

TEST # 11

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. The yearly growth of the gross national product is often used as an indicator of a nation's economy
 - a. Sluggish
 - b. Haphazard
 - c. Routine
 - d. Annual
2. The 132 islands in the Hawaiian chain extend across 388 miles of Pacific Ocean,
 - a. Enhance
 - b. Claim
 - c. Guard
 - d. Span
3. Flamingos were about to have died out until laws were passed to protect them
 - a. Become confined
 - b. Become extinct
 - c. Become infected
 - d. Become deformed
4. Saint Elm's Fire is a phenomenon that occurs when ships discharging harmless electrical charges into atmosphere appear to shine.
 - a. Fade
 - b. Shrink
 - c. Glow
 - d. Vanish
5. The number of insect species is greater than that of all other animal species.
 - a. Exceeds.
 - b. Equals
 - c. Augments
 - d. Predicts.
6. Caves are often formed by selective wearing away of cliffs by the sea.
 - a. Erosion
 - b. Evasion
 - c. Extension
 - d. Eradication
7. Honeybees live in a complicated society of ten to fifty thousand members.
 - a. Concealed

- b. Complex
 - c. Cooperative
 - d. Congested
8. Stephen Foster was one of America's most popular and productive songwriters, composing more than two hundred songs in his lifetimes.
- a. Prolific
 - b. Gifted
 - c. Industrious
 - d. Renowned
9. All drinks that include saccharin must be marked with a warning label because saccharin may cause cancer.
- a. Packages.
 - b. Medications.
 - c. Beverages.
 - d. Desserts.
10. A chance sample can often provide information about a larger population.
- a. Product
 - b. Genuine
 - c. Random
 - d. Modified.
11. Magma is the primary source of all the earth's rocks.
- a. Cheapest
 - b. First
 - c. Nearest
 - d. Worst
12. Sharks must swim all the time to avoid sinking.
- a. Swiftly
 - b. Rarely
 - c. Precisely
 - d. Constantly
13. Microprocessors, unlike computers, are programmed to complete defined tasks.
- a. Specific
 - b. Arduous
 - c. Several
 - d. Similar
14. The galaxy slowly circles around a spherical center.
- a. Expands
 - b. Rotates
 - c. Accelerates
 - d. Vibrates.
15. The most admired annual golf event in America is the Masters Tournament, held in Augusta, Georgia.

- a. Exhausting
 - b. Controversial
 - c. Competitive
 - d. Prestigious
16. Although some species are native to temperate zones, most orchids grow in damp, hot countries
- a. Isolated
 - b. Arid
 - c. Humid
 - d. Island
17. The chickadee is noted for its tameness and quickness.
- a. Audacity
 - b. Geniality
 - c. Agility
 - d. Irritability
18. The population of the United States is roughly 300 million
- a. unfortunately
 - b. ideally
 - c. approximately
 - d. usually
19. Carbohydrates are plentiful in nature, where they serve as an immediate source of energy.
- a. Abundant
 - b. Obscure
 - c. Unstable
 - d. Reliable
20. The gorilla, the largest of the apes, is now able to be bred in confinement.
- a. Haste
 - b. Safety
 - c. Captivity
 - d. Intervals
21. A nuclear power plant gives off less radiation than a granite structure of similar proportion, such as the Lincoln Memorial.
- a. Repels
 - b. Concentrates.
 - c. Confines
 - d. Emits
22. Like snakes, many insects grow by throwing away their skin several times.
- a. Digesting
 - b. Stretching
 - c. Discarding
 - d. Mending

23. Volcanoes are formed where the plates in the earth's crust meet
- a. crack
 - b. intersect
 - c. collapse
 - d. float.
24. Some sedimentary rocks are made entirely of very large coral beds.
- a. Unusual
 - b. Mature
 - c. Massive
 - d. Subterranean
25. In the fetus, cartilage forms a temporary skeleton that will gradually be changed into bone
- a. Transformed
 - b. Straightened
 - c. Hardened
 - d. Fused
26. Some scientists have argued that the purpose of the human appendix may have been to digest uncooked meat and bark, functions that are now no longer useful.
- a. Simulated
 - b. Perilous
 - c. Obsolete
 - d. sluggish
27. Canada and the United States are cooperating to clean up the dirty lakes along their borders.
- a. Contaminated
 - b. Huge
 - c. Mutual
 - d. Gorgeous
28. Deterioration in the areas around the center of the city is a common urban problem.
- a. Dense population
 - b. Expensive land
 - c. Heavy traffic
 - d. Gradual decline
29. Technical books often have words list at the end
- a. Quiz
 - b. Appendix
 - c. Chart
 - d. Glossary
30. Jet engines go in the opposite direction upon touchdown
- a. Extinguish
 - b. Reverse
 - c. Explode
 - d. Hesitate.