

## GENERAL VOCABULARY TEST 1

1. A top British official has said that many communities are becoming ---- divided, and a lack of ability in English is a key factor in creating division.

- a) merely
- b) briefly
- c) solely
- d) decently
- e) increasingly

2. Having a roof over your head is a basic human need, but there are 1.2 billion people in the world without ---- housing.

- a) adequate
- b) extreme
- c) solemn
- d) bilateral
- e) prosperous

3. With 3D printing, materials are joined together and ---- by using a computer-controlled device to create a three-dimensional object.

- a) adopted
- b) heralded
- c) reinforced
- d) urged
- e) exhausted

4. A historic ---- between U.S. President Donald Trump and Supreme Leader of North Korea Kim Jong-un will take place at a secret place by May.

- a) recovery
- b) summit
- c) concern
- d) harmony
- e) accomplishment

5. Thailand will soon close one of its world famous beaches in an effort to ---- the damage done to its coral by mass tourism.

- a) offset
- b) resign
- c) respire
- d) rehearse
- e) reside

6. The UN adopted a set of goals, "to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure ---- for all as part of a new sustainable development agenda".

- a) sincerity
- b) prosperity
- c) shortage
- d) proposal
- e) likelihood

7. An increasing number of companies are announcing plans to ---- ties with the USA's National Rifle Association (NRA) following the latest high-school shooting massacre in Florida.

- a) sever
- b) dismay
- c) abolish
- d) prompt
- e) thrive

8. Everyday household items such as toothpaste, shaving foam, deodorant, perfume and furniture polish contain volatile compounds that help to ---- pollution.

- a) ban
- b) dissolve
- c) trigger
- d) abide
- e) undermine

9. An American woman has been ---- with the rare Foreign Accent Syndrome. The woman, Michelle Myers, 45, said that in 2015 she went to bed with a "blinding headache" and woke up with a British accent.

- a) fuelled
- b) utilized
- c) associated
- d) diagnosed
- e) confessed

10. A dramatic nighttime rescue has taken place on one of the world's most dangerous mountains. A team of climbers from Poland made a ---- night ascent of the 8,126-meter-high in the Pakistani Himalayas.

- a) hazardous
- b) sufficient
- c) gainful
- d) certain
- e) profitable

11. All prisoners in the U.S. state of New York are to be given free tablet computers. The freebies are part of a deal ---- between a private communications service called JPay and New York's prison service.

- a) committed
- b) garnered
- c) ousted
- d) struck
- e) dedicated

12. Centipedes are the kind of creatures that are not to be messed with. Their venom packs a serious punch and can cause ---- paralysis and death in insects and small animals.

- a) fair
- b) benevolent
- c) rapid
- d) ample
- e) willing

13. Adolescence was ---- thought to coincide with our teenage years. However, scientists from the University of Melbourne have redefined this.

- a) wastefully
- b) eagerly
- c) frugally
- d) evenly
- e) conventionally

14. US President Donald Trump has caused worldwide ---- after he reportedly made racially charged comments about Haiti, El Salvador and African countries.

- a) severity
- b) outrage
- c) curiosity
- d) establishment
- e) zeal

15. Community leaders, mentors and local organizations have combined to ---- various projects to increase test scores at schools.

- a) implement
- b) abolish
- c) exceed
- d) condemn
- e) conclude

16. The huge ---- in the popularity of online shopping is creating chaos on the streets of our cities and on our road networks, with couriers everywhere.

- a) decline
- b) abundance
- c) surge
- d) quest
- e) session

17. Scientists have found out why certain smells recall feelings of nostalgia and can recall ---- memories.

- a) feasible
- b) ample
- c) steady
- d) distant
- e) thorough

18. We now know that an area of the brain is responsible for assigning memories to smells and for ---- them for decades.

- a) avoiding
- b) dispersing
- c) quitting
- d) abstaining
- e) storing

19. Professor Tom Shakespeare, said: "We found that singing as part of a group ---- to people's recovery from mental health problems."

- a) contributes                      b) exposes
- c) suffers                            d) refers
- e) sustains

20. Scientists have ---- new light on the effects our diet has on our mental health.

- a) sorted                            b) managed
- c) abated                            d) posed
- e) cast

21. Researchers say what we eat affects and ---- our brain chemistry up until the age of 30.

- a) alters                              b) imposes
- c) varies                              d) commences
- e) halts

22. A video of a starving polar bear in Canada's wilderness has gone viral on the Internet. It shows the bear in search of food, ---- across land with no snow or ice.

- a) launching                        b) tearing
- c) wandering                        d) sacrificing
- e) arising

23. Scientists are calling for a worldwide ---- on shiny pieces of plastic that decorate everything from eyelids to greetings cards to furniture.

- a) prevalence                        b) solution
- c) objective                            d) ban
- e) consequence

24. It turns out after a series of studies that the majority of serial killers are childless when they are killed or ----.

- a) prevailed                            b) sanctioned
- c) objected                            d) heralded
- e) apprehended

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ANSWERS

- 1.E 13.E  
2.A 14.B  
3.C 15.A  
4.B 16.C  
5.A 17.D  
6.B 18.E  
7.A 19.A  
8.C 20.E  
9.D 21.A  
10.A 22.C  
11.D 23.D  
12.C 24.E

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