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 توجه: استفاده از فرهنگ لغات مجاز نمی باشد.

Directions: Read the following sentences, and choose the correct word to fill in the blank.

- Not sleeping the night before an exam can haveeffect on your performance. You should avoid it.
 a. adequate b. abysmal c. adverse d. aboriginal
- These discoveries raisequestions. These questions are unusual and fascinating.
 a. subtle b. intriguing c. paradox d. threshold
- Computer softwares can be used toThey can imitate some events.
 a. recite b. simulate c. elaborate d. preclude
- Winning this contract isto the success of the company. It is very important.
 a. crucial b. conventional c. humbling d. downswing
- Policea drowning girl from the river yesterday.
 a. wiped b. vented c. spied d. plucked
- She always looksShe is always clean, tidy and flawless.
 a. immaculate b. impact c. involved d. feigned
- He didn't like the mediainto his past.
 a. spuring b. prevailing c. probing d. striking
- Sheher pony around the field. She needed to show it to others.
 a. adhered b. trotted c. raised d. zarned
- He is known to havewith politicians. He spends a lot of time with them.
 a. consorted b. despaired c. soiled d. gazed
- They stood in silentaround the grave. They all respected the dead man.
 a. alter b. awestruck c. homage d. grief
- She loves stories of knights and fairy, the girls who are perfect in every way.
 a. maidens b. wretches c. mansions d. altars

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12. He has a80-year-old grandfather. He is really lively and active.
 a. disgrace b. priging c. dread d. spry
13. Hundreds of menfor years at building the pyramid.
 a. toiled b. plowed c. crept d. paddled
14. He was dismissed and his wife was appointed in his
 a. stead b. tempest c. hail d. choir
15. There is evidence of a(n)between headaches and computer use.
 a. anticipation b. association c. orientation d. prediction
16. The cinema closed and people startedout to the parking lot.
 a. stumbling b. settling c. ceasing d. wandering
17. The government is making a major effort to deal with poverty and its
 a. reputation b. submission c. repercussion d. speculation
18. Months of hard workin success, and they were very happy.
 a. abandoned b. culminated c. enacted d. contrasted
19. There is still a(n).....amount of work to be done. There is a lot of work left.
 a. pack b. host c. immense d. stuff
20. These programs willwith your existing software. They will combine into one.
 a. integrate b. abolish c. absorb d. adhere
21. Theof the conference was given to us. We had a book containing all the papers.
 a. sovereignty b. solidarity c. expression d. proceedings
22. North American literature is the mainof this year's festival.
 a. colony b. theme c. illustration d. incident
23. The union can't call a strike unless it holds a(n)of members.
 a. argument b. penalty c. ballot d. trial
24. Journalistsneighbours for information. They were really bothered by their questions.
 a. pestered b. offered c. boasted d. afforded
25. She wasin her criticism of the plan. She said whatever was necessary.
 a. annoyed b. outspoken c. admitted d. worshiped

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26. You are most welcome to my humble
- a. fragment b. abode c. pinnacle d. web
27. He pouredon my suggestion by saying it was useless.
- a. scorn b. wield c. thunderbolt d. luck
28. Shea lot of influence we can use it whenever he needs to:
- a. reigns b. dooms c. wields d. diffuses
29. I think it would beto hear the other side of the argument before you make your decision.
- a. solemn b. stout c. folly d. prudent
30. She was inat the news. She was really happy.
- a. raptures b. reproach c. assembly d. distract
31. He was a shy man whoall publicity. He didn't want to be famous.
- a. shunned b. perceived c. plunged d. betrayed
32. Hehis jacket and went out. He had to have it on.
- a. curved b. donned c. padded d. abandoned
33. Her body was foundby a rope. It was hanging from the ceiling.
- a. steady b. pinned c. suspended d. crooked
34. She bears aresemblance to her older sister. They are really similar.
- a. striking b. sophisticated c. flattering d. conventional
35. The factory has a highof staff. They have enough workers to replace those who have left.
- a. potential b. turnover c. drudgery d. dividend
36. The boxes wereand difficult to move.
- a. flared b. vertical c. ruffled d. bulky
37. Theytheir inheritance money in a very short period of time. They wasted it very quickly.
- a. adhered b. incited c. trotted d. dissipated
38. Their criticism actuallythe young watchmaker to work harder.
- a. sated b. probed c. spurred d. accorded

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39. She was the innocent victim of a(n).....attack. His house was burned down.

- a. abysmal b. arson c. ludicrous d. gleeful

40. We spent a happy eveningabout the past. We talked about good old days.

- a. scheming b. undermining c. eliminating d. reminiscing

Part B: Read the following reading selections and then answer the questions that follow them.

As a joke writer for Bob Hope for 20 years, Gene Perret had taken hundreds of flights. So he was only half listening when the air steward began reciting safety instructions. Suddenly Perret's ears pricked up. "there may be 50 ways to leave your lover," the steward said, "but there are only five ways to leave this airplane." And then: "Please return your seat to its upright and most uncomfortable position. Later you may lean back and break the knees of the passenger behind you."

41. What is the main idea of the above paragraph?

- a. Safety instructions are usually funny.
 b. Even experienced joke writers come across interesting jokes unexpectedly.
 c. People must learn to tell jokes.
 d. Bob Hope was the most famous joke writer.

42. According to the paragraph, the stewardness was

- a. attracting the attention of the passengers.
 b. making fun of things
 c. talking unrelated sentences
 d. not doing her job properly

43. Which one of the following sentences is FALSE?

- a. Breaking a passenger's knee can be a joke.
 b. The steward said "there may be 50 ways to leave your lover."
 c. Perret has worked for 20 years as a joke writer.
 d. Perret was not listening carefully to the steward's instructions at first.

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Passage two:

Nero Didn't fiddle while Rome Burned.

Rome may have burned, but Nero didn't fiddle.

It is only an unfounded rumour, albeit an old one, that the mad Emperor Nero started a fire near the imperial palace and then climbed to the top of the Tower of Maecenas, where he gleefully played his fiddle, sang arias from his own execrable operas, and watched the city go up in flames. True, Nero did fancy himself a poet and musician, and often summoned audiences to attend recitals of his compositions. But according to the contemporary historian and chronicler Tacitus, the fire which gutted Rome in 64 A.D. could not possibly have been Nero's doing; at the time it broke out, Nero was at his villa in Antium 30 miles away. Besides, the violin wasn't even invented until the 16th century, although in some versions of the tale Nero plays a lute or lyre.

But the dispelling of the fiddling myth by no means undermines Nero's hard-won reputation for ruthlessness and cackling depravity. A cold-blooded persecutor of Christians, an extortionist, and a debauchee, he outraged even the wildly licentious Romans with his public wantonness.

Indeed, incest and treachery seem to have run in the family. Consider that his widowed mother, Agrippina, married her own uncle, the Emperor Claudius, who had recently slain his first wife for her infidelities. Later Agrippina schemed to eliminate Claudius's son Britannicus from the line of imperial succession and encouraged Nero to marry Octavia, who was Claudius's daughter and Nero's own adoptive sister. Then she slew Claudius, paving the way for her son's accession to the throne.

44. The old story about emperor Nero indicates that he

- became mad when Rome went on fire
- enjoyed the scene of the wild fire
- was inspired by the fire to become a musician
- did not live when Rome went on fire

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45. According to the passage, Nero was definitely
- an intelligent ruler who was interested in people's welfare
 - an outstanding religious person who was loved by his people
 - a courageous emperor who loved peace and poetry
 - a ruthless person who performed inhuman acts
46. It is possible that the fire was
- the work of Nero's enemies
 - the work of Nero's friends
 - not big enough to destroy Rome
 - not recorded by Roman historians
47. Which of the following sentences is TRUE?
- The story of Rome fire is totally false.
 - Nero was a wonderful leader.
 - Nero was an extremely religious person.
 - The fire of Rome was probably the work of Nero.

Passage three:

Newton's Gravitational Theory was Not Inspired by a Falling Apple.

Sir Isaac Newton was taking tea under the apple trees in the family gardens at woolsthorpe one summer's afternoon in 1665 when an apple fell from an overhanging branch plunked him on the head, and immediately provided the inspiration for his law of gravitation. Or so the story goes. It may indeed have happened that way, but no one knows for certain. Even the famed British astronomer sir Harold Spencer Jones, who publicly stated in 1944 that the story was probably true, later recanted, noting that "one cannot be sure either way."

The story of Newton's apple first appears in Voltair's *Elements de la Philosophie de Newton*, published in 1738, long after the great English mathematician had died and 73 years from the time the disputed apple fell. Voltaire admired sir Isaac and his theories tremendously and offered a clear, insightful interpretation of his teachings. But his only source for the apple story was Sir Isaac's niece, Catherine Barton Conduit, who had married one of her uncles closest associates. She and her husband lived with and kept house for Newton in his declining years.

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48. According to the first paragraph
- the falling of an apple from the tree is the source of gravitation.
 - Sir Isaac Newton never had tea under an apple tree.
 - it is not certain that Newton was inspired by a falling apple.
 - British scientists have proved that gravitation is measured by falling apples.
49. The story of Newton's apple was told
- by Newton himself
 - by Newton's close friends
 - many years after the discovery of the law of gravitation
 - when Newton was too old to do his housework.
50. Which of the following sentences is FALSE?
- Apple trees are the inspiration for scientific laws.
 - Many people have told the story of Newton's apple tree but not many have questioned its truth.
 - Many of the stories about the apple tree were told long after Newton's time.
 - The story of gravitation was published after Newton's death.