite is said to posses the skill of
 (a) Creativity (b) Supremacy
 (c) Prima-facie (ci)Accuracy (e) Literacy
115. The kind of listening engaged in during classroom lecture is _____ Listening
 otherwise known as
 (a) Active, former (b) Perceive informer
 (c) Action, serious (d) Active, action (e) Formal, active
116. Speech sounds are also called _____
 (a) Phones (b) Phoneme
 (c) Plenetics (d) Phonology (e) Pornnographics
117. The air used in speech production known as the _____ is the _____
 (a) Plumonic air, lung (b) Pulmonic air, lungs
 (c) Artillery air, anus (d) Capillary air, hear
 (e) Oesophagues air, mouth

118. Yesterday, I _____ my mat on the floor
 (a) Spread (b) Spreaded
 (c) Spreadened (d) Spreads
119. Which of these is not an English word?
 (a) Rue (b) Robot
 (c) Maggot (d) Risible (e) None of the above
120. Which of these words has the same sound as the one underlined in Finance
 (a) Bate (b) Bury
 (c) Binary (d) Defrost (e) Visual
121. It is high time we _____ the village for the town
 (a) Leave (b) leaved
 (c) yield (d) leave (e) leavened
122. Oh great God! Everybody _____ you are good
 (a) Testify (b) Testifies
 (c) Testiy (d) Testimony (e) Tested
123. Which of these ordering is correct?
 (a) Sumnary outlining, note making, note-taking
 (b) Outlining, summary, note making, note-taking
 (c) Outlining note taking, summary, note—making
 (e) Note-taking, note-making, outiining. Summary
 (e) None of the above
124. Beating about the bush is a good example of
 (a) Slang (b) Jargen
 (c) Cliché (d) Circumlocution (e) Circumspection
125. Pick the foddiones out (I) Write, Rite, Right (ii) hale, bail ale (iii) alternaltive atten (iv) cite, sight, site (v) bale bail baale
 (a) i & ii, iv, v (b) ii & iii
 (c) i & vi (d) ii, iii & u (e) I, iii & ii

126. The allegation _____ against me is nauseating

(a) Leaved

(b) Leveled

(c) Levied

(d) Levyed

(e) Levilled

NO	ANS	NO	ANS	NO	ANS	NO	ANS	NO	ANS
1	C	8	B	15	D	22	D	29	C
2	B	9	B	16	C	23	A	30	A
3	D	10	D	17	D	24	C	31	B
4	B	11	D	18	D	25	A	32	C
5	C	12	B	19	B	26	A	33	C
6	E	13	C	20	D	27	C	34	C
7	C	14	D	21	A	28	B	35	D

36	C	46	C	56	A	66	A	76	D
37	D	47	B	57	D	67	D	77	A
38	B	48	B	58	D	68	B	78	C
39	C	49	B	59	C	69		79	C
40	B	50	C	60	A	70	B	80	C
41	C	51	A	61	A	71	D	81	C
42	A	52	A	62	A	72	D	82	A
43	D	53	C	63	A	73	C	83	D
44	B	54	A	64	A	74	D	84	D
45	B	55	A	65	B	75	D	85	A

86	A	96	B	106	B	116	B	126	C
87	B	97	D	107	C	117	A	127	
88	A	98	C	108	C	118	A	127	
89	C	99	D	109	B	119	E	129	
90		100	A	110	E	120	E	130	
91	C	101	A	111	C	121	D	131	
92	D	102		112	D	122	A	132	
93	B	103	A	113	A	123	C	133	
94	B	104	D	114	E	124	C	134	
95	B	105	D	115	E	125	D	135	