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### Examination in English for Transfer Students

#### Section I

Grammar and Usage: Read through the sentences below; decide which answer a, b, c, or d best fits each space. (50%)

- When I was given the sack, I didn't know what to say. I was \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) speechless    b) senseless    c) meaningless    d) mindless
- If you do a \_\_\_\_\_ voyage round the world, you go alone.  
a) barefoot    b) red-handed    c) single-handed    d) foul-mouthed
- It was a \_\_\_\_\_ exam. I arrived late and only managed to answer half of the questions.  
a) disastrous    b) critical    c) wide-ranging    d) special
- Rescuers made a \_\_\_\_\_ search of the collapsed building for survivors after the earthquake.  
a) thorough    b) conscientious    c) reliable    d) fastidious
- The government refused to open the secret files because they contained \_\_\_\_\_ information.  
a) politically correct    b) hugely successful  
c) highly sensitive    d) particularly useful
- You'd better not wear yellow. It doesn't \_\_\_\_\_ you.  
a) fit    b) suit    c) match    d) agree with
- The gang of criminals \_\_\_\_\_ their raid in the early hours of the morning.  
a) pulled over    b) took apart    c) wiped out    d) carried out
- The flight was \_\_\_\_\_ for several hours because of a strike by air-traffic controllers.  
a) prevented    b) delayed    c) detained    d) compromised
- Take no \_\_\_\_\_ of the dog; he won't bite.  
a) consideration    b) attention    c) notice    d) account

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10. You are not \_\_\_\_\_ giving up your job and going to live abroad, are you?  
a) similar to      b) friendly with      c) jealous of      d) serious about
11. He was so \_\_\_\_\_ the latest Harry Potter novel that he forgot to eat his dinner.  
a) famous for      b) proud of      c) absorbed in      d) good at
12. Who else is going with you to the beach \_\_\_\_\_ Peter and Paul?  
a) apart      b) besides      c) except      d) moreover
13. During the war they used the village hall \_\_\_\_\_ a field hospital.  
a) like      b) as      c) on      d) without
14. Some children believe that Lapland is inhabited \_\_\_\_\_ elves.  
a) from      b) of      c) by      d) in
15. Take an umbrella with you \_\_\_\_\_ it rains.  
a) in case      b) even though      c) unless      d) until
16. Peregrine falcons \_\_\_\_\_ an endangered species since the 1970s.  
a) had been      b) were      c) have been      d) are
17. If she \_\_\_\_\_, she would have bought the T-shirt.  
a) has enough money      b) had enough money  
c) has had enough money      d) had had enough money
18. Have you seen my mobile phone? \_\_\_\_\_ disappeared.  
a) It's      b) It was      c) Its      d) Its been
19. \_\_\_\_\_ to sort the problem out.  
a) It cost me an hour  
b) It spend a whole day  
c) It took me three days  
d) It need a week
20. There are a large number of new students, predominantly \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) for better or worse      b) from Greece and Italy  
c) from head to foot      d) sooner or later

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21. Cosmetic companies claim that \_\_\_\_\_.
- anti-wrinkle creams making people to look young
  - anti-wrinkle creams can make people don't look old
  - anti-wrinkle creams can make people look younger
  - anti-wrinkle creams makes people not looking old.
22. He was having an argument with his girlfriend on the phone \_\_\_\_\_.
- after she hang up in the middle of the conversation
  - when she decided to hang up in the middle of the conversation
  - even she decided to hang up in the middle of the conversation
  - and she hangs up in the middle of the conversation
23. The natural habits of common pets are often \_\_\_\_\_.
- differ to those what we imagine
  - very different from what we imagine
  - as different as we imagine
  - more different than our imagination
24. Guinea pigs do like company and will feel depressed \_\_\_\_\_.
- if alone
  - because of lonely
  - as soon as lonely
  - no matter alone
25. After being stroked, hamsters are so stressed \_\_\_\_\_.
- that it maybe die of a heart attack
  - in order that they shed all the hair on their back
  - whether they like it or not
  - that they need 20 minutes to calm down

### Section II

**Reading Comprehension: Read the passages below and choose the one best answer to each of the following questions. (20%)**

The banana has become the favorite fruit in Britain. Yet a century ago hardly anyone in Britain had tasted or even seen a banana. Early attempts to import bananas met with failure because by the time they were shipped to Britain they had rotted beyond recognition. However, the development of refrigerated shipping changed

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everything. Trade figures show banana sales in Britain rocketed by more than 150% over the last 17 years, while fruit sales in general have risen by a mere 15%. Bananas have flourished at the expense of native apples and pears. In 2001 British people consumed 3.5 billion pieces of banana, forcing the native apple into a poor second place.

The popularity of the banana should not be surprising. It is easy to open; it is packed with energy, fiber and vitamins; it is rich in potassium and low in calories. It is also a first-class hangover cure and stabilizes blood pressure. In short, bananas are healthy.

26. In Britain, the sales of which fruit have been most seriously affected by the popularity of the banana?  
 a) the kiwi fruit      b) the pineapple      c) the apple      d) the orange
27. Bananas were a rarity in Britain  
 a) in the 19<sup>th</sup> century      b) after World War Two  
 c) in the 1960s      d) 17 years ago
28. Bananas can be successfully imported to Britain because  
 a) they are genetically modified  
 b) they are more nutritious than apples  
 c) they are less expensive than pears  
 d) they are stored in refrigerators on ships
29. Since 1986 banana sales in Britain  
 a) have increased by 15%  
 b) have more than doubled  
 c) have grown to \$3.5 billion a year  
 d) have seen a moderate rise
30. Which of the following is **not** mentioned as a benefit of the banana?  
 a) It gives you energy but does not make you fat.  
 b) It helps with your digestion.  
 c) It makes you feel less sick when you are drunk.  
 d) It eases your toothache.

In less than 10 years Finland has emerged as a world leader in m-commerce—mobile internet and phone technologies. Finland has a population of 5 million, of

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which 65% owns a mobile phone—the largest penetration in the world. It also has the cheapest rates for telephone calls in Europe. For the Finnish people internet banking is taken for granted, text messaging is a national pastime, and acting as the world's mobile technology laboratory is as natural as snow in winter.

Digia, a wireless software company, is experimenting with the “virtual village” in an industrial park in Helsinki. In theory, in the virtual village wireless and broadband technology will allow you to turn your home appliances on before you get home. If you want to pick up some shopping on the way to a shop, you can check the inventory of the shop to see if it has what you want, order it, and pay for it before you get there. If you need a taxi, you don't need to tell it where to pick you up. The sim card in your mobile phone is connected to the village network, and a digital map will tell the taxi firm your exact location. Within five years, the village will be the world's first truly wireless community.

31. Roughly how many mobile phone owners are there in Finland?
- a) under 2 million                      b) over 3 million  
c) over 4 million                        d) 6.5 million
32. How would you describe the Finnish people's attitude toward the mobile phone?
- a) They find the mobile phone inconvenient to use in winter.  
b) The mobile phone has become part of their daily life.  
c) They love to own the most fashionable mobile phone.  
d) The use of the mobile phone is the privilege of the adults.
33. Which of the following is **not** mentioned as a thing you will be able to do in a virtual village?
- a) having a video phone in your home  
b) calling for a taxi anywhere in the village  
c) turning on the TV on your way home  
d) paying for goods before getting to a shop
34. Which of the following statements is true?
- a) Mobile phone calls are cheaper in Finland than in any other country of the world.  
b) Internet banking will become available in Finland within five years.  
c) Most Finnish people enjoy sending and receiving text messages.  
d) The Finnish government initiated the “virtual village” experiment.

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35. In the virtual village a taxi driver can easily locate where a customer is waiting thanks to
- a) cheap telephone rates
  - b) internet banking
  - c) wireless technology
  - d) modern home appliances

**Section III**

**Composition:** Write a paragraph of about 150 words starting from the topic sentence, "*My idea of a nice summer holiday is...*" (30%)