

Listen to the text and choose the variants that correspond to the text

1. Harry Parsons is going to talk about ... this week.

- A) silent films B) the best movies of the 1980s
C) London D) Alfred Hitchcock

2. Alfred Hitchcock was born

- A) in 1899 B) on the 23rd of November
C) in 1926 D) in the USA

3. Hitchcock ... before he became a film director.

- A) sold chickens B) designed captions
C) was a journalist D) acted in silent films

4. Hitchcock's first successful film was

- A) silent B) a talking picture
C) full of humour D) made in Hollywood

5. The first British talking picture was one of Hitchcock's. It was

- A) *The Birds* B) *Blackmail* C) *Psycho* D) *The Lodger*

6. Hitchcock made most of his world-famous films in

- A) London B) Europe
C) Hollywood D) Great Britain

7. Hitchcock is most famous for his

- A) drawings B) sense of humour
C) thrillers D) captions

8. Hitchcock was an expert at mixing terror and ... in his thrillers.

- A) drama B) tragedy C) comedy D) kidnapping

9. Hitchcock was

- A) thin B) tall C) short D) handsome

10. This film by Hitchcock is not mentioned in the text.

- A) *Psycho* B) *Lodger* C) *Rope* D) *Rear Window*

Read the text and choose the correct answer

I grew up in India, where the mango is known as 'the King of Fruits'. Mangoes always bring back happy childhood memories because all graduations from school or college were marked by a mango and ice cream party, and all the family would be

asked round for a celebration. It was customary to serve up two different varieties of mango. The sweeter, yellow-skinned fruits were my favourite, whereas my sisters preferred the green-skinned ones that had a sharper taste. We usually wore flowing white dresses called 'sarees' on these occasions and had white jasmine flowers in our hair. The mango was either peeled and cut into neat chunks to go with the ice cream, or it was cut into long thin slices with the skin still attached. I wasn't very keen on the ice cream, actually, and liked to eat my mango in the old-fashioned way, pulling the flesh away from the skin with my teeth. Even now, that's how I eat them. There was one problem with this method, however. Good ripe mangoes are full of juice, and so I often remember spraying my white saree with juice.

11. Where did the girl spend her childhood? In

- A) the UK B) India C) England D) Thailand

12. Which fruit is associated with the girl's childhood?

- A) Kiwi B) Mango C) Avocado D) Pineapple

13. Who did the girls invite to the party?

- A) Friends B) Classmates C) Teachers D) Their family

14. What was their traditional food?

- A) Nothing B) Jasmine flowers
C) Juice D) Mangoes

15. How many varieties of that fruit did they serve?

- A) One B) Two C) Three D) Many

16. What kind of mango did the girl's sisters like?

- A) Green-skinned B) Yellow-skinned
C) Red-skinned D) Pink-skinned

17. What colour were the girls' sarees?

- A) Pink B) Blue C) White D) Yellow

18. What did the girls decorate with the flowers?

- A) Dresses B) Hats C) Hair D) Handbags

19. Which flowers did they use as decoration?

- A) Roses B) Lilies C) Jasmine D) Magnolia

20. What did they eat mangoes with?

- A) Cream B) Ice cream C) Jam D) Sour cream

Find the variants that are **NOT** correct

21. He ... have made a mistake.

- A) must B) mustn't C) can't D) shouldn't

22. They suggested ... in the park.

- A) to walk B) a walk C) walking D) they walk

23. She saw the man ... the purse.

- A) took B) taking
C) take D) who had taken

24. They ... go to London on holidays.

- A) can B) will C) may D) should to

25. ... an honest man.

- A) He is believed to be B) It is believed that he is
C) They say that he is D) He believes to be

26. He will ... to solve the problem.

- A) be able B) have C) ought D) be allowed

27. If she asked, they ... help her.

- A) will B) would C) could D) might

28. We arrived ... much later.

- A) in London B) to London
C) at the airport D) at the bus station

29. He was sure that he ... it well.

- A) does B) had done C) would do D) was doing

30. This doll is ... than that one.

- A) nicer B) far nicer C) much nicer D) more nicer

Choose the correct form of comparison

31. She is ... younger than her sister.

- A) more B) many C) much D) little

32. His illness is ... serious than he thought.

- A) many B) much C) little D) much more

33. The older the children get, the ... independent they become.

- A) more B) much C) many D) least

34. It's becoming harder and ... to find a job.

- A) hard B) harder C) hardest D) more harder

35. She isn't as fast ... Sally.

- A) as B) so C) like D) with

36. He is the ... hardworking of all.

- A) less B) more C) least D) better

37. You are taller than

- A) your B) I am C) myself D) their

38. I like skiing ... as skating.

- A) more B) as more C) much D) as much

39. Who is ... among your friends?

- A) the oldest B) more older C) as old D) much older

40. It's the ... film I've ever seen.

- A) goodest B) better C) worse D) worst

Find the words meaning the money you pay in different cases

41. To thank waiters for their services.

- A) Bribery B) Tip C) Tax D) Fine

42. For a special piece of work from a person.

- A) Fine B) Loan C) Tax D) Commission

43. For a service like electricity or postage.

- A) Fee B) Charge C) Salary D) Commission

44. For a professional service, for example to a lawyer.

- A) Tax B) Fare C) Fee D) Commission

45. For travelling by bus, train, plane.

- A) Fare B) Bribery C) Charge D) Commission

46. An amount of money you borrow from a bank.

- A) Tax B) Bribery C) Salary D) Loan

47. To the staff every month.

- A) Salary B) Fine C) Tip D) Commission

48. To get someone to do something dishonestly for you.

- A) Charge B) Wage C) Bribery D) Fare

49. To the government according to your income.

- A) Fee B) Wage C) Tax D) Commission

50. To pay as a punishment for doing something wrong.

- A) Fine B) Fee C) Fare D) Charge

Check how well you know Shakespeare

51. Shakespeare was born in this town.

- A) Cardiff B) Windsor
C) Bath D) Stratford-upon-Avon

52. S. Prokofiev used the plot of this play for his ballet.

- A) *Romeo and Juliet*
B) *King Lear*
C) *A Midsummer Night's Dream*
D) *Hamlet*

53. Shakespeare was one of the founders of the theatre called

- A) the World B) the Globe
C) the Memorial D) the Royal Theatre

54. Shakespeare created his works during the period called

- A) Romanticism B) the Enlightenment
C) the Middle Ages D) the Renaissance

55. He didn't write

- A) sonnets B) comedies
C) tragedies D) spy stories

56. He wrote a play about this sovereign.

- A) George IV B) William IV C) Edward VII D) Henry VI

57. ... was not written by Shakespeare.

- A) *Macbeth* B) *Romeo and Juliet*
C) *Twelfth Night* D) *Manfred*

58. This play by Shakespeare is not a comedy.

- A) *Much Ado about Nothing*
B) *Twelfth Night*
C) *A Midsummer Night's Dream*
D) *Othello*

59. The quotation: "How sharper than a serpent's tooth it is to have a thankless child!" is from

- A) *Manfred* B) *Romeo and Juliet*
C) *Hamlet* D) *King Lear*

60. Complete the quotation: "All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely ..."

- A) visitors B) onlookers C) players D) audience

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