

# Grammar Test

Time: **25** minutes**40** questions

## Part I

### Directions:

Questions **1-20** are incomplete sentences. Beneath each sentence you will see four or five words or phrases marked **(A)**, **(B)**, **(C)**, and **(D)**. Choose the one word or phrase that best completes the sentence.

**Note:** you may not choose two answers as correct. In this situation, **none of these answers will be counted in.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ its richness and varied coloring, Schubert's Symphony in C has enjoyed a deserved reputation among classical music lovers.

- (A)** Renowning by  
**(B)** Renownable to

- (C)** Renowned for  
**(D)** Renowning with

2. Chopin, a famous Polish composer, died at Place Vendome, \_\_\_\_\_.

- (A)** a famous Paris square  
**(B)** it is a famous Paris square

- (C)** a famous Paris square which  
**(D)** that is a famous Paris square

3. From the inception of his long and distinguished career, Frank Lloyd Wright was concerned with how \_\_\_\_\_ architecture with topography.

- (A)** integrating  
**(B)** to integrate

- (C)** did he integrate  
**(D)** integrated

4. Extensive forests, \_\_\_\_\_, abundant wildlife, and beautiful waterfalls are among the attractions of Glacier National Park.

- (A)** it has spectacular mountain scenery  
**(B)** the mountain scenery is spectacular

- (C)** spectacular mountain scenery  
**(D)** and the spectacular scenery of the mountains

5. Readily soluble in sulfuric and nitric acid, mercury is \_\_\_\_\_ birth defects can easily result from its ingestion by pregnant women.

- (A)** such poisonous that  
**(B)** so poisonous that

- (C)** too poisonous that  
**(D)** very poisonous that

6. Generally, the representatives \_\_\_\_\_ a legislature are constitutionally elected by a broad spectrum of the population.

- (A)** who they compose  
**(B)** who compose

- (C)** had compose  
**(D)** compose

7. One theory of the origin of the universe is \_\_\_\_\_ from the explosion of a tiny, extremely dense fireball several billion years ago.

- (A)** because what formed  
**(B)** the formation that

- (C)** that it formed  
**(D)** when forming

8. It was \_\_\_\_\_ the Industrial Revolution that the United States was able to increase productivity through mechanization.

- (A)** when  
**(B)** at the time

- (C)** during  
**(D)** because

9. \_\_\_\_\_ the hamster's basic diet is vegetarian, some hamsters also eat insects.

- (A) Despite
- (B) Although
- (C) Regardless of
- (D) Consequently

10. \_\_\_\_\_ one after another, parallel computers perform groups of operations at the same time.

- (A) Conventional computers, by handling tasks
- (B) Since tasks being handled by conventional computers
- (C) Whereas conventional computers handle tasks
- (D) While tasks handled by conventional computers

11. The soybean contains vitamins, essential minerals, \_\_\_\_\_ high percentage of protein.

- (A) a
- (B) and a
- (C) since a
- (D) of which a

12. From the beginning of the twentieth century to the present, technology \_\_\_\_\_ people are beginning to imagine there are no limits to what we can achieve.

- (A) progressed to the point that
- (B) has to progress to a point
- (C) has progressed to the point that
- (D) progressed a point that

13. It is believed that the modern bird \_\_\_\_\_ the pterodactyls that existed millions of years ago.

- (A) was evolved from
- (B) evolved from
- (C) evolved
- (D) was evolving from

14. A trap \_\_\_\_\_ disguise is what has come to be called a Trojan Horse, from the ancient story of the gift of the wooden horse from the Greeks.

- (A) offered a gift of
- (B) offers a gift in
- (C) offering a gift to
- (D) offered as a gift in

15. The development of the light bulb \_\_\_\_\_ partly as a result of the widespread availability of electricity and the need for cheap, clean light.

- (A) occurring
- (B) was occurring
- (C) was occurred
- (D) occurred

16. Telecommuting is a new form of work \_\_\_\_\_ to work, such as fathers with children, the chance to work while remaining at home.

- (A) affording those previously unable
- (B) affords those who were previously unable
- (C) that affording those unable previously
- (D) afforded those previously unable

17. \_\_\_\_\_ big cats, housecats have polyphasic sleeping patterns; that is, they take several naps a day.

- (A) They are like
- (B) Like
- (C) It is the
- (D) The

18. \_\_\_\_\_ many communications companies are now able to offer radio and television broadcasts over the Internet.

- (A) Advanced technology has enabled
- (B) Introducing advanced technology and
- (C) Because the introduction of advanced technology
- (D) With the introduction of advanced technology

19. \_\_\_\_\_ its area of defense, a fort should be built on an elevation and with some sort of natural feature of the landscape to obstruct direct access to the fort.

- (A) To better protect
- (B) Protecting better
- (C) For the better of
- (D) It is better for

20. \_\_\_\_\_ Einstein was able to come up with a theory that has yet to be disproved.

- (A) Other scientists
- (B) Similar to other scientists
- (C) Just as other scientists
- (D) To be a scientist

## Part II

### Directions:

In questions **21-40**, each sentence has four underlined words or phrases. These four underlined parts of the sentence are **(A)**, **(B)**, **(C)**, and **(D)**. Identify the one word or phrase that must be changed in order for the sentence to be correct.

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21. The rapid grow of Boston during the mid-nineteenth century coincided with a large influx of European immigrants.  
A B C D

22. A gene is a biological unit of information who directs the activity of a cell or organism during its lifetime.  
A B C D

23. The flowering of African American talent in literature, music, and art in the 1920's in New York City became to know as the Harlem Renaissance.  
A B C D

24. Gravitation keeps the Moon in orbit around the Earth and the planets other of the solar system in orbit around the Sun.  
A B C D

25. In 1908 Olive Campbell started writing down folk songs by rural people in the southern Appalachian mountains near hers home.  
A B C D

26. The thirteen stripes of the United States flag represent the original thirteen states of the Union, which they all were once colonies of Britain.  
A B C D

27. In 1860, more as 90 percent of the people of Indiana lived in rural areas, with only a few cities having a population exceeding 10,000.  
A B C D

28. Photograph was revolutionized in 1831 by the introduction of the collodion process for making glass negatives.  
A B C D

29. After flax is washed, dry, beaten, and combed, fibers are obtained for use in making fabric.  
A B C D

30. A fever is caused which blood cells release proteins called pyrogens, raising the body's temperature.  
A B C D

31. The United States National Labor Relations Board is authorized to investigation allegations of unfair labor practices on the part of either employers or employees.  
A B C D

32. Because of various gift-giving holidays, most stores clothing in the United States do almost as much

business in November and December as they do in the other ten months combined.

A

B

C

D

33. The Great Potato Famine in Ireland in the 1840's caused an unprecedented numbers of people from Ireland to immigrate to the United States.

A

B

C

D

34. The particles comprising a given cloud are continually changing, as new ones are added while others are taking away by moving air.

A

B

C

D

35. The lemur is an unusual animal belonging to the same order than monkeys and apes.

A

B

C

D

36. Cheese may be hard or soft, depending on the amount of water left into it and the character of the cutting.

A

B

C

D

37. At first the poems of E.E. Cummings gained notoriety to their idiosyncratic punctuation and typography, but they have gradually been recognized for their lyric power as well.

A

B

C

D

38. Political parties in the United States help to coordinate campaigns of their members and organizes the statewide and national conventions that mark election years.

A

B

C

D

39. The Appalachian Mountains formation a natural barrier between the eastern seaboard and the vast lowlands of the continental interior of North America.

A

B

C

D

40. While the process of photosynthesis in green plants, light energy is captured and used to convert water, carbon dioxide, and minerals into oxygen and organic compounds.

A

B

C

D