

## TEST 25

### I. Write in the correct words.

Most of us would **s** \_ \_ \_ \_ (1) ghost stories as children's stuff or even as a laughing **t** \_ \_ (2). Still, there are those who would give their right arm claiming that they have seen a ghost or even been able to **b** \_ \_ \_ \_ (3) messages from the deceased spirit. There is no sufficient evidence to **p** \_ \_ \_ (4) such accounts, but they cannot be disregarded, either.

The researchers hoping to **r** \_ \_ \_ (5) the mysterious supernatural phenomena believe that spirits can be **v** \_ \_ \_ **d** (6) into several groups. Now and then, there are spectres which are visible for a few seconds and then **n** \_ \_ \_ (7) into thin air so that their apparition cannot be examined thoroughly. Another form of a spirit is represented by the boisterous poltergeists that **h** \_ \_ \_ \_ (8) the places that they appear in with their noisy activity. The **p** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ (9) of a poltergeist can easily be recognized by a mysterious knocking on the doors, objects being thrown about or eerie muffled utterances. The most intimidating of all spirits is its evil form - a demon. It is believed that demons have a **c** \_ \_ \_ (10) for exerting an influence upon peoples' lives mostly in **r** \_ \_ (11) of possessing their souls and forcing them to perform evil **d** \_ \_ \_ **s** (12).

Exorcisms as a **h** \_ \_ (13) of dealing with such petrifying phenomena have been practiced since primeval times. The rituals have developed in multiple cultures to help **x** \_ \_ \_ (14) the evil force from the possessed individuals or places.

At present, occurrences of spectres of famous or infamous characters showing up occasionally in different places are **p** \_ \_ \_ \_ **d** (15) by newspapers, especially when the place is as extraordinary as the White House where the spirit of Abraham Lincoln is said to roam with an enigmatic smile on its immaterial face.

## II. Put the words in the correct form.

1. Look at those heavy clouds, there is little ..... (LIKE) that it will clear up by tomorrow.
2. His life was of great ..... (PROSPER) as he became an immensely rich actor in his early teens.
3. Nobody takes kindly to Mike's arrogant behaviour, especially, to his ..... (OFFEND) remarks.
4. Try being as ..... (SYMPATHY) as possible considering that Mrs Harkley has suffered from great misery recently.
5. I cannot think why the experts have questioned the ..... (AUTHENTIC) of the document claiming that it had been faked.
6. John can't speak English perfectly, but you have to make an ..... (ALLOW) for the fact that he had spent his childhood in Sweden.
7. The management say there's no need to be worried, yet the rumour about the decrease in wages has caused considerable ..... (ANXIOUS) among the shipyard workers.
8. We have decided to quit our cooperation with the Derby wholesaler because of their constant inability to supply the ..... (SATISFY) amount of the ordered goods.
9. I've come under a lot of ..... (PRESS) lately as the dean wants me to take three exams next month.
10. The small partisan unit was ..... (HELP) in the face of the bigger and better armed invader, and so they surrendered without a fight.
11. I'm sorry madam, but your letter of ..... (COMPLAIN) hasn't been dealt with as yet. Would you kindly return in a few days, please?
12. The boy should be given an ..... (EXAMPLE) punishment so that the rest be afraid of harrasing the other little children in the future.
13. Whether there's life in the other galaxies seems to be an ..... (ANSWER) question.
14. 'What do you call somebody dealing with physics?' 'I guess it's a ..... (PHYSICS).'
15. The ..... (DISASTER) force of the tornado sweeping through the coastal area is too powerful to be countered.

III. Add the suitable verbs to make the correct phrasal verbs.

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| back | catch | do    | fall | keep |
| land | look  | point | pry  | put  |
| stay | stick | take  | tell | turn |

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1. Our team counted on the financial support of the local council, but they have ..... **out of** their promises leaving us with no assistance.
2. The sugar bags have been left at home and I'm afraid we'll have to ..... **without** them during the weekend.
3. The moment I return, home I'll ..... **in** and sleep until next afternoon.
4. He didn't tell us the whole story, I guess. He must have ..... **back** the most intriguing part of it.
5. What invariably makes us angry at Sally is her constant ..... **into** our private matters whenever she comes for a visit.
6. So far, I haven't had time to ..... **through** all these photographs and choose the best ones for printing.
7. You shouldn't be smoking a cigarette in the waiting room. .... it **out** now or go outside the building.
8. I've told them a hundred times I've got no experience in wallpapering. Yet, they have ..... me **with** this job anyway.
9. Because of his serious knee damage our son has ..... **away from** school for twelve days now.
10. The astronauts had taken part in a press conference before their rocket ..... **off**.
11. Could you ..... **out** the major differences between these two theories, Mr Rooney?
12. One of the neighbours got nervous and ..... Simon **off** for playing the radio too loudly.
13. It ..... **out** a mile that Myra is in love with Brian. Just consider how affectionately she smiles at him.
14. Stop the quarrel now. There is no point in ..... **out** about such a trivial matter.
15. The bell-bottoms were very popular in the 70's, but it's unlikely they will ever ..... **on** again.

**IV. Rewrite the sentences using the given forms so that they retain their original meaning.**

1. If you hope to be a good driver, you mustn't break the traffic regulations. (**abide**)  
.....
2. I don't agree with the conclusions you have put forward. (**along with**)  
.....
3. If you don't get down to work, you won't be able to pass the entrance exam.  
(**otherwise**)  
.....
4. Can Mr Bailey deliver the letters by tomorrow?  
**Is it** .....?
5. Alfred put on his raincoat because he didn't want to get soaked.  
**For fear** .....
6. Did she use her spare time in a good way? (**make**)  
.....?
7. Where is the annual meeting being organized?  
..... **place**?
8. It is more than probable that they have had problems with their car.  
**In all** .....
9. She was warned firmly not to use the faulty oven, but she still kept doing so.  
**Even** .....
10. It's hardly possible to reach the peak of the mountain on foot.  
**It's nearly** .....

**V. Choose the correct answer.**

1. She may work slower than the other employees, but in ..... she is a conscientious worker.  
a) general      b) whole      c) least      d) a rule
2. No matter how we asked him to ..... the news, he would still refuse to tell us anything.  
a) launch      b) clear      c) notify      d) break

3. We were shocked when we discovered that our foreman betrayed us and ..... with the management in the dispute.  
a) sided      b) approached      c) supported      d) aided
4. It's believed that the volcano is ..... , but the seismologists suspect it might erupt one day.  
a) extinguished      b) extinct      c) exhausted      d) expelled
5. The first convention of the Congress of Racial Equality was ..... in 1942.  
a) delivered      b) enacted      c) performed      d) held
6. Don't you think it's about time you changed the washer in the ..... tap?  
a) drooping      b) dripping      c) dropping      d) dipping
7. The findings of the report read that by the year 2008 famine in the Third World countries will have reached epidemic .....  
a) ratio      b) proportions      c) spread      d) range
8. I haven't established yet how the affair broke out, but I'm going to get to the very ..... of it.  
a) bottom      b) ground      c) basis      d) threshold
9. She may still have a few fans in the world, but she is definitely past her .....  
a) fame      b) abilities      c) prime      d) fortune
10. The majority of the political prisoners were ..... right after the collapse of the repressive regime.  
a) removed      b) dispatched      c) evicted      d) released
11. It ..... without saying that Mr Abercrombie deserves the prize for his imposing achievements in the field of archaeology.  
a) comes      b) means      c) is      d) goes
12. Is it possible to ..... the twin brothers apart?  
a) recognize      b) tell      c) distinguish      d) see
13. Our chances of coming in time for the meeting are rather .....  
a) slim      b) sparse      c) tiny      d) weak
14. Getting everything ready by tomorrow ..... working at night. I'm afraid nobody will agree to stay after hours.  
a) obliges      b) implements      c) entails      d) indicates

15. You are under no ..... to check every passenger. You can do it at random.  
a) must      b) necessity      c) obligation      d) duty
16. It was the solicitor who persuaded me to make a clean ..... of everything in the court.  
a) head      b) tongue      c) breast      d) heart
17. I have been looking for the floppy disk for a few hours, but it seems to have vanished without a .....  
a) sign      b) clue      c) spot      d) trace
18. We cannot ..... the rules and let them go unpunished as their offence was too serious.  
a) lean      b) bend      c) decline      d) spare
19. Professor Wallace has been given a prestigious award in ..... of his pioneering research in treating the AIDS patients.  
a) recognition      b) evaluation      c) respect      d) credit
20. I think it was completely thoughtless of you to have turned your ..... on the friends asking for your help.  
a) fist      b) neck      c) head      d) back