

Practice for KEPT Final Exam

Part 1 Structure

Choose the best word(s) to complete the sentences. (30 points)

1. More than 2.5 million people had been evacuated _____ the region a couple days before the tsunami.
a. by b. off c. from d. away
2. In the Philippines, dozens were buried by landslides due to the _____ from Typhoon Mangkut.
a. devastate b. devastated c. devastation d. devastating
3. Stop smoking if you do not want to die early, because _____ is better than any cure.
a. prevention b. prevent c. preventive d. preventer
4. Marine animals are _____ and often killed by toxic chemicals and plastics, as you can see from the news.
a. harm b. harmful c. harmless d. harmed
5. The director called and he said he wanted to talk to you _____.
a. specific b. specifically c. specifics d. specification
6. The company will install the fog catcher for free in an area _____ people suffer from poverty as well as water scarcity.
a. when b. where c. which d. who
7. Single-use plastics are being thrown away more than they are being _____, so they should be banned.
a. recycle b. recycled c. recycling d. to recycle
8. The 13 boys could easily _____ if they hadn't had the experienced coach with them while they were lost in the cave.
a. die b. died c. were dead d. have died
9. As she is trying to go green, Jane cannot stand _____ food or drinks in plastic containers.
a. buy b. from buying c. buying d. bought
10. A fisheye lens is designed for _____ very wide angles, usually 180 degrees.
a. shooting b. shoot c. shot d. shoots
11. Sarah believes that everything will work out fine _____ evidence it will end disastrously.
a. despite b. even though c. nevertheless d. whereas
12. A "fog catcher" is an invention designed _____ trap water drops from fog in desert areas.
a. for b. in c. from d. to
13. Class! I will finish grading your quizzes and inform you of your scores _____ I can.
a. as soon as b. no longer than c. as if d. because
14. The sensory structures _____ from the heads of some invertebrates are called antennae.
a. are growing b. that grow c. they are growing d. grow
15. I think you should be very proud _____ everything you've achieved.
a. which b. that c. of d. on
16. _____ many food preservation methods for inhibiting the growth of bacteria.
a. The b. Since c. There are d. Having
17. A new dishwasher _____ in the kitchen, so you can use it right now, now that we're done eating.
a. installed b. is installing c. is being installed d. has been installed
18. They _____ the TV when they heard a knock on the door.
a. watch b. watched c. were watching d. were watched
19. The sign on the door says, "We're _____ every day".
a. open b. opened c. opening d. to open
20. You can't go to the museum today. It at 6 p.m.
a. was closing b. closing c. has closed d. closes
21. By tracking the eye of a hurricane, forecasters can determine the speed at which _____.
a. the storm is moving b. the moving a storm c. is the storm moving d. the moving storm
22. I spend too much time _____. I'd like _____ more time for myself and my family.
a. work / have b. working / to having c. working / to have d. to work / having

23. The bungalow by the beach is _____, but also _____ than the one by the pool.
 a. bigger / less expensive b. bigger / more expensive c. d. big / expensive d. more big / more expensive
24. Usually, if the wife _____ the food, the husband _____ the dishes.
 a. prepare, will clean b. prepares, would clean c. prepares, will clean d. will prepare, cleans
25. A mobile phone, _____ as a cell phone, is a portable telephone that can make and receive calls.
 a. know b. knowing c. known d. to know
26. If I had had a chance to go abroad in high school, my English _____ better back then. It's improved a lot by now anyway, though.
 a. would be b. will be c. had been d. would have been
27. Tom will not lend me more money _____ I sign a loan agreement and promise to pay him back.
 a. unless b. provided c. nonetheless d. vis-a-vis
28. A series of emails _____ sent to me this morning, and I still haven't read all of them.
 a. are b. were c. is d. was
29. I _____ missed the bus, but luckily I arrived just in time.
 a. could have b. have had c. was d. will be
30. After publishing the paper about his new discovery, John gained recognition _____.
 a. instant b. instantly c. instantaneous d. instance

Part 2 Vocabulary

A. Complete the sentences with the most appropriate words. (15 points)

31. The most popular medium in contemporary art, _____, was invented in 1839.
 a. photographer b. photographic c. photography d. photograph
32. Most successful people have very clear goals, and tight deadlines for _____ them.
 a. achieving b. getting c. holding d. attracting
33. Larry does his _____ every Sunday so that he can have clean clothes for the following week.
 a. laundry b. utilities c. expenses d. groceries
34. LGBT is an _____ meaning lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender.
 a. alternative b. abbreviation c. association d. advertisement
35. Takeshi's grandmother _____ 5 years ago. Every August, Takeshi goes to the cemetery to put candles around her grave.
 a. ran out of b. hung out c. passed away d. passed out
36. My boss wants to be _____ of any changes in the company, so all important emails must be forwarded to him.
 a. revealed b. informed c. admitted d. divulged
37. _____ the ID boxes on the answer sheet are marked, your score will not be announced.
 a. If b. Provided c. Should d. Unless
38. _____ I arrived, the package was at the front door.
 a. If b. When c. In case d. So
39. This room is poorly _____; there must be a way to get more light in here.
 a. decorated b. supported c. illuminated d. furnished
40. The company owner _____ the meeting. The other managers didn't even get a chance to speak.
 a. ensured b. alleviated c. facilitated d. dominated
41. I gained a new _____ from this insightful article.
 a. perspective b. style c. character d. penetrative
42. Last night, I could hear my neighbors _____. Both people were yelling so loud that I couldn't sleep.
 a. welding b. chanting c. rectifying d. quarreling
43. Last summer, someone _____ Cheryl's apartment and stole her TV while she was on holiday.
 a. broke off b. broke into c. broke up d. broke away

44. Tom was wondering _____ he had done the right thing by telling the truth.
 a. what b. that c. if d. unless
45. In some religions, a sheep was sometimes killed as a _____ to the Gods.
 a. sacrifice b. faith c. food d. devotion

B. Items 46-55: Choose the best word to fill in each blank in the paragraph. (10 points)

The Netflix's series, *13 Reasons Why* is a murder mystery. The series offers a quiet analysis of teen life. The story starts ___46___ when a high school student, Clay Jensen, ___47___ a mysterious package in the mail with seven cassette tapes recorded by Hannah Baker, a classmate who recently ___48___ suicide. On the tapes, Hannah unfolds an intensely emotional audio diary, ___49___ why she decided to ___50___ her life. It appears that each person ___51___ receives this package of old-style tapes is fundamentally related to why she killed ___52___. At the end, after sitting through all of these stories, we as an audience, will learn that every single person ___53___ a part in someone's life, and sometimes we do not realize that we have made ___54___ a negative impact ___55___ a person's life.

46. a. out b. over c. in d. at
 47. a. delivers b. receives c. packs d. takes
 48. a. controlled b. conceived c. conducted d. committed
 49. a. explaining b. exonerating c. questioning d. complaining
 50. a. eliminate b. terminal c. kill d. end
 51. a. whose b. who c. which d. whom
 52. a. her b. herself c. hers d. -
 53. a. tells b. joins c. plays d. stars
 54. a. many b. so c. such d. what
 55. a. on b. at c. within d. to

Part 3 Conversation

Choose the best answers to complete the conversations. (20 points)

56. A: Do you have some time to talk about the project?
 B: I'd love to, but _____ .
 a. I am available for the whole week b. I've got nothing to do for a while
 c. I've got a pretty tight schedule d. I've been free since the coffee break
57. A: I'm sorry that I can't let you take a vacation leave. We're so busy. Can you wait until next month?
 B: That's too bad, but _____ .
 a. I can call it in next month b. I don't mind leaving sooner
 c. I can manage to run away with it d. I can put it off until next month
58. A: Did you hear what happened with Tiffany? She broke up with her boyfriend last night.
 B: What? I thought they had a great relationship. It was totally _____ .
 a. in the nick of time b. at the crack of dawn c. being on a cloud nine d. out of the blue
59. A: That girl sure is the winner of the The Voice singing contest.
 B: _____ . Her formance has been outstanding from the beginning of the show!
 a. Tell me about it b. Who knows c. You Know Better Than That d. There's no clue
60. A: I don't think Luis and Patricia have anything in common, but they've been talking all evening.
 B: They _____, especially when she learned that he has a Persian cat just like she does!
 a. have been connected with each other b. totally have been mismatched
 c. had been brought up differently d. definitely are second to none

61. A: Hey Peter!. I didn't know you were coming to this school too.
B: Yeah, _____ ! It's good to see you here.
- a. what a luck b. what a turnout c. what a coincidence d. what a day
62. A: "We need to teach our young people to be self-sufficient and not rely on handouts."
B: Absolutely! I also think that they should _____, and they must expect to struggle for success.
- a. ask for help whenever they can b. not wait for things to come to them
c. be given a leg up d. be less motivated to work their tails off
63. A: Guess what? I've just passed the test for my driving licence.
B: _____
- a. What is it? b. Oh no, that's terrible. c. Congratulations! d. What a shame!
- A: I love your bag! What kind is it?
B: It's a Hermes Birkin.
A: If __64__, how much did it cost?
B: This one was \$23,000. But they range from \$21,000 to \$87,000.
A: That's why it looks so nice. I should have figured. __65__ .
B: Yeah. I would __66__ instead of 20 mediocre ones or those with low quality materials.
64. a. you don't mind me asking b. you don't mind me telling you
c. it is not a secret at all d. you can give me a hint
65. a. You can live beyond your means b. It costs you a pretty penny
c. You can afford whatever you want d. You always get what you pay for
66. a. rather get a cheap bag b. rather get one nice bag c. buy one ordinary bag d. rent one expensive bag
- A: What a beautiful watch. It __67__ your wedding ring.
B: Thank you, but I'm not married yet. It's my engagement ring.
A: Well, congratulations. __68__?
B: Next two months."
A: Did you have the watch before getting the ring?
B: Actually, we bought the ring together after I got the watch.
A: __69__ . It's gorgeous.
67. a. gets along well b. goes very well with c. goes along well with d. goes by well
68. a. When is the big day b. What is the fine month c. When is the best month d. When is the due
69. a. You definitely paid a big fortune on them b. They made an incomparable match of jewelries
c. Your fiancé must be totally cleaned out d. You did a fabulous job with the selection
- A: Would you go to Mars on a one-way ticket with NASA?
B: __70__ Why on earth would I do that?!
A: Only 40 people will be selected to start a new colony on Mars. You would __71__ .
B: No, thanks! I'd rather __72__, as there is still so much more for me to see on this beautiful planet.
70. a. Wonderful! b. You must be joking! c. What an opportunity! d. In a heartbeat!
71. a. make a breakthrough b. not come back to earth c. be a part of making history d. make a pie in the sky
72. a. be a part of the team b. go with my family c. enjoy life on Earth d. be remembered
- A: Hey! Have you got any plans for the Thanksgiving holidays?
B: Uhhh. __73__. You?
A: Well, I'm going to celebrate Thanksgiving at my grandmother's. She's cooking really nice vegetarian food.
B: Wait! What? Celebrating Thanksgiving with vegetarian dishes? Isn't a bit odd?
A: Haha I know, right? But you should join us! You'd love it!
B: __74__, but no thanks. To be honest, I'm not a big fan of veggies.

A: You know what? Me ___75___.

73. a. Of course b. Not really c. Not definitely d. Unfortunately
74. a. No way b. That's nice of you c. Let me think d. It's going to be fine
75. a. never b. either c. neither d. nonetheless

Part 4: Reading

Read the following passages and mark the best choice to complete each blank. (25 marks)

Who was the first that made a sheet of glass, backed with metal, into a perfect reflecting surface? As far as we know, the first mirror-makers lived near the city of Sidon, Lebanon, some 2,400 years ago. Since glass itself likely was invented in Lebanon, it's not too surprising that it was the site of the earliest modern mirrors.

Unfortunately, we do not know the name of the person who first came up with this invention. To make a mirror, pre-Christian Lebanese blew a thin sphere of molten glass into a bubble, and then poured hot lead into the bulb of glass. The lead coated the inside of the glass. When the glass cooled, it was broken and cut into convex pieces of mirror.

These early experiments in the art were not flat, so they must have been a bit like fun-house mirrors. In addition, early glass was generally somewhat bubbly and discolored. Nonetheless, the images would have been much clearer than those **obtained** by looking into a sheet of polished copper or bronze. The blown bubbles of glass used were thin, minimizing the impact of the flaws, so these early glass mirrors were a definite improvement over earlier technologies.

76. According to the article, it is convincing that the Lebanese were the first to invent modern mirrors because _____.
a. descendents of the first mirror-maker family are still living in Lebanon today
b. Lebanon is known to be the place where glass was first made
c. mirrors were among the many pieces of merchandise that Lebanon exported
d. there were massive lead mines located in Sidon and other cities in Lebanon
77. Paragraph 2 mainly discusses _____.
a. how the early mirrors were discovered b. how the Lebanese valued mirror making
c. how the mirror-making process worked d. how mirrors were sold as merchandise across Lebanon
78. The early mirror was _____.
a. edgy and sharp b. flat and light c. curved and spotted d. heavy and foggy
79. According to Paragraph 3, _____ were used before the early mirror was invented.
a. polished sheets of copper b. shiny and light lead sheets
c. bubbly and discolored pieces of glass d. glossy glass bulbs coated with lead
80. The word 'obtained', in Paragraph 3, can be replaced by _____.
a. applied b. progressed c. shaped d. attained

Why is there a shortage of penicillin?

1. In 1928, Scottish scientist Alexander Fleming discovered penicillin by accident. In the following years, it revolutionized medicine helping preventing minor infections from becoming fatal.
2. Overtime, and after repeated exposure to penicillin, bacteria can develop resistance to the drug. This means it stops working. New antibiotics are needed to replace penicillin, but few are being developed. This is because research and development costs greatly surpass the profit generated by them. It is estimated that for each new pharmaceutical company entering the antibiotic development field, three exit. Those withdrawing

are mostly major companies.

Why are bacteria becoming resistant to drugs?

3. Unless the full course of an antibiotic - either penicillin or another - is taken, there is a risk bacteria can become resistant to the drugs. This means they no longer work. Other antibiotics can be tried, but this can be expensive - making it much harder to treat a condition.

4. Rheumatic fever is an inflammatory disease. If treated with the wrong antibiotics, it can result in the development of rheumatic heart disease. This claims up to 300,000 deaths annually, worldwide.

81. According to Paragraph 1, which is NOT true?

- a. Penicillin discovery was not a plan. b. Fleming found penicillin in his laboratory experiment.
c. Penicillin was made more effective over time. d. Basic sickness can be critical without penicillin.

82. The word "fatal" can be best replaced by _____ .

- a. worsened b. widened c. threatened d. awakened

83. According to Paragraph 2, penicillin is not effective after using for a long time because _____ .

- a. bacteria is weakened b. bacteria stops working
c. bacteria gains antibody d. bacteria needs new antibiotic

84. Big companies withdraw from antibiotic business because _____ .

- a. the result is not attractive b. they care for smaller companies
c. they have more business options d. other businesses are less expensive

85. The best conclusion for Paragraph 4 would be " _____ " .

- a. Untreated disease can become worse. b. Heart disease takes a lot of lives each year.
c. Rheumatic and heart disease are dangerous. d. Mistreatment can make basic sickness severe.

Boiled potatoes are low in calories and fat, but high in fiber and nutrients. They are naturally rich in vitamins and minerals, particularly potassium, phosphorus, B-complex vitamins, and vitamin C. They are low in calories and fat, and their high fiber content helps you feel full. Contrary to popular belief, potatoes are not inherently fattening. If you add butter or sour cream to potatoes, you increase the numbers of calories and fat grams significantly, so if you are trying to lose weight, season them with herbs or low-calorie condiments.

When boiled in its skin, a large potato, weighing about 300 grams, has 261 calories, 6 grams of protein, and 0.3 grams of fat. A half-gram of protein can be lost when the potato is peeled before getting boiled, but the calorie and fat contents remain similar. Peeled or unpeeled, the potato has 5 grams of fiber, about the same amount as a bowl of bran flakes cereal, and 3 grams of natural sugar.

However, cooking a potato in water depletes it of some of its nutrients. A baked potato is more nutrient-dense, providing 6 grams of protein and 6 grams of fiber. It has about 25 % more magnesium and 40 % more phosphorus and potassium as a boiled potato.

86. The text is mainly about _____ .

- a. the perfect way of cooking potatoes b. the history of cooking potatoes
c. advantages of eating potatoes daily d. nutrition facts of cooked potatoes

87. According to Paragraph 1, what is the '*popular belief*'?

- a. Potatoes contain high fiber and fat content. b. Consuming potatoes can result in weight gain.
c. Boiled or baked potatoes help in losing weight. d. Consuming baked potatoes helps in losing weight.

88. The following statements are *not* true *except* “_____.”

- a. Seasoning boiled potatoes with herbs will increase your appetite
- b. Potato peels are rich in fiber content, which is good for your heart
- c. Having a boiled potato before an actual meal will decrease your appetite
- d. A baked potato gives you a sufficient amount of calories for the day

89. The article suggests that _____ .

- a. cooking potatoes unpeeled is better for keeping their fiber contents
- b. eating potatoes as a main staple will save you a lot of money
- c. peeling potatoes before boiling them will save on cooking time
- d. baking potatoes is better for keeping their nutrients than boiling them

90. In Paragraph 3, ‘*it*’ refers to _____.

- a. the potato
- b. the fiber content
- c. the pot of water
- d. the cooking method

Perfect sushi starts with perfect rice. For that you will need a good recipe and some care. Preparing the sushi rice might look complicated and *pedantic* at first, but as you go along with it you might notice that it’s just like making ordinary rice, only with rice vinegar added to it, and a bit of Japanese methodology.

There are two simple steps, as follows:

1. *Rinse* 3 cups of uncooked rice in a strainer or colander until the water runs clear. Combine with water in a medium saucepan. Bring to a boil, then reduce the heat to low, cover and cook for 20 minutes. Rice should be tender and water should be absorbed. Cool until cool enough to handle.
2. In a small saucepan, combine rice vinegar (½ cup), oil, sugar (2 tablespoons), and salt (2 teaspoons). Cook over medium heat until the sugar dissolves. Cool, then stir into the cooked rice. When you pour this into the rice it will seem very wet. Keep stirring and the rice will dry as it cools. Don’t put the rice in the fridge to make it cool faster – that will damage the rice. You can, however, use a fan or A/C or put it by the window.

Important tip – Some people prefer their sushi rice less seasoned. If it’s your first time making sushi rice, and you are not sure, prepare the amount of seasoning described above, but only use half of *it*. Mix it with the rice, and taste. Also, there might be differences in strength and flavour between different brands of rice vinegar.

91. The article is most likely found in a _____ .

- a. travel blog
- b. celebrity blog
- c. beauty blog
- d. culinary blog

92. According to the article, delicious sushi begins with _____ .

- a. the right type of rice
- b. perfect measurements of all the ingredients
- c. a good sushi recipe and care
- d. Japanese methodology for making sushi

93. In paragraph 1, the word “*pedantic*” is closest in meaning to “_____.”

- a. simple
- b. clear
- c. detailed
- d. tasty

94. In Step 1, the word “*rinse*” is closest in meaning to “_____.”

- a. sort
- b. cleanse
- c. prepare
- d. cooperate

95. According to Step 1, the rice should be cooked for 20 minutes on _____ heat.
- a. low b. medium c. high d. boiling
96. According to Step 2, the best way to cool down the cooked rice is to _____ .
- a. use ice water b. put in the freezer c. keep stirring d. leave it in the fridge
97. According to Step 2, _____ is **not** in the saucepan when the saucepan is placed on the heat.
- a. rice b. vinegar c. sugar d. salt
98. The seasoning sauce is ready to be taken off the heat when _____ .
- a. it has cooled down b. the rice is cool c. the rice is cooked d. the sugar has melted
99. In the last paragraph, the word “*it*” refers to _____ .
- a. the seasoning b. the sushi rice c. the rice vinegar d. the water
100. The following statements are true according to the text, **except** “_____.”
- a. With different types of rice vinegar, the sushi rice might taste different.
- b. The process can sound difficult, but it is actually quite easy.
- c. The taste of the rice can be enhanced by letting it cool in the fridge.
- d. You only need four ingredients, plus rice, to make sushi rice.