Donnerstag 10. Mai 2012
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Mum wants to get a cat because ............ catch mice.
A. a cat  B. cats  C. it  D. the cats

My little brother and I have both got bikes, but ......... smaller than mine.
A. they’re  B. he’s  C. their  D. his is

My parents love that TV programme but ............ . It’s so boring.
A. so do I  B. I don’t  C. I do too  D. they like it

Which word does not belong to this “family” of words?
Knee, arm, ankle, ...........
A. neck  B. shoulder  C. belt  D. finger

I ......... able to drive you to the station tomorrow, but I’m not sure.
A. will be  B. might be  C. could have  D. would like to

Have you ........... to that restaurant? It’s supposed to be very good.
A. ever been  B. often eaten  C. gone  D. took your girlfriend

“Chief” rhymes with “.............”
A. chef  B. beef  C. deaf  D. stiff

You mustn’t cross the street in the USA when you see the sign “............”
A. Keep left  B. Don’t walk  C. Beware  D. Stay

Complete the “family” of words: clever, intelligent, brilliant, ..........
A. lazy  B. shiny  C. bright  D. bored

............... I was on holiday, I learnt to ride a camel.
A. While  B. During  C. However  D. If

If you click on “Add to basket” on an Internet site, it means ........
A. you have just paid for something  B. you are trying to chat to someone  C. you have decided not to buy something  D. you intend to buy something

He’s not in love with her, but she’s crazy ............
A. about him  B. of getting married  C. to him  D. love with Jack

Kate has chosen to study science subjects: chemistry, ...... and biology.
A. physics  B. physicals  C. physiques  D. physicists

In “Someone like you”, when Adele sings “I hate to turn up out of the blue”, she means she ............
A. doesn’t like to look sad  B. hates to arrive without warning  C. prefers to leave without an explanation  D. regrets that she is alone

Jeffrey’s gone away for a few days and ............ his sister.
A. so has  B. also did  C. nor has  D. so is

The engine was badly damaged, but he said ............ repair it.
A. we can  B. he could  C. so has  D. it would be easy

In 1910, Captain Robert Scott ............ an expedition to the South Pole.
A. led  B. head  C. done  D. begun

“Get a bucket of water, Andrew!” she shouted. = She ............ get a bucket of water.
A. said to Andrew  B. told Andrew that he  C. ordered him  D. told him to
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19. The “ou” in “ground” is pronounced like the “ou” in “………………”
A. four    B. enormous    C. scout    D. jealous

20. Northern Ireland is ..............................
A. an independent nation
B. part of the Republic of Ireland
C. an island
D. part of the United Kingdom

21. This church is .............................. the oldest one in the city.
A. still being    B. said to be
B. known that it is    D. generally supposed is

22. Which of these nouns cannot be both singular and plural?
A. sheep    B. aircraft    C. mice    D. series

23. “Hello, Mr. er... Oh, I keep ........... your name. I’m terribly sorry.”
A. badly remember    B. forgetting
B. not reminding    D. to forget

24. The car stopped when we .............. out of petrol.
A. ran    B. got    C. stood    D. fell

25. Who was President during the American Civil War?
A. George Washington    C. John F. Kennedy
B. Ronald Reagan    D. Abraham Lincoln

26. Please ........ me borrow your scooter tonight. I’ll be very careful with it.
A. get    B. let    C. leave    D. allow

27. You’re having a party when a neighbour comes to the door and says,
“We can hear the music across the street! It’s much too loud!”
What can you say?
A. I’m calling the police.    C. I’ll turn up the music.
B. Sorry, we’ll turn the music down.    D. Excuse me for being late.

28. Next January, we’re going skiing in .............................. There’s always snow there in winter.
A. Florida    B. Colorado    C. Texas    D. Louisiana

29. There aren’t many chocolates left and you’ve eaten .............. that I like best!
A. all the ones    B. everyone    C. all    D. the big

30. We couldn’t use the lift because it .............. repaired.
A. was being    B. was    C. had been    D. didn’t have

31. Pronunciation: “information” = o O o o; “development” = “……….”
A. O o o o    B. o O o    C. o o O o    D. o O o O

32. They promised .............................. on time but they’re late, as usual.
A. starting the match    C. they will arrive
B. to be here    D. that they are ready

33. For centuries, people have been trying to .............................. making gold out of ordinary metal.
A. doing the process to    C. explain how
B. find a way of    D. used to

34. .............................. is made up of 54 nations from all six continents.
A. The Commonwealth    C. The European Union
B. The United Nations    D. The World Health Organisation

35. Where .............................. put these plates? In this cupboard or in that one?
A. are you asking for me    C. should I be
B. you asked him to    D. do you want me to

36. Pronunciation: “economy” = o O o o; “economical” = “……….”
A. O o o o    B. o O o o    C. o o O o    D. o O o O

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37. We found our way to the theatre but the problem .............. park the car.
A. it was to    C. has been to
B. was where to    D. wasn’t that but

38. That’s Jim. He’s the boy .............................. at school.
A. that never goes    C. I sit next to
B. which I don’t like    D. who my best friend

39. Which of the following people was born in the USA?
A. Charlie Chaplin    C. Ernest Hemingway
B. Oscar Wilde    D. Agatha Christie

40. She’d look much better if she .............. more fashionable clothes.
A. puts on    B. has worn    C. wore    D. wears

41. There was some lettuce in the fridge so Peter suggested .............. a salad.
A. to make    B. making    C. to do    D. they will make

42. You have spent the day playing tennis at a friend’s house in England. You are about to leave and you are saying goodbye to your friend’s parents. What is it polite to say?
A. Thank you for having me.
B. I’ll be back when I like.
C. I really enjoyed the meeting.
D. It was a great pleasure to have you.

43. What are .............................. about the situation?
A. the police doing    C. the news writing
B. the news saying    D. our government do

44. There are two main political parties in the USA: the Democrats and the ..............................
A. Conservatives    C. Republicans
B. Liberals    D. Socialists

45. Your daughter can’t see the blackboard very well. You should .............. tested.
A. make her eyes    C. have been
B. her eyes have    D. have her eyes

46. I’ve tried everything to get .............. the dirty mark on this shirt, but it won’t go away.
A. back from    B. out of    C. rid of    D. it of

47. They .............................. the project for a week now but they haven’t finished yet.
A. are doing    C. have been doing
B. have done    D. been done

48. The “th” in “weather” sounds like the “th” in ..............................
A. Athens    B. think    C. earth    D. therefore

49. He .............. look out of the window every morning to see if it was snowing.
A. always used    B. would    C. has to    D. will often

50. If I’d known you didn’t like eggs, I .............. made an omelette.
A. always used    B. would    C. has to    D. will often

51. Who said: “I have a dream” in a famous speech?
A. Martin Luther King    C. Abraham Lincoln
B. Barack Obama    D. John Kennedy

52. I think it’s time you .............. to bed.
A. are going    B. go    C. have gone    D. went

53. We can’t buy a new house until .............................. this one.
A. someone will buy    C. we have sold
B. is buying    D. we will be able to sell

54. Which of these is not one of the Seven Wonders of the Natural World?
A. The Rocky Mountains in Canada and the USA
B. The Victoria Falls in Zambia and Zimbabwe
C. The Grand Canyon in Arizona
D. The Great Barrier Reef off the coast of Australia