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- Der Test wird einzeln, ohne Hilfestellung und ohne Hilfsmittel wie Bücher oder Wörterbücher durchgeführt.
- Die 45 Fragen sind nach Kompetenzen sortiert. Für jede Frage gibt es nur eine richtige Antwort.
- Mit einem **schwarzen Kugelschreiber** oder **Filzstift** muss für jede Frage auf dem ANTWORTBOGEN das Kästchen angekreuzt werden, das der richtigen Antwort entspricht.
- Je nach Schwierigkeitsgrad der Fragen gibt es eine unterschiedliche Anzahl an Punkten: Für Fragen mit einem weißen Kästchen ☐ gibt es jeweils 5 Punkte, für Fragen mit grauen Kästchen ▒ gibt es 6 Punkte und für Fragen mit einem schwarzen Kästchen ■ gibt es 7 Punkte.
- Bei einer falschen Antwort wird ein Viertel des vorgesehenen Punktwertes eingebüßt. Wenn auf eine Frage keine Antwort gegeben wird, geht diese Frage mit null Punkten in die Bewertung ein. Wenn auf eine Frage mehrere Antworten gegeben werden, gibt es ebenfalls null Punkte.

Schreibe dir die 7-stellige Nummer auf, die auf deinem Antwortbogen rechts oben angegeben ist und bewahre sie gut auf. Diese Nummer brauchst du, um dein Ergebnis später im Internet einsehen zu können.

A Karaoke time!



1 The two young women ..... .
A. have got microphones in their hands
B. aren't enjoying singing
C. are performing on stage for thousands of fans
D. are watching a female singer at a concert

2 The young men are probably thinking, "....."
A. They should be pop stars!
B. They're really terrible singers!
C. I hope they don't stop singing!
D. I'm glad we came to a karaoke bar!

3 Find the list of words associated with singing.
A. voice, snake, duet **B.** lyrics, tune, choir
C. melody, vocal, ring **D.** perform, coin, entertain

B Vocabulary

4 In an website address, it's called a dot. At the end of a sentence, it's called a ..... .
A. point **B.** full stop **C.** comma **D.** tag

5 Jane ..... the test because she only got 19 out of 100.
A. failed **B.** missed **C.** drowned **D.** fetched

6 Find the word to complete this list: rainbow, thunder, fog, ...
A. lightning **B.** handle **C.** powder **D.** frame

7 John is going to leave his job and ..... up his own business.
A. take **B.** run **C.** put **D.** set

8 He wasn't injured in the explosion, but it was so loud that he went ..... : he couldn't hear anything for almost an hour.
A. blind **B.** deaf **C.** damp **D.** keen

C An email

From: Louise Wells **To:** emmahinckley95@gmail.com
Subject: My visit to California

Hello Emma – or perhaps I should say Amelia (?),

I expect you're surprised to get an email from me. After all, we haven't been in touch for ages. The last news I had was in the email you sent five years ago, before you went to the USA – so I'm hoping you still use this address, even though you've changed your name. I follow your career on social media, naturally, but it's not the same as getting personal news, is it?

I still remember when we were at school together. Ryan remembers you too, of course. It's a pity you didn't marry him. I almost had a movie star as a sister-in-law! But I hope you're happy with your millionaire husband, even if he's so much older than you are.

Anyway, I'm writing to say I'm coming to the USA in July. I'll be in California for a week, staying with my cousin Michael, who works for a tech company out there. So can I come and visit you? I'd love to see you again after all this time. What do you think?

Lots of love,

Louise

9 What do we know about Emma?
A. She doesn't live in England.
B. She isn't married.
C. She used to work with Louise.
D. She has never had a job.

10 Louise wrote, "perhaps I should say Amelia" because ..... .
A. she doesn't know who she's writing to
B. Emma used to be called Amelia
C. Emma changed her name to Amelia
D. Emma and Amelia have the same email address

11 Find the **true** sentence.
A. Ryan is Emma's brother.
B. Louise hasn't heard from Emma for five years.
C. Louise doesn't know anything about Emma's job.
D. Louise wants to stay with Emma in July.

12 Find the sentence that **isn't true**.
A. Emma is a movie actor who lives in the USA.
B. Louise and Emma were friends when they were young.
C. Emma married a very wealthy young man.
D. Louise has a cousin who works in California.

D Grammar

13 Anyone can do it. You ..... be particularly athletic, but it helps!
A. can't **B.** mustn't
C. don't have to **D.** could even

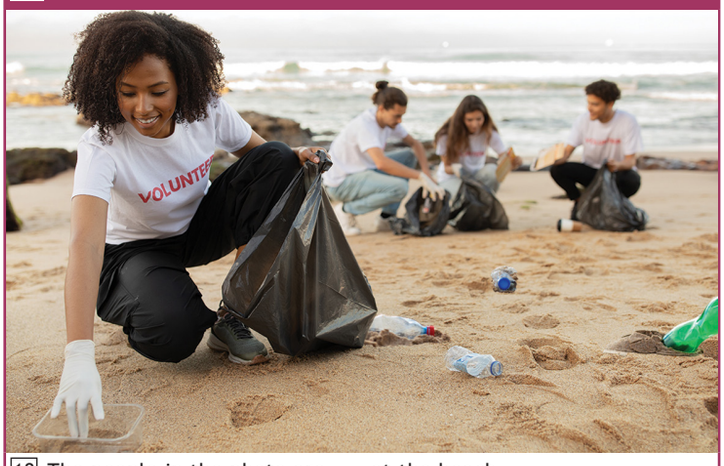
14 "..... you ..... the invitations?" "Yes, I did them yesterday."
A. Did ..... write already **B.** Have ..... already written
C. Did ..... just sent **D.** Have ..... ever seen

15 I want to make her birthday a special day, but I have no idea what ..... to do.
A. she'd like **B.** does she enjoy
C. will she like **D.** is she going to want

16 Some priceless paintings ..... in the fire at the museum on Sunday.
A. have been burned **B.** were destroyed
C. have burned **D.** were destroying

17 There ..... so much pollution if ..... so many cars on the roads.
A. can't be ..... there won't be **B.** wouldn't be ..... there weren't
C. don't have ..... we don't put **D.** wouldn't be ..... we don't have

E At the beach



18 The people in the photo are ..... at the beach.
A. tidying their toys **B.** picking up rubbish
C. throwing away bottles **D.** washing up dishes

19 These people are volunteers. A volunteer is someone who ..... .
A. does a job but isn't paid **B.** earns very little money
C. works as punishment for a crime **D.** is employed in the summer only

20 The woman is glad to be there. She is probably thinking, "....."
A. What's the point? **B.** I wish I was at home!
C. I'm making a difference. **D.** No one will notice.

21 Find the list of words that are associated with the environment.
A. recycle, nature, protect **B.** Earth, planet, jump
C. spoon, plastic, ocean **D.** pollution, peach, climate

F English-speaking countries

22 "Bacon and ....." are a popular breakfast food in Britain.
A. eggs **B.** cheese **C.** rice **D.** mustard

23 ..... as an immediate result of the Wall Street Crash of 1929.
A. World War II broke out **B.** Millions of people lost their jobs
C. Taxis became more expensive **D.** Planes couldn't fly over New York

24 The National Mall is a ..... in Washington, DC.
A. large park with museums **B.** shopping centre
C. government building **D.** monument to Abraham Lincoln

25 The ..... Party is one of the two main British political parties.
A. Union **B.** Democratic **C.** Republican **D.** Labour

G Situations

26 When someone thanks you nowadays, you might say, "No worries" or "No problem." What else could you say?
A. "You're welcome." **B.** "I don't mind."
C. "It's all the same to me." **D.** "It doesn't matter."

27 A woman says to a man, "Make yourself at home." This means that she wants him to ..... .
A. stop feeling depressed **B.** feel at home in her house
C. make his house more comfortable **D.** spend more time with his family

28 "I'm going to put it off," says Jack. He means that he's going to ..... .
A. remove a poster from his wall **B.** turn off the television
C. take off his jacket **D.** change the date of a meeting

29 A salesman says, "It's perfect if you haven't got much room, yet you often invite friends over for a meal. It only takes a minute to set up." What's he selling?
A. A flat-screen television. **B.** A folding dining table.
C. A sofa that converts into a bed. **D.** A microwave oven.

30 "Come on," says John to his friend Katya, "Let me have a go!" What can you say about the situation?
A. John wants to be alone at the moment.
B. Katya is playing a video game and John wants to try it.
C. John wants Katya to agree to go out with him.
D. John doesn't want to be Katya's boyfriend any more.

31 Tom's bought an expensive camera. "It cost me a fortune," he says. He could also say, "It cost me ..... ."
A. a cow and a pig **B.** a hand and a foot
C. an arm and a leg **D.** a house and a home

H Sounds

32 "Sir", "learn", "word" and "....." all contain the same vowel sound.
A. pour **B.** surf **C.** sword **D.** beard

33 Which pair of words **does not** rhyme?
A. head, bread **B.** through, sew **C.** bought, sort **D.** lose, shoes

34 "Situation" = o o O o. "Complicated" = ...
A. O o o o **B.** o O o o **C.** o o O o **D.** o o o O

I A web page

A technological marvel!

Over the past two decades, we've become more and more dependent on our smartphones. But wouldn't it be easier if we didn't have to hold a phone in our hand when we needed to call our friends, get information from the internet, or use social media?

It is this idea that is behind the AIClip – a substitute for a smartphone that works by means of artificial intelligence. It clips on to your clothes and you control it with your voice or by touching it in different ways. What can it do? Well, point it at a text and it will translate it aloud, hold a book in front of it and it will tell you what it's about, show it an orange and it will tell you what vitamins it contains… And, if you want to read the information, this can be displayed on your hand!

But, despite all this, there's a lot more you can do with a smartphone, so few people are going to get rid of their phones and buy AIClips, especially since they're priced at around $900. Even so, the AIClip is a technological marvel!

35 This article tells us that it can be difficult for people to ..... .
A. buy a phone **B.** live without their phones
C. depend on their phones **D.** use social media

36 The writer thinks that the problem with smartphones is that ..... .
A. you can't do enough with them
B. they don't use artificial intelligence
C. you have to hold them in your hand
D. they are far too expensive

37 According to the article, which sentence about the AIClip **isn't true**?
A. You can speak to it, and it can speak to you.
B. Its camera can identify and analyse objects.
C. It can do just as much as any smartphone.
D. It doesn't display information on a screen.

38 It is clear that the writer of this article ..... .
A. works for the company that makes the AIClip
B. is sure that a lot of people will replace their phones by AIClips
C. thinks the AIClip is a wonderful invention, even if it's expensive
D. has been using the AIClip to translate documents

J Sentences

39 Ever since Carrie broke up with James, she ..... the boy next door.
A. was seeing **B.** has been seeing
C. is seeing **D.** has seen

40 By midnight it was obvious the Prince ..... fallen in love with Cinderella.
A. would have **B.** has **C.** had **D.** has been

41 Peter's father ..... him ..... to Mrs Brown for his bad behaviour.
A. made ..... to say sorry **B.** got ..... apologise
C. had ..... to apologise **D.** made ..... apologise

K The Biggest Challenge

42 Where are they? They ..... here hours ago. Do you think they've had an accident?
A. are supposed to be **B.** should have been
C. will have arrived **D.** have been coming

43 "The more expensive rooms have a sea view," said the hotel manager, "but the cheaper ones ..... the car park."
A. overlook **B.** oversee **C.** overcome **D.** overview

44 Jane's nervous. It's her first day at university tomorrow. Her father says, "You'll soon ..... ," meaning "You'll get used to it very quickly."
A. make ends meet **B.** sit up straight
C. find your feet **D.** plant your tree

45 The US flag is known as The Stars and Stripes. The stripes on the flag represent the ..... .
A. states that make up the USA **B.** generals who won independence
C. first American colonies **D.** Pilgrim Fathers