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E.C ENGLISH MODEL EXAM FOR GRADE 12

TIME GIVEN: 2 HRS

I. WORD ORDER

CHOOSE THE LETTER THAT CONTAINS THE CORRECT ARRANGEMENTS OF WORDS TO MAKE A SENTENCE .

1. I find can card phone I where buy my need out a for to sim
 - A. buy out my phone to need a seem card where I find to can.
 - B. I need to find out where I can buy a sim card for my phone
 - C. My phone can need out a sim card where I find to buy I to
 - D. My sim card I need for to buy where I can find a phone to.
2. Book I the can't name this make written out in
 - A. The book can't make this out I the written name
 - B. This make I the written book can't out the name.
 - C. I can't make out the name written in this book
 - D. The name written in this book I can't make out.
3. Grandmother's did in yesterday drop your house you at
 - A. your grandmother's did you at home drop in yesterday?
 - B. Did your grandmother's house drop at you in yesterday?
 - C. Did your house drop in at you grandmother's yesterday?
 - D. Did you drop in at you grandmother's house yesterday?
4. Begin to with free is student a
 - A. To begin with, a student is free
 - B. A student is free with begin to
 - C. A free student is to begin with
 - D. A begin to student is with free

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5. Knew principle a go I certain this years
- A. This years ago I knew certain principle
 - B. I knew this principle certain years ago
 - C. I knew certain principle this years ago
 - D. This principle I knew certain years ago
6. Unmarked in an grave him buried they
- A. They an grave unmarked buried
 - B. They unmarked him in an grave buried
 - C. In unmarked buried, they an grave him
 - D. They buried him in un marked grave
7. They we played did than better
- A. They better than played did we
 - B. We played better than they did
 - C. We did better they played than
 - D. They did better we played than
8. All been morning I working have
- A. I have been working all morning
 - B. I have been morning all working
 - C. All morning I have been working
 - D. I have been all morning working
9. Party will in bad the Sara be a mood at
- A. Sara will be in a bad mood at the party
 - B. The party at in a bad mood Sara will be
 - C. A bad mood will be at Sara in the party

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D. In a mood Sara will be bad at the party

10. Started the already film had

A. The film had started already

C. The film already had started

B. Already the film had started

D. The film had already started

II. PARAGRAPH COHERENCE

CHOOSE THE LETTER THAT CONTAINS THE LOGICAL ORDER OF SENTENCES TO MAKE A PARAGRAPH

11. a. king was a leader of many non-violent protests against this practice.

b. In April 1968 he was shot dead and his grave was declared a national historic places.

c. He was a hard working student and took PhD at the university of Boston

d. Martin Luther king was born in USA in 1928

e. He remembered that racial segregation was the norm of southern United states

A. b c a e d

C. c b e d a

B. d c e a b

D. d e a c b

12. a. Derartu Tulu was born in the Arsi region Ethiopia in 1969.

b. In all she has won 35 gold medals, 12 silver and 25 bronze and she has not finished yet

c. So she has been an inspiration to the young athletes of Ethiopia

d. She become the first African woman to win Olympic gold in the 10000 meter

e. She started out running in international competition in 1989.

A. a b e c d

B. a d c e b

C. a e d b c

D. a c d e d

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13. a my brother painted this picture

b. Because it is amazing since he painted it one night while he was sleep walking

c. He will deliver the painting tomorrow

d. When they give him the money, he will tell them the truth.

e. Someone has offered him a lot of money

A. a b e c d B. a d c e b C. a e d b c D. a e c d b

14. a. These are known as fossil fuels

b. They are, however, the most common forms of energy.

c. They were formed in the earth millions of years ago

d. Non-renewable energy includes oil, natural gas and coal

e. Burning fossil fuels causes pollution

A. d a c e b B. e d c a b C. d a e b c D. e a b d c

15. a. If you want light and quiet, this is your Jacket.

b. It has soft, cotton –like feel which cuts down on the usual noise of the Jacket rubbing against its self.

c. The material must be one of the lightest around

d. However, it did dry out again particularly quickly.

e. But while water initially beaded and fell off the jacket, in a heavy down pour it can become quite damp inside.

A. a b e c d B. a d b c e C. a c b e d D. a c d b e

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III. READING COMPREHENSION

READ THE PASSAGE GIVEN BELOW AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS ACCORDINGLY BY CHOOSING THE LETTER OF THE CORRECT ANSWER

The plankton

Scattered through the seas of the world billions of tons of small plants and animals called plankton. Most of these plants and animals are too small for the human eye to be seen. They drift about lazily with the currents, providing a basic food for many larger animals.

Plankton has been described as the equivalent of the grass that grow on the dry land continents, and the comparison is an appropriate one. In potential food value, however, plankton far out weights that of land grasses. One Scientist has estimated that white grasses of the world produce about 49 billion tons of valuable carbohydrates each year, the sea's plankton generates more than twice as much.

Despite its enormous food potential, little effort was made until recently to farm plankton as we farm grasses on land. Now, marine scientists have at last begun to study this possibility; especially, as the sea's sources loom, even more important as a means of feeding an expanding world population.

Noone yet has seriously suggested that "plankton burgers" may soon become popular around the world. As a possible fared supplementary food source, however, plankton is gaining considerable interest among marine scientists. One type of plankton that seems to great harvest possibilities is a tiny shrimplike creature called krill. Growing to two or three inches long, krill provide the major food for the giant blue whale, the largest animal ever to inhabit the Earth, realizing that this whale may grow to 100 feet and weigh 150 tone at maturity, it is not surprising that each one **devours** more than one tone of krill a day.

Krill swim about just below the surface in huge **schools** sometimes miles wide, mainly in the cold Antarctic, Because of their pink colour, they often appear as solid reddish mass when viewed from a ship or from the air krill are very high in food value. A pound of these crustaceans contains about 460 calories –about the same as shrimp or lobster to which they are related.

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If the krill can feed such huge creatures as whales. many scientists reason they must certainly be contenders as anew food source for humans.

16. Which of the following statements best describe the organization of the passage.
- A. The author presents the advantages and disadvantages of plankton a food source
 - B. The author quotes public opinion to support the argument to amount of carbohydrate.
 - C. The author classifies the different food sources according to amount of carbohydrate.
 - D. The author makes a general statement about plankton as a food source and then moves to specific example.
17. According to the passage, why is plankton considered to be more valuable than land grasses?
- A. It is easier to cultivate
 - B. It produces more carbohydrates
 - C. It does not require soil
 - D. It is more palatable
18. Why does the author mention **<plankton burgers>** in paragraph 4?
- A. To describe the appearance of one type of plankton.
 - B. To illustrate how much plankton a whale consumes
 - C. To suggest plankton as a possible food source
 - D. To compare the food values of beef and plunkton
19. Blue whales have been known to weigh how much at maturity?
- A. one ton
 - B. forty tons
 - C. one hundred and fifty tons
 - D. four hundred and sixty tons

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20. What is mentioned as one distinguishing feature of krill?
- A. They are the smallest marine animal
 - B. They are pink in color
 - C. They are similar in size to lobsters
 - D. They are grass- like bodies
21. The author mentions all of the following as reasons why plankton could be considered as human food source EXCEPT that it is;
- A. high in food value
 - C. an appropriate food for other animals
 - B. in abundant supply in the oceans
 - D. free of chemicals and pollutants
22. Where in the passage does the author first compare plankton to land grasses?
- A. paragraph 3
 - B. paragraph 2
 - C. paragraph 1
 - D. paragraph 4
23. The word '**devours**' in paragraph 5 means _____
- A. consume
 - B. damage
 - C. eat quickly
 - D. produce
24. The contextual meaning of '**schools**' in paragraph 6 is _____
- A. gather
 - B. communicate
 - C. travel in group
 - D. live in group
25. Which word in the passage is similar in meaning to sea?
- A. krill
 - B. marine
 - C. loom
 - D. shrimp

IV. VOCABULARY COMPLETION

CHOOSE THE WORD OR EXPRESSION THAT COMPLETES THE SENTENCES CONTEXTUALLY.

26. _____ farmers grow their own food but _____ farmers produce their own food for sell.
- A. subsistence/ commercial
 - C. commercial/commercial

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- B. subsistence/ subsistence D. subsistence/ _____
27. My mother always _____ me not to be selfish
A. Advices B. Advice C. Advise D. Advises
28. The school has out of _____ materials. It needs to buy some for the office
A. stationary B. stationery C. stationory D. station
29. Lightning to most of us is a _____ phenomenon
A. mysterious B. conductive C. rare D. spark
30. Children do not _____ scorpion _____
A. survive/sting B. sting/___ C. sting /survive D. survive/___
31. After the storm, the sky started to _____ and the sun broke out again.
A. bright B. brighten C. brightens D. brightly
32. Our forests are an _____ resources which we must protect and preserve.
A. unfortunate B. inconvenient C. in active D. irreplaceable
33. The construction workers were strongly _____ to finish the job early because they had been promised a bonus.
A. motivate B. motivating C. motivated D. motivation
34. Some sports such as foot ball, encourage _____ behavior
A. flawed B. obsessive C. aggressive D. flicker
35. Scientists prefer _____ spaceships rather than robotic ones.
A. Hail B. inertia C. grappling D. manned
36. Many African nations achieved their _____ in 1960s so these decades are known African years
A. prosperity B. sovereignty C. collaboration D. hostility

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37. Titanic film is the best example for Romantic film ____
A. Genre B. setting C. plot D. movies
38. No need to complain life ____ Everyone can succeed if he works hard
A. day and night C. death and laughter
B. black and white D. up and down
39. Her father _____ for Hawasa even though it was raining
A. put off B. set off C. pay off D. take off
40. My Uncle is leaving for abroad. His family have come to ____
A. see him off B. run him off C. take him off D. drive him off

V. VOCABULARY SUBSTITUTION

CHOOSE THE WORD OR EXPRESSION THAT REPLACES THE UNDERLINES WORD OR PHRASE IN EACH SENTENCE.

41. He is one of the most Unimaginative people I knew.
A. He has a powerful imagination
B. I know more than one unimaginative person
C. Of all the people I know, he is the most unimaginative
D. All the people I know are unimaginative, but he is the most unimaginative
42. I beg your **pardon** but I don't understand. The underlined word means ____
A. Help B. comment C. Repeat D. silence
43. The fear of foreign influence and domination **rules out** the universal acceptance of the major languages.
A. Includes B. excludes C. control D. invades

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44. Much linguistics has constructed artificial language which could have no political **over tones**.
- A. Denotations B. higher sound C. connotations D. over come
45. Our country does not take any **undue** advantage of the weakness in the opponents defense.
- A. unfair B. sphere C. stop D. base
46. Great Britain took a **pro-American** position on attacking terrorists after the bombing of the Twin Towers
- A. opposed to America C. not an American
B. Appropriate D. in favor of America
47. The school **fee** was made parents not to offer the money.
- A. payment of transport C. payment of education
B. payment of health D. payment of banks
48. My son is **looking forward** to meeting his uncle on the coming new year
- A. expecting B. trying C. admiring D. crying for
49. While she dances, her long **skirt swirl** around her ankles
- A. Take off B. Removes C. twist D. Unwind
50. The sun **slanting through** cracks and provide lights to the prisoner.
- A. come in to B. observes C. slides D. goes away
51. Which one of the following words have silent letter 'h' ?
- A. vehicles B. who C. heat D. high
52. His paper was **scattered** all over the floor.
- A. spread B. hanging C. lying D. dispersed

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53. It is a nice hotel, but the prices are **exorbitant** I can't afford to stay here

- A. ordinary B. very expensive C. very cheap D. fair

54. This is the most **regrettable** incident steps will be taken to ensure it cannot happen again

- A. fortunate B. desirable C. unexpected D. disappointing

55. They used a **map** to find their way

- A. sketch B. picture C. design D. plan

VI GRAMMAR

CHOOSE THE WORD OR PHRASE THAT IS GRAMMATICALLY CORRECT TO COMPLETE THE SENTENCE.

56. I didn't pass my exam, because of my headache. (This sentence is similar in meaning to)

- A. If I had a head ache, I would pass my exam
B. Because of my headache I could pass my exam
C. But for my headache, I would have passed my exam
D. If I pass my exam, I would have a bad headache

57. I wish I _____ my assignment now.

- A. were doing B. have done C. was doing D. am doing

58. If you _____ my sister, tell her I _____ late home today

- A. sees, am B. sees, will be C. see, will D. see, will be

59. My grandfather had the habit of _____ at dawn and taking a bath with cold water.

- A. rises B. rise C. to rise D. rising

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60. _____ some languages have 21 or more different vowel sound, others have five or less.
- A. Although B. In spite of C. while D. However
61. Mulu is proud of his father because he _____ presidents of a country.
- A. was elected B. has been elected C. elected D. elects
62. Helen sang _____ in front of the whole audience.
- A. con fidely B. confidently C. con fident D. confidently
63. The students _____ done their readings with maximum attention; that is why they failed the exam
- A. had ever B. have never C. have ever D. had never
64. My brother studies his lesson regularly, _____ ?
- A. can he B. doesn't he C. can't he D. does he
65. We _____ volley ball since 2:00 Pm without taking rest
- A. have playing C. are playing
- B. have played D. have been playing
66. I am afraid _____ telling a bit of information
- A. by B. for C. with D. of
67. The dog follows me _____
- A. where ever I go C. whatever I go
- B. whoever I go D. what so ever I go
68. He is a friend of _____ for the last 20 years
- A. my B. mine C. me D. myself
69. The test _____ everyone failed was too difficult

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A. who B. whose C. which D. where

70. He reads two newspapers ____ day when he is at _____ home

A. a/ __ B. a/a C. a/an D. -/a

71. I like chicken _____ not fish

A. and B. since C. but D. for

72. There is so much rain lately! maybe it is because of El Nino, ____ maybe it is Just coincidence

A. and B. but C. or D. so

73. Luk was late to the party ____ his car broke down on the highway

A. If B. because C. while D. although

74. I am not leaving ____ I get an apology from you

A. so that B. as long as C. while D. unless

75. I am learning English ____ I can get a better job

A. while B. in order to C. so that D. as if

76. By the end of this week, I _____ here for five months

A. Have been working C. will have been working

B. Have worked D. will be working

77. If we _____ harder, we might have won the competition

A. Have practiced C. practice

B. will practiced D. had practiced

78. By the time you got home, I _____ dinner

A. will have made B. had made C. made D. have made

79. Those pyramids ____ around 400 AD

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A. have built B. built C. were built D. were building

80. Which one is the correct reported speech form of "I took it home with me" she said

- A. she said I took it home with her
- B. she said she took it home with me
- C. she said she had taken it home with me
- D. she said she had taken it home with her

81. Abdu, _____ is one of the hardest working students I know, has just won the scholarship.

- A. that B. whose C. whom D. who

82. By the time I got home, every one _____ to bed

- A. has gone B. had gone C. goes D. went

83. Which of the words can take both suffixes- full and -less

- A. Grace B. play C. wonder D. Job

84. I am quite pleased with what I _____ this year

- A. achieve B. was achieving C. achieved D. have achieved

85. We _____ pleased if she came

- A. are B. had been C. will be D. would be

86. If you _____ on the lights, you would not have fallen over the chair

- A. will switch B. switched C. are switched D. had switched

87. I won't travel to London if I _____ get a cheap flight.

- A. Didn't B. Don't C. Doesn't D. will not

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88. The new cars _____ at the rate of twenty a day
- A. are being turned out C. were being turned out
B. are turned out D. were turned out
89. It was thought that the social workers _____ valuable work
- A. Do B. were doing C. Have done D. Did
90. She studied hard _____ become a medical doctor
- A. in order to B. As C. Because D. for
91. I wrote my first draft in pencil _____ I needed to charge it.
- A. In case B. while C. since D. if
92. You should wear gloves _____ you have to treat someone's wound.
- A. must B. ought to C. Incase D. If
93. I am not leaving _____ I get an a polopy from you.
- A. while B. until C. so that D. as long as
94. If you believe that factious story, you will believe _____
- A. something B. nothing C. anything D. one thing
95. _____ his accident he has been afraid of driving
- A. from B. Ever since C. After the time D. Having
96. You _____ take the day off if you don't feel well.
- A. are B. had better C. shall D. need
97. _____ her first year at college, she had several friends
- A. As B. For C. Since D. During
98. We are a little confused _____ what we are supposed to be doing.
- A. in B. at C. with D. about

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99. I am beginning to like Chinese food. I prefer rice____ potatoes.

- A. than B. and C. or D. to

100. He was advised to smoke fewer cigarettes and drink _____ beer

- A. fewer B. less C. less of D. a few

VII. COMMUNICATION

101. A: _____worku?

B: I've broken my umbrella

- A. Does it matter C. what's the matter

- B. Where's the matter D. How's the matter

102. A: Haven't you got enough money for a holiday?

B: Oh yes. I've got some saved up _____ I suddenly need it

- A. If B. unless C. that D. incase

103. A: would you mind repairing my computer?

B: _____

A. I am the newly employed technician

B. I don't mind; bring it to my maintenance shop

C. It is the latest and much expensive palmtop

D. Do you borrow me your laptop for an hour?

104. A: _____.

B: I have been here but busy

A. I haven't seen you for a long time where have you been?

B. Have you been ill

C. How nice to see you again

D. How is your work going on

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105. A: _____ but could I ask you a question before you go on?

B: It is green light continue

A. what is the matter

C. I apologize you for being late

B. I have late

D. sorry to interrupt you

106. A: what is your opinion about the new TV program me?

B: _____

A. As I see it, my friends liked it very much

B. In my opinion, I prefer foot ball to movies

C. I think it is very beautiful but not yet

D. Personally, I think it makes young people violent

107. A: I don't like chocolate ice cream.

B: _____

A. well, I do

C. me neither

B. I don't think so

D. I disagree

108. A: Are you coming out with me tonight?

B: _____

A. I want to ask permission

C. you must tell him

B. There is no one

D. sure, that's an interesting idea

109. A: could you tell me when the next bus leaves?

B: _____

A. It is half past four

C. It is cheaper than taxi

B. I want to take a taxi

D. It is direct to dire Dawa

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110. A: _____

B: of course, please hold this package

A. may I give you a hand? C. would you like some help?

B. can I help you? D. All

VIII. WRITING SKILLS

111. "Cats make wonderful house pet. They are very loving and friendly. Cats are also clean. 'Miaow' is the unique sound of domestic cat than other wild cats ----" This extract most likely taken from _____ essay.

A. narrative B. descriptive C. expository D. argumentative

112. " - - - it is very kind of you if you provide me information to apply for vacancies in your staff - - -" This is a good example of sentence extracted from _____ letter.

A. friendly B. Business C. informal D. social

113. Which one of the following words is correctly spelt?

A. Decive B. Hygin C. Autumen D. Colonel

114. A letter of greetings to a school director most likely ends in

A. Love B. with regards C. obediently yours D. your ever

115. "I am a stubborn person. My friends and relatives are sure about this because they have experiences with me. For example, I do not take advice from other people ----" This extract is taken from _____

A. Descriptive B. Expository C. Narrative D. Argumentative

116. The chair person "the issue we have to discuss today is ----" used to _____

A. keep order C. Begin the discussion

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B. Close the meeting D. Confirm there is agreement

117. In an informal letter “Best wish to you and your family” is used to ____

- A. open greeting C. Refer last contact
B. close the letter D. Request some information

118. The part of application letter beneath the receivers address is ____

- A. Date B. Greeting C. closing D. subject

119. How would you begin letter to an applicant who has been chosen for employment?

- A. we are sad to inform you C. We want you to come to our office
B. we would like to inform you D. congratulations

120. Which of the following words is correctly spelt?

- A. occassion B. tommorrow C. goverment D. ingredient

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ANSWER KEY

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1. B	21. D	41. C	61. B	81. D	101. C
2. C	22. B	42. C	62. B	82. B	102. D
3. D	23. A	43. B	63. B	83. A	103. B
4. A	24. C	44. C	64. B	84. D	104. A
5. B	25. B	45. A	65. D	85. D	105. D
6. D	26. A	46. D	66. D	86. D	106. D
7. B	27. D	47. C	67. A	87. B	107. C
8. A	28. B	48. A	68. B	88. A	108. C
9. A	29. A	49. C	69. C	89. C	108. D
10.D	30. A	50. A	70. A	90. A	109. A
11.B	31. B	51. A	71. C	91. A	110. D
12.C	32. D	52. D	72. C	92. D	112. B
13. A	33. C	53. B	73. B	93. B	113. D
14. A	34. C	54. D	74. D	94. C	114. C
15. C	35. D	55. D	75. C	95. B	115. A
16. A	36. B	56. C	76. C	96. B	116. C
17. B	37. A	57. A	77. D	97. D	117. B
18. C	38. A	58. D	78. B	98. C	118. B
19. C	39. B	59. D	79. C	99. D	119. D
20. B	40. A	60. C	80.D	100.B	120. D

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