

Grammar Section (40 Questions)

Circle the letter of the correct answer.

1. I was _____ disappointed with my son's behavior. I felt so ashamed!
(A) amazingly
(B) remarkably
(C) utterly
(D) slightly
2. They _____ both different in size and shape.
(A) is
(B) are
(C) has
(D) have
3. The organic food is _____ and more nutritious than the processed food.
(A) healthier
(B) healthiest
(C) healthyer
(D) healthiest
4. Surprisingly, my grandfather asked me to _____ a social media account for him.
(A) creative
(B) created
(C) creating
(D) create
5. Which of the following sentences is correct?
(A) She could have never done the project without my help.
(B) Never she could have done the project without me.
(C) She could have done the project never without me.
(D) She could have done the project without me never.
6. My little son wants to be _____ astronaut when he grows up.
(A) a
(B) the
(C) an
(D) ✖ (sentence works with no answer)

7. _____ doctor do you take your kids to when they get sick?
 - (A) What
 - (B) Who
 - (C) Which
 - (D) Whose
8. Setting the temperature of the conditioners lower _____ more energy.
 - (A) consume
 - (B) consumes
 - (C) consumed
 - (D) consuming
9. Katy Perry is the _____ followed celebrity on Twitter.
 - (A) most
 - (B) more
 - (C) much
 - (D) many
10. Which of the following sentences is correct?
 - (A) We reached to the library closed by that time.
 - (B) The library was closed by the time we reached it.
 - (C) The closed library was reached to by us by that time.
 - (D) By the time we reached closed was the library.
11. I am reading a very interesting book at the moment. _____ book is about dolphins.
 - (A) A
 - (B) These
 - (C) The
 - (D) An
12. The Gevora Hotel is _____ tallest hotel in _____ UAE.
 - (A) the----- a
 - (B) (sentence works with no answer)-----the
 - (C) a-----the
 - (D) the-----the
13. The Emiratis _____ economically on pearling and fishing before they discovered oil in 1960.
 - (A) was depending
 - (B) depended
 - (C) has depended
 - (D) had depended

14. _____ I take many selfies, I never upload them online.
- (A) During
 - (B) Although
 - (C) Before
 - (D) Which
15. Neither Tom Cruise nor Johnny Depp _____ ever won an Oscar.
- (A) is
 - (B) are
 - (C) has
 - (D) have
16. Amanda was furious _____ me because she had to wait for an hour in the street before I came to pick her up.
- (A) with
 - (B) for
 - (C) against
 - (D) to
17. I _____ the house when the guest arrived suddenly.
- (A) cleaned
 - (B) cleaning
 - (C) was cleaning
 - (D) have been cleaning
18. You should _____ to plan a visit to Jabal Jais in Ras Al Khaimah. It is breathtaking!
- (A) to try
 - (B) trying
 - (C) tried
 - (D) try
19. _____ she was busy in the kitchen, her little kid dropped a vase and hurt himself.
- (A) During
 - (B) Until
 - (C) Before
 - (D) While
20. We need to work _____ in order to submit the report by Thursday.
- (A) activity
 - (B) actively
 - (C) act
 - (D) active

21. If I _____ help, I would have asked for it without hesitation.
- (A) wanted
 - (B) was wanting
 - (C) want
 - (D) had wanted
22. _____ always looking at yourself in the mirror!
- (A) Your
 - (B) Yours
 - (C) You're
 - (D) Were
23. They blamed _____ nanny for the lack of attention.
- (A) their
 - (B) they're
 - (C) there
 - (D) theirs
24. A warm reception _____ for our national football team to celebrate their success next week.
- (A) will organize
 - (B) is organized
 - (C) was organized
 - (D) will be organized
25. Mr. Ali _____ for the company since 2001.
- (A) worked
 - (B) have worked
 - (C) has been working
 - (D) is working
26. Where are Salma and Muthanna? They _____ the dancing fountain show at the moment.
- (A) were enjoying
 - (B) enjoy
 - (C) are enjoying
 - (D) will enjoy
27. Do not allow anyone to put you down. You need to have a thick skin.
- "Have a thick skin" means
- (A) be upset
 - (B) be unaffected
 - (C) be cruel
 - (D) be quiet

28. _____ did you lend the book to?
- (A) Who
 - (B) Whose
 - (C) Whom
 - (D) How
29. Diana, along with her sisters, _____ a dress for the wedding of her cousin Martha.
- (A) is buying
 - (B) are buying
 - (C) buy
 - (D) buys
30. He is such a/an _____ person. He would never lie to anyone.
- (A) honestly
 - (B) honesty
 - (C) honest
 - (D) dishonest
31. To reach your destination, you need to take the exit _____ the right.
- (A) in
 - (B) at
 - (C) for
 - (D) on
32. Which of the following questions is correct?
- (A) Will your mum let you have a sleepover?
 - (B) Is your mum let you have a sleepover?
 - (C) Do your mum let you have a sleepover?
 - (D) Have your mum let you have a sleepover?
33. _____ your hands after you touch raw meat or chicken.
- (A) Washing
 - (B) Washes
 - (C) Wash
 - (D) To wash
34. Let's go _____ downstairs to have tea on the porch.
- (A) to
 - (B) under
 - (C) for
 - (D) ~~a~~ (sentence works with no answer)

35. My child has a stomachache. I think he _____ be sick.
- (A) is going to
 - (B) will be
 - (C) is
 - (D) going to
36. _____ you able to join us for the dinner party tonight?
- (A) Could
 - (B) Are
 - (C) Can
 - (D) Is
37. The answer is "Several times." What is the correct question?
- (A) Have you went to Italy?
 - (B) Have you going to Italy?
 - (C) Have you been to Italy?
 - (D) Have you go to Italy?
38. The answer is "Every Friday." What is the correct question?
- (A) When does he visits his grandparents?
 - (B) When does he visiting his grandparents?
 - (C) When does he visit his grandparents?
 - (D) When does he visited his grandparents?
39. What you said made sense and sounded so correct. You _____.
- (A) hit the nail on the head
 - (B) added insult to injury
 - (C) killed two birds with one stone
 - (D) thought out of the box
40. By the time you finish this book, you _____ a strong grasp of the EMSAT.
- (A) would have
 - (B) had had
 - (C) will have
 - (D) have

Vocabulary Section (40 Questions)

Questions 1-10

Use the words in the box to complete the text and answer questions 1-10. There are two extra words.

official	capture	adjust	located	ideal	widely
competitive	extraordinarily	soil	attracts	combination	concern

If you are one of many people that like the warm weather activities and green gardens, then you may consider taking a trip to Cyprus. The beautiful landscape offers many opportunities for visitors to (1) _____ the beauty in pictures. The (2) _____ name of the country is the Republic of Cyprus, and it is (3) _____ in the Eastern Mediterranean. Many people are unaware that it is the third largest island in the Mediterranean.

With temperatures reaching close to 35C degrees most days and summer lasting up to eight months a year, the weather is (4) _____ for those that want to get away from the cold. Visitors can enjoy the many different activities that are available on the island while experiencing its natural beauty. There are even several different (5) _____ activities that visitors can take part in on the island such as speed swimming, biking, and boating races.

Cyprus also has (6) _____ that is rich in minerals and nutrients that help to make (7) _____ beautiful gardens filled with different plants and flowers. The beauty of the island of Cyprus (8) _____ people from all over the world to come and visit, making the island a very popular travel destination. With the (9) _____ of warm temperatures and beautiful landscapes, it is no surprise that Cyprus is (10) _____ regarded as ideal for those who enjoy the outdoors.

Questions 11-20

Circle the letter of the correct answer.

11. Coca-Cola has a _____ formula for its beverage that is known only to a very small group of people.
 - (A) disturb
 - (B) regular
 - (C) secret
 - (D) massive
12. In the past, people did not have high-speed Internet. Now Internet _____ us to process a great deal of information in a short time.
 - (A) involves
 - (B) enables
 - (C) analyses
 - (D) assumes
13. I don't like _____ flowers. I prefer real flowers because they smell so nice.
 - (A) dull
 - (B) artificial
 - (C) permits
 - (D) surprised
14. There will be _____ available for students that need help in completing projects.
 - (A) assistance
 - (B) access
 - (C) convince
 - (D) element
15. I was surprised by how much the car costs. It was 20 thousand dirhams more than I _____.
 - (A) developed
 - (B) genuine
 - (C) proper
 - (D) expected
16. The elevator's _____ is 350 kilograms. We need to make sure we don't exceed the weight limit.
 - (A) proof
 - (B) option
 - (C) capacity
 - (D) loyal

17. She is very _____ and was able to solve the puzzle before anyone else.
- (A) clever
 - (B) artificial
 - (C) lazy
 - (D) proper
18. Calculus II has very _____ problems. They are some of the hardest and most complicated problems I have ever done.
- (A) simple
 - (B) available
 - (C) complex
 - (D) artificial
19. He _____ the bonus in salary he received. He is one of the best employees in the company and has earned it.
- (A) deserves
 - (B) establishes
 - (C) indicates
 - (D) official
20. I am sorry to _____ you in your meeting, but there is an important phone call for you.
- (A) acquire
 - (B) disturb
 - (C) convince
 - (D) generous

Questions 21-30

Use the words in the box to complete the text and answer questions 21-30. There are two extra words.

provide	expanded	ensure	harm	diet	immediate
threatened	rare	regulations	devoted	decreased	protected

There are many animal rights organizations that are working to (21) _____ that animals are treated with care and respect. Through their hard work, they try to (22) _____ a safe living environment for animals. They work hard to make sure that animals are taken care of and no (23) _____ comes to them. They also provide health care and feed them whenever possible to make sure that the right (24) _____ of food is available for them. Some animals, such as tigers, gorillas, and panda bears, are (25) _____ with only small numbers of them still in existence. There are many reasons that these animals are dying. Sickness and disease kill many of the animals; others are (26) _____ by poachers, who are people who kill them for sport. For example, China, the only country in which panda bears are found, has reported that the number of panda bears found in zoos around the world has (27) _____ in the past 20 years from thousands to now fewer than 200.

Many countries now have laws and (28) _____ to stop their animals from being hurt or killed. Many of those who work for these animal rights organizations are volunteers and receive no pay. They are (29) _____ to helping preserve the wildlife population, and they work long hours to ensure that these populations are (30) _____.

Questions 31-40

Circle the letter of the correct answer.

31. My father always makes sure to put all of our important _____ in a safe place when we travel. He doesn't want anything to happen to them.
- (A) possessions
 - (B) budget
 - (C) loyal
 - (D) opportunity
32. He has to keep his room _____ or his parents will not let him go to the movies. For this reason, he always puts away his clothes and makes his bed.
- (A) regular
 - (B) neat
 - (C) realistic
 - (D) practical

33. Psychologists say that we should try to _____ our children when they play. We can learn a lot about them by watching them.
- (A) occupy
 - (B) ignore
 - (C) remove
 - (D) observe
34. You should be careful with money and _____ in companies you know.
- (A) invest
 - (B) excite
 - (C) find
 - (D) provide
35. His hard work throughout the term _____ that he is serious about his future and will do well in university.
- (A) locates
 - (B) indicates
 - (C) occurs
 - (D) population
36. He _____ the bad automobile accident with only a broken leg.
- (A) survived
 - (B) transformed
 - (C) threatened
 - (D) settled
37. I baked a pizza last night and sliced it into _____ pieces for all the kids.
- (A) total
 - (B) unaware
 - (C) immediate
 - (D) equal
38. She needs to be more _____ at work. She spends so much time looking for files that she doesn't get anything done.
- (A) organized
 - (B) realistic
 - (C) temporary
 - (D) similar

39. He is not _____ for the job. They are looking for someone with three years of experience, and he only has one.
- (A) academic
 - (B) qualified
 - (C) reasonable
 - (D) temporary
40. Before going to bed at night, be sure to put food in the refrigerator or it will _____.
- (A) adapt
 - (B) slip
 - (C) spoil
 - (D) created

Reading Section (45 Questions)

Part 1

Questions 1-10

Use the words in the box to complete the text and answer questions 1-10. There are two extra words.

other	in	they're	having	there	big
the	around	really	need	a	bigger

Canada is a very 1. _____ country. In fact, only one other country, Russia, is 2. _____. Canada is located 3. _____ the northern part of North America. The word 'Canada' probably comes from the word 'kanata' which means 'village'. Before the British and French arrived in the country, Canada's native people had lived 4. _____ for thousands and thousands of years. At the present time, the population of Canada is 5. _____ 36 million. Most Canadians live in cities and some of 6. _____ country's biggest cities are Toronto, Montreal, and Vancouver. The weather in some parts of Canada during the winter is 7. _____ cold. However, in 8. _____ parts such as Victoria in British Colombia, it is 9. _____ little warmer. If you go there, you will probably 10. _____ a visa.

ANSWERS

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| 1. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 7. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 8. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 9. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 10. _____ |

Questions 11-20

Use the words in the box to complete the text and answer questions 11-20. There are two extra words.

all	producers	produced	if	valuing	produces
value	producer	production	although	most	produce

People 11. _____ gold, platinum, and diamonds for their beauty and importance. But which countries are the world's biggest 12. _____? Starting with gold, South Africa is the biggest 13. _____ in Africa, but it is only the fifth largest in the world. In fact, the country that 14. _____ the most amount of gold is China. Russia, the United States, and Australia are bigger producers than South Africa, but they do not 15. _____ as much as China. Its 16. _____ of gold equals about 355,000 kilograms every year. 17. _____ South Africa is not the largest producer of gold, it is the largest producer of platinum. Russia, second on the list of the world's biggest platinum producers, only produces 25,000 kilograms every year. By comparison, South Africa produces about 110,000 kilograms. Finally, do you know which country produces the 18. _____ diamonds? Perhaps you think it is South Africa. 19. _____ you do, you are wrong! It is Russia: in 2016, it 20. _____ 18 million carats.

ANSWERS

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|-----------|-----------|
| 11. _____ | 16. _____ |
| 12. _____ | 17. _____ |
| 13. _____ | 18. _____ |
| 14. _____ | 19. _____ |
| 15. _____ | 20. _____ |

Text A

Questions 21-28

Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. Choose the letter of the correct answer.

Lava is very hot rock, and volcanoes are mountains or hills from which lava comes. When the lava comes out of a volcano, the event is called an eruption. One of the most famous of these happened more than 1,900 years ago. At about 1 p.m. on 24th August 79 CE, Pliny the Elder was at his villa in the town of Misenum on the Bay of Naples. He was reading and enjoying the warm weather. Suddenly, he saw a strange cloud rising into the sky about 30 km away. The cloud had come from one of the mountains near Pompeii. Pliny the Elder didn't know it, but the eruption of Mount Vesuvius had just begun. His son, Pliny the Younger, wrote about the eruption, the first detailed written account we have. Greatly interested, Pliny the Elder got in a boat and sailed towards it. The eruption was deadly and continued for more than 18 hours. By the end of it, several nearby towns, including Pompeii, lay buried and thousands of people were dead. Unfortunately, Pliny the Elder also died, on 25th August.

Mount Fuji, at 3,776 metres, is the highest mountain in Japan. It is also a volcano. Mount Fuji, or Fuji-San, has **inspired** many great artists. One of the most famous works of art featuring Mount Fuji is called *Thirty-Six Views of Mount Fuji* by the Japanese artist Hokusai. In *Thirty-Six Views of Mount Fuji*, there are beautiful landscape pictures of the area around Mount Fuji. When they were painted, Hokusai was in his seventies. One of these pictures, *The Great Wave off Kanagawa* is now one of the most famous artworks in the world. A well-known saying in Japan is that a wise person climbs Mount Fuji once in their lives, but only a fool climbs it twice. **1.** _____ it has not seriously erupted since 1707, Mount Fuji remains active.

One of the largest eruptions in modern times took place in Washington State in 1980. Before the eruption of Mount St Helens, local people called **it** the Fuji-San of America because of its similarity to the Japanese mountain. However, after the eruption, the shape of Mount St Helens changed completely, and the mountain's height fell from 9,600 feet to 8,300. During the eruption, the cloud of ash and lava was 64 km high and 16 km wide. Fifty-seven people lost their lives. Another recent eruption happened in Iceland in April 2010. It sent a huge cloud of ash into the air. As ash from eruptions can damage aircrafts' engines, many flights in Europe were called off. In October 2010, scientists announced that the eruption had finished. Nevertheless, this Icelandic volcano, like Vesuvius, Fuji-San, and Mount St Helens may re-erupt.

21. What is the main idea of the passage?
- (A) Mt. Fuji and Mount St Helens are volcanoes.
 - (B) Volcanoes can affect our lives.
 - (C) Eruptions may delay air travellers.
 - (D) A volcanic eruption may change a volcano's shape.

22. Choose the best answer for **1.** _____ above.
- (A) Eventually,
 - (B) Although
 - (C) Nevertheless,
 - (D) Despite
23. All of the following about Mount St Helens are true EXCEPT that
- (A) its eruption took place in 1980
 - (B) it once looked like Mount Fuji
 - (C) it is in Washington State
 - (D) after its eruption, its appearance was unaffected
24. Which of the following about the eruption in Iceland is NOT mentioned
- (A) The eruption began in April.
 - (B) Travel by air was affected.
 - (C) The ash cloud did not rise as high as the one from Mt. St Helen's.
 - (D) This volcano might erupt again.
25. In the text above, which word below is closest to the meaning of inspired?
- (A) Injured
 - (B) Removed
 - (C) Controlled
 - (D) Encouraged
26. In the text above, what does 'it' (line 21) refer to?
- (A) Mount St. Helens
 - (B) Fuji-San
 - (C) Washington State
 - (D) A local person
27. When were the *Thirty-Six Views of Mount Fuji* painted?
- (A) Before Hokusai was seventy
 - (B) While the artist was an old man
 - (C) During the eruption of Mt. Fuji
 - (D) After *The Great Wave off Kanagawa* became famous
28. What CANNOT be inferred about the eruption of Mount Vesuvius?
- (A) Before Pompeii, no one had ever seen an eruption.
 - (B) The eruption created a great deal of sadness.
 - (C) Pompeii was not far from Mount Vesuvius.
 - (D) Pliny the Younger was not killed by the eruption.

Text B

Questions 29-37

Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. Choose the letter of the correct answer.

If you are going to London on holiday, one of the best places to visit is the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew, or as most people call it, Kew Gardens. Kew Gardens is situated in south-west London. Begun in 1840, it now employs a total of 800 people, most of whom are scientists and gardeners. The gardens even have their own special police force called the Kew Constabulary. Established in 1845, it eventually helped to provide jobs for soldiers returning from the Second Boer War in 1902. Unlike the police in the rest of the United Kingdom, its power is limited to Kew Gardens. Every year, approximately one million people pay to enter the gardens. They come to see its 40 historic buildings, 30,000 different plants, and 750,000 books about plants. These make Kew Gardens an important tourist attraction and a center for international research.

Most of the flowers in Kew Gardens **bloom** in summer, so they look wonderful at this time. As a result, summer is usually the busiest time of the year. If you want to avoid the crowds, you should visit in April. It is quieter and there are still lots of things to see. Here are four of the best places to visit in spring.



THE WOODLAND GARDENS

The Woodland Gardens are near Victoria Gate, which is one of the main entrances to Kew Gardens. In the Woodland Garden, you can see snowdrops and daffodils. Snowdrops, as the name suggests, are small, white flowers. Another spring flower are daffodils, which have bright, yellow flowers. They are also the national flower of Wales.



THE AZALEA GARDEN

Some of the most colourful flowers that you can see at this time of the year are the Japanese and American azalea. Most azalea are shade tolerant which means they prefer to live below trees more than in the Sun. The plants in the Azalea Garden, which is in the middle of Kew Gardens, date from 1820. Azaleas are very attractive. **1.** _____ they are also harmful to humans. Their honey is called 'mad honey' because the honey's toxins, or poisons, can cause illness.



THE DAVIES ALPINE HOUSE

Alpine flowers are plants that grow in mountainous areas. **They** are considered tough because they can deal with difficult conditions such as cold temperatures, limited water, and strong winds. The Davies Alpine House, which was completed in 2006, is next to the Rock Garden. It houses one of the most beautiful alpine flowers that you can see in April. It is called the Chilean blue crocus. Its natural home is in South America on the Andes mountains at 3,000 metres.



WATERLILY HOUSE

Built in 1852, Waterlily House, which is open in April, is the hottest and most humid greenhouse at Kew Gardens. Although the giant Victoria Cruziana waterlily, whose leaves are often 2 metres wide, does not fully bloom until May or June, there are still plenty of other flowers in spring to see.

After walking around, visitors can eat and drink at a number of locations in Kew Gardens. One of them is Victoria Plaza Café, which offers freshly prepared coffee. If you want to have hot food and sit in a historic building, you should try the Orangery Restaurant. If the weather is good, the Pavilion Restaurant has a barbecue on Saturdays and Sundays.

29. What is a good title for this text?
(A) Kew Gardens in the Spring
(B) London in the Summer
(C) Beautiful Flowers
(D) Famous Locations in London
30. Choose the best answer for **1.** _____ above.
(A) Because
(B) For example,
(C) However,
(D) Therefore,
31. Which of the following is NOT true?
(A) The Kew Constabulary began in 1845.
(B) The Royal Botanic Gardens are in London.
(C) More than 750 special police work in Kew Gardens.
(D) Kew Gardens is another name for The Royal Botanic Gardens.
32. Which of the following is true?
(A) The quietest time in Kew Gardens is summer.
(B) Spring in Kew Gardens is quieter than summer in Kew Gardens.
(C) If you want to see the biggest crowd in Kew Gardens, go in April.
(D) Kew Gardens is as busy in spring as it is in summer.
33. All of the following about the Davies Alpine House are true EXCEPT
(A) the plants there can cope with high winds
(B) the plants there require a lot of water
(C) the Chilean blue crocus is one of the plants there
(D) the plants there can survive when the weather is cold
34. In the text above, which word below is closest to the meaning of **bloom**?
(A) Open
(B) Lock
(C) Control
(D) Satisfy

35. In the Davies Alpine House text above, what does '**They**' (line 3) refer to?

- (A) Difficult conditions
- (B) Alpine flowers
- (C) The Alps
- (D) Mountainous regions

36. When was the Kew Constabulary formed?

- (A) During the opening of Kew Gardens
- (B) In 1902
- (C) While Davies Alpine House was being constructed
- (D) Before the Second Boer War

37. Why are azaleas special?

- (A) Their honey is safe for humans to eat.
- (B) All of them live in Europe.
- (C) They respond badly to shade.
- (D) They grow poorly in the Sun.

Text C

Questions 38-45

Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. Choose the letter of the correct answer.

A skyscraper is the name given to a very tall building with a steel frame. Almost every big city in the world today – Shanghai, London, and Dubai to name a few – has skyscrapers. Although iron was used as early as 1796 in buildings, it took longer for steel to be used. In fact, the first skyscraper, which was in Chicago, did not appear until 1885. Its name was the Home Insurance Building, and it was just 42 metres high. By comparison, the giant redwood trees in California, USA regularly reach a height of 90 metres and the tallest one there is over 115 metres.

Two of the best-known skyscrapers ever built are the Chrysler Building and the Empire State, both of which are in New York, USA. Everyone knows them. Work on the Chrysler Building began in 1928 and finished in 1930. The building is 282 metres tall. When it first opened, it was the headquarters of the Chrysler car company, and it remained the headquarters until the 1950s. Work on the Empire State Building began in 1930 and finished about a year later. At over 440 metres, it was the tallest building in the world for thirty years. A huge number of people, over 3,400, helped to build it. Some of them came to New York from Europe. Others were Native Americans from the Mohawk tribe, which had lived in eastern North America for thousands of years. In other words, they were **there** long before early European explorers – the Vikings in the 11th Century or Christopher Columbus in the 15th Century – ever explored America.

At the moment, the tallest skyscraper in the world is the Burj Khalifa in Dubai. It is so tall that people on the upper floors have to wait a few minutes more than those on the ground for the sun to disappear below the **horizon**! Dubai, however, is not the city with the greatest number of skyscrapers. If people were asked which place has the most skyscrapers, many might say 'New York'. They are almost correct: with 257, it has the second highest number. In fact, the city with the most skyscrapers is Hong Kong. It has more than 315. An advantage of skyscrapers is they can house a large number of people in a relatively small area. This makes them highly suitable for cities such as New York and Hong Kong, which both have a limited amount of space to build on.

Although many big cities have skyscrapers, this does not mean they have no disadvantages. One of the biggest of these is their cost. **1.** _____ it is estimated that the final cost of the Burj Khalifa was \$1.5 billion, which is an enormous amount of money. Another potential problem is safety. Until recently, Tokyo had very few skyscrapers because there were concerns about earthquakes. To be exact, planners were worried about the ability of Tokyo's skyscrapers to deal with the violent shaking that accompanies these natural disasters. However, building technology has since progressed, so now Tokyo is building more and more skyscrapers.

38. What is the main idea of the passage?
- (A) Skyscrapers have disadvantages.
 - (B) Skyscrapers are important modern buildings.
 - (C) The Burj Khalifa was expensive.
 - (D) Some trees are very tall.
39. Choose the best answer for **1.** _____ above.
- (A) Nevertheless,
 - (B) In addition,
 - (C) For example,
 - (D) In contrast,
40. All of the following are true EXCEPT that
- (A) some giant redwoods are taller than the Home Insurance Building
 - (B) work on the Chrysler started before work on the Empire State
 - (C) the Chrysler was completed after the Empire State was finished
 - (D) the Chrysler was the tallest in the world for about 30 years
41. Which of the following is NOT true?
- (A) Hong Kong has an enormous amount of land to construct houses.
 - (B) Hong Kong has a large number of skyscrapers.
 - (C) New York does not have as many skyscrapers as Hong Kong.
 - (D) The majority of people think that New York has the most skyscrapers.

42. In the text above, which below is closest to the meaning of **horizon**?
- (A) Transport facilities
 - (B) Environment
 - (C) Pollution in the air
 - (D) Line across the sky
43. In the text above, what does '**there**' (line 16) refer to?
- (A) North America
 - (B) The Empire State Building
 - (C) Europe
 - (D) Shanghai, London, and Dubai
44. When did the Vikings and Christopher Columbus arrive in America?
- (A) After Native American Indians help to build the Empire State
 - (B) While the Empire State was being built
 - (C) Before the Empire State was built
 - (D) During the construction of the Home Insurance Building
45. Why are more skyscrapers than before being built in Tokyo?
- (A) Skyscrapers have become better designed.
 - (B) Tokyo never experiences earthquakes.
 - (C) The need for skyscrapers has decreased.
 - (D) At present, there is more steel available.

Write an essay of 200-250 words on the following topic:

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