Questions 1-14

Directions: In this part, each item presents a sentence, with a word or a phrase underlined. Below each sentence there are four other words or phrases. Find the word or phrase which would best explain the underlined word or phrase. Mark your choice on your answer sheet.

Example: I can hardly believe it; it is amazing.
(A) over and over (B) unconscious (C) unreliable (D) incredible
Answer: Mark D to indicate your choice on the answer sheet as follows:

1. It is a curious **phenomenon** of nature that only two species practice the art of war—man and ants, both of which, significantly, maintain complex social organizations.
   - (A) example
   - (B) fact
   - (C) instinct
   - (D) meaning

2. Fire trucks, their sirens screaming, raced up to us as we squealed to a stop.
   - (A) drivers
   - (B) engines
   - (C) alarms
   - (D) tools

3. English has become the most “mixed” of languages, having received throughout its history all kinds of foreign elements with ease and **assimilated** them all to its own character.
   - (A) translated
   - (B) absorbed
   - (C) shifted
   - (D) changed

4. Gazing up into the darkness I saw myself as a creature driven and **derided** by vanity; and my eyes burned with anguish and anger.
   - (A) cheated
   - (B) ridiculed
   - (C) blinded
   - (D) annoyed

5. Perhaps she **scribbled** some pages up in an apple loft on the sly, but was careful to hide them or set fire to them.
   - (A) prepared carefully
   - (B) saved slowly
   - (C) sawed meticulously
   - (D) wrote in a hurry

6. Many other advantages might be **enumerated**.
   - (A) disappeared
   - (B) counted off
   - (C) categorized
   - (D) supplemented

7. Marriage was not an affair of personal affection, but of family **avarice**.
   - (A) grudge
   - (B) fame
   - (C) tradition
   - (D) greed

8. The story of Santa Claus is a **myth** cherished by children.
   - (A) excuse
   - (B) song
   - (C) legend
   - (D) rally

9. John lost his temper and kicked the vending machine.
   - (A) wasted his money
   - (B) was behind the schedule
   - (C) became angry
   - (D) got sick

10. Robert asked Nancy **to keep him company**.
    - (A) to visit his factory
    - (B) to help him do business
    - (C) to sympathize with him
    - (D) to accompany him

11. His remittance is **overdue**.
    - (A) too large
    - (B) canceled
    - (C) in the mail
    - (D) late

12. Like Moses, who from the land of Moab glimpsed but could not reach the promised land, Kilpatrick **perished** on the eve of the victorious revolt which he had premeditated and dreamt of.
    - (A) succeeded
    - (B) died
    - (C) rested
    - (D) arrived

13. The matron had given her leave to go out as soon as the women’s tea was over and Maria looked forward to her evening out.
    - (A) to depart
    - (B) permission
    - (C) order
    - (D) favor

14. Her image accompanied me even in places the most **hostile** to romance.
    - (A) unfriendly
    - (B) lovely
    - (C) amiable
    - (D) sexual
Questions 15-30
Directions: In this part, each item consists of an incomplete sentence. Four words or phrases, each marked (A), (B), (C), or (D), are given beneath the sentence. You are to choose the one word or phrase that best completes the sentence. Then, on your answer sheet, find the number of the question and mark your answer.

15. Our senior faculty member Professor William Crawford has been here ______.
   (A) after 1980  (B) in 1980  (C) since 1975  (D) around 1975

16. How dull it is to pause, to make an end, / To rust unburnish'd, not to shine in use! / As though to breathe ______ life.
   (A) is  (B) was  (C) were  (D) being

17. According to the conditions of my scholarship, after finishing my degree, ______.
   (A) my education will be employed by the university  (B) employment will be given to me by the university
   (C) the university will employ me  (D) I will be employed by the university

18. I wonder ______.
   (A) how must cost there shoes  (B) how much do these shoes cost
   (C) how much these shoes cost  (D) how much are these shoes cost

19. His doctor suggested that he ______ a short leave of absence.
   (A) would take  (B) took  (C) take  (D) taking

20. The story is vivid, interesting, and ______.
   (A) has a simple plot  (B) has a simplistic plot  (C) simple in plot  (D) being simple

21. They are both looking forward ______ next month.
   (A) to going on vacation  (B) to be going on vacation
   (C) to go on vacation  (D) to go to vacation

22. Flight eighteen from Seattle is now arriving at ______.
   (A) gate five  (B) the gate five  (C) fifth gate  (D) the five gate

23. But this and many others I omit, _____ studious of brevity.
   (A) is  (B) was  (C) being  (D) trying

24. It is ______ that I'd like to go on a picnic.
   (A) a love day such  (B) so lovely day  (C) too lovely a day  (D) such a lovely day

25. His newly published book is entitled ______.
   (A) An Introduction of American Literature  (B) An Introduction To American Literature
   (C) The Introduction to Literature of America  (D) An Introduction to American Literature

26. He said he would have it ready ______ next Monday.
   (A) by  (B) through  (C) until  (D) at

27. Having driven his truck for fifteen hours without rest, ______.
   (A) his friends knew he would feel tired  (B) he felt extremely tired
   (C) his truck needed gasoline  (D) someone needed to find a bed for him

28. We were late getting to the football game, so we missed almost all of the ______.
   (A) Quarter One  (B) first quarter  (C) quarter first  (D) quarter A

29. She says she will cook dinner as soon as ______.
   (A) John arrives  (B) John arrived  (C) John will arrive  (D) John had arrived

30. Even though a lot of money was spent publicizing the concert, ______.
   (A) many people attended it  (B) those who put up the money for the concert made a good profit
   (C) attendance was rather poor  (D) everyone knew about it, whether they attended or not
Questions 31-45

Directions: Read the passages below. After each passage you will find a number of vocabulary items that are underlined in the original passage. Each item is followed by four words or phrases. You are to choose the word or phrase that best describes the meaning of the vocabulary item as it was used within the context of the passage.

The word "landslide" is too puny to describe the vote's outcome. Pakistan's new prime minister won by a margin most other democratically elected politicians can only dream of. With most of last week's ballots counted, his Pakistan Muslim league had captured 134 of the National Assembly's 202 seats. The runner-up Pakistan People's Party lost all but a meager 18. Imran Khan, the reformist who aspired to become the nation's political savior, fielded candidates in 336 federal and provincial contests; they won exactly zero. The size of the new Prime Minister's victory would give him a wide-open mandate—except for one unfortunate detail. The country he is supposed to run is in ruins.

31. landslide
   (A) slippery place  (B) large-scale shift of earth  (C) overwhelming majority  (D) loss of support

32. puny
   (A) weak and inadequate  (B) short and thin  (C) exaggerated  (D) punishing

33. margin
   (A) edge  (B) substitute for butter  (C) not of main importance  (D) amount by which one wins

34. captured
   (A) deprived rivals of  (B) used  (C) took prisoner  (D) destroyed

35. runner-up
   (A) biggest loser  (B) second best  (C) fast moving  (D) athletic

36. meager
   (A) combined into one  (B) small or inadequate number  (C) likely to cause a headache  (D) difficult to obtain

37. savior
   (A) having a good taste  (B) one who helps others avoid ruin  (C) a religious person  (D) one who saves money and becomes wealthy

38. wide-open mandate
   (A) free-market policy  (B) approval for a free-trade zone  (C) unqualified support from voters  (D) very limited political support

Europe lags in many high-tech industries, but mobile communications is not one of them. Five years ago the European Union (EU) unveiled the world's most ambitious digital cellular system. Called GSM, or global system for mobile communications, it proved not only that Europe could conceive of cutting-edge communications standard but also that it could roll it out smoothly across the continent's fractious nations. Some 80 countries outside Europe have rushed to adopt the GSM standard. But in today's computer driven world, "advanced technologies" can grow stale in a hurry. While GSM's equipment suppliers—the biggest of which is Sweden's Ericsson—count their subscribers, an upstart US company named Qualcomm has popped up with an even better wireless system. The technology for this system is the most efficient system technology in the world, and for that reason it could grow dominant as the world's phone operators scramble to find more talk space for their customers.
(39) *lags*  
(A) is not as advanced as others  (B) is in first place  (C) pulls others into  (D) is equal to others

(40) *unveiled*  
(A) concealed  (B) revealed  (C) developed  (D) finalized

(41) *cutting-edge*  
(A) dangerously sharp  (B) most advanced  (C) second most highly developed  (D) tending to cause divisions

(42) *fractious*  
(A) argumentative and combative  (B) broken (like a bone)  (C) divided into small parts  (D) harmonious

(43) *grow stale*  
(A) lose its nutritional value  (B) become obsolete  (C) compete successfully  (D) be unable to move forward

(44) *suppliers*  
(A) providers  (B) purchasers  (C) those who guard supplies  (D) customers

(45) *dominant*  
(A) be one of the important players  (B) be unable to compete  (C) have the greatest influence  (D) be controlled by others

**Questions 46-50**

Directions: In the sentences below several items are underlined and marked (A), (B), (C), or (D). Choose the item (A), (B), (C), or (D) that would not be acceptable in standard English.

(46) Enthusiasm for computer-aided language learning has *increased steadily since* the concept was developed in the 1970s.  
(A)  
(B)  
(C)  
(D)

(47) While a student at Harvard University, he studied both French *in addition to* Russian.  
(A)  
(B)  
(C)  
(D)

(48) He told me to tell you to contact with him in case you have any questions.  
(A)  
(B)  
(C)  
(D)

(49) Even air fares increase, many people will still choose air travel because it saves time.  
(A)  
(B)  
(C)  
(D)

(50) Ask him to prepare a picnic lunch for the students and I by noon today.  
(A)  
(B)  
(C)  
(D)