



Vocabulary

Choose the correct answers.

- 1 There were big black ____ in the distance and I knew it was going to rain.
a clouds
b storms
c cliffs
d fogs
- 2 When the child fell in the lake, my uncle ____ and jumped in to save her.
a was a fair-weather friend
b was wet behind the ears
c was as quick as lightning
d had his head in the clouds
- 3 It was a beautiful ____ morning; really cold but the sun was shining.
a frosty
b cloudy
c stormy
d rainy
- 4 It's been ____ cats and dogs all day! When is it going to stop?
a having
b snowing
c raining
d falling
- 5 Can you ____ what it would be like to experience a hurricane?
a record
b believe
c compare
d imagine
- 6 Cherrapunji in India holds the ____ for the wettest place in the world.
a belief
b record
c comparison
d imagination
- 7 Although things are difficult at the moment, Ken is sure he can weather the ____ until it gets better.
a wind
b snow
c fog
d storm
- 8 They lived in a beautiful ____ next to a river.
a waterfall
b valley
c desert
d continent
- 9 The newspaper article warned local people ____ increasing pollution.
a for
b about
c from
d with
- 10 So much ____ fell last night that now everything outside is white.
a rain
b snow
c fog
d sun
- 11 The weather had been so hot that we stood under the ____ to cool off.
a lake
b sand
c rain
d waterfall
- 12 Mrs Jolt's students volunteered ____ clean-up duties in the local park.
a for
b about
c from
d with
- 13 Dogs are often afraid during _____. They don't like thunder and lightning.
a winds
b storms
c rain
d frost
- 14 It was a ____ morning, so we had to have the headlights on when we were driving.
a sunny
b snowy
c foggy
d windy
- 15 The weather in Madrid is ____ to the weather in Athens.
a recorded
b comparable
c believable
d imaginable
- 16 Grandad says that if the cows lie down, it will rain, but I don't ____.
a believe him
b imagine it
c record that
d compare them
- 17 When the weather is so windy, Grandma worries ____ her flowers getting damaged in the garden.
a for
b with
c from
d about
- 18 Molly and Jim bought a farmhouse with lots of ____ around it.
a sand
b land
c rock
d continent
- 19 How can we prevent environmental damage ____ getting worse?
a for
b about
c from
d with
- 20 The view from the top of the ____ was breathtaking!
a desert
b sand
c cliff
d lake

Grammar

Choose the correct answers.

- 1 ___ wet in the rain is not something that I enjoy!
a To get
b Getting
c Get
d To getting
- 2 'I wish we ___ in the lake.'
'I don't know if it's safe.'
a swam
b would swim
c could swim
d had swum
- 3 My parents don't let me ___ in the sea after I've eaten.
a to swim
b swim
c swimming
d to swimming
- 4 'Weren't you and Jenny scared when you got lost in the forest?'
'Yes, but we managed ___ our way in the end.'
a finding
b to finding
c find
d to find
- 5 Henry enjoys ___ time outside in the garden.
a spending
b spend
c to spend
d to spending
- 6 It's very sunny, so ___ take your sunglasses with you.
a you'd better
b you'd rather
c you'd like
d you prefer
- 7 There's no point ___ the map now – we're lost!
a in remembering
b to remember
c to remembering
d remember
- 8 'How do you like to spend your weekends, Daniel?'
'I prefer to go out ___ stay at home.'
a rather than b than
c to d to rather
- 9 It took Karen a while to get used ___ in the country.
a living b live
c to live d to living
- 10 'Why does Martin look depressed?'
'He wishes he ___ hiking with the others.'
a had gone b went
c would go d go
- 11 If only James ___ to come with us.
a had been able
b could
c would
d were able to
- 12 'Where did you have lunch?'
'We stopped ___ at a lovely café next to the river.'
a eat
b eating
c having something
d to have something
- 13 'Where's Mandy?'
'I couldn't persuade her ___ with us.'
a come
b to come
c coming
d to coming
- 14 'What's the matter?'
'I forgot ___ my umbrella and now I'm going to get wet!'
a bring
b to bring
c bringing
d to bringing
- 15 'If only it ___ cloudy.'
'Yes, it's a shame the weather wasn't better.'
a had been
b hadn't been
c was
d wasn't
- 16 I wish you ___ so fast when it's foggy. It's dangerous!
a hadn't driven
b wouldn't drive
c weren't driving
d hadn't been driving
- 17 'Shall we have lunch in the garden?'
'No, it's too hot ___ outside.'
a sit b to sitting
c to sit d sitting
- 18 'Do you remember ___ Canada?'
'Yes, the landscape was amazing.'
a visit b to visit
c visiting d to visiting
- 19 Helen's willing ___ us clean up the beach.
a to helping b to help
c help d helping
- 20 Grandma prefers the countryside ___ the city.
a rather b than
c from d to

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Mark: ___ / 40



Reading

Read the article about the danger of listening to loud music. Six sentences have been removed from the text. Choose from the sentences A-G the one which fits each gap (1-6). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use.

- A Many of these people are pop stars and DJs.
- B They often find quiet times, such as bedtime, the worst, and they may have problems sleeping.
- C She tells all her friends about her tinnitus, so they understand how to avoid it.
- D It's true, and you might find that after a few years of doing it, you can't hear very well.
- E Well, the ringing or buzzing sound in your ears can come on suddenly, even overnight, and sometimes it never goes away.
- F It is completely avoidable.
- G If only I'd known about the risk, I would have turned my music down.



Pump it up or turn it down?

We all love music. And with MP3 players and mobile phones, we can take it with us wherever we go. By using headphones, we can turn up the volume and enjoy the music without disturbing other people – well, not too much anyway! But did you know that listening to music that is too loud can damage your hearing? **1** ☐ Asking everyone to repeat what they said – like your grandma or grandad does – is not very cool. Even if you don't actually lose your hearing, you could get something called tinnitus, which is a ringing or buzzing sound in your ears, and it's not very nice at all.

What is it like to have tinnitus? **2** ☐ Imagine how annoying that would be. Stress and anxiety can often make the problem worse and the problem itself can cause serious depression. This is what happened to John, 25, from London. 'I used to listen to really loud music every day on the way to and from work. Last year I developed tinnitus. The noise in my ears is always there, and it really gets me down. I wish it would go away. **3** ☐ Everybody should be told about it, so they can change their behaviour before it's too late. It's a physical

problem, but it affects your mind as well, because you think you're going to go mad.'

Scientists are trying to find a cure, but unfortunately there's no treatment available at the moment. Background noises can help to hide the ringing or buzzing, so sufferers often try to make sure there is some kind of noise around them. **4** ☐ This can make them feel extremely tired the next day and it can prevent them from being able to concentrate properly.

Over 2 million people in the UK suffer from tinnitus. **5** ☐ This is because the problem is also caused by standing too close to the speakers at live concerts or in clubs.

Tinnitus is a nasty condition, but there is some good news. **6** ☐ Although we'd all rather listen to our music at top volume, we ought to try to remember to stay within the safe limit. That way we can enjoy our music, and everything else that we like to listen to, without damaging our health.

Vocabulary

1 Circle the correct words.

Some advice from Grandma

Nowadays, when people are feeling a little under the ¹ **weather** / **waterfall**, they usually go to their family doctor. Often, the doctor will give them a ² **bandage** / **prescription** which the sick person will take to the chemist's. In the past, however, things were different. If someone ³ **came down** / **went up** with an illness, say, fifty years ago, the only ⁴ **treatment** / **ointment** they got was from someone at home. For a ⁵ **cough** / **plaster**, for example, their mother or grandmother would make her own ⁶ **medicine** / **operation**. She would boil two cups of water, with two slices of lemon in it, and then add a spice like ginger or mint and some sugar. These ingredients, when boiled together, become a kind of ⁷ **cliff** / **syrup**. Usually, this hot drink would be ⁸ **'just what the doctor ordered'** / **'sick and tired'** and the sick person would ⁹ **wear off** / **get over** their illness quite quickly. The next time you're not feeling well, you ought to take some advice from Grandma – you'll be feeling as fit as ¹⁰ **a fiddle** / **fog** in no time!

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2 The words in bold are in the wrong sentences. Write them in the correct places.

- When my grandfather had to go to hospital, we called for a(n) **pharmacy** to take him there.
- The scientist spends a lot of time in his **operating theatre**.
- Your wife has just come out of the **laboratory** and she is doing well; you can see her when she wakes up.
- Why is the food in the hospital **ward** so tasteless?
- My sister is in hospital; she's on a(n) **ambulance** with nine other children.
- Take this to the **canteen** and they'll give you something for your illness.

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3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in bold.

- Can you give us a _____ of the man who took your bag outside the hospital?
- The climate in Canada is _____ to the climate in Russia; both countries have very cold winters.
- If you use your _____, that snowman looks like our teacher, Mr Barnaby!
- It's sad, but the _____ in this city is getting worse and worse.
- What was the coldest day in _____ history?
- I don't think that what Dad says is _____; he says it's so hot you could cook an egg on the street!
- Frank has to have great powers of _____ because he's a brain surgeon.
- You're late again! As a _____, you can't watch TV for two days.

DESCRIBE

COMPARE

IMAGINE

POLLUTE

RECORD

BELIEVE

CONCENTRATE

PUNISH

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4 Complete the sentences with these words.

cats ears friend head lightning storm

- 1 I'm sure Kate will win the race; she's as quick as _____.
- 2 My family is having problems at the moment, but we'll weather the _____.
- 3 Jane always has her _____ in the clouds; she never listens to what I say.
- 4 You ought to take an umbrella; it's raining _____ and dogs out there.
- 5 Our new English teacher might be wet behind the _____, but she is doing her best.
- 6 Tom is a fair-weather _____; he only wants to hang out with me when I have money.

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Vocabulary: ____ / 30

Grammar

1 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word in bold. Do not change the word in bold. Write between two to five words.

- 1 My little sister has been walking since she was two.

ABLE

My little sister _____ walk since she was two.

- 2 It wasn't necessary for you to bring me flowers when I was in hospital.

HAVE

You _____ me flowers when I was in hospital.

- 3 Why didn't they tell us it would be cold in the mountains?

OUGHT

They _____ us it would be cold in the mountains.

- 4 You're very white! Do you want me to call a doctor?

SHALL

You're very white! _____ a doctor?

- 5 It's possible the weatherman made a mistake; it could be sunny tomorrow.

MAY

The weatherman _____ a mistake; it could be sunny tomorrow.

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2 The sentences below contain mistakes. Rewrite them so they are correct.

- 1 If I had only a cottage in the countryside!

- 2 I wish I didn't go out in the storm yesterday.

- 3 I wish you didn't eat meat every day!

- 4 We prefer to go hiking than rather go mountain climbing.

- 5 Do you prefer riding your bike to take the bus?

____ / 5

3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.
Use the gerund, full infinitive or bare infinitive.

- 1 Do you want to go _____ (swim) with us this afternoon?
- 2 The doctor advised me _____ (take) these tablets for headaches.
- 3 It's difficult _____ (find) a lake that isn't polluted these days.
- 4 Mum is angry with me and she won't let me _____ (go) to the clean-up day.
- 5 Do you remember _____ (visit) the Red River Valley when you were young?

____ / 5

4 Choose the correct answers.

Ayers Rock

Ayers Rock, or 'Uluru' as some say you ¹ **should / shall** call it, is a huge red rock near the Simpson Desert on the Australian continent. Australia's first people, the Aborigines, believe that Uluru is a very special place and that tourists shouldn't ² **be able / be allowed to** visit the rock and to climb all over it. They would also like visitors to stop ³ **to camp / camping** near it. They wish visitors ⁴ **would / did** understand how important Uluru is and that it isn't just another famous landmark. Many people agree with the Aborigines and say that there ⁵ **can / must** be strict rules for those who want to visit the rock. If tourists do arrange ⁶ **going / to go** and see Ayers Rock, then they ⁷ **ought / must** to remember ⁸ **respecting / to respect** Uluru and Australia's first people, the Aborigines.

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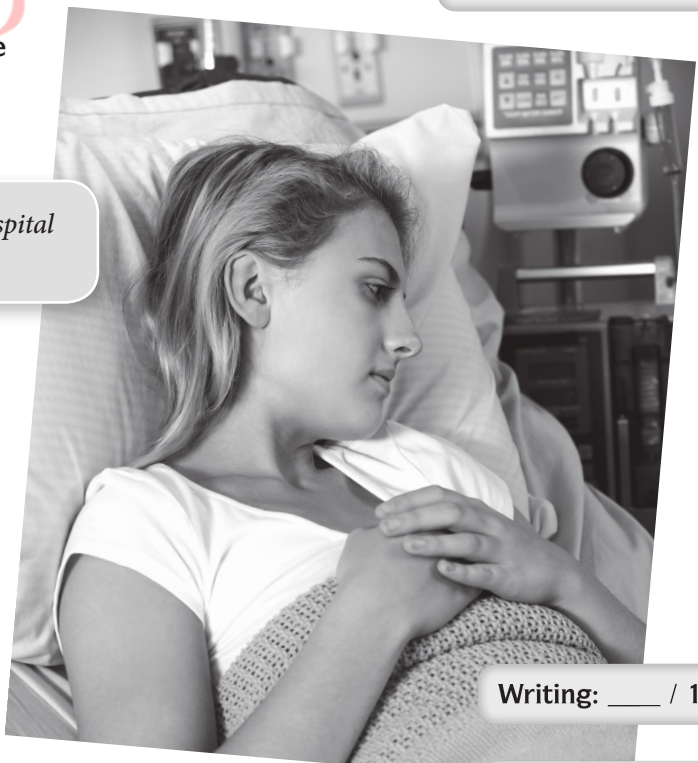
Writing

Grammar: ____ / 28

You are going to write a story for your favourite teen magazine. Your story must begin with this sentence:

Kathy couldn't believe that she would be stuck in hospital for the next two weeks.

Write your story. (120-180 words)



Writing: ____ / 10

Mark: ____ / 80