

ISTANBUL OKAN ÜNİVERSİTESİ

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1. Tourists ----- when large numbers of middle-class people ----- to join the more wealthy aristocratic travellers.

- A) have originated / had begun
- B) had originated / began
- C) could have originated / have begun
- D) originated / began
- E) were originating / are beginning

2. The wounded hunter ----- on the ground for almost an hour when, coincidentally, he ----- by another hunter, who must have keen eyes.

- A) has been lying / is spotting
- B) has lain / will be spotted
- C) will have lain / had been spotted
- D) had been lying / was spotted
- E) was lying / spotted

3. As the tree was too high to climb, the mischievous boys ----- their ball down only by throwing sticks at it.

- A) would have knocked
- B) were able to knock
- C) will have to knock
- D) may have knocked
- E) could have knocked

4. Certain serious diseases can be successfully treated

----- detected in an initial stage.

- A) unless
- B) if
- C) even when
- D) before
- E) after

5. ----- you have made minimal progress, it is by no means the kind of progress that you need to make.

- A) What
- B) Despite
- C) In addition to
- D) On behalf of
- E) While

6. Soils are the result of ----- interacting processes

----- bring different materials together.

- A) a few / by which
- B) such / as
- C) some / that
- D) most of / which
- E) a good deal of / in which

7. I'm ready to do ----- I can do to help you ----- your hardship.

- A) anything / overcome
- B) whatever / overcoming
- C) what / to be overcoming
- D) that / to have overcome
- E) nothing / having overcome

8. Despite my insistence, Adam didn't tell me ----- he didn't like me and my family.

- A) why
- B) even if
- C) whose
- D) the reason
- E) about whom

9. She keeps saying that she has got ----- patience with kids, but forgets that she didn't have ----- before she gave birth to her own kids.

- A) enough / as much
- B) too many / any
- C) such / none
- D) so / some
- E) more / neither

10. If I ----- the choice of making either an oral or a written report, I ----- the second alternative.

- A) gave / could pick
- B) had been given / might pick
- C) would have given / had picked
- D) have been giving / will pick
- E) were given / would pick

11. I'm going to ask you a number of questions, and I want answers from you.

- A) reluctant
- B) obstinate
- C) straight
- D) remarkable

E) objectionable

12. I you my bottom dollar that they'll manage to get here anyway.

A) offer

B) risk to

C) receive from

D) hand over to

E) bet

13. He told his audience the and fantastic story of his narrow escapes.

A) indecent

B) incredible

C) inexperienced

D) indispensable

E) individual

14. The king's speech his followers with renewed hope and determination.

A) perspired

B) expired

C) conspired

D) despaired

E) inspired

15. The book is a best-seller. But the real identity of its author still remains quite _____.

A) transparent

B) obscure

C) opaque

D) crystal clear

E) translucent

16. It is that he is currently working on a science fiction novel.

- A) rumoured
- B) censored
- C) humoured
- D) censured
- E) camouflaged

17. First of all, we'll need some chemical that is not to light.

- A) sensual
- B) senseless
- C) sensational
- D) sensitive
- E) sensible

18. The news of a new and more serious breach of the ceasefire received here last night has now been

_____.

- A) consented
- B) observed
- C) nodded
- D) confirmed
- E) accomplished

19. Actors have to a play before they give a public performance.

- A) practice
- B) represent
- C) repeat
- D) reproduce
- E) rehearse

20. Love, hate, joy, grief, fear are all _____.

- A) considerations
- B) indications
- C) suppositions
- D) suggestions
- E) emotions

Choose the "restatement" that is closest in meaning to the original sentence. More than one choice may be factually correct, but you should choose the one that is the closest "restatement" of the first sentence.

21) Whether you're a mother, a mother-to-be or not even thinking about being a mom, there is still something to interest you in this book.

- A) The secrets of making a successful marriage are revealed in this book for all women, married or not.
- B) This book offers us a comparison between women who are also mothers and those who are not even thinking of becoming a mother.
- C) All men and women must read this book in order to learn something about what motherhood means.
- D) This book was written by women, for women, about women, whether they are mothers or not.

E) You would be wise to read this book if you are already a mother, or if you are shortly to become a mother, or even if you have no intention of ever becoming a mother.

22. I'm going to ask him to let me know if he runs across any other such novellas with a historical connection.

A) I want to know if he can tell me of any historical novellas across which people used to perform running competitions.

B) Novellas are connected to historical events about which my friend knows a lot.

C) I am going to inquire about how he encountered the historically connected novella while he was running there.

D) I am fond of historical novellas and I think he may help me find more of them; I really enjoyed the one he told me about.

E) Such historical novellas are suitable places to run around and I hope he will tell me all about it if he comes across one.

23. I would have given you one free of charge if I had known that you had to have one.

A) You couldn't have known that I was under no obligation to give you one of these free of charge, and kept asking for one.

B) If you had convinced me that you needed one of these, I would have given it to you certainly without charge.

C) I needn't have given it to you free of charge if you had told me that you had one already.

D) I realized just how necessary it was for you to have one of these and therefore I wanted to give it to you without charging you for it.

E) I wasn't aware that you were in great need of one of these; otherwise, I would have given you one and ask for no money in return.

24. Driven by an understandable desire to obtain good arable land, the Chalmuks constantly sought to expand their territories by hook or by crook.

A) The Chalmuks were a warlike people, with a strong distate for agricultural activities, preferring to live on the spoils of wars they made against their neighbours.

B) The Chalmuks were always after adding new lands to their territories because they were aware that their own lands weren't good enough for crop plantation.

C) Not stimulated adequately enough by their greed for good arable soil, The Chalmuks were always occupying their neighbouring countries' territories.

D) The Chalmuks, who were a peaceful agrarian people, were always after purchasing new territories to expand their crops plantations.

E) Their neighbours were always willing to forfeit some of their good arable land to the Chakmuks in the name of good neighbourly relations.

25. Alas! A friend of mine had warned me that selling such a large quantity of shares without consulting an expert might be rather unwise.

A) I am sorry that I did not heed my friend's advice; he had advised me to consult an expert if I was intending to sell any such large quantity of shares.

B) Damn it! I had been warned by a friend of mine that selling such a large quantity of shares without an expert's permission might be quite unwise.

C) My friend Alas had told me that it would be far better to seek some professional advice before selling so many shares; I am so sorry I did not heed his warning.

D) Unfortunately, a friend of mine informed me that only an expert would be able to sell such a large quantity of shares.

E) The expert whom I consulted -- as a friend of mine had advised me to do -- told me that it would be unwise to sell such a large quantity of shares.

26. No one disagrees that the environment has to be protected, but should this really take priority over economic development?

A) It is agreed by all that the importance of economic development cannot be ranked below that of environmental protection.

B) There is no disagreement that environmental protection should be given priority over economic development.

C) Everyone agrees that protection of the

environment is a must, but some think that economic development is even more important.

D) No one disagrees that environmental protection should be put before all else, including economic development.

E) While not neglecting the importance of environmental protection, everyone agrees that economic development should really be given priority over it.

27. I have no idea how he may be persuaded that the project is already anything but stillborn.

A) I just don't know how anyone will manage to make him understand that this project is already dead.

B) That the project was still not born was what we failed to make him understand.

C) We will have to do something to make him believe that the project is still not born.

D) I don't know what we can do to make him understand that the project has not been born yet.

E) I must find a way to convince him that an unborn project means it stands still.

28. I very much doubt that he is experienced enough to be given a position of such responsibility.

A) With a little more experience I'm sure he will be the right man we need for that responsible position.

B) I very much doubt that a responsible job of that description requires someone with a great deal of experience.

C) He must be given a chance to prove that he is experienced enough to take on such a responsible post.

D) I'm not at all sure that he will fail in that responsible position despite his lack of adequate experience.

E) I am almost certain that he's not experienced enough to be appointed to such a responsible position.

29. However much effort she put into it, she could not put things right between herself and her husband.

A) Her relationship with her husband came to a breaking point because she was unable to put more effort into it than she actually did.

B) Unless she was willing to make more of an effort, things would certainly improve at home.

C) Any improvement in the relation of a husband and wife requires that she must truly sacrifice her pride and direct all her efforts toward that happy end.

D) She tried all she could, but her relationship with her husband showed no improvement.

E) She ought to have made more of an effort if she really had wanted the future look brighter for her marriage.

30. However hard he tries, he will never again enjoy the confidence of his wife as much as he did before.

A) He will hardly try to win his wife's confidence

although he never enjoys himself without it as much as before.

B) He no longer tries to win his wife's confidence as he is now convinced he can never have it as wholly as before.

C) If only he'd try a little harder, he would sooner or later have confidence in his wife as much as he did before.

D) So long as he keeps on trying, there is a good chance that his wife will begin to trust him again as much as she did in the past.

E) No matter what he does, she is not likely to trust him ever again in the same degree as she used to.

31.(I) Divers in France have found the oldest known bust of Roman dictator Caesar at the bottom of the River Rhone. (II) The bust was thrown in the river after she was assassinated. (III) The marble bust was found near Arles, which was founded by Caesar. (IV) France's culture ministry said the bust was from 46 BC, the date of the southern town's foundation. (V) The ministry described the bust, which shows a lined face and a balding head, as typical of realist portraits of the Republican era.

A) I

B) II

C) III

D) IV

E) V

32. (I) A man has drowned after diving into a reservoir to rescue his girlfriend's daughter from the water. (II)

The girl slipped when trying to catch a ball while playing with the man and her mother. (III) The girl got herself out, but the man got into difficulties. (IV) The fire brigade was called out and two hours later officers recovered the man's body from the water. (V) The report will be submitted to the police and the coroner.

A) I

B) II

C) III

D) IV

E) V

33. (I) After years of mounting difficulties which brought the country close to economic collapse, a tough recovery programme was agreed with the IMF in 2002. (II) Since then, Turkey has seen impressive progress. (III) Turkey's powerful military, which sees itself as the guardian of the secular system, has a long history of involvement in politics. (IV) Economic growth has been strong and inflation has fallen dramatically. (V) However, huge foreign debt remains a major burden.

A) I

B) II

C) III

D) IV

E) V

34. My first impression of Istanbul after arriving at the airport was of the sheer size of the city. (II) It's enormous: a sprawl of housing that seems to stretch

into infinity. (III) New and old seem to sit together everywhere. (IV) The streets were crowded and noisy. (V) There are giant, sparkling new skyscrapers and office blocks standing beside much older, more squalid houses and shops.

- A) I
- B) II
- C) III
- D) IV
- E) V

35. (I) Byzantium came under Roman control in the 1st Century BC. (II) They latinized the name to Byzantium. (III) In 330 AD, the Emperor decided to move the capital of the Roman Empire from Rome to Byzantium because Rome was falling under threat. (IV) He initially came up with the name of New Rome for the city, but later decided to rename it Constantinople. (V) The Byzantines considered themselves to be Romans but spoke Greek.

- A) I
- B) II
- C) III
- D) IV
- E) V

36. The Blue Mosque is officially the Mosque of Sultan Ahmet I. (II) It was built at the beginning of the 17th century and was designed by Sedefkar Mehmet Aga. (III) The Blue Mosque isn't blue on the outside, it is grey. (IV) It is built on the site of the Byzantine Great

Palace - that is, the palace of the Byzantine Emperors. (V) The most distinctive feature of the mosque is its six minarets - a very unusual number.

- A) I
- B) II
- C) III
- D) IV
- E) V

37. (I) The Hippodrome was a racetrack for horses in Roman times. (II) It could hold around 100,000 spectators. (III) It became the centre of the cultural and sporting life of the city - sport was culture, as far as the Roman in the street was concerned. (IV) Chariot racing was to the Romans what football is to modern man. (V) The buildings of the hippodrome are all gone now.

- A) I
- B) II
- C) III
- D) IV
- E) V

38. (I) Our bodies are made from the foods that we eat (II) All foods consist of proteins, fats, carbohydrates, trace nutrients, and non-digestible components, such as fibre. (III) A varied diet with the right proportion of nutrients is the foundation of good health. (IV) Low levels of minerals or vitamins can cause diseases such as anaemia, goitre, pellagra, rickets, scurvy, and mental retardation. (V) The proportion and

quantity of the foods that we eat determine whether we will be healthy or develop nutritional diseases.

A) I

B) II

C) III

D) IV

E) V

39. (I) The best way to lose body fat weight is through diet. (II) Many people believe that exercise is a good way to lose weight. (III) This is not so. (IV) Fifteen minutes of moderately vigorous exercise will only burn approximately 100 calories. (V) You need 10 hours of moderate exercise to burn the calories equivalent to one pound of fat, but you cannot selectively burn only fat.

A) I

B) II

C) III

D) IV

E) V

40. (I) Before starting an exercise program, consulting a physician is particularly important for the sportsmen. (II) According to a report, sports injuries among baby boomers increased by 33 per cent from 1991 to 1998. (III) In 1998, baby boomers suffered more than 1 million sports - injuries which cost over \$18.7 billion dollars in medical expenses. (IV) The highest numbers of sports-related injuries came from bicycling, basketball, baseball, and running. (V) The most common injuries were due to accidents or overuse and affected the knees, ankles, lower back,

and shoulders.

- A) I
- B) II
- C) III
- D) IV
- E) V

41. We owe the name and the concept of Atlantis to Plato. It was first mentioned in his dialogues Timaeus and Critias, where he claims to be reporting a conversation that had taken place between his ancestor, Solon, and an Egyptian priest. The dialogues tell us the overwhelming of a culture by a catastrophe which by modern chronology would have occurred about 9600 BC, at the end of the last Ice Age. _____. Therefore, it's hard for archaeologists to believe that it's fictitious and this has given rise to a host of speculations about where Atlantis might have been and even to expeditions aiming to discover, vestiges of the civilisation itself.

- A) Nevertheless, the story doesn't appeal to the logical reader
- B) Atlantis was said to have been under the Atlantic Ocean in the accounts of Plato
- C) In the dialogues, epic voyages in primitive craft proved that they could have sailed immense distances simply by drifting with the current
- D) Atlantis was destroyed by a group of primitive huge creatures which had human intelligence but a body of a monster
- E) The account is so realistic that you can even read

a detailed description of the geography, architecture and social life of an advanced civilisation

42. Every year about two and a half million animals are used in scientific experiments in Britain. The number has fallen in the last few years but it still provokes the vigorous opposition of defenders of animal rights. The scientists who carry out the experiments justify them by the argument that thousands of people owe their lives to medicines and techniques first evaluated and made safe by animal testing; in their opinion, the benefit for humanity outweighs the inevitable suffering inflicted on animals. _____. Their contention is that animals have feelings, like us, which ought to be respected.

- A) However, some thoughtless people are against this because they don't care for human life
- B) Logically, each side cites the aspects of the case, likely to have the greatest impact on uncommitted public opinion
- C) Then, it may be a better idea to make use of the findings of similar research in other countries
- D) Animal rights activists, on the other hand, believe that they should never be subjected to experiments
- E) The government demanded from the scientists to obtain as much information as possible from experiments

43. _____. It's a piece of paper listing previous qualifications and experience. Increasing reliance on paper qualifications and the multiplication of the

number of qualifications now available have led to a situation where this particular qualifications list and its presentation are an essential first step towards getting one's foot in the door of a job.

A) In most of the job applications people tell lies or they pretend that they have passed all the subjects in examinations that they've failed

B) Almost everyone who applies for a job these days must expect to attend an interview but whether or not they should have curriculum

C) Companies are employing professional assessors to find out in the course of interviews whether candidates can substantiate their claims

D) If you have failed to keep any job for very long, link a number of them together to suggest they all formed part of the same job

E) Many people prepare some documents related to their past before a job interview

44. Cosmology is the scientific inquiry into what the universe is like. By making assumptions that are not contradicted by the behaviour of the observable universe, scientists build models, or theories, that attempt to describe the universe as a whole, including its origin and its future. _____. Then the model must be modified or discarded. Cosmologists usually assume that the universe, except for small irregularities, has an identical appearance to all observers. This unproven concept is called the cosmological principle.

A) In this way, they can examine the background of

the events

B) These theories explain us how or when we came

into being

C) They use each model until something is found that

contradicts it

D) They can speculate on our future by using several

equipments during the observation

E) Immortality of the universe has been proved

through these observations

45. While it can be argued that the early Victorians

invented Christmas, reinvented would be a more

accurate expression. _____. In fact, the idea that

Christmas should be a time for feasting and

merrymaking can be traced back to pagan festivals

like the Roman Saturnalia, predating Christianity

itself, and the traditional Christmas pudding,

containing nuts and raisins, was already on the menu

two hundred years ago. The family in a Christmas

Carol were following tradition in having goose for

their dinner, though turkey has now taken its place as

the cornerstone of the feast.

A) Because many of the features of the modern

Christmas are much older

B) In the Victorian period Christmas was celebrated

just in the family and nobody else was invited

C) Therefore like Christmas - Carols were also first

invented in this age

D) Christmas tree and Santa Clause are all imported

from Germany

E) Since it's been too recent for the Christmas to

celebrate Christmas

46. "Aborigines" are the first or original inhabitants of a country. The Australian Aborigines have been living in Australia for over 40,000 years. At one stage in their history, there were possibly over a million Aborigines. _____. Today, only about 100,000 survive. Although some still lead a traditional life in the remote and desert areas of the Australian outback, many now live in poor conditions in cities and towns.

- A) The Aboriginal people know there is a long way to go before they win back their land
- B) The huge rock, in the centre of Sydney, is of great importance to them
- C) They are leading a luxurious life in their palaces in the biggest cities of the country
- D) It is clear that there has been a sharp increase in their population
- E) However, when the first white settlers arrived in the 18th century and stole their land, many Aborigines died fighting to protect it

47. Before a child is 14 years old, he or she views 11 thousand murders on TV. He or she begins to believe that there is nothing strange about fights, killings, and other kinds of violence. Many studies show that people become more violent after watching a certain program. They may even do the things that they saw in a violent program. _____. After it appeared on TV in the United States, twenty-nine people tried to kill themselves in a way similar to an event in the film.

- A) A lot of children like watching horror and action movies including violence
- B) Such movies as Harry Potter, The Ice Age. Shrek and Finding Nemo are among the films the children in the USA enjoy watching
- C) Today even cartoons and animations have violence in them
- D) An example is the effect of the movie "The Deep Hunter"
- E) Children are affected by the amount of violence they watch on TV.

48. Most of the world is changing rapidly. However, some North American Indian leaders - called elders - do not want to give up traditions, their old ways. Technology does not impress them. Progress is not always good. _____. Therefore, they keep the stories, the religion, and the traditions alive.

- A) These native people of Canada, the United States, and Mexico want to teach their children the old ways, their history and culture
- B) However, they can easily adapt to technological improvements
- C) Written literature kept on the computer is the way they prefer rather than teaching orally
- D) Because they even borrowed from others' cultures via internet
- E) And this makes them fairly open to the new developments in science

49. _____. Wherever they go, people turn out in the thousands to greet them. The crowds go wild trying to catch a brief glimpse of their smiling, colourfully dressed idols. They transported in their chauffeur-driven Rolls-Royces, private permanent entourage of managers, press agents, and bodyguards. Photographs of them appear regularly in the press and all their comings and goings are reported, because, like royalty, they are news.

A) A man working in a steady job and looking forward to a pension at the end of it has no right to expect very high rewards

B) The financial rewards the famous actors receive for the sacrifice they do cannot be calculated

C) Pop stars today enjoy a style of living which was once the prerogative only of royalty

D) Most of the singers well-known all around the world say that they feel lonely because people ignore them

E) For every famous star, there are hundreds of others struggling to earn a living

50. For many years, people living in remote areas relied on the Sears or Montgomery Ward's catalogues to purchase the necessities of life. These "wish books" as they were often called helped people improve the quality of their lives. Nowadays, every household in the country receives a barrage of various catalogues selling everything from electric golf clubs to padded coat hangers. _____. But so often these items are just superfluous, absurd trifles.

A) Rather than improve the quality of our lives, such items detract from it by wasting our time and money

B) The descriptions of these items suggest that they, too, will help improve the quality of our lives by providing convenience, comfort, and shortcuts to improve our appearance.

C) Unfortunately, some of these clever items that claim to save time might actually end up making us waste time

D) All these items, whether they are designed to help us in the kitchen, comfort us in the bathroom, or improve the way we look and feel, are for the most part unnecessary

E) Cluttering up our coffee tables and end tables were those stacks of catalogues offering much more such useless trifles

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**İstanbul Okan University Foreign Languages 2024-2025 Fall Semester
Erasmus Exam Sample (From the 2023-2024 Spring Semester Erasmus Exam)**

- **Speaking Task 1 (Speaking Questions)**

TOPIC 1

Instructions:

Before you start talking, please show your OKAN ID or passport. Answer the questions with as much detail as you can. You have five minutes for this task.

1. Technology:

- a. How has recent technological advancement impacted your daily life?
- b. Describe a cutting-edge technology that fascinates you and its potential implications.
- c. Discuss the ethical considerations surrounding the integration of artificial intelligence into everyday activities.

- **Speaking Task 2 (Picture Description)**



- **Your task is to describe the picture above as much as you can. You can take a few moments to think before you start talking. You have five minutes.**