This test booklet contains 'Functional English' items administered to students in Grades 7 and 8, at Wave 1 of Young Lives' school survey in Ethiopia. This survey took place in 2016-17.

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Select the correct word for the picture.

A Bat  
B Bag  
C Pad  
D Box

Choose the word that completes the sentence.

In the picture below, the first ball is big, while the second ball is ________.

A small  
B tall  
C thin  
D fat

Choose the word to complete the sentence correctly for the picture.

The boy is hiding ________ the table.

A before  
B behind  
C above  
D under
4 Which option matches the sentence given below?
The monkey is about to eat the bananas.

A  
B  
C  
D  

5 Choose the word to complete the question for the given answer

Question: _______ is the pen?
Answer: It is near the book.

A How  
B What  
C Where  
D When  

6 Choose the option that is the OPPOSITE of the word start.

A Stop  
B Find  
C Begin  
D Hide  

7 Choose the correct word for the given picture.

A Face  
B Teeth  
C Tongue  
D Lips
8. Who among the following is most likely to use this object for their work?

A. Lawyer  
B. Doctor  
C. Farmer  
D. Carpenter

9. Choose the answer that best matches the picture.

A. East  
B. Mountain  
C. Feast  
D. River

10. Choose the object that protects us from rain.

A. Stick  
B. Umbrella  
C. Fan  
D. Paper

11. Which picture matches the following sentence?
   The chicken has a baby chicken.

A.  
B.  
C.  
D.
12 Which picture matches the following sentence?
Tamiru cleans the table while a mouse sits under the table.

A  
B  
C  
D  

13 Complete the sentence below with the appropriate option.
Sisay: Is your sister there?
Berhan: Yes, ________ here.

A she must  
B she is  
C she sees  
D she comes

14 Choose the correct word to complete the question given below.
Question: ________ will the match start?
Answer: It will start at 9 am.

A Why  
B How  
C When  
D Where

15 Choose the word that completes the sentence.
Getahun likes to ________ injera.

A eating  
B eat  
C ate  
D will eat

16 Choose the word that completes the sentence.
Nardos reads a ________.

A table  
B book  
C school  
D chair
17. Choose the word that completes the sentence.
Bereket is a _______ person as he never completes any work on time.
A lazy  
B boring  
C selfish  
D cruel

18. Choose the word that completes the sentence.
The ox _______ the grass.
A drinks  
B runs  
C eats  
D sleeps

19. "I cannot be quick", said the tortoise. From these words we know that the tortoise is _______.
A intelligent  
B stupid  
C pretty  
D slow

20. Choose the word that completes the sentence.
Genet and _______ brothers help their parents in the field.
A us  
B her  
C our  
D there

21. Choose the CORRECT question to the answer given by Mulu to Dawit.
Dawit: ____________
Mulu: Yes. I learnt it from my aunt.
A Won't you speak English?  
B Do you speak English?  
C Does you speak English?  
D Are you speak English?
22. Choose the option that answers the question correctly.

Question: Would you like to have a biscuit?

A. Yes, thank you!
B. You’re welcome.
C. It doesn’t matter.
D. Oh, sorry. Thanks not!

23. Choose the correct option to complete the question.

Can you ________ me what time I should meet you tomorrow?

A. give
B. call
C. tell
D. say

24. Choose the word that completes the sentence.

All the players taking part in a game can be called ________.

A. observers
B. spectators
C. competitors
D. organisers

25. Due to floods in this region, food and medical supplies have become scarce. People have to make do with whatever is left.

What does the underlined word above mean?

A. Insufficient
B. Damaged
C. Borrowed
D. Distributed

26. Choose the correct order for the given sentences to arrange them in the correct sequence of events.

1. His aunt was very particular about cleanliness.
2. A boy who disliked washing went to stay with his aunt.
3. After a short while, he leaned over the railings and called downstairs, "Auntie, are my ears part of my face or part of my neck?"
4. One day she sent him upstairs to wash his face.

A. 1-2-4-3
B. 2-1-4-3
C. 1-2-3-4
D. 2-1-3-4
Read the passage given below and answer the following four questions.

How do Crocodiles hatch?

Crocodiles lay their eggs and cover them with sand. After three months the baby crocodiles are ready to come out of the eggs. But the babies cannot dig their way out of the sand above them. They peep out and make some sound while hatching out of their shells. At that time, the mother, who has been guarding them hears them. She then digs them free.

27. How many months after the mother crocodile has laid the eggs, do the baby crocodiles come out of the eggs?
   - A. One
   - B. Two
   - C. Three
   - D. Four

28. Why does the mother crocodile dig her babies out of the sand?
   - A. The babies cannot come out by themselves
   - B. She is playing a game with them
   - C. She is saving them from enemies
   - D. The babies start fighting with each other

29. Where do the crocodiles hide their eggs?
   - A. Behind the stones
   - B. Under the sand
   - C. In the water
   - D. Under the rocks

30. Who guards the eggs before they hatch?
   - A. The brother crocodile
   - B. The sister crocodile
   - C. The mother crocodile
   - D. The father crocodile
Two tortoises were playing on the riverbank when a bear saw them.

He was very hungry. He ran towards them.

The tortoises started rolling down the bank together and they rolled right into the water.

The bear fell on a rock and bumped his head.

The tortoises swam away. The bear was left holding his head.

31 Why did the bear run towards the tortoises?
   A He wanted to eat them
   B He wanted to see them
   C He wanted to play with them
   D He wanted to talk to them

32 How many tortoises are there in the story?
   A One
   B Two
   C Three
   D Four
33. What was the bear looking for?

A. Water  
B. Food  
C. A place to live  
D. A tree

34. Choose the word to complete the sentence.

When the tortoises held each other’s hands and feet, they could roll like a ________.

A. box  
B. bat  
C. ball  
D. bull

35. Choose the word to complete the sentence.

In the end, the bear is likely to have felt ________________.

A. clever and happy  
B. tired and disappointed  
C. tired and happy  
D. strong and clever
Read the poster shown and answer the following five questions.

What other information, that is **MISSING** in the poster, is needed to send an entry?

A. How to send your entry
B. Where to send your entry
C. When to send your entry
D. What to send as your entry
Which of these can be sent for the contest?

A. Yonas’s short story about what he will do when he grows up
B. Mehamed’s poem about a fire engine
C. Ibrahim’s poem about what he really wants to be
D. Abebech’s short story about how badly she wants to fly above the earth

What do you need to do to participate in the contest?

A. Write a joke
B. Write a poem
C. Write a story
D. Write an essay

The poem should be about ________________.

A. space
B. magic
C. little ants
D. your dreams

How do you have to send your entry?

A. By email
B. In a sealed envelope
C. Through a post card
D. Give it in person