

The broken passage below contains blank spaces numbered 1 to 15. For each blank space, choose the BEST alternative from the choices given.

What 1 table manners? 2 is good behaviour or acceptable behaviour that is pleasing to people 3 one is having a meal alone or with other people. There are 4 rules that one 5 to follow during mealtime. 6, many people behave in unpleasant ways during meals.

7, if you are taking meals as a group, you should not be the first one to 8 down and serve yourself. This is because food should be shared 9 the people present. 10 also important to wait 11 everyone has come, say the words of grace then take a seat. While the serving is going on, wait until your time to serve 12. This ensures that there is order during serving 13. Secondly, avoid 14 yourself large amounts of food even though you may be feeling very 15.

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| 1. A. is | B. are | C. was | D. were |
| 2. A. That | B. These | C. Those | D. This |
| 3. A. when | B. where | C. wherever | D. whenever |
| 4. A. no | B. few | C. several | D. little |
| 5. A. should | B. must | C. ought | D. have |
| 6. A. Fortunately | B. Unfortunately | C. Luckily | D. Truly |
| 7. A. Later | B. Fast | C. Beside | D. First |
| 8. A. sit | B. seat | C. sits | D. seats |
| 9. A. between | B. amongst | C. in | D. among |
| 10. A. Its | B. Its' | C. It's | D. It has |
| 11. A. untill | B. until | C. til | D. unless |
| 12. A. reaches | B. arrives | C. goes | D. comes |
| 13. A. meals | B. dishes | C. foods | D. plates |
| 14. A. taking | B. serving | C. giving | D. having |
| 15. A. hungry | B. angry | C. furious | D. starved |

For questions 16 to 22, choose the alternative that best completes the sentence given.

16. No sooner had the bell _____ than we _____ out for break.
A. rung, went
B. rang, went
C. rung, gone
D. rung, go
17. Omar is taller than _____.
A. her
B. me
C. us
D. she
18. The teacher punished _____ and _____ severally.
A. he, I
B. him, me
C. me, him
D. I, he
19. The monkey _____ when the leopard _____ on the branch.
A. swung, sprung
B. swang, sprung
C. swang, sprang
D. swung, sprang
20. Mother bought a _____ dress.
A. beautiful, cheap, small
B. cheap, small, beautiful
C. beautiful, small, cheap
D. cheap, beautiful, small

21. We saw a _____ of players practising in the field.
A. band
B. team
C. troop
D. group
22. The fatal accident _____ at five in the morning.
A. occurred
B. occured
C. occurred
D. occurring

For questions 23 to 25, choose the alternative that best replaces the underlined words.

23. Mwajuma bought me a gift.
A. I was bought a gift.
B. I was buying a gift.
C. A gift had been bought.
D. A gift was being bought.
24. Thunder rarely strikes here
A. never
B. sometimes
C. always
D. seldom
25. Mwema walked around with nothing on his feet.
A. barefooted
B. naked
C. proudly
D. with difficulty

Read the passage below and answer questions 26 to 38.

What a Saturday evening after a day full of fun - filled activities! I dashed into our house and quickly took a bath. I put on my evening clothes ready to watch a movie. Since my mother disliked wastage of time, she started preparing the popcorn very early. And because we were not fortunate to afford a popcorn maker, we used a sufuria. I quickly found the popcorn seeds, some oil and a lid. My mother put the oil and switched the cooker on. She let it warm and put in the popcorn seeds. Mother quickly covered it and we waited as patiently as Job for them to pop.

Within no time, they were ready. Mother went and switched off the cooker. She swiftly removed the popped corn and put them into different bowls. As I knew mother was very forgetful, I thought she had not switched one cooker off. And because day by day she was getting older, and I remembered my English teacher Mrs Imelda Wanga saying that as you grow older you get wiser, I believed that she had switched it off. We clung to our bowls as we dashed to the living room.

I was eager to watch the movie titled "A Nightmare Before Christmas" It was the latest release by my favourite actress, Selina. I tucked myself into my favourite couch using my blue cotton blanket. I was now ready to watch it. The movie was very interesting. But the problem was that it was moving too fast; it was already halfway. Out of the blue, we heard a knock on the door. My nosey brother rushed **to answer the door**. It was my father who was from the gym. He looked very tired, so I rushed to get him some water.

I put my finger on the switch and pressed it down. The room was filled with flames of fire! I rushed out shouting and screaming Fire! Fire! Help! Everyone who was in the house heard me and started running for their lives. Our neighbours were alarmed on hearing the noises. We reached outside and everyone was wondering what had happened and we explained. My mother's friend, who was our immediate neighbour, called the firefighters.

They responded that they would be there very soon. In the blink of an eye, we heard the wail of the siren. It was the fire truck with an ambulance in tow. They entered the six-storied building in the nick of time. They did what they could to make sure nothing was burnt, but the fire had spread too quickly. I thought of my favourite doll, Smoby. It was a very hard situation but we had to bear the loss.

They were soon done. They demanded money, but most of it had been under the bed and had been burnt. We had to give them the little money we had and that was it.

26. What do we learn about that Saturday from the first sentence? It was
- filled with very entertaining activities
 - boring so much
 - a strange day with strange happenings
 - a day like no other.
27. The writer's intention of rushing home was to
- cook popcorns with the mother
 - impress his mother about time
 - borrow a popcorn maker from their neighbour
 - watch a fascinating movie.
28. Why did the writer's mother use a sufuria?
- Popcorns cooked in sufuria taste sweetest.
 - They did not own a popcorn maker.
 - Their popcorn maker had a problem.
 - The writer advised her to use it.
29. What happens when popcorn seeds are placed in hot cooking oil?
- They dry up.
 - They cook well.
 - They pop.
 - They become sweet.
30. The words '**within no time**' have been used to mean
- in a short period of time
 - in a long time
 - in a time that is not known
 - in a well known time.
31. Why did the writer think the mother had not switched off the cooker?
- She was excited about the popcorns in the bowl.
 - She was very forgetful.
 - She was as old as Methuselah.
 - She wanted to divide the corns in the bowls.
32. According to the teacher of English, the older you become
- the younger the brain
 - the wiser you get
 - the more forgetful you become
 - the fatter you get.
33. Who was Selina?
- The writer's favourite actress.
 - The main character in the movie.
 - The producer of a nightmare before Christmas.
 - The writer's aunt.
34. Three of the following are true about "A Nightmare Before Christmas" except that it was
- moving too fast
 - very interesting
 - full of horror scaring the writer
 - fascinating.
35. The words '**to answer the door**' have been used to mean to
- check who is knocking
 - shut the door well
 - close the door
 - open the door.
36. Why did the people in the burning house rush outside? In order to
- save their lives
 - call neighbours to help
 - save the writer
 - put out the fire.
37. Although the fire brigade responded quickly
- everything in the house was rescued
 - nothing was rescued
 - they could not save anything; there was no way
 - some of the things had already burnt down.
38. The best title for the passage above would be
- Old age and its effects.
 - An early evening fire.
 - How to put out fire.
 - How the cooking of popcorns caused a fire.

Read the passage below and then answer questions 39 to 50.

Ocean pollution has become a serious environmental concern that has put the life of fish and other marine creatures in danger. Environmentalists are worried that if the pollution is not controlled, there will be more plastic than fish in the ocean by the year 2050.

To mark this year's World Oceans Day on June eighth, young learners **converged** at Village Market under the sea playground to learn about environmental pollution and conservation. The theme for this year's celebration was "Together for Oceans." The young learners assembled at a play area where they were familiarized with environmental conservation. A team from Worldwide Fund for Nature (WWF-Kenya) facilitated the learning session. The three R's of conservation; Reduce, Reuse, Recycle were highlighted during the session.

Bethel Yimbo, a Grade Two pupil at New light School in Nairobi said that she learnt that plastic materials are the major ocean pollution and are harmful to fish which often eat them mistaking them for food.

"We have been taught to clean up litter on the ground and not to litter everywhere, recycle plastic waste and always use reusable water bottle," Bethel told our journalists. We should avoid littering. I shall remember not to throw away plastics carelessly because it can hurt the environment.

Participants got an opportunity to use flip-flops and bits of plastic to create art in shapes of sea animals, toys and so much more. This session was aimed at creating a platform for the children to know more about marine life and its conservation. "We wanted them to learn that some of the things they usually throw away can be useful in other ways when recycled. We gave them pieces of flip-flops and plastics to make different useful items. We allowed them to carry their creations back home," the teacher said.

The biggest goal is to create environment conscious champions at a tender age who will take the lessons to their homes and other places. We cannot talk about the environment without mentioning trees, other plants and animals. For human beings to be safe, they have to put their greed for money aside and take good care of the environment. We must not cut down trees for whatever purpose and if we must, then we have to plant two in the place of the one we have felled.

The killing of animals for their tusks, skins and wild meat should also come to an end. Animals are part of our heritage. Our future generation entirely depends on their survival. Besides attracting tourists who earn the country foreign exchange, they are beautiful to look at. Indigenous trees play a bigger role in terms of medicine. Their medicinal value helps in curing some of the illnesses that affect human beings.

39. According to the first sentence, ocean pollution
- A. has put the life of marine creatures in danger
 - B. is a serious concern
 - C. has endangered our lives
 - D. cannot be controlled.
40. By the year 2050, there is a possibility
- A. that there will be more fish than plastic
 - B. that there is no danger in our oceans
 - C. that environmentalists are working hard
 - D. that more plastic than fish will fill our oceans if not controlled.
41. When is the ocean Day marked worldwide?
- A. December 1st.
 - B. 8th June.
 - C. Fifth May.
 - D. 8th October.
42. The word '**converge**' as used in the passage means
- A. confess B. damage
 - C. meet D. cover.
43. What was the theme of the year 2019?
- A. Together for Oceans.
 - B. Environmental pollution.
 - C. Conservation of marine.
 - D. Village market.
44. The three R's of conservation include
- A. Reduce, Refer, Remember
 - B. Recycle, Reuse, Refuse
 - C. Reuse, Recall, Reduce
 - D. Reduce, Reuse and Recycle
45. Why do fish eat plastic in oceans?
- A. They are attractive.
 - B. They mistake them for food.
 - C. They come in form of fish food.
 - D. Farmers use them as bait.
46. Reusable water bottles are those that
- A. once used are disposed of
 - B. once disposed of always discarded
 - C. they can be used again
 - D. contain non-plastic material.
47. Three of the following can be created from bits of plastic except
- A. art shapes of sea animals
 - B. toys
 - C. various shapes of animals
 - D. water bottles.
48. The fact that we sometimes dispose of some things shows that
- A. we are knowledged enough
 - B. we do not know they can be put to better use
 - C. we care about the environment
 - D. all things are not useful again.
49. What according to the passage makes man cut down trees?
- A. They need fuel.
 - B. There won't be life without cutting down trees.
 - C. They fence various purpose.
 - D. Greed for money
50. The best title for the passage above would be
- A. The Environmental Day celebrations
 - B. Polluting the environment.
 - C. Why we should conserve the environment.
 - D. Children of the Ocean pollution concert.