

English Placement Test C1/C2

Part I Rewrite each sentence, beginning as shown, so that the meaning stays the same. When you are finished, compare your answers with the answer key. You get 1 point for each correct answer.

1 People believe professor Yunus invented microcredit while visiting the rural areas in Bangladesh.

Professor Yunus is _____

2 We'll finish this project soon.

It won't _____

3 I work for BTB, but a few years ago I rejected an interesting offer from AKK because then they didn't pay enough.

I think I would be working for AKK now, if _____ a few years ago.

4 "Mary, I think you need to change the way you treat your staff."

I suggested Mary _____

5 I'm sure he's coming to the party on Friday!

He must _____

6 The passengers on the ferry were never in any danger.

At no time _____

7 "In my opinion, this investment is too risky."

My advisor warned me _____

8 I used to go out with this girl.

That's _____

9 No one can solve this problem.

There _____

10 KPR makes 500,000 cars. Their main rival makes 250,000 cars.

KPR makes twice as _____

11 Would you accept their invitation if they offered you a separate room?

Were they _____

12 Wind turbines are a valuable source of renewable energy. They are not without risks, however.

Although _____

13 My suit is really dirty. I'm going to the dry cleaners' tomorrow.

I must have _____

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14 People buy shares if they have confidence in the market.

Unless _____

15 I regret selling my old car.

I wish _____

16 If you learn more, you know more.

The _____

17 "I had nothing to do with it!"

He denied _____

18 I didn't know I had to submit my assignment by the end of the week.

I wasn't _____

19 Emigrating was a mistake.

I should _____

20 I thought I might need help so I asked Pete to come with me.

I asked Pete to come with me in _____

21 Although economic conditions in Europe are difficult, Chinese investment is on the rise.

Despite _____

22 The entire office was empty. This made me suspicious

The entire office was empty, _____

23 We were in a position which gave us very little room for manoeuvre.

The position _____

24 It's impossible that we worked for FTD at the same time.

We _____

25 Steven will finish this project. He will have much more time then.

Once _____

Part II Choose the option which best completes each of the following sentences. When you are finished, compare your answers with the answer key. You get 1 point for each correct answer.

1 "Are you sure this will do for you?" " I think I can _____ ."

- a) have it done b) get it to do c) make it do d) do it do

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2 Professor Wilson _____ to give a paper on world politics.

- a) complied b) accepted c) consented d) submitted

3 When a soldier receives orders, he has to obey them _____ .

- a) prudently b) promptly c) profoundly d) patiently

4 _____ is the act of insulting or showing contempt for God.

- a) delinquency b) piety c) reverence d) blasphemy

5 Because Mr Jones is _____ , he is not so likely to regard you as a threat.

- a) self-confident b) self-assertive c) self-contained d) self-conscious

6 She tried to _____ me into going shopping with her, but I refused.

- a) make b) persuade c) convince d) suggest

7 A deluge is the same as a _____ .

- a) downpour b) blizzard c) hailstorm d) meltdown

8 The new manager doesn't _____ of smoking in the conference room.

- a) allow b) accept c) approve d) permit

9 He is as good at _____ others as he is at praising himself.

- a) flaying b) flaunting c) flabbergasting d) flattering

10 These days almost anything _____ .

- a) does b) goes c) makes d) clings

11 Who goes there? Friend or _____ ?

- a) fiend b) enemy c) fob d) foe

12 I work for an insurance company and deal with all the _____ that come in.

- a) queries b) inquiries c) requests d) questions

13 George is doing an additional _____ in graphic design.

- a) research b) practice c) course d) study

14 Far-_____ actions have a very wide influence and effect a great number of things.

- a) fetched b) stretching c) sighted d) reaching

15 Thank God you have come _____ ! The train leaves in three minutes.

- a) lastly b) finally c) at the end d) at last

16 Mr Jones said the plan had _____ similarities with the previous one.

- a) superfluous b) superstitious c) superficial d) supercilious

17 The _____ period of economic growth soon ended.

- a) brief b) concise c) abrupt d) little

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18 They were _____ even to the charm, eloquence and beauty of Miss Finchley.

- a) impertinent b) impervious c) impious d) impeccable

19 All conference participants wore _____ with their names.

- a) badges b) tags c) labels d) signs

20 Their _____ made them take a trip round the world.

- a) watchband b) wanderlust c) walloping d) wastage

21 Janet and James had a blazing _____ last night.

- a) quarrel b) debate c) row d) disagreement

22 When we saw a policeman we cleared _____ as fast as we could.

- a) out b) off c) away d) up

23 The government should introduce measures aimed to put _____, or at least restrict, organised crime.

- a) up b) out c) off d) down

24 It is still uncertain whether or not the place _____. The decision must be made before May.

- a) will be rebuilt b) would be rebuilt c) is rebuilt d) will have been rebuilt

25 You won't find a camera with so many functions. It _____ so heavy as to be hardly usable in field work.

- a) would have to be b) would have been c) were d) had to be

Part III Complete with the missing words. When you are finished, compare your answers with the answer key. You get 1 point for each correct answer.

1 Do not __ d ___ with the remote control or else you will break it.

2 The present food ___ r ___ in this country has been caused by several years of centrally planned economy.

3 By refusing to join the new coalition, the party __ m _____ political suicide.

4 I don't believe in a single word he says. He is a ___ o _____ liar.

5 Women, with a few prominent __ c _____, are conspicuous by their absence in politics.

6 Frank Brown is __ l _____. He can neither read nor write.

7 Łódź is not a big city in ___ p _____ to London.

8 Iran is one of the world's leading __ u __ oil producers.

9 The experts decided that the painting was a __ n _____ van Gogh; however, still many people do not believe it is authentic.

10 I tried to warn them what the likely consequences might be, but they paid little ___ t _____.

11 Carol has ___ d _____. She is a fully qualified civil engineer now.

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12 Millions of people were ___ m _____ during the Great Depression. It was very difficult to find and keep jobs.

13 If food prices are put up too far, the people will __ o _ .

14 John is a first- __ t _ swimmer but I don't believe he will be able to win the competition.

15 The driver was __ n __ for exceeding the speed limit.

16 Their visit was to last one week but it was prolonged to a ___ t _____ .

17 My city has almost 500,000 ___ a _____ .

18 These animals __ d _____ complete metamorphosis during their life cycle.

19 After a short period of stagnation in the 1980s, the country's development was
__ c _____ in the 1990s only to slow down again in the next decade.

20 He hoped he might be able to emigrate to the USA but it was pure ___ h ___ thinking.

Answer key

Part I

The answer has to be exactly the same as that in the answer key. In some cases, two correct answers are provided.

1 Professor Yunus is believed to have invented microcredit while visiting the rural areas in Bangladesh.

2 It won't take us long/much time to finish the project.

3 I think I would be working for AKK now, if they had paid more/ I hadn't rejected their offer a few years ago.

4 I suggested Mary (should) change the way she treated her staff.

5 He must be coming to the party on Friday.

6 At no time were the passengers on the ferry in any danger.

7 My advisor warned me against (making) this investment /not to make this investment.

8 That's the girl (that / who) I used to go out with / with whom I used to go out.

9 There is no solution to this problem / is no one (nobody) who can solve this problem.

10 KPR makes twice as many cars as their main rival.

11 Were they to offer you a separate room, would you accept their invitation?

12 Although wind turbines are a valuable source of renewable energy, they are not without risks.

13 I must have my suit cleaned.

14 Unless they have confidence in the market, people don't buy shares.

15 I wish I hadn't sold my old car.

16 The more you learn, the more you know.

17 He denied having anything to do with it / (that) he had had anything to do with it.

18 I wasn't aware I had to submit my assignment by the end of the week.

19 I should not have emigrated.

20 I asked Pete to come with me in case I needed (his) help.

21 Despite difficult economic conditions in Europe, Chinese investment is on the rise.

22 The entire office was empty, which made me suspicious.

23 The position (that / which) we were in / in which we were gave us very little room for manoeuvre.

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24 We **can't have worked** for FTD at the same time.

25 Once Steven finishes this project, he **will have** much more time.

Part II

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
c	c	b	d	a	b	a	c	d	b	d	a	c

14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
d	d	c	a	b	a	b	c	b	d	a	a

Part III

1 fiddle

2 shortage

3 committed

4 notorious

5 exceptions

6 illiterate

7 comparison

8 crude

9 genuine

10 attention

11 graduated

12 unemployed

13 riot

14 rate

15 fined

16 fortnight

17 inhabitants

18 undergo

19 accelerated

20 wishful

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The number of points indicates the following level of language proficiency:

20 – 39 points B2

40 – 59 points C1

60 – 70 points C2