

GMAT-TOEFL-SAT SAMPLE PRACTICE TEST -2

Directions for questions 1-20.

Choose the best answer to fill in the gaps.

1. The ____ concerning total disarmament have broken down without leading any fruitful results.

- A) intentions
- B) complaints
- C) negotiations
- D) commitments
- E) involvements

2. A well organized company that knows its products are of a high standard does not fear ____ .

- A) conversion
- B) concentration
- C) competition
- D) departure
- E) pretension

3. When births outnumber deaths, the population increases; when the ____ is true, then it falls.

- A) opposite
- B) growth
- C) proportion
- D) rate
- E) decreases

4. I am not ____ that his proposal actually will lead to an improvement in the situation.

- A) impressed
- B) deterred
- C) convinced
- D) refrained
- E) deserved

5. Nearly half of the world's countries have ____ capital punishment in law or in practice, and some two dozen of them have done so formally since 1985.

- A) accused
- B) abolished
- C) executed
- D) entailed
- E) frustrated

6. Since most of the world's commercial apples lack genetic diversity, they are unable to ____ a disease or a pest.

- A) put away
- B) hold up
- C) fight off
- D) get off
- E) break out

7. A hundred years ago the chestnut ____ a quarter of the hardwood trees in America.

- A) turned down
- B) got through
- C) made up
- D) made out
- E) put down

8. Infectious diseases are those which are caused ____ an invasion of the body ____ organisms from outside.

- A) through / with
- B) by / by
- C) over / through
- D) in / without
- E) upon / within

9. He looked ____ nervously ____ his shoulder hoping that no one was paying him any attention.

- A) out / of
- B) up / through
- C) back / over
- D) down / from
- E) in / for

10. Naturally I will come to you for advice whenever I feel in need of ____ .

- A) them
- B) one
- C) some
- D) none
- E) a few

11. ____ hard he works, he'll never be the equal of his father, he's just not capable of it.

- A) So
- B) However
- C) As
- D) Whatever
- E) Just as

12. We know nothing at all about the company's new chairman ____ that he's just had his fiftieth birthday.

- A) since
- B) instead
- C) in case
- D) on condition
- E) except

13. ____ wins will be expected to take the rest of us for a meal.

- A) Whoever
- B) Who
- C) Whomever
- D) Whomsoever
- E) Whatever

14. Today, ____ rapid transportation and communications, the whole world is becoming one community with common economic interests.

- A) as long as
- B) in spite of
- C) just as
- D) because of
- E) such as

15. Of all the drugs that have been prescribed so far, this has proved to be ____ effective one.

- A) most
- B) the most
- C) more
- D) just as
- E) the more

16. Of course nobody knows what the outcome of the election _____ but at the moment Malcolm _____ as the most likely candidate.

- A) would have been / is being regarded
- B) is / has been regarded
- C) was / would have been regarded
- D) will be / is regarded
- E) has been / has been regarded

17. The doctors are of the opinion that if the disorder _____ a few months earlier, it _____ treated successfully.

- A) had been diagnosed / could have been
- B) were diagnosed / would be
- C) has been diagnosed / will be
- D) is being diagnosed / is being
- E) were to be diagnosed / has been

18. He's certainly going to recommend that the changes in the structure of the company be introduced step by step, and _____ .

- A) so I am
- B) so am I
- C) so do I
- D) I do, too
- E) I also do

19. Private investments play _____ important a part in the country's long-running economic expansion _____ no government dares to increase taxation on personal savings.

- A) too / that
- B) such / as
- C) much / so
- D) so / that
- E) as / as

20. Several members of the research team haven't handed in their reports yet, and I must admit I haven't _____ .

- A) as well
- B) too
- C) either
- D) also
- E) neither

Directions for the questions 21-25. Complete the unfinished sentences with the best choice.

21. _____ not even his wife will be allowed to visit him.

- A) Before the results of the tests had come through
- B) Although the surgeon was unwilling to operate for a week
- C) As long as the patient started to recover
- D) Despite the fact that he proved allergic to certain medicines
- E) While he remains in the intensive care unit

22. So long as certain countries continue to shelter terrorists _____ .

- A) the hope of preserving international security was sheltered
- B) the United Nations should have taken suitable action against them
- C) the government had taken the matter to the Helsinki Conference
- D) the chances of eradicating terrorism unfortunately remain silent
- E) their aims would have been publicly condemned throughout the West

23. I suggest you finish all the work by noon _____ .
- A) whenever there happened to be an important match on the television
 - B) why you want to go to the lake for a swim
 - C) whether you demanded an increase in your wages
 - D) however impossible it was
 - E) so that you can take the afternoon off

24. I would require a number of people in this company to take early retirement, _____ .
- A) until the affair is forgotten
 - B) since I have the authority to do so
 - C) that such a scandal had really happened
 - vD) were I in full charge
 - E) even if I had been fully informed of matters well in advance

25. _____ as if surgery may be unnecessary.
- A) They had already explained
 - B) In the light of the latest report, it looks
 - C) The doctor might have decided
 - D) According to the final tests one can conclude
 - E) The patient was encouraged

Directions for the questions 26-29. Complete the passage with the best choice.

26. _____. The feudal lords in England had always run their own law courts and profited by the fines paid by those brought to court. But King John took many cases out of their courts and tried them in his own, taking the money for himself.

- A) King John always had the full support of the feudal lords
- B) The administration of justice in Medieval England was completely centralized
- C) King John who lived in the 13th century, was unpopular mainly because he was greedy
- D) Medieval economy in England was based on agriculture
- E) The history of the British Parliament goes back to the signing of Magna Carta

27. The most important ideas of the 19th century was that everyone had the right to personal freedom which was the basis of capitalism. This idea had spread widely through Adam Smith's book *Wealth of Nations*, written in the 18th century. _____. Fewer laws, they claimed, meant more freedom, and freedom for individuals would lead to happiness for the greatest number of people.

- A) The British government at this time was reluctant to make use of his ideas
- B) The result was a number of laws were passed to prevent people carrying guns
- C) Obviously Adam Smith was well informed about working conditions in the factories
- D) After Adam Smith, several capitalist economists argued that governments should not interfere in trade and industry at all
- E) By the turn of the 20th century, capitalism had grown less popular outside England

28. For centuries, scientists and philosophers have speculated on the structure of the universe and the existence of galaxies outside our own. But until the 20th century, they were able to do no more than speculate. _____. Using grant telescopes, ultraviolet and infrared instruments, and high speed computers, they are studying the formation of galaxies for further insights into the nature of cosmos.

- A) Meanwhile, the study of other galaxies has led to an extraordinary insight into the possible structure of the universe
- B) We know, of course, that the universe is designed on a scale far more grand
- C) After decades of speculation, in fact, we have started to penetrate to the very center of our own galaxy
- D) Now, however, scientists have determined that the universe is made up of thousands of millions of galaxies
- E) They have located regions that are very much disturbed with hot turbulent gases swirling at great force about the center

29. In recent years remarkable results have been achieved in the field of organ transplants. Formerly, a genetically alien tissue could not be transplanted. _____. This is now no longer the case.

- A) Naturally the future of the medicine will be affected greatly by developments in organ transplants
- B) We are familiar with it as the response of the body to an infectious germ
- C) Actually the body generates an army of antibodies to fight off the invading germs
- D) Eventually, it will be possible to transplant any organ from one person to another
- E) Plastic surgery used to depend on using the skin or tissues of the patient himself or of a genetically identical twin

Directions for the questions 30-32. Which sentence is different in meaning from the others?

30. (I) "Flying saucers" is the name given to saucer-like shapes which have, on occasion, been seen traveling through the atmosphere. (II) For some time speculation was rife, especially in America, as to what they were. (III) So it is time they were taken seriously and studied scientifically. (IV) Now, however, it is believed that they are nothing more than atmospheric phenomena. (V) That is to say they are as unreal as mirages or mock suns caused by unusual atmospheric conditions.

- A) I
- B) II
- C) III
- D) IV
- E) V

31. (I) In general, the term "abstract art" is used to describe new movements and techniques in plastic arts in the 20th century. (II) The underlying principle of this art is that it is not the subject at all but form and colour which really possess aesthetic value. (III) Obviously, we cannot disregard the fact that the vitality of art throughout history is closely bound up with some form of religion. (IV) Most art historians suggest that the Impressionists, especially Cezanne, can be considered to be the pioneers of this art. (V) Also, there are some who strongly argue that the origins of abstract art are to be sought in the designs of primitive people as well as folk art.

- A) I
- B) II
- C) III
- D) IV
- E) V

32. (I) Fairs were first established in Medieval times as a means of bringing traders and customers together at stated places and periods. (II) Among the earliest examples were those of Winchester and Stourbridge in England. (III) To these fairs came traders from the Continent and the Baltic region. (IV) Today's fairs are of a different nature, being largely expositions of high technology. (V) They did business with the English merchants, and goods of every kind were exchanged.

- A) I
- B) II
- C) III
- D) IV
- E) V

Directions for the questions 33-34. Re-state the sentences in bold.

33. Some scientists think that a meteor impact, that occurred around 65 million years ago, may have caused the extinction of the dinosaurs.

- A) In the opinion of some scientists, the extinction of the dinosaurs could have been the result of the impact of a meteor which occurred roughly 65 million years ago.
- B) According to some scientists, the extinction of the dinosaurs was caused by a meteor that struck Earth 657 million or so years ago.
- C) Some scientists reckon that the impact of a meteor that struck Earth some 65 million years ago need not have caused the extinction of the dinosaurs.
- D) These scientists agree that the impact of a meteor over 65 million years ago must have caused the extinction of the dinosaurs.
- E) The extinction of the dinosaurs could only have been caused by a meteor impact that occurred some 65 million years ago.

34. When he asked which one I wanted, I said I didn't mind.

- A) He said I could choose between them, but I said it didn't matter to me.
- B) He said I had to choose, but I didn't want to.
- C) It was up to me to choose between them, but I really didn't want to.
- D) He wanted me to choose for him and I agreed to do so.
- E) I would have done the choosing if they had asked me to.

Directions for the questions 35-40. Read the passages carefully and answer the questions.

Real-depression cannot be as easily overcome as some people often suppose. It usually passes with time - but the time can seem endless. Activities giving companionship and a new interest can help. But for the sufferer to talk, again and again, about the causes of the depression helps most. People with depression need to be listened to and encouraged to find their own solutions, not made to feel yet more inadequate by good advice. They may need professional counselling as well as the support of family and friends.

35. In overcoming depression the support of friends and family

- A) can best be directed into giving good advice
- B) is the only solution
- C) may cause more harm than good
- D) never contributes to any improvement in the patient
- E) is not always sufficient

36. The writer suggests that people with depression

- A) should not be allowed much social activity
- B) should rely solely on professional counselling
- C) need, more than anything else, someone to listen to them
- D) ought to remain alienated from society for a long time
- E) receive an unnecessary amount of sympathy

37. According to the passage some people

- A) seem to underestimate how difficult it is to get over depression
- B) suffer from depression over long periods of time
- C) refuse to get professional counselling
- D) suffering from depression have been cured through the good advice of friends
- E) with depression don't want to talk about their problems

In 1964 the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development was held. For the first time the poorer nations of the world came together to act as a pressure group on trading matters. The Conference made the following recommendations. The Developing countries should be given free access to world markets for their manufactures and semi manufactures by the elimination of quotas and tariffs. International commodity agreements should be made for each major primary commodity in world trade to stabilise commodity prices. Moreover, compensation schemes, whereby the underdeveloped countries are compensated for the declining prices of their primary products, were recommended for consideration. The Conference also resolved that the developed countries should aim to provide at least 1 per cent of their national income as aid for the underdeveloped countries.

38. As can be understood from the passage, the 1964 United nations Conference on Trade and Development was remarkable because

- A) the developing countries now had the chance, for the first time, to have free access to the markets of the developed countries.
- B) it failed to formulate a policy that would ensure the stabilisation of world commodity prices.
- C) all the demands of the underdeveloped countries were accepted without reservation by the developed countries.
- D) a number of deadlines were set for the signing of international commodity agreements.
- E) the world's poorer countries participating in the Conference took joint action to influence the resolutions on trading matters.

39. With reference to this Conference, one development mentioned in the passage was that

- A) each country was to benefit from compensation schemes.
- B) the idea of compensation schemes came to the fore.
- C) developed countries should not benefit from compensation schemes.
- D) compensation schemes were to be put into effect as soon as possible.
- E) the poorer countries should be compensated for their general trade deficits.

40. From the passage we learn that one of the resolutions adopted by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

- A) was soon revoked due to strong pressure coming from underdeveloped member countries.
- B) considerably raised the world trade tariffs on a variety of commodities.
- C) concerned the amount of aid to be given by the developed countries to the underdeveloped.
- D) envisaged a step-by-step lifting of the world's trade barriers.
- E) made it imperative for the developed countries to open up their markets to the manufactured goods of the underdeveloped countries

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