

# Practice Test 2a

PRACTICE  
TEST  
2a

## A Vocabulary and structure

### 1 Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:

- 1 Tanta is the city \_\_\_\_\_ my grandparents were born.  
a which                      b where                      c who                      d when
- 2 My mother really \_\_\_\_\_ it when my sisters and I cooked dinner for her.  
a apologised                      b appreciated                      c appealed                      d thanked
- 3 This is the book \_\_\_\_\_ my favourite character goes to the Arctic.  
a which                      b that                      c in which                      d to which
- 4 Mr Shabana has an important \_\_\_\_\_ in the government.  
a role                      b roll                      c rule                      d root
- 5 Omar, \_\_\_\_\_ mother is a scientist, always does well in the science tests.  
a whose                      b who                      c who's                      d for whom
- 6 The army captain is in \_\_\_\_\_ of fifty soldiers today.  
a charge                      b change                      c core                      d care
- 7 Lina has two brothers, but they are not good at basketball because \_\_\_\_\_ tall.  
a either is                      b each are                      c neither is                      d neither are
- 8 I don't think that tree is \_\_\_\_\_ any more. All its leaves are brown.  
a live                      b life                      c alive                      d alone
- 9 There was a fire in the toyshop and \_\_\_\_\_ toy was damaged.  
a both                      b all                      c every                      d half
- 10 Ali said that he would be here at midday and here he is. He never \_\_\_\_\_ a promise.  
a takes                      b breaks                      c makes                      d keeps
- 11 It is \_\_\_\_\_ big car that all the family can travel in it.  
a so                      b such                      c enough                      d such a
- 12 We walked a really long way to get to the shop, but it was in \_\_\_\_\_. It had already closed.  
a veil                      b vein                      c vain                      d view
- 13 Ahmed thinks that it is \_\_\_\_\_ hot to play tennis in the park today.  
a so                      b such                      c enough                      d too
- 14 The publisher told the writer that the \_\_\_\_\_ for his new book was next April.  
a deadline                      b debt                      c line                      d end
- 15 The phone is \_\_\_\_\_ for her to buy. She doesn't have enough money.  
a expensive enough                      b too expensive                      c so expensive                      d such an expensive
- 16 It is usual for people to suffer from \_\_\_\_\_ when they have an important job.  
a stressful                      b distressed                      c stress                      d stressed
- 17 The question was \_\_\_\_\_ difficult that nobody could answer it.  
a so                      b such                      c enough                      d too
- 18 Using the computer for a long time \_\_\_\_\_ Hana headaches  
a takes                      b gives                      c does                      d makes
- 19 My sister is \_\_\_\_\_ to go to school. She is only two.  
a so old                      b too old                      c not old enough                      d such old

- 20 This book has some useful \_\_\_\_\_ on how best to revise.  
 a tops                      b taps                      c tapes                      d tips
- 21 Hamdi wants to study \_\_\_\_\_ English or history at university. He's not sure.  
 a either                      b both                      c neither                      d half
- 22 We usually take a 30-\_\_\_\_\_ break at a school.  
 a minutes                      b minute                      c minutes'                      d minute's
- 23 My mother gave \_\_\_\_\_ child at the party a small present.  
 a all                      b each                      c either                      d both
- 24 Don't drink too much coffee or it will keep you \_\_\_\_\_ at night.  
 a wake                      b woken                      c asleep                      d awake
- 25 Our school is \_\_\_\_\_ kilometre from my house.  
 a half of                      b half a                      c half of a                      d half
- 26 Khaled wants to be a \_\_\_\_\_ so he can work for the government.  
 a political                      b politics                      c politician                      d population
- 27 The shop, \_\_\_\_\_ I visited last week, has some great souvenirs.  
 a when                      b where                      c who                      d which
- 28 The palace is very \_\_\_\_\_. It has more than 30 rooms!  
 a impressed                      b impressive                      c improved                      d industrial
- 29 I could not decide \_\_\_\_\_ to wear to the wedding party.  
 a which                      b what                      c that                      d who
- 30 Dr Sakr would like to take \_\_\_\_\_ more work at the hospital but she doesn't have time.  
 a on                      b up                      c over                      d in

## B Reading Comprehension

### 2 Read the following passage, then answer the questions:

Heba had worked in nursing for many years. She was in charge of four other nurses and she was respected by each member of staff at the hospital. It was difficult and sometimes very stressful work. She was responsible for the health of a lot of people. However, she always felt happy when people recovered and finally went home again. She always found this very rewarding.

She worked such long hours that it was sometimes difficult to be sociable after work. She usually went home and watched a film on television with her family. She found this a good way to *unwind*.

It was a Tuesday morning. Heba had started work very early that day and she was doing her regular check of the patients. She gave them their medicine and made sure that they were comfortable. Then she went to check a new patient. He was in a private room, separate from the other patients. He was a man who had been sent to the hospital the night before after a bad traffic accident.

Heba looked at the man, who was unconscious when he first arrived. Heba had seen him before. He was a famous actor who everybody in her family knew and liked. The doctor said that he had suffered a bad head injury from the crash. He was so ill that he would have to stay in hospital for many weeks. But something was very strange. Heba had seen him in a film the week before. In the film, he had to go to hospital after an accident, and he had later died. Heba didn't want that to happen in her hospital!

- 1 Why was the man who came to hospital unconscious?
  - a He had fallen asleep.
  - b He was not alive.
  - c He had had a bad accident.
  - d The nurse did not know.
- 2 Why do you think that he was in a private room?
  - a He was very poor.
  - b He had a dangerous disease.
  - c He didn't like other people.
  - d He was famous.
- 3 What was unusual about the actor coming to hospital?
  - a The same thing had happened to him in a film.
  - b He had never been there before.
  - c He was never usually ill.
  - d He usually had private doctors.
- 4 Where does this text come from?
  - a a science magazine
  - b a newspaper article
  - c a poem
  - d a story
- 5 What does the underlined word that refer to?
  - a the actor dying
  - b Heba's job as a nurse
  - c what the doctor told her
  - d other strange things
- 6 What do you think the word *unwind* means?
  - a go to sleep
  - b sit down
  - c relax
  - d make money
- 7 What did Heba always find rewarding?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8 Why was it sometimes very stressful at Heba's work?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 9 What do you think will happen to the actor? Why?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 10 Do you think that Heba was a good nurse? Why/Why not?  
\_\_\_\_\_

## The Novel

### 3 a Choose the correct answer:

- 1 Why did Colonel Sapt and Fritz von Tarlenheim not eat much that evening?
  - a They knew the food was poisoned.
  - b They were not hungry.
  - c They were very ill.
  - d They did not want to eat much before the important coronation.
- 2 Why did the poor people in the capital want Duke Michael to become King?
  - a They wanted things to change.
  - b They wanted things to stay the same.
  - c They thought he was a lazy man.
  - d They wanted a war with the King.
- 3 The King has to return to the palace in the dark because ... .
  - a they don't want people to know that he was ill
  - b he is not wearing the King's clothes
  - c the poor people would attack him if they saw him
  - d he is frightened of the Duke
- 4 Rudolf has to leave the country before it's light so that ... .
  - a the Duke can become King
  - b nobody knows that he pretended to be the King
  - c he can write a story about what happened
  - d people don't think that he poisoned the King

**b Answer TWO (2) of the following questions:**

- 1 Why do you think Duke Michael tried to get rid of his brother by poisoning him instead of any other way?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2 If you were Rassendyll, would you agree to risk your life and replace the King? Why?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Why do you think that Rudolf really believed that he was the King in the capital city?  
\_\_\_\_\_

**C Writing****4 Finish the following dialogue:**

*Warda is telling Samia about some work.*

**Warda** I've been asked to write an article for a website.

**Samia** 1 \_\_\_\_\_ . What's it about?

**Warda** It's about recycling.

**Samia** 2 \_\_\_\_\_ ?

**Warda** I chose recycling because I think it's an important subject.

**Samia** What is going to be in the article?

**Warda** Well, it's a bit difficult to explain.

**Samia** 3 \_\_\_\_\_ ?

**Warda** Yes, to summarise, the article is going to be about how people can recycle more.

**Samia** 4 \_\_\_\_\_ ?

**Warda** For two reasons. Firstly, I sent them the idea for the article last week and they liked it. 5 \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Samia** When did you write for them before?

**Warda** I wrote an article last year. 6 \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Samia** Well, I'm looking forward to reading it!

**5 Write a paragraph of about ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY (120) words on ONE (1) of the following:**

- a** a job that you would like to do, and why  
**b** a famous woman that you respect

**6 A Translate into Arabic:**

- 1 Egyptian women have always played a vital role in development projects.  
\_\_\_\_\_

- 2 It is important for people to separate their work from their home life.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**B Translate ONE (1) sentence only into English:**

- 1 - لحسن الحظ، كانت المشكلة سهلة جدًا على أخي ليحلها.  
\_\_\_\_\_

- 2 - سوف تتمتع المدارس بكافة الوسائل التعليمية والتكنولوجية الحديثة.  
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# Practice Test 2b

PRACTICE  
TEST  
2b

## A Vocabulary and structure

### 1 Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:

- 1 The explorer did not go with anyone else to Antarctica. He went \_\_\_\_\_.  
a slightly      b solo      c special      d lonely
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_ the rice that you need is in the cupboard.  
a All      b Both      c Either      d Each
- 3 In most countries, you need a/an \_\_\_\_\_ to drive a car.  
a letter      b degree      c licence      d qualification
- 4 Nagwa is enjoying her new job because \_\_\_\_\_ day of the week is different.  
a both      b all      c every      d either
- 5 I told my little brother to read this book because it is \_\_\_\_\_ for young children.  
a suitable      b employable      c reliable      d impossible
- 6 Grandmother says that my brothers and I can \_\_\_\_\_ take a cake from the kitchen.  
a each      b every      c both      d either
- 7 My cousin wants to have a \_\_\_\_\_ in law.  
a mark      b work      c degree      d licence
- 8 There are two restaurants by the park and they are \_\_\_\_\_ very good.  
a all      b either      c each      d both
- 9 To find the bank, walk \_\_\_\_\_ this road and it is on the right.  
a alive      b ashore      c along      d around
- 10 By this time tomorrow, my father \_\_\_\_\_ to England.  
a will fly      b would fly      c will have flown      d flies
- 11 Ashraf is a good student. He never \_\_\_\_\_ the rules.  
a becomes      b blocks      c follows      d breaks
- 12 The light from the sun is \_\_\_\_\_ strong that you cannot look at it.  
a such      b enough      c so      d too
- 13 The maths test was very \_\_\_\_\_ so nobody did very well at it.  
a challenging      b easy      c uncertain      d promising
- 14 You can see Ali now because he \_\_\_\_\_ home.  
a just arrived      b has yet arrived      c has just arrived      d already arrived
- 15 We were very tired after the sports competition and we were all \_\_\_\_\_ by nine o'clock!  
a along      b ahead      c awake      d asleep
- 16 This bag is very heavy. I'm not strong \_\_\_\_\_ to lift it!  
a such      b enough      c so      d too
- 17 They thought they were lost in the desert, but they became \_\_\_\_\_ when they saw a road.  
a hopeful      b dreadful      c helpless      d hopeless
- 18 The bus went \_\_\_\_\_ slowly that it was quicker to walk!  
a such      b enough      c so      d too

- 19 Imad hit his head and became \_\_\_\_\_, but he is feeling much better now.  
 a uncommon      b uncertain      c unconscious      d unhealthy
- 20 This is \_\_\_\_\_ an exciting book that I don't want to stop reading it!  
 a such      b enough      c so      d too
- 21 Mariam has always been good with money and does the \_\_\_\_\_ for a large company in Cairo.  
 a accounts      b accountants      c achievements      d activities
- 22 Jomana, \_\_\_\_\_ is good friends with my sister, is really good at tennis.  
 a who      b whose      c what      d which
- 23 Yunis was ill last year and had to take a lot of time \_\_\_\_\_ work.  
 a from      b in      c on      d off
- 24 This is the hotel \_\_\_\_\_ I stayed when I was young.  
 a which      b what      c where      d when
- 25 Fatma and Mona are very good friends and never like to be \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a helpful      b separated      c obeyed      d together
- 26 This is a book \_\_\_\_\_ the hero travels to space.  
 a which      b where      c in which      d at which
- 27 Mustafa is always very \_\_\_\_\_ and likes to talk to everyone!  
 a social      b sociable      c socially      d sociably
- 28 Saturday, \_\_\_\_\_ we always play football, is always a busy day for me.  
 a that      b on which      c where      d what
- 29 I think that parents should \_\_\_\_\_ the amount of time that children play computer games, because the games are bad for them.  
 a increase      b recycle      c recover      d limit
- 30 Maya \_\_\_\_\_ the fruit carefully before she bought it.  
 a had checked      b checks      c has checked      d checking

## B Reading Comprehension

### 2 Read the following passage, then answer the questions:

In my project, I have to write about three powerful women in history. It is not easy to decide who to write about because there have been many important women! However, I'm going to start with Hatshepsut, who was ruler of ancient Egypt for longer than any other woman. She was the daughter of Thutmose I. During her time as Pharaoh, she helped to build many important buildings, started trade with new countries and won some important wars. She died in around 1458 BCE. Archaeologists did not know very much about Hatshepsut until the nineteenth century. This might be because pictures and sculptures of the Pharaoh show her as a man.

Next, I want to write about *Emperor Wu Zetian*. Wu Zetian had a good education. She was ruler of China in the first century CE and helped to improve Chinese people's education. Wu Zetian, who died at the age of 80, also helped to improve China's agriculture. In that way, there was enough food for everyone to eat. She is impressive because she is the only woman in China to have ruled as an Emperor.

Finally, I will include Britain's Queen Victoria who ruled from 1837 to 1901. She was a respected Queen for 63 years at a time when Britain was the most powerful country in the world. She was also a wife and the mother of nine children. The Queen insisted on a law to stop people using slaves in 1838. She was also responsible for reducing the number of hours that people had to work in factories.

- 1 Which of the following did Hatshepsut not do to help ancient Egypt?  
 a sell goods to other countries      b win battles with other countries  
 c help to build      d open new schools

- 2 How do you think that Wu Zetian's education helped her to be a good ruler?
- a She learned how to help other people.    b She could trade with other countries.  
c She knew about art.    d She could win wars.
- 3 How did Wu Zetian make sure that people had enough to eat?
- a She helped people's education.    b She improved farms.  
c She opened shops.    d She opened factories.
- 4 What is the main idea of the text?
- a Women should be rulers.    b Women can do great things.  
c Women were usually successful in the past.  
d You can trust women.
- 5 What does the underlined word this refer to?
- a Why archaeologists did not know very much about Hatshepsut.  
b Why Hatshepsut died.  
c Why people thought Hatshepsut was a man.  
d Why people painted pictures of Hatshepsut.
- 6 What do you think the word *Emperor* refers to?
- a someone's name    b a part of China  
c the name of a book    d the title of a ruler
- 7 Do you agree with the choice of these three women? Why/Why not?
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- 8 Which three women does the writer choose to write about?
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- 9 What were 3 of Hatshepsut's accomplishments?
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- 10 Give a suitable title for this passage.
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## The Novel

### 3 a Choose the correct answer:

- 1 Why wasn't Rassendyll as sick as the King was?
- a He was stronger than the King.    b He did not eat the same food as the King.  
c He did not eat as many cakes as the King.    d He knew what was planned for the King.
- 2 How does Rassendyll feel about pretending to be the King?
- a He is looking forward to it.    b He feels nervous.  
c He feels confident.    d He loves it.
- 3 What was the city of Strelsau like?
- a It was modern.    b It was very old.  
c It was a mixture of old and new buildings.    d It was very poor.
- 4 Why do you think that Rassendyll was afraid when he saw Antoinette de Mauban on the balcony?
- a Because he thought that she might recognise him.  
b Because she recognised him.  
c Because she wanted to marry the King.  
d Because she knew that he was not the King.

### b Answer TWO (2) of the following questions:

- 1 Why do you think that Fritz and Sapt locked up Johann's mother with the King?
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2 Why do you think that Sapt told Rassendyll the history of the King's life?

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3 Was Rassendyll right not to bear responsibilities in England? Why?

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### C Writing

#### 4 Finish the following dialogue:

*Ramy and Shady are talking about a friend who has a new job.*

**Ramy** Ahmed has got a new job at the bank in Damietta.

**Shady** 1 \_\_\_\_\_ . When does he start?

**Ramy** Next week. 2 \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Shady** Yes, I'm sure he can't wait to start. 3 \_\_\_\_\_ ?

**Ramy** For two reasons. Firstly, because they pay him well.

4 \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Shady** Yes, you must be good with numbers to work in a bank!

**Ramy** He has friends in Damietta, too.

**Shady** 5 \_\_\_\_\_ ?

**Ramy** Yes. He knows Damietta very well, too. Look. This is the title of his new job. It's very long.

**Shady** 6 \_\_\_\_\_ ?

**Ramy** Yes. To paraphrase, it means that he is in charge of business accounts.

#### 5 Write an email to your friend of ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY (120) words on ONE (1) of the following:

Your name is Gehad. Your friend's name is Shams. His/Her address is Shams@newmail.com.

a the important role of women in society

b a job you would like to do and why you would like to do it

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#### 6 A Translate into Arabic:

1 In 2003, Dr Karimat El-Sayed won an award as one of the world's best scientists.

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2 The problem with freelance work is that you don't always get regular work.

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#### B Translate ONE (1) sentence only into English:

1 - هل تعلم أن أول أطباء أسنان في العالم كانوا مصريين؟

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2 - احترس! هذا المكان أعمق من أن يسبح فيه الأطفال.

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- 19 The new building will be used \_\_\_\_\_ young children who do not go to school yet.  
 a to                      b with                      c at                      d by
- 20 I didn't like the soup without salt. I thought it was \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a tasted                      b tasty                      c teased                      d tasteless
- 21 That old hotel \_\_\_\_\_ as a museum in the future.  
 a could use                      b could be using                      c could be used                      d could have used
- 22 It is amazing how some animals can \_\_\_\_\_ in the desert.  
 a survive                      b survey                      c alive                      d die
- 23 Our house \_\_\_\_\_ decorated yet.  
 a hasn't been                      b hasn't                      c hadn't been                      d won't have
- 24 Scientists think that there is a \_\_\_\_\_ between pollution and climate change.  
 a join                      b connected                      c link                      d secret
- 25 My father \_\_\_\_\_ me tidy my room this morning.  
 a got                      b had                      c has                      d caused
- 26 It is not always easy to get a mobile phone \_\_\_\_\_ in the desert.  
 a sign                      b noise                      c signal                      d side
- 27 I usually \_\_\_\_\_ once a month.  
 a make my hair                      b have cut my hair                      c get my hair                      d have my hair cut
- 28 You must work hard for the exam or you might \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a fail                      b feel                      c fall                      d fill
- 29 You can \_\_\_\_\_ on a T-shirt in that shop.  
 a printing your name                      b have put your name  
 c get your name printed                      d get printed your name
- 30 There is water on the floor. There must be a \_\_\_\_\_ from the washing machine.  
 a luck                      b lock                      c leak                      d lake

## B Reading Comprehension

### 2 Read the following passage, then answer the questions:

How would you feel about travelling into space for six months to live on a planet that is 400 million kilometres from earth? And how would you feel if you had been told that you could never return? That is what is planned for people who are going on the Mars One mission in 2031. Surprisingly, 200,000 applications have been received from people who want to join the mission, even though they know that they will never see earth again.

The people who want to go to Mars say that their plan is not very different from the first Europeans who went to America, or the thousands of people who have left their countries because of war or disease. They also knew that their new lives would be difficult, and that they would probably never see their countries again.

A hundred people who want to go to Mars have been chosen to start special training to see who is suitable. Scientists will get the people to live in a small living space for a long time, without seeing any friends or family. This will be similar to what they can expect on Mars.

The launch will have a crew of just four people for the long journey into space. A special *settlement* will be built on Mars where food will be grown and the four people will live and work. It won't be an easy life: there will be very little water, they will have to grow their own food and the planet is known for its giant dust storms. Despite these problems, for some fearless pioneers, it is a challenge they cannot refuse.

- 1 How many people will be sent to Mars in 2031?  
 a 200,000      b 100      c 4      d 400
- 2 Why did the people decide to travel to Mars?  
 a They want to see if they can survive there.  
 b They want to see the dust storms.  
 c Scientists made them go there.  
 d They don't like earth.
- 3 What is the main idea of the text?  
 a One day, we will all live on Mars.  
 b Life on Mars will be very difficult.  
 c The people who go to Mars will be famous.  
 d Life on Mars will never be possible.
- 4 What does the word *settlement* mean?  
 a a farm      b a place where a group of people live  
 c a factory      d a rocket
- 5 What does the underlined *it* refer to?  
 a an offer to go to Mars      b a six-month journey into space  
 c time spent with three other people      d an offer to send in an application
- 6 How would you feel if someone told you that you could never return to earth?
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- 7 Paraphrase this sentence: *It won't be an easy life: there will be very little water, they will have to grow their own food and the planet is known for its giant dust storms.*
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- 8 Do you think that many people will live on Mars in the future? Why/Why not?
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- 9 Find a word that means *one of the first people to travel to an unknown place and begin living there.*
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- 10 How far is Mars from earth?  
 a 400,000,000 kms      b 400,000 kms      c 4,000,000 kms      d 2,000,000 kms

## The Novel

### 3 a Choose the correct answer:

- 1 What do Sapt and Rassendyll find when they return to the lodge in the forest?  
 a the body of the King      b the body of Josef  
 c the Duke      d an empty house
- 2 Why does Rassendyll have to continue pretending to be the King?  
 a Because the real King has been kidnapped.      b Because he enjoys it.  
 c Because Sapt wants him to become King.      d Because the Princess asks him.
- 3 Why can't the Duke kill the real King?  
 a He is already dead.      b Because then Rassendyll stays as the King.  
 c He doesn't know where he is.      d Because he loves his half brother.
- 4 Why does Duke Michael want Rassendyll to meet his special soldiers?  
 a He wants to be friendly.      b He wants to frighten Rassendyll.  
 c He wants them to work for Rassendyll.      d He wants Rassendyll to give them a job.

**b Answer TWO (2) of the following questions:**

1 Do you agree that Rassendyll was lucky? Why? / Why not?

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2 What do you think might have happened if Sapt and Fritz had been poisoned like the King?

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3 Why do you think that Sapt and Rassendyll left the palace through a secret tunnel?

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**C Writing****4 Finish the following dialogue:**

*Hazem and Imad are talking about revising.*

**Hazem** I've heard that you always revise at night. **1** \_\_\_\_\_?

**Imad** Yes, that's right.

**Hazem** **2** \_\_\_\_\_?

**Imad** One advantage is that it is much quieter at night.

**Hazem** **3** \_\_\_\_\_. It is quieter then. **4** \_\_\_\_\_?

**Imad** A negative side is that I feel tired the next day.

**Hazem** Yes, I'm sure you feel tired. It's harder to remember things at night, isn't it?

**Imad** **5** \_\_\_\_\_. I remember things better then.

**Hazem** Well, we all have different ways to revise!

**Imad** **6** \_\_\_\_\_.

**5 Write a paragraph of ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY (120) words on ONE (1) of the following:**

- a a description of a journey into space
- b the advantages and disadvantages of artificial intelligence

**6 A Translate into Arabic:**

1 Scientific research is very important, as it paves the way towards a better life.

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2 Everyone should play a positive role in developing our country and achieving progress.

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**B Translate ONE (1) sentence only into English:**

1 - يستطيع رواد الفضاء ممارسة رياضة انعدام الوزن أثناء مهمتهم في الكواكب.

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2 - لم يعد الفضاء غامضاً بفضل المجهودات العظيمة للعلماء.

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## A Vocabulary and structure

### 1 Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:

- 1 We don't know much about the bottom of the oceans because some of them have not been \_\_\_\_\_.  
a explained      b explored      c existed      d found
- 2 I can't wait for the holidays. My parents \_\_\_\_\_ my sisters and me to our favourite beach!  
a are taken      b are taking      c will have been taken      d take
- 3 That is a \_\_\_\_\_ hotel! It's the biggest building in the city.  
a giant      b mass      c hostile      d tiny
- 4 A new school \_\_\_\_\_ near my home and it will be open next year.  
a will build      b was building      c is building      d is being built
- 5 The colour of this new car is \_\_\_\_\_. I don't like it at all.  
a ideal      b hopeless      c horrible      d ordinary
- 6 Hundreds of sailing boats \_\_\_\_\_ from the beach yesterday. They looked really lovely.  
a can be seen      b are seen      c could be seen      d were being seen
- 7 It takes many hours for the rocket to \_\_\_\_\_ the Space Station.  
a get      b go      c reach      d travel
- 8 The teacher says that a new subject \_\_\_\_\_ next week.  
a is taught      b will be taught      c will teach      d is going to teach
- 9 The rocket will be \_\_\_\_\_ into space tomorrow morning.  
a launched      b taken      c kept      d led
- 10 Our rubbish \_\_\_\_\_ every week.  
a are collected      b is collected      c was collecting      d is collecting
- 11 You should only phone 123 in a/an \_\_\_\_\_.  
a emotion      b emergency      c ambulance      d situation
- 12 A lot more birds \_\_\_\_\_ on the shore this year.  
a have been seen      b have seen      c had been seen      d saw
- 13 I can't talk to you now because I am \_\_\_\_\_ to go out.  
a about      b off      c over      d away
- 14 We can't get on the plane yet because it \_\_\_\_\_.  
a is cleaning      b is cleaned      c has been cleaned      d is being cleaned
- 15 We can't play this computer game because the \_\_\_\_\_ don't work.  
a contents      b crew      c crops      d controls
- 16 When the police arrived at the bank, they realised that the money \_\_\_\_\_.  
a had taken      b has been taken      c had been taken      d has taken
- 17 The teacher asked us to discuss the pros and \_\_\_\_\_ of artificial intelligence.  
a benefits      b cons      c advantages      d content
- 18 That new mobile phone is \_\_\_\_\_ expensive for me to buy.  
a so      b such      c too      d enough

- 19 \_\_\_\_\_ is the study of energy, sound, light etc.  
 a Physics                    b Chemicals                    c Geography                    d Political Science
- 20 The bridge \_\_\_\_\_ is near my house is more than two hundred years old.  
 a that                    b to which                    c where                    d what
- 21 The police do not know the \_\_\_\_\_ of the accident in the street yesterday.  
 a challenge                    b reason                    c cause                    d benefit
- 22 Mariam \_\_\_\_\_ the windows yesterday. They look nice and clean now!  
 a got                    b had                    c cleaned                    d got cleaned
- 23 The light from the sun that damages our skin is \_\_\_\_\_. You can't see it.  
 a interrupted                    b informed                    c irrational                    d invisible
- 24 Yesterday, we \_\_\_\_\_ our roof repaired after the storm.  
 a have had                    b have                    c have to have                    d had to have
- 25 We get the signal for our mobile phones from that tall \_\_\_\_\_ on the hill.  
 a match                    b mast                    c maze                    d post
- 26 I didn't understand the homework so I \_\_\_\_\_ my friend to help me.  
 a had                    b got                    c was having                    d was had
- 27 I like to do \_\_\_\_\_ work at the hospital. I don't get paid, but I enjoy helping the people there.  
 a loyal                    b freelance                    c voluntary                    d hopeful
- 28 The teacher \_\_\_\_\_ us copy the notes from the blackboard.  
 a got                    b caused                    c had                    d allowed
- 29 Fawzi enjoys working at the hotel, but the \_\_\_\_\_ is that it is a long way from his home.  
 a downside                    b upside                    c benefit                    d pros
- 30 \_\_\_\_\_ of my parents are at home today because they are at work.  
 a Neither                    b Both                    c Either                    d All

## B Reading Comprehension

### 2 Read the following passage, then answer the questions:

Most people know that the first man on the moon was Neil Armstrong in 1969. However, since that time, the moon has been visited by eleven other men but they are not so famous. Who were these other space pioneers?

In 1969, four months after Neil Armstrong and his colleague Buzz Aldrin stayed on the surface of the moon for 21 hours, Alan Bean and Pete Conrad spent two days there. Bean is also an artist, and is the only person on earth who is able to paint space scenes that he had actually seen. In 1971, Alan Shepard and Edgar Mitchel went on a mission to study earthquakes on the moon (known as moon quakes). Shepard also enjoyed a game of golf there: because there is very little gravity, he hit the ball farther than any professional golf player on earth!

Seven months later, two more astronauts stayed for nearly three days on the moon. David Scott and James Irwin took along a special *vehicle* which meant they could travel around. They returned to earth with many moon rocks. In 1972, John Young and Charles Duke landed in the moon's mountains for the first time.

The moon was last visited at the end of 1972. Eugene Cernan and Harrison Schmitt explored the moon for three days, longer than any other astronaut. Schmitt was a geologist before he became an astronaut and he did a number of scientific experiments there. Before they returned to earth, Cernan wrote his daughter's name on the moon's surface. There is no weather on the moon, so he knew that there was nothing that would wear the letters away. They are probably there today!

There are now plans to get astronauts to visit the moon again, although nobody knows when this might be.

- 1 Why are Alan Bean's paintings special?
  - a They were painted on the moon.
  - b They were painted in space.
  - c He is the only artist who has been to space.
  - d You can only see them on the moon.
- 2 Why is it likely that you can still read the name of Eugene Cernan's daughter on the moon today?
  - a The letters are very big.
  - b The letters were written in rocks.
  - c There is little that will remove the letters.
  - d His colleague was a geologist.
- 3 Why do you think that some of the astronauts played golf and wrote names on the surface of the moon?
  - a They were very important experiments.
  - b They wanted to have fun.
  - c Scientists on earth got them to do these.
  - d They behaved badly.
- 4 Why do you think that astronauts were sent to the moon?
  - a To punish them.
  - b To do scientific experiments.
  - c To test weightless sports.
  - d To test zero-gravity living.
- 5 What does the underlined word they refer to?
  - a the astronauts
  - b the spaceships
  - c the moon's weather
  - d the letters on the surface
- 6 What do you think the word *vehicle* means?
  - a something used to carry people or things
  - b a type of spaceship
  - c a rocket
  - d a type of satellite
- 7 Why do you think that no astronaut has visited the moon since 1972?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8 What was Alan Shepard and Edgar Mitchel's mission on the moon?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 9 Do you think that the moon will be visited again in the future? Why/Why not?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 10 How long did Neil Armstrong stay on the moon?  
\_\_\_\_\_

## The Novel

### 3 a Choose the correct answer.

- 1 What did Rassendyll do to surprise Sapt and the Marshal when they first arrived in Strelsau?
  - a He wanted to ride through the old town alone.
  - b He wanted to lead all the soldiers.
  - c He wanted to meet Duke Michael.
  - d He wanted to marry Princess Flavia.
- 2 What did Princess Flavia think of the King (Rassendyll) after the coronation?
  - a She thought that he was the same.
  - b She thought that he had changed.
  - c She knew that he wasn't the King.
  - d She didn't like him.
- 3 How do Sapt and Rassendyll leave the palace?
  - a through the city walls
  - b through a large gate
  - c through a secret passage
  - d through a cave
- 4 Who are the Six Men?
  - a They are the King's special soldiers.
  - b They are the Duke's best friends.
  - c They are the Duke's special soldiers.
  - d They are men who work for Colonel Sapt.

**b Answer TWO (2) of the following questions:**

- 1 Why do you think that Rassendyll remembered very little of the coronation?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Why do you think that Rassendyll says that a pretend King's life is harder than a real King's?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Do you think it was a good idea for Rassendyll to give due care to the poor? Why?  
\_\_\_\_\_

**C Writing****4 Finish the following dialogue:**

*Azza and Radwa are talking about space travel.*

**Azza** I think that more money should be spent on exploring space.

**Radwa** Why? **1** \_\_\_\_\_?

**Azza** One advantage is that we can learn more about the earth by learning about other planets.

**Radwa** I think that one day, everyone will travel to space.

**Azza** **2** \_\_\_\_\_. Not everyone will want to go to space.

**Radwa** Are there any disadvantages to space travel?

**Azza** **3** \_\_\_\_\_.

**Radwa** Yes, it is very expensive. However, I've heard that without space travel, we would not have a lot of the technology that we use every day.

**4** \_\_\_\_\_.

**Azza** Yes, that's correct. A lot of the technology that we use was first used on spaceships.

**Radwa** **5** \_\_\_\_\_?

**Azza** Yes. An example is sat-nav systems in people's cars. Satellites were first used to send information about spaceships.

**Radwa** My father's car has sat-nav. I think it's very useful.

**Azza** **6** \_\_\_\_\_. I think it's useful, too.

**5 Write an email to a friend of ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY (120) words on ONE (1) of the following:**

Your name is Reda. Your friend's name is Essmat. His/Her address is Essmat@newmail.com.

- a** why people have always wanted to explore new places
- b** what you think of science fiction

**6 A Translate into Arabic:**

**1** Mariam and Ahmed had their teeth checked by the dentist last Tuesday.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**2** The government is trying to improve the educational system to keep up with world challenges.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**B Translate ONE (1) sentence only into English:**

**1** نحن نعلم الآن أن الزروع والأشجار يستمدون غذائهم من الهواء و التربة. -  
\_\_\_\_\_

**2** التكنولوجيا الحديثة سلاح ذو حدين لذا يجب أن تستعمل بحرص. -  
\_\_\_\_\_



# Practice Test 4a

PRACTICE  
TEST  
4a

## A Vocabulary and Structure

### 1 Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:

- 1 Khaled told me that he \_\_\_\_\_ basketball the day before.  
a plays                      b had played                      c has played                      d was played
- 2 We are going to interview the five best \_\_\_\_\_ for the job.  
a applications                      b appointments                      c employers                      d applicants
- 3 Samira said that they \_\_\_\_\_ all of Cairo from the top of the tower.  
a can see                      b could be seen                      c could see                      d have seen
- 4 A lot of tourists stay at that hotel because it has a good \_\_\_\_\_.  
a reputation                      b repetition                      c research                      d representative
- 5 I asked Imad \_\_\_\_\_ he often wrote stories.  
a that                      b whether                      c weather                      d does
- 6 Ola has a lovely voice and often sings in a \_\_\_\_\_.  
a choice                      b clarinet                      c client                      d choir
- 7 My brother asked me if we \_\_\_\_\_ to the station.  
a shall go                      b go                      c went                      d should go
- 8 My uncle speaks Spanish because he once worked as the Egyptian \_\_\_\_\_ to Argentina.  
a personnel                      b president                      c ambassador                      d ruler
- 9 Nawal asked me where \_\_\_\_\_ the night before.  
a I had had                      b have had                      c had I had                      d have I had
- 10 My grandfather left his house to my parents in his \_\_\_\_\_.  
a well                      b wall                      c will                      d wool
- 11 The teacher suggested that \_\_\_\_\_ the exercise again.  
a we do                      b we are doing                      c doing                      d did we
- 12 The factory closed and all the workers were made \_\_\_\_\_.  
a redundant                      b employable                      c employed                      d job holders
- 13 Sayed recommended \_\_\_\_\_ the ice cream.  
a to try                      b tried                      c trying                      d that try
- 14 Ayman cannot apply for the job in the bank because he is not \_\_\_\_\_ to do it.  
a qualification                      b qualified                      c quality                      d qualities
- 15 Mr Zaki ordered us \_\_\_\_\_ running round the park.  
a start                      b starting                      c started                      d to start
- 16 If you have a degree from a good university, you will be very \_\_\_\_\_.  
a employ                      b employment                      c employable                      d employee
- 17 The teacher told us that Russia \_\_\_\_\_ the biggest country in the world.  
a is                      b were                      c has been                      d would be
- 18 *Etc.* is a/an \_\_\_\_\_ for *et cetera*.  
a abbreviation                      b shorten                      c small                      d reduce
- 19 Leila says that she \_\_\_\_\_ ready now to go to the shops.  
a was                      b had been                      c is                      d is being

- 20 Fatma is very \_\_\_\_\_. She always does her homework carefully and on time.  
 a unconscious    b conscientious    c conservative    d convinced
- 21 We \_\_\_\_\_ about the price of a room at the hotel.  
 a inquired    b admitted    c threatened    d promised
- 22 There was a \_\_\_\_\_ last night and many buildings were damaged by the wind.  
 a pour    b thunder    c gale    d blow
- 23 My father advised me \_\_\_\_\_ to bed early because I had a test the next day.  
 a go    b going    c to go    d went
- 24 At what time does the sun \_\_\_\_\_ this evening?  
 a up    b down    c rise    d set
- 25 The manager \_\_\_\_\_ to make us stay in late if we didn't work harder.  
 a recommended    b suggested    c threatened    d said
- 26 Should I have fish or meat at the restaurant? I really can't \_\_\_\_\_ my mind.  
 a make up    b make up for    c make    d make off
- 27 Mother said that we could watch television after \_\_\_\_\_ our homework.  
 a finish    b have finished    c finishing    d had finished
- 28 My grandmother has spent a lot of time reading since her \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a death    b rewarding    c retirement    d birth
- 29 Haytham said that it \_\_\_\_\_ hot that day.  
 a will be    b would be    c is    d is being
- 30 Munir couldn't find work as a car mechanic so he is going to \_\_\_\_\_ as an electrician.  
 a retrain    b return    c revise    d replace

## B Reading Comprehension

### 2 Read the following passage, then answer the questions:

Hi Dalia,

You asked me to tell you about the interview that I had on Tuesday. It did not start very well. My appointment was at eight o'clock so I had to get up very early. Then there was a downpour as I was walking to the office so I was very wet when I arrived. However, there were two other people who were there for interviews too, and they also got wet!

When it was my turn, the manager was very friendly. He looked at my CV and said that I had excellent qualifications. Then he asked me to describe myself. I said that I was sociable and conscientious. He asked me if I spoke any languages. I told him that I spoke English fluently. Then he asked me if I had done any volunteering. I told him that I often helped at a local charity for poor and *disadvantaged* children. He also asked me about my free time activities. I told him that I enjoyed weightlifting. He said that he found that surprising but also impressive!

He asked me why I wanted to work for his company. I explained that it had a very good reputation and that I had always wanted to work as a tour guide in a big organisation.

At the end of the interview, he said that I was an excellent candidate and I was qualified to do the job. He explained that he would make up his mind about who would get the job in the next few days.

I really hope that I get it.

Write soon.

Best wishes,

Ola

- 1 Which of these questions did the manager ask?  
 a Do you do volunteering?    b Can you do volunteering?

- c Have you done any volunteering?    d Why don't you do volunteering?
- 2 Which information did the manager find surprising?  
 a Ola helps a charity.    b Ola was wet.  
 c Ola is fluent in English.    d Ola likes weightlifting.
- 3 Why did the manager want to know if she had done any volunteering?  
 a Because he can't pay her.    b To find out if she is a kind person.  
 c Because he works for a charity.    d Because he needs someone to work with children.
- 4 What is the main idea of the email?  
 a Ola knows she has got the job.    b Ola doesn't know if she has got the job yet.  
 c Ola can't get the job.    d Why Ola will start the job in a few days.
- 5 What does the underlined word it refer to?  
 a the tour guide    b the job    c the manager    d the company
- 6 What do you think that *disadvantaged* means?  
 a rich    b having problems    c strong    d voluntary
- 7 When was Ola's interview?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 Do you think that Ola will get the job? Why/Why not?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 Why do you think that the manager wanted to know if Ola spoke any languages?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 How many people were there for interviews other than Ola?  
 \_\_\_\_\_

## The Novel

- 3 a **Choose the correct answer:**
- 1 How did Sapt know that the King was at the Castle of Zenda?  
 a Because the King wrote to him.    b The drawbridge to the castle was always up.  
 c The Six Men told him.    d He has saw him there.
- 2 Why did Antoinette de Mauban write the letter to Rassendyll?  
 a She wanted to help him.    b She wanted to help the King.  
 c Michael told her to write it.    d Sapt asked her to write it.
- 3 Antoinette de Mauban tells Rassendyll ...  
 a Michael's plan to become King    b why she liked Michael  
 c Why she liked the summer house    d how to escape from Ruritania
- 4 Rassendyll wants Princess Flavia to be the new ruler of Ruritania if anything happens to the King because...  
 a he thought that she would be a good ruler  
 b he wanted to marry her  
 c he thought that she is better than the King  
 d this would stop Michael from becoming King
- b **Answer TWO (2) of the following questions:**
- 1 In what way does Rassendyll realise that he can't have a quiet life any more?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Why do you think that Rassendyll wants to tell Princess Flavia that he is not the real King?  
 \_\_\_\_\_

3 Do you think Rasendyll was fair and just? Why?

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### C Writing

#### 4 Finish the following dialogue:

*Ali is interviewing Ahmed about a job in an animal's hospital.*

**Ali** 1 \_\_\_\_\_?

**Ahmed** Yes. I've worked with a vet for six months.

**Ali** Where are you from, Ahmed?

**Ahmed** 2 \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ali** I'm from Cairo, too. 3 \_\_\_\_\_?

**Ahmed** I love studying spiders. I collect them.

**Ali** 4 \_\_\_\_\_?

**Ahmed** I have one here if you'd like to see it. 5 \_\_\_\_\_.  
It's not poisonous.

**Ali** 6 \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 5 Write a paragraph of about ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY (120 words) on ONE (1) of the following:

- a why you should continue learning after you leave school
- b what makes a person employable

#### 6 A Translate into Arabic:

1 Unemployment is a serious problem that the public and private organizations must solve.

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2 Personal skills are qualities that are needed if you want to succeed in your career.

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#### B Translate ONE (1) sentence into English:

1 - سألتني صديقتي ليلي عما فعلت ليلة أمس ورددت أني قد نمت مبكراً.

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2 - يجب على الشباب أن يقبل العمل في الأماكن النائية حتى لا يظلوا بلا عمل.

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# Practice Test 4b

PRACTICE  
TEST  
4b

## A Vocabulary and Structure

### 1 Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:

- 1 I've got a good \_\_\_\_\_. Why don't we play tennis this afternoon?  
a point                      b idea                      c ideal                      d choice
- 2 Wael \_\_\_\_\_ on a plane before he flew to Amman.  
a had never been      b never was              c has never been      d was never being
- 3 Ahmed wants to be like his grandfather, who has been a big \_\_\_\_\_ on him.  
a individual              b influential              c influence              d role
- 4 We had to stand on the bus because \_\_\_\_\_ seat was taken.  
a all                      b both                      c either                      d every
- 5 The children did not let the wind stop their \_\_\_\_\_ of the picnic.  
a enjoyment              b joyful                      c enjoyable              d joylessness
- 6 My parents \_\_\_\_\_ me tidy my room before I could go out this weekend.  
a had                      b had got                      c got                      d was getting
- 7 The information in this report is very old. Please can you \_\_\_\_\_ it?  
a date                      b up-to-date              c make up                      d update
- 8 Look! Some flowers are \_\_\_\_\_ by those children for today's spring festival.  
a been drawn              b were drawn              c are being drawn      d were drawing
- 9 You'll really like this book. The story is \_\_\_\_\_.  
a terrific                      b terrible                      c horrible                      d capable
- 10 Mohamed \_\_\_\_\_ me that he had had a busy morning.  
a said                      b explained                      c told                      d admitted
- 11 Khaled has an \_\_\_\_\_ to see the doctor at four o'clock.  
a application              b application form      c appointment              d applicant
- 12 Eman said that Damascus \_\_\_\_\_ the capital of Syria.  
a is                      b be                      c had been                      d is being
- 13 The company hopes that its new \_\_\_\_\_ will sell very well.  
a product                      b production                      c productive                      d producer
- 14 Karim promised that he \_\_\_\_\_ us the next morning.  
a will phone              b would phone              c phoned                      d had phoned
- 15 Manal can speak very good English, but she is not \_\_\_\_\_.  
a fleet                      b flat                      c fluent                      d foolish
- 16 Hala asked Ola \_\_\_\_\_ the following Monday.  
a what will she do    b what would she do  
c what she would do    d what she will do
- 17 There was a \_\_\_\_\_ this morning and many of the roads flooded.  
a dust storm              b drought                      c rain                      d downpour
- 18 Hisham asked me \_\_\_\_\_ I walked to school.  
a if                      b weather                      c that                      d did
- 19 The teacher was angry because two boys were talking \_\_\_\_\_ the lesson.  
a throughout              b without                      c after                      d along

- 20 Mariam asked me whether we \_\_\_\_\_ to the park.  
 a should go      b shall go      c will go      d went
- 21 My little sister is very good at making \_\_\_\_\_ stories. They are very funny!  
 a for      b out      c up      d off
- 22 The teacher wanted to know which exams I \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a passed      b have passed      c am passing      d had passed
- 23 It was hard to climb the mountain, but it was \_\_\_\_\_. The views from the top were amazing!  
 a worthwhile      b worth      c while      d worthless
- 24 I \_\_\_\_\_ the name of my friend's cousin.  
 a inquired      b wondered      c wanted to know      d told
- 25 Mazin has had a \_\_\_\_\_. He is now the manager of the shop where he was an assistant.  
 a punishment      b progress      c protection      d promotion
- 26 The ship's captain ordered the sailors \_\_\_\_\_ harder.  
 a work      b working      c to work      d must work
- 27 It's Kholoud's first day studying science at university, so she needs to find the science \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a development      b department      c employment      d enjoyment
- 28 My friends suggested \_\_\_\_\_ to the sports club after school.  
 a to go      b go      c going      d went
- 29 If you have a headache, you should get some medicine from the \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a biologist      b florist      c pharmacy      d chemicals
- 30 The teacher warned the students \_\_\_\_\_ time.  
 a not to waste      b not wasting      c don't waste      d no waste

## B Reading Comprehension

### 2 Read the following passage, then answer the questions:

Dear Amal,

In your last email, you told me about your aunt. I am very impressed that she is going to get a degree in law now that her children have left home. You asked me if I knew anyone else who had studied when they were older. I don't know anyone, but I heard about an amazing woman in a report on the radio. The report said that a woman had started primary school at the age of 90! The woman, whose name is Priscilla Sitienei, lives in a rural village in Kenya. When she was younger, she was not able to go to school. She worked for 65 years as a nurse. Although she was good at her job, she never learned to read or write.

In 2003, the government of Kenya said that primary school would be free for everyone for the first time. Priscilla wanted to learn to read and write and decided to go primary school with six of her great-great-grandchildren. She said that it was never too late to learn new skills and she wanted to inspire other adults to do the same. Now she is learning maths, English and PE. She wears the same blue and green uniform as her fellow pupils.

The head teacher of the school said that Priscilla was loved by every pupil and that they all wanted to learn and play with her. At break, she tells the other pupils about the customs that she grew up with.

At the end of the report, Priscilla said that she wanted to tell the world's children that with education, they could be whatever they wanted. She is certainly a *remarkable* woman!

Best wishes,

Azza

- 1 Why is Azza impressed by Amal's aunt?
  - a She has a university degree.
  - b Her children have left home.
  - c She is learning to read.
  - d She is studying for a degree.
- 2 What does Priscilla hope to achieve, as well as learning at school?
  - a She wants a new job.
  - b She wants pupils to inspire her.
  - c She wants to inspire children to learn.
  - d She wants to write a book.
- 3 Why do you think that Priscilla did not go to primary school when she was a child?
  - a There weren't any primary schools.
  - b Her family could not pay for her education.
  - c She did not want to learn.
  - d She started working as a nurse.
- 4 What is the main idea of the text?
  - a It is never too late to learn.
  - b Old people must go to school.
  - c Old people should go to school.
  - d Nurses can get different jobs.
- 5 What do the underlined words anyone else refer to?
  - a any other people
  - b any aunts
  - c any
  - d any relatives
- 6 What do you think the word *remarkable* means?
  - a very old
  - b very kind
  - c very clever
  - d unusual in a way that is surprising
- 7 Why did Azza tell Amal about Priscilla Sitienei?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8 What does Priscilla Sitienei study at school?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 9 Do you think that Priscilla will be able to use the skills she learns at school? Why/Why not?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 10 How did Azza know about Priscilla Sitienei?  
\_\_\_\_\_

## The Novel

### 3 a Choose the correct answer:

- 1 What did Rassendyll think helped people to forgive his mistakes in Strelsau?
  - a He was growing in popularity.
  - b He was good at pretending.
  - c He forgot all the rules.
  - d They knew that he was not the King.
- 2 Why were three of the Six Men at the Castle of Zenda?
  - a They were looking for the Duke.
  - b They were guarding the King.
  - c They were looking for Rassendyll.
  - d They were repairing the drawbridge.
- 3 Antoinette de Mauban was no longer staying with Michael as his guest because ... .
  - a they were now married
  - b she wanted to leave Ruritania
  - c they had had a big argument
  - d she was trying to catch Rassendyll
- 4 What did Rassendyll use to escape from the summer house?
  - a a ladder
  - b a metal table
  - c a chair
  - d fifty thousand English pounds

### b Answer TWO (2) of the following questions:

- 1 Why do you think that Sapt is worried about Rassendyll now that he is King?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2 What do you think might have happened if Antoinette had plotted against Rassendyll?  
\_\_\_\_\_

- 3 Why do you think that Sapt stopped Rassendyll telling Princess Flavia who he really was?
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### C Writing

#### 4 Finish the following dialogue:

*Sami meets an English tourist by a river.*

**Sami** Excuse me. I advise you not to drink that water from that river.

**Tourist** 1 \_\_\_\_\_ . I know that the water isn't very clean.

**Sami** 2 \_\_\_\_\_ ?

**Tourist** I'm from England. I've just spent a week walking across the desert.

**Sami** 3 \_\_\_\_\_ ! Wasn't it dangerous?

**Tourist** No, I studied how to live in the desert before I came here.

**Sami** 4 \_\_\_\_\_ ?

**Tourist** Skills such as using the sun to find your way. 5 \_\_\_\_\_ ?

**Sami** I've got a lot of hobbies and interests. Sport is my favourite. I'm going to surf in the desert later.

**Tourist** 6 \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Sami** No, I'm not joking. Look. You can watch me surfing on my phone.

#### 5 Write an email to a cousin of ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY (120) words on ONE (1) of the following:

Your name is Tayseer. Your cousin's name is Ihsan. His/Her address is Ihsan@newmail.com.

a a job interview

b a story about when you once benefited from a warning from another family member

#### 6 A Translate into Arabic:

- 1 Unfortunately, the factory closed, and the workers were made redundant.
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- 2 The Industrial Revolution started in England towards the end of the eighteenth century.
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#### B Translate ONE (1) sentence only into English:

- 1 - هل سبق أن أرسلت سيرتك الذاتية لشركة أجنبية؟
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- 2 - أخبرني علاء أنه كان دائماً عاملاً مجتهداً ولذلك فهو مؤهل لهذه الوظيفة.
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## A Vocabulary and Structure

### 1 Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:

- 1 The beach has been \_\_\_\_\_ since they opened the hotel there. It used to be quiet but now it is always busy.  
a transformed    b transferred    c translated    d transplanted
- 2 Ahmed's grandmother \_\_\_\_\_ ill when he visited her yesterday.  
a was seeming    b had seemed    c seemed    d has seemed
- 3 Many countries celebrate new year with \_\_\_\_\_.  
a fire blankets    b fireworks    c fire fighters    d fire extinguishers
- 4 We have a lot of food in the kitchen because my mother \_\_\_\_\_ to the shops.  
a has never been    b has just gone    c has just been    d has yet been
- 5 The shop that has just opened is giving \_\_\_\_\_ free tea or coffee today. We should go!  
a up    b off    c away    d in
- 6 When Ziad goes to America next month, he \_\_\_\_\_ to four of the world's continents.  
a has been    b will go    c will be going    d will have been
- 7 Fruit and vegetables are less expensive this year because the farmers had a very good \_\_\_\_\_.  
a storm    b drought    c food    d harvest
- 8 Maysa asked Mona and me to the park this afternoon, but \_\_\_\_\_ of us can go. We are shopping.  
a both    b either    c neither    d all
- 9 What \_\_\_\_\_ did you get in your maths exam?  
a grade    b graduate    c licence    d degree
- 10 The sign by the lake says that the water is \_\_\_\_\_ to drink.  
a too dirty    b dirty enough    c so dirty    d such dirty
- 11 This insect is \_\_\_\_\_. It's smaller than a full stop!  
a mass    b massive    c tiny    d great
- 12 Zeinab \_\_\_\_\_ very surprised when she won the art competition. She didn't think her painting was very good.  
a must be    b can't be    c might be    d must have been
- 13 The new car factory will \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of new jobs.  
a get    b take    c do    d create
- 14 There is a lot of traffic on the roads today, so we \_\_\_\_\_ late.  
a must have been    b can't be    c might be    d ought to be
- 15 We couldn't take the children to the beach, so we bought them each an ice cream to make \_\_\_\_\_ it.  
a up    b down    c up for    d down for
- 16 Sami is feeling ill. I think he \_\_\_\_\_ to see a doctor.  
a should    b ought    c must    d can

- 17 Sara works as a \_\_\_\_\_ in a hotel. She welcomes all the people who are staying there.  
 a receiver            b receptionist            c referee            d representative
- 18 The football players look very sad. They \_\_\_\_\_ won the match.  
 a can't have            b could have            c must have            d might not
- 19 If you want to write a story, you could do a course in \_\_\_\_\_ writing.  
 a creative            b created            c made up            d festival
- 20 You \_\_\_\_\_ be 17 to drive a car in England.  
 a might            b need            c have to            d ought to
- 21 I want to learn French, so I have \_\_\_\_\_ on a French course.  
 a entered            b made            c established            d enrolled
- 22 Ali \_\_\_\_\_ brought food. We already have a lot.  
 a needn't have            b must not have            c must have            d should have
- 23 Who is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the USA at the moment?  
 a king            b queen            c president            d prince
- 24 I \_\_\_\_\_ remember to email my cousin today. It's his birthday.  
 a mustn't            b needn't            c must            d ought to
- 25 You study how the body works in \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a physics            b biology            c maths            d geography
- 26 Karim admitted \_\_\_\_\_ the plate and said he was sorry.  
 a breaking            b to break            c to breaking            d break
- 27 Mohammed does a lot of charity work in his \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a neighbour            b neighbourhood            c neighbouring            d neighbourly
- 28 Shaimaa stopped \_\_\_\_\_ children's books when she went to secondary school.  
 a reading            b to read            c read            d to reading
- 29 My sister is not very \_\_\_\_\_. She doesn't like meeting new people.  
 a sociable            b social            c sociably            d socially
- 30 Do you remember \_\_\_\_\_ at that hotel? It was very comfortable.  
 a staying            b to stay            c to staying            d stay

## B Reading Comprehension

### 2 Read the following passage, then answer the questions:

People have been writing about strange worlds and travelling to space for thousands of years. Parts of the famous Arabic story *One Thousand and One Nights* might be described as a kind of science fiction. But science really started to influence how we all lived in the nineteenth century. This was a time when many exciting new things were invented: steam trains, the telephone, electricity, photographs and much more. The writer Jules Verne (1828-1905) looked at nineteenth century technology and imagined how it could be improved to do amazing things. He wrote about people travelling to the centre of the earth, to the moon or deep under the sea. Many people consider Verne to be the first true science fiction writer.

In 1895, the writer HG Wells (1866–1946) saw technology differently. He wrote about the possible dangers of technology. His books include *The Time Machine*, in which the hero travels into a dangerous and unpleasant future. Other writers also thought that technology could be bad. Aldous Huxley's *Brave New World* (1931) is about a future in which people are produced in factories. But not all science fiction writers saw technology as bad. Authors such as Isaac Asimov (1920–1992) often wrote about a future in which science can solve all our problems.

Science fiction has evolved with technology. In the 1960s, space was being explored for the first time. This gave science fiction writers ideas for what explorers might find in space: strange worlds and unexplained mysteries, such as in the novels of Arthur C. Clarke. More recently, many science fiction stories have been about robots. Could they become more intelligent than people? Should we use them or could they start to *take over* and rule the world? In science fiction, anything is possible.

- 1 In his novels, Jules Verne wrote about technology \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a that could make life better      b that made life dangerous  
 c that people used at that time      d that could never exist
- 2 According to the article, what influenced science fiction writers in the 1960s?  
 a Arthur C. Clarke    b space travel      c unexplained mysteries      d robots
- 3 In what way was Isaac Asimov different to many science fiction writers?  
 a He was optimistic about science.      b He was pessimistic about science.  
 c He only wrote about space.      d He only wrote about robots.
- 4 In conclusion, the text says that in science fiction, \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a technology is good      b technology is bad  
 c anything might happen      d there are never any problems
- 5 What does the underlined word this refer to?  
 a changes in science fiction      b changes in technology  
 c the new year      d space exploration
- 6 What do you think the phrase *take over* means?  
 a become people    b steal things      c get control of      d hide
- 7 How did HG Wells describe technology in his book *The Time Machine*?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 Who is the first true science fiction writer?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 Why has science fiction changed over time?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 Do you think that science fiction will always be popular? Why/Why not?  
 \_\_\_\_\_

## The Novel

### 3 a Choose the correct answer:

- 1 How did Rupert try to stop Rassendyll and his men from visiting the Castle of Zenda?  
 a He said that the Duke had a dangerous illness.  
 b He said that there was nobody at the castle.  
 c He said that the building was going to fall down.  
 d He said that the servants were all dangerous.
- 2 Why couldn't Rupert say that Rassendyll was not the real King in public?  
 a Nobody would believe him.  
 b People would know that he had kidnapped the King.  
 c He was frightened of Rassendyll.  
 d He was frightened of the Duke.
- 3 Rassendyll, Sapt and Fritz decided to \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a kill Rupert      b make a move against Michael  
 c set Antoinette free      d make Johann a spy
- 4 Rassendyll saw that the guard inside the boat was \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a Rupert      b Josef      c Max Holf      d Detchard

### b Answer TWO (2) of the following questions:

- 1 Do you agree that Rupert was a man of no principles? Why?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Do you think that the innkeeper's daughter was right to apologize to Rassendyll (the pretend king) although she wasn't mistaken? Why?  
 \_\_\_\_\_

- 3 Do you think that Rassendyll wants to be King forever? Why/Why not?
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### C Writing

#### 4 Finish the following dialogue:

*Hala and Maya are meeting at the book club.*

**Hala** There are only two of us here today. Where are the others?

**Maya 1** \_\_\_\_\_.

**Hala** You're right. I forgot that the tennis competition was on TV.

**Maya** We need to choose a new book for our book club next month.

**Hala 2** \_\_\_\_\_?

**Maya** I don't like science fiction. What about a detective story?

**Hala 3** \_\_\_\_\_. Detective stories are always the same.

**Maya 4** \_\_\_\_\_.

**Hala** I'd go along with that. Non-fiction books always teach you something and that one about history looks interesting.

**Maya 5** \_\_\_\_\_.

**Hala** Yes, you're right. I'll email them the book title so they know what we are going to read.

**Maya** The next book club meeting will be the second anniversary of the club!

**Hala 6** \_\_\_\_\_.

**Maya** Yes, it is good news, isn't it?

#### 5 Write a paragraph of ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY (120) words on ONE (1) of the following:

- a a text about Egyptian folk music
- b the most famous building in your area

#### 6 A Translate into Arabic:

- 1 The tourists needn't have brought umbrellas because it is not going to rain.
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- 2 Cairo underground metro lines serve millions of people all over greater Cairo.
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#### B Translate ONE (1) sentence only into English:

- 1 - ما هو نوع الموسيقى الشعبية الذي تقترحه لسمعه السياح؟
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- 2 - توقفنا عن شراء الخبز من السوبر ماركت عندما عرفنا أنه أرخص في المخبز.
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# Practice Test 6a

PRACTICE  
TEST  
6a

## A Vocabulary and Structure

### 1 Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:

- 1 If you watch too much television, you \_\_\_\_\_ your eyes.  
a will damage    b would damage    c won't damage    d would have damaged
- 2 Water boils at 100 degrees \_\_\_\_\_.  
a percent    b centigrade    c centimetres    d hot
- 3 If you \_\_\_\_\_ red and green paint, you get brown paint.  
a mixed    b will mix    c had mixed    d mix
- 4 The pollution from all those factories must be very \_\_\_\_\_.  
a useful    b useless    c harmless    d harmful
- 5 If Ahmed had read that book, he \_\_\_\_\_ what happened at the end.  
a knew    b will know    c would know    d would have known
- 6 The Nile's floods used to \_\_\_\_\_ every year.  
a care    b cure    c occur    d clear
- 7 If I went to London, I \_\_\_\_\_ my English every day!  
a would have practised    b will practise  
c would practise    d practise
- 8 We all knew about the film because it had a lot of \_\_\_\_\_.  
a publicity    b duplicity    c depository    d qualifications
- 9 It's very hot today. I wish it \_\_\_\_\_ cooler.  
a is    b was    c will be    d had been
- 10 Have you ever been \_\_\_\_\_ by a bee?  
a sting    b stung    c stuck    d stick
- 11 I left my bag on the bus. I wish that I \_\_\_\_\_ more careful with it.  
a should be    b had been    c am    d would be
- 12 After the accident, four people were \_\_\_\_\_ in hospital.  
a treated    b transfused    c transmitted    d transported
- 13 That café always closes early. I wish it \_\_\_\_\_ open a bit later.  
a would stay    b stays    c will stay    d had stayed
- 14 How can scientists \_\_\_\_\_ the age of the tree?  
a count    b work    c capture    d calculate
- 15 Sara wishes she \_\_\_\_\_ see her cousins more often, but they live in Australia.  
a may    b could    c will    d can
- 16 The \_\_\_\_\_ of this room is about three metres.  
a wide    b big    c large    d width
- 17 You can borrow this book \_\_\_\_\_ as you look after it.  
a provided    b if    c as long    d on condition
- 18 In golf, it is best if you can hit the ball \_\_\_\_\_.  
a harden    b hardly    c hard    d hardworking
- 19 You can't go into the museum without \_\_\_\_\_ a ticket first.  
a buying    b to buy    c brought    d buy
- 20 This road is too \_\_\_\_\_ for that big bus to go down.  
a fast    b long    c wide    d narrow

- 21 Mother says we can watch TV on \_\_\_\_\_ that we do our homework first.  
 a condition      b provided      c long as      d if
- 22 Be careful with that glass vase. It is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a valuable      b available      c visual      d vocational
- 23 \_\_\_\_\_ that you lived by the sea, what would you do every day?  
 a Condition      b As long      c Imagine      d Supposed
- 24 We don't need that old paper bag. You can throw it \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a off      b up      c away      d down
- 25 Don't go to that restaurant \_\_\_\_\_ you like Chinese food.  
 a if      b if not      c unless      d in case
- 26 If it doesn't rain soon, there will be a \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a draught      b flood      c gale      d drought
- 27 Only open this door \_\_\_\_\_ an emergency.  
 a in case      b in case of      c if      d as long as
- 28 You should never look \_\_\_\_\_ at the sun.  
 a directions      b directly      c director      d direct
- 29 I won't go to the park if you \_\_\_\_\_ with me.  
 a not come      b don't come      c didn't come      d hadn't come
- 30 We felt great \_\_\_\_\_ when we heard that you were leaving the school.  
 a sadness      b stressful      c strict      d sad

## B Reading Comprehension

### 2 Read the following passage, then answer the questions:

Monday 5th June

I have always wished that I knew more about the moon, so I did a project about it at school. The moon orbits the earth every 27.3 days, so that is about once a month. However, we only see one side of it. That is because it takes about the same time for the moon to spin once as it takes for the moon to orbit the earth. The side which we do not see is called "the dark side of the moon". However, like the earth, both sides of the moon are illuminated by the sun at different times, so it is not dark all the time. We just can't see it.

Like the sun, the moon rises in the east and sets in the west. A full moon is when we see the moon as a circle. This occurs when the moon is on the opposite side of the earth to the sun.

Scientists think that there is probably some water on the moon, but there are no clouds and there is no wind. The average temperature on the moon is 107 degrees centigrade in the day and -153 degrees centigrade at night. If the astronauts who visited the moon hadn't worn *spacesuits*, they would have died. The moon is usually about 385,000 kilometres from earth, but its gravity makes our seas rise and fall twice a day.

I wish I could visit the moon! It is not very big. The surface of the moon is about the same size as Africa. I would like to see Mons Huygens, the moon's tallest mountain, which is half as high as Mount Everest. Gravity on the moon is only 17% as strong as it is on earth. That means you can jump really high there!

- 1 What does the moon affect on earth?  
 a the size of mountains      b its gravity  
 c its weather      d the seas
- 2 Why is one side of the moon called "the dark side of the moon"?  
 a It is always dark there.      b It is never dark there.  
 c We can't see it from earth.      d You can't see it from a spaceship.



## C Writing

### 4 Finish the following dialogue:

*Samir is talking to Nabil about his new television.*

**Samir** 1 \_\_\_\_\_? My new TV is different to the TV we had before and I can't turn it on.

**Nabil** 2 \_\_\_\_\_ . It's the same as my TV at home.

3 \_\_\_\_\_?

**Samir** The remote control? Yes, it's here. OK, it's working now. Can you explain why it says it is looking for channels?

**Nabil** 4 \_\_\_\_\_ . The first time your turn it on, it downloads the channels that you need.

**Samir** Look, there's a film channel. Shall we watch a film?

**Nabil** I'm not sure. What time does it finish?

**Samir** It finishes at seven o'clock. 5 \_\_\_\_\_?

**Nabil** Sorry. 6 \_\_\_\_\_ . I told my mother I'd be home at six.

### 5 Write a paragraph of ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY (120) words on ONE (1) of the following:

- a the problems with plastic
- b what it would be like in a world without trees

### 6 A Translate into Arabic:

- 1 Social networking is a double-edged weapon, so we should use it wisely.

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- 2 Every year, the cells under the bark of a tree harden and become new wood.

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### B Translate ONE (1) sentence into English:

- 1 - تستطيع أن تعبر عن رأيك بشرط أن تحترم الآخرين.

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- 2 - يجب عليك أن تتذكر دائماً أنك أقوى من المخدرات المدمرة.

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## A Vocabulary and Structure

### 1 Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:

- 1 The rays of the sun \_\_\_\_\_ the statue.  
a eliminate      b illuminate      c fabricate      d regulate
- 2 If you \_\_\_\_\_ water, it boils.  
a will heat      b heated      c had heated      d heat
- 3 Ziad got out of the small boat and \_\_\_\_\_ it to a tree to stop it floating away.  
a tied      b tightened      c tired      d put
- 4 Hassan has worked hard for the test. I'll be surprised if he \_\_\_\_\_.  
a doesn't pass      b isn't passing      c hadn't passed      d won't pass
- 5 The bottom of a shoe is often made of \_\_\_\_\_.  
a rubbish      b rucksacks      c rubber      d rulers
- 6 If I went to Australia, I \_\_\_\_\_ my cousins.  
a will see      b saw      c would see      d had seen
- 7 We saw a \_\_\_\_\_ at the theatre today. She is a famous singer!  
a celebrity      b publicity      c celebration      d fame
- 8 Adel \_\_\_\_\_ bought that phone if it hadn't been so expensive.  
a might      b might have      c will have      d had
- 9 The police \_\_\_\_\_ the car to stop before the thieves could drive away.  
a forecast      b forced      c made      d had
- 10 I feel ill. I wish I \_\_\_\_\_ so many sweets.  
a didn't eat      b don't eat      c hadn't eaten      d won't eat
- 11 A man \_\_\_\_\_ a gun to start the race.  
a put      b did      c let      d fired
- 12 Salma is in England. She wishes it \_\_\_\_\_ raining!  
a stops      b will stop      c stopped      d would stop
- 13 It was very hot, so we sat \_\_\_\_\_ a big tree and had a rest.  
a over      b on      c beneath      d at
- 14 Ali is very tired and wishes he \_\_\_\_\_ in bed!  
a is      b was      c would be      d had been
- 15 Look at that cat! It is \_\_\_\_\_ a mouse.  
a chasing      b running      c cheating      d chatting
- 16 You can go to the park \_\_\_\_\_ you're home at eight o'clock.  
a provided that      b as long      c supposing      d in case
- 17 It was easy for them to sail up the Nile because there was a \_\_\_\_\_ wind.  
a north      b dark      c solar      d tight
- 18 You can't drive a car \_\_\_\_\_ you are 18 or older.  
a as long as      b unless      c on condition that      d without
- 19 Don't go near the fire because it is giving off a lot of \_\_\_\_\_.  
a hot      b heat      c warm      d fire

- 20 We \_\_\_\_\_ hurry. It only takes ten minutes to the station and we have an hour before the train goes.  
 a mustn't      b needn't      c ought not to      d shouldn't
- 21 Strange weather can \_\_\_\_\_ all over the world.  
 a occur      b place      c take part      d land
- 22 I regret \_\_\_\_\_ that we can't go to the science museum next week. There are no more tickets.  
 a saying      b said      c to say      d have said
- 23 There was a \_\_\_\_\_ and all the lights went off.  
 a power off      b power cut      c cut      d power station
- 24 My mother warned me \_\_\_\_\_ the plate because it was very hot.  
 a don't touch      b not touch      c not touching      d not to touch
- 25 The red team \_\_\_\_\_ the blue team 2–0.  
 a won      b lost      c defeated      d beaten
- 26 Leila asked Sara \_\_\_\_\_ she had enjoyed the book.  
 a that      b what      c which      d whether
- 27 My sister loves chocolate, but \_\_\_\_\_ I prefer ice cream.  
 a personally      b person      c to me      d at me
- 28 The head of the school \_\_\_\_\_ the computers checked once a year.  
 a has      b was have      c was got      d did
- 29 We didn't \_\_\_\_\_ to go to the exhibition because there were no more tickets.  
 a run      b manage      c make      d enable
- 30 \_\_\_\_\_ player in the team was given a medal.  
 a All      b Every      c Half of      d Both

## B Reading Comprehension

### 2 Read the following passage, then answer the questions:

There are some amazing trees in the world. Some people think that a tree in Britain might be 4,000 years old. In Italy, a tree that might be the same age is famous for its size: its diameter is more than 18 metres. It is called *The Tree of 100 Horses* because it is believed that 100 soldiers on horses waited under the tree in a storm. However, no scientists have been able to prove the ages of these two trees. The oldest tree that scientists know the age of in Europe is more than 1,000 years old. The tree, which is in Greece, first grew in 941 CE.

However, if you compared these with two trees in North America, they would seem quite young! Scientists used to think a tree called "Methuselah" was the world's oldest tree. It is more than 4,800 years old. Then scientists found a nearby tree that is more than 5,000 years old! The location of these trees is a secret, and for a good reason: in 2012, a woman was arrested for burning down another tree which was 3,500 years old.

These are probably the world's oldest individual trees, but scientists believe that there are even older roots of trees. Sometimes individual trees might have died, but new trees have grown from their roots. For example, a small tree in Sweden has grown from roots which are believed to be nearly 10,000 years old.

We know the age of most of these trees because scientists have calculated their age after extracting a piece of wood from the *trunks*. However, we also know that a tree in Asia is more than 2,300 years old because a text describes when it was planted. I wish I could see some of these trees: they are incredible.

- 1 Where are the two oldest individual trees in the world?  
 a Greece                      b Britain                      c Sweden                      d North America
- 2 Why was a woman arrested in 2012?  
 a She found one of the old trees.                      b She told people where the old trees were.  
 c She destroyed an old tree.                      d She burned all the old trees.
- 3 Why do you think that people believe that 100 soldiers on horses waited under the old Italian tree?  
 a It is a very tall tree.    b Its branches are very wide.  
 c It took 100 horses to pull the tree down.                      d It looks like a lot of horses.
- 4 What does the writer think about trees?  
 a He wishes he could see more of them.                      b He is impressed by them.  
 c They should be studied more.                      d All of the above.
- 5 What does the underlined word these refer to?  
 a the world's oldest trees    b the oldest trees in Europe  
 c soldiers    d soldiers on horses
- 6 What do you think the word *trunk* means?  
 a the main part of a tree    b the bark  
 c a leaf    d a tree's rings
- 7 How do scientists calculate the age of trees?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 When did the 1000 year-old tree in Greece first grow?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 What makes the tree in Sweden different from the other trees in the text?  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 Do you think that we will find even older trees in the future? Why/Why not?  
 \_\_\_\_\_

## The Novel

### 3 a Answer the following questions:

- 1 Who does Rassendyll hear talking when he swims round the castle moat?  
 a the Duke and Johann    b the King and Detchard  
 c Rupert and the King    d Max and Johann
- 2 Why is Antoinette de Mauban a prisoner in the Duke's mansion?  
 a Because she wants to be Queen.                      b Because she is a murderer.  
 c Because the Duke cannot trust her.                      d Because she wants to marry Rassendyll.
- 3 Who kills the Duke in a fight?  
 a Antoinette de Mauban    b Rupert    c Rassendyll                      d the King
- 4 What does Rassendyll teach the real King?  
 a what a real King should be    b how to trick people  
 c how to find Rupert    d how to fight

### b Answer TWO (2) of the following questions:

- 1 Why do you think that Rassendyll told the Chief of Police to return in two weeks?  
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- 2 What do we learn about Rupert when Rassendyll catches up with him on his horse?  
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- 3 Why do you think that Rassendyll didn't follow Rupert's plan?  
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## C Writing

## 4 Finish the following dialogue:

*Ashraf and Wael are waiting at a bus stop.*

**Ashraf** I've got to be in the centre of Cairo in an hour. Where's the bus? It's late!

**Wael** 1 \_\_\_\_\_? The underground is very fast.

**Ashraf** But I'm meeting my friend at a bus stop in the centre.

**Wael** 2 \_\_\_\_\_? Then you can walk from the underground station to the bus stop in the centre.

**Ashraf** Perhaps you're right. I've not used the underground before. Do you know how to buy a ticket?

**Wael** 3 \_\_\_\_\_.

4 \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ashraf** OK. What do I do after I've bought a ticket from the ticket office?

**Wael** 5 \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ashraf** Is it easy to put the ticket into the machine?

**Wael** Yes, it is. Then the gates open and you can walk onto the platform to wait for the train.

**Ashraf** 6 \_\_\_\_\_? I don't want to go on my own.

**Wael** Yes, OK. I'll come with you. Then I can show you what to do.

## 5 Write an email to a friend of ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY (120) words on ONE (1) of the following:

Your name is Amin/Amina. Your friend's name is Gamil/Gamila. His/Her address is Gamil/Gamila@newmail.com

- a an important period in history
- b a list of instructions explaining how something works

## 6 A Translate into Arabic:

1 I wish I had had time to read more novels when I was younger.

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2 Your skin might burn if you sit in the sun without using sun cream.

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## B Translate ONE (1) sentence only into English:

1 إذا لم يصاب والدى في قدمه لأصبح لاعب كرة قدم.

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2 أود أن أعرف كيف يؤثر القمر على البحار على سطح الأرض.

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