I. READING

Everybody congratulated John on winning an Olympic bronze medal in the swimming event. It wasn't his first medal. He won a gold medal in the European Swimming Championship three years ago. Since then he has been training very hard. However, he had a shoulder problem, which meant that he couldn't train properly in March and April, just a few months before the Olympic Games. He was even afraid that his career was over. But he's always wanted to show his true class. When he won the medal yesterday, he was so delighted that he just gazed up at the scoreboard with tears in his eyes. Thanks to a special sports fund who offered John money for living, he could give up his job and focus on his sport.

Some years ago he was a cross-country runner and he took up swimming after he had got a knee injury. He met a coach who said that John had talent. After two years of hard training John was sure that swimming was the right choice.

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1. John has just won his ......................
   a) first Olympic medal.    b) first gold medal.
   c) second bronze medal.   d) first medal for swimming.

2. He's been training very hard ......................
   a) since the Olympic Games.  b) for three years.
   c) since then.             d) since March.

3. When John had a shoulder problem, he ............
   a) decided to give up swimming.
   b) gave up his Olympic dream.
   c) had to stop training for some time.
   d) couldn't even get into the water.

4. After winning his recent medal, he felt ..............
   a) desperate to swim even better.
   b) too emotional to look at the scoreboard.
   c) so happy that he cried.
   d) happy that his career was over.

5. John could stop working for his company and focus on swimming thanks to ......................
   a) money from his friends. b) money from his family.
   c) encouragement from       d) money from a sports
   ordinary people.            organization.

6. John started swimming because ......................
   a) he wanted to do something different.
   b) a coach persuaded him that he could do it.
   c) coach said that he was too old to be a runner.
   d) he wanted to make money.

II. COMMUNICATION ACTIVITY

7. A: Bye, Mum! I'm off to school now.
   B: ..........................................
   a) Never mind. Go straight on.
   b) Be careful, darling! Have a good meal.
   c) Take care, my love. Have a nice day!
   d) Mind your own business!

8. A: Can I help you?
   B: ..........................................
   a) I'm just looking, thanks.
   b) One moment. I'll look it up.
   c) Of course. Would you like to wait?
   d) That's great. What about you?

9. A: Hello. Could I speak to Peter Snell, please?
   B: I'm afraid Mr Snell is in the meeting. ..............
   a) Can I leave a message?  b) Can I take a message?
   c) Can you put me through? d) Could you ask him to
   Phone me?

10. A: I'm broke. I don't have enough money to pay
    my rent. What am I going to do?
    B: ..........................................
    a) You'd better get a loan from the bank.
    b) You should go to bed early today.
    c) How about going to the theatre instead?
    d) If I were you I should ask for a pay-rise!

11. A: I watched 'Casino Royale' twice last week.
    B: ..........................................
    a) I don't. b) So do I.
    c) So did my friend. d) Neither did I.

    B: ..........................................
    a) Excuse me b) I'm so sorry
    c) Pardon d) Sorry

III. VOCABULARY

13. My grandfather .............. a lot of money when
    he was in the United Kingdom.
    a) did  b) made  c) took  d) makes

14. My lunch was awful. The pizza was ..............
    a) starving  b) tasteful  c) wealthy  d) disgusting

15. Where you can see the following words:
    a) At an airport
    b) In a restaurant
    c) On a packet of cigarettes
    d) In a cloakroom

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16. A: Let's go to the swimming pool.  
B: If ................ like a good idea.  
a) tastes  
b) seems  
c) sounds  
d) smells  

17. Can I have ................ of peach jam, please?  
How much is it?  
a) a can  
b) a bag  
c) a cup  
d) a jar  

18. Do the crossword 'In the kitchen' and find the solution.  

19. When you board the plane, its captain will say:  
a) Please fasten your seat belts.  
b) Please come to weigh your luggage.  
c) Please beware of pickpockets.  
d) Please don't complain if the plane is delayed.  

20. Disney's ................ are loved by children all over the world. They used to be made by photographing gradually changing drawings. Now, they are made with the use of computer technology.  
a) thrillers  
b) love stories  
c) cartoons  
d) fantasy films  

IV. GRAMMAR  
21. My little sister is ill; she has just ................ chickenpox.  
a) come up with  
b) come down with  
c) run out of  
d) looked forward to  

22. I hope I will ................ speak English quite well in two years' time.  
a) must  
b) can  
c) be able to  
d) should  

23. Mary asked me what time .........................  
a) I'm going back home.  
b) was I going back home?  
c) I was going back home.  
d) will I go back home?  

24. Annie told me: 'I didn't ride my bike last Saturday.  
Annie told me that she ................ her bike last Saturday.  
a) didn't ride  
b) hasn't ridden  
c) wouldn't ride  
d) hadn't ridden  

25. I'm very angry ................ you.  
a) with  
b) about  
c) of  
d) for  

26. If we (1) ................ better in the last match, we (2) ............... it.  
a) (1) will play; (2) won't lose  
b) (1) played; (2) wouldn't lose  
c) (1) had played; (2) wouldn't have lost  
d) (1) play; (2) wouldn't lost  

27. Julia finally passed her exam. She ................ really hard for months.  
a) studied  
b) has been studying  
c) was studying  
d) had been studying  

28. The story was very interesting. ......................, it wasn't all true.  
a) Although  
b) However  
c) In spite of  
d) Neither  

29. My uncle (1) ................ his arm while he (2) ................ the walls in my bedroom.  
a) (1) broke; (2) was painting  
b) (1) was breaking; (2) was painting  
c) (1) broke; (2) painted  
d) (1) has broken; (2) is painting  

30. The crime ................... two years ago.  
a) committed  
b) is committed  
c) was committed  
d) has committed