I. Air Travel

Johnny was making his first plane flight. The plane was up about 5,000 metres when the pilot sent it into a nose dive; it was headed straight for the city below. Pulling out of the dive, the pilot turned to Johnny and laughed:

"I bet fifty per cent of those people down there thought we were going to crash."

"Yes," said Johnny, "and I'll bet fifty per cent of the people up here thought so, too."

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Air Hostess: "You'll have to change twice, in Frankfurt and in New York, before you get to Los Angeles."

Hick From The Country: "Goodness me! And I've only brought the clothes I'm standing up in!"
1. AIR TRAVEL. Match the names with the pictures.

... airliner ... airship ... glider ... helicopter
... hovercraft ... kite ... spaceship

2. AIR TRAVEL. Choose the correct answer.

1. The plane circled over the airport until the ... was clear.
   a) highway  b) landing  c) runway  d) terminal

2. All flights in and out of the airport came to a ... because of the strike.
   a) closure  b) conclusion  c) standstill  d) stoppage

3. If you carry too much luggage, the airline will charge an ... baggage fee.
   a) additional  b) excess  c) extra  d) over

4. British Airways ... the departure of Flight 222 to Warsaw.
   a) advertise  b) advise  c) announce  d) notice

5. When you get to the airport, your luggage will have to be ... .
   a) balanced  b) estimated  c) sealed  d) weighed

6. Because of the fog, our flight was ... from Heathrow to York Airport.
   a) deflected  b) diverted  c) replaced  d) reverted

7. The check ... time at the airport was eight o'clock.
   a) by  b) in  c) out  d) up

8. The ... from the airport was very tiring as we had to drive through the fog.
   a) crossing  b) flight  c) ride  d) voyage

9. It's very strange but I had a(n) ... that the plane would crash.
   a) intuition  b) omen  c) prediction  d) premonition
10. It takes a while to . . . . to your surroundings after a long flight.
   a) adjust b) balance c) fit d) settle

11. Much stricter . . . . must now be taken at all airports against hijacking.
   a) alarms b) precautions c) protections d) warnings

12. The air hostess told the passengers to . . . . their seat belts.
   a) attach b) fasten c) fix d) tie

13. To fly big passenger airliners . . . . long training and experience.
   a) calls for b) orders c) picks up d) requisitions

14. The plane was . . . . towards the runway when the fire started.
   a) heading b) landing c) sailing d) soaring

15. The . . . . from Warsaw to New York takes nine hours.
   a) flying b) journey c) passage d) voyage

16. I'm afraid your luggage is ten kilos . . . . ; you will have to pay extra.
   a) above b) excess c) heavy d) overweight

17. A passenger is not allowed to . . . . a lethal weapon when flying by a civilian airliner.
   a) be having b) be owning c) carry d) control

18. Nobody . . . . that aeroplane crash.
   a) died b) lived c) recovered d) survived

19. Our . . . . was delayed owing to bad weather conditions.
   a) airline b) airway c) flight d) runway

20. When our flight was delayed, we all had a meal at the airline's . . . .
   a) account b) cost c) expense d) finance

21. Please, . . . . from smoking until the plane is airborne.
   a) exclude b) refrain c) restrain d) resist

22. We . . . . to announce a further delay in the departure of flight BE-555.
   a) apologise b) mourn c) regret d) repent

23. Tickets booked on this flight are not . . . .
   a) assignable b) moveable c) passable d) transferrable

24. If you want a cheap air ticket you must . . . . well in advance.
   a) book b) buy c) engage d) reserve

25. He couldn't . . . . his fear of flying.
   a) overcome b) succeed c) triumph d) win

26. The stewardess . . . . the screaming child.
   a) corrected b) cured c) recovered d) soothed

27. It was a great . . . . to go up in a helicopter for the first time.
   a) incident b) rise c) suspense d) thrill

28. Nothing could . . . . me to fly except in a case of extreme emergency.
   a) encourage b) induce c) influence d) recommend
3. AIR TRAVEL. Answer the clues. The number of letters is given.

1. A
2. I
3. R
4. T
5. R
6. A
7. V
8. E
9. L

1. an area of land where aircraft can land and take off, be kept, repaired, etc. (7)
2. a trip by aeroplane, especially carrying passengers on a regular service (6)
3. a member of the cabin staff who looks after the passengers' needs (7)
4. the act of leaving the ground by an aeroplane (7)
5. a person who flies an aeroplane; captain (5)
6. a big building where planes are kept (6)
7. the act of coming down onto the ground again from the air (7)
8. the science or practice of flying (8)
9. all the people working on an aeroplane (4)
10. a plane without an engine (6)

** 4. PARTS OF THE AIRCRAFT. Match the indicated parts of the aircraft with their names.

... cockpit ... fin ... fuselage ... hatch
... nose ... rudder ... undercarriage ... wing
5. AIR TRAVEL. Put each of the following words or phrases into its correct place in the passage below.

air vents cabin captain carry
coopilot crew cruising speed distances
flight flight engineer galley jet-propelled
passenger passenger list safety belts seats
size tourist stewardesses take-off

Airliner

Airliners, or . . . . planes, differ from light planes not only in . . . . but also in speed and equipment. They are designed to . . . . a greater number of people over longer . . . . without stopping to refuel.

A passenger airliner has a comfortable . . . . with soft carpets, adjustable upholstered . . . . , washrooms, and individual . . . . and reading lights. It has a . . . . for preparing food. Many airlines offer . . . . , or economy class service, which costs less than first-class travel.

The . . . . of four-engine airliners range from about 350 mph for propeller-driven planes to more than 500 mph for . . . . planes.

The . . . . of an airliner works as a team to make the trip smooth and pleasant. While the passengers take their seats, the pilot or . . . . , co-pilot, flight engineer, and stewardesses prepare the plane for . . . . The pilot, assisted by the . . . . , checks the instruments and tests the controls. The . . . . checks the other mechanical equipment. The stewardesses check the . . . . , make sure that the passengers fasten their . . . . for . . . . . Later, the . . . . distribute magazines, serve meals, and do other things to make the . . . . enjoyable.
"We are living in a better neighbourhood now."
"So are we."
"Have you moved, too?"
"No. We're still living in the same block you moved away from."

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"I knew an artist once who painted a cobweb on the ceiling so realistically that the maid spent hours trying to get it down."
"Sorry, dear, I just don't believe it."
"Why not? Artists have been known to do such things."
"Yes, but not maids!"
225. PLACES TO LIVE. Write the number of each drawing next to the correct word.

bungalow
block of flats
caravan
castle
cottage
detached house
houseboat
lighthouse
mansion
palace
semi-detached house
tent
terraced house
windmill
226. PLACES TO LIVE. Choose the correct answer.

1. They live in a(n) ______ house which stands by itself in a field.
   a) attached b) detached c) detaching d) semi-detached

2. Having made his fortune he now ______ in great luxury in a large house in the country.
   a) dwells b) inhabits c) leaves d) lives

3. My brother lives on the eleventh floor of that ______ of flats.
   a) block b) building c) house d) tower

4. His house is nothing out of the ______, it's just an average four-roomed house.
   a) normal b) ordinary c) typical d) usual

5. Going down the street, she walked past a long ______ of houses, all exactly alike.
   a) queue b) rank c) row d) train

6. In the village he was looked up to as the lord of the ______.
   a) castle b) fortress c) manor d) tower

7. He keeps all his tools and do-it-yourself equipment in a ______ in the garden.
   a) barn b) hut c) shed d) stable

8. Our house isn't joined to the other houses in the street: it's ______.
   a) attached b) disconnected c) detached d) divided

9. The new police station is to be built ______ the main square.
   a) close b) near c) neighbourhood d) side

10. I am staying in a youth ______ in the centre of the town.
    a) hostel b) inn c) pub d) stable

227. PLACES TO LIVE. What sort of people would you expect to find living in the following?

1. barracks 5. an inn 9. a shanty
2. a hotel 6. lodgings 10. a tent
3. a hovel 7. a mansion 11. a wigwam
4. an igloo 8. a tenement

228. PLACES TO LIVE. Complete each of the following sentences with an appropriate word for a type of building.

1. He is a real prince and his family has lived in this ______ since the 14th century.

2. The high ______ in New York are mostly to be found in the central part of Manhattan.

3. Students can save money and make friends by living in a university ______.

4. An elderly person is better off in a ______ with no stairs to climb.

5. I've always dreamed of moving to the country and living in an old ______.

6. The student's room was so untidy it was like a ______.
7. When he was set free after twenty years in ___ s ___, he was amazed at the changes he found.
8. They don't live in a house, they live in a modern ___ c ___ of ___ __. ___
9. A family house standing on its own is called a ___ c ____ house.
10. He keeps his tools and equipment in a ___ ____ he has put up in his garden.

229. PLACES TO LIVE. Fill in the right word.
1. This small cottage is ___ u ____ example of the local architecture of the 16th century.
   All the other buildings in the neighbourhood date from at least one hundred years later.
2. Originally this building was d ____ n ____ as a hotel. It was only after its construction began that they decided to turn it into a college.
3. The street was so narrow that she could not park her car. She had to park it on the ___ m ____ in front of the building.
4. They live outside the town centre in a little house in the ___ u ___. ___
5. We love our old house so much that we never want to ___ to a new one.
6. Many new apartments have been built in our neighbourhood. Our little old house is now s ____ n ____ by monstrous skyscrapers.

230. KINDS OF HOUSING. Put each of the following words or phrases into its correct place in the passage below.

| above | apartments | between | buildings |
| cities | communities | duplex | expensive |
| families | floors | homes | land |
| large | less | quarter | row |
| side | single | single-family | stores |
| suburban | wall |

Kinds of Housing

About two-thirds of the ___ in the United States live in single-family ___ . About a ___ of the families live in ___ that have two to four ___ , or in ___ or other commercial buildings that include apartments.

___ cities have more apartment housing than small ___ , because ___ is scarce and ___ . Small towns and ___ areas, where land is ___ expensive than in city centres, have mostly ___ homes.

Philadelphia and other ___ have many ___ houses. These are usually single-family houses, one or two ___ high, standing ___ to wall. A ___ is a building with two apartments, either ___ by side with a ___ wall ___ them, or one ___ the other.
231. KINDS OF HOUSING. Where do these people live or where might they be living at the moment?

1. campers
2. holiday-makers who find hotels too expensive
3. a king
4. monks
5. nuns
6. cowboys
7. foresters in deep woods
8. old people without families
9. skiers in the mountains

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r _____ h ___
(l ___) c ______
o ___ ___ _ _ _ _ _ _ s  h ___
ch ___ ___

232. HOUSES: BUILDING, REPAIRING OR BUYING. Choose the right answer.

1. They bought the land with a _____ to building a new office block.
   a) goal  b) purpose  c) reason  d) view

2. Nowadays builders must get _____ from the planning authorities before putting up a new house.
   a) allowance  b) freedom  c) liberty  d) permission

3. Before you take the job on, would you give me a rough _____ of how much it will cost?
   a) estimate  b) esteem  c) value  d) worth

4. An architect planning a new house should always _____ in mind his client's needs.
   a) bear  b) carry  c) take  d) train

5. He gave some very _____ advice on buying a house.
   a) dear  b) precious  c) valuable  d) wealthy

6. The fire officer is coming to _____ the building tomorrow.
   a) inspect  b) look  c) watch  d) witness

7. They decided to _____ down their original plans for the house and make it smaller.
   a) change  b) climb  c) play  d) scale

8. In response to our advertisement, two couples are coming to _____ over the flat tomorrow morning.
   a) get  b) look  c) run  d) pass

9. Though badly damaged by fire, the palace was eventually _____ to its original splendour.
   a) renewed  b) renovated  c) repaired  d) restored

10. The house is part of his _____ from his aunt.
    a) heritage  b) inheritance  c) testament  d) will
233. STAGES IN BUILDING A HOUSE. Put these stages in the right order and then match them with the expressions on the left.

1. First, a. the drains are dug.
2. Then, b. the materials are bought.
3. Meanwhile, c. the house is painted.
4. Subsequently, d. the walls are built.
5. At this stage, e. the site is purchased.
6. Next, f. the site is levelled.
7. Afterwards, g. the foundations are laid.
8. Then, h. the house is ready to live in.
9. Later, i. the roof is put on.
10. Eventually, j. the doors and windows are put in.
11. Finally, k. the electricity and water systems are installed.

234. HOUSES: BUILDING, REPAIRING OR BUYING. Choose the right answer.

1. We are going to ...... our house by building another room on to it.
   a) develop  b) extend  c) spread  d) stretch

2. The ...... charged by the architect for the plans of the new building were unusually high.
   a) fees    b) hire    c) price    d) sum

3. The agents didn’t ...... letting all the new flats before the block was completed.
   a) bargain  b) expect  c) foresee  d) suspect

4. The ...... outside the house said: “PRIVATE”.
   a) advice  b) label  c) notice  d) threat

5. The ...... of the house were dug in June and the roof was on by December.
   a) basements b) ground floors c) scaffolds d) foundations

6. When you build a house you must start by laying the ...... .
   a) attic  b) basement  c) cellar  d) foundations

7. The house is old and it’s in bad ...... .
   a) condition  b) damage  c) situation  d) state

8. She was keen to ...... the house to its original condition.
   a) rebuild  b) renew  c) renovate  d) restore

9. We could have provided him with a detached house but he ...... asked for a small flat.
   a) decidedly  b) solely  c) specifically  d) strongly

10. The best person to approach if you are house-hunting is an estate ...... .
    a) agent  b) clerk  c) official  d) representative
*235. BUYING A HOUSE. Put each of the following words or phrases into its correct place in the passage below.

buyer         contract         deposit
document      fixtures         information
lawyer        legal            possession
price         proof of ownership property
purchaser     seller           signs
terms         time

Buying a House

When a ... has chosen the house he wants, he has a ... draw up a contract. This ... states the ... definition of the ..., gives the purchase ..., and demands ... from the present owner. It also includes other important ..., such as the ... that are to remain in the house and the ... when the ... will take ...

The buyer pays a ... when he ... the ... The deposit binds the ... to the ... of the contract.

*236. BUYING A HOUSE. Choose the right answer.

1. He refused to sell his house at the low ... offered.
   a) expense       b) figure       c) money       d) sale

2. There has been a ... in the sales of new houses since mortgages became more difficult to obtain.
   a) broke         b) crash        c) dive         d) drop

3. All their money is ... up in the new house they have bought.
   a) connected     b) limited      c) lying        d) tied

4. The ... of two houses proved such a financial burden that they were forced to sell one.
   a) upkeep         b) uproar       c) upshot       d) upsurge

5. I am not prepared to sell you my house unless you offer a more ... price.
   a) actual         b) correct      c) realistic    d) true

6. When my grandfather died, his house was put up for ... .
   a) auction        b) bargain      c) offer        d) market

7. He bought his house on an ... plan, paying a certain amount of money each month.
   a) instalment     b) part         c) piece        d) share

8. Before you agree to buy that house, find out if the Building Society will give you a ... .
   a) credit         b) deposit      c) loan         d) mortgage

9. His solicitor advised him to make sure that the house was fully ... by insurance.
   a) covered        b) defended     c) guarded      d) protected

10. The corrupt real-estate agent wanted to obtain the contract so he offered a ... to the civil servant.
    a) bait           b) bonus        c) bribe       d) tip
237. BUYING A HOUSE. Rewrite the following advertisement in its full form.


238. BUYING A HOUSE/FLAT. Choose the correct answer.

1. They sold their house for only $ 15,000, so the buyer got a wonderful ......
   a) amount     b) bargain   c) cost       d) worth
2. If we want to buy a house, we'll have to ...... our spending.
   a) care for   b) cut back  c) let down  d) save
3. The rise in house prices ...... him to sell his house for a large profit.
   a) achieved   b) enabled   c) managed  d) succeeded
4. They ...... me a good price for my house, so I sold it.
   a) brought   b) offered   c) showed   d) suggested
5. All house-owners need ...... policy against thefts or accidents.
   a) an assurance c) an insurance  c) a protection d) a security
6. I advise you to take ...... to ensure that your property is adequately covered by insurance.
   a) actions    b) dealings    c) means    d) steps
7. They ...... great difficulty saving up enough money for a house.
   a) achieved   b) found     c) had      d) made
8. He bought that house, ...... that he would inherit money under his uncle's will.
   a) accounting b) assuming   c) considering d) estimating
9. They made ...... of over $ 1,500 on the sale of their house.
   a) a benefit   b) a gain    c) a fall    d) a profit
10. He was lucky to get the house for less than the asking ......
    a) amount    b) cost      c) price    d) value
11. This house has been up ...... sale for over a year now.
    a) at        b) for       c) in       d) to

239. RENTING A FLAT. Choose the correct answer.

1. The only ...... of the flat is that it's a bit too small.
   a) complaint  b) disadvantage c) mistake  d) sorry
2. They are going to ask the landlord to ...... their rent.
   a) drop      b) leave     c) lessen   d) lower
3. The flat we have rented is very ...... for the train station.
   a) comfortable b) convenient c) near    d) suitable
4. I would love to have a house .... , but for the time being I must rent this flat.
   a) by my own   b) for my own   c) of my own   d) to my own

5. Our main concern is to raise the lodgers' .... of living.
   a) capacity   b) conditions   c) degree   d) standard

6. Students in hostels are .... to keep their rooms clean and tidy.
   a) desired   b) expected   c) hoped   d) wanted

7. Are you going to .... your flat in Cracow while you are abroad?
   a) dispose   b) hire   c) let   d) sale

8. He asked if we would .... to share the room.
   a) accept   b) agree   c) approve   d) consider

9. The .... for the flat is $70 a week.
   a) due   b) fee   c) hire   d) rent

10. We are .... into our new flat next week.
    a) arriving   b) entering   c) moving   d) transporting

11. The tenants were .... not to disturb other tenants after 11 p.m.
    a) appealed   b) demanded   c) desired   d) requested

12. Could we both stay at your flat? Have you got enough .... ?
    a) area   b) place   c) room   d) space

13. My landlady doesn't .... me to have parties.
    a) agree   b) allow   c) appreciate   d) approve

14. When the owner let the flat to me I signed a(n) .... that I would leave at the end
    of June.
    a) advice   b) agreement   c) bargain   d) insurance

15. .... a flat with someone is cheaper than living on your own.
    a) Dividing   b) Halving   c) Parting   d) Sharing

16. Your new flat .... me very much of the one we had in London.
    a) recalls   b) recollects   c) remembers   d) reminds

17. The .... of newcomers to longstanding residents is very high in this block of flats.
    a) average   b) cross-section   c) percentage   d) proportion

18. I should like to rent a flat; modern, comfortable and .... in a quiet position.
    a) above all   b) after all   c) before all   d) over all

19. The room was noisy and not very .... for studying.
    a) fitted   b) matching   c) proper   d) suitable

20. Many accidents in the home could be .... if householders gave more thought to safety
    in their houses.
    a) avoided   b) excluded   c) preserved   d) protected
240. RENTING A FLAT. Rewrite the advertisement in its full form.
A lux. s/c sgl. furn. gdn. flt. 1 rm., k. & b. C.H.
Cpts., Col. T.V., tel., fridge, ckr., hic.
$ 180 p.m. Refs. rqd.
Avail. mid. Apr.
Tel: 01-678-1234 Evgs after 7.

241. RENTING A FLAT. Choose the correct answer.

1. Some of the people living on the Council's new estate decided to set up a(n)
   ....... association.
   a) dwellers'  b) football  c) inhabitants'  d) tenants'

2. There are several landladies approved by the university who take in .......
   a) inhabitants  b) lodgers  c) residents  d) settlers

3. The landlord requires a $ 50 ....... from tenants to cover possible damage.
   a) bail  b) deposit  c) security  d) tip

4. My landlady has recently signed an agreement renewing my ....... for the next four years.
   a) occupation  b) possession  c) residence  d) tenancy

5. They ....... the advantages and disadvantages of moving and finally decided against it.
   a) asked themselves  b) weighed up  c) meditated  d) thought

6. Having decided to rent a flat, we ....... contacting all the accommodation agencies
   in our city.
   a) set about  b) set off  c) set out  d) set to

7. The Housing Committee has decided to give ....... to young married couples with children.
   a) preferment  b) presentation  c) prestige  d) priority

8. Homeless families ....... the empty houses and started to renovate and redecorate them.
   a) homed  b) moved  c) squatted  d) tenanted

9. When the landlord died all the sitting tenants were given notice to .......
   a) depart  b) disappear  c) leave  d) quit

10. The landlord ....... them because they hadn't paid their rent for three months.
    a) demolished  b) dismissed  c) evicted  d) threw out

* 242. RENTING A FLAT. Choose the right answer.

1. The scarcity of housing accommodation means that people can no longer afford to
   ....... where they live.
   a) buy and sell  b) come and go  c) look and see  d) pick and choose

2. Considering how few services we get, the rates we pay are .......
   a) daylight robbery  b) down to earth  c) out of this world  d) peanuts
3. The squatters are fighting ....... and nail not to be evicted from the houses they have occupied.
   a) finger     b) hammer     c) toe       d) tooth
4. He lives a(n) ....... throw from the station.
   a) apple's     b) arrow's     c) knife's    d) stone's
5. You've managed to find a cheap flat near Picadilly Circus. ....... you!
   a) Happy       b) Fortunate   c) Lucky     d) Merry

243. PARTS OF A HOUSE. Write where you would expect to find the following rooms in a house and what they would normally be used for.

1. attic                5. lavatory/toilet/loo
2. basement             6. loft
3. cellar               7. lounge
4. larder/pantry        8. study

* 244. PARTS OF A HOUSE. Match the definition with the correct part of a house.

1. alcove    a. windows made up of two panes of glass instead of one
2. attic     b. the half-pipe along the edge of the roof to carry away rainwater
3. chimney   c. a small space in the form of a small room added to another
4. cellar    room for a bed, books, etc.
5. central heating d. a window in the roof
6. double glazing e. used in modern houses instead of open fires
7. French windows  f. the space at the top of the stairs
8. hall       g. a roofed entrance built onto a house
9. guttering  h. doors made of glass which usually open out onto the garden
10. landing   i. a hall or corridor, not a room, which leads from the entrance
     to the rooms inside a building
11. lobby     j. the wide passage just inside the entrance of a house off which
12. lounge    the rooms open
13. niche     k. a room immediately below the roof of a house
14. porch     l. a hollow passage often rising above the roof of a building which
15. skylight  allows smoke and gases to pass from the fire
            m. an underground room, usually used for storing goods
            n. a comfortable room for sitting in
            o. a hollow place in a wall, usually made to hold an ornament,
               books, etc.
245. PARTS OF A HOUSE. Indicate the following parts of a house on the drawing below.

alcove attic chimney cellar
French windows guttering skylight porch

246. PARTS OF A HOUSE. Choose the correct answer.

1. A row of trees ...... the house from the north wind.
   a) fence  b) prevent  c) shelter  d) warn

2. The house is old and it's in bad ...... .
   a) condition  b) damage  c) situation  d) state

3. Many old houses have an underground room called a(n) ...... .
   a) attic  b) cave  c) cellar  d) loft

4. People were strolling under the trees on either side of the broad ...... through the park.
   a) alley  b) avenue  c) path  d) track

5. His flat is in the ...... .
   a) basement  b) cellar  c) ground  d) lift

6. He hung up his overcoat in the ...... as soon as he came into the house.
   a) attic  b) cellar  c) hall  d) loft

7. The shop had ...... on the door but it was closed.
   a) available  b) free  c) open  d) vacant

8. Some town children had never seen grass or trees and could play only in a small ...... between their houses.
   a) field  b) garden  c) park  d) yard

9. There was a magnificent drive which ...... round to the front of the mansion.
   a) arched  b) bent  c) curved  d) inclined

10. Three stone ...... lead up to the front door.
    a) levels  b) stairs  c) stones  d) steps

11. It is a large building, on six ......, and many families live there.
    a) flats  b) floors  c) stages  d) stairs

12. The ...... from the gate to the cottage was overgrown with weeds.
    a) passage  b) path  c) road  d) street
13. The hall seemed ..... lit after the bright sunshine outside.  
   a) dimly  b) faintly  c) slightly  d) vaguely  

14. Their office ..... of four small rooms.  
   a) consists  b) contains  c) includes  d) numbers  

15. He went down to his workshop in the .....  
   a) annexe  b) basement  c) ground floor  d) loft  

16. In this part of the country, the fields are separated by stone .....  
   a) barriers  b) fences  c) hedges  d) walls  

17. My address is 52 Long Street, and I live on the .....  
   a) basement  b) cellar  c) ground floor  d) foundations  

18. Their flat is on the top .....  
   a) attic  b) floor  c) loft  d) store  

19. They have a tennis ..... at the bottom of their garden.  
   a) court  b) field  c) ground  d) pool  

20. We haven't got a garage, so we leave our car outside in the .....  
   a) drive  b) garden  c) pavement  d) porch  

**247. PARTS OF A HOUSE. Write in which room you would look for the following people.**  

1. an artist  
2. a corpse  
3. a football player after the match  
4. a gardener in winter  
5. a novelist  
6. a patient before an appointment  
7. a photographer developing pictures  
8. a pilot while flying  
9. a prisoner  
10. some off-duty soldiers  
11. some workers during their lunchbreak  
12. some teachers between lessons  

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**248. PARTS OF A HOUSE. Choose the right answer.**  

1. The ..... smell of the dirty alley drove us away.  
   a) foul  b) grimey  c) polluted  d) squalid  

2. He waited in the ..... for the front door to open.  
   a) crypt  b) inlet  c) porch  d) threshold  

3. Although most of the rooms are small, the hall is .....  
   a) abundant  b) extended  c) spacious  d) tiny  

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4. The ______ of the roof kept the rain off better.
   a) climb  b) flow  c) plane  d) slope

5. The villa has excellent ______ for cooking and for washing clothes.
   a) amenities  b) conveniences  c) facilities  d) utilities

6. In the old house he had to bend down to avoid hitting his head on the ______.
   a) beams  b) bearings  c) props  d) supports

7. The kitchen was small and ______ so that the disabled woman could reach everything
   without difficulty.
   a) compact  b) complete  c) complex  d) contained

8. The only way to see into the basement room was by peering through the ______ at the
   bottom of the wall.
   a) drain  b) fanlight  c) grating  d) skylight

9. The ______ built onto the back of the house provided valuable extra space.
   a) development  b) enlargement  c) extension  d) growth

10. In ______ the room resembles the letter L.
    a) figure  b) form  c) pattern  d) shape

249. HOUSES. Fill in the right words.

1. My landlord has decided to increase my ______ next year.

2. Leave your umbrella in the stand in the ______.

3. The main ______ n ______ was locked so they had to use the ______ door.

4. Our flat is in very poor shape now. Last time we had it ______ c ______ was
    ten years ago.

5. It was very cold in the ______ r ______ so she covered her sleeping daughter with an
    extra blanket.

6. If you want the estate agent to sell the house for you, you’ll have to let him see the
   d ______ s that show you’re the legal owner.

7. It was very stuffy in the room and the air was difficult to ______ t.

8. I expected my husband to come home late, therefore I left the door ______ k ______.

9. “Would you like to take a ______?” “No, thanks, I’ve just had a shower.”

10. ______ on the door before you come into the room!

11. Your room is a terrible ______! Clean it up at once!

12. In Britain a home loan is usually referred to as a ______.

13. Our children no longer sleep in the same room. They have ______ r ______
    bedrooms now.

14. We were all at home last night sitting watching television in the ______ u ______.

15. I put an ______ d ______ for a flat in the newsagent’s window, but I haven’t had any replies yet.
250. HOUSES. Choose the right answer.

1. The street lamps are switched on automatically at ......
   a) dark    b) dusk    c) evening    d) sunrise

2. His bedroom .... the park.
   a) overlooks   b) oversees   c) overtakes   d) undergoes

3. The bright colour of the woodwork rather .... from the quiet beauty of the house.
   a) contracts   b) detracts   c) distracts   d) extracts

4. The old houses were .... down to make way for a block of flats.
   a) banged   b) hit   c) knocked   d) put

5. My house is very .... for getting to work as it is only a few minutes from the station.
   a) convenient   b) fit   c) suitable   d) useful

6. There were so many new buildings in the town that she hardly .... the place.
   a) distinguished   b) identified   c) made out   d) recognised

7. It is only a small flat but it .... my needs perfectly.
   a) fills   b) fits   c) settles   d) supplies

8. We are .... into our new house on Monday.
   a) arriving   b) entering   c) moving   d) transporting

9. This house has only been .... since last summer.
   a) dwelled   b) lived   c) occupied   d) resided

10. Just looking at the room you would have no idea of the real purpose it ....
    a) filled   b) served   c) took   d) used

11. They've finally decided to .... that lovely old house on the hill.
    a) appoint   b) preserve   c) renew   d) renovate

12. In recent years there has been a(n) .... increase in the cost of living.
    a) important   b) powerful   c) significant   d) wide

13. The Newricks have just bought a beautiful .... house in the country.
    a) aged   b) ancient   c) antique   d) old

251. HOUSES. Give a synonymous word for the capitalized expression.

1. For a moment we sat WITHOUT ANY LIGHT AT ALL.
   For a moment we sat in complete .......

2. HOW LONG is the new pitch?
   What is the .... of the new pitch?

3. It took us about an hour to GET ALL THE GOODS OFF the lorry.
   It took us about an hour to .... the lorry.

4. He pays A LOT OF MONEY FOR HIS FLAT.
   He pays a high .... for his flat.

5. We live in a RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT AWAY FROM THE CENTRE OF TOWN.
   We live in a ....
* 252. HOUSES. Choose the right answer.

1. Greg is in the garden, chopping ...... for the fireplace.
   a) forests   b) trunks   c) twigs   d) wood

2. It was very ...... in the cottage with the comfortable armchairs by the fire.
   a) easy       b) gratifying   c) refreshing   d) snug

3. In spite of the thunderstorm, the children slept ...... all night.
   a) noisily   b) roundly   c) resonantly   d) soundly

4. Do open the window; this room seems very ...... .
   a) breathless   b) mouldy   c) rancid   d) stuffy

5. Believing herself alone in the house she was ...... when she heard someone moving about in the hall.
   a) amazed   b) annoyed   c) incredulous   d) startled

6. He took out a big ...... of keys, and opened the door.
   a) branch   b) bunch   c) group   d) packet

7. The children ...... round the fire to keep warm.
   a) cloistered   b) grouped   c) huddled   d) tucked

8. The ...... of the family home following the divorce was a great shock to the children.
   a) break-down   b) break-in   c) break-out   d) break-up

9. The house looked ...... in the failing evening light.
   a) austere   b) lucky   c) severe   d) strict

10. I have lived near the railway for so long now that I've grown ...... to the noise of the trains.
    a) accustomed   b) aware   c) familiar   d) unconscious

253. FURNITURE AND FITTINGS. Choose the right answer.

1. Some rooms don't have curtains at the windows, they have ...... .
   a) blinds   b) carpets   c) gates   d) stores

2. When Madeleine lost her front-door ...... , she went straight to the police-station.
   a) bolt   b) fastener   c) key   d) lock

3. I was so tired last night that I fell asleep the moment my head touched the ...... .
   a) bed   b) blanket   c) cushion   d) pillow

4. It was on the top shelf, out of ...... .
   a) achievement   b) attempt   c) reach   d) touch

5. It was very dark in the cellar so he ...... a match.
   a) rubbed   b) scraped   c) scratched   d) struck

6. What a beautiful ...... ! It's a pity we don't have any flowers to put in it.
   a) crystal   b) cup   c) glass   d) vase

7. The house is quiet because the carpets are so ...... .
   a) fat   b) heavy   c) smooth   d) thick
8. It was difficult to see anything because the lights were so .......
   a) dim   b) dull   c) faded   d) weak

9. The table was a curious .... as both the top and the legs were curved.
   a) form   b) model   c) pattern   d) shape

10. Have you got a ...... in your bag? It's so dark here that I can't even see the path.
    a) bulb   b) candle   c) lantern   d) torch

11. She closed the windows and drew the ...... before switching on the light.
    a) coverings   b) curtains   c) masks   d) shades

12. One end of his single room was used as a kitchen but this was hidden behind a ......
    a) blind   b) screen   c) shield   d) veil

13. When she cleaned the high windows, she always stood on a three-legged ......
    a) bench   b) chest   c) ladder   d) stool

14. They ...... us how to work the machine.
    a) begged   b) demonstrated   c) explained   d) showed

15. Please wipe your feet on the door- ...... before you come in.
    a) blanket   b) mat   c) rug   d) tile

16. You shouldn't leave your bicycle outside in the rain. It will get ......
    a) broken   b) muddy   c) oxidised   d) rusty

17. The old lady managed to climb the ...... which was narrow but not all that steep.
    a) degree   b) ladder   c) scale   d) staircase

18. The vacuum cleaner is a valuable labour-saving ...... for the busy housewife.
    a) device   b) engine   c) instrument   d) piece

254. FURNITURE AND FITTINGS. THE LIVING ROOM. Give the names of the indicated items of furniture.
255. FURNITURE AND FITTINGS. Choose the right answer.

1. She couldn’t see herself in the mirror because of the ….. rising from the hot bath.
   a) fog    b) mist   c) smoke    d) steam
2. Her room is comfortable but rather on the small ….. .
   a) angle  b) basis  c) side    d) size
3. This chair looks very ….. to our old grey one.
   a) exact  b) familiar  c) like    d) similar
4. There were four chairs in the living room, one in each ….. .
   a) corner  b) edge  c) side    d) wall
5. This beautiful wardrobe has been in our family for over two centuries and is now very …..  
   a) dear    b) expensive    c) precious    d) valuable
6. This table would ….. nicely for Mary’s room.
   a) agree  b) do    c) fit    d) suit
7. She wanted to remove the colour from the curtains so she ….. them.
   a) bleached  b) dried    c) dyed    d) rinsed
8. It was a strange clock with an hour ….. that was longer than the minute one.
   a) finger  b) hand    c) needle  d) rod
9. Whether or not you like some kinds of modern furniture is a matter of ….. .
   a) comparison  b) favour    c) taste    d) vogue
10. Be careful how you handle this vase as it is …..  
    a) invaluable  b) priceless  c) valueless    d) worthy
11. The windows don’t fit very well and it makes the room awfully ….. .
    a) airy    b) breezy  c) draughty    d) ventilated
12. Where do you ….. your pencils? In this drawer?
    a) close  b) guard  c) hold  d) keep

* 256. FURNITURE AND FITTINGS. Choose the right answer.

1. Be careful going up the stairs, Ma. Hold on to the ….. .
   a) banister  b) edge  c) railing  d) side
2. If you have a new key cut, it must be an exact ….. of the existing one.
   a) counterfeit  b) copy    c) imitation    d) model
3. The kitchen of the holiday cottage looked ….. rather than beautiful.
   a) mundane    b) practicable    c) utilitarian    d) workable
4. They had four children so the new washing-machine was a great ….. .
   a) advantage    b) aid    c) benefit    d) boon
5. Mrs Elegant has had the couch in her sitting-room ….. in red velvet.
   a) clothed  b) enriched  c) sewn  d) re-upholstered
6. The room was so .... with furniture that is was impossible to move.
   a) assembled   b) burdened   c) cluttered   d) overrun

7. Switch on the lamp, it casts a nice warm .... on the polished furniture.
   a) beam   b) glow   c) sheen   d) shine

8. The wind blew so hard and so strongly that the windows .... in their frames.
   a) flapped   b) rattled   c) shocked   d) slapped

9. Do you know that Mrs Impudent has bought curtain material exactly the same as ours.
   She's a dreadful ....
   a) ape   b) copy-cat   c) mocking bird   d) parrot

10. You'd better pack those glasses extremely carefully if you want them to arrive ....
    a) complete   b) entire   c) intact   d) whole

11. It is advisable to pull down the .... when the sun is very hot.
    a) blinds   b) covers   c) screens   d) shutters

12. The drawer is .... You will have to get something to break it open.
    a) fixed   b) jammed   c) loose   d) rooted

257. FURNITURE AND FITTINGS. THE BEDROOM. Match each of the following names of
       items of furniture and fittings with the correct number in the picture.

   ... wardrobe
   ... pillow
   ... pillow-case ... chest-of-drawers
   ... sheet ... rug
   ... bedspread
   ... mattress
   ... bedside table
   ... dressing-table
   ... stool
   ... mirror
258. FURNITURE AND FITTINGS. What would you expect to find in the following?

1. a bureau  
2. a chest-of-drawers  
3. a linen chest  
4. a safe  
5. a sideboard  
6. a wardrobe

259. FURNITURE AND FITTINGS. THE BATHROOM. Match each of the following names with the correct number in the picture.

- bath
- bathmat
- bathroom cabinet
- bathroom scales
- laundry-basket
- lavatory
- nailbrush
- plug-hole
- shower
- sponge
- tap
- toilet-roll
- tooth-mug
- towel rail
- wash-basin

260. FURNITURE AND FITTINGS. Arrange the following household contents under three headings:

1. Furniture
2. Household appliances
3. Soft furnishings

tables  
telephone  
vacuum cleaner  
wardrobes  
bedding  
chairs  
dishwasher  
sideboard  
television  
beds  
cooker  
freezer  
tables  
bookshelves  
curtains  
refrigerator  
tablecloths  
carpets  
cushions  
rugs  
television  

261. FURNITURE AND FITTINGS. Choose the best answer.

1. All the rooms have ...... carpets, which are included in the price of the house.
   a) adapted    b) equipped    c) fitted    d) suited

2. She read him a good-night story, ...... him up and then kissed him and turned the light off.
   a) fixed       b) folded       c) packed       d) tucked

3. The Palace offered a variety of ...... riches: Persian rugs, marble tables, etc.
   a) affluent    b) opulent    c) unsaleable    d) wealthy

4. Put the vase on the ...... over the fireplace.
   a) ledge       b) mantelpiece   c) sill       d) step

5. The children were sleeping ...... in bed.
   a) easily      b) homely     c) snugly      d) softly

6. Don’t leave your coat on the chair, hang it on the ...... behind the door.
   a) bracket     b) hook       c) lump      d) rod

7. In the old days, curtains were hung over doors to keep out ......
   a) breezes     b) currents   c) draughts    d) gales

8. The drawer is ...... ; I shall have to try and open it with a knife.
   a) bolted     b) dislocated   c) screwed    d) stuck

9. With its expensive furniture and carefully-chosen colour scheme the room looked ......
   a) convenient   b) homely    c) luxuriant    d) luxurious

10. The room was ...... of furniture.
    a) absent     b) devoid     c) scanty      d) scarce

11. As Mary opened the door, the candle ...... in the breeze and then went out.
    a) flamed      b) flickered   c) sparkled    d) twinkled

12. There is no danger in using this machinery as long as you ...... to the safety regulations.
    a) abode      b) adhere    c) comply     d) observe

262. FURNITURE AND FITTINGS. Complete the following sentences.

1. I keep all my clothes in the bedroom in a big ...... r ......

2. The silver ...... t ...... on the table were shining brightly because they reflected the flickering light of the ...... n ......

3. It was a cold evening so I had a log fire going in the ...... r ......

4. The most important thing about a house or flat is that it should be h ......

5. My grandfather likes to sit in his favourite ...... c ......, smoking his ...... p ......

6. I thought these were real flowers, but they are ...... f ...... They are made of plastic.

7. In Cracow, in order to get RAJUNO reception, it’s essential to have a proper ...... a ......

8. The ...... g ...... of this carpet is about 8 ft.
9. Although we now have eight chairs, I'm afraid this will not be ______ g ______ and some of our guests will have to sit on that old ______ t ______.
10. I eventually found the scissors I'd lost behind the chest of ______ w ______.
11. Our house has central heating, so every room has a ______ d ______.
12. Doors that go round and round are called ______ r ______ n in Cracow.
13. It is very difficult nowadays to find cheap and comfortable a ______ e ______ n ______ n in Cracow.
14. Everything in my kitchen is stored away in ______ b ______.
15. A door swings on its ______ n ______ ______.

263. OPERATING HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES. Choose the correct answer.

1. When you turn off the TV, please pull out the ______, too.
   a) block  b) plug  c) switch  d) wire
2. The electricity failure is not dangerous. There is no need for ______.
   a) alarm  b) cowardice  c) dread  d) scare
3. When you ______ this red button, the machine stops.
   a) hit  b) lift  c) press  d) pull
4. He ______ the tap but could get no water.
   a) adjusted  b) controlled  c) opened  d) turned on
5. Where is the book of ______ for using this washing machine?
   a) directives  b) instructions  c) orders  d) regulations
6. Can you help me? I can't ______ how to start this machine.
   a) do in  b) get on  c) set down  d) work out
7. Don't touch that wire or you may get an electric ______.
   a) attack  b) current  c) shock  d) surprise
8. Mr Impatient kicked the washing machine to try to ______ it work.
   a) cause  b) force  c) get  d) make
9. The door will open if you ______ it hard.
   a) hold  b) knock  c) push  d) throw
10. You can get drinking water by turning this ______.
    a) knob  b) pipe  c) switch  d) tap
11. He wanted a bath but couldn't find the ______.
    a) cork  b) lid  c) plug  d) stopper
12. I ______ the door-bell several times but there was no-one at home.
    a) knocked  b) pulled  c) rang  d) squeezed
13. Ms Forgetful can't use her hair-drier as she forgot to buy a ______ for it.
    a) pin  b) plug  c) socket  d) switch
14. A food processor has become an indispensable piece of ______ in the home.
    a) device  b) equipment  c) gadget  d) machine
15. Who's left the tap running? There's a ______ of water on the floor.
    a) bucket  b) heap  c) pool  d) stain
1. The bath water doesn't run away properly; I think the ...... must be blocked.
   a) conductor  b) hole  c) pipe  d) tube
2. The tap was dripping because it needed a new ......
   a) rubber  b) stopper  c) washer  d) wringer
3. There is a lot of water on the floor. I think the washing machine must be ......
   a) dropping  b) leaking  c) oozing  d) seeping
4. Phone the ...... ! Water is pouring down the stairs.
   a) builder  b) engineer  c) piper  d) plumber
5. We'll have to use the stairs as the lift is out of ......
   a) function  b) movement  c) order  d) practice
6. My washing machine has ......, so I'm going to the laundrette.
   a) broken down  b) gone out  c) run down  d) worn out
7. There is something ...... with my TV. The picture won't come on.
   a) bad  b) missing  c) unusual  d) wrong
8. I can smell gas — there must be a ...... somewhere.
   a) break  b) drip  c) flow  d) leak
9. He has a little ...... next to his garage where he makes things for the house.
   a) housework  b) mill  c) workhouse  d) workshop
10. The central heating doesn't seem to be ...... properly.
    a) going  b) performing  c) warming  d) working
11. When I turned on the switch, the lights ......
    a) cracked  b) expired  c) fired  d) fused
12. I can't open this case; the ...... seems to be jammed.
    a) bolt  b) catch  c) closing  d) lock
13. He swatted a fly on the window and ...... the glass.
    a) broke  b) cracked  c) cut  d) slashed
14. We shall have to have the deck-chairs repaired. The canvas has ......
    a) broken  b) burst  c) cracked  d) split
15. My binoculars were not actually broken, they just needed ......
    a) adjusting  b) curing  c) mending  d) repairing
16. Most of the machines are ...... as a result of an electric breakdown.
    a) disused  b) idle  c) out of work  d) powerless
17. I think there is something wrong with my lamp. I ...... a shock when I tried to switch it on.
    a) got  b) made  c) suffered  d) took
18. The water could not flow freely because the pipe was ......
    a) blocked  b) bolted  c) loaded  d) trapped
19. She keeps a supply of candles in the house in case of a power ......
    a) absence  b) cut  c) lack  d) shortage
20. I should like to point out that two months have ...... since you promised to come and repair my television.
    a) elapsed  b) expired  c) lapsed  d) transpired

7 — Tests in English
265. CONNECTORS. Match each of the following connectors with the correct number in the picture below.

thread  ... screw
chain    ... nut
string  ... safety pin
rope    ... pin
rubber band  ... bolt
nail

266. CONNECTORS. Crossword puzzle.

1  _  C  _  _  _
2  _  O  _  _
3  _  N
4  N  _  _  _
5  _  _  E  _  _
6  C  _  _  _  _
7  _  T
8  _  O  _
9  _  R  _  _  _  _
10  S  _  _  _  _  _

1. we use a screwdriver to put it on or take it out (5)
2. mountaineers use it to keep together and avoid falling (4)
3. it is used in dressmaking to hold pieces of cloth together (3)
4. we use a hammer to knock it into wood (4)
5. we use a needle to sew cloth with it (6)
6. it is made of iron and it is used to keep large ships in place in port (5)
7. it is made of metal and is used with 8. to keep different parts of machines together (3)
8. used with 7. to keep different parts of machines together (4)
9. to pin a notice to a notice board we use ...... pins (7)
10. we tie up a parcel with it (6)
267. TOOLS. Match each of the following tools with the correct picture below.

axe  hammer  pliers
chisel  screwdriver  saw
drill  penknife  scissors
file  plane  spanner

268. TOOLS. Complete each of the following sentences with the name of a tool. Each dash (—) represents one letter.

1. We cut down trees with an ________.
2. We cut paper or cloth with a pair of _________.
3. We knock nails into wood with a _________.
4. We raise a car to change a wheel with a _________.
5. We put in and take out screws with a _________.
6. We tighten or loosen nuts with a _________.
7. We saw wood with a _________.
8. We bend and cut wire with a _________.
9. We break up roads, rocks, etc. with a _________.
10. We draw corks out of bottles with a _________.

269. TOOLS. Choose the right answer.

1. I'll lend you my ________ to chop down the tree.
   a) axe   b) jack   c) saw   d) spanner
2. The screw on the cupboard seems to have worked ________.
   a) away   b) loose   c) unfixed   d) unsteady
3. I must cut this sheet of paper in two. Would you pass me the ________.
   a) axe   b) chisel   c) pickaxe   d) scissors
4. The axe left lying on a bench in the rain was now covered with ________.
   a) dirt   b) dust   c) mud   d) rust
5. Put some oil on that tight nut; that might ________ the trick.
   a) do   b) make   c) win   d) work
6. These bolts are much too stiff to loosen by hand. Have you got a ......?
a) jack   b) key   c) screwdriver  d) spanner

7. What is the use of having a hammer, if you haven’t any ......?
a) bolts  b) hooks  c) nails  d) screws

8. The simplest way to get this nut off the bolt would be to use a ......
a) chisel  b) jack  c) screwdriver  d) spanner

9. A small ...... is handy for minor electrical jobs in the home.
a) hammer  b) nail  c) screwdriver  d) saw

10. He hammered a ...... into the wall.
a) nut  b) nail  c) pin  d) screw

270. **HOUSEHOLD CHORES.** Choose the right answer.

1. Granny is coming for lunch. Please ...... the room before she arrives.
a) arrange  b) order  c) polish  d) tidy

2. You shouldn’t walk around with ...... feet. The floor isn’t very clean.
a) bare  b) naked  c) nude  d) stripped

3. The attic was thick with ...... as no one had cleared it for years.
a) dust  b) powder  c) rust  d) sediment

4. Will you ...... the beds at once! Our guests are at the door!
a) clean  b) cover  c) make  d) smooth

5. The house felt cold and ...... after weeks of bad weather.
a) damp  b) moist  c) watery  d) wet

6. If you don’t like washing up, you could ...... into the possibility of buying a washing-up machine.
a) ask  b) look  c) order  d) save

7. I must got to the laundry and ...... my washing.
a) bring  b) carry  c) clean  d) collect

8. Mrs Helpful has cleaned our house from ...... to bottom.
a) attic  b) first floor  c) roof  d) top

9. The only way to clean the box is to ...... it in soap and warm water.
a) brush  b) polish  c) wash  d) wipe

10. Don’t forget to put the ...... back on the toothpaste when you have finished with it.
a) cap  b) cover  c) hat  d) lid

11. She has to work hard to keep the house ...... and tidy with such a big family.
a) arranged  b) neat  c) ordered  d) smooth

12. “ ...... your feet before you come into the house,” cried Mrs Tidy.
a) Clean  b) Polish  c) Rub  d) Wipe

13. Your ...... for today is to do the washing up.
a) duty  b) homework  c) labour  d) task
14. Ask your sister if she could give me ....... with the washing up.
   a) an aid       b) an assistance  c) a hand       d) a help
15. They managed to get ....... all their unwanted things at the jumble sale.
   a) away with   b) even with     c) out of        d) rid of
16. When you've washed up, ....... the plates before you put them away.
   a) clean       b) dry           c) dust         d) sweep
17. It's your ....... to clean the room; I did it last week.
   a) occasion    b) time          c) try          d) turn
18. ....... the tube gently, so as not to waste the toothpaste.
   a) Hit         b) Lick          c) Press        d) Squeeze
19. Don't leave your coat lying on the sofa like that! Hang it up by the ....... at the back of
    the collar.
   a) band        b) hole          c) hook         d) loop
20. Please close the window; there's a terrible ....... .
   a) breeze      b) current       c) draught      d) headwind

* 271. HOUSEHOLD CHORES. Choose the correct answer.

1. Her mother had asked her to do several ....... before she went out.
   a) jobs        b) labours        c) studies      d) works
2. We had ....... on the attic last weekend, and cleared out fifteen years' accumulation of
   odds and ends.
   a) an attack   b) a blitz        c) an invasion  d) a raid
3. There was a ....... of rubbish in the corner of the bedroom.
   a) dump        b) mass           c) pile         d) stack
4. Mike picked up a ....... and went out to clear the snow away from the front of the house.
   a) fork        b) jack           c) rake         d) shovel
5. Do straighten that picture over the fireplace, it looks ....... from here.
   a) bent        b) crooked        c) inclined    d) uneven
6. It was cold enough for a fire so Mr Obedient went off to ....... some wood.
   a) chip        b) chop           c) crumble     d) splinter
7. The drunken couple did nothing to keep the flat clean and tidy and lived in the utmost ....... .
   a) contamination b) decay        c) pollution    d) squalor
8. I just have a few household ....... to cope with and then I'll be able to rest.
   a) assignaments b) charges       c) chores      d) works
9. There must be something I can do to ....... breaking your favourite tea-pot.
   a) face up to   b) go in for     c) make up for  d) put up with
10. He has a(n) ....... habit of emptying ashtrays out of his window on to our doorstep.
    a) disgusting  b) offending      c) uncultivated d) uneducated

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*272. DECORATING. Choose the right answer.

1. Before beginning to use the paint, you should . . . . it in the tin.
   a) roll  b) stir  c) turn  d) twist

2. Always wear goggles when spraying paint as a . . . . against damage to your eyes.
   a) prevention  b) refuge  c) restriction  d) safeguard

3. The house was built more than a hundred years ago. My father had it . . . . when he bought it.
   a) altered  b) changed  c) renewed  d) transformed

4. Changing the colour of the room seemed a good . . . . at the time, but they regretted it later.
   a) belief  b) idea  c) opinion  d) thought

5. This room looks terrible, it's in such a . . . .
   a) disorder  b) litter  c) mess  d) rubbish

6. I think the pattern on that wallpaper has been printed . . . .
   a) back to back  b) face down  c) side to side  d) upside down

7. The house is in good . . . . though it needs to be repainted.
   a) condition  b) position  c) standing  d) state

8. The colour of the handle does not . . . . so long as it is the right size.
   a) affect  b) concern  c) matter  d) worry

9. It's . . . . we did something about redecorating the sitting-room.
   a) full-time  b) good time  c) high time  d) long time

10. The floor was so rotten that it almost . . . . under his weight.
    a) gave away  b) gave back  c) gave up  d) gave way

11. The Bears have just had their sitting room . . . .
    a) coloured  b) dyed  c) redecorated  d) replaced

12. In my opinion, standards of workmanship have . . . . over the past ten years.
    a) aggravated  b) declined  c) diminished  d) eroded

13. Could you give me a rough . . . . of what the job might cost?
    a) account  b) correlation  c) estimate  d) value

14. My brother has just had central heating . . . . in his flat.
    a) inlaid  b) inset  c) installed  d) introduced

15. The storm . . . . a lot of houses in the village.
    a) blew  b) damaged  c) disturbed  d) drowned

*273. DECORATING. Choose the right answer.

1. It took us only one day to . . . . the paper off all four walls.
   a) chip  b) paste  c) scrape  d) stroke

2. If you paint the walls cream, I think it will . . . . the colour of the curtains better.
   a) bring out  b) lift out  c) make out  d) take out

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3. If the door has jammed, there's no point in trying to force it open. You'll only .... the handle off.
   a) drag   b) gouge   c) pluck   d) pull

4. If you want to change the colour of these walls, they will need at least two .... of paint.
   a) coats   b) coverings   c) layers   d) sheets

5. That door .... when you open it. You must put some oil on the hinges.
   a) creaks   b) rustles   c) screeches   d) shrieks

6. All the windows of the house were .... by the explosion.
   a) crashed   b) crushed   c) shattered   d) shredded

7. What a(n) .... colour that wallpaper is! Why ever did you buy it?
   a) alarming   b) bad   c) dreadful   d) frightening

8. That window needs a new .... of glass.
   a) mirror   b) oblong   c) pane   d) square

9. I think we should have .... glass put in the bathroom window. The people on the other side of the street can see right in.
   a) cracked   b) frosted   c) patterned   d) thick

10. The renovation work will .... closing the local library for at least two months.
    a) accomplish   b) ensure   c) entail   d) result

11. The firm deals more with .... decoration than building.
    a) inside   b) interior   c) internal   d) inward

12. Shall we .... off all this awful old wallpaper and paint the room instead?
    a) rip   b) scratch   c) strip   d) tear

13. The front door is in a terrible state; the paint is .... badly.
    a) crumbling   b) eroding   c) flaking   d) rotting

14. To my .... I noticed that the roof was leaning to one side.
    a) consternation   b) constitution   c) constriction   d) consumption

274. TOWNS AND VILLAGES. Choose the right answer.

1. I love to .... round the old part of the town, enjoying its peace and quiet.
   a) rush   b) sit   c) tour   d) wander

2. The town stands mainly on the left .... of the river.
   a) bank   b) cliff   c) coast   d) shelf

3. The farm area .... as far as the river.
   a) advanced   b) developed   c) extended   d) lay

4. The current .... of this town is about 350,000.
   a) group   b) membership   c) number   d) population

5. The hotel has been built on the .... of a lake.
   a) border   b) boundary   c) edge   d) front

6. Uncle Billy has bought a piece of .... near the sea and is going to build a house there.
   a) country   b) earth   c) land   d) territory
7. Our old house...... in a beautiful spot deep in the woods.
   a) placed  b) rested  c) situated  d) stood

8. They are going to build a big office block on that...... plot of land.
   a) blank  b) unused  c) vacant  d) void

9. I'm glad I chose this part of town to live in. It's such a peaceful......
   a) environment  b) neighbourhood  c) proximity  d) surroundings

10. There has been a lot of...... about the housing shortage in big cities.
     a) advertising  b) circulation  c) communication  d) publicity

275. TOWNS AND VILLAGES. Fill in the sentences.

1. Eerie is the capital of the region. It is, in fact, the only...... j...... r city in this rural area.

2. ...... r...... life is healthy and quiet when compared with life in cities.

3. The house stood by itself in the middle of fields. It was completely...... s......

4. Our city is situated on the west...... of the river.

5. Our house is rather difficult to find. I'll draw you a little...... to show you the way.

6. Last year we decided to move to the...... b...... as living here will cost much less
   than living in the centre of the town.

7. I'll always be a c...... person. I can't stand the noise and smell of the city.

8. I'm planning a month's walk through the Scottish c......

9. Farming here is very difficult because the...... i...... is very poor.

10. She has just bought a huge...... c...... of land to build her house on.

*276. TOWNS AND VILLAGES. Choose the right answer.

1. Our village is......; some of the houses are very far apart.
   a) diffused  b) extended  c) scattered  d) spread out

2. Modern buildings should...... with the surrounding area.
   a) blend in  b) join in  c) match  d) suit

3. Since they built the car factory, a lot of new houses have...... in the district.
   a) hopped up  b) jumped up  c) leapt up  d) sprung up

4. The new town hasn't the usual...... yet, but a theatre, cinema and library are under
   construction.
   a) aids  b) amenities  c) conveniences  d) equipment

5. When the capital got too crowded, they had to build new towns to take the......
   a) overfill  b) overrun  c) overspill  d) overstock

6. The monastery is on the...... of the town.
   a) neighbourhood  b) outskirts  c) suburbs  d) surroundings
1. The man was **RELUCTANT** to put in a few hours of work in the garden.
   a) anxious
   b) eager
   c) negligent
   d) unwilling

2. At first it seemed that the building would be all right but later it was found to need **ALTERATIONS**.
   a) beautification
   b) decorations
   c) modifications
   d) restoration

3. The picture is **ASKEW**; please straighten it.
   a) adjustable
   b) crooked
   c) high
   d) level

4. There is a **large area of SWAMP** that will have to be cleared before construction can begin.
   a) dry, sandy soil
   b) forest
   c) prairie
   d) soft wet land

5. The **STRAY** dog was picked up by the dog catcher because he had no collar.
   a) dirty
   b) homeless
   c) sick
   d) unfriendly

6. He **TRAMPED** across the carpet in his boots, leaving a trail of mud behind him.
   a) limped
   b) skipped
   c) walked heavily
   d) walked unsteadily

7. Do not leave the iron on that delicate fabric or the heat will **SCORCH** it.
   a) burn
   b) melt
   c) press
   d) wrinkle

8. I would like your **PERMISSION** to **trim** that part of the tree that hangs into my yard.
   a) approval
   b) attention
   c) encouragement
   d) consent
9. The use of this product for building houses was recently **BANNED** by the Ministry of **Health**.
   a) backed  
   b) prohibited  
   c) sponsored  
   d) studied

10. Every year the average family discard about a ton of **TRASH**.
   a) filler  
   b) fuel  
   c) garbage  
   d) paper

278. **TOWNS AND VILLAGES. Crossword**.

1. place where your family lives (4)
2. opposite of city (7)
3. area near to or round a place (12)
4. hills, trees, fields, etc. considered as things to look at (7)
5. the world of animals, insects and plants (6)
6. hills, trees, fields, etc. make this environment (11)
XVI. Sea Travel

*Sailor*: “My word, but I’m thirsty.”
*Steward*: “Wait a minute and I’ll bring you some water.”
*Sailor*: “I said thirsty, not dirty.”

*A sailor’s enlistment in the navy expired. A friend asked him what he thought of the sea.*

“Just this much,” he said. “I’m going to put an oar over my shoulder and start walking inland — and I’m going to keep on walking and walking and walking until someone stops me and asks: ‘What’s that thing you’ve got over your shoulder?’ Then I’m going to settle down right there until I die.”
312. SHIPS AND BOATS. Where would you be likely to see the following ships or boats?

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313. SHIPS AND BOATS. Choose the correct answer.

1. The river is so . . . . . here that you cannot use even a little boat.
   a) flat   b) narrow   c) shallow   d) straight

2. In spite of the storm, the Captain . . . . the ship safely into port.
   a) directed   b) drove   c) managed   d) steered

3. There was a toy boat floating on the . . . . of the water.
   a) bottom   b) flat   c) surface   d) upper

4. He stood on the . . . . of the river, looking down into the water.
   a) bank   b) beach   c) border   d) coast

5. Hold on . . . . to your lifebelt, otherwise you'll sink.
   a) firm   b) steady   c) strong   d) tight

6. There was a terrible storm at sea last night and one of the boats . . . . . .
   a) dived   b) drowned   c) floated   d) sank

7. The route into the harbour was marked by a line of . . . . .
   a) buoys   b) compasses   c) lightships   d) signposts

8. There were a number of fishing boats . . . . in the harbour.
   a) attached   b) fixed   c) moored   d) roped

9. We're going to . . . . a cruise on the river next weekend.
   a) go   b) sail   c) take   d) travel

10. The crew . . . . the sinking ship as fast as they could.
    a) abandoned   b) escaped   c) quit   d) surrendered

11. Keep . . . . ! Don't panic! You will soon be rescued!
    a) brave   b) calm   c) firm   d) happy

12. We have been unable to make . . . . with the ship by radio for the last two days.
    a) communication   b) connection   c) contact   d) link

13. The old sailor . . . . away at his pipe, surrounded by a cloud of tobacco smoke.
    a) blew   b) gasped   c) puffed   d) snorted

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314. SHIPS AND BOATS. What are the following ships or boats usually used for?

1. a barge  
2. a cargo boat  
3. a ferry  
4. a liner  
5. a rowing boat  
6. a submarine  
7. a tanker  
8. a yacht

**315. SHIPS AND BOATS. Which of the following ships or boats would have funnels, guns, masts, oars, passengers?**

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316. SHIPS AND BOATS. Choose the correct answer.

1. Swimming across that river was a ...... thing for him to do.
   a) dangerous  b) rough  c) stormy  d) violent

2. I'm always seasick when the sea is ...... .
   a) calm  b) rough  c) unsteady  d) wild

3. The "Anna Maria" ...... from Gdańsk at 11:00 tomorrow.
   a) embarks  b) leaves  c) sails  d) steams

4. The passengers amused themselves playing games on the upper ...... of the ship.
   a) deck  b) dock  c) floor  d) platform

5. We saw ships from all over the world in the ...... .
   a) beach  b) harbour  c) pier  d) shelter

6. I don't want to go into the sea. I'd rather lie on the ...... .
   a) bank  b) beach  c) coast  d) seaside

7. You must keep ...... in the boat otherwise it will overturn.
   a) balanced  b) stiff  c) still  d) straight

8. The boat turned over and sank to the ...... .
   a) base  b) basis  c) bottom  d) ground

9. The ship's captain and members of the ...... welcomed us on board.
   a) cast  b) crew  c) staff  d) team

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10. In spite of the terrible storm, the ship was . . . .
   a) unbroken  b) undamaged  c) unhurt  d) uninjured

11. During the twenty-day cruise, ten will be spent . . . . sea, and ten in port.
   a) at  b) by  c) in  d) over

12. Although he shouted, his words were . . . . in the wind.
   a) drowned  b) killed  c) lost  d) stopped

** 317. SHIPS. Match the indicated parts of the ship with the right names.

... anchor    ... bow    ... funnel    ... mast
... propeller ... rudder ... stern

* 318. SHIPS AND BOATS. Choose the correct answer.

1. "Do you row?" "I used to, but I haven't used a pair of . . . . for years."
   a) oars  b) paddles  c) poles  d) rows

2. The sea was so . . . . that some of the passengers in the pleasure boat felt seasick.
   a) breezy  b) choppy  c) runny  d) wavy

3. They moored the boat to a tree . . . . and left it by the river bank.
   a) branch  b) log  c) pole  d) stump

4. They loaded the . . . . for the voyage onto the ship.
   a) food  b) meals  c) portions  d) rations

5. The ship ran . . . . on the beach near the harbour.
   a) ashore  b) adrift  c) afloat  d) aground

6. That boat has an . . . . motor at the back.
   a) outboard  b) outgoing  c) outside  d) outward

7. At first sight the island seemed to be bare and . . . . of any kind of vegetation.
   a) absent  b) devoid  c) minus  d) vacant
8. The captain realised that unless immediate action was taken to discipline the crew, there could be a ...... on the ship.
   a) mutiny    b) rebellion    c) riot    d) strike

9. The cargo in the hold of the ship ...... many times in the storm.
   a) changed    b) floated    c) shifted    d) switched

10. The sea is too far out; we can’t swim till the ...... comes in.
    a) current    b) stream    c) tide    d) water

11. A lot of driftwood was washed up on to the ......
    a) coast    b) coastline    c) seaside    d) shore

12. The sea was so rough that the little boat ......
    a) bent    b) capsized    c) inverted    d) reversed

13. When we go fishing we always take a lot of worms for ......
    a) attraction    b) bait    c) food    d) trap

14. Swimming is dangerous here because of the strong ...... across the bay.
    a) current    b) jet    c) motion    d) pressure

15. The boat just ...... out to sea.
    a) drifted    b) slid    c) strayed    d) wandered

16. After the storm the ...... of a small ship was thrown up on the shore.
    a) breakage    b) ruin    c) wastage    d) wreckage

17. The ship was not allowed to unload its ......
    a) burden    b) cargo    c) freight    d) load

18. When the ship docked at Hamburg, they found a ...... in the hold.
    a) gate-crasher    b) interloper    c) stowaway    d) trespasser

19. She was very enthusiastic about sailing around the world and now was just ...... to go.
    a) bounding    b) leaping    c) jumping    d) roaring

20. I ...... with the captain to abandon the ship before it was too late.
    a) appealed    b) begged    c) claimed    d) pleaded

21. Due to the bad weather conditions, the lifeboat crew were asked to ...... in case of emergency.
    a) stand away    b) stand by    c) stand in    d) stand up

22. He had a ...... escape when his boat was capsized by a sudden gust of wind.
    a) close    b) narrow    c) near    d) sudden

23. The waves gently ...... against the shore.
    a) bit    b) chewed    c) lapped    d) licked

24. We managed to grab a piece of wood that was floating nearby and we hung on for ...... life.
    a) dear    b) gentle    c) kind    d) precious

25. The air-sea search operation is continuing, although hopes of finding survivors are ......
    a) dimming    b) dissolving    c) fading    d) reducing
319. SHIPS. Choose from among the given vocabulary those related to the indicated subject.
The list also contains all the vocabulary needed to fill in the blanks in the following exercise.

(to) board  bow  bunks  cabins  captain
charts  cliffs  coast  compass  cranes
crew  cruise  deck-chairs  docks  (to) embark
fleets  freighters  galley  gang-way  harbour
holds  knots  latitude  life-jacket  lighthouses
liners  loaded  mate  moored  (to) navigate
navigators  overboard  rope  rudder  seamen
seasickness  stern  stewards  stormy  vessels
voyages  waves  warships  wreck

1. Which of the above are kinds of ships?
2. Which of the above are parts of a ship?
3. Which of the above are things found on a ship?
4. Which of the above are people found on a ship?

320. SHIPS AND SEA TRAVEL. Fill in the blanks in the following passages with vocabulary connected with ships and sea travel. Should you find it too difficult for you, see the vocabulary list in the preceding exercise.

Ships and Sea Travel

When a ship goes out to sea it leaves the . . . . , or port. The speed of a ship is measured in . . . . . The foremost part of the ship is the . . . . . The name of the ship is often painted on the back. This part of a ship is called the . . . . . A . . . . is used to steer the ship. The goods are stored in the . . . . .

The man in command on board is the . . . . . The first . . . . . is responsible for navigation. To . . . . a ship the sailors need maps, a . . . . . and other instruments. Sea-maps are called . . . . . A . . . . knows where they are at sea by finding the longitude and . . . . .

All the people who work on board are . . . . . Together they are called the . . . . . of the ship. The crew sleep in . . . . . , or berths.

A holiday-trip by ship is a . . . . . When passengers go on to a ship we say that they . . . . . , or board the ship. When you want to leave or . . . . the ship you have to use the gang-plank, or . . . . . Holidaymakers on board can sit in . . . . . They sleep in . . . . . Passengers are served food by the . . . . . The food is prepared in the . . . . .

Sometimes the . . . . . can be dangerous, especially when the coast consists of steep rocks called . . . . . Along the more dangerous parts of the . . . . there are usually . . . . . used for warning ships at sea.

If a ship runs into rocks, it becomes a . . . . . If your ship is wrecked you have to jump . . . . . Then you should wear a . . . . .

When it's . . . . . weather the surface of the water begins to move. These movements of the water are called . . . . . When the waves are very high many people suffer from . . . . .
Ships are ..... and repaired in ..... . They are loaded and unloaded by ..... . Ships which carry cargoes are called ..... and those which are used for war purposes are ..... . A ship which is part of a commercial ..... is called a ..... . A general term for ships and boats is ..... . After a ship has sailed into the harbour it is ..... . This is mostly done with a ..... or cable.