

ATS 2011 Anglais – Part I

Epreuve commune à tous les candidats

Durée : 1 h

I Grammar and Vocabulary

Find the right answer

1. You must _____ a reservation if you want to get a table.
A) make B) do C) book D) take
2. I had better _____ now.
A) to go B) going C) go D) I go
3. Why not _____ Tim if he wants to go.
A) asking B) to ask C) you ask D) ask
4. My office wants _____, it looks untidy.
A) clean B) cleaning C) to clean D) cleaned
5. He apologized as he had not meant ___ rude.
A) having been B) being C) to be D) to have been
6. How long _____ here?
A) have you been B) had you been C) did you D) will you
7. Instead of _____ by train, he has decided to fly.
A) go B) to go C) to going D) going
8. It's no use _____, the decision is final.
A) arguing B) to argue C) argue D) you argue
9. He used _____ a lot when he was younger.
A) smoking B) to smoking C) to smoke D) smoke
10. She is used _____ English when she is with John.
A) speaking B) to speaking C) to speak D) speak
11. I have no objection _____ about it to the boss.
A) to talking B) to talk C) talking D) talk
12. She denied _____ that comment.
A) having made B) made C) she made D) to make
13. When you _____ that book, may I borrow it?

- A) have finished B) finished C) will have finished D) will finish
14. We do not respect the environment as much as we _____.
- A) must B) would C) should D) should not
15. I am sure anybody _____ climb that mountain if they tried.
- A) would B) could C) can D) will be able
16. You _____ take an umbrella, it's not going to rain.
- A) Don't need B) needn't C) mustn't D) can't
17. You _____ an umbrella, I told you we wouldn't need one.
- A) don't need to take B) needn't have taken
- C) don't have to take D) should not take
18. It is years since the incidents _____ place.
- A) have taken B) will take C) didn't take D) took
19. I _____ a pizza for ages! Let's go to Alfredo's.
- A) didn't have B) hadn't had C) haven't had D) hadn't
20. It's the first time I _____ this!
- A) heard B) have heard C) hear D) can hear
21. I _____ a car next year.
- A) think of buying B) am thinking of buying C) think to buy D) think I buy
22. Do you remember _____ the tickets yesterday?
- A) to buy B) I bought C) buying D) to have bought
23. Remember _____ the tickets for tomorrow's concert!
- A) to buy B) buying C) buy D) to buying
24. He finally admitted _____ to her.
- A) to lying B) to lie C) lying D) lie
25. Be careful _____ your passport!
- A) to forget B) to not forget C) don't forget D) not to forget
26. I recommend she _____ to him first.
- A) talk B) talks C) will talk D) is talking
27. John was nowhere _____.
- A) to see B) to be seen C) to have seen D) for seeing
28. Thank you _____ !
- A) to come B) to coming C) for coming D) coming
29. You are _____ liar!

A) such B) such a C) a such D) so

30. He knows _____ about the whole thing!
A) so B) so little C) so few D) such

31. Will any planes be flying tomorrow? _____ !
A) no one B) nothing C) any at all D) none at all

32. This is _____ I can take!
A) most B) more than C) more D) no more

33. _____ the people I met knew about it.
A) Most B) Most of C) The more D) Many more

34. “ _____ the merrier!”
A) The more B) More C) The most D) Most

35. Who did you borrow it _____ ?
A) from B) by C) to D) of

36. Watching TV keeps her _____ bored.
A) from being B) to be C) on being D) been

37. The bullet missed him _____ a few inches.
A) from B) by C) in D) of

38. Prices have increased _____ 10%.
A) on B) in C) of D) by

39. What's the reason _____ your absence?
A) on B) for C) in D) of

40. All _____ he told us was no surprise to us!
A) which B) what C) that D) this

41. _____ car is this? John's?
A) Whose B) Who's C) What D) Which

42. No sooner _____ than it started to rain.
A) had I left B) I had left C) I left D) did I leave

43. “Which of the two brothers do you prefer? _____”.
A) The older B) The elder C) The oldest D) The eldest

44. I'd rather _____ now, it would make things easy.
A) you told me B) you tell me C) you will tell me D) have told me

45. I wish _____ before she arrived.

A) you had told me B) you told me C) you would tell me D) you must tell me

Find the error in the following sentences.

46. Let's go to the restaurant tonight, it's ages ago since I had something nice.

A B C D

47. Our teacher recommended that we are present at the reception in honor of the new international students.

A B C D

48. I haven't heard from John ever since he has left for Italy.

A B C D

49. Before submitting your proposal to the committee ensure you have reviewed it thorough.

A B C D

50. She learnt English during 10 years but has forgotten most of it.

A B C D

II Reading Comprehension

Fill in the blanks with the suitable words

Highly charged motoring

Electric cars, though a welcome development, are neither as useful nor as green as their proponents claim

___51___ especially for city and suburban motoring, this handsome automobile is smooth, quiet and easy to ___52___, and being powered by electricity it can be charged up at ___53___.

___54___? The sales pitch is not for one of the new electric cars from General Motors, Nissan or Renault, but for a 1905 Victoria Phaeton from Studebaker of South Bend, Indiana.

Electric cars have come and ___55___ over the years. Usually an oil crisis has given them a ___56___; this time it is a ___57___ of oil prices, fears about energy security and climate change.

A ___58___ ago the Toyota Prius took ___59___ cars into the mainstream. Two years ago Elon Musk's Tesla all-electric sports car made them sexy. Now the big car firms are ___60___ all-electric cars for the mass market. At the Paris Motor Show this week they unveiled electric vehicles of all ___61___ and sizes. Some go on sale in the next few months.

This represents a ___62___ leap ___63___ for the industry, but the showroom crowds will be misleading, for two reasons. First, ___64___ electric cars are nippy, stylish and as easy to drive as conventional vehicles, electric motoring has some distinct ___65___. Second, they are not really as green as their promoters claim.

The idea of recharging an electric car at home for only ___66___ dollars and never again having to visit a filling station is enticing. For ___67___ journeys, the limitations of battery ___68___ are irrelevant. As salesmen will be quick to point out, 99% of the time people do only ___69___ runs—the daily commute, trips to the shops and to pick up the children—all of which are well within the range of most electric cars.

But that final ___70___ of journeys presumably includes the summer holiday when people pile into the car and head ___71___ for the coast. Hopping on the train laden with suitcases and children may

not be an attractive ____72____. And even the relatively short ranges that salesmen advertise may be optimistic. On a cold, wet night when lots of ____73____ systems are ____74____ and the vehicle is laden with passengers and luggage, a car may lose around a third of its supposed ____75____.

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51- A) Conceived B) Created C) Designed D) Invented

52- A) drive B) work C) roll D) fill in

53- A) the station B) work C) home D) the garage

54- A) reassuring B) frightening C) tempting D) worrying

55- A) passed B) driven C) done D) gone

56- A) fright B) boom C) boost D) boot

57- A) conversion B) comparison C) combination D) correlation

58- A) decade B) week C) fortnight D) century

59- A) electric B) hybrid C) electrical D) diesel

60- A) pulling B) dragging C) showing D) pushing

61- A) shapes B) forms C) heights D) volumes

62- A) enormous B) strange C) usual D) huge

63- A) forward B) sideways C) backward D) upward

64- A) whereas B) however C) yet D) although

65- A) advantages B) assets C) disadvantages D) solutions

66- A) few B) plenty C) any D) a few

67- A) most B) most of C) few D) any

68- A) weight B) capacity C) input D) production

69- A) short B) fast C) smooth D) quick

70- A) 10% B) 5% C) 1% D) 50% 6

71- A) away B) across C) to D) off

72- A) problem B) solution C) alternative D) way

73- A) electrical B) electric C) electricity D) hybrid

74- A) running B) off C) turned D) switched

75- A) distance B) strength C) span D) range