

3 - Point Questions

Read the following conversation and answer questions 1-4:

Mrs. Jones: "These sausages taste like veal at one end and like bread crumbs at the other," she complained.

The butcher: "Ma'am, in times like these, no butcher can make both ends meet," he replied.



1. Veal is the meat of a:

- A) goat B) chicken C) pig
D) calf E) sheep

2. Which of the following sentences is true?

- A) Mrs. Jones complains about the butcher's veal.
B) Mrs. Jones finds fault with the butcher's bread crumbs.
C) Mrs. Jones complains that the butcher likes bread crumbs.
D) Mrs. Jones complains that the bread crumbs are not good.
E) Mrs. Jones finds fault with the butcher's sausages.

3. What does the word *Ma'am* mean?

- A) mother B) mummy C) madam
D) mamma E) mum

4. What does the butcher mean when he says "no butcher can make both ends meet"?

- A) Butchers don't have enough money.
B) Butchers don't have enough bread.
C) Butchers can't make proper sausages.
D) Butchers don't help each other.
E) Butchers don't have enough veal.

5. Choose the right proverb for the following situation: People who talk a lot and try to teach others all the time do not usually do much work.

- A) A great talker is a great liar. B) Great talkers are little doers.
C) Barking dogs seldom bite. D) Speak when you are spoken to.
E) The talker sows, the listener reaps.

6. Find the word whose part in bold is pronounced differently from the others.

- A) guess B) **g**uest C) guarantee
D) **g**arbage E) **g**esture

7. Father brought the subject of the winter holidays during dinner last night.

- A) off B) out C) about
D) up E) on

8. The only state in the USA to be named after a US president is

- A) Virginia B) South Carolina C) Washington
D) South Dakota E) Kentucky

9. "Please don't disturb me unless it's a matter of ... and ...!"

- A) life/ dead B) live/ breath C) flesh/ blood
D) life/ death E) live/ dead

10. Which of the following symbols is a semicolon?

- A) : B) ; C) "
D) / E) ,

4 - Point Questions

Read the following dialogue:

Working as a pediatric nurse, I had the difficult task of giving immunization shots to children. One day, I entered the examination room to give four-year-old Lizzie her shot.

"No, no, no!" she screamed.

"Lizzie," scolded her mother, "that's not very polite!"

With that, the little girl yelled even louder, "No, thank you! No, thank you!"

11. The meaning of the verb "to scold" is:

- A) to tell off B) to put off C) to yell at
D) to scream E) to lose control

12. Choose the correct missing word:

The latest car wasn't a success, so the company decided to start working ... a new model.



- A) on
D) of
- B) to
E) in
- C) for

13. She missed city life a lot. Although she tried, she couldn't get used to in the suburbs.

- A) live
D) lively
- B) being alive
E) lived
- C) living

14. Paul ... his house renovated last year.

- A) has
D) made
- B) had
E) has made
- C) has had

15. ... of her poor background, Jamila went to university and became a lawyer.

- A) Although
C) However
E) Though
- B) Despite
D) In spite



16. "Hurry up, the boss is waiting for you! You ... to be here half an hour ago!"



- A) have supposed
D) were supposed
- B) are supposed
E) to be supposed
- C) were supposing

17. "Learn from the mistakes of others. You can never live long enough to make them all"

- A) themselves
D) yourself
- B) them
E) theirs
- C) yours

18. We can go to the cinema on Wednesday or Friday, ... you prefer.
- A) whose B) which C) that
D) whichever E) whoever
19. Is it true? I've heard it on the grapevine that she is divorcing him. This means she heard
- A) on TV B) her saying C) rumours
D) on the Internet E) on the radio
20. William Shakespeare lived in the ... century.
- A) 12th B) 14th C) 18th
D) 15th E) 16th

5 - Point Questions

21. "There's something very *fishy* about the story Helen told me yesterday." What does 'fishy' mean?
- A) smelly B) suspicious C) ironic
D) wet E) unpleasant
22. Could you show me how ...?
- A) does this machine work B) does work this machine
C) this machine works D) works this machine
E) this machine does work
23. "We haven't heard anything from the hospital today, but I suppose no news ... good news."



- A) have B) has C) is
D) are E) be

24. In which country was the writer Rudyard Kipling born?

- A) China B) Canada C) India
D) England E) Australia

25. What are *dungarees*?

- A) dishonest people B) a type of Asian food
C) an item of clothing D) a type of shoe
E) a slang word meaning 'young people'

26. "Harry has bought a brand new Porsche. It must have cost him *an arm and a leg!*"
What does 'an arm and a leg' mean?



- A) a reasonable amount of money B) a small amount of money
C) a huge amount of money D) more money than you have
E) almost nothing

27. Clara is so She's so full of herself and she never stops boasting.

- A) fat B) slightly overweight C) skinny
D) conceited E) talkative

28. Complete the sentence: I soon got fed up with having to wear all my sister's

- A) hands-me-down B) hand-me-down C) hand-me-downs
D) hands-me-downs E) hand's-me-down

29. The study of the origin and history of words is called

- A) entomology B) ethology C) etiology
D) etymology E) epistemology

30. Match the colour idioms:

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| 1. to feel | a. in the pink |
| 2. to see | b. red-handed |
| 3. to be | c. red |
| 4. to give someone | d. blue |
| 5. to catch someone | e. the green light |

A) 1c/ 2e/ 3d/ 4a/ 5b

B) 1d/ 2a/ 3b/ 4e/ 5c

C) 1c/ 2e/ 3a/ 4d/ 5b

D) 1d/ 2c/ 3a/ 4e/ 5b

E) 1a/ 2e/ 3d/ 4b/ 5c