

TEST GRILĂ – LIMBA ENGLEZĂ
VARIANTA A
A. Partea I: CITIT (Citirea selectivă)

Choose the one correct answer a, b, c or d.

Britain has one of the highest marriage and divorce rates in Western Europe. The average age for first marriages is now approximately 28 for men and 26 for women. Nearly 40% of British marriages are remarriages where one or both partners have already been divorced. The average age when divorces occur is about 39 for men and 36 for women. For the Anglican and Catholic churches, marriage is for life, but for between one third and a half of British husbands and wives, marriage is for about ten years.

Nearly a third of British babies are born outside marriage and about half of these are born to couples with stable relationships living at the same address. Attitudes towards different kinds of relationships have become far more liberal in Britain in recent decades. Cohabitation has become far more acceptable and some ministers of the Church of England are even prepared to marry people who have already been divorced. Many couples appreciate the atmosphere and symbolism of a church wedding, though others prefer the simplicity and honesty of a registry office. In other words, they attach little or no importance to the religious aspect of marriage, although they may still want a legal contract.

1) What is the average age for the first marriage for women?

- a) 39
- b) 36
- c) 26**
- d) 28

2) According to British couples, which is the average number of years a marriage lasts?

- a) around ten years**
- b) one third
- c) for a life time
- d) many years

3) How many babies are born to couples with stable relationships living at the same address?

- a) one third
- b) half of one third**
- c) none
- d) all

4) Who accepts to perform the marriage ceremony for divorced people?

- a) people who don't believe in God
- b) some ministers of the Church of England**
- c) all ministers
- d) different priests from Britain

5) What do many couples prefer in a wedding?

- a) the contract
- b) the atmosphere of a church wedding**
- c) the religious aspect of marriage
- d) the simplicity of a registry office

There are several different categories of sports which exercise both the body and mind. Altitude sports include gliding, hang-gliding, mountaineering and parachuting. They are not for people who are afraid of heights. Athletics includes track and field events involving running, jumping, vaulting and throwing. A standard track is a circuit of 400 metres. The field is the green area in the middle. Combat games consist of boxing, fencing, judo, karate, kendo and wrestling. Court games attract people of all ages. They include badminton, basketball, handball, netball, pelota, squash, table tennis, tennis and volleyball. The courts are rectangular. Equestrian sports, usually for people rich enough to own horses, include dressage, eventing, horse racing, polo and show jumping. Many people enjoy betting on the horses. Field sports require a large area of green. They include American football, baseball, bowls, cricket, croquet, golf, hockey, lacrosse, rugby, football and soccer. Gymnasium sports consist of weightlifting and gymnastics. The latter contains floor exercises including leaps, spins, balances and tumbles as well as fixed apparatus such as rings, bars, beams, pommel horses and vaulting horses.

6) According to the text, which sports are water sports?

- a) wrestling
- b) polo
- c) none**
- d) soccer

7) Which of the following sports a person who is afraid of heights would NOT choose?

- a) volleyball and squash
- b) fencing and kendo
- c) judo and bowls
- d) gliding, mountaineering**

8) What are the characteristics of court games?

- a) they appeal to people of all ages**
- b) they encourage betting
- c) they exercise one's mind
- d) they are violent

9) How do people sometimes entertain themselves while attending an equestrian sports event?

- a) they meet new people
- b) they bet on horses**
- c) they balance and tumble
- d) they ride the horses

10) Where should gymnastics take place?

- a) nowhere in particular
- b) in a green area
- c) at home
- d) in a well equipped location**

Citirea cu atenție

There have been several crimes that have led British people to reflect on the causes of violence in our society. One case involved a married couple, who sexually abused a number of women, murdered them and then buried them under their house. A second case involved a member of a gun club, who walked into the sports hall of a Primary School and gunned down all the members of a class and their teacher. A third case involved two young boys who battered a baby boy to death after abducting him from a shopping centre.

Crimes involving guns have led to new legislation in Britain banning the possession of hand-guns in spite of the strong opposition put up by shooting clubs. Many parents refuse to buy toy guns for their children, not wanting them to associate war with play. It is difficult to shelter children in this way since they are constantly exposed to violence as entertainment in the form of books, comics and television cartoons.

Current concern is directed towards the Internet. The lack of censorship means that children can search for potentially damaging texts and pictures and make contact with strangers on chat lines.

11) The text deals with:

- a) gun clubs
- b) causes of violence**
- c) married couples
- d) children

12) Crimes involving guns refer to:

- a) the lack of censorship
- b) parents' refusal to buy toy guns
- c) legal ban on the possession of hand-guns**
- d) causes of violence in our society

13) The following is NOT an act of violence:

- a) a hand gun**
- b) battery
- c) abduction
- d) sexual abuse

14) Books, comics and television cartoons:

- a) are found on the Internet
- b) may contain violence**
- c) are of current concern
- d) are entertaining

15) The Internet is:

- a) damaging
- b) a censor
- c) a potential contact
- d) a source of violence**

B. Partea a II-a: elemente de VOCABULAR ȘI GRAMATICĂ

Choose the one correct answer a, b, c or d.

16) You must be _____ in the library.

- a) **quiet**
- b) quite
- c) quietly
- d) quietness

17) I _____ with you. This movie is really boring! Let's change the channel!

- a) accord
- b) meet
- c) am agreed
- d) **agree**

18) Could you _____ the situation to me again?

- a) talk
- b) excuse
- c) tell
- d) **explain**

19) Earth is the only _____ we know of in the universe that can support human life.

- a) **planet**
- b) orbit
- c) soil
- d) plain

20) I'm not good _____ mathematics.

- a) **at**
- b) by
- c) on
- d) for

21) When I went through the customs, nobody _____ my passport.

- a) looked
- b) **checked**
- c) watched
- d) controlled

22) How can I _____ to the post office?

- a) find
- b) **get**
- c) arrive
- d) reach

23) I'd like to work _____ and learn about a different country.

- a) foreign
- b) another
- c) strange
- d) abroad**

24) One of my neighbours has _____ me to tea.

- a) welcomed
- b) pleased
- c) suggested
- d) invited**

25) You two are always fighting. Why can't you _____?

- a) get over
- b) get down
- c) get along**
- d) get off

26) I think John _____ translate this document.

- a) has
- b) will have to**
- c) will have
- d) have

27) I am feverish, _____?

- a) am I
- b) isn't I
- c) I am not
- d) aren't I**

28) I'm _____ in the news.

- a) interested**
- b) exciting
- c) interest
- d) interesting

29) "Have you ever met Tom?" "Yes, we _____ at the concert."

- a) had meet
- b) was meeting
- c) met**
- d) were meeting

30) He's _____ intelligent than his sister.

- a) much less**
- b) much fewer
- c) not so
- d) lesser

- 31) I don't speak Japanese, but Jenny _____.
a) doesn't
b) does
c) speaks
d) do
- 32) She said she _____ for five hours.
a) has worked
b) worked
c) had been working
d) has been working
- 33) _____ cows are animals.
a) The
b) -
c) A
d) Some
- 34) My brother _____ learning when I arrived yesterday.
a) were
b) could
c) did
d) was
- 35) As the sun _____, I decided to go out.
a) shines
b) was shining
c) shine
d) has shone

C. Partea a III-a: SCRIS

Choose the one correct answer a, b, c or d.

- 36) Which of the following sentences is correctly punctuated?
a) "I think Chris said," we've got it.
b) "I think," Chris, said, "we've got it."
c) "I think," Chris said, "we've got it."
d) "I think," Chris said "we've got it."
- 37) Choose the correct sentence
a) Did you listen to that I the CD you gave?
b) Did you listen to the CD that I gave you?
c) You listen did to the CD that I gave you?
d) That I give you did you listen to the CD?

38) What change, if any, should be made in the following sentence?

The prickly quills hit the ground first and keep the hedgehog from gotten hurt.

- a) **Change 'gotten' to 'getting'**
- b) Make no change
- c) Change 'hit' to 'hits'
- d) Change 'and' to 'they'

39) Which of the following is an email ending?

- a) I've just read your email. I'm sorry to hear about what happened.
- b) Sorry I can't make it to your birthday party, as I am away that day.
- c) **Thanks again for the gift, and give my regards to your family.**
- d) I've just heard from Antonio about the Paris contract. It's fantastic news.

40) Choose the correct form:

- a) I am write with regard to your recent email.
- b) **I am writing with regard to your recent email.**
- c) I write with regard to your recent email.
- d) I have write with regard to your recent email.

41) What is the best way to combine the following two sentences?

The dancers were graceful.

The dancers wore different costumes.

- a) The dancers were graceful and they wore different costumes.
- b) The different costumes were on graceful dancers.
- c) The dancers were graceful but wore different costumes.
- d) **The graceful dancers wore different costumes.**

42) Which of these is the best way to combine the following sentences?

One day I was riding in the pickup with my mother. I said something that made her very upset with me.

- a) I said something to my mother that made her very upset with me because I was riding in the pickup with my mother.
- b) **One day, when I was riding in the pickup with my mother, I said something that made her very upset with me.**
- c) One day I was riding in the pickup with my mother and I said something that made her very upset with me.
- d) One day, I was riding in the pickup with my mother but I said something that made her very upset with me.

43) What is the BEST way to rewrite the following sentence?

The desert was hot during the day, but night is when it was freezing.

- a) The desert was hot during the day, but when it was freezing it was at night.
- b) **The desert was hot during the day, but freezing at night.**
- c) The desert was hot during the day, but night is when it was freezing.
- d) The desert was hot during the day, it was freezing at night.

44) What is the correct way to write the following sentence?

When adult cats purr, they are saying “all is well and I’m feeling fine”

- a) When adult cats purr, they are saying “All is well, and I’m feeling fine.”
- b) When adult cats purr, they are saying, “all is well, and I’m feeling fine.”
- c) **When adult cats purr, they are saying, “All is well, and I’m feeling fine.”**
- d) The sentence is correct as written.

45) What is the BEST way to combine the following sentences?

The scientists will tell the robots what to do.

They will tell the robots where to go.

- a) **The scientists will tell the robots what to do and where to go**
- b) The scientists will tell the robots what and where to do and go.
- c) The scientists will tell the robots what to do because they will tell them where to go.
- d) The scientists will tell the robots what to do they will tell the robots where to go.