

	English II Exemption Exam Sample	Score:
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PART I. READING

A. Read the text about the life of Michael Palin and answer the questions according to the text.

Michael Palin

Michael Palin was born in 1943. He studied history at Oxford University. Palin met his wife in 1959, but they didn't marry until 1966 when he moved to the USA. After university, he didn't work as a historian—he worked as an actor and a TV writer from 1965 to 1980.

Then, in 1980, he made a TV show about a trip by train, and he found that he loved travel and exploration. So he changed his job. He made travel programs for thirty years.

Palin started to write a personal diary in 1969. He wrote something almost every day. In 2006, he published three books of his diaries. Each book described a period of ten years in his life. Palin says when he prepared the three books, he remembered many things from his life and experiences.

1. What job did Michael Palin **NOT** do?
 - A) write books about his life
 - B) work at a university
 - C) make TV shows about travelling
 - D) experience acting

2. Michael Palin got married after he _____.
 - A) travelled for 10 years
 - B) started writing a diary
 - C) moved to another country
 - D) started working as an actor

3. According to Michael Plain, his books helped him _____.
 - A) describe interesting events
 - B) explore and learn
 - C) keep a diary
 - D) remember his past

B. Read the text about the changes of appearance and answer the questions according to the text.

Changes of Appearance

Most people don't change their appearance, or their style of clothes, very often but, for some occupations, it's necessary. Film and music stars sometimes change their appearance for their job. Some actors look very different in each film, and they change their appearance in real life too. For example, they become thinner. Nicole Kidman wore a latex nose for *The Hours*, and she changed her hair colour – it is darker in the film. Renee Zellweger often changes for films. She looked very different in the musical film about the 1920s, *Chicago*, after she played a modern English journalist in *The Diary of Bridget Jones*. She spoke differently as Bridget Jones, too – she spoke British English, but she is American!

Male actors change their body more often than female actors. When they're preparing to be superheroes, they go to the gym a lot, they work on their arms, and eat different food. For other films, they lose twenty kilos, or they put on thirty. They change their hair, beards, moustaches – and then they change again, at the end of the job.

For music stars, the situation is different. Top music stars create fashions, they don't follow them. They need a new style every year or two, because they want to stay at the top. In the 1960s and '70s, for example, some created styles that are still fashionable, but that doesn't often happen now. When popular stars nowadays change their appearance a lot and wear strange clothes, we watch their changes, but we don't copy them. Their style or styles are personal. We often take fashion from music and usually from stars that look a little like us. These 'familiar' stars come and go, they don't stay for long. But for music or film stars, who want to stay at the top for a long time, change is good. And change is necessary.

4. Changing your appearance is necessary in some _____.
- A) places B) films C) jobs
5. In their real life, actors sometimes change appearance _____.
- A) because they want to
B) for a movie part
C) with a latex mask
6. Renée Zellweger portrayed a modern English journalist in _____.
- A) Chicago
B) *The Diary of Bridget Jones*
C) *The Hours*
7. In one film, Nicole Kidman's _____ wasn't real.
- A) accent B) hairstyle C) nose
8. The article says that in the film industry, _____ change their body more often for roles.
- A) male actors B) female actors C) music stars
9. The article says that nowadays, _____ people copy modern music stars' styles than in the 1960s and '70s.
- A) more B) fewer C) older
10. The article says that people don't _____ clothes like some popular stars.
- A) like B) understand C) wear

PART II. VOCABULARY

A. Circle the correct option.

11. Queen Elizabeth II of England became queen _____ the early fifties, over 65 years ago.
A) on B) in C) at D) from
12. When you travel, do you pay for everything _____ credit card or cash?
A) in B) for C) by D) with
13. Sally mostly _____ a train in big cities like Paris or London.
A) rides B) travels C) goes D) takes
14. Do you prefer using _____ machines in public places, or do you go into banks?
A) cash B) currency C) money D) coin
15. My wife is a police officer so she has to wear _____.
A) leggings B) a scarf C) jeans D) a uniform
16. That music is very loud! Both of my _____ are aching.
A) eyes B) ears C) hands D) arms
17. Because of the freezing cold nights in Poland, I bought a thick _____.
A) coat B) skirt C) belt D) shirt
18. 'Notting Hill' is my favorite _____ movie. There is a bookshop owner who falls in love with a beautiful movie star.
A) thriller B) documentary C) fantasy D) romantic comedy
19. Children in Ancient Rome didn't _____ music, because it wasn't a good subject for soldiers.
A) teach B) study C) remember D) invent
20. My favorite subject at school is _____. We learn about plants, animals and humans.
A) literature B) art C) physics D) biology
21. Doctors told Mike to _____ smoking if he wants a healthier life.
A) give up B) get up C) take up D) start up
22. **Fran:** Hi, David. Can I _____ some money from you? I've left my wallet at home.
David: Of course, Fran. No problem.
A) lend B) borrow C) change D) pay
23. Take your _____ or you can't drive because of the sunlight.
A) trousers B) scarf C) gloves D) sunglasses
24. I don't like drama movies very much. They are really _____.
A) fantastic B) great C) boring D) amazing

25. We watched a _____ movie last night. It was really scary with ghosts and jump scare scenes.
A) documentary B) horror C) sci-fi D) romantic comedy
26. At the end of the academic year, Rosa _____ all her exams.
A) won B) got C) passed D) made
27. We went to Michigan to see the famous _____. We stayed there 10 days camping by the water and fishing.
A) grass B) rock C) city center D) lake
28. I'm sorry but I _____ your name. Can you tell me again, please?
A) forgot B) took C) knew D) got
29. You can't just wear jeans and a t-shirt. It's the biggest party of the year. You need to _____.
A) take up B) dress up C) give up D) start up
30. Claire opened a _____ of tuna fish and put on the green salad.
A) box B) tin C) jar D) pack

PART III. GRAMMAR

A. Circle the correct option.

31. Her name _____ Hilary Thompson when she was born but she changed it to Hilary Mentel.
A) was B) were C) is D) 's
32. **Norah:** Where did you live before you moved here?
Ryan: _____.
A) We moved here in 1998.
B) No, we didn't. We lived in South West Australia.
C) My dad found a new job in a hotel here.
D) We lived in a small town in the east.
33. Ice cream is one of the _____ desserts. Millions of people around the world love it.
A) more popular B) most popular C) popularest D) popular than
34. **Kate:** Are you the only child?
Alex: No. I _____ three brothers.
A) 've got B) hasn't got C) has D) haven't
35. People often _____ women are more interested in fashion, but I don't agree.
A) are saying B) says C) say D) is saying
36. How many cups of coffee _____ today? Your eyes are all red!
A) did you have B) have you had C) you had D) had you
37. Camino de Santiago is the _____ hotel in the world. It was built in 705 AD!
A) oldest B) old C) older than D) most old

38. You _____ be 22 to rent a car in this city. It's the rule.
A) should B) have to C) can D) may
39. Sam and Mike _____ doing their homework right now. You can call them later.
A) are doing B) do C) is doing D) does
40. Amy: Is Mary at school today?
James: I don't think so. She _____ to school since she had the accident.
A) came B) hasn't come C) is coming D) didn't come
41. Cillian _____ his phone and he is looking for it everywhere.
A) lost B) is losing C) has lost D) loses
42. You _____ pay for the tickets. All concerts at the campus are free for students.
A) have to B) mustn't C) don't have to D) can
43. I can speak Chinese fluently, but I _____ write a single word!
A) can B) am not C) didn't D) can't
44. Babies usually enjoy _____ with colorful toys.
A) playing B) to play C) play D) to playing
45. **Jason:** Hi, Eric. Are you coming to the game tonight?
Eric: Oh, sorry guys. I _____ my leg so I can't play for minimum 6 weeks!
A) broke B) have broken C) breaked D) broken
46. Look! Birds _____ water from the pond.
A) drink B) drinking C) drinks D) are drinking
47. Water _____ at 100 °C.
A) is boiling B) is boil C) boiling D) boils
48. I _____ Asian food before. But I really want to some day.
A) haven't never tried B) didn't try C) have never tried D) didn't tried
49. What _____ do in the summer, Alice? Do you have any plans?
A) did you B) are you going to C) do you D) are you
50. Alex _____ a fantastic gift for his girlfriend's birthday. She's going to love it!
A) buyed B) buy C) bought D) was buy