**VOCABULARY PRACTICE TEST QUESTIONS**

**1. The prince abdicated the crown and returned to his castle. *Abdicated*means…**

1. Gave up.
2. Sold.
3. Reinvested into.
4. Auctioned.

**2. The convicted criminal absconded prior to the sentencing phase of the trial. *Absconded* means…**

1. Touched the jury.
2. Reported immediately.
3. Left after discussion.
4. Departed secretly.

**3. The aural component of balance is critical for postural control during ambulation. *Aural* means related to the…**

1. Eye.
2. Ear.
3. Nose.
4. Mouth.

**4. The old man was benevolent with his fortune. *Benevolent* means…**

1. Secretive.
2. Stingy.
3. Kind.
4. Careful.

**5. The extra dirt was a key buttress to the foundation. *Buttress* means…**

1. Limiting factor.
2. Support.
3. Overwhelming condition.
4. Obstacle.

**6. The cathode of a battery was removed. *Cathode* means…**

1. Positive pole.
2. Negative pole.
3. Neutral pole.
4. Opposite pole.

**7. The doctor was known as a charlatan over the years of his practice. *Charlatan* means…**

1. Quack.
2. Knowledgeable physician.
3. Procedural physician.
4. Medical examiner.

**8. The wound exhibited signs of copious drainage requiring medical intervention. *Copious* means…**

1. Minimal.
2. Clear.
3. Maximal.
4. Foul.

**9. The attorney accused the witness of defaming the defendant. *Defaming*means…**

1. Killing.
2. Badgering.
3. Suffocating.
4. Slandering.

**10. The detective was able to derive the facts of the case. *Derive* means…**

1. Desist.
2. Deter.
3. Devise.
4. Deduce.

**11. The scientist was able to evoke powerful emotions from her audience. *Evoke* means…**

1. Sell.
2. Calm.
3. Call forth.
4. Exaggerate.

**12. The judge was fallible during deliberation. *Fallible* means…**

1. Careful not to err.
2. Falsely accused.
3. Loyal to his supporters.
4. Capable of mistakes.

**13. The chemist collected the germane data during the experiment. *Germane*means…**

1. Relevant.
2. Obscure.
3. Limited.
4. Usual.

**14. The desperados held up in a grotto in New Mexico during the escape. *Grotto* means…**

1. Large cave.
2. Small cavern.
3. Hotel.
4. Motel.

**15. The official exhibited a heedless attitude when dealing with the dignitaries. *Heedless* means…**

1. Thoughtless.
2. Pleasant.
3. Friendly.
4. Bitter.

**16. The Sherman tank commander noted innumerable troops moving forward against his position. *Innumerable* means…**

1. Limited.
2. Weary.
3. Countless.
4. Harmless.

**17. The general tried to instill in his troops the hope of victory. *Instill* means…**

1. Infuse.
2. Delay.
3. Inscribe.
4. Indict.

**18. The winning team of the World Series often has a jovial attitude. *Jovial*means…**

1. Merry.
2. Sad.
3. Somber.
4. Laborious.

**19. The plant entered the latent phase of development in the fall. *Latent*means…**

1. First.
2. Growth.
3. Last.
4. Dormant.

**20. The yacht club members were excited about conditions on the loch. *Loch* means…**

1. Water.
2. Lake.
3. Gulf.
4. Ocean.

Top of Form

21. I bought a **beautiful** dress at the mall.

 preposition
 adjective
 noun

22. What did **she** ask you to do?

 conjunction
 preposition
 pronoun

23. I left my shoes **under** the kitchen table.

 adjective
 preposition
 pronoun

24. If we finish our work **quickly** we can go to the movies.

 adverb
 conjunction
 verb

25. On Saturdays I **work** from nine to five.

 verb
 preposition
 adverb

26. I want to go to a **university** in the United States.

 adjective
 preposition
 noun

27. I'm sure I've **met** your girlfriend before.

 verb
 preposition
 interjection

28. **Well**, I don't think I'll be home before 6.

 interjection
 preposition
 pronoun

29. Andy knocked on the door **but** nobody answered.

 adverb
 adjective
 conjunction

30. **After** lunch let's go out for a coffee.

 pronoun
 preposition
 verb

31. The collective term for sheep is

 a colony
 a flock
 a pen

32. A young bear is

 a cub
 a kitten
 a bear pup

33. A fully-grown male horse is

 a colt
 a filly
 a stallion

34. The collective term for fish is

 a swarm
 a pod
 a school

35. What does a tadpole turn into as it grows?

 a frog
 a larva
 a dolphin

36. Which word means "a young goose"?

 gander
 gosling
 gaggle

37. What's a drake?

 a male duck
 a female owl
 a young bat

38. Did you count the lions in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you saw?

 pride
 pack
 herd

39. Our oldest \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has given birth to dozens of kids.

 billy
 nanny
 joey

40. A filly is no longer a foal, but it's still not a

 colt
 stallion
 mare

41. My mother's daughter is my

 aunt
 cousin
 sister

42. My mother's mother is my

 auntie
 great aunt
 grandmother

43. My father's son is my

 uncle
 cousin
 brother

44. My step-mother's son is my

 step-brother
 brother-in-law
 step-son

45. My brother's daughter is my

 nephew
 niece
 cousin

46. My aunt's children are my

 step-children
 cousins
 nephews and nieces

47. My grandpa's father is my

 great uncle
 great grandpa
 great great grandpa

48. My dad's brother is my

 uncle
 cousin
 brother-in-law

49. My sister's husband is my

 brother-in-law
 sibling
 husband-in-law

50. My female spouse is my

 grandmother
 mother-in-law
 wife

51. The rain's nearly stopped. It's only \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ now.

 a drought
 drizzling
 raining cats and dogs

52. A \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a tropical storm with very strong winds.

 blizzard
 hurricane
 precipitation

53. I stepped in a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and got the bottom of my pants all wet.

 puddle
 piddle
 poodle

54. We didn't use the airconditioner at all during that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ last summer.

 forecast
 cold spell
 sunburn

55. You can get struck by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ during an electrical storm.

 thunder
 sunshine
 lightning

56. It was too \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for the pilot to land the plane.

 mild
 sunny
 foggy

57. If you let me put your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on I'll be able to see better.

 thermometer
 shades
 degrees

58. There's often a light \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the afternoon on this island.

 shower
 tornado
 heat stroke

59. When I looked at the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it said it was ten degrees.

 scorcher
 thermometer
 meteorologist

60. Putting on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is supposed to prevent sunburn.

 sunscreen
 suntan
 sunglasses

61. He arrived at exactly 11am, \_\_\_\_\_ on time.

 right
 straight

62. What do you do in your \_\_\_\_\_ time?

 free
 loose

63. We couldn't finish because we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ time.

 ran through
 ran out of

64. If we take this short cut we'll \_\_\_\_\_ some time.

 keep
 save

65. We \_\_\_\_\_ time sitting in a traffic jam. We should've taken the train.

 damaged
 wasted

66. There have been several robberies in the \_\_\_\_\_ weeks.

 past few
 few past

67. The Internet was developed in the \_\_\_\_\_ century.

 last 20th
 late 20th

68. They're really busy. They work \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ dusk.

 from dawn to
 from day to

69. You'll forget all about it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by.

 when time comes
 as time goes

70. Can you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to meet us this week?

 make time
 do time

71. Liverpool has quite a few South American players, including three from

 Brazil
 Brazilian
 Brazilians

72. Carlsberg is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ beer, isn't it?

 Dane
 Danish
 Denmark

73. A person from Nigeria is a

 Nigerien
 Nigerese
 Nigerian

74. Frankie loves French wine and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ cheese.

 Swiss
 Switz
 Suisse

75. Yasmin is an Iranian, and her friend Sara is an

 Iraq
 Iraqi
 Iraqian

76. Mr Erdoğan's a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , isn't he?

 Turk
 Turkey
 Turkish

77. Musicians like Björk and Sigur Rós are among the most famous \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the world right now.

 Icelandics
 Icelanders
 Icelandians

78. In 1973 the USA helped \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ military dictator Augusto Pinochet stage the coup that ended democracy in Chile.

 Chile
 Chilean
 Chilenian

79. Marie Curie was a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ chemist who discovered the element Polonium and named it after her country.

 Pole
 Polar
 Polish

80. In 2018, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ model, singer and artist Catriona Gray won the Miss Universe crown for the Philippines.

 Philippino-Australian
 Filipinan-Australian
 Filipino-Australian

Are the following statements True or False?

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81. It is common for people who are waiting together to engage in small talk.
True    False

82. Religion is usually considered a "safe" topic for small talk.
True    False

83. Children are taught not to speak to strangers who engage them in small talk.
True    False

84. It is rude to make small talk with someone who's delivering your mail.
True    False

85. Sport is not usually a "safe" topic for small talk.
True    False

86. When making small talk, complimenting someone's clothes or hairstyle is usually acceptable.
True    False

87. Divisive topics like politics are usually considered unsuitable for small talk.
True    False

88. It is common to talk about the weather while sharing an elevator.
True    False

89. It is polite to interrupt a conversation in order to make small talk.
True    False

90. People often use small talk to fill an uncomfortable silence.
True    False

91. Many factories \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ harmful pollutants into the atmosphere.

 minimize
 donate
 emit

92. You can \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ plastic bags again and again until they get holes in them.

 reuse
 resume
 reduce

93. Americans \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ many products that are sold with excess packaging.

 consume
 protect
 pollute

94. Burning fossil fuels can cause \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to fall from the clouds.

 smog
 carbon footprints
 acid rain

95. You can \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ organic household waste by having a compost bin in the garden.

 protect
 recycle
 fertilize

96. Instead of throwing away old clothes, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ them to organizations that help poor people.

 consume
 donate
 emit

97. The company is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ an ancient forest in order to sell the wood.

 clear-cutting
 reducing
 recycling

98. Which is an example of climate change?

 reforestation
 global warming
 air pollution

99. Environmentalists understand the importance of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ forests and wetlands.

 minimizing
 banning
 preserving

100. We will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ if the government supports fossil fuel companies instead of tackling global warming.

 prevent
 protest
 protect