

LINGUA INGLESE

1. Which sentence is correct?

- A) I don't read much you.
- B) I don't read as much as you.
- C) I no read many you.
- D) I no read as much as you.

2. To _____ it may concern, I hereby designate Mathilda Jones _____ my attorney.

- A) Whom / like
- B) Whoever / such as
- C) Who / as
- D) Whom / as

3. They can speak ___ English ___ French.

- A) both; also
- B) both; that
- C) both; and
- D) both; each

4. I think I _____ stay at home next summer. My friends have invited me to Rome.

- A) am not going to. Won't to
- B) don't
- C) won't
- D) won't to

5. I don't suppose I could have a glass of water, _____?

- A) couldn't I
- B) I suppose
- C) do I
- D) could I

6. Choose the best verb form to complete this sentence: By this time next week we _____ the new computer system.

- A) will have installed
- B) have installed
- C) | will have been installing
- D) will installing

7. Call me at 10 p.m. By that time my parents _____.

- A) will leave.
- B) will have left.
- C) have left.

D) will have been leaving.

8. She's not very keen _____ basketball.

- A) to
- B) with
- C) around
- D) on

9. Choose the best word or phrase to complete this sentence: I'll pay you back the money _____ I can get to the bank.

- A) as soon as
- B) sooner
- C) no sooner than
- D) as soon

10. Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence: Rome is _____.

- A) very beautiful city
- B) a very beautiful city
- C) a city very beautiful
- D) the city very beautiful

In today's global market place few firms are sheltered from international competition. Most markets are very competitive. Some are extremely competitive. In a number of industries supply has grown faster than demand and, as too many firms compete for too few customers, some markets have become hyper-competitive. Hyper-competition can be fairly short-lived, but in some sectors it has become the norm. The automobile industry is a classic example. How do you cut costs by 20%, improve quality and increase output all at once? It's a pretty tough question, but one that carmakers and their suppliers have had to answer regularly. In view of market conditions, it is hardly surprising that the automotive sector has become so competitive. In recent years, productivity has increased very quickly, but demand has grown quite slowly. This has resulted in over-capacity. The problem has been worsened by slow growth in markets. Several car manufacturers have invested in new plants to meet growing demand abroad. But many vehicle markets have proved rather slow in developing. Early forecasts, it appears, were a little optimistic.

11. The phrase "few firms are sheltered" means.....

- A) not many companies are international.
- B) not many companies are protected.
- C) not many companies are competitive.
- D) not many companies are sold.

12. The company took _____ shortly after the deal.

- A) out.
- B) up
- C) down.
- D) over

13. He _____ too much wine at the party last night! He's got a terrible headache!

- A) drink
- B) drank
- C) drunken
- D) drunk

14. I've been trying to get _____ with her all week, but she's never home and her mobile is always off".

- A) through
- B) hold
- C) in touch
- D) along

15. Please fasten _____ seat belts as we prepare for take off.

- A) their
- B) your
- C) yours
- D) its

16. This is the ... film we have ever seen.

- A) worse
- B) worsts
- C) more bad
- D) worst

17. _____ signing the contract he made a phone call.

- A) Since he'd had
- B) After he had
- C) Before he has
- D) Before

18. Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence: Visiting the Czech Republic _____ a visa, but now it's no longer necessary.

- A) used requiring
- B) were used to require
- C) used to require
- D) are used to requiring

19. I know what that word means! I looked _____ in my dictionary.

- A) to it
- B) it up
- C) for it
- D) down

20. Choose the right sentence.

- A) You has never been at London, have you?
- B) You have never been to London, haven't you?
- C) You have never been to London, did you?

D) You have never been to London, have you?

21. Neither you ___ Tom should use that knife!

- A) nor
- B) either
- C) heather
- D) or

22. Choose the best verb form to complete this sentence: The notebook _____ in the office yesterday evening, but now it's gone!

- A) aren't
- B) was
- C) were
- D) be

23. Which of the given alternatives correctly fills in the gap?

_____ the only creature that consumes without producing. He does not give milk, he does not lay eggs, he is too weak to pull the plough, he cannot run enough to catch rabbits. Yet he is lord of all the animals. He sets them to work, he gives back to them the bare minimum that will prevent them from starving, and the rest he keeps for himself. (*'Animal Farm'* by George Orwell, 1945).

- A) The men are
- B) Man is
- C) Men are
- D) The man is

24. I wish it _____ rain so much in this place!

- A) hadn't.
- B) wouldn't.
- C) shouldn't.
- D) didn't.

25. Choose the best word or words to complete this sentence: There's _____ speculation about who will become the new leader of the Labour Party when the Prime Minister retires.

- A) too much
- B) | many
- C) | a lot
- D) very

26. Individuare la traduzione corretta: "Il pranzo viene sempre servito alle 13:00".

- A) The lunch comes always served at 13:00.
- B) The lunch comes always serve at 13:00.
- C) Lunch comes always served at 13:00.

D) Lunch is always served at 13:00.

27. She doesn't look like _____ her father or her mother.

- A) neither
- B) both
- C) either
- D) or

28. Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence: Tomorrow morning I _____ the 6.30 train to Rome to attend a European conference on world poverty.

- A) have taken
- B) going to take
- C) am getting
- D) shall go

29. Firms can avoid _____ middle managers.

- A) paying
- B) paid
- C) pay
- D) to pay

30. Which of the following CANNOT be used to complete this sentence? James isn't at work today so I think he _____ be ill.

- A) can
- B) must
- C) might
- D) may

31. Choose the answer which fits best according to the text.

Japanese expression of regret and atonement are finely tuned to the circumstances. So students of etiquette were quick to note that the apology issued by Sony on Tuesday October 24th, for manufacturing occasionally inflammable laptop batteries, was less than whole-hearted. In a land where shamed executives are not shy of shedding tears during shows of contrition, the seated shallow bow performed by some of the Japanese electronic giant's bosses was deemed a middling act of corporate obeisance. Sony's apology is part of a growing trend for business leaders to say sorry to consumers (and sometimes to workers and shareholders) for corporate shortcomings. Of late, Steve Jobs was widely praised for taking responsibility for Apple's problems over the backdating of share-options. Mark Hurd, Hewlett-Packard's boss, got a critical reaction to his more equivocal "apology" for a recent scandal that swept the American tech firm. As companies appear to be quicker at accepting the blame for failures, the timing and scope of their apologies are coming under ever-greater scrutiny. The oft-touted example of an exemplary corporate reaction to trouble is that of Johnson & Johnson in the early 1980s after several people died after taking a drug called Tylenol. Though the product had been deliberately poisoned with cyanide while on shop shelves the firm's chief executive apologized repeatedly and profusely, production ceased and over 30m bottles were

recalled at a cost of some \$100m. Despite huge public disquiet about the drug at the time, sales of Tylenol quickly recovered. The "timing and scope" of their apologies refers to _____

- A) how often they apologize and who they apologize to.
- B) when they apologize and the reason for their apology.
- C) at what time of the day they apologize and why they are apologizing.
- D) how long the apology lasts and where the press conference is held.

32. Which sentence is correct?

- A) A bully is someone that victimises systematically another person, perceived as different physically or intellectually than himself.
- B) A bully is one who systematically victimise another person, perceived as physically or intellectually different from himself.
- C) A bully is someone who systematically victimises another person, perceived as physically or intellectually different from himself.
- D) A bully is somebody that systematically victimises another, perceived as physical or intellectual different to himself.

33. Maria's coffee bar was _____ she decided to franchise it.

- A) such successful that.
- B) so successful than.
- C) such successful as.
- D) so successful that.

34. You _____ have a driver's license to ride a bike.

- A) don't need to.
- B) shouldn't.
- C) mustn't.
- D) aren't allowed to.

35. Never _____ such a beautiful building!

- A) I have seen
- B) do I see
- C) I will see
- D) have I seen

36. Just _____ students were good, but none of them were excellent.

- A) many
- B) any
- C) some
- D) no

37. Every morning, when the class starts, the teacher _____.

- A) makes the call
- B) makes the appeal

- C) calls the students
- D) calls the register

38. There is no _____ for paying women less than men if they do the same job.

- A) use
- B) time
- C) point
- D) reason

39. I'm sorry I did it. It's all my _____ .

- A) blame
- B) fault
- C) guilt
- D) charge

40. Choose the best word to complete this sentence: You can invest your money in stocks and _____.

- A) bears
- B) divides
- C) shares
- D) hedges

41. Would you like a drink? Yes, _____ .

- A) all right
- B) welcome
- C) thanks
- D) please

42. Indicare la traduzione corretta."We want to throw a party before summer vacation".

- A) Vogliamo cancellare la festa prima delle vacanze estive.
- B) Vogliamo fissare una data per la festa prima delle vacanze estive.
- C) Vogliamo dare una festa prima delle vacanze estive.
- D) Vogliamo andare a una festa prima delle vacanze estive.

43. _____ do? Pleased to meet you.

- A) How do you.
- B) When do you.
- C) What do you.
- D) Where do you.

44. Choose the best phrase to complete the following:You _____ the meeting yesterday. It was very important.

- A) mustn't miss
- B) needn't have missed

- C) shouldn't have missed
- D) oughtn't to miss

45. Which of the following CANNOT be used to complete this sentence? James isn't at work today so I think he _____ be ill.

- A) must
- B) may
- C) can
- D) might

46. I've asked the waiter for the bill but he hasn't brought it _____

- A) still.
- B) already.
- C) yet.
- D) now.

47. Choose the best phrase to complete this sentence: I've been trying _____ with him all week, but he's never in the office and his mobile always seems to be busy.

- A) to get in touch
- B) to answer
- C) contacting
- D) getting hold

48. Choose the best verb form to complete this sentence: Last Monday the House unanimously _____ the new legislation.

- A) was passed
- B) | passed
- C) have passed
- D) were passing

49. I wish I _____ her before!

- A) would meet.
- B) will meet.
- C) had met.
- D) met.

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- A) must
- B) may
- C) can
- D) might

51. *The fallout from the global slowdown in the airline industry is still casting a shadow over airline suppliers, despite the resurgence of budget airlines. L Gardner, the engineering company, said yesterday that it had got rid of its final dividend and would cut 250 staff in the face of uncertain short-term prospects after the events of September 11. The supplier to Boeing and Rolls-Royce said that it would cut about 10 per cent of its workforce in a costcutting drive, announced last month, to pre-empt lower business levels. The group, which generates two-thirds of its income from making aircraft components, also said it felt that it was inappropriate to pay a dividend. Brett Welch, the finance director, said the cost-cutting exercise would help the company when the airline industry returned to normality. Separately, Ryanair, the no-frills Republic of Ireland airline, is expected to confirm Frankfurt as its second European hub today. The move, eagerly anticipated by observers in the airlines sector, would enable the budget airline to step up its efforts to take cost-conscious business passengers from the flag carriers. If "you cast a shadow" you....*

- A) negatively influence it.
- B) do it.
- C) get it.
- D) make it.

52. **What do you like in your spare time?**

- A) to doing.
- B) being done.
- C) doing.
- D) do.

53. **Choose the best verb form to complete this sentence: If I _____ a cake, will you bring some wine?**

- A) would be making
- B) make
- C) will make
- D) had made

54. **He works very, very**

- A) carefully.
- B) in a caring way.
- C) likely.
- D) careful.

55. **Indicare la traduzione corretta. "I couldn't make it to work yesterday".**

- A) Non sono riuscito ad andare al lavoro ieri.
- B) Non ho potuto farlo funzionare ieri.
- C) Ieri non volevo andare al lavoro.
- D) Non potevo farlo ieri al lavoro.

56. If I _____ to university, I _____ the possibility to work in this field.

- A) hadn't gone / wouldn't have had.
- B) had gone / wouldn't have.
- C) hadn't gone / had had.
- D) hadn't been / would had.

57. Our teachers are all highly _____ .

- A) prepared
- B) taught
- C) qualified
- D) instructed

58. John has an _____ the most fantastic lies.

- A) amazing ability to invent
- B) ability amazing to invent
- C) capability of inventing
- D) able capacity to inventing

59. Blackboards are _____. We need to change them all for interactive whiteboards.

- A) up to date
- B) backdated
- C) out of fashion
- D) expired

60. That boy's always _____ on those who are smaller or weaker than himself.

- A) pick
- B) picking
- C) tells
- D) put

61. It _____ all day and the road was slippery.

- A) had been raining
- B) rains
- C) is raining
- D) will rain

62. The students got a bad ____.

- A) punctuation
- B) mark
- C) point
- D) vote

63. I'm sorry I did it. It's all my _____.

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- B) fault
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64. Choose the best word to complete this sentence: You can invest your money in stocks and _____.

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65. A library is:

- A) a piece of furniture for keeping books on.
- B) a shelf to keep books on.
- C) a place where books are kept.
- D) a store that sells books.

66. You can say that someone will have "an easy ride"

- A) if you think that they will win the horse race.
- B) if you think that they will spend a happy time riding a horse.
- C) if you think that they will travel in a comfortable vehicle.
- D) if you think that they will achieve something without difficulty.

67. I am afraid I _____ keep the appointment I made for Monday 14th May.

- A) would not be able to
- B) should not be able to
- C) must not be able to
- D) will not be able to

68. In the sentence: "Everyone recognized her down-to-earth approach to life", "down-to-earth" means _____.

- A) practical
- B) hopeless
- C) depressed
- D) sad

69. Our personal information _____ social media companies in order to target us with specific Internet advertising.

- 1) is analysed from
- 2) is analysed by
- 3) are analysed from
- 4) are analysed by

70. Mary says: "I have already done the homework". Which is correct?

- A) Mary said she has already done the homework.
- B) Mary said she was already doing the homework.
- C) Mary said she would already do the homework.
- D) Mary said she had already done the homework.

71. Which sentence is correct?

- A) A trade union is an organised association formed of workers to protect and further their rights and interests.
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- D) A trade union is an organised of workers association formed to protect and further their rights and interests.

72. One molecule of pure water is composed _____ two hydrogen atoms and one oxygen atom.

- A) for
- B) with
- C) from
- D) of

73. We seem to be for bankruptcy!

- A) dreaming
- B) aiding
- C) concentrating
- D) heading

74. " He it!"

- A) made me done
- B) made me do
- C) made me doing
- D) made me to do

75. Choose the answer which fits best according to the text.

The Treasury Select Committee is to launch an inquiry into the planned take-over of Liffe, the London Futures exchange, by Euronext, the alliance of the Paris, Brussels and Amsterdam stock exchanges. The unusual move is thought to have been provoked by growing concern among committee members about the impact on the City of London of the £555 million cash take-over. The committee will hear evidence from Liffe and Euronext officials on December 13. It will then question officials from the London Stock Exchange, which lost out in the auction for Liffe despite tabling a higher offer. "Philip Morris switch challenged": Philip Morris, the tobacco company, has become embroiled in a dispute about its proposed name change. Altria Healthcare, a private medical billing company in America, is concerned about Philip Morris's proposed name change to Altria Group. "It is of great concern to a healthcare business to have a big tobacco and alcohol company wish to adopt an identical name," Warren Smedley, Altria Healthcare's president, said. Philip Morris said it had conducted all necessary searches and was confident that it was not in breach of any laws and would not confuse Altria Healthcare's customers. An "alliance" is....

- A) trading post.
- B) partnership.

- C) lodge.
- D) club.

76. The company is thinking about some managers.

- A) removing
- B) disposing
- C) disrupting
- D) rubbing

77. Choose the best verb to complete this sentence: By midnight yesterday all the forms _____ to the Commission.

- A) had be sent
- B) were transmitting
- C) are gone
- D) we send

78. It's high time you a better job!

- A) founding
- B) funded
- C) found
- D) find

79. I haven't seen him2010.

- A) since when
- B) since
- C) for
- D) from

Choose the answer which fits best according to the text.

Many great whales like the Humpback have been so brutally massacred by mankind that whalers consider them commercially extinct. Whales are still over-exploited. Typical is the Blue whale, the largest animal that has ever lived on this earth – 100 feet (30 metres) long and weighing 160 tons. Since 1900 we humans have killed over 300,000 of them and there are only a few thousand left. Despite international demands to stop the slaughter, whalers – mainly Japanese and Russian – are destroying four other species of great whale; some have already been reduced to 20 per cent of their former population. Whalers can turn to other trades but the great whales can never be recreated. They have much to teach us. These peaceful creatures have highly developed brains and close family and social organization. They can communicate over great distances, and dive to great depths. We cannot yet explain their full role in the ecology of the seas, but if they are wiped out and we find their role was a vital one, it will be too late. The World Wildlife Fund is campaigning to save the life and resources of the seas – for our own sakes and those of our children.

80. Word Wildlife Fund is campaigning to protect:

- A) whales
- B) the whales trade
- C) the tourist trade
- D) man from whales

SOLUZIONI COMMENTATE

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2. Risposta D

To whom it may concern, I hereby designate Mathilda Jones as my attorney.

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They can speak both English and French.

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This is the worst film we have ever seen.

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Before signing the contract he made a phone call.

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Visiting the Czech Republic used to require a visa, but now it's no longer necessary.

19. Risposta C

I know what that word means! I looked for it in my dictionary.

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You have never been to London, have you?

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Neither you nor Tom should use that knife!

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There's too much speculation about who will become the new leader of the Labour Party when the Prime Minister retires.

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Lunch is always served at 13:00.

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You shouldn't have missed the meeting yesterday. It was very important.

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