

SAMPLE PLACEMENT TEST

1. Choose the correct answer.

_____ book that I bought yesterday is on _____ my table.

Answers

- The/___
- ___/the
- A/___
- The/a

2. Choose the correct answer to complete the following sentence.

While we _____ in the office, he gave me his business card.

Answers

- were talking
- sat
- are sitting
- sit

3. Find the mistake in the following sentence:

John bought a present to him friend last night.

Answers

- bought
- a
- to
- him

4. Choose the correct sentence of the following:

Answers

- I have got dinner at eight o'clock
- I has dinner at eight o'clock.
- I dinner at eight o'clock.
- I have dinner at eight o'clock.

5. Choose the correct structure

Answers

- George is getting too fat. I think he should go on a diet.
- I am going in a holiday next month.
- My sister is on love with her boyfriend.
- There is an entertainment show of television tonight.

Reading Comprehension

Read the following text and then answer the following question:

For more than a decade now, I've been spending a lot of time online, searching and surfing and sometimes adding to the great databases of the Internet. The Web has been a godsend to me as a writer. Research that once required days in the stacks or periodical rooms of libraries can now be done in minutes. A few Google searches, some quick clicks on hyperlinks, and I've got the telltale fact or pithy quote I was after. Even when I'm not working, I'm reading and writing e-mails, scanning headlines and blog posts, watching videos and listening to podcasts, or just tripping from link to link to link.

For me, as for others, the Net is becoming a universal medium, the **conduit** for most of the information that flows through my eyes and ears and into my mind. The advantages of having immediate access to such an incredibly rich store of information are many. They supply the stuff of thought, but they also shape the process of thought. And what the Net seems to be doing is chipping away my capacity for concentration and contemplation. My mind now expects to take in information the way the Net distributes it: in a swiftly moving stream of particles. Once I was a scuba diver in the sea of words. Now I zip along the surface like a guy on a Jet Ski.

I'm not the only one. When I mention my troubles with reading to friends and acquaintances—literary types, most of them—many say they're having similar experiences. The more they use the Web, the more they have to fight to stay focused on long pieces of writing. Some of the bloggers I follow have also begun mentioning the

phenomenon. [Bruce Friedman, who blogs regularly about the use of computers in medicine](#), also has described how the Internet has altered his mental habits. “I now have almost totally lost the ability to read and absorb a longish article on the web or in print,” he wrote earlier this year.

A recently published [study of online research habits](#), conducted by scholars from University College London, suggests that we may well be in the midst of a sea change in the way we read and think. As part of the five-year research program, the scholars examined computer logs documenting the behavior of visitors to two popular research sites, one operated by the British Library and one by a U.K. educational consortium, that provide access to journal articles, e-books, and other sources of written information. They found that people using the sites exhibited “a form of skimming activity,” hopping from one source to another and rarely returning to any source they’d already visited. They typically read no more than one or two pages of an article or book before they would “bounce” out to another site. Sometimes they’d save a long article, but there’s no evidence that they ever went back and actually read it.

6. The word “conduit” is closest in meaning to:

Answers

- channel
- show
- conduct
- head

7. The word “acquaintance” is closest in meaning to:

Answers

- enemy
- acquire
- stranger
- associate

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Answers

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10. In the article, the author is complaining about

Answers

- his internet tools
- his friends' behavior on the internet
- his inability to finish any internet search
- his inability to concentrate

11. According to the research, if the article was only 4 pages, the

visitor would read

Answers

- 3 pages
- 4 pages
- Nothing
- Half the article

12. In his free time, the author

Answers

- skims the internet
- goes jet skiing
- goes scuba diving
- writes articles

13. The pronoun “it” in paragraph 2 refers to

Answers

- information
- mind
- the way
- the net

14. The main idea of the text is:

Answers

- University College London found that people usually skim the internet quickly
- Bruce Friedman’s mental habits have been changed by the internet
- The internet is very fast and useful for everyone
- Surfing too much internet could change the process of thought

15. Fill in the blank with the correct choice.

The chef _____ the other chefs to prepare Shish Kebab instead of Pizza.

Answers

- said
- told
- say
- tell

16. Fill in the space with the correct choice.

The inhabitants of this city come _____ all over the world.

Answers

- of
- to
- by
- from

17. Choose the CORRECT punctuation mark.

Luna was learning to play the piano ___ the drums and the violin.

Answers

- A colon (:)
- A full stop (.)
- A comma (,)
- A question mark (?)

18. Fill in the blank with the correct choice.

Who can give _____ the right answer?

Answers

- I
- me
- my
- mine

Reading Comprehension

Read the text and answer the question that follows:

Bill Gates

1. William Henry Gates III (Bill) was born on October 28, 1955, in Seattle, Washington. Bill was the second of three children in an upper-middle class family. He enjoyed playing games with the family and was very competitive. He also loved to read. Bill became bored in public school so his family sent him to Lakeside School, a private school, where he excelled in math and science and did well in drama and English. Gates wrote a tic-tac toe program using BASIC, one of the first computer languages. Later he created a computer version of Risk, a board game he liked in which the goal is world domination.

2. At Lakeside, Bill met Paul Allen, who shared his interest in computers. Gates, Allen and two other students hacked into a computer belonging to Computer Center Corporation (CCC) to get free computer time but were caught. After a period of supervision, they were allowed back in the computer lab when they offered to fix glitches in CCC's software. At age 17, Gates and Allen were paid \$20,000 for a program called Traf-O-Data that was used to count traffic.

3. In early 1973, Bill Gates served as a congressional page in the U.S. . He scored 1590 out of 1600 on the SAT and was accepted by Harvard University. Meanwhile, Paul Allen **dropped out of Washington College to work on computers at Honeywell Corporation and convinced Gates to drop out of Harvard and join him in starting**

a new software company in Albuquerque, New Mexico. They called it Micro-Soft. This was soon changed to Microsoft, and they moved their company to Bellevue, Washington.

4. Over the years, Microsoft developed many new technologies and some of the world's most popular software and products such as Word and Power Point. Although some have criticized Gates for using questionable business practices, he built Microsoft into one of the largest companies in the world.

5. In 2006, Gates announced that he would cut back his involvement at Microsoft to spend more time on philanthropic foundation that supports many causes including the quest to totally remove polio, fighting AIDS, malaria and tuberculosis; providing vaccinations for children; and even reinventing the toilet among many other things.

19. Which of the following WAS NOT a program written by Bill Gates or Paul Allen?

Answers

- A computerized version of Risk
- Traf-o-Data
- BASIC
- A computerized version of Tic-Tac-Toe

20. What does the word "philanthropic" mean in the last paragraph?

Answers

- related to charity
- business
- computer technology
- wealth

21. In which of the following ways were Bill Gates and Paul Allen NOT alike?

Answers

- They went to the same school.
- They both dropped out of college.
- They both liked computers.
- They both went to the same college.

22. Why **have some people criticized Gates?**

Answers

- for using questionable business practices
- for using unquestionable business practices
- because he spent a lot of money on charity
- for moving his company to Bellevue, Washington

23. **What is the main idea of the first paragraph?**

Answers

- Bill Gates's friendship with Paul Allen
- Bill Gates's achievements
- Bill Gates's early childhood
- Bill Gates and Paul Allens's company

24. **In Paragraph 3, the pronoun "it" refers to _____**

Answers

- New Mexico
- Honeywell Corporation
- a new software company
- Albuquerque

25. **Identify the mistake in the following sentence:**

You look like cheerful today!

Answers

- You
- like
- amazing
- today

26. **Identify the incorrect part of the following sentences.**

If we have more money, we would buy a car

Answers

- If
- more
- would

- Buy a car

27. Choose the correct answer.

He is good _____ in public because he has good presentation skills.

Answers

- sing
- at singing
- in singing
- singer

28. Choose the CORRECT sentence.

Answers

- He shoulds work hard.
- He should works hard.
- He should to work hard.
- He should work hard.

29. Choose the INCORRECT underlined part.

How much potatoes do you need?

Answers

- much
- do
- you
- need

30. Choose the INCORRECT sentence.

Answers

- The bus will be leave the station at eight o'clock.
- The bus leaves the station at eight o'clock.
- The bus is leaving the station at eight o'clock.
- The bus is going to leave the station at eight o'clock.

31. Choose the correct answer to complete the sentence.

I gave them some of the candies I _____.

Answers

- bought
- will buy
- have bought
- had bought

32. Choose the correct answer to complete the sentence:

There is too much traffic today. I think we _____ late to work.

Answers

- will be
- are going to be
- were going to be
- would be

33. Choose the correct answer to complete the sentence:

Diseases can _____ by inherited disorders.

Answers

- be caused
- cause
- be causing
- is caused

34. Choose the suitable answer to fill in the gap:

She suggested _____ three stories every day.

Answers

- to read
- reading
- Had read
- To read

35. Choose the correct answer to fill in the blank.

After she is appointed as the executive director, Mary her success

Answers

- will be proven
- would be proven
- would to prove
- will have proven