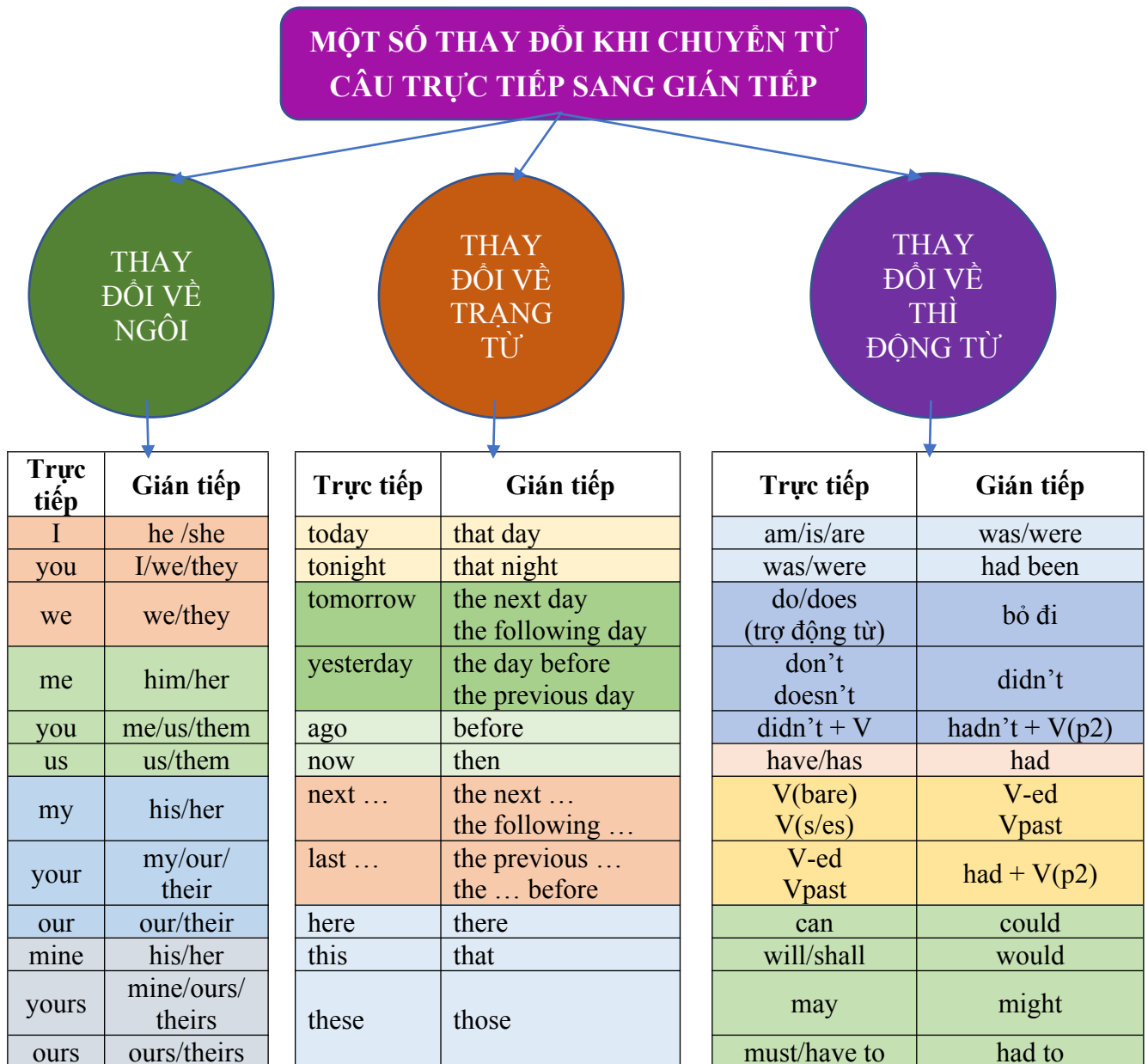


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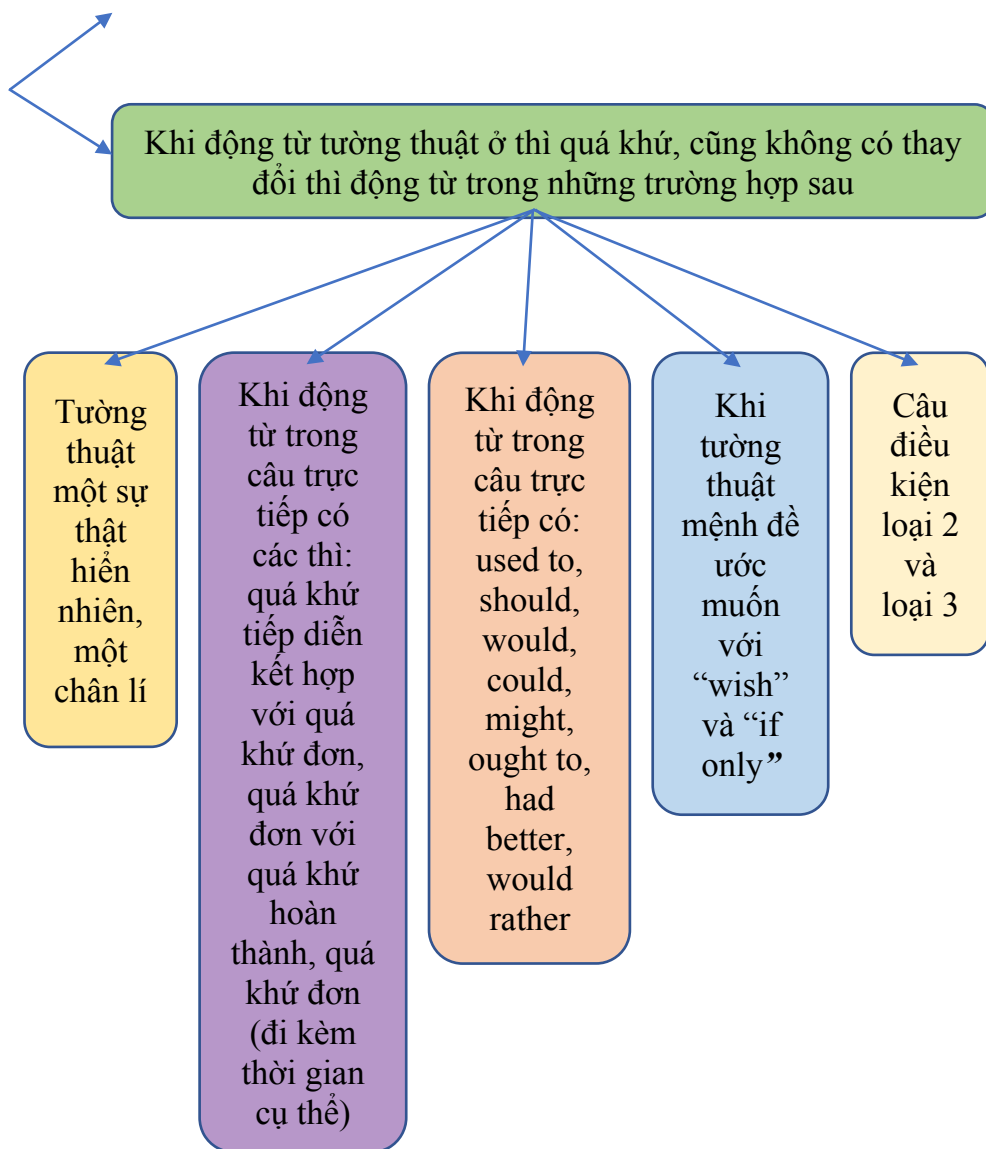
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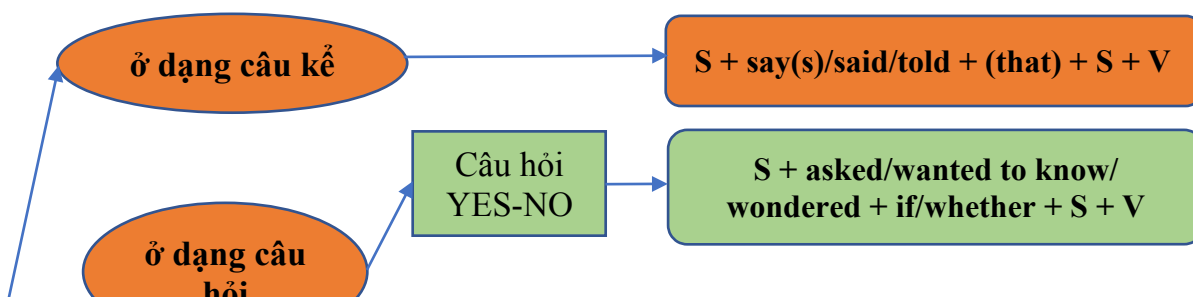
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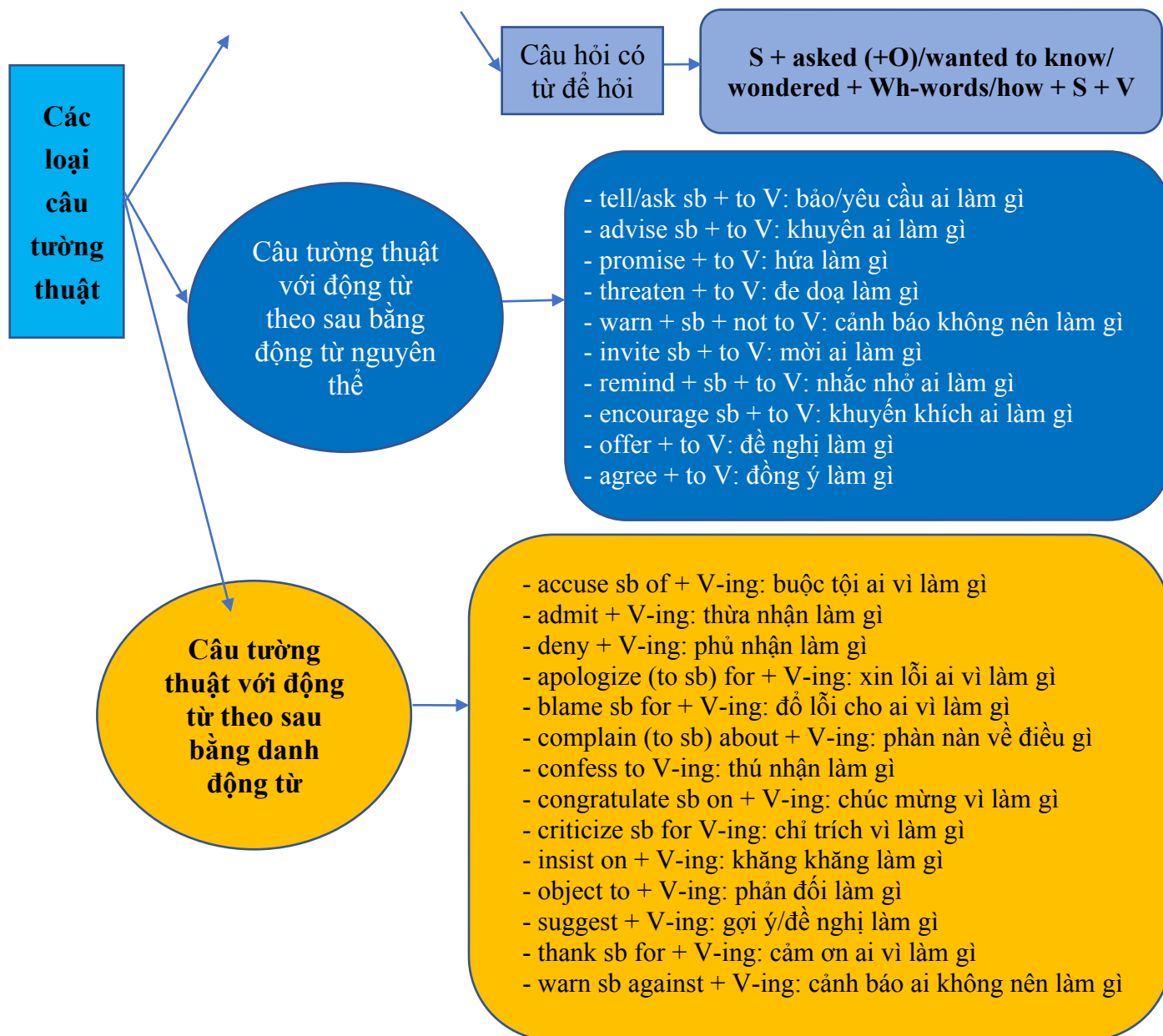
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III. TYPES OF REPORTED SPEECH





IV. PRACTICE EXERCISES

Exercise 1: Give the correct form of the verbs in the blankets

Question 1: The instructor warned the sportsman (not repeat)_____ that mistake.

Question 2: "What did you ask him that upset him so much?" "I asked him if he (plan) _____ to get married again."

Question 3: Having finished her presentation, the speaker asked if anyone (have) _____ any questions.

Question 4: The MP asked if the Prime Minister (be)_____ aware of the growing social problems.

Question 5: He said that he (go)_____ abroad for a year if he (be)_____ me.

- Question 6:** John told me that when he (see)_____ my sister, she (talk)_____ with a handsome man.
- Question 7:** Peter said that if he (be)_____ rich he (travel)_____ a lot.
- Question 8:** I asked him whose car he (borrow)_____ the previous night.
- Question 9:** They asked me if my brother (work)_____ in London then.
- Question 10:** He asked the children (not make)_____ too much noise.
- Question 11:** The woman asked whether the children (can get)_____ lunch at school or not.
- Question 12:** James said that he (must)_____ take the early bus that morning.
- Question 13:** We asked the guide if it (be)_____ safe to stay in the mountains for the night if the weather (not change)_____ for the better.
- Question 14:** Peter told me that Daisy (look)_____ frightened as if something terrible (happen)_____.
- Question 15:** My brother said that if oil (pour)_____ into water, it (float)_____ on the water surface.
- Question 16:** Laura said that when she (walk)_____ to school, she saw an accident.
- Question 17:** Julia said that she (be)_____ there at noon.
- Question 18:** My parents told that they (love)_____ each other since they (be)_____ students at high school.
- Question 19:** He asked me what I (do)_____ after I had graduated from university.
- Question 20:** He (tell)_____ me that he is leaving that afternoon.
- Question 21:** They asked me how many children there (be)_____ in the school.
- Question 22:** The scientist said the earth (go)_____ around the sun.
- Question 23:** The porter said that he would wake me up when the train (arrive)_____ in Leeds.
- Question 24:** He asked his girlfriend where she (be)_____ the night before.
- Question 25:** She said that she (bear)_____ in 1987 but I don't believe. She is much younger than her age.

Exercise 2.1: Change these following sentences into reported speech

- Question 1:** They said: "We are learning English now ",
=> They said_____.
- Question 2:** "My friend is coming next week", Tom said.
=> Tom said_____.
- Question 3:** "I'll help my mum with housework this weekend", she said.
=> She said_____.
- Question 4:** "You will have to finish all these exercises before next week", the teacher said to his students.
=> The teacher said to his students_____.
- Question 5:** "I came back here early yesterday", she said.
=> She said_____.
- Question 6:** Johnny said to his mother: "I don't know how to do this exercise."
=> Johnny said to his mother_____.

Question 7: "We are waiting for the school bus", said the children.

=> The children said_____.

Question 8: Mary said: "I cannot go to the movies with you, John".

=> Mary said_____.

Question 9: The man declared: "I shall be doing exactly the same work next Monday as I am doing today".

=> The man declared_____.

Question 10: The woman said: "I was born in 1954 and I have been living in this small town since I was small".

=> The woman said_____.

Question 11: "My teacher wants to have a talk with you tomorrow morning", Tom said.

=> Tom said_____.

Question 12: Our teacher said: "The Second World War broke out in 1939".

=> Our teacher said_____.

Question 13: Linh said: "If my father repairs the bike now, I will ride the bike to school this afternoon."

=> Linh said_____.

Question 14: "I would have passed the exam if I had tried my best", Binh said.

=> Binh said_____.

Question 15: The young man said to her: "If you didn't agree with me now, I wouldn't meet you anymore."

=> The young man said to her_____.

Question 16: "If you aren't doing homework, what will you do next?", I said to the boy.

=> I said to the boy_____.

Question 17: Quynh said to An: "If your father weren't a billionaire, you could save your money".

=> Quynh said to An_____.

Question 18: We said to Xuan: "We won't go camping if your family doesn't join with us."

=> We said to Xuan_____.

Question 19: "If my parents hadn't given birth to me fifteen years ago, I wouldn't have seen the Earth", Hoang said.

=> Hoang said_____.

Question 20: "If a stranger appeared, what would you do?", he said to his brother.

=> He said to his brother_____.

Question 21: Van said: "If I hadn't missed the bus last morning, I couldn't have been late at school".

=> Van said_____.

Question 22: Khanh said to Thao: "If you had had breakfast, you couldn't be hungry now".

=> Khanh said to Thao_____.

Question 23: "Leave your address with the secretary", the assistant said to me.

=> The assistant asked_____.

Question 24: "Phone to me for an answer tomorrow", the manager said to the client.

=> The manager told the client_____.

Question 25: "Don't leave these books on the table, put them back on the shelf, the librarian said to the student.

=> The librarian reminded the student_____.

Question 26: "Be a good girl and sit quietly for five minutes", the nurse said to the child.

=> The nurse told the child_____.

Question 27: "Leave your things here", my companion said to me.

=> My companion advised_____.

Question 28: "Don't forget to send your parents my regards", she said to me.

=> She reminded_____.

Question 29: "You should join the football team, Eric", said the teacher.

=> The teacher encouraged_____.

Question 30: "Remember to lock the door before you go to school", my sister said.

=> My sister reminded_____.

Question 31: "Be careful of strangers and don't go out at night", he said to us.

=> He warned_____.

Question 32: "Come and see me whenever you want", she said to him.

=> She invited_____.

Question 33: "Leave here immediately!", I said to him.

=> I ordered_____.

Question 34: "We will shut the door if you go on getting out", said the parents to children.

=> The parents threatened_____.

Question 35: "Please, please let me come in", he said.

=> He begged_____.

Question 36: "Have you travelled abroad much?", he asked me.

=> He asked me_____.

Question 37: "Who has written this note?", the boss asked the secretary.

=> The boss asked_____.

Question 38: "Why didn't I remember meeting her 2 days ago?", he wondered.

=> He wondered_____.

Question 39: "Did you really see this happen with your own eyes?", the policeman asked the boy.

=> The policeman asked the boy_____.

Question 40: "Did you watch the detective film on TV yesterday?", he asked her.

=> He asked her_____.

Question 41: Tom said to the girl: "When did you have this picture taken?"

=> Tom asked_____.

Question 42: "Shall we go somewhere for a cup of coffee after class?", Tom said.

=> Tom suggested_____.

Question 43: "Would you like another cup of tea?", the landlady said to the guest.

=> The landlady invited _____.

Question 44: My sister said to me: "What about going to see Aunt Mary on Sunday?"

=> My sister suggested _____.

Question 45: She asked me: "Have you ever seen a flying saucer?"

=> She asked _____.

Question 46: James said: "Do you want me to type this letter for you?"

=> James asked _____.

Question 47: He asked me: "Why didn't you come to class yesterday?"

=> He asked _____.

Question 48: My friend said: "Are you going to leave tomorrow?"

=> My friend asked _____.

Question 49: I asked Bill: "What time did you go to bed last night?"

=> I asked Bill _____.

Question 50: "Why don't we organize an English competition for our students?", said Ms Lien.

=> Ms Lien suggested _____.

Exercise 2.2: Change these following sentences into reported speech

Question 51: "I'm sorry I'm late", said Mr Thanh.

=> Mr Thanh apologised _____.

Question 52: "Me? No, I didn't take Sue's calculator", said Bob.

=> Bob denied _____.

Question 53: "You were cheating", said David to Henry.

=> David accused _____.

Question 54: "I must see the manager.", he cried.

=> He insisted _____.

Question 55: "If you wanted to take my bike, you should have asked me first", said Mike to his brother.

=> Mike criticised _____.

Question 56: "You won the scholarship. Congratulations!", Mary told me.

=> Mary congratulated _____.

Question 57: "It was kind of you to help me with my homework", Lan said to Hoa.

=> Lan thanked _____.

Question 58: "It's true. I broke your favorite glass", said Peter.

=> Peter admitted _____.

Question 59: "You stole the jewels", the inspector said to him.

=> The inspector blamed _____.

Question 60: "I only borrowed your car for some hours", the man said.

=> The man said _____.

Question 61: Alfred said to John: "I didn't use your cassette player! Someone else did, not me."

=> Alfred denied _____.

Question 62: "If you don't pay the ransom, we'll kill the boy", said the kidnapper.

=> The kidnapper threatened _____.

Question 63: Father said: "I was the superintendent while this school was being built."

=> Father said _____.

Question 64: "These old buildings might have already disappeared by the time I am back next year?"
he said

=> He said _____.

Question 65: Rose said: "I was just leaving the office when I came face to face with a stranger."

=> Rose said _____.

Question 66: The inspector said to the woman: "What were you doing at 7 o'clock yesterday evening?"

=> The inspector asked _____.

Question 67: The passenger said to the taxi-driver: "Hurry up!" and he added "I must be at the station on time."

=> The passenger urged _____.

Question 68: Father said: "The taxi is coming now. Is everyone ready?"

=> Father said _____.

Question 69: Helen said: "I think I'll have to find a better job. I can't make both ends meet."

=> Helen said _____.

Question 70: He said to her: "Why are you so late? I've been waiting for half an hour already."

=> He asked _____.

Question 71: She said to him: "Don't let them down. I'll be very embarrassed if you go back on your words."

=> She asked _____.

Question 72: She said to her husband: "You'd better not drink too much. You may lose control of the car and have a bad accident".

=> She advised _____.

Question 73: The boy said to his mother: "When shall we have lunch? I'm very hungry."

=> The boy asked _____.

Question 74: He said: "I don't understand why she has refused to join us on the trip. She has promised to join with us."

=> He said _____.

Question 75: She said to him: "I'm glad you've come. Sit down, please."

=> She said _____.

Question 76: Mr Brown said to his wife: "I don't feel like going out this evening. Let's ask the Browns to come over for a chat."

=> Mr Brown said _____.

Question 77: "It's raining too hard to go out. We'd better stay home tonight and watch TV instead", John said.

=> John suggested _____.

Question 78: "Could you ring up the station and find out when the train comes in?", said Tom to me.

=> Tom asked _____.

Question 79: "Be careful. Don't go too near the edge of the cliff", she said to the boys.

=> She warned _____.

Question 80: "Please, please come to help me with the assignment. I can't do it by myself", my friend said to me.

=> My friend begged _____.

Question 81: "I wouldn't buy that sort of raincoat if I were you", my friend said to me.

=> My friend advised _____.

Question 82: "Would you mind moving your bicycle?" said the janitor "It's in the way."

=> The janitor asked _____.

Question 83: "I have finished reading this book. Could I take out another book? ", she said to the librarian.

=> She told _____.

Question 84: "Remember to leave the window open when you're using the gas stove", my mother said to me.

=> My mother reminded _____.

Question 85: "Wear your school badge or they won't let you into the classroom", my teacher said to me.

=> My teacher asked _____.

Question 86: "Would you like to come over to my house for a small party? Your presence is my honor", my friend said to me.

=> My friend invited _____.

Question 87: "You have sped along at over 100 kilometers per hour. Show me your driver's license, will you?" the policeman said to the drunken driver.

=> The policeman _____.

Question 88: "Do come again next weekend", the hosts said to the visitor, "we will miss you so much."

=> The hosts invited _____.

Question 89: "I'll live in town till my husband returns from the expedition and when he returns, we'll go to the seaside together", she said.

=> She said _____.

Question 90: "This story happened long ago", he said, "and few people remember anything about it."

=> He told us _____.

Question 91: "I haven't read so interesting a book since I was 15", she said.

=> She said _____.

Exercise 3: Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

Question 1: The shop assistant finally agreed _____ a full refund.

- A. giving me B. to give me C. give to me D. to me to give

Question 2: Bill asked me why _____ to go shopping with me.

- A. I hadn't invited him B. hadn't I invited him
C. I hadn't him invited D. hadn't I him invited

Question 3: "Don't come to the interview late", my mom said.

- A. My mom told me do not come to the interview late.
B. My mom told me did not come to the interview late.
C. My mom told me not to come to the interview late.
D. My mom told me not coming to the interview late.

Question 4: "I will help you with your CV, Mary", Peter said.

- A. Peter advised Mary to write the CV B. Peter promised to help Mary with her CV.
C. Peter advised Mary not to write her CV D. Peter wanted Mary to help with the CV.

Question 5: " _____ ", the doctor advised his patient.

- A. You had better stop drinking B. You had better to drink
C. I would like you to drink D. Please drink some more

Question 6: The woman said she _____ in this company for over 20 years.

- A. has been working B. was working C. had been working D. works

Question 7: US scientists claim that they _____ a new vaccine against malaria.

- A. were developed B. have developed C. had developed D. was developing

Question 8: _____ If you saw a lawyer, he'd advise you _____ legal action.

- A. take B. taking C. to take D. for taking

Question 9: The lecturer recommended _____ a number of books before the exam.

- A. reading B. to read C. we reading D. to have read

Question 10: The boss _____ because he was always behind the deadlines.

- A. threatened to dismiss him B. suggested him to dismiss
C. threatened him to dismiss D. promised him to dismiss

Question 11: "Go ahead. Jump again", the instructor _____.

- A. urged B. promised C. demanded D. required

Question 12: " _____ ", Jim offered.

- A. Can I get you a drink? B. May I drink?
C. Do you want to drink? D. Could I drink?

Question 13: " _____ ", the workers refused.

- A. We would like to work overtime
B. We had better work overtime
C. We're afraid that we really don't want to work overtime
D. We're willing to work overtime

Question 14: “_____,” Paul reminded me.

- A. Don't forget to tailor your CV to match the job descriptions
- B. I would tailor your CV if you do not mind
- C. I remember to tailor the CV
- D. I remember tailoring your CV

Question 15: Ellie asked Stan _____ to look at the new catalogue.

- A. did he want
- B. do you want
- C. whether he wants
- D. if he wanted

Question 16: Stephen _____ me he'd bought that suit in a sale.

- A. said
- B. spoke
- C. told
- D. claimed

Question 17: “What did the man say when you challenged him?”

“He said he _____ pay for the things in his bag, but I didn't believe him!”

- A. is going to
- B. has been going to
- C. goes to
- D. was going to

Question 18: When I last saw Carrie, she told me she _____ of applying for another job, but now she's changed her mind.

- A. thought
- B. is thinking
- C. was thinking
- D. has been thinking

Question 19: What did they say when they realized you weren't a shoplifter?

“They apologized _____ me.”

- A. to doubt
- B. they had doubted
- C. for doubting
- D. the doubt of

Question 20: “What did Maria ask you?” - “She asked me _____ I had ever been abroad.”

- A. that
- B. whether
- C. for
- D. about

Question 21: It's about time Mrs Richards apologized to me _____ me a gossip in front of everybody.

- A. to have called
- B. from calling
- C. that she called
- D. for having called

Question 22: She may claim _____ a PhD but nobody's ever actually seen the certificate.

- A. having
- B. to have
- C. for having
- D. if she has

Question 23: Tammy responded _____ that at least she'd never lied to her parents.

- A. to say
- B. that she said
- C. by saying
- D. with having said

Question 24: The woman asked _____ get lunch at school.

- A. can the children
- B. if the children can
- C. whether the children could
- D. could the children

Question 25: They said they had got back _____.

- A. the following day
- B. the day after tomorrow
- C. the next day
- D. the previous day

Question 26: The accused denied _____ in the vicinity of the murder scene.

- A. to have ever been
- B. have ever been
- C. having been ever
- D. ever having been

Question 27: We complained _____ the manager _____ the poor service we received at the restaurant.

- A. on - about
- B. at - for
- C. with - of
- D. to - about

Question 28: Police are advising_____ away from the building.

- A. people to stay B. people staying C. people stay D. people will stay

Question 29: The old man warned the young boys_____in the deep river.

- A. to swim B. not to swim C. don't swim D. against not swimming

Question 30: “You must give me your essays”, Mrs. Vine said.

Mrs. Vine said we_____give her our essays.

- A. were having to B. will have to C. had to D. would have to

Question 31: I wondered_____the right thing.

- A. whether I was doing B. if I am doing

- C. was I doing D. am I doing

Question 32: He_____that he was leaving that afternoon.

- A. told me B. told to me C. said me D. says to me

Question 33: Bill asked Tom_____in London.

- A. does the train arrive B. did the train arrive

- C. whether the train arrives D. if the train had arrived

Question 34: I asked them when_____changed.

- A. was the timetable B. the timetable is

- C. the timetable has been D. the timetable had been

Question 35: She warned me_____late-night horror films.

- A. don't watch B. shouldn't watch C. not to watch D. not watching

Question 36: The last time I saw Linda, she looked very relaxed. She explained she'd been on holiday the_____week.

- A. ago B. following C. next D. previous

Question 37: Tom has_____this story wasn't completely true.

- A. admitting that B. was admitted that C. admitted that D. admit that

Question 38: Tom said, “I must leave at eight!”

Tom said that he _____leave at eight.

- A. must B. had C. had to D. has to

Question 39: Mary said: “I should go to the library.”

Mary said that she_____to the library.

- A. should go B. should have gone C. ought to go D. better go

Question 40: I rang my friend in Australia yesterday, and she said it_____raining there.

- A. is B. were C. has been D. was

Question 41: I wanted to know_____return home.

- A. when would she B. when will she C. when she will D. when she would

Question 42: Tom said that New York_____more lively than London.

- A. is B. be C. was D. were

Question 43: He asked: “Why didn't she take the final exam?”

He asked why_____the final exam.

A. she took B. did she take C. she hadn't taken D. she had taken

Question 44: I asked my sister to tell me what she _____ at the museum.

A. had seen B. has seen C. had been seeing D. was seeing

Question 45: I said that I had met her _____.

A. yesterday B. the previous day C. the day D. before day.

Question 46: The man asked the boys _____.

A. why did they fight B. why they were fighting

C. why they fight D. why were they fighting

Question 47: He asked me what _____.

A. time was it B. time is it C. time it was D. None is correct

Question 48: He told me that _____.

A. his father has sold the house B. his father had sold the house the last day

C. his father will sell the house D. his father doesn't sell the house

Question 49: The woman wonders _____ doing well at school.

A. whether her children are B. if her children were

C. whether her children were D. her children are if

Question 50: Peter said he was leaving for Paris _____.

A. next week B. the week previous C. following week D. the following week

Exercise 4: Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.

Question 1: "Good morning, Sam! How are you?", Linda said.

A. Linda said good morning and asked Sam how she is.

B. Linda greeted Sam and asked how is she.

C. Linda said good morning Sam and asked how was she.

D. Linda greeted Sam and asked how she was.

Question 2: "Have you heard of her marriage?"

A. She asked me if I hear of their marriage.

B. She asked me whether I heard of their marriage.

C. She asked me if I had heard of their marriage.

D. She asked me I had heard of their marriage.

Question 3: Cindy said: "I haven't seen John since last month."

A. Cindy said she hasn't seen John since the previous month.

B. Cindy said she hadn't seen John since the previous month.

C. Cindy said she wasn't seen John since the previous month.

D. Cindy said she doesn't see John since the previous month.

Question 4: The little boy said: "two and two make four."

A. The little boy said that two and two made four.

B. The little boy said that two and two have made four.

C. The little boy said that two and two had made four.

D. The little boy said that two and two make four.

Question 5: "If I were you, I would go to the doctor", Minh said to Lan.

A. Minh told Lan to become a doctor.

B. Minh advised Lan to go to the doctor.

C. Minh told Lan that he would go to the doctor.

D. Minh advised Lan not to go to the doctor.

Question 6: His wife said to him: "Write to me as often as you can".

A. His wife told him to write to her as often as he can.

B. His wife told him to write to her as often as he could.

C. His wife told him writing to her as often as he could.

D. His wife told him writing to her as often as he can.

Question 7: The teacher advised us_____.

A. to be careful when doing these exercises B. to be careful when doing those exercises

C. careful when doing these exercises D. are careful when doing these exercises

Question 8: She said: "Hurrah! We have won the match!"

A. She said that they have won the match

B. She said with joy that they have won the match.

C. She said, "Hurrah" that they had won the match.

D. She exclaimed with joy that they had won the match.

Question 9: Tom promised to be as quick as he could.

A. "Shall I be as quick as I can?" Tom said.

B. "I won't be too quick", Tom said.

C. "I promise I will be as quick as I could", said Tom.

D. "I'll be as quick as I can", said Tom.

Question 10: My father said to me: "Why are you late? Did you miss the train?"

A. My father told me why was I late and did I miss the train.

B. My father asked me why was I late and did I miss the train.

C. My father asked me why you were late and if you missed the train.

D. My father asked me why I was late and whether I had missed the train.

Question 11: I said to him: "I'm very angry with you. Go away."

A. I said that I am very angry with you and go away.

B. I said that I was very angry with you and went away.

C. I said that I was very angry with him and told him to go away.

D. I said that he was very angry with me and told me to go away.

Question 12: John said: "You had better not lend them any money, Daisy".

A. John said Daisy not to lend them any money.

B. John advised Daisy should not lend any money.

C. John said to Daisy not lend them any money.

D. John advised Daisy not to lend them any money.

Question 13: “I’m sorry I have to leave so early’, he said.

A. He apologized for having to leave early. **B.** He apologized to have to leave early.

C. He apologized that he has to leave early. **D.** He apologized to have left early.

Question 14: What do you want?” he asked me.

A. He asked me what I want. **B.** He asked me what I wanted.

C. He asked me what do I want **D.** He asked me what did I want.

Question 15: She said: “Don't smile. John. Be serious.”

A. She said not to smile and be serious.

B. She said John not to smile and be serious.

C. She told John not to smile and asked him to be serious.

D. She told John do not smile and be serious.

Question 16: “Can I borrow your pen please, Sam?”, said Gillian.

A. Gillian asked Sam if she can borrow his pen.

B. Gillian asked Sam if she could borrow his pen.

C. Gillian asked Sam she can borrow his pen.

D. Gillian asked Sam she could borrow his pen.

Question 17: His friend said to Peter: “I’m sad. Let me alone.”

A. His friend said that I am sad and let me alone.

B. His friend said that I was sad and let me alone.

C. His friend said that he was sad and told Peter to let him alone.

D. His friend said that he was sad and if Peter let him alone.

Question 18: “You have not done your work well”, said the teacher to me.

A. The teacher told me I hadn’t done my work well.

B. The teacher told me I haven’t done my work well.

C. The teacher told me I hadn’t done your work well.

D. The teacher told me I hadn't done his work well.

Question 19: “I’m in a bit of a hurry, but I’ll ring you tomorrow”, William said

A. William explained that If he weren’t hurry, he’d ring me tomorrow.

B. William told me that though he was in a bit hurry, but he would ring me the next day.

C. William said he was a bit pressed for time, but that he would bring me the following day.

D. William said he was a bit hurry, but he’d ring me the previous day.

Question 20: “I can't explain this rule to you”, said my classmate to me.

A. My classmate told me he can't explain that rule to me.

B. My classmate told me he couldn’t explain that rule to me.

C. My classmate told me he couldn’t explain that rule to you.

D. My classmate said me he couldn’t explain that rule to me.

Question 21: The teacher said to class: “We shall discuss this subject tomorrow.”

A. The teacher told the class they would discuss that subject the next day.

- B. The teacher told the class they will discuss that subject the next day.
- C. The teacher said the class they would discuss that subject the next day.
- D. The teacher told the class they discussed that subject the next day.

Question 22: Johnny asked his father if he could continue with his study overseas.

- A. “Do you think I can continue with my study overseas”, Said Johnny.
- B. “Is it possible for me to study overseas?” Johnny asked his father.
- C. “Can I continue with my study overseas?” Johnny said to his father.
- D. “Will I continue to study overseas?” Johnny said.

Question 23: Mike said: “We have bought these books today.”

- A. Mike said they bought those books that day.
- B. Mike said they had bought those books that day.
- C. Mike said they have bought those books that day.
- D. Mike said they had bought those books today.

Question 24: Sarah said: “I read this book last year.”

- A. Sarah said she had read that book the previous year.
- B. Sarah said she read this book the previous year.
- C. Sarah said she has read that book the previous year.
- D. Sarah said she would read that book the previous year.

Question 25: Tony said: “I have never been to London. I think I shall go there next year”.

- A. Tony said he has never been to London and he thinks he would go there the following year.
- B. Tony said he had never been to London and he thought he would go there the following year.
- C. Tony said he had never been to London and he thinks he will go there the following year.
- D. Tony said he would have never been to London and he thought he would go there the following year.

Question 26: “Buy some meat in the shop”, said my mother to me.

- A. My mother said to me to buy some meat in the shop.
- B. My mother told to me to buy some meat in the shop.
- C. My mother told me to buy some meat in the shop.
- D. My mother said me to buy some meat in the shop.

Question 27: The doctor said to Peter: “Don’t go for a walk today”.

- A. the doctor said Peter not to go for a walk today.
- B. the doctor told Peter not go for a walk today.
- C. the doctor said to Peter not to go for a walk today.
- D. the doctor told Peter not to go for a walk today.

Question 28: “Please don’t mention it to anybody,” Mary said to her friend.

- A. Mary asked her friend not to mention it to anybody.
- B. Mary asked her friend not mention it to anybody.
- C. Mary asked her friend to not mention it to anybody.
- D. Mary asked her friend did not mention it to anybody.

Question 29: Barbara said: "I saw them at my parents' house last year."

- A. Barbara said I had seen them at my parents' house the previous year.
- B. Barbara said she saw them at her parents' house the previous year.
- C. Barbara said she had seen them at her parents' house the previous year.
- D. Barbara said they had seen her at her parents' house the previous year.

Question 30: "Please don't make such a mess in your room", his mother said.

- A. His mother asked him not to make a mess in his room.
- B. His mother asked him that he did not to make a mess in his room.
- C. His mother asked him didn't make such a mess in his room.
- D. His mother asked him please not to make a mess in his room.

Question 31: "Be sorry for sending the wrong information, Kate said to Rita.

- A. Rita was sorry about Kate's sending the wrong information.
- B. Kate sent the wrong information, and she was sorry.
- C. Rita was sorry for not sending Kate the information.
- D. Rita apologized to Kate for sending her the wrong information.

Question 32: "Let's go to the cinema tonight", he suggested.

- A. He suggested that they went to the cinema that night.
- B. He suggested them to go to the cinema that night.
- C. He suggested their going to the cinema that night.
- D. He suggested that let's them go to the cinema that night.

Question 33: "Never borrow money from friends", my father said.

- A. My father advised me not borrow money from friends.
- B. My father suggested me never borrowing money from friends.
- C. My father told me to never borrow money from friends.
- D. My father told me never to borrow money from friends.

Question 34: "Explain to me how to solve this problem", said my friend to me.

- A. My friend told me to explain to him how to solve this problem.
- B. My friend told me to explain to me how to solve that problem.
- C. My friend told me explain to him how to solve that problem.

Question 35: Tom said: "I have already had breakfast, so I am not hungry".

- A. Tom said he had already had breakfast, so he is not hungry.
- B. Tom said he has already had breakfast, so he is not hungry.
- C. Tom said he had already had breakfast, so he was not hungry.
- D. Tom said he has already had breakfast, so he was not hungry.

Question 36: He said to them: "Who will you see before you leave here?"

- A. He asked them who they would see before they left there.
- B. He asked them who would they see before they left there.
- C. He asked them who they would see before you left there.
- D. He asked them who you would see before they left there.

Question 37: She asked me: “Why didn’t you come here yesterday?”

- A. She asked me why I hadn’t gone there the day before.
- B. She asked me why I didn’t go there the day before.
- C. She asked me why didn’t I go there the day before.
- D. She asked me why hadn’t I gone there the day before.

Question 38: Mother asked me: “Did you play with your friends yesterday?”

- A. Mother asked me if I had played with your friends the day before.
- B. Mother asked me if I played with my friends the day before.
- C. Mother asked me if I had played with my friends the day before.
- D. Mother asked if you had played with my friends the day before.

Question 39: “This is a horrible room. Why don’t you ask for something better?”, he said

- A. He said it was a horrible room and reminded me to ask for something better.
- B. He said it was a horrible room and advised me to ask for something better.
- C. He said it was a horrible room and warned me to ask for something better.
- D. He said it was a horrible room and invited me to ask for something better.

Question 40: “Remember to switch off when you have finished”, he said

- A. He reminded me to switch off when I have finished.
- B. He offered me to switch off when I’d finished.
- C. He suggested me to switch off when I’d finished.
- D. He reminded me to switch off when I had finished.

Question 41: “Answer this letter for me, will you?” he said, “And remember to keep a copy”.

- A. He warned me to answer that letter and reminded me to keep a copy.
- B. He told me to answer that letter and suggested me to keep a copy.
- C. He told me to answer that letter and reminded me to keep a copy.
- D. He suggested answering that letter and reminded me to keep a copy.

Question 42: “Why don’t you go by train? It’s much less tiring than driving, “I said.

- A. I advised him to go by train as it was much less tiring than driving.
- B. I suggested him to go by train as it was much less tiring than driving.
- C. I warned him to go by train as it was much less tiring than driving.
- D. I advised him going by train as it was much less tiring than driving.

Question 43: “Will you be here tomorrow?” she asked - “Yes”, I answered.

- A. She asked if I would be there the next day and I said that I would.
- B. She asked if I will be there the next day and I said that I will.
- C. She asked if you would be there the next day and I said that you would.
- D. She asked if I would be there the next day and I said that I will.

Question 44: Charles said: “I saw Jack at a party a few months ago and he seemed fine.”

- A. Charles said he had seen Jack at a party a few months before and he had seemed fine.
- B. Charles said I saw Jack at a party a few months before and he seemed fine.
- C. Charles said he had seen Jack at a party a few months before and he seemed fine.

D. Charles said he saw Jack at a party a few months before and he seemed fine.

Question 45: "I wasn't in the shop when the robbery happened", the suspect exclaimed.

A. The suspect said that he was in the shop when the robbery had happened.

B. The suspect denied having been in the shop when the robbery took place.

C. The suspect said he wished he was in the shop when the robbers came.

D. The suspect said he didn't see any robbers in the shop.

Question 46: The teacher gave us permission to leave the room.

A. "You must leave the room", the teacher told us.

B. "You ought to leave the room", the teacher told us.

C. "I give you permission leaving the room", the teacher told us.

D. "You may leave the room", the teacher told us.

Question 47: "Why didn't you send me the brochure?" Mr. William asked the agent.

A. Mr. William asked the agent why she didn't send him the brochure.

B. Mr. William asked the agent to send him the brochure.

C. Mr. William asked the agent not to send him the brochure.

D. Mr. William asked the agent why she had not sent him the brochure.

Question 48: "I'll return it tomorrow", said Sarah.

A. Sarah offered to return it the following day.

B. Sarah said she would return it tomorrow.

C. Sarah agreed to come back the following day.

D. Sarah promised to return it the following day.

Question 49: "I claim that you took my money", she said to the housekeeper.

A. She insisted on the housekeeper taking her money.

B. She admitted the housekeeper having taken her money.

C. She warned the housekeeper against taking her money.

D. She accused the housekeeper of having taken her money.

Question 50: Peter said to them: "Don't leave the room until I come back."

A. Peter told them not to leave the room until he came back.

B. Peter told them not to leave the room until he comes back.

C. Peter told them not to leave the room until they came back.

D. Peter told them not to leave the room until they come back.

Exercise 5: Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.

Question 1: When I was a teenager, my dad always told me that I hadn't used to stay

A

B

C

out later than ten o'clock.

D

Question 2: I asked him how far was it from my school to the post office if I went

A

B

C

there by taxi.

D

Question 3: When we went to the party, Claudia told me that I must be on my best

A

B

C

behavior all evening. It was very rude of her, I thought.

C

Question 4: Her mother ordered her do not go out with him the day before.

A

B

C

D

Question 5: Last week he told us we don't have to do that exercise and then yesterday

A

B

C

he said he'd made a mistake.

D

Question 6: He advised her thinking about that example again because it needed correcting.

A

B

C

D

Question 7: Darren said that Mr Taylor was to have forgotten about the meeting, but

A

B

C

I'm not so sure. I think he just didn't want to come.

D

Question 8: Nancy asked me why I had not gone to New York the summer previous.

A

B

C

D

Question 9: I was pleased when Jilly told us that she can help us paint the flat. If only

A

B

C

I'd known then what that meant!

D

Question 10: Dan said he must drive to Liverpool that night, but apparently he didn't go

A

B

C

D

in the end.

Question 11: Before he got his results, Philip said that he may have to retake some

A

B

C

exams, but now he knows he doesn't have to.

D

Question 12: Lucy says she would let us know as soon as she gets the tickets.

A

B

C

D

Question 13: The receptionist said that if I wanted to have breakfast, I will have to

A

B

C

pay extra.

D

Question 14: Liz said that the night before she had Evan and Christie over for dinner.

A B C D

Question 15: Someone told to me a few months ago that getting a mortgage would be easy.

A B C D

Question 16: My friend suggested to our buying the house together because it was so

A B C

large and I agreed.

D

Question 17: I was tempted to ask why did Ranji want to sit next to Li Han so badly.

A B C D

Question 18: Adrian wondered whether Simon would be coming to the party the night next.

A B C D

Question 19: Bill asked me why hadn't I invited him to go shopping with me.

A B C D

Question 20: Ellie asked Stan if he wants to look at the new catalogue.

A B C D

Question 21: Stephen said me he'd bought that suit in a sale.

A B C D

Question 22: When I last saw Carrie, she told me she is thinking of buying a house,

A B C

but now she's changed her mind.

D

Question 23: My mum asked me if I have had my ear pierced.

A B C D

Question 24: Fiona asked Rod and Jenny whether they are still moving to Blackpool

A B C

the following week.

D

Question 25: He asked her what was the difference between a refugee and an asylum

A B C

seeker.

D

Question 26: Carl asked Megan who she was out with the weekend before.

A B C D

Question 27: I replied going swimming in such cold water was a ridiculous idea.

A B C D

Question 28: Seven years ago, the Prime Minister stated that his government will be

A B

corruption-free. It doesn't look that way now, does it?

C

D

Question 29: When I was at school, my English teacher always told us that we didn't

A B

have to pay attention but we do have to be quiet.

C

D

Question 30: The letter they sent six months ago said that they shall be in touch again

A B C

soon. Well, I haven't heard anything since!

D