I. Choose an appropriate word or phrase to complete the sentence:

1. A man in Switzerland made the news in October by ______ traffic rules in just over ten minutes!
   (A) indicating (B) reporting (C) launching (D) violating

2. If you want to take any of the new language courses, then you need to _______ by Friday.
   (A) criticize (B) register (C) swear (D) equip

3. Recent news reports have clearly shown that there is still a lot of ______ to allowing the importation of US beef.
   (A) opposition (B) went over (C) popularity (D) demonstration

4. We should respect the fact that people _______ in their own way when someone close to them passes away.
   (A) interpret (B) delight (C) grieve (D) discourage

5. I really think if we work together on this project, it will be to our _______ advantage.
   (A) mutual (B) circular (C) brilliant (D) accompany

6. It is always advisable to take the necessary _______ when dealing with chemicals on the factory floor.
   (A) assurance (B) restrictions (C) adherence (D) precautions

7. This space is used to sterilize the various mechanical _______ before they are put together in the Assembly Room.
   (A) divisions (B) components (C) capacities (D) quantities

8. The doctor had to admit Mr. Sidney to the emergency room following his severe allergic _______ to shellfish.
   (A) appeal (B) capability (C) impact (D) reaction

9. The nursing director wanted to know _______ had failed to alert the specialist about the patient’s condition.
   (A) when (B) for (C) who (D) since

10. Although the pedestrian had suffered a painful collision with the vehicle, his _______ in the hospital has been remarkably quick.
    (A) recovery (B) reuse (C) retrieval (D) restriction

11. Pharmaceutical companies spend a lot of research money on _______ medicines to treat various forms of cancer.
    (A) founding (B) developing (C) browsing (D) motivating

12. Many vegetarians request official _______ from restaurants that the food contains absolutely no traces of animal fat.
    (A) category (B) prospect (C) esteem (D) confirmation

13. The two sides did not reach an agreement _______ the end of the fifth round of the intense negotiations.
    (A) still (B) from (C) when (D) until

14. The community bureau is _______ to providing citizens with free information and advice on local laws and regulations.
    (A) restricted (B) confessed (C) unrewarded (D) dedicated

15. If the two parties cannot agree on a solution, they should _______ dispute the issue in court or consult with an arbitrator.
    (A) neither (B) either (C) both (D) none

16. Simbio Fisheries is _______ to reduce its total fishing catch even though the requirements restrain the company’s growth.
    (A) obstructed (B) oriented (C) originated (D) obligated

17. Homeowners will be eligible to receive compensation only after an insurance agent _______ that their property sustained heavy damage.
    (A) rectifies (B) certifies (C) notifies (D) magnifies

18. The community group acts not only as a vital political voice _______ also as a valuable social network for local residents.
    (A) nor (B) or (C) and (D) but

19. Although there is no law against it, most experts agree that it is inappropriate for public officials _______ too close to political lobbyists.
    (A) became (B) become (C) by becoming (D) to become

20. Ms. Allen from the accounting department had quotes for the repair work _______ by several different contractors.
    (A) provided (B) providing (C) provider (D) provides
21. Before the end of the year, the supervisors must spend time _____ appraisals of each worker’s contribution to the company. (A) wrote (B) write (C) writing (D) written

22. The company’s non-executive directors rely too heavily _____ their interpreters when meeting with overseas partners. (A) on (B) for (C) with (D) about

23. The company’s top sales representative made a ____________ argument to the director for larger incentive bonuses. (A) successive (B) persuasive (C) directive (D) conductive

24. Ms. Flores will ________ her whole team in the training session tomorrow on workplace health and safety. (A) enroll (B) prevent (C) revise (D) endanger

25. Because of his reputation as a dedicated employee, the entire company was shocked when Mr. LeBron _____ without prior notice. (A) quit (B) abandoned (C) sopped (D) concluded

II. Choose an appropriate word or sentence to complete the paragraphs.

The State Health Department would like to take this opportunity to ___26___ people to get their influenza shots. Consultations at public and private ___27___ are free for children and the elderly, as well as citizens with community services cards. State hospitals normally receive large numbers of patients during the winter suffering from influenza, which puts a ___28___ on our financial and staffing resources. Therefore, by visiting their local doctors for shots earlier, they will be doing their part to help ___29___ the burden on the public health service. All citizens should remember, too, that since ___30___ is the only medically proven flu preventive measure, they will also be doing themselves a favor this winter.

26. (A) remain (B) remind (C) retain (D) resist

27. (A) areas (B) properties (C) clinics (D) estate

28. (A) facilitation (B) regulation (C) resemble (D) strain

29. (A) prescribe (B) arrange (C) relieve (D) destroy

30. (A) protection (B) operation (C) vaccination (D) reservation

The scales on sharks are tiny, rough, tooth-like structures. This makes their skin feel like armor and helps the sharks ___31___ quickly and gracefully through the water. For many years now, humans ___32___ shark skin in different products. ___33___ shark skin fabric is very light and does not wrinkle easily, which makes it ideal for suits, curtains, and tablecloths. Other things that have been made with sharkskin fabric are diving suits and winter coats.

The biggest technological advancement that is related ___34___ shark skin in recent years is paint. This new kind of paint, which has been ___35___ by the efficiency of shark skin, can be applied to airplanes, ships, and wind turbines. By doing so, wind drag is reduced. This means that ___36___ costs for boats and planes are reduced and money is saved. On wind turbines, less air ___37___ means that more energy is generated, making them more efficient. The best things about sharkskin paints are that very little extra weight is added to the ships, planes, and wind turbines and it can resist ultraviolet radiation and extreme temperatures. There are particles in the paints that recreated the shark-skin like quality, but it needs to be applied properly with stencils. The researchers in Germany who ___38___ the paint tested it on ships. They found that the paint reduces drag by five percent. On large container ships, this could save 2,000 tons of fuel. If this paint were applied to every plane in the world, 4.48 million tons of fuel ___39___ every year. That would reduce carbon dioxide emissions, and when it comes to ___40___ the environment, every little bit helps.

31. (A) move (B) moved (C) moving (D) moves

32. (A) copy (B) copied (C) are copying (D) have been copying

33. (A) Confident (B) Artificial (C) Doubtful (D) Pessimistic

34. (A) with (B) on (C) to (D) as

35. (A) inspired (B) incorporated (C) implemented (D) indented

36. (A) coal (B) protein (C) nutrition (D) fuel

37. (A) management (B) resistance (C) separation (D) admission

38. (A) was responsible for (B) came up with (C) brought it to life (D) came around

39. (A) will save (B) would save (C) will be saved (D) would be saved

40. (A) protecting (B) violating (C) harvesting (D) observing
It was on July 5, 1996 that scientists in Scotland **announced** the cloning of a sheep named Dolly. This event was **historical** because it was the first time an animal had been cloned.

Today scientists can **reproduce** an animal from the cells of another animal. **However**, they have been developing ways to use cloned human embryos for scientific research. Some people **argue** that it is not the right thing to do.

In fact, when Dolly was born, some ethical questions **were raised**. It’s possible to make a cloned person whose **organs** could be transplanted to save the sick. **Another**, it’s also possible to reproduce someone like Lenin. Is cloning the **ethical** thing to do? The scientists must seriously **think over** these questions first, and then decide what should be done about human cloning.

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