Listening 1

Choose the correct answer: a, b, c or d.

Task 1

1. Who is interviewed first?
   a. Jasmin
   b. Anita
   c. none
   d. both

2. When did Anita give up her job?
   a. when she was thirty
   b. when she was forty
   c. when she was thirteen
   d. when she was fourteen

3. Anita used to work in
   a. advertising
   b. engineering
   c. entertaining
   d. entrepreneuring

4. Anita started her job when she was
   a. thirty
   b. thirteen
   c. nineteen
   d. eighteen

5. While travelling Anita worked on a
   a. fur
   b. firm
   c. farm
   d. factory

6. In Australia Anita
   a. paid for food
   b. ate for free
   c. slept for free
   d. paid for work

7. When Jasmin was a child she
   a. was not very good at playing the piano
   b. played the piano very well
   c. did not enjoy making music
   d. was keen on playing

8. Jasmin gave up medicine and started
   a. her own business
   b. playing her own music
   c. her own medical service
   d. gardening

Task 2

9. He grew up in
   a. South Wales.
   b. South east.
   c. South west.
   d. North Wales.

10. He wanted to be a
    a. rock star
    b. pop star
    c. rap star
    d. movie star

11. When he was fifteen he bought himself
    a. a useful drum kit
    b. a second drum kit
    c. a new drum kit
    d. a second hand drum kit

12. Which is not correct?
    a. He played for pleasure.
    b. He played for money.
    c. He played when he was angry.
    d. He played when he was hungry.

13. Now he is twenty eight and he
    a. does not play
    b. still makes money by playing
    c. does not want to play any more
    d. plays for fun

Task 3

14. What do NOT they have at Yahoo?
    a. a free bus ride to work
    b. a dentist
    c. a free car for employees
    d. a hairdresser

15. The Yahoo staff watch a movie together
    a. once in a year
    b. once in a month
    c. once in a lifetime
    d. once a week

16. Which is NOT correct?
    a. Google has free massage.
    b. Google has cheap massage.
    c. Google offers free lunch.
d. Google has interesting offers for employees.

17. One of the companies takes its employees on a free holiday every year. Which of the place is NOT in their list?
   a. Amsterdam
   b. Ireland
   c. Iceland
   d. Caribbean

18. Starbucks employees get free
   a. massage
   b. shirts
   c. coffee
   d. sandwich

19. An insurance company keeps fish in a little river next to the office and it allows its workers
   a. to swim there
   b. to jump inside
   c. to play nearby
   d. to fish there

20. How many companies do they mention except Yahoo and Google?
   a. 2
   b. 3
   c. 4
   d. 5

Task 4

21. Where does the conversation most likely take place?
   a. At a movie theatre.
   b. At a library.
   c. At a video rental shop.
   d. At a bookshop.

22. How much do the movies cost to rent?
   a. $ 2.50
   b. $ 3.50
   c. $ 5.00
   d. $ 5.50

23. How much did the man spend on movies?
   a. 2.50
   b. 3.00
   c. 5.50
   d. 7.50

24. When does the man need to return the movies?
   a. Thursday
   b. Wednesday
   c. Friday
   d. Saturday

25. What do you need to rent a video at this shop?
   a. a driver's license
   b. a school ID
   c. a membership card
   d. a big bag

Reading

Read the text and choose the correct answer: a, b, c or d.

1. The day after Thanksgiving is the start of the holiday shopping season. Thanksgiving is always on Thursday, so the day after it is Friday. This day is known as Black Friday. It has been the busiest shopping day of the year since 2005.

2. Most stores offer great deals on Black Friday. They open their doors early in the morning. They try to attract shoppers with big discounts. Some items like TVs are much cheaper than usual. Stores may even lose money on these items. They hope that shoppers will buy gifts for other people while they are in the store.

3. Black Friday is a great time to get good deals. The problem is that there are not enough low priced items to go around. Each store may only have a few. These items are in high demand. People stand in long lines to get such great deals. They may line up hours before a store opens. They may be hoping to get a low price on a TV or laptop, but not everyone who wants one will get one. Some people leave disappointed.

4. The situation can be tense. Some Black Friday events have been violent. Large, eager crowds have trampled workers. Fights have broken out over toys or people cutting in line. People have shot one
another over parking spots. But most Black Friday events are safe and fun. Still, if you plan on going, expect large crowds and a bit of shoving.

5. So where does the name "Black Friday" come from? It was first used in Philadelphia in the 1950s. The police called this day Black Friday because of the heavy traffic it drew. In the 1960s, stores tried to rename the day "Big Friday." It did not stick. The name "Black Friday" continued to spread across the country. It seems that it is here to stay.

6. Now people all over the country take part in the event known as Black Friday. It is even spreading to other parts of the world. Stores have held Black Friday events in the U.K., Australia, and Brazil since 2012. In Costa Rica Black Friday is known as "Viernes Negro." And in Mexico, stores offer an annual weekend of discounts. They call it "El Buen Fin," which means "the good weekend" in Spanish. I guess the language of savings is universal.

26. According to the text, why do stores set prices so low on some items that they lose money?
   a. They want people to enjoy the holidays
   b. They hope people will buy other gifts while they are in the store.
   c. They are in a giving mood because the holiday season is just beginning.
   d. They are trying to get rid of old items from last year to make room for new items.

27. Which is not true about Black Friday?
   a. Black Friday is always the day after Thanksgiving.
   b. Black Friday is the busiest shopping day of the year.
   c. Black Friday is a national holiday.
   d. Black Friday is the start of the holiday shopping season.

28. Where does the name Black Friday come from?
   a. The police called this day Black Friday because there is a lot of traffic.
   b. The stores called this day Black Friday because it is a serious shopping day.
   c. The police called this day Black Friday to remember the victims of violence.
   d. The stores called this day Black Friday because they make a lot of money.

29. Which best explains the main idea of the third paragraph?
   a. People stand in long lines on Black Friday.
   b. Black Friday is the best time of the year to get good deals.
   c. Black Friday is a really disappointing time of the year.
   d. Black Friday deals are limited and not everyone will get one.

30. Which country does not participate in Black Friday?
   a. France
   b. Costa Rica
   c. Brazil
   d. United Kingdom

31. Which happened first?
   a. Stores tried to rename the day after Thanksgiving "Big Friday."
   b. Black Friday events began happening in Australia.
   c. Police began calling the day after Thanksgiving "Black Friday."
   d. Black Friday became the busiest shopping day of the year.

32. Where was the word 'Black Friday' used at first?
   a. in 1950s.
   b. in France.
   c. in Philadelphia.
   d. in Istanbul.

33. Which best describes the overall structure of the fifth paragraph?
   a. chronological order.
   b. problem and solution.
   c. compare and contrast.
   d. order of importance.

34. Which was not cited as one of the disadvantages of Black Friday?
   a. Stores run out of high demand items quickly.
b. Nobody really saves money on Black Friday.
c. There are large crowds and lots of shoving.
d. Sometimes violence occurs at Black Friday events.

35. Which best explains why Costa Ricans call Black Friday "Viernes Negro"?
   a. Costa Rican stores don’t want the shopping day associated with American violence.
   b. Viernes Negro sounds more exotic and exciting than Black Friday.
   c. Costa Ricans want to establish their own shopping tradition.
   d. This is how you say "Black Friday" in Spanish, the language of Costa Rica.

Vocabulary and Grammar
Choose the correct answer a, b, c or d

36. What is the synonym of the word dramatically.
   a. sudden
   b. dramatic
   c. suddenly
   d. stably

37. This trend …….. quickly among young people.
   a. caught
   b. caught on
   c. caught in
   d. caught at

38. There was robbery in our neighborhood. But we …….. that nothing bad had happened.
   a. contained
   b. pretended
   c. intend
   d. advanced

39. It’s …….. to drive through a red light.
   a. legally
   b. unlegal
   c. legal
   d. illegal

40. Police found no …….. of escaped prisoners.
   a. mummy

41. It was too late when I …….. that my computer was not working.
   a. Found for
   b. found on
   c. found into
   d. found out

42. An attempt to …….. a comet or asteroid is already in the planning stage.
   a. deflect
   b. collision
   c. devastate
   d. treat

43. The amount of environmental …….. in the country is incredible.
   a. devastation
   b. devastate
   c. decade
   d. decadence

44. The economic and engineering …….. of these projects is yet to be determined.
   a. feasible
   b. feasibility
   c. aviate
   d. aviation

45. The weapons were designed to cause massive …….., killing millions of people.
   a. severe
   b. destruct
   c. destruction
   d. severance

46. I am trying hard to enter the university and I know that the first year is going to be most ……..
   a. challengeable
   b. challengeful
   c. challenge
   d. challenging

47. I am too tired or too old to …….. my friends and accomplish my goal.
   a. keep up with
   b. keep up
   c. carry on
48. A form of studying a subject from home rather than by attending an institution, such as by correspondence or via computer links - ________.
   a. distance learning
   b. home schooling
   c. lifelong learning
   d. continuing education

49. What is the **synonym** of the word **modern**?
   a. state-of-the-part
   b. well-equipped
   c. well-stocked
   d. state-of-the-art

50. People ______ a good deal of sugar in drinks.
   a. consume
   b. evaporate
   c. drink
   d. change

51. Perhaps everything has been invented, everything said, every ______ discovered.
   a. innovation
   b. invent
   c. ient
   d. development

52. There were many ______, which were initially difficult to remember such as BFF, NWAL, etc.
   a. signature
   b. word
   c. abbreviations
   d. confinement

53. She tried to ______ the disappointed child when she failed to win the spelling bee.
   a. cheer at
   b. cheer up
   c. cheer on
   d. cheer to

54. Education beyond the secondary level, especially at the college or university level is ________.
   a. primary school
   b. secondary school
   c. high school
   d. higher education

55. Some ______ and orphaned children and adults have benefited from a company's efforts to improve their lives.
   a. terrifying
   b. punctual
   c. deprived
   d. student

56. Try telling students that you will be giving a ______ after presenting the material, but that you'd like them to listen and think for now.
   a. handout
   b. complaint
   c. materials
   d. lecturer

57. Using styles or fashions from the recent past - ______.
   a. renew
   b. redo
   c. retro
   d. retell

58. The ministry will encourage local ______ to boost their investment overseas.
   a. investment
   b. entrepreneur
   c. goods
   d. customer

59. I have been feeling pretty tired this week, but have managed to ______ a lot of stuff.
   a. accomplish
   b. delayed
   c. postpone
   d. accurate

60. What is the **opposite** of the word **failure**?
   a. fail
   b. success
   c. failed
   d. succeed

61. She ______ her speech with a quotation from Shakespeare. Everyone liked the ending.
   a. contained
   b. established
62. Unfortunately, some parents don’t care about their children and ________ them to their fate.
   a. take  
   b. treat  
   c. kill  
   d. abandon

63. The village where I live now is ________.
   This is why I feel calm and quiet here.
   a. habit  
   b. inhabit  
   c. uninhabited  
   d. disinfestated

64. What is the ________ of the word decline?
   a. decrease  
   b. increase  
   c. rise  
   d. slow

65. He is one of the most ________ politicians in our country. That’s why people believe in him.
   a. great  
   b. influential  
   c. investigate  
   d. influence

66. The price of petrol has ________ up these weeks.
   a. soared  
   b. carry  
   c. stay  
   d. thrown

67. Small kids often ________ other people who they like.
   a. behave  
   b. like  
   c. imitate  
   d. think

68. All the creatures ________ in this forest after the heavy rain.
   a. find out  
   b. alive  
   c. died out  
   d. keep out

69. To ________ friendly relations you need to be careful about relationships with your close people.
   a. contain  
   b. suffer  
   c. react  
   d. maintain

70. To be ________ of traditions mean that you appreciate them and their followers.
   a. respectful  
   b. respected  
   c. respect  
   d. respectness

71. Maria knew nothing about the given topic, so she could not ________ getting bad marks.
   a. avoid  
   b. pretended  
   c. equip  
   d. disguise

72. Inflation ________ at 12%. It made people a bit calmer than they were before.
   a. spread  
   b. topped out  
   c. chose  
   d. stopped out

73. We strolled along on the ________ eating ice creams.
   a. coach  
   b. bench  
   c. pomegranate  
   d. promenade

74. The evidence was there. I just did not ________ it.
   a. Keep up  
   b. pick up on  
   c. go back  
   d. run away

75. We ran to the bus stop. Luckily the bus ________.
   a. hadn’t left  
   b. didn’t leave  
   c. don’t leave  
   d. doesn’t leave

76. Nothing will happen, ________?
   a. won’t it?
b. will it?
c. will he?
d. won’t they?
77. Would you mind if I………. the window?
    a. opening
    b. will open
    c. opens
    d. opened
78. I am going ………. at the new hairdresser's.
    a. to cut my hair
    b. cutting my hair
    c. to have my hair cut
    d. to get my hair cutting
79. Susan ………. hear the speaker, because the crowd was cheering so loudly.
    a. couldn’t
    b. might not
    c. can’t
    d. mustn’t
80. You ………. be rich to be successful. Some of the most successful people I know haven’t got a penny to their name.
    a. shouldn’t
    b. can’t
    c. ought to
    d. don’t have to
81. Jenny's engagement ring is enormous! It ……….a fortune.
    a. must cost
    b. must be costing
    c. must have costed
    d. can’t cost
82. We arranged ………. a taxi pick us up and take us to the airport.
    a. having
    b. to have
    c. being
    d. to be
83. When do you wish ………., now or late?
    a. to begin
    b. beginning
    c. starting
    d. to have begun
84. Was the window pane ………. the children?
    a. broken for
    b. broken by
    c. broke for
    d. broke by
85. My brother ………. the TV set right now.
    a. has repaired
    b. is repairing
    c. repaired
    d. was repaired by
86. If we don’t move faster, we’ll miss our transfer to Munich. There isn’t ………. time to waste.
    a. some
    b. many
    c. any
    d. little
87. Unfortunately, I haven’t got ………. time for watching TV.
    a. much
    b. many
    c. little
    d. few
88. Can you take my ………. upstairs, please?
    a. luggage
    b. luggages
    c. ‘a' and 'b'
    d. neither 'a' nor 'b'
89. The news ………. on Channel Five at nine o’clock.
    a. are
    b. is
    c. ‘a' and 'b'
    d. neither ‘a' nor 'b'
90. You ………. take some money with you in case you need it.
    a. have to
    b. shouldn’t
    c. can
    d. should