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Advanced Level Grammar Exercise – MCQ Test 17

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1. His scheme, with all its shortcomings, will inevitably be pushed through _____, by Tuesday, we can produce one which is obviously much more feasible.
A) how **B)** so that
C) unless **D)** moreover
E) in case

2. _____ he gives the appearance of sincerity and reliability, just remember that you can't trust him an inch.
A) That **B)** As far as
C) Nevertheless **D)** So
E) Though

3. On that occasion, he really was _____ luck: it was as if everything had combined _____ him.
A) up to / through **B)** away from / behind
C) out of / against **D)** into / upon
E) on to / over

4. Few sociologists will admit that a city is distinct _____ a village merely _____ the number of its inhabitants.
A) of / for **B)** from / by
C) to / over **D)** in / through
E) off / in

5. Water has a moderating effect on temperature, _____ summer and midday heat, and winter and midnight cold.
A) diminished **B)** having diminished
C) to diminish **D)** being diminished
E) diminishing

6. When that happened, their hopes _____ because the army _____ its most trusted leaders.
A) wane / would lose
B) are waning / loses
C) waned / had lost
D) were waning / has lost
E) have waned / lost

7. They _____ the advantages and the disadvantages of the takeover when I _____ them an hour or so later.
A) will discuss / would rejoin
B) have discussed / am rejoining
C) are discussing / will rejoin
D) were discussing / rejoined
E) would discuss / had rejoined

8. We still _____ that any changes in the law along these lines _____ to our advantage.
A) had believed / will have been
B) believed / had been
C) have believed / would be
D) would believe / were being
E) believe / will be

9. In calculators, calculations _____ entirely with integers yield exact results as long as the numbers _____ too big for the space allotted.
A) doing / were not
B) having done / have not been
C) to have been done / would not have been
D) done / are not
E) to be done / will not be

10. Twenty years ago, the study of ageing _____ as somewhat misdirected, but now it _____ into an important science.
A) was regarded / has developed
B) had been regarded / would develop
C) has been regarded / would be developing
D) would have been regarded / had developed
E) was being regarded / has been developing

11. In some ways, we know little more about the planets than _____ the ancients who worshipped them.
A) had done **B)** have done
C) do **D)** would do
E) did

12. The first stage of the new factory project _____ last year, and work on the second phase _____ well now.
A) had been completed / would progress
B) was completed / is progressing
C) would have been completed / was progressing
D) has been completed / will progress
E) was being completed / has progressed

13. While the battle for market share _____ out in the open, the technological capability of the larger companies _____ them the lead.
A) had been fought / was giving
B) was fought / would give
C) was being fought / gave
D) would have been fought / will give
E) is being fought / has given

14. Dwindling oil reserves and concerns _____ exhaust emissions have heightened the search _____ more sustainable sources.
A) into / with **B)** through / into
C) about / at **D)** over / for
E) for / by

15. The World Commission on Dams found that, _____ average, large dams exceed their budget _____ 56%.

A) of / up **B)** in / off
C) for / under **D)** by / from
E) on / by

16. The interiors of planets are totally inaccessible, _____ what we know about them comes from indirect measurements and analysis.

A) so **B)** whereas
C) even though **D)** since
E) so as

17. It was not long _____ the design deficiencies of the room became apparent.

A) as if **B)** before
C) when **D)** wherever
E) unless

18. In every forensic laboratory, there should be _____ with the basic training to make sense of botanical evidence.

A) each **B)** anyone
C) someone **D)** one another
E) them

19. The centre conducted the study _____ identify priority areas for conservation.

A) in order to **B)** as well as
C) with respect to **D)** due to
E) with reference to

20. The next model the company produced was well-engineered and finely built; _____, it never became popular and sales were poor.

A) on the contrary **B)** even so
C) just as **D)** such as
E) in accordance with

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