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Sentence Construction

1. _____ became the only colony which did not join in the revolution against England.
A) Locating the Atlantic, Alabama
B) The Atlantic was located away from Alabama
C) Alabama was located away from the Atlantic coast
D) Located away from the Atlantic coast, Alabama

2. _____ human societies have complex kinship systems.
A) That most
B) Most
C) They are most
D) There are most

3. _____ rarer, platinum is more expensive than gold.
A) Although it is
B) It is
C) Because it is
D) That it is

4. _____ to believe that Mars has great quantities of ice and water.
A) Erroneous
B) It is an error
C) An error is
D) An error it would be

5. A volcanic eruption is a violent explosion _____.
A) that is caused by underground pressure
B) was caused by underground pressure
C) causing it underground pressure
D) causing its pressure to be underground

6. Atoms and molecules are the basic building blocks _____ the universe.
A) and
B) but
C) of
D) which

7. Extreme degrees of stress lead one to worry irrationally about how to pay one's bills, how to raise one's children, and even _____.
- A) to dress properly for work
 - B) how to dress properly for work
 - C) to be dressing for work
 - D) what dressing will work
8. I decided to go to the library as soon as I _____.
- A) finish what I did
 - B) finished what I did
 - C) finished what I was doing
 - D) would finish what I was doing
9. Magnifying glasses make objects appear larger than _____.
- A) are they actually
 - B) are actually
 - C) actually are
 - D) they actually are
10. No sooner had he sat down than the telephone _____.
- A) rings
 - B) was ringing
 - C) rang
 - D) had rung
11. Ronald Reagan, _____ an actor, became the president of the United States.
- A) was
 - B) he was
 - C) although
 - D) who he was
12. The contemporary judicial system is a complicated structure _____.
- A) slowly evolved
 - B) that has slowly evolved
 - C) although it slowly evolved
 - D) has slowly evolved

13. The lion and the tiger are _____ of the cat family.
A) the largest that is
B) the largest
C) which is the largest
D) which the largest is
14. They believed that by using computers the production of their factory _____.
A) will already increase
B) would greatly increase
C) would be increased greatly
D) will have been greatly increased
15. You _____ the difficulties when I finish telling you the whole story.
A) will be seen
B) will have seen
C) will see
D) see

Direct Contrast

Connect the given ideas, using the words in parentheses. Add commas, periods, semicolons, and capital letters as necessary.

16. (*while*) red is bright and lively gray is a dull color
17. (*on the other hand*) Jane is insecure and unsure of herself her sister is full of self-confidence
18. (*while*) a rock is heavy a feather is light
19. (*whereas*) some children are unruly others are quiet and obedient
20. (*on the other hand*) language and literature classes are easy and enjoyable for-Alex math and science courses are difficult for him
21. (*however*) strikes can bring improvements in wages and working conditions strikes can also cause loss of jobs and bankruptcy

Cause and effect; showing contrast. Show the relationship between the ideas by adding any of the following expressions, as appropriate. There may be more than one possible completion.

because, because of, while/whereas, on the other hand, since, due to, nevertheless, in spite of, now that, even though, however, despite, therefore, although

22. It was still hot in the room _____ I had turned on the air conditioner.
23. Several people in the crowd became ill and fainted _____ the extreme heat.
24. The gardener trimmed the branches on the cherry tree _____ I asked him not to.
25. The meat of the puffer fish can cause paralysis or even death if it is improperly prepared. _____, it remains a delicacy in Japan for brave diners.
26. _____ everyone disagreed with him, Brian went ahead with his original plan for the company.
27. The first mention of the game of chess appears in an Indian text written almost 1500 years ago. _____ its ancient beginnings, it remains one of the most widely played games in the world today.
28. Alice heard a siren and saw the flashing lights of a police car in her rear-view mirror. _____, she quickly pulled over to the side of the road and stopped.

Future Continuous

Interrupted Action in the Future: Use the Future Continuous to indicate that a longer action in the future will be interrupted. The interruption is usually an action in the Simple Future. Remember this can be a real interruption or just an interruption in time.

I will be watching TV when she arrives tonight.

I will be waiting for you when your bus arrives.

While I am working, Steve will make dinner. (NOTICE “am working” because of “while.”)

I am going to be staying at the Madison Hotel, if anything happens and you need to contact me.

He will be studying at the library tonight, so he will not see Jennifer when she arrives.

Specific Time as an Interruption: As described above, the Future Continuous is interrupted by an

action in the Simple Future. However, you can also use a specific time as an interruption.

Tonight at 6 p.m., I am going to be eating dinner.

At midnight tonight, we will still be driving through the desert.

IMPORTANT

In the Simple Future a specific time is used to show the time an action will begin. In the Future Continuous, a specific time only interrupts the action.

Tonight at 6 p.m., I am going to eat dinner.

I am going to start eating at 6 p.m.

Tonight at 6 p.m., I am going to be eating dinner.

I am going to start earlier and I will be in the process of eating dinner at 6 p.m.

Parallel Actions: When you use the Future Continuous with two actions in the same sentence, it expresses the idea that both actions will be happening at the same time. These are Parallel Actions.

I am going to be studying while he is making dinner.

While Ellen is reading, Tim will be watching television.

Tonight, they will be eating dinner, discussing their plans, and having a good time.

Atmosphere: In English we often use a series of Parallel Actions to describe atmosphere in the future.

When I arrive at the party everybody is going to be celebrating. Some will be dancing. Others are going to be talking. A few people will be eating pizza and several people are going to be drinking beer. They always do the same thing.

Use simple future or future continuous tense of each prescribed verb to complete the following dialogues.

29. Sandra: Where is Tim going to meet us?

Marcus: He _____ (wait) for us when our train arrives. I am sure he _____ (stand) on the platform when we pull into the station.

Sandra: And then what?

Marcus: We _____ (pick) Michele up at work and go out to dinner.

30. Ted: When we get to the party, Jerry _____ (watch) TV, Sam _____ (make) drinks, Beth _____ (dance) by herself, and Thad _____ (complain) about his day at work.

Robin: Maybe, this time they won't be doing the same things.

Ted: I am absolutely positive they _____ (do) the same things; they always do the same things.

31. Florence: Oh, look at that mountain of dirty dishes! Who _____ (wash) all of those?

Jack: I promise I _____ (do) them when I get home from work.

Florence: Thanks.

Jack: When you get home this evening, that mountain will be gone and nice stacks of sparkling clean dishes _____ (sit) in the cabinets.

Usage Exercise

Usage about open with the word bank provided below.

- above
- air
- arms
- handed
- house
- letter
- mind
- offer
- shut
- shutting

32. In protest, he wrote an open _____ to the prime minister which was published in all the newspapers.

33. As far as free trade is concerned, the open door is slowly _____.

34. The prosecution had an open and _____ case, so the trial was a pure formality.

35. Everyone knew about it. It was all open and _____ board.

36. Of course, we are always open to an _____, but it would have to be a good one.

37. They were glad to see us. They greeted us with open _____.

38. He is a generous sort of fellow, very open-_____.

39. These days it is a good idea to keep an open _____: you never know who is right and who is wrong.
40. They are very hospitable. They keep an open _____.

Grammar Drill

- What's it like?
- Comparative and superlative adjectives
- Relative pronouns (who, which, what, where)
- Vocabulary

41. He's _____ older than he looks.
A) much
B) more
C) *
D) the
42. Jessica's as tall _____ her mother.
A) than
B) like
C) more
D) as
43. "What _____ New York like?"
"It's really exciting!"
A) does
B) is
C) was
D) did
44. Trains in London are more crowded _____ in Paris.
A) that
B) as
C) than
D) like

45. Oxford is one of ____ oldest universities in Europe.
A) the
B) *
C) much
D) more
46. He isn't as intelligent _____ his sister.
A) like
B) as
C) than
D) nothing
47. This is _____ than I expected.
A) more hard
B) hard
C) the hardest
D) harder
48. Who is the _____ man in the world?
A) rich
B) most richest
C) richest
D) most rich
49. Everything is _____ in my country.
A) more cheaper
B) cheaper
C) cheap
D) cheapest
50. Rome was hotter _____ I expected.
A) than
B) that
C) nothing
D) as
51. My dad's really _____. He always buys presents for everyone.
A) romantic
B) fortunate
C) generous
D) depressed

52. Before you can get a credit card, you have to provide a lot of _____ details.
A) wealth
B) person
C) happiness
D) personal
53. I try to lead a _____ lifestyle - lots of exercises, fruit, and no junk food.
A) depressed
B) dirty
C) healthy
D) mess
54. The disco was so _____ that you couldn't hear yourself speak.
A) noisy
B) finance
C) windy
D) difference
55. After the earthquake, the country needed a lot of _____ equipment to look after the sick and wounded.
A) depressed
B) medical
C) personal
D) financial
56. She had a car crash, but she was _____ to escape with no injuries at all.
A) depressed
B) romantic
C) lucky
D) healthy
57. Venice is a very _____ city. A lot of people go there on honeymoon.
A) dirty
B) polluted
C) wealthy
D) romantic

58. Here is the ____ news. Share prices on the Dow Jones Index have fallen dramatically.
- A) cheap
 - B) financial
 - C) depressed
 - D) wealthy
59. After a heart attack, he needed a major surgery, but fortunately the operation was ____.
- A) happy
 - B) different
 - C) successful
 - D) personal

Answer Key

Sentence Construction

1. D
2. B
- 3.
4. B
5. A
6. C
7. B
8. C
9. D
10. C
11. C
12. B
13. B
14. C
15. C

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23. because of/due to
24. even though/although
25. However/Nevertheless
26. Even though/Although
27. In spite of/Despite
28. Therefore

Future Continuous

29. will be waiting, will be standing, are going to pick
30. will be watching, will be making, will be dancing, will be complaining, will be doing
31. is going to wash, will do, will be sitting

Usage Exercise

32. letter
33. shutting
34. shut
35. above
36. offer
37. arms
38. handed
39. mind
40. house

Grammar Drill

41. A
42. D

- 43. B
- 44. C
- 45. A
- 46. B
- 47. D
- 48. C
- 49. B
- 50. A
- 51. C
- 52. D
- 53. C
- 54. A
- 55. B
- 56. C
- 57. D
- 58. B
- 59. C