

TEST # 4

Directions: Each problem in this part consists of a sentence in which one word or phrase has been underlined. From the four choices given, you should choose the one word or phrase which could be substituted for the underlined word or phrase without changing the meaning of the sentence. Mark your choice on the answer sheet.

1. He tramped across the cream colored carpet, leaving a trail of mud behind him.
 - a. Walked heavily
 - b. Skipped
 - c. Walked unsteadily
 - d. Limped
2. The tunnel was so dark and clammy that we became frightened.
 - a. Long corridor
 - b. Underground passageway
 - c. Center aisle
 - d. Open ditch
3. My supply of confidence slowly dwindles as the deadline approaches.
 - a. Shifts
 - b. Grows
 - c. Emerges
 - d. Diminishes
4. Can this be a duplicate of the document?
 - a. A summary
 - b. A revision
 - c. An outline
 - d. A copy
5. The gunfire was sporadic.
 - a. Intermittent
 - b. Frequent
 - c. Continuous
 - d. Distant
6. The chairman did not rule out the possibility of an agreement.
 - a. Promise
 - b. Reject
 - c. Accept
 - d. Forestall
7. Punctuality is imperative in your new job.
 - a. Being efficient
 - b. Being courteous
 - c. Being on time
 - d. Being cheerful

8. He got nowhere with his plan to balance the budget.
 - a. Succeeded completely
 - b. Accomplished nothing
 - c. Footed no one
 - d. Became obsessed.
9. He ate a prodigious amount of the homemade bread.
 - a. Slight
 - b. Tiny
 - c. Huge
 - d. Moderate
10. He is infamous for his dishonesty in business matters.
 - a. Notorious
 - b. Dreaded
 - c. Loathed
 - d. Investigated
11. We were forced to postpone the picnic.
 - a. Call oil
 - b. Do without
 - c. Put off
 - d. See about
12. The hunter carefully stalked the door.
 - a. Shot
 - b. Tracked
 - c. Aimed at
 - d. Skinned
13. There is a large area of swamp that will have to be cleared before construction can begin.
 - a. Forest
 - b. Soft and wet
 - c. Dry, sandy soil
 - d. Prairie
14. For once, everything in her life seemed to be in equilibrium.
 - a. Turmoil
 - b. Disarray
 - c. Balance
 - d. Danger
15. The world leaders had a chat before beginning formal negotiations.
 - a. Friendly, unimportant talk
 - b. Disagreement
 - c. Serious discussion
 - d. High level conference
16. Where did she acquire all her wealth?
 - a. Gain

- b. Lose
 - c. Hide
 - d. Steal
17. He resolved to act more wisely in the future.
- a. Promised
 - b. Hoped
 - c. Consented
 - d. Decided
18. The jeweler reported that the diamonds were genuine.
- a. Perfect
 - b. Imitations
 - c. Real
 - d. Valuable
19. I decided to go to the party on the Spur of the moment.
- a. After careful thought
 - b. For only a short time
 - c. Without previous thought
 - d. At the earliest possible moment
20. The winners will be selected at random
- a. By interviewing
 - b. By testing
 - c. By chance
 - d. By competition
21. Pilfering by company employees costs many businesses thousands of dollars each year.
- a. Absenteeism
 - b. Stealing
 - c. Tardiness
 - d. Ignorance
22. The relativity theory is basically made up of two parts the restricted and the general relativity theory.
- a. Fundamentally
 - b. Usually
 - c. Frequently
 - d. Approximately
23. The sales representatives were asked to go over the figures in their reports before the conference.
- a. Relate
 - b. Revise
 - c. Review
 - d. Calculate
24. Doctors prescribe massive doses of penicillin for patients with pneumonia.

- a. Daily
 - b. Heavy
 - c. Double
 - d. Adequate
25. Tornadoes are violent whirlwinds which vary in their width from a few yards to 1,300 feet.
- a. Fierce
 - b. Immense
 - c. Rapid
 - d. Chilly
26. The movie critic said that Airplane, the parody of disaster movies, was hilarious
- a. Suspenseful
 - b. Very funny
 - c. Realistic
 - d. Very tragic
27. In spite of medical advances, that disease is usually fatal.
- a. Curable
 - b. Painful
 - c. Deadly
 - d. Disabling
28. The sculptor, Lorenzo Ghiberti, blended medieval grace with Renaissance realism.
- a. Produced
 - b. Combined
 - c. Invented
 - d. Discovered
29. Identical twins are frequently inseparable; they even seem to think alike.
- a. Not able to be distinguished
 - b. Not able to be understood
 - c. Not able to be parted
 - d. Not able to be believed
30. His extreme nervousness impeded his ability to speak in front of large groups of people.
- a. Hindered
 - b. Halted
 - c. Accelerated
 - d. Fostered