

**TEST LA LIMBA ENGLEZĂ
VARIANTA A**

A. PARTEA I: CITIT
(Citire selectivă)

Choose the correct answer a, b, c or d:

I. Mozart and music

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's world was one of music from the moment he was born. His father, who was a fine musician, was teaching his daughter to play the piano. Little Wolfgang used to listen to his sister when she practised. He quickly learned the pieces she played. One day he said he wanted to play too. But he was only three years old then, and his father thought that his hands were too small. However, that evening, alone and in the dark, he played the pieces his sister had been practising and he played them much better than her.

1. What did Mozart do while his sister was practising?
 - a) He played by himself.
 - b) He felt very bored.
 - c) He talked to his father about music.
 - d) **He quickly learned the pieces she played.**

2. Mozart's father didn't believe that _____
 - a) his daughter practised often enough.
 - b) **a child of three could possibly play the piano.**
 - c) his children will ever learn to play well.
 - d) music could be regarded as a profession.

3. As a child, Mozart _____
 - a) was hated by his father.
 - b) was taught by his sister to play the piano.
 - c) rarely listened to any music.
 - d) **showed great talent for music.**

II. A difficult voyage

The voyage began well in calm, clear weather under a sunny cloudless sky. As usual, the ship was crowded; most of the passengers were tourists who, after their holiday in Turkey, were now returning home. There was a great deal of fun and entertainment on board the ship. People were eating, dancing, singing and enjoying themselves. But after the sun set the weather began to change, and the sea got rougher and rougher. Soon nearly everyone aboard was feeling ill.

4. Most of the passengers on board the ship _____
 - a) heated the food they were served.
 - b) got very sick before the storm broke out.
 - c) knew the weather would turn so bad in the evening.
 - d) **enjoyed themselves by singing and dancing all night.**

5. The passage is about _____
 - a) a holiday by the sea.
 - b) **a terrible storm at sea.**
 - c) the dangers of a sea voyage.
 - d) the first day on board the ship.

6. At the start of the voyage _____
- a) **everyone was feeling happy.**
 - b) a lot of people were already seasick.
 - c) everyone was looking forward to the holiday in Turkey.
 - d) the weather was cool and windy.

III. Distance Walker

At 13 I dreamt of walking around the world – I didn't know just how big it was then! But Britain was too claustrophobic, too safe. I was very headstrong, I hated anyone having control over me. Now I am more tactful. Each walk has been different. The walk across Australia was the worst experience I've ever had as far as pain is concerned. I was doing 80 km and 21 hours each day with three hours' sleep in high temperatures and walking with 15 blisters on each foot. But I got the record. I had to, because my sponsorship money was going to run out after 95 days. Men think that women are more likely to fail so sponsoring them is always seen as a higher risk.

7. What did Annabel dream of when she was a teenager?

- a) **She dreamt of walking around the world.**
- b) That Britain was not safe.
- c) That she would be sponsored.
- d) That she would get the record.

8. How does she see herself now?

- a) More headstrong.
- b) Too claustrophobic.
- c) **More tactful.**
- d) More concerned.

9. Which was her most painful experience?

- a) Sleeping in high temperatures.
- b) Walking with 15 blisters on each foot.
- c) Doing 80 km each day.
- d) **All of the above.**

(Citire cu atenție)

IV. Trading vs. shopping

It's hard to imagine what things were like before there was money, but such a time did exist. During those times people exchanged goods using the barter system. The word *barter* means to trade. People using the barter system traded things instead of buying and selling them. So if you were a rice farmer, you would trade your rice with many people to get all the things that you wanted or needed. Unfortunately, the people from whom you needed things might not want your rice. Isn't it nice to just go to the store and buy candy instead of having to trade rice for it?

10. What is *barter* according to the author?

- a) Selling things.
- b) Producing goods.
- c) **Trading goods.**
- d) Making money.

11. What would a rice farmer do, according to the text, during those times?

- a) Work the fields.
- b) Buy a lot of rice.
- c) Sell many different things.
- d) **Trade his rice to get what he needed.**

12. What is the author's conclusion in this paragraph?

- a) **It's easier to buy things instead of trading for them.**
- b) A rice farmer never buys anything.
- c) People don't need rice.
- d) It's easier to trade things instead of buying them.

V. Colours Restaurant

Colours Restaurant has a different colour for each night of the week. Friday is yellow night, and all the food is yellow or orange. You might have carrot soup, then fish in a lemon sauce, then a fruit salad. Other things change, too. On Saturday the food is red, and so are the waiters' jackets, the table cloths, and even the flowers. On Wednesday, everything is blue and purple. So find out the day's colour before you go, as most guests like to choose clothes that go with their meal.

13. At the *Colours Restaurant*, the fish is served:

- a) in red table cloths.
- b) on Wednesday night.
- c) in a lemon sauce.**
- d) on Saturday evening.

14. The waiters' jackets match the colour of

- a) the flowers.**
- b) the carrot soup.
- c) the guests.
- d) the furniture.

15. As a guest, one might choose

- a) the waiters' jackets
- b) only purple
- c) matching clothes.**
- d) the colour of the day.

B. PARTEA a II-a: ELEMENTE DE VOCABULAR ȘI GRAMATICĂ (Vocabulary)

Choose the correct answer a, b, c or d:

16. My _____ live in a lovely cottage.

- a) **grandparents**
- b) bigparents
- c) lawparents
- d) offparents

17. My _____ is an old man.

- a) **father**
- b) mother
- c) relatives
- d) family

18. At the weekend, I usually go _____.

- a) swimming**
- b) tennis
- c) hockey
- d) golf

19. I _____ watching such shows.

- a) amuse
- b) please
- c) enjoy**
- d) delight

20. _____, is a sport in which two competitors fight using swords.

- a) Fencing**
- b) Golf
- c) Hockey
- d) Badminton

21. Tennis is a _____ invented a century ago.

- a) game**
- b) play
- c) sporting
- d) match

22. She _____ the blouse but it was obviously too small.

- a) put down
- b) put off
- c) tested
- d) tried on**

23. The tailor made him a new _____.

- a) cloth
- b) suit**
- c) clothing
- d) wear

24. I'm going to _____ next year.
a) **university** b) universe c) universal d) universality

25. The transition from _____ to work can be difficult.
a) childs b) here c) brotherhood **d) school**

(Gramatică)

26. Three or four _____ are sitting to the rear of the room
a) man b) mans c) mens **d) men**

27. Breakfast is one of those _____ that varies from person to person.
a) times **b) meals** c) foods d) plates

28. The old woman lived alone, with _____ to look after _____.
a) someone / her
b) anyone / herself
c) everyone / she
d) no one / her

29. This bag is probably _____.
a) you b) your **c) yours** d) he

30. You've been working here since 2010, _____ you?
a) do **b) haven't** c) are d) aren't

31. When mother opened the door, the baby _____.
a) slept b) has slept **c) was sleeping** d) has been sleeping

32 He asked what _____ for.
a) Hans look b) does Hans look **c) Hans was looking** d) Hans has looked

33. He explained what this word _____.
a) mean b) means **c) meant** d) is meaning

Choose the right synonym for the underlined word out of the four options:

34. We should delete some parts of this article.
a) **omit** b) rewrite c) change d) improve

Choose the best antonym for the underlined word:

35. The coach didn't imagine such a result for his team; they came in last!
a) **first** b) best c) sweet d) nice

C. PARTEA a III-a: SCRIS

36. Choose the correct option:

- a) **My older brother is very arrogant. On the other hand, when it comes to family matters, he is very kind.**
b) My older brother is very arrogant. As, when it comes to family matters, he is very kind.
c) My older brother is very arrogant. Despite, when it comes to family matters, he is very kind.
d) My older brother is very arrogant. While when it comes to family matters, he is very kind.

37. Choose the correct answer a, b, c or d:

Helen is a very _____ and friendly aunt.

- a) cheerful b) cherful c) cheerfull d) cheerfully

38. Arrange the following words in order to form a correct sentence:

for, if, made, I, wondering, the, you've, plans, was, weekend, any ?

- a) **I was wondering if you've made any plans for the weekend?**
b) Was wondering I if you've made any plans for the weekend?
c) If I was wondering, have you made any plans for the weekend?
d) Have you made any plans for the weekend if I was wondering?

39. Choose the correctly written sentence out of the following four options:

- a) Successful never people stop reading as a lifelong skill.
b) Successful people never stop as a lifelong skill reading.
c) Successful people never stop reading skill as a lifelong.
d) **Successful people never stop reading as a lifelong skill.**

40. Choose the best beginning for the following letter.

I'm in Italy, working in a hotel in Rome – just a temporary job as a receptionist. I've got my own flat, and I'm going out with someone called Ricardo, who I met at the party. He's really nice – he's teaching me Italian.

Kisses, Laura

- a) Dear Sir b) To whom it may concern c) **Hi, Diane** d) Dear Madam

41. Choose the phrase that best fits the sentence:

A biologist does not describe organisms, but tries to learn _____ act as they do.

- a) **what causes them to**
b) causes them to what
c) what to cause them
d) what cause to them

42. Chose the correct answer:

She _____ speak either German or French with her friends.

- a) kan not b) canot c) **cannot** d) can-not

43. Choose the phrase that best completes the sentence:

Although adult education in the United States began in colonial times, _____ chief growth has taken place since the 1920s.

- a) **its** b) so it c) but its d) it's

44. The following expression is used in a thank-you letter:

- a) **You can't imagine how pleased I was to...**
b) I wish I hadn't ...
c) You must forgive me for ...
d) Can you ever forgive me for...?

45. "Sorry to disturb you" is used to express:

- a) opinion
b) agreement
c) **apology**
d) disagreement