



276 Choose the correct item.

1. Jane ... *D* ... Spanish for five years now.
A) teaches B) is teaching
C) taught D) has been teaching
2. "Did you speak to John?" "Yes, he ...
his homework when I phoned him."
A) did B) has done
C) was doing D) does
3. "Are you coming out with us?" "I can't, I ...
late tonight."
A) will work B) am working
C) have worked D) had worked
4. She is the smartest model ... the world.
A) in B) of
C) than D) from
5. I ought ... her this morning – now
it's too late.
A) to have phoned B) phone
C) phoning D) to be phoning
6. Would you mind ... the TV down?
A) to turn B) turn
C) have turned D) turning
7. "Did you grow up in the city?" "No. When we were
children we ... in the country."
A) would live B) have lived
C) had lived D) used to live
8. I think that Dave ... a new car this year.
A) had bought B) will buy
C) buys D) have bought
9. She's looking everywhere – she seems ...
something.
A) to have lost B) to lose
C) to be losing D) to have been lost
10. She said that she ... the actor several times
before.
A) met B) was meeting
C) meets D) had met
11. My boss dislikes people ... late.
A) be B) to have been
C) being D) having been
12. After we ..., we can go to the cinema.
A) eat B) will eat
C) ate D) had eaten
13. He'll have sent in his application ...
the end of May.
A) by B) when
C) until D) yet
14. This is the village ... I was born.
A) that B) which
C) where D) who
15. This room really ought ... soon.
A) to paint B) be painted
C) to be painted D) to have been painted
16. If only I ... them my secret!
A) wouldn't tell B) shouldn't tell
C) don't tell D) hadn't told
17. Despite ... a lot of money, she's always broke.
A) she earns B) of earning
C) earn D) earning
18. That boy, ... father is a violinist, is very musical.
A) who B) whose
C) which D) who's
19. "What did you think of her new novel?" "I think it is
the ... book she's ever written."
A) most interested B) most interesting
C) more interesting D) interested
20. The money ... not enough to pay the bill.
A) are B) were
C) has D) was
21. That is the ... incredible news I've ever heard.
A) most B) more
C) very D) far
22. He works ... than anyone else in the company.
A) slower B) slowest
C) slowly D) more slow
23. "Can I help you?" "I'd like a ... of milk, please."
A) box B) carton
C) pot D) rasher
24. Paul asked Sally when ... go out with him.
A) would she B) will she
C) she would D) she will
25. David ... to be the best player on the team.
A) says B) is said
C) said D) is saying

277 Rewrite the text correcting it where necessary.

The first night I spent alone in the castle was most terrifying night of my life. My grandmother recently died and had left me the place in her will. It was an old rather Scottish castle with a long and mysterious history. I didn't feel afraid strangely when I arrived in the evening there, but as night fell I began to feel coldly and lonely. I decided to go upstairs to bed at 11 o'clock, and fell soon into a deep sleep. I was awakened few hours later with a strange noise in the room. I turned on quickly the lamp and, to my horror, saw that there was an old ugly woman standing at the foot of my bed. She was wearing a black dress and her face totally was white. Her eyes were red and she was staring straight at me with a terrified evil smile on her face. I wanted to scream and to run out from the room, but I was very afraid to move. Suddenly, she floated up on the air and flew at me, screaming horrible. I leapt out from bed, ran downstairs, out the castle door, jumped into my car and drove off at top speed. I never have been back to the castle from that day. At the moment, I try to sell it.



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After Laura had been living in Rome 1) ... *for* ... (since, before, for) several months, she realised that there were many things she hadn't seen. 2) ... (Even though, Despite, In spite of) she had plenty of free time, she hadn't even been to 3) ... (a, the, —) Vatican or the Coliseum, and she wished she 4) ... (sees, would see, had seen) more. People had told her that the Villa Borghese was worth 5) ... (see, to see, seeing), so she got up early one Saturday so that she 6) ... (could spend, spent, will spend) the day there. She considered taking her umbrella in case it 7) ... (would rain, rained, could rain). The morning was 8) ... (such, such a, so) lovely though, she decided it probably wouldn't, so she left it behind. When she got there she had her picture taken 9) ... (with, by, from) a man who told her he 10) ... (will send, sent, would send) her copies of it 11) ... (if, when, by) she gave him her address. In fact he kept 12) ... (ask, to ask, asking) her questions about herself 13) ... (by the time, if, until) she became suspicious. She knew she 14) ... (shouldn't, couldn't, mustn't) have given him her address at all, but it was 15) ... (much, such, too) late. An hour or so later it started to rain so she decided to go home at once. When she got there, she 16) ... (found, had found, finds) the door open; her house 17) ... (was burgled, had been burgled, had been stolen). The "photographer" had told her he would send her the pictures, but he hadn't 18) ... (said, asked, told) her that he would ring his friends and have them rob her house 19) ... (while, as soon as, until) she was out. If only she 20) ... (were, had been, would be) more careful, none of this would have happened.

279 Fill in "the" where necessary.

1) ... *The* ... Brown family invited 2) ... Smiths round to 3) ... their house last week to show them the video they had made while they were on 4) ... holiday in 5) ... Bahamas. They had travelled by 6) ... plane to the islands and begun recording as soon as they landed. The video showed 7) ... Mr Brown buying a newspaper, 8) ... Independent, at the airport. They stayed at 9) ... Holiday Inn and the video showed the family settling into 10) ... their rooms. They were shown playing 11) ... volleyball on 12) ... beach, dancing in 13) ... disco, having 14) ... dinner in 15) ... hotel and riding around 16) ... islands on 17) ... bicycles. The video lasted for three hours, and by the time it had finished, 18) ... entire Smith family were asleep in front of 19) ... TV.