

27. Recent turmoil in the Middle East has led to yet another dramatic increase in the price of petrol. Motorists have been _____ as usual.

- ☐ a) hard struck
- ☐ b) hard hit
- ☐ c) hardly hit
- ☐ d) hit hardly

28. —I see you have prepared everything for your journey. When do you want to leave? —_____. I have a long way to go.

- ☐ a) The sooner, the better
- ☐ b) Sooner, better
- ☐ c) The soonest, the best
- ☐ d) Soonest, best

29. Sometimes I wish I _____ science at university instead of literature and philosophy.

- ☐ a) was studying
- ☐ b) would have studied
- ☐ c) had studied
- ☐ d) studied

30. —I'm saving up to buy a new car. —Is that so? How much money _____ and how much are you going to need?

- ☐ a) have you saved
- ☐ b) have you been saving
- ☐ c) did you save
- ☐ d) were you saving

31. He had hurt his leg badly. _____, somehow or other he managed to stagger back to the camp.

- ☐ a) However
- ☐ b) In spite
- ☐ c) Even though
- ☐ d) Although

32. The castle is said to be one of the finest of its kind in Europe and we would certainly have visited it if we _____ more time.

- ☐ a) had
- ☐ b) had had
- ☐ c) would have
- ☐ d) would have had

33. Fiona is working hard at learning Chinese. It takes a lot of time but she's convinced it will be worth it in the _____.

- ☐ a) large run
- ☐ b) long run
- ☐ c) large place
- ☐ d) long place

34. This tablecloth is absolutely filthy. I must remember to take it to the dry cleaner's next week and _____.

- ☐ a) clean it
- ☐ b) have it cleaned
- ☐ c) they clean it
- ☐ d) have cleaned it

35. _____ he had another appointment, he was unable to attend the meeting.

- ☐ a) As
- ☐ b) Like
- ☐ c) Already that
- ☐ d) Put that

36. When I moved to Scotland, I couldn't understand anyone at first. At that time, I _____ the Scottish accent.

- ☐ a) didn't use to hear
- ☐ b) didn't used to hear
- ☐ c) wasn't used to hear
- ☐ d) wasn't used to hearing

37. —You look very pale, David. What's wrong? —I've just heard that the factory _____ is going to close in three months.

- ☐ a) where I work in
- ☐ b) that I work in it
- ☐ c) in what I work
- ☐ d) I work in

38. —According to the weather forecast, it's going to freeze tomorrow. —Then you'd better put on some warm clothes, _____ you?

- ☐ a) hadn't
- ☐ b) wouldn't
- ☐ c) didn't
- ☐ d) shouldn't

39. He was an enigmatic person. Very little _____ about him.

- ☐ a) was known
- ☐ b) got known
- ☐ c) they knew
- ☐ d) was knowing

40. What's a smart girl like Joan doing with a fellow like Philip? He's as thick as _____.

- ☐ a) thieves
- ☐ b) soup
- ☐ c) a brick
- ☐ d) a trick

41. I have a good memory for faces but I have difficulty _____ people's names.

- ☐ a) to remember
- ☐ b) remembering
- ☐ c) for remembering
- ☐ d) to remind

42. She got married in 2001, when she was only seventeen. Now she wishes she _____ in such a hurry.

- ☐ a) wasn't
- ☐ b) weren't
- ☐ c) wouldn't have been
- ☐ d) hadn't been

43. They started repairs on the road a month ago, but they _____.

- ☐ a) haven't finished yet
- ☐ b) yet haven't finished
- ☐ c) haven't finished still
- ☐ d) haven't still finished

44. I didn't want to speak to him, so I pretended _____ the newspaper.

- ☐ a) to read
- ☐ b) reading
- ☐ c) that I read
- ☐ d) I read

45. The train was late but nobody knew the _____ the delay.

- ☐ a) motive for
- ☐ b) motive of
- ☐ c) reason for
- ☐ d) reason of

46. I hate this place in summer. The streets are so crowded _____ tourists that it's impossible to move.

- ☐ a) from
- ☐ b) by
- ☐ c) with
- ☐ d) of

47. The doorman refused to _____ us into the club because we weren't members.

- ☐ a) let
- ☐ b) leave
- ☐ c) admit
- ☐ d) enter

48. We didn't manage to discuss everything on the agenda because we _____ time.

- ☐ a) ran out from
- ☐ b) ran out of
- ☐ c) jumped out of
- ☐ d) jumped out from

49. I prefer to go to the airport alone. I don't like it when people come to _____.

- ☐ a) give me off
- ☐ b) see me off
- ☐ c) see me away
- ☐ d) give me away

50. You can always count on Harry. He'll never _____ you down.

- ☐ a) leave
- ☐ b) drop
- ☐ c) let
- ☐ d) cut