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Advanced Level Grammar Exercise – MCQ Test 18

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1. In 1994, seven countries signed an accord, agreeing to guidelines designed to minimize the _____ of salmon farming on wild fish in the North Atlantic.
A) relevance **B)** establishment
C) impact **D)** perception
E) improvement

2. Had this 70-metre-long asteroid entered the Earth's atmosphere, it could have _____ a large city.
A) reconciled **B)** inflated
C) captured **D)** destroyed
E) erupted

3. India has dozens of half-completed water projects, not to mention a _____, centuries-old infrastructure of forgotten local water supply systems.
A) perishable **B)** stable
C) vast **D)** predominant
E) sensitive

4. Researchers attending the World Water Forum in Kyoto last year argued that collecting and using water more _____ would lessen the need for more dams.
A) efficiently **B)** plentifully
C) wastefully **D)** remarkably
E) speedily

5. Apparently the drop in farm incomes had nothing to _____ the introduction of modern farming methods.
A) close down **B)** make out
C) sort out **D)** force out
E) do with

6. Most of our exposure to organic mercury _____ eating oily fish such as tuna.
A) plays up **B)** turns into
C) comes from **D)** finds out
E) puts up with

7. Since the equator is the closest place _____ earth to the sun, the atmosphere _____ it absorbs the most solar energy.
A) in / at **B)** of / through
C) with / across **D)** at / over
E) on / around

8. Because the plateau was so far _____ sea level, when we finally reached it, we had difficulty _____ breathing.
A) below / with **B)** under / about
C) from / for **D)** above / in
E) over / at

9. My parents are taking me to the theatre this evening to _____ my being ill when they had a party last week.
A) go down with **B)** keep in touch with
C) make up for **D)** take no notice of
E) take part in

10. It is important for people who lead an inactive life to _____ a sport like swimming or cycling.
A) break down **B)** take up
C) call off **D)** put out
E) make off

11. Although it cannot be proven scientifically, presumably, the expansion of the universe will _____ as it approaches a critical radius.
A) slow down **B)** cool down
C) build up **D)** filter out
E) go off

12. Schizophrenia, a behavioural _____, may well be triggered by genetic predisposition, stress, drugs, or infections.
A) inclination **B)** disorder
C) diagnosis **D)** inhibition
E) transplantation

13. The phone call must have been about something urgent, considering how _____ the bewildered teacher left after it.
A) abruptly **B)** joyfully
C) exclusively **D)** hesitantly
E) reluctantly

14. The cut on your leg looks very nasty. I genuinely recommend that you get _____ medical attention.
A) constant **B)** relentless
C) immediate **D)** adjacent
E) punctual

15. Calculus, an elegant and economical symbolic system, can _____ complex problems to simple terms.
A) reduce **B)** make
C) raise **D)** aggravate
E) alleviate

16. I think Jack _____ moving to a quieter area when he _____ next summer.
A) has considered / will retire
B) considered / will have retired
C) will be considering / retire
D) is considering / retires
E) had considered / is retiring

17. Whereas in 1975 only one in every ten new enterprises _____ by a woman, in 1989 this figure _____ to one in three.

A) established / was increased
B) was established / had increased
C) was establishing / would increase
D) had established / had been increased
E) would establish / was increasing

18. Although the scientific community had hoped that the field of transplantation _____, the shortage of organ donors has curtailed research.

A) has progressed
B) would progress
C) must have progressed
D) is progressing
E) had progressed

19. _____ a small specimen of the amniotic fluid is removed from a fetus, it will be possible to determine whether the baby will be born with birth defects.

A) Unless
B) Contrary to
C) In pursuit of
D) Irrespective of
E) If

20. Jane wasn't actually feeling fit enough to work overtime; _____, she did it as she was in dire need of money.

A) therefore
B) besides
C) nonetheless
D) despite
E) on the other hand

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