

OCM

- 1) There have been no grievances _____ problems reported in the last six months.
a) and
b) so
c) but
d) or
- 2) The lady at the counter had him _____ his name twice.
a) spell
b) to spell
c) spells
d) spelled
- 3) She _____ to the U.S.A three times.
a) had travel
b) has travelled
c) was travel
d) travelling
- 4) She is sporty and wants to _____ the top of the mountain.
a) climb in
b) climb at
c) climb to
d) climb by
- 5) As _____ Monday, the company will be operating from a new warehouse.
a) on
b) of
c) at
d) to
- 6) The company has been _____ computer parts for five years.
a) cycle
b) recycle
c) recycling
d) cycling
- 7) The company is _____ a new computer system.
a) pointing out
b) finding out
c) running out
d) trying out

- 8)** The firm has _____ donated money to charity.
a) already
b) still
c) yet
d) whether
- 9)** This offer is _____ online banking customers.
a) only on
b) only to
c) only for
d) only of
- 10)** Which rental agency did you eventually _____?
a) choose
b) chose
c) chosen
d) chooses
- 11)** Make an appointment as soon as you _____ back.
a) were
b) will be
c) is
d) are
- 12)** He said he _____ you all the facts and figures.
a) had gave
b) had given
c) had give
d) had gives
- 13)** Mary knew that it was _____ to swim in the lake.
a) prevented
b) punished
c) forbidden
d) banished
- 14)** We always have to _____ with our rival company.
a) compatible
b) competition
c) competing
d) compete
- 15)** After eight years in the computer industry, he _____ for a change in career.
a) was wanting
b) was looking
c) was encouraging
d) was believing

- 16)** _____ college vacations, I worked in a video store.
a) During
b) With
c) While
d) Once
- 17)** Do you think we should have _____ business lunches?
a) few
b) fewer
c) fewest
d) more few
- 18)** The appliance was _____ in the kitchen.
a) installing
b) installs
c) install
d) installed
- 19)** When was the survey _____?
a) carries out
b) carried out
c) makes out
d) making out
- 20)** _____ has the new employee been at his job?
a) How many times
b) How much
c) How long
d) How come
- 21)** _____ have postal rates risen this year?
a) How many times
b) How many
c) How long
d) How come
- 22)** The people had to _____ leave their seat and go outside to smoke or not smoke at all.
a) no
b) either
c) never
d) must
- 23)** Most of the measures _____ have not had any success in alleviating the effects of brain drain.
a) took by now
b) taken so far
c) to take these time
d) took so much

24) More _____ third world educated people are leaving their countries for more prosperous ones.

- a) and more
- b) and most
- c) and less
- d) and least

25) The power reserves started to _____

- a) run up
- b) run in
- c) run out
- d) run away

26) The current strike _____ changes in the work laws.

- a) could follows by
- b) could follow by
- c) could lead to
- d) could led to

27) Management relies _____ its portfolio.

- a) to
- b) on
- c) with
- d) for

28) You can use the new card to _____ your loan.

- a) pay to
- b) pay with
- c) pay at
- d) pay off

29) The manager was ambitious and wanted to _____ more responsibilities.

- a) get on
- b) get to
- c) take on
- d) take to

30) They were _____ by the long queue.

- a) put off
- b) putting off
- c) put up
- d) putting up

Read the following text and then answer the questions that follow

Government urged to protect EU Erasmus student exchange scheme.

Calls for Brexit minister David Davis to safeguard programme, which allows students to study in EU for free for a year. David Davis is being urged to protect a £112m EU student exchange scheme, due to fears the UK will be locked out of the programme after Brexit. The Erasmus programme's leaders fear that the scheme, which has been going for 30 years, will disappear. /5

"We do really want there to be prioritisation on the Erasmus Plus because it is important – it has a direct impact on the students and the economy," said its director, **Ruth Sinclair-Jones**, who is based at the British Council. The Erasmus Plus programme allows students to study in one of 33 European countries for free for up to one year, with EU funds covering costs. **With universities waiving fees as part of the scheme and the EU picking up the tab for travel and living expenses, it is one of the biggest sources of funding for studying abroad.** /11

More than 200,000 students have benefited from the scheme and its predecessor, the Erasmus programme, which was launched in 1987. In the last academic year alone, 15,500 UK students have participated, with another 7,000 staff also studying abroad. /14

Among the Erasmus alumni are Jo Johnson, the minister for universities and science. He is expected to support efforts to maintain it beyond Brexit. "As a student in Belgium and France I was able to *brush up* on my language skills and experience life in another country. I want everyone to have that chance," he wrote in the Guardian in June. This year's €130m budget to cover UK students overseas has already been agreed by the UK, and funding is projected to rise 10% a year until the end of the current EU funding cycle in 2020. /20

Sinclair-Jones said it was a hugely popular scheme in the UK and over-subscribed by a factor of two to one. **She argued the economic benefits were tangible for the UK in terms of future employability.** According to the **European commission's impact study** in 2014, young people who study or train abroad are **twice as likely to find employment** quickly. The study of 80,000 students showed that the **unemployment rates among Erasmus students was 23% lower after five years** than for students who did not study abroad. /26

"It is hugely popular in the UK and **the results of surveys demonstrate the benefits. Students really shine through; their maturity and self-confidence is stronger.** Their academic results are higher, there is lower unemployment and higher wages five years on," said Sinclair-Jones. /30

One option for staying a member of the scheme as a non-EU participant would be for **funding** to come directly from the exchequer and universities – in the same way as **Macedonia, Iceland, Turkey, Liechtenstein and Norway.** /33

Davis, the Brexit secretary, **declined to guarantee** that the UK would continue to participate in the programme post-Brexit when asked by Labour MP Diana Johnson in July. **Neil Carmichael, Conservative MP for Stroud and chair of the parliamentary education select committee, said maintaining the links and opportunities between European institutions was going to be of huge importance to a Brexit Britain.** /38

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31) Which of the following statements would best support the ideas of Ruth Sinclair-Jones, the director of the Erasmus Plus programme?

- a) The Erasmus programme must be considered as very important.
- b) The Erasmus programme can take second place.
- c) The Erasmus programme must fall by the wayside.
- d) The Erasmus programme can be scrapped.

32) With universities waiving fees as part of the scheme and the EU picking up the tab for travel and living expenses, it is one of the biggest sources of funding for studying abroad (lines /9/10/11). What can be inferred from this statement?

- a) The students have to pay heavy fees.
- b) The students don't have to pay heavy fees.
- c) The students waive the scheme.
- d) The students pick up the tab.

33) Which word is closest in meaning to the phrasal verb brush up (line /17)?

- a) repress
- b) improve
- c) hinder
- d) lose

34) Sinclair-Jones implies that the economic benefits of the scheme were tangible for the UK in terms of:

- a) Future employability.
- b) Future studies practices.
- c) Future student facilities.
- d) Future universities.

35) Which of the following statements supports the explanation of the European commission's impact study in 2014, provided in the passage?

- a) Unemployment rates among Erasmus students were higher after five years.
- b) Employment rates among Erasmus students were lower after five years.
- c) Unemployment rates among Erasmus students were falsified after five years.
- d) Employment rates among Erasmus students were higher after five years.

36) What can we conclude about the EU Erasmus student exchange scheme?

- a) It is very unpopular.
- b) It is very popular.
- c) It is very indifferent.
- d) It is very mediocre.

37) Sinclair Jones further suggests that the results of surveys demonstrate the:

- a) disadvantages
- b) advantages
- c) risks
- d) ruins

38) One option for the UK staying a member of the scheme as a non-EU participant is:

- a) Funding would come directly from the exchequer and universities.
- b) Funding would come directly from Macedonia and Iceland.
- c) Funding would never come directly from the exchequer and universities.
- d) Funding would never come directly from Macedonia and Iceland.

39) Which phrase best supports Davis's reply to MP Diana Johnson in July regarding UK participation in the post-Brexit programme?

- a) A guarantee of UK participation.
- b) An assurance of UK participation.
- c) A re-enforcement of UK participation.
- d) A refusal to assure UK participation.

40) According to Neil Carmichael, what is of huge importance to a Brexit Britain?

- a) Severing the links and opportunities between European institutions.
- b) Losing the links and opportunities between European institutions.
- c) Maintaining the links and opportunities between European institutions.
- d) Weakening the links and opportunities between European institutions.