

INTERNATIONAL KANGAROO LINGUISTIC CONTEST 2015

Time Allowed: 60 minutes

3 - Point Questions

1. Shakespeare, England's greatest playwright, is an author works have been translated into every major language of the world.

- A) whom
B) who
C) whose
D) which
E) what

2. *New Scotland Yard* is

- A) a measurement of length
B) the headquarters of the London police
C) the fabric used to make bagpipes
D) the latest fashion in England
E) the most impressive Scottish garden

3. My family have such appetites that I always have to cook double portions for them.

- A) full
B) omnivorous
C) voracious
D) carnivorous
E) delicious

4. Which of the following is a Germanic language?

- A) Russian
B) French
C) English
D) Spanish
E) Hungarian

5. Complete sentences 1-5 using the words a-e correctly:

1. All supermarkets surveyed displayed food products at their a. outlook
2. With rising unemployment, the for the economy is not good. b. takeaway
3. I often buy a meal for lunch c. runway
4. He's such a calm young man and of anger aren't typical of him. d. outbursts
5. The plane taxied down the before taking off. e. checkouts

- A) 1d/ 2e/ 3b/ 4c/ 5a
B) 1e/ 2b/ 3d/ 4a/ 5c
C) 1c/ 2a/ 3b/ 4d/ 5e
D) 1a/ 2b/ 3c/ 4d/ 5e
E) 1e/ 2a/ 3b/ 4d/ 5c

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6. Which of the following nouns, when in the plural form, does **not** change its form?

- A) fungus
- B) goose
- C) family
- D) tooth
- E) aircraft

7. He said he flying to Toronto morning.

- A) will be/ the next
- B) was/ the following
- C) was to/ the next
- D) would be/ in the next
- E) was/ in the following

8. The United States Congress has its seat in

- A) The White House
- B) The Pentagon
- C) The Capitol
- D) The Chrysler Building
- E) The Empire State Building

9. Every year, Americans celebrate Thanksgiving on the fourth of November.

- A) Sunday
- B) Thursday
- C) Friday
- D) Tuesday
- E) Saturday

10. Which of the following is an antonym of *cold-blooded*?

- A) merciful
- B) healthy
- C) cruel
- D) courageous
- E) heartless

4 - Point Questions

11. The princess down and slept for twenty years.

- A) laid
- B) lied
- C) lain
- D) lay
- E) lie

12. "Mark Twain" is a term related to navigation on the Mississippi. What does it refer to?

- A) the quantity of rain
- B) the dangers ahead
- C) the length of the river
- D) the depth of the water
- E) the speed limit

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13. Who lived in Sherwood Forest?

- A) Peter Pan B) Captain Hook C) Henry VIII
D) Robin Hood E) King Arthur

14. The representatives expressed their the cars the company had provided them with.

- A) disappointment on B) dissatisfaction with C) discontent for
D) defence against E) rejection of

15. In the sentence:

“Cafes and the art of conversation are the substance of European identity”- what word can replace “substance”?

- A) middle B) material C) content
D) aspect E) core

16. Tara takes her clever father in looks but there's not much to her from the other students of her class in terms of ability.

- A) after/ distinguish B) from/ tell C) upon/ single out
D) over/ recognize E) on/ separate

17. Although Miss Windsor is a famous actress, in financial her career has not been particularly successful.

- A) terms B) points C) views
D) aspects E) ways

18. My cousin has been staying at my place for almost a fortnight. Needless to say she has overstayed her

- A) staying B) visiting C) holiday
D) welcome E) travelling

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19. "Loo" is an informal British word for

- A) toilet
- B) lollipop
- C) lion
- D) loop
- E) glue

20. When do people in the UK wear poppies on their lapels?

- A) On Valentine's Day
- B) On New Year's Eve
- C) On Remembrance Sunday
- D) On Mother's Day.
- E) On Good Friday

5 - Point Questions

21. What does a conductor use to help the orchestra keep a steady beat?

- A) a bar
- B) a rod
- C) a bat
- D) a baton
- E) a club

22. "In to the demands of your employer, strong measures are being taken to them."

- A) concern/solve
- B) consideration/resolve
- C) view/suit
- D) refer/meet
- E) regard/meet

23. A "hot potato" is

- A) an angry person
- B) a controversial issue
- C) an embarrassing situation
- D) an urgent matter
- E) a spicy dish

24. What is Queen Elizabeth II's official surname?

- A) Windsor
- B) Wessex
- C) Kent
- D) Tudor
- E) York

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25. The young mother looked at her baby lovingly and started to him softly.

- A) crowing
- B) cooing
- C) squeaking
- D) laughing
- E) crying

26. In which of these words can't you hear the sound /ei/?

- A) atheist
- B) beige
- C) freight
- D) leisure
- E) vein

27. I don't have anything in common with my brother. We're like chalk and

- A) board
- B) cheese
- C) spots
- D) ink
- E) coal

28. Who was the longest-serving British Prime Minister of the 20th century?

- A) Winston Churchill
- B) David Cameron
- C) John Major
- D) Tony Blair
- E) Margaret Thatcher

29. I'd rather you ... your father's car yesterday.

- A) hadn't taken
- B) don't take
- C) won't take
- D) didn't take
- E) haven't taken

30. What is ninepins?

- A) a tool
- B) a plant
- C) a game
- D) a dish
- E) a bird