

# ENGLISH TEST 98

Read the following passage and choose the correct answer for each of the blanks

According to a magazine article I read recently, we (1)\_\_\_\_\_ live in an age of increasing leisure. Not only are more and more people reaching retirement age with their taste for enjoyment and even adventure relatively (2)\_\_\_\_\_ but the working week is becoming shorter and the opportunities for leisure are becoming greater and greater all the time. Not to mention the fact that people (3)\_\_\_\_\_ to spend less time traveling to work or may even be working from home. What I can't understand, however, is who these people are. As far as I can (4)\_\_\_\_\_ the whole thing is another one of (5)\_\_\_\_\_ journalistic fictions. I admit that there are a lot of retired people (6)\_\_\_\_\_ but I am not sure that all of them are dashing about learning hang-gliding or sailing single-handed (7)\_\_\_\_\_ the world. My own parents seem to (8)\_\_\_\_\_ most of their time gazing at the television. And as for the shorter working week, I wish someone (9)\_\_\_\_\_ remind my company about it. I seem to be working longer and longer hours all the time. The little leisure time I have is eaten into by sitting in the traffic jams or waiting for trains to (10)\_\_\_\_\_ up at rain-swept platforms. I haven't noticed any dramatic improvements in my (11)\_\_\_\_\_ either, but perhaps I just have to wait until I get my pension.

- 1: A. presently B. at the moment C. now D. at this time  
2: A. present B. survived C. free D. intact  
3: A. use B. tend C. have D. demand  
4: A. concern B. imagine C. expect D. tell  
5: A. the B. those C. these D. some  
6: A. in our days B. in these times C. nowadays D. now and again  
7: A. round B. over C. through D. into  
8: A. have B. use C. save D. spend  
9: A. would B. to C. had D. might  
10: A. keep B. line C. show D. set  
11: A. cost of living B. lifestyle C. lifeline D. livelihood

Read the following passage and choose the correct answer to each of the questions from 12 to 18.

The food we eat seems to have profound effects on our health. Although science has made enormous steps in making food more **fit** to eat, it has, at the same time, made many foods unfit to eat. Some research has shown that perhaps eighty percent of all human illnesses are related to diet and forty percent of cancer is related to the diet as well., especially cancer of the colon. People of different cultures are more **prone** to contract certain illnesses because of the characteristic foods they consume.

That food is related to illness is not a new discovery. In 1945, government researchers realized that nitrates and nitrites (commonly used to preserve color in meat) as well as other food additives caused cancer. Yet, **these carcinogenic additives** remain in our food, and it becomes more difficult all the time to know which ingredients on the packaging labels of processed food are helpful or harmful.

The additives that we eat are not all so direct. Farmers often give penicillin to cattle and poultry, and because of this, penicillin has been found in the milk of treated cows.

Sometimes similar drugs are administered to animals not for medicinal purposes, but for financial reasons. The farmers are simply trying to fatten the animals in order to obtain a higher price on the market. Although the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has tried repeatedly to control these procedures, the practices continue.

A healthy diet is directly related to good health. Often we are unaware of detrimental substances we ingest. Sometimes well-meaning farmers or others who do not realize the consequences add these substances to food without our knowledge.

- 12: What is the best title for this passage?  
A. Harmful and Harmless Substances in Food B. Improving Health through a Natural Diet.  
C. The Food You Eat Can Affect Your Health D. Avoiding Injurious Substances in Food.
- 13: The word "**carcinogenic**" is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. money-making B. trouble-making C. cancer-causing D. color-retaining
- 14: : The word "**these**" refers to \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. researchers B. nitrates and nitrites C. meats D. colors
- 15: The word "**fit**" is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. athletic B. adaptable C. suitable D. tasty
- 16: FDA means \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. Food and Drug Administration B. Federal Dairy Additives C. Final Difficult Analysis D. Food Direct Additives
- 17: The word "**additives**" is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. added substances B. benign substances C. dangerous substances D. natural substances
- 18: What are nitrates used for?  
A. They preserve flavor in packaged foods B. They cause the animals to become fatter.  
C. They are the objects of research D. They preserve the colour of meat
- 19: How has science done a disservice to people?

- A. The scientists have preserved the color of meats, but not of vegetables.  
 B. It caused a lack of information concerning the value of food.  
 C. As a result of scientific intervention, some potentially harmful substances have been added to our food  
 D. Because of science, disease caused by contaminated food has been virtually eradicated.
- 20: The word “prone” is nearest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. supine                      B. unlikely                      C. predisposed                      D. healthy
- 21: All of the following statements are true except \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. Researchers have known about the potential hazards of food additives for more than forty-five years.  
 B. Drugs are always given to animals for medical reasons  
 C. Food may cause forty percent of the cancer in the world.  
 D. Some of the additives in our food are added to the food itself and some are given to the living animals.
- Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the rest ones.*
- 22: A. imagine                      B. Valentine                      C. determine                      D. discipline  
 23: A. shore                      B. assure                      C. eventually                      D. proficient
- Choose the correct answer to each of the following questions.*
- 24: : The government should take \_\_\_\_\_ to reduce the current high unemployment rate.  
 A. measures                      B. changes                      C. steps                      D. solutions
- 25: ..... that the company has shown rapid growth in the last two years.  
 A. They are reported                      B. It is reported                      C. The report was                      D. It was reported
- 26: Professor Alan insisted that every student \_\_\_\_\_ their report by Friday.  
 A. finish                      B. finishes                      C. had finished                      D. finished
- 27: Doctors advise people who are deficient \_\_\_\_\_ Vitamin C to eat more fruit and vegetables.  
 A. for                      B. in                      C. of                      D. from
- 28: Sandra and Paul have just bought a small house..... of the town.  
 A. in the district                      B. in the edge                      C. on the outskirts                      D. in the suburb
- 29: I'm sorry if I gave you false information : I didn't intend to \_\_\_\_\_ you  
 A. mislead                      B. misconduct                      C. misrepresent                      D. mistrust
- 30: Let's go ahead and do it now. Nothing \_\_\_\_\_ by waiting.  
 A. accomplished                      B. accomplished                      C. has accomplished                      D. will be accomplished
- 31: I'm sorry you've decided not to go with us on the river trip , \_\_\_\_\_ you change your mind , there will still enough room on the boat for you.  
 A. provided that                      B. even                      C. nevertheless                      D. in the event that
- 32: We wish that you \_\_\_\_\_ such a lot of work , because we know that you would have enjoyed the party.  
 A. hadn't                      B. haven't had                      C. didn't have                      D. hadn't had
- 33: Look ! the yard is wet. It \_\_\_\_\_ last night.  
 A. must have rained                      B. must rain                      C. couldn't have rained                      D. should have rained
- 34: John. “Do you think that we should use public transportation to protect our environment?” -Laura. “ \_\_\_\_\_ ”  
 A . Yes, it's an absurd idea                      B. Well, that's very surprising  
 C. Of course not. You bet!                      D. There's no doubt about it.
- 35: They decided to name the new baby boy \_\_\_\_\_ Grandpa.  
 A. with                      B. as                      C. of                      D. after
- 36: \_\_\_\_\_ in your class have tickets for the lecture series?  
 A. Does any of the student                      B. Do any of the students  
 C. Do any of the student                      D. Does any of the students
- 37: Robert has a new car. He \_\_\_\_\_ it for a very good price. He paid 30 percent less than the regular retail cost.  
 A. could buy                      B. had to buy                      C. was supposed to buy                      D. was able to buy
- 38: Don't worry if you make a mistake. Just \_\_\_\_\_ it out.  
 A. leave                      B. rule                      C. cross                      D. slip
- 39: After failing his driving test four times, he finally \_\_\_\_\_ trying to pass.  
 A. give away                      B. gave up                      C. gave off                      D. gave in
- 40: It was only \_\_\_\_\_ he told me his surname that I realized that he had been to the same school.  
 A. as soon as                      B. then                      C. when                      D. until
- 41: Olives are a principal source of cooking oil, but by no means the only source. \_\_\_\_\_ olives, cooking oil can be extracted from coconuts , corn, and sunflower seeds.  
 A. In spite of                      B. In addition to                      C. Because of                      D. In case of
- 42: I would appreciate it..... what I have told you a secret.  
 A. you can keep                      B. that you kept                      C. if you kept                      D. you will keep
- 43: The United States consists of fifty states, \_\_\_\_\_ has its own government.

- A. hence each                      B. each of that                      C. each of which                      D. they each
- 44: There is a severe \_\_\_\_\_ in South Africa ,and thousands of people are dying from hunger.  
A. starvation                      B. disease                      C. shortage                      D. famine
- 45: I don't like to ask people for help but I wonder if you could \_\_\_\_\_  
A. make me a favour                      B. find me a favour                      C. do me a favour                      D. give me a favour
- 46: By the time he had finished work and returned home, he was absolutely \_\_\_\_\_  
A. exhausted                      B. tired                      C. weary                      D. weak
- 47: " Hello? Alice? This is Jeff. How are you ?" " Jeff? What a coincidence! I \_\_\_\_\_ about you when the phone rang."  
A. just thought                      B. was just thought                      C. was just thinking                      D. have just been thinking
- 48: Having been served lunch, \_\_\_\_\_  
A. it was discussed by the committee members the problem  
B. a discussion of the problem was made by the members of the committee.  
C. the committee members discussed the problem  
D. the problem was discussed by the members of the committee.

**Choose the sentence that expresses the best meaning formed by the given words.**

- 49: / computer / run / ten times / fast / this / old one /  
A. This computer runs faster ten times than the old one.  
B. This computer runs ten times faster than the old one.  
C. This ten times computer runs faster than the old one.  
D. This computer runs fast ten times than the old one.
- 50: / survive / we / work / start / cleaner / safer / energy / sources /  
A. We won't survive otherwise we start working on cleaner, safer sources of energy.  
B. We won't survive so we start working on cleaner, safer sources of energy.  
C. We won't survive unless we start working on cleaner, safer sources of energy.  
D. We won't survive although we start working on cleaner, safer sources of energy.
- 51: I / think / your offer/ give / my answer / as / possible  
A. I'll think for your offer and give you my answer as soon as possible.  
B. I'll think over your offer and give you my answer as soon as possible.  
C. I'll think about your offer and give you my answer as soon as possible.  
D. I'll think of your offer and give you my answer as soon as possible.

**Choose the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.**

- 52: *Were it not for the money, this job wouldn't be worthwhile.*  
A. This job offers a poor salary.                      B. This job is rewarding at all.  
C. The only thing that makes this job worthwhile is the money.                      D. Although the salary is poor, the job is worthwhile.
- 53: *Invitations were sent out as soon as the date of the conference was chosen.*  
A. Before sending out invitations, the date of the conference was chosen.  
B. Choose the date of the conference before sending out invitations.  
C. Hardly had the date of the conference been chosen when invitations were sent out..  
D. After choosing the date of the conference, invitations were sent out.
- 54: *The film didn't come up to my expectations.*  
A. I expected the film to be more boring.                      B. The film fell short of my expectations.  
C. I expected the film to end more abruptly.                      D. The film was as good as I expected.
- 55: *I lent him some money. I wanted him to continue his study at college.*  
A. I lent him some money so as he will continue his study at college.  
B. I lent him some money in order that he could continue his study at college.  
C. I lent him some money so that to continue his study at college.  
D. I lent him some money for him continue his study at college.
- 56: *It is believed that the man escaped in a stolen car.*  
A. They believed that the man stole the car.  
B. The man is believed to have escaped in a stolen car.  
C. The man is believed to escaped in a stolen car.  
D. That the man they believed stole the car.
- 57: *There was a hurricane in August 1992 over West Africa. This hurricane was named Andrew.*  
A. There was a hurricane what was named Andrew in August 1992 over West Africa.  
B. There was a hurricane in August 1992 over West Africa whose hurricane was named Andrew.  
C. There was a hurricane who was named Andrew in August 1992 over West Africa.  
D. There was a hurricane which was named Andrew in August 1992 over West Africa.
- 58: *Nothing but the whole story would satisfied Tim.*

- A. On the whole, Tim was satisfied with the story.
- B. Tim wanted to know just the end of the story.
- C. Tim wouldn't be satisfied with anything.
- D. Tim insisted on being told the complete story.**

59: *Mr. Smith is now the fifth wealthiest man in this city.*

- A. Mr. Smith is wealthier than five people.
- B. Only four people in this city are wealthier than Mr. Smith .**
- C. No one in this city has more wealth than Mr. Smith.
- D. Mr. Smith is the wealthiest one in this city.

60: *The moon doesn't have the atmosphere, neither does the planet Mars.*

- A. Neither the moon nor the planet Mars has the atmosphere.**
- B. Neither the moon or the planet Mars has the atmosphere.
- C. Either the moon or the planet Mars has the atmosphere.
- D. Either the moon nor the planet Mars has the atmosphere.

61: *I think Bob has forgotten the whole event.*

- A. The whole event is no longer mentioned.
- B. Bob appears to have forgotten the whole event.**
- C. Nothing about the event is worth remembering.
- D. Bob must forget the whole event.

**Choose the underlined part needs correction in each of the following questions.**

62: When (A) the silkworm (B) gets through (C) to lay (D) its eggs, it dies.

63: The high protein (A) content of various strains of alfalfa plants, along with the (B) characteristically long root system that enables them to survive long droughts, (C) make them (D) particularly valuable in arid countries

64: A fiber-optic cable (A) across the Pacific (B) went into service (C) in April 1989, (D) link the United States and Japan.

65: The Gray Wolf, a species (A) reintroduced into (B) their native habitat in Yellowstone National park, (C) has begun to breed (D) naturally there.

66: (A) Those of you (B) who signed up (C) for Dr Daniel's anthropology class should get (D) their books as soon as possible.

**Read the following passage and choose the correct answer to each of the questions**

According to airline industry statistics, almost 90 percent of airline accidents are survivable or partially survivable. But passengers can increase their chances of survival by learning and following certain tips. Experts say that you should read and listen to safety instructions before takeoff and ask questions if you have uncertainties. You should fasten your seat belt low on your hips and as tightly as possible. Of course, you should also know how the release mechanism of your belt operates. During takeoff and landings you are advised to keep your feet flat on the floor. Before takeoff you should locate the nearest exit and an alternative exit and count the rows of seat between you and the exits so that you can find them in the dark if necessary

In the event that you are forewarned of the possible accident, you should put your hands on your ankles and keep your head down until the plane come to complete stop. If smoke is present in the cabin, you should keep your head low and cover your face with napkins, towels, or clothing. If possible, wet these for added protection against smoke inhalation. To **evacuate** as quickly as possible, follow crew command and do not take personal belongings with you. Do not jump on escape slides before they are fully **inflated** and when you jump, do so with your arms and legs extended in front of you. When you get to the ground, you should move away from the plane as quickly as possible, and never smoke near the wreckage.

67: Travelers are urged by experts to read and listen to safety instructions ?

- A. in an emergency
- B. if smoke is in the cabin
- C. before locating the exits
- D. before take off**

68: Airline passenger are to do all of the following **EXCEPT**

- A locate the nearest exist
- B fasten their seat belt before take off
- C ask questions about safety
- D carry personal belongings in an emergency**

69: What is the main topic of the passage?

- A. guidelines for increasing aircraft passengers survival.**
- B. procedures for evacuating aircraft
- C. safety instructions in air travel
- D. airline industry accident statistics

70: According to the passage, which exits should an airline passenger locate before take off

- A. the nearest one
- B. the ones that can be found in the dark
- C. the ones with counted rows of seats between them
- D. the two closest to the passenger's seat**

71: The word "**inflated**" in the second paragraph is closes in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. expanded
- B. extended**
- C. lifted
- D. assembled

72: It can be inferred from the passage that people are more likely to survive fires in aircrafts if they \_\_\_\_\_

- A. read airline safety statistics
- B. wear a safety belt**

- C. don't smoke in or near a plane  
D. keep their heads low
- 73: According to the passage, airline travelers should keep their feet flat on the floor \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. only if an accident is possible  
B. during takeoff and landings  
C. especially during landings  
D. throughout the flight
- 74: The word "evacuate" in the second paragraph is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. abscond  
B. vacate  
C. forestall  
D. evade

- 75: What does the paragraph following the passage most probably discuss?  
A. Where to go to continue your trip  
B. How to proceed once you are away from the aircraft  
C. How to recover your luggage  
D. When to return to the aircraft

*Choose the word that differs from the rest in the position of the main stress in each of the following questions*

- 76 : A. invalid      B. predict      C. pretend      D. preface  
77 : A. mausoleum      B. conservative      C. disqualify      D. magnificent  
78 : A. nuclear      B. province      C. construct      D. complex  
79 : A. literacy      B. contingency      C. ceremony      D. sanctuary  
80 : A. optimist      B. accuracy      C. continent      D. artificial

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