

General English



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circle the best choice.

- 1- I had not met one of my old classmates for years, but I him at the airport today.
a. continued b. extended c. created d. encountered
- 2- The 't' in the word 'often' is not usually
a. seen b. spelled c. written d. pronounced
- 3- A letter or group of letters added at the end of a word is called a
a. root b. suffix c. prefix d. context
- 4- The use of word elements is an excellent way to your vocabulary.
a. stop b. reduce c. increase d. decrease
- 5- 'In-' in the word 'invisible' means
 a. not b. again c. after d. before
- 6- Professor Smith has studied many things about languages. In fact he is a good
a. biologist b. sociologist c. linguist d. psychologist
- 7- These flowers are very beautiful. They are in beauty.
a. poor b. rich c. strong d. weak
- 8- No other language is close to English in the total number of general vocabulary. 'Close' means.....
a. far b. rare c. back d. near
- 9- Many technical words appear in specialized dictionaries. The word 'technical' is a(n).....
a. noun b. verb c. adjective d. adverb
- 10- The teacher talked to Mary about the of mistakes from her writing. He told her to remove her mistakes.
a. entertainment b. conversation c. participation d. elimination
- 11- He had enough time to take part in the meeting, but unfortunately did not in it.
a. improve b. develop c. disappear d. participate
- 12- The lazy student has been for a week.
a. miss b. missing c. misses d. to misses
- 13- David the children with his jokes for hours.
a. entertain b. entertainment c. entertained d. entertainingly
- 14- They are better than other teams. They believe in their over the other teams.
 a. superiority b. minority c. connotation d. abbreviation
- 15- This sounds rather like guessing what the text says. 'Sounds' means
 a. seems b. says c. ejects d. rejects
- 16- The suffix '- ment' in the words 'argument' and 'development' is a(n) suffix.
a. verb-making b. noun-making c. adjective-making d. adverb- making

- 17- Mary cleans the house.
The house by Mary.
a. clean b. cleans ✓ c. is cleaned d. be cleaned
- 18- An idea suggested by a word in addition to its main meaning is called a(n)
✓ a. connotation b. etymology c. abbreviation d. origin
- 19- Related words usually differ the entry words.
a. as b. than ✓ c. from d. off
- 20- This three-star hotel is highly recommended. 'Recommended' means
a. located b. avoided ✓ c. suggested d. deleted
- 21- If you know the author of the book, you can find the book. 'Author' means
a. reader b. listener c. speaker ✓ d. writer
- 22- She them with the facts.
✓ a. acquainted b. acquaint c. acquaintance d. acquainting
- 23- If you cannot guess the meaning of a word from the context within which it is used, it would be a mistake to skip it. 'Within' means
✓ a. in b. at c. on d. with
- 24- He was accurate in what he wrote. 'Accurate' means
a. rare b. wrong ✓ c. correct d. confused
- 25- It takes a lot of time to do it. It is a activity.
a. various b. previous ✓ c. time-consuming d. clear
- 26- You should make a deliberate effort to study thoroughly all the required examination material. 'Required' means
a. aided ✓ b. needed c. helped d. wasted
- 27- A is the central portion of a word, and it carries the basic meaning.
a. suffix b. clue c. prefix ✓ d. root
- 28- You can your vocabulary by learning the meanings of prefixes and suffixes.
a. delete ✓ b. improve c. decrease d. decline
- 29- In some 'mad' means "foolish", and in some "angry".
a. boxes b. pencils ✓ c. contexts d. pens
- 30- A suffix may indicate a plural or past tense. 'Indicate' means
✓ a. show b. hide c. let d. put
- 31- 5-Combining roots are derived words in other languages.
a. as b. so c. than ✓ d. from
- 32- 6-The suffix '-logy' in the words 'psychology' and 'biology' means
a. after b. not ✓ c. study d. again
- 33- In this case the difference between success and failure amounts to how well you have the ability to speak and comprehend. 'Amounts to' means
a. is less b. is more ✓ c. is equal d. is nothing
- 34- He could hardly how grateful he felt.
✓ a. express b. expression c. expressive d. expressively
- 35- English in its range of uses and adaptability to general tasks is the world's most important language. 'Range' means
a. quality ✓ b. extent c. difficulty d. acceptance
- 36- In the sentence 'English is the mother tongue of several hundred million people', the word 'hundred' is a(n)
✓ a. adjective b. noun c. verb d. adverb
- 37- Peter fell in the water, much to the entertainment of the children. 'Entertainment' means
a. intention b. development c. elimination ✓ d. amusement

- 38- Sheover the list and found her name in it.
 a. skim √ b. skimmed c. skimming d. to skim
- 39- You will be able to guess the meanings of many words by the meanings of prefixes and suffixes.
 a. learn b. learns √ c. learning d. learned
- 40- In the sentence "When we are reading on our own, our understanding will increase ", "When we are reading on our own" is a(n).....
 a. adjective clause √ b. adverb clause c. verb d. noun
- 41- The act or process of using one's reason is called.....
 a. thinking b. predicting c. distinguishing √ d. reasoning
- 42- is very important in logic.
 √ a. Deduction b. Deduce c. Deducible d. Deducibly
- 43- The study of the origin and history of words and their meanings is called.....
 √ a. etymology b. sociology c. psychology d. economics
- 44- She had adequate amount of money to buy a new car. 'Adequate' means.....
 a. more √ b. enough c. fewer d. less
- 45- In the library, some titles are found under 'reference', i.e. you cannot take them out of the library. 'i.e.' means.....
 a. it is b. this is √ c. that is d. for example
- 46- I can'thim to continue his studies.
 √ a. motivate b. motivation c. motivational d. motivationally
- 47- It is difficult tothe team's success at this stage.
 a. measurement b. measurable c. measurably √ d. measure
- 48- Mnemonic techniques of study are memory aid devices. 'Aid' means.....
 a. stop √ b. help c. change d. failure
- 49- We might be able to help you. I'llthe possibilities.
 a. investigated √ b. investigate c. investigation d. investigative
- 50- Although he is a young manager, he runs the business
 a. profit b. profitable √ c. profitably d. profited
- 51- The adjective form of the verb 'argue' is.....
 a. argument √ b. arguable c. to argue d. arguably
- 52- The semantic analysis of the words 'buy' and 'purchase' shows that they have the same
 a. spelling √ b. meaning c. stress d. pronunciation
- 53- 'Co-' in the words 'coexist' and 'cooperate' means
 a. not b. again c. out √ d. together
- 54- The word 'unlikely' containsword elements.
 a. no b. two √ c. three d. eight
- 55- English is not the first language of as many persons as Mandarin Chinese, but it is spoken over a much vaster area. 'It' refers to
 √ a. English b. language c. person d. Mandarin
- 56- In the sentence 'we work because we have to earn money', 'because we have to earn money' is a(n).....
 √ a. adverb clause b. adjective clause c. preposition d. gerund

- 57- I think it is a(n)village. No one can live there.
 a. perfect b. complete c. dull ✓ d. inhospitable
- 58- Which word **doesn't** contain the prefix anti-(meaning opposite).
 a. antihero b. antigen ✓ c. anticipate d. antibacterial
- 59- In the sentence 'Mary bought a dictionary', the verb 'bought' used with the object is a(n)verb.
 a. rare ✓ b. transitive c. regular d. intransitive
- 60- Related words usually differ from the entry word because they contain suffixes, or word
 a. beginnings ✓ b. endings c. paragraphs d. sentences
- 61- My brothera house with three other students. They have the house in common.
 ✓ a. shares b. floats c. evades d. wonders
- 62- A state of uncertainty about what is happening, intended, required, etc is called
 a. option b. motivation ✓ c. confusion d. distinction
- 63- I can't recall the exact details of the report. 'Recall' means
 a. forget ✓ b. remember c. vary d. delete
- 64- 'She stopped studying because she was watching TV'. The gerund in this sentence is
 a. watching b. sopped c. because ✓ d. studying
- 65- A line of words usually printed in large type at the top of a page, especially in a newspaper is called
 ✓ a. headline b. lecture c. head start d. landscape
- 66- The persons or animals living in a place are called theof that place.
 a. insights b. schemes c. hypotheses ✓ d. inhabitants
- 67- Questioning enables you to get more information than you get from the initial message. 'Initial' means.....
 a. last ✓ b. first c. next d. future
- 68- Copernicusthat the earth and the other planets went round the sun.
 ✓ a. hypothesized b. hypothesis c. hypothetical d. hypothetically
- 69- God.....the world.
 a. creature b. to create c. creator ✓ d. created
- 70- 'Act' is the.....of 'action', 'reaction', and 'activity'.
 ✓ a. root b. prefix c. syllable d. suffix
- 71- You can find the technical terms in this dictionary. 'Terms' means.....
 ✓ a. words b. periods c. worlds d. times
- 72- The largest dictionary of French has about 150,000 words. 'About' means.....
 a. definitely b. exactly ✓ c. almost d. precisely
- 73- Some people seem to react to each new twist that comes into the language. 'Twist' means.....
 a. destruction b. development c. stop ✓ d. change
- 74- Reading something quickly and noting only the main points is called.....
 a. pronouncing b. summarizing ✓ c. skimming d. spelling
- 75- Some people pursue leisure reading seriously to improve themselves.
 a. separate b. locate c. divide ✓ d. continue
- 76- We have to read any material that has been touched on by our teacher. 'That' refers to.....
 a. we b. read ✓ c. any material d. teacher

- 77- 'Sub-' in the words 'subject' , and 'subcategory' means.....
a. without **b. again** **c. over** ✓ **d. under**
- 78- They agreed without further argument. 'Further' means.....
a. less **b. fewer** ✓ **c. more** **d. farther**
- 79- There is another.....of this matter which needs thinking about.
a. accept ✓ **b. aspect** **c. except** **d. expect**
- 80- He makes remarks from which the reader infers what he wants to say. 'Which' refers to.....
a. he ✓ **b. remarks** **c. what** **d. reader**
- 81- The noun form of the word 'determine' is.....
a. determinatively ✓ **b. determination** **c. determinative** **d. determined**
- 82- Many people speak English over a vast area.
English.....over a vast area.
a. spoken **b. speak** **c. is spoke** ✓ **d. is spoken**
- 83- Your dictionary gives the origin and history of words and their meanings. It gives theof words.
a. biology **b. psychology** **c. sociology** ✓ **d. etymology**
- 84- The two cars are slightly different. 'Slightly' means.....
a. many ✓ **b. a bit** **c. a lot** **d. much**
- 85- I'm trying to.....Mr. Smith. Do you know where he is?
✓ **a. locate** **b. location** **c. locates** **d. located**
- 86- She questioned the.....of the security arrangements.
a. adequately **b. more adequate** **c. adequate** ✓ **d. adequacy**
- 87- If shethe new CD, she would give it to you.
a. receive **b. had received** ✓ **c. received** **d. receives to**
- 88- Some schools place great.....on language study.
a. emphatically **b. emphatic** ✓ **c. emphasis** **d. emphasize**
- 89- When you change something in order to correct or improve it, you areit.
a. remaining ✓ **b. revising** **c. receiving** **d. removing**
- 90- Mr. Ahmadi is a teacher. Ms. Bagheri is a secretary. The former is my brother, and the.....is my sister.
a. later **b. level** ✓ **c. latter** **d. letter**
- 91- Supply and.....are very important in economics.
a. to demand **b. demand to** **c. demanded** ✓ **d. demand**
- 92- Reading is different from writing. 'Writing' is a(n).....
✓ **a. gerund** **b. adverb** **c. ground** **d. adjective**
- 93- He knows how to construct a theory. 'Construct' means.....
a. classify ✓ **b. make** **c. contain** **d. vary**
- 94- You mustcareful attention to the source of the message.
✓ **a. pay** **b. pays** **c. paid** **d. to pay**
- 95- What is your assessment of the situation? 'Assessment' means.....
a. decision **b. consideration** ✓ **c. evaluation** **d. conclusion**
- 96- A tool used for particular purpose, especially for delicate and scientific work, is called.....
✓ **a. instrument** **b. regime** **c. structure** **d. omission**
- 97- Phonetic symbols represent sounds. 'Represent' means.....
a. hide ✓ **b. show** **c. kill** **d. reject**

- 98- The short line used to join two together is called hyphen.
a. books **b. letters** **c. words** **d. paragraphs**
- 99- Her eyes reflected that she was telling a lie. 'Reflected' means
a. hid **b. missed** **c. removed** **d. showed**
- 100- Fortunately, spellings usually vary by only one or two letters. 'vary' means
a. fix **b. change** **c. stay** **d. remain**
- 101- Mary is beautiful. She is endowed.....beauty.
a. of **b. with** **c. from** **d. as**
- 102- The student read the story but did not **comprehend** its meaning.
a. forget **b. hide** **c. forgive** **d. understand**
- 103- Her.....problems got her into trouble.
 a. specific **b. specify** **c. specifies** **d. specifically**
- 104- We have to use a dictionary to find the meanings of new words. 'Have to' means.....
a. prevent **b. most** **c. must** **d. produce**
- 105- Reading is one of the most pleasurable as.....as most rewarding pursuits in life.
a. so **b. such** **c. well** **d. goods**
- 106- Since she was tired, she stopped working. 'Since' means.....
a. but **b. although** **c. because** **d. therefore**
- 107- Youron this point is wrong.
a. reasoned **b. reasonable** **c. reasonably** **d. reasoning**
- 108- When reading, you can infer meanings.....context.
a. than **b. then** **c. too** **d. from**
- 109- Bob gave Alice a piece of information about his plan. He gave her a.....of his plan.
 a. hint **b. cover** **c. whole** **d. completion**
- 110- The verb 'bring' which is used with an object is called a(n).....verb.
a. big **b. small** **c. transitive** **d. intransitive**
- 111- The word 'slender' has.....connotations and is a complimentary word.
a. negative **b. positive** **c. natural** **d. neutral**
- 112- He will.....me with the facts of the case.
 a. acquaint **b. acquaints** **c. acquainted** **d. acquaintance**
- 113- All entries in dictionaries are.....alphabetically.
a. arrange **b. arranges** **c. arrangement** **d. arranged**
- 114- If he.....it, he can ask his teacher.
a. knows not **b. not knows** **c. didn't know** **d. doesn't know**
- 115- Most people said pay was their main.....for working.
a. motive **b. motivation** **c. motivational** **d. motivationally**
- 116- In the sentence "Do not stop learning just because you feel that you have learned the study materials", the gerund is.....
a. feel **b. learned** **c. materials** **d. learning**
- 117- Please give me your passport at once. 'At once' means.....
a. later **b. slowly** **c. immediately** **d. slightly**
- 118- '-less' in the word 'effortlessly' means
a. with **b. without** **c. again** **d. over**
- 119- Keep.....by eating well and exercising regularly.
a. sick **b. ill** **c. weak** **d. healthy**
- 120- 'Coffee or tea?'
'I'dcoffee, thanks.'
a. preferable **b. prefer** **c. preference** **d. preferably**

- 121- Relaxation is good for you after your exams. 'Relaxation' means.....
 a. repetition b. registration c. reservation ✓ d. recreation
- 122- 'e-' in the words "elimination" and "eject" means.....
 a. in ✓ b. out c. after d. before
- 123- The meaning of 'turn off' is not clear from the meanings of 'turn' and 'off', so 'turn off' is a(n).....
 a. proverb ✓ b. idiom c. idea d. suffix
- 124- 'Con-' in the words "context" and "content" means.....
 ✓ a. with b. not c. after d. without
- 125- Wethe first syllable in the word 'sentence' when we pronounce it.
 ✓ a. stress b. stresses c. stressed d. stressing
- 126- The mana picture along with his letter.
 a. criticized ✓ b. enclosed c. deleted d. abbreviated
- 127- The smallest type of dictionary is the pocket ordictionary.
 a. huge b. very large ✓ c. abridged d. unabridged
- 128- I have neither the time.....the inclination to go to the concert.
 a. or ✓ b. nor c. and d. either
- 129- The.....at the beginning of '-ject' shows that it is a suffix.
 a. dot b. slash c. dash ✓ d. hyphen
- 130- We should try to exploit solar energy in our daily lives. 'exploit' means
 ✓ a. use b. avoid c. delete d. destroy
- 131- Most suffixes change a word from one part of.....to another. For example 'able' changes the word "reach" to an adjective- reachable.
 a. peak b. speak c. stop ✓ d. speech
- 132- They walked a long time for the sheer relaxation. 'Sheer' means.....with anything else.
 a. mixed b. added ✓ c. unmixed d. combined
- 133- My sister chose an academic career. 'Career' means.....
 ✓ a. job b. truck c. hint d. wealth
- 134- There is a greatbetween Mozart's musical style and Beethoven's.
 a. distinct b. distincts c. distinctly ✓ d. distinction
- 135- The private sector should cooperate with the public sector. 'Sector' means.....
 a. pet b. pit ✓ c. part d. pair