

A. Partea I: CITIT
(Citirea cu atenție)

Choose the correct answer a, b, c, or d.

The Generation Gap

The world is undergoing a rapid change. That is, views, opinions, fashion, and even traditions are changing rapidly. Old people cannot adapt themselves to these changes easily. They always talk about good old days, and complain about the young, which leads to a generation gap. Parents always mention the problems of the young. But, if there is a problem, then, we can say that it is the old people who create it. Everyone is of the opinion that the young are, after all, human beings, people just like their parents. There is only one difference between an old man and a young man: the young man has got a bright future before him and the old one has got a lot of experience behind him.

1. The passage informs us that ...

a	old people are the only ones to get accustomed to the change.
b	young people try to adapt to old habits.
c	old people can't keep up with the rapid change.
d	young people can't live along with their parents.

2. The old differ from the young in that ...

a	they have gained plenty of life experience.
b	they cannot expect to have a bright future.
c	young people are mainly interested in fashion.
d	young people always complain about their parents.

Raising Houseplants

Raising houseplants involves nearly as much care and knowledge as raising children. First, both plants and children are sensitive to their environments. For example, a plant will grow faster and much healthier if it is raised in an environment of tender, loving care. The same is true for a child, who will be happier and healthier if his parents love and nurture him. Similarly, proper care of houseplants requires a basic knowledge of plants on the part of the owner. He must know, for example, which of his plants need direct sunlight and which need to be kept in shady places, and how much water each plant requires for the best growth and appearance. Parents, too, must have basic knowledge of their children's needs in order to provide what is necessary for their best physical and mental development.

3. We learn from the text that environment ...

a	plays an important role in the development of both children and plants.
b	has no effect on plants.
c	has nothing to do with child raising, because most people raise
d	is important if the plants are sensitive.

4. The passage informs us that if a person does not have enough knowledge of plants ...

a	their growth will be affected negatively.
b	he cannot raise a child.
c	plants should be kept in shady places.
d	they grow faster.

5. The article emphasizes that love and care ...

a	are necessary not only for children but also for plants.
b	should only be given to children.
c	are not as essential for children as for plants.
d	will only help raise happier and healthier children.

Amelia Earhart

What happened to Amelia Earhart? One of the mysteries of history is that no conclusive answer has been found to this question. In 1928, Amelia Earhart was the first woman to fly across the Atlantic, and in 1932, she was the first to fly alone across the Atlantic. Earhart continued to break records. In 1935, she was the first person to fly alone from Hawaii to California. Later, in 1937, she and her navigator, Frederick Noonan, set off in hope of being the first to fly around the world. They never made it. Somewhere, in the Pacific, between New Guinea and Howland Island, Earhart's plane disappeared.

6. When was Amelia Earhart's individual flight across the ocean?

a	1935
b	1928
c	1937
d	1932

7. Which route was Earhart the very first person to fly alone?

a	Hawaii to California
b	Atlantic to Pacific
c	Around the world
d	New Guinea to Howland Island

8. What role played Frederick Noonan in the flight around the world?

a	F. Noonan was Amelia's flight instructor.
b	He was Amelia's helper with navigational instruments.
c	F. Noonan was the builder of Amelia's flight plane.
d	He was the person who made the flight plan.

Venice

Venice is a wonderful city to visit, and there's so much to see and do, hence preparation is the key to having an enjoyable and successful time in Venice. If you come to Venice unprepared you are going to waste time, so hopefully these practical tips on visiting Venice will get your holiday off to a great start!

Situated in the north east of Italy, Venice is easy to get to from the rest of Europe and the world, whether you are coming by air or by water. Water plays an important part in everyday life in Venice, as this amazing city is actually set across 117 islands within the Venetian Lagoon, making getting around the city an interesting and pleasant experience!

The 117 islands are connected by 455 bridges including famous ones like the Bridge of Sighs and Rialto Bridge. Venice's streets were not designed for vehicles and so the city is just a pedestrian zone. This means the only ways to get around Venice are on foot or by canal.

9. What happens if tourists omit to prepare their visit of Venice?

a	They are going to have a memorable time.
b	They risk wasting their time.
c	They are going to receive unpractical tips.
d	They will have a great start.

10. How can international tourists reach Venice?

a	by plane or by ship
b	on foot or by canal
c	in personal cars or motorcycles
d	crossing 117 bridges

11. People usually walk in Venice because....

a	the streets are intersected by bridges.
b	they want to enjoy the buildings.
c	the streets were constructed for pedestrians.
d	they want to avoid busy canals.

The White House

The White House has always reflected the styles of its inhabitants, and sometimes the public has not been too pleased with the changes. In the 1820s, for instance, John Quincy Adams put in a billiard table, and the people criticized him for wasting government money on such a thing. And about fifteen years later, Martin Van Buren was criticized for spending too much money on carpets purchased from abroad. There have always been some Americans who have argued that the objects used to decorate the White House should only be American. But in fact, many of the oldest and most elegant pieces are not American. James Monroe, for instance, graced the White House with fine furniture from France. There's only one object that has been in the White House ever since it was first inhabited, and that is a portrait of George Washington.

12. Who defines the White House's style in decoration?

a	the architects selected by politicians
b	the American people
c	the presidents who live in it
d	the American electors

13. Part of the carpets in the White House were bought ...

a	for little money
b	from American vendors
c	from other countries
d	for decorating the walls

14. The most valuable objects in the White House ...

a	are the pieces of furniture.
b	are priceless.
c	are foreign.
d	are copies of the original ones.

15. The oldest object in the White House is ...

a	a chair
b	a carpet
c	a billiard table
d	a painting

B. Partea a II-a: ELEMENTE DE GRAMATICĂ ȘI VOCABULAR (Gramatică)

Choose the correct answer a, b, c, or d.

16. ... any of your friends join you to Africa, in 2006?

a	Has
b	Had
c	Did
d	Is

17. Look at this dog! It is so tired that it can ... walk.

a	hard
b	harder
c	hardly
d	hardest

18. At that time, Dad used to be paid pilot in the country.

a	the best
b	best
c	the better
d	better

19. I would immediately go to the hospital if I ... you.

a	would be
b	had been
c	were
d	have been

20. You ... complete your education! Jobs are almost inexistent here.

a	may
b	must
c	can
d	are able to

21. Irene ... to us since her wedding.

a	didn't write
b	hasn't written
c	didn't wrote
d	haven't written

22. Professor Samuel explained to us what ... during the experiment.

a	is going to happen
b	is happening
c	will happen
d	was going to happen

23. There is ... universal opinion that humans will travel to space.

a	the
b	a
c	an
d	any

24. Two of the ... were declared heroines of their cities.

a	policewomen
b	policewomans
c	policewomens
d	policewoman

25. Which vacation is ... ? To Malibu, or to Hawaii?

a	the expensivest
b	expensiver
c	the most expensive
d	more expensive

(Vocabular)

26. ... me a favor and stop asking stupid questions!

a	Let
b	Make
c	Provide
d	Do

27. If the doctor suspects any problems with your respiratory system, he will probably check your

...

a	kidneys
b	lungs
c	liver
d	tongue

28. The poor lady ... off the ladder yesterday and broke her leg.

a	falled
b	felt
c	fell
d	failed

29. The colonel assured the troops that their plan was foolproof.

a	The plan included many mistakes.
b	The plan was for fools.
c	The plan was designed by fools.
d	The plan excluded any mistakes.

30. How would you best describe a sympathetic person?

a	That person is sensible.
b	That person is humorous.
c	That person is compassionate.
d	That person is smart.

31. I do not know how old he is, but I've heard that he is in his late thirties.

a	The man is about 34-36 years old.
b	The man is exactly 30 years old.
c	The man is about 37-39 years old.
d	The man was born in the 1930s.

32. Anyone looking for a job is required to fill in

a	a job description
b	an application form
c	a familiar document
d	an academic course

33. The song brings back pleasant memories. It..... me the time when I was in love.

a	repels
b	remembers
c	relieves
d	recalls

34. If the request of the police officer is to produce identification, you'll have to

a	indicate details about criminal records.
b	identify people who disobey laws.
c	provide him with your mail address.
d	show him your passport.

35. I dread going to the clinic tomorrow.

a	I can't wait to go.
b	I look forward to going.
c	I anticipate going.
d	I hate going.

C. Partea a III-a: SCRIS

36. Choose the most appropriate line to make a formal complaint.

a	The product you sent is broken. Send me the money immediately!
b	The product you sent is not what I ordered. Therefore, I request its replacement.
c	The product you sent is expensive. Can I keep it, please?
d	The product you sent is a piece of garbage. I want my money back!

37. Choose the most appropriate line to end an informal letter.

a	With respect,
b	Lots of hugs,
c	Yours sincerely,
d	With gratitude,

38. Choose the most appropriate line to make an informal refusal.

a	I am deeply sorry to inform you that I will not be able to attend your party.
b	I don't want to meet any of your boring friends!
c	Unfortunately, my busy schedule will keep me away from your lovely company.
d	I really can't make it to your party!

39. Choose the most appropriate line to make a formal invitation.

a	We are happy if you can come.
b	Everyone wants you here. You can't refuse the invitation.
c	We would be honored to benefit from your company.
d	Everyone likes you. Please come!

40. Which is the most appropriate line to begin a letter of application?

a	I am writing this letter hoping that you will choose me.
b	My education recommends me. You cannot ignore my resume.
c	My experience in the field makes me the best of all applicants.
d	I would like to apply for a job with your company.

41. Which is the correct order?

a	I have always travelled by plane on my business journeys.
b	On my business journeys, I have travelled by plane always.
c	By plane I have always travelled on my business journeys.
d	I have travelled always on my business journeys, by plane.

42. Which is the correct order?

a	Sally took to "The Bricot" for lunch the auditors.
b	Sally took the auditors to "The Bricot" for lunch.
c	Sally took for lunch the auditors to "The Bricot".
d	Sally took "The Bricot" to the auditors for lunch.

43. Which is the correct order?

a	He has been since February 1997 in working California.
b	He has been in California since February 1997 working.
c	He has been working in California since February 1997.
d	He has since February 1997 been working in California.

44. Which is the correct narration?

a	Mom told her children that they are going to travel by train.
b	Mom told her children that they will travel by train.
c	Mom told her children that they have travelled by train.
d	Mom told her children that they would travel by train.

45. Which is the correct sentence?

a	Jogging in the street, a dog chased me.
b	A dog chased me jogging in the street.
c	While I was jogging in the street, a dog chased me.
d	As I chased in the street, a dog was jogging.

**BAREM DE EVALUARE ȘI APRECIERE A
TESTULUI GRILĂ LA ENGLEZĂ VARIANTA II**

1	c	16	c	31	c
2	a	17	c	32	b
3	a	18	a	33	d
4	a	19	c	34	d
5	a	20	b	35	d
6	d	21	b	36	b
7	a	22	d	37	b
8	b	23	b	38	d
9	b	24	a	39	c
10	a	25	c	40	d
11	c	26	d	41	d
12	c	27	b	42	b
13	c	28	c	43	c
14	c	29	d	44	d
15	d	30	c	45	c