

# UNIT 1: THE HOME LIFE

## I. PHONETICS:

### A. Choose the word which is stressed differently from the rest.

1. A. hospital                      B. mischievous                      C. supportive                      D. special
2. A. family                      B. whenever                      C. obedient                      D. solution
3. A. biologist                      B. generally                      C. responsible                      D. security

### B. Choose the word which has the underlined part pronounced differently from the rest.

4. A. cookss                      B. lovess                      C. joinss                      D. spendss
5. A. advisess                      B. raisess                      C. devisess                      D. goess

## II. Choose a, b, c, or d that best completes each sentence.

6. Each of us must take \_\_\_\_\_ for our own actions.  
A. probability                      B. ability                      C. possibility                      D. responsibility
7. These quick and easy \_\_\_\_\_ can be effective in the short term, but they have a cost.  
A. solve                      B. solvable                      C. solutions                      D. solvability
8. John is \_\_\_\_\_ only child in his family so his parents love him a lot.  
A. a                      B. an                      C. the                      D. no article
9. According to the boss, John is the most \_\_\_\_\_ for the position of executive secretary.  
A. supportive                      B. caring                      C. suitable                      D. comfortable
10. Most doctors and nurses have to work on a \_\_\_\_\_ once or twice a week at the hospital.  
A. solution                      B. night shift                      C. household chores                      D. special dishes
11. What are the \_\_\_\_\_ of that country? - I think it is some kinds of cheese and sauces.  
A. drinks                      B. beverages                      C. grains                      D. special dishes
12. It is parents' duty and responsibility to \_\_\_\_\_ hands to take care of their children and give them a happy home.  
A. shake                      B. hold                      C. join                      D. take

13. Peter tried his best and passed the driving test at the first \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. try                      B. attempt                      C. doing                      D. aim
14. Where is Jimmy? - He is \_\_\_\_\_ work. He is busy \_\_\_\_\_ his monthly report.
- A. on / for                      B. in / about                      C. to / through                      D. at / with
15. We are not allowed \_\_\_\_\_ jeans at school.
- A. wear                      B. to wear                      C. wearing                      D. worn
16. Sometimes I do not feel like \_\_\_\_\_ to my sibling about my troubles.
- A. talk                      B. to talk                      C. talking                      D. talked
17. He has been very interested in doing research on \_\_\_\_\_ since he was at high school.
- A. biology                      B. biological                      C. biologist                      D. biologically
18. John \_\_\_\_\_ a respectful and obedient student.
- A. said to be                      B. is said                      C. is said being                      D. is said to be
19. I love \_\_\_\_\_ films but I seldom find time to go to the cinema.
- A. see                      B. saw                      C. seen                      D. seeing
20. In the last hundred years, traveling \_\_\_\_\_ much easier and more comfortable.
- A. becomes                      B. has become                      C. became                      D. will become
21. When Carol \_\_\_\_\_ last night, I \_\_\_\_\_ my favorite show on television.
- A. was calling / watched                      B. called / have watched  
C. called / was watching                      D. had called / watched
22. In the 19<sup>th</sup> century, it \_\_\_\_\_ two or three months to cross North America by covered wagon.
- A. took                      B. had taken                      C. has taken                      D. was taking
23. By this time next summer, you \_\_\_\_\_ your studies.
- A. completes                      B. will complete  
C. are completing                      D. will have completed
24. Right now, Jim \_\_\_\_\_ the newspaper and Kathy \_\_\_\_\_ dinner.
- A. reads / has cooked                      B. is reading / is cooking  
C. has read / was cooking                      D. read / will be cooking

25. Last night at this time, they \_\_\_\_\_ the same thing. She \_\_\_\_\_ and he \_\_\_\_\_ the Newspaper.
- A. are doing / is cooking / is reading                      B. were doing / was cooking / was reading
- C. was doing / has cooked / is reading                      D. had done / was cooking / read
26. When I \_\_\_\_\_ home last night, I \_\_\_\_\_ that Jane \_\_\_\_\_ a beautiful candlelight dinner.
- A. had arrived / discovered / prepared                      B. was arriving / had discovered / was preparing
- C. have arrived / was discovering / had prepared                      D. arrived / discovered / was preparing
27. She \_\_\_\_\_ working on that manuscript for 2 years now.
- A. will be                      B. has been                      C. had been                      D. is
28. Neither Maria nor her friends \_\_\_\_\_ to visit the museum this weekend.
- A. is going                      B. are going                      C. has gone                      D. have gone
29. When she was in college, Julia \_\_\_\_\_ home at least once a week.
- A. writes                      B. wrote                      C. was writing                      D. would write
30. While Mary was cleaning the apartment, her husband \_\_\_\_\_ TV.
- A. watched                      B. was watching                      C. would watch                      D. has watched
31. Ancient Egyptians mummified the dead bodies through the use of chemicals, \_\_\_\_\_ ancient Peruvians did through natural processes.
- A. because                      B. whereas                      C. whether or not                      D. even though
32. I'm sorry, but I've got \_\_\_\_\_ much work to do to come to the beach today.
- A. too                      B. such                      C. enough                      D. so
33. \_\_\_\_\_, he would have been able to pass the exam.
- A. Studying more                      B. Had he studied more
- C. If he studied more                      D. If he were studying more
34. I have never listened to jazz music before.
- A. This is the first time I listened to jazz music.
- B. This is the first jazz music I listen to.

C. This is the first time I have listened to jazz music.

D. This is the first time I listen to jazz music.

35. If you had arrived, you would have had the chance of meeting the chairman.

A. You hadn't arrived so you hadn't had the chance of meeting the chairman.

B. You didn't have the chance of meeting the chairman because you didn't arrive.

C. If you arrived, you would have the chance of meeting the chairman.

D. You don't arrive so you don't have the chance of meeting the chairman.

**Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word or phrase that is OPPOSITE in meaning to the italic part in each of the following question.**

36. Mr. Smith's new neighbors appear to be very *friendly*.

A. amicable

B. inapplicable

C. hostile

D. futile

37. She got up late and *rushed* to the bus stop.

A. came into

B. went leisurely

C. went quickly

D. dropped by

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word or phrase that could best replace the underlined part without changing the meaning of the sentence**

38. We should join hands to make our city green, clean and elegant.

A. put together

B. make decisions

C. take action

D. work together

39. Billy, come and give me a hand with cooking.

A. help

B. prepared

C. be busy

D. attempt

40. Whenever problems come up, we discuss them frankly and find solutions quickly.

A. happen

B. encounter

C. arrive

D. clean

**III. Choose the underlined word or phrase that needs correcting:**

41. Janet is used to cook on an electric stove after having a gas one for so long.

A

B

C

D

42. Stuart stopped to write his letter because he had to leave for the hospital.

A

B

C

D

43. Linda has worn her new yellow dress only once since she buys it.

A

B

C

D

44. Mr. Ba rides his bicycle to work at the moment.

A B C D

45. Mrs Steven, along with her cousins from New York, are planning to attend the festivities.

A B C D

#### IV. READING:

##### A. Read the passage carefully and choose the correct answer.

Jean spent her first few years in Hooper and her family moved to Otsego early in her life. She was only ten when her father died unexpectedly, leaving her mother to raise and support their family alone. Her mother soon went to work outside the home to provide for the family, and Jean, being one of the oldest, had to help care for her younger siblings. Although she had much responsibility at home, Jean thoroughly enjoyed school and was an excellent student. She went on to graduate 10th in her class at Otsego High School in 1953.

While still in high school, Jean met a young man named Charles "Chuck" Holly, at a dance in Alamo; and they were quite taken with each other. Over the next few years, their love for each other blossomed and they were married on February 24, 1953, while Jean was still in school. At the time, Chuck was serving his country in the military, and had come home *on leave* to marry his sweetheart. Unfortunately, shortly thereafter, he was sent overseas to serve in Korea for the next fifteen months.

Upon his discharge, the couple settled into married life together in the Plainwell, Otsego area. To help *make ends meet*, Jean went to work at the collection bureau in Kalamazoo for a while, before taking a job at the cheese company in Otsego. In 1964, Chuck and Jean were overjoyed with the birth of their son, Chuck, who brought great joy into their lives. Jean remembered how her mother was always gone so much working after her father died and she did not want that for her son, so she left her job to devote herself to the role of a mother. [*be taken with sb/sth: find sb/sth attractive or interesting;*

*on leave: absent with permission; blossom: develop; make (both) ends meet: earn enough money to live without getting into debt]*

46. Before Jean's father passed away, her mother used to \_\_\_\_\_.

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|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| A. work outside the home    | B. be a housewife      |
| C. support the family alone | D. work as a secretary |

47. Which is not referred to Jean?

- A. She was a responsible girl.

- B. She never helped her mother with household chores.
- C. She often did well at school.
- D. She went to high school.

48. Jean's husband was a \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. teacher
- B. dancer
- C. soldier
- D. servant

servant

49. Jean \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. served in the military
- B. lived in Korea for fifteen months
- C. had a daughter
- D. got married when she was a student

student

50. Which is not TRUE about Jean?

- A. She disliked staying at home and taking care of her child.
- B. She worked outside the home before she had a child.
- C. She was very happy when she got a baby.
- D. She quit her job to look after her baby.

**B. Choose the most suitable option to complete the passage.**

As we know that Americans prefer (51) \_\_\_ and cultural influences very early in life. Most American families (52) \_\_\_ their children as small adults. Their (53) \_\_\_ opinions are important. They are given choices. Even from a very early age, they are encouraged to (54) \_\_\_ independence. Their self-esteem is more important than their grades (55) \_\_\_ school. This comes as a surprise for many newcomers. American teenagers can live apart (56) \_\_\_ their parents whenever they want. In many other countries, children have almost (57) \_\_\_ right to choose, and they have to eat what they are given; their self-esteem is usually tied to academic, athletic, or (58) \_\_\_ accomplishments. Vietnamese children are usually considered to be typical of dependence. They are (59) \_\_\_ dependent on their parents and some children are taken such a good care that they cannot even (60) \_\_\_ any decision of their own.

- 51. A. independent
- B. independence
- C. independently
- D. dependently

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|----------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|--------|
| 52. A. believe<br>submit         | B. cure       | C. treat        | D.     |
| 53. A. children's<br>childrens's | B. childrens' | C. children     | D.     |
| 54. A. let<br>become             | B. practice   | C. choose       | D.     |
| 55. A. at                        | B. upon       | C. on           | D. in  |
| 56. A. in                        | B. for        | C. from         | D. of  |
| 57. A. not<br>neither            | B. no         | C. nor          | D.     |
| 58. A. create<br>creative        | B. creation   | C. creativeness | D.     |
| 59. A. quite<br>quiet            | B. such       | C. few          | D.     |
| 60. A. do                        | B. make       | C. call         | D. let |

**SENTENCE TRANSFORMATION:**

1. If she doesn't work harder, she'll lose her job.  
- Unless .....
2. He is sorry now that he didn't invite Jane to his party.  
- He wishes .....
3. I understood very little of what the headmaster said.  
- I could hardly .....
4. The walls of this house need painting.  
- The walls of this house need to .....
5. I've forgotten that actor's name but he's very well-known.  
- That actor, wh- .....
6. "Let's organize a sponsored cycle race."  
- The children suggested .....
7. He is extremely rich but very mean  
- In spite of .....

8. You'd better not touch that switch.

- If I were you, .....

9. I'd rather you didn't smoke here

- Would you mind .....?

10. How long is it since you saw Tom?

- When .....

11. Somebody has cleaned my shoes and brushed my suit.

- My shoes .....

12. "I'm going away tomorrow, mother."he said.

- He told his mother .....

13. She was born in that city.

- That is the city .....

14. Riding a motorcycle without a helmet is dangerous.

- It is .....

15. The teacher said, "You may leave early.

- The teacher allowed .....

16. "Don't forget to brush your teeth."his father said.

- His father reminded .....

17. Advertising this new kind of soap is necessary.

- We find it .....

18. I'm very pleased that I'll go to London next week.

- I'm looking forward .....

19. He started playing football five years ago.

- He has .....

20. Whom does the car belong to?

- Whose .....