UPPER INTERMEDIATE LEVEL VOCABULARY TESTS

Upper Intermediate Vocabulary Test 1 – ESL Vocabulary Exercises

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1. Modern airlines offer their passengers a great variety of _____ comforts.
A) vulgar **B)** civilized
C) lazy **D)** competent
E) impotent

2. What they call "female intuition" is very easy to explain in evolutionary _____.
A) terms **B)** lectures
C) words **D)** books
E) texts

3. They say a woman might forgive an insult, but she would never forgive being _____.
A) persuaded **B)** ignored
C) sacrificed **D)** praised
E) institutionalized

4. These results seem to _____ that vitamin B12 supplementation may work wonders for the brain.
A) define **B)** imply
C) refer **D)** infer
E) describe

5. Am I to _____ from your last remarks that my services are no longer required here?
A) define **B)** refer
C) imply **D)** infer
E) misunderstand

6. Who would have guessed that the great champion would have to _____ from the race because of a simple puncture?
A) fluctuate **B)** detour
C) deviate **D)** defeat
E) withdraw

7. When it comes to their favourite football team, many fans become quite _____ and refuse to listen to reason.
A) illogical **B)** illiterate
C) illegible **D)** unintelligible
E) illegitimate

8. He was _____ from service for his persistent disobedience.
A) distorted **B)** sacrificed
C) dismissed **D)** blackened
E) disrupted

9. Many people thought it was a gross _____ to condemn her.
A) impartiality **B)** fairness
C) injustice **D)** honesty
E) morality

10. I don't think that was a very wise decision. The people are _____ to rise up against it in arms.
A) bound **B)** hostile
C) crude **D)** displeased
E) obstinate

11. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your _____ help in getting me a job.
A) invaluable **B)** valueless
C) worthless **D)** unworthy
E) unprofitable

12. The new mayor promised that _____ would return to the town once the new factory opened, bringing hundreds of jobs.
A) prosperity **B)** hostility
C) tranquillity **D)** feasibility
E) responsibility

13. Like all empires, the Ottomans went through their periods of rise, _____ and fall, finally leaving the stage to the young Turkish Republic, founded under the able leadership of Mustafa Kemal Atatürk on Oct. 29, 1923.
A) damage **B)** repair
C) refusal **D)** decline
E) denial

14. Listen, young man. I will not repeat myself. I'm going to ask you a simple question, and I want a (an) _____ answer from you.
A) reluctant **B)** obstinate
C) straight **D)** objectionable
E) stubborn

15. She was disgusted and enraged by his _____ proposal.
A) indecent **B)** laudable
C) perishable **D)** indispensable
E) individual

16. Burak's licence was _____ after he had been caught driving under the influence for the third time.
A) revoked **B)** revolted
C) revolved **D)** resented
E) retreated

17. His uncle has been diagnosed with a (an) _____ disease and has been given only six months to live.
A) terminal **B)** disposable
C) exterminating **D)** eliminating
E) scheduled

18. That morning, the President's pardon luckily arrived just in time. He would have been _____ otherwise.
A) executed **B)** elevated
C) excavated **D)** released
E) exhibited

19. Behavioural effects of this substance will now be studied in _____ versus timid mice in intraspecies conflicts.
A) impressive **B)** permissive
C) aggressive **D)** intensive
E) comprehensive

20. It is a pity that they do not seem to pay much attention to any _____ future environmental problems.
A) improbable **B)** unreasonable
C) unbelievable **D)** impossible
E) probable

21. The company has obtained a loan of US$100 billion to _____ growth and strengthen its market position.
A) retard **B)** succeed
C) compute **D)** accelerate
E) hamper

22. He knew it would be stupid to try and rob the bank ***on his own.*** He needed a (an) _____.
A) powerful gun
B) fast getaway car
C) formidable foe
D) accomplice
E) detailed map of the building

23. He fell on his knees, _____ for mercy.
A) pleading **B)** acquiring
C) masquerading **D)** concentrating
E) competing

24. The difference was so _____ that it went unnoticed.
A) vast **B)** obvious
C) slight **D)** abundant
E) enormous

25. You can be certain that I won't tell anybody. My lips are _____.
A) closed **B)** pursed
C) obsolete **D)** puckered
E) sealed

26. She _____ aimlessly all night long through the deserted streets.
A) whispered **B)** withstood
C) wondered **D)** wandered
E) warmongered

27. Well, at least you can rest _____ that the economy will not be any worse next year.
A) assured **B)** insured
C) ensured **D)** measured
E) confiscated

28. Wasn't it Dostoevsky who wrote a novel about a crime and its _____ punishment?
A) funereal **B)** subsequent
C) sacrificial **D)** martial
E) protestant

29. I'm sorry, but I can't read your doctor's handwriting; it's quite _____.
A) illogical **B)** illiterate
C) illegible **D)** unintelligible
E) illegitimate

30. He _____ into the kitchen.
A) tiptoed **B)** drip-dried
C) browbeat **D)** waylaid
E) topsyturvied

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