

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE PLACEMENT TEST

*Choose the answer that you think is correct and circle the appropriate letter:*

1.	This man has dark ..... a) heads b) head c) hairs d) hair
2.	and a ..... a) beard b) barber c) moustaches d) facehair
3.	He is ..... a jacket a) wearing b) carrying c) having d) holding
4.	and he is ..... a piece of paper. a) wearing b) holding c) having d) getting
5.	He is sitting at his ..... a) chair b) desk c) office d) room
6.	- perhaps he is ..... a) work b) at work c) business d) on job
7.	You arrive at a party at 8 p.m. What do you say? a) Goodnight b) Good-bye c) Good evening d) Good afternoon
8.	Someone offers you a drink. You don't want it. What do you say? a) Thank you b) Please c) No, thank you d) No, please
9.	Henderson ..... going to work. a) likes not b) don't like c) doesn't like d) not like
10.	..... early in the morning? a) Does he get up b) Gets he up c) Do he get up d) Get he up
11.	He ..... to drive a car. a) am learning b) learning c) is learning d) are learning
12.	A train is ..... a bus. a) more quickly b) quickly c) quicker than d) more quick

13.	He ..... swim very well. a) not can b) cannot c) doesn't can d) don't can
14.	..... the bus to work. a) Always Roberts catches b) Roberts always catches c) Roberts catches always d) Roberts does always catches
15.	Peter works in London. .... a) He goes there by train b) He there goes by train c) He goes by train there d) There goes he by train
16.	..... TV last night. a) Did he watch b) Watched he c) Did he watched d) Does he watch
17.	I spoke slowly, but he ..... understand me. a) canned not b) didn't can c) didn't could d) could not
18.	He made ..... last year. a) many money b) much money c) a lot of money d) lots money
19.	I asked him ..... a) to not go away b) to go not away c) not to go away d) go not away
20.	He used to live ..... London. a) on b) in c) to d) at
21.	James ..... to him on the phone. a) spoked b) speaked c) spoke d) spoken
22.	" Quiet, please – I ..... " a) am doing a test! b) do a test! c) doing a test! d) does a test!
23.	I won't go to Cambridge if it ..... tomorrow. a) rain b) would rain c) rains d) raining
24.	While he ..... to London he saw an accident. a) was driving b) drives c) drove d) had driven
25.	Millions of cigarettes ..... every year.

	a) is smoke b) are smoking c) are smoked d) are smoke
26.	He has a ..... experience in marketing in Europe. a) grand b) wide c) large d) great
27.	I remember ..... him in London. a) of meeting b) to meet c) to meeting d) meeting
28.	But I saw him in Frankfurt ..... a) 3 years ago b) for 3 years c) before 3 years d) since 3 years
29.	Could you look ..... the blackboard and read what is on it? a) to b) on c) for d) at
30.	Smith went abroad last year. .... abroad before. a) He had never been b) He had been never c) He never went d) He went never
31.	The last Olympic Games ..... in Athens. a) were helded b) was holded c) were held d) were hold
32.	He took ..... cheese. a) all of b) all c) the all d) all of the
33.	The committee held a ..... last week. a) meeting b) gathering c) session d) sitting
34.	I ..... the Prime Minister's speech very carefully. a) heard to b) heard c) listened to d) overheard
35.	He would have known that, if he ..... the meeting. a) had attended b) would have attended c) has attended d) would attend
36.	Would you mind ..... the door? a) open b) to open c) opening d) to opening
37.	In August he ..... for us for 25 years. a) will have worked b) will work c) is going to work d) will be working
38.	..... since I came back to the office? a) Did Robinson telephone b) Was Robinson telephoning c) telephoned Robinson d) Has

	Robinson telephoned
39.	He speaks English very well ..... he's only 12. a) whereas b) despite c) in spite of d) although
40.	"Don't do that," I said. I ..... him not to do that. a) talked b) told c) spoke d) said
41.	He never takes risks. He's a very ..... man. a) mindful b) anxious c) attentive d) cautious
42.	I'd like to put ..... a suggestion, if I may. a) forward b) over c) across d) through
43.	I ..... this test for at least half an hour now. a) do b) am doing c) have done d) have been doing
44.	I'll speak to him when he ..... a) will arrive b) is arriving c) arrives d) would arrive
45.	"Can you come tomorrow?" He asked ..... tomorrow. a) if I come b) that I come c) if I could come d) that I can come
46.	He hasn't come again today. If he doesn't come, ..... what to do tomorrow. a) he wouldn't know b) he didn't know c) he will not have known d) he won't know
47.	<b>CONVERSATION (questions 47 – 64):</b>  Mr and Mrs Wallace want to buy a house, so they go to the office of an estate agent. <b>Agent:</b> Good morning. Mr and Mrs Wallace? <b>Mrs Wallace:</b> Mr Hogan? <b>Agent:</b> How do you do. <b>Mrs Wallace:</b> I spoke to you on the phone. .... is my husband. a) This b) It c) He d) That <b>Mr Wallace:</b> How do you do.
48.	<b>Agent:</b> How do you do. .... sit down. a) You b) Please c) Now d) Let

	<i>(They all sit down at a desk.)</i>
49.	<b>Agent:</b> I understand from our telephone conversation that you're ..... a) intending b) interesting c) intended d) interested
50.	in buying a property for about £85,000, is that ..... ? a) true b) possible c) not d) right
51.	<b>Mrs Wallace:</b> No. Well the price is right, but – er – well, we ..... a problem. a) make b) have c) are d) seem  We've been living abroad for the last ten years -
52.	<b>Mr Wallace:</b> Longer ..... that. a) than b) that c) as d) to
53.	<b>Mrs Wallace:</b> Yes, I suppose it is – and we want to settle back here ..... a) because b) and c) but d) so
54.	we have very different ideas of the ..... of place we'd like to live in. a) kind b) piece c) shape d) area
55.	<b>Mr Wallace:</b> Yes, you see ..... prefer to live in town, in a centrally located flat. a) I b) I'd c) we d) we'd
56.	<b>Mrs Wallace:</b> And I am really keen to live in ..... country. a) the b) a c) some d) -
57.	I want a big garden. I want a new view. I want to be ..... to go for walks. a) able b) possible c) can d) allow  I want to go back to work – that is, to get back into teaching.
58.	<b>Mr Wallace:</b> Well, I'm sure you ..... teach in London, in town, just as easily. a) would b) might c) should d) could
59.	<b>Mrs Wallace:</b> Yes, ..... I think the chances of a) and b) but c) so d) then
60.	getting a job ..... probably much greater in a village school

	a) is b) are c) will d) would
61.	and I ..... like to be part of the community again, darling. a) would b) do c) will d) shall
62.	<b>Mr Wallace:</b> And I want to live in a flat ..... maintenance included. a) for b) with c) and d) by
63.	You know – you pay for all the ..... I mean, I’m not a do-it-yourself man. a) services b) servants c) assistance d) assistants
64.	I don’t like to mend leaky ..... , and that sort of thing. a) walls b) floors c) roofs d) ceilings
65.	<b>AT A HOTEL (question 65 – 80)</b>  Mr Graham has just checked into a hotel, but he is not happy with his room. He goes down to the reception desk.  <b>Mr Graham:</b> I’m ..... there’s been a mistake. My room doesn’t have a bath. a) sorry b) afraid c) anxious d) regret
66.	<b>Hotel Clerk:</b> Well, I think your room is correct, sir. Room 118 ..... ? a) don’t you b) isn’t it c) doesn’t it d) can you
67.	<b>Mr Graham:</b> ....., could I have a bath, please? a) Thus b) Well c) In spite d) Thank you
68.	<b>Hotel Clerk:</b> Er – I’m afraid we don’t ..... a room with a bath and – a) reserve b) get c) have d) retain
69.	<b>Mr Graham:</b> Look, I’m very tired. I don’t want to ..... but my firm always book a room with a bath. a) shout b) denounce c) anger d) argue
70.	<b>Hotel Clerk:</b> Er – I’ll check the ..... a) correspondence b) mailing c) communicate d) lettering
71.	but I don’t think you were ..... into a room with a bath. a) reserved b) checked c) booked d) registered

	<p>There we are, it is Mr Graham, isn't it?</p> <p><b>Mr Graham:</b> It is, yes.</p> <p>The clerk shows Mr Graham a letter.</p>
72.	<p><b>Hotel Clerk:</b> Yes, one ..... room.</p> <p>a) alone b) single c) bathless d) only</p>
73.	<p><b>Mr Graham:</b> I'll see them when I get back. Well, I ..... that it's our mistake,</p> <p>a) appreciate b) deprecate c) respect d) expect</p>
74.	<p>but are you sure there's ..... with a bath?</p> <p>a) not b) something c) anything d) nothing</p> <p><b>Hotel Clerk:</b> Well, .....</p>
75.	<p><b>Mr Graham:</b> I've just flown a very long ..... and I'm very tired and all I want is a bath and a sleep.</p> <p>a) distance b) airline c) period d) timing</p>
76.	<p><b>Hotel Clerk:</b> Well, as I've said, sir, there's ..... nothing for tonight.</p> <p>a) extremely b) perfectly c) absolutely d) especially</p> <p>But let's see. You're here for five days, aren't you?</p> <p><b>Mr Graham:</b> Oh dear!</p>
77.	<p><b>Hotel Clerk:</b> I'll just have a ..... with the manager.</p> <p>a) word b) sentence c) phrase d) dialogue</p>
78.	<p><b>Mr Graham:</b> I would ..... it.</p> <p>a) value b) appreciate c) thank d) reward</p>
79.	<p>I'm ..... to have a long hot bath!</p> <p>a) despaired b) worried c) desperate d) overwhelmed</p>
80.	<p><b>Hotel Clerk:</b> Don't worry, sir! ..... it with me.</p> <p>a) Let b) Leave c) Give d) Stop</p>

**CORRECT ANSWERS TO TEST**

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1) D  | 21) C |       | 61) A |
| 2) A  | 22) A |       | 62) B |
| 3) A  | 23) C | 41) D | 63) A |
| 4) B  | 24) A | 42) A | 64) C |
| 5) B  | 25) C | 43) D | 65) B |
| 6) B  | 26) B | 44) C | 66) B |
| 7) C  | 27) D | 45) C | 67) B |
| 8) C  | 28) A | 46) D | 68) C |
| 9) C  | 29) D | 47) A | 69) D |
| 10) A | 30) A | 48) B | 70) A |
| 11) C | 31) C | 49) D | 71) C |
| 12) C | 32) D | 50) D | 72) B |
| 13) B | 33) A | 51) B | 73) A |
| 14) B | 34) C | 52) A | 74) D |
| 15) A | 35) A | 53) C | 75) A |
| 16) A | 36) C | 54) A | 76) C |
| 17) D | 37) A | 55) B | 77) A |
| 18) C | 38) D | 56) A | 78) B |
| 19) C | 39) D | 57) A | 79) C |
| 20) B | 40) B | 58) D | 80) B |
|       |       | 59) B |       |
|       |       | 60) B |       |

## INTERPRETATION OF THE RESULTS

Correct answers	Level	Description
76 – 80	seven	Very advanced
70 – 75	six	Advanced
62 – 69	five	Higher Intermediate
52 – 61	four	Intermediate
40 – 51	three	Lower Intermediate
24 – 39	two	Elementary
1 – 23	one	Beginner

## Part One

Read the following texts and select (A) true, (B) false, or (C) not in text, in answer to each of the statements on the next page. Mark your choices on your answer sheet.

***If you enjoy sports ...  
If you are interested in sea life ...  
Join the SEAWATER club!***

### Wakeboarding

In your first lesson, in the clubhouse, you'll learn how to put the wakeboard on and how to stand up when you're in the water. It's so much fun – you'll never want to stop! We have plenty of speedboats and instructors, so you can wakeboard every day if you like!

**Every day 3:00 – 5:00pm  
Monday – Friday £9.00  
Saturday – Sunday £11.00**



### Life Saving

This course is only for strong swimmers! If you like being in the water in the sunny weather, it's important to know how to be safe. We teach you some basic skills for your own safety first. Then you learn how to rescue someone and give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation if they're not breathing.

**Monday to Saturday 10:00 – 11:00am  
£5.00**



### Snorkelling

You will see the fascinating and often beautiful forms of marine life, which are in the seas around Great Britain. Using your mask and snorkel, we show you different types of seaweed and the wide variety of animals that live under them. Find out the names of all the new plants and animals you discover.

**Thursday and Sunday 09:00 – 16:00  
£7.50**



**Part One (continued)**

1. The most expensive activity is wakeboarding.  
**A = True      B = False      C = Not in text**
  
2. You can do life saving every day.  
**A = True      B = False      C = Not in text**
  
3. You need a mask to go snorkelling.  
**A = True      B = False      C = Not in text**
  
4. There are no life saving lessons if it is raining.  
**A = True      B = False      C = Not in text**
  
5. You don't learn how to put on a wakeboard until you are in the water.  
**A = True      B = False      C = Not in text**
  
6. There are more instructors than speedboats for wakeboarding.  
**A = True      B = False      C = Not in text**
  
7. There are many kinds of animals in the sea around the coast of Great Britain.  
**A = True      B = False      C = Not in text**
  
8. You can go wakeboarding everyday.  
**A = True      B = False      C = Not in text**
  
9. Snorkelling is cheaper on Thursday.  
**A = True      B = False      C = Not in text**
  
10. You have to be a good at swimming to take life saving lessons.  
**A = True      B = False      C = Not in text**

*(10 Marks)*

## Part Two

Read the conversation and then answer the questions on the next page. Mark your answers on your answer sheet.

Leo is phoning the seawater club.



"Good afternoon. I was reading a local magazine last night when I noticed an advertisement for you club and I decided I'd like to join your club."

"That's wonderful. Can you swim?"



"Yes, at least 800 metres."

"Good. Which lessons would you like to register for?"



"I don't really know."

"How about wakeboarding?"



"No, I learnt to wakeboard last year in Spain with my family. I did it for two weeks! I'm going again this summer so it would be nice to learn something different."

"Why don't you try snorkelling? The marine life is amazing"



"That sounds like a good idea. I loved learning about marine life in biology lessons at school last year but I chose chemistry instead this year. When are the lessons?"

"On Thursday and Sunday afternoons, for 2 ½ hours, starting at 2 o'clock."



"That's great. I'll be there on Sunday!"

"Thanks for your call, I'll see you on Sunday."



**Part Two (continued)**

11. What was Leo doing when he saw the information about the Seawater club?

- A He was wakeboarding.
- B He was reading a magazine.
- C He was studying for a chemistry exam.

12. Where did Leo and his family go on holiday last year?

- A They did not go on holiday.
- B They went to Spain.
- C They went snorkelling in France.

13. Why didn't Leo want to have wakeboarding lessons?

- A He learnt to wakeboard last year.
- B He doesn't like wakeboarding.
- C He cannot swim more than 800 metres.

14. Why did Leo choose to go snorkelling?

- A Because he chose chemistry at school this year.
- B Because he loved learning about marine life.
- C Because he hated wakeboarding.

15. When will Leo go snorkelling?

- A Thursday at 2 o'clock.
- B Sunday at 11 o'clock.
- C Sunday at 2 o'clock?

*(5 marks)*

**Part Three**

**Read the adverts (A, B, C and D) and then answer the questions on the next page. Mark your answers on your answer sheet.**

***After School Clubs***

LEARN TO PLAY  
IMPROVE YOUR SKILLS  
**CHESS**  
CLUB  
PLAY AGAINST OTHER SCHOOLS  
WEDNESDAYS 4-6pm

The advertisement for the Chess Club features a blue background. It includes a large yellow chess king piece on the left and a smaller black chess knight piece on the right. The text is arranged in a vertical layout, starting with 'LEARN TO PLAY' and 'IMPROVE YOUR SKILLS' at the top, followed by the club name 'CHESS CLUB' in large, bold letters, and 'PLAY AGAINST OTHER SCHOOLS' and 'WEDNESDAYS 4-6pm' at the bottom.

**A**

LEARN A NEW AND EXCITING TEAM SPORT  
KEEP VERY FIT  
**ULTIMATE FRISBEE**  
CLUB  
PLAY IN INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENTS  
TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS 4-6:30pm

The advertisement for the Ultimate Frisbee Club has a light grey background. It features a green silhouette of a person in mid-air, throwing a frisbee. The text is centered and includes 'LEARN A NEW AND EXCITING TEAM SPORT' and 'KEEP VERY FIT' at the top, the club name 'ULTIMATE FRISBEE CLUB' in large letters, and 'PLAY IN INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENTS' and 'TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS 4-6:30pm' at the bottom.

**B**

Learn to play African and Asian drums  
**DRUM** CLUB  
Play at festivals  
Fridays 4-6pm  
Play with 30 other members and keep fit

The advertisement for the Drum Club has an orange background. It shows two different types of drums: a djembe on the left and a bongo on the right. The text is arranged with 'Learn to play African and Asian drums' at the top, followed by the club name 'DRUM CLUB' in large, bold letters. Below that, it says 'Play at festivals', 'Fridays 4-6pm', and 'Play with 30 other members and keep fit'. There is also an illustration of a snare drum and a drumstick at the bottom.

**C**

MONDAY AND TUESDAY 4-5:30pm  
LEARN NEW EXOTIC CUISINES  
**COOKERY**  
CLUB  
COOK WITH FAMOUS BRITISH CHEFS  
RECIPES FROM INDIA, CHINA, FRANCE AND ITALY

The advertisement for the Cookery Club has a light grey background. It features various food items and kitchenware, including a plate of food, a bowl, and a knife. The text is arranged with 'MONDAY AND TUESDAY 4-5:30pm' at the top, followed by 'LEARN NEW EXOTIC CUISINES', the club name 'COOKERY CLUB' in large, bold letters, and 'COOK WITH FAMOUS BRITISH CHEFS' and 'RECIPES FROM INDIA, CHINA, FRANCE AND ITALY' at the bottom.

**D**

**Part Three (continued)**

**Help the children choose the right club (A, B, C or D) Mark your answers on your answer sheet.**

16. I'm free on Tuesday evenings but I don't want to do anything too energetic.
17. I don't like playing football but I like learning new sports.
18. I don't think we play enough music at school. I want to do something active.
19. I have homework on Mondays and Tuesdays, I always go to Youth Club on Fridays and I don't like sport.
20. I spend too much time watching TV. I want to get fit and visit other countries.

*(5 marks)*

## Part Four

Select the correct answer (A, B, C or D) to fill the gaps in the conversation.  
Mark your answer on your answer sheet.

21. You like learning new sports, \_\_\_\_\_?

- A** wasn't it      **B** doesn't it  
**C** don't you      **D** won't you

Yes, I'm a very active person.

22. Your dad used to be a chef here, \_\_\_\_\_?

- A** doesn't he      **B** don't he  
**C** didn't he      **D** won't he

Yes, he was very creative.

23. You don't like English food, \_\_\_\_\_?

- A** don't you      **B** do you  
**C** didn't you      **D** are you

No, I hate it!

24. We can't have long hair, \_\_\_\_\_?

- A** can't we      **B** could we  
**C** couldn't we      **D** can we

No, we're not allowed.

25. He's joining the Drum club next year, \_\_\_\_\_?

- A** will he      **B** doesn't he  
**C** isn't he      **D** won't he

Yes, I'm looking forward to it.

(5 marks)

## Part Five

Read each question and then choose the correct response (A, B or C). Mark your choice on your answer sheet

26. Did you use to play the guitar?

- A Yes, I do!
- B Yes, I played!
- C Yes, I did!

27. How long does the journey last?

- A It lasts about 17 hours.
- B It lasted more than 17 hours.
- C No, it will be first.

28. What was he doing when I called him on the phone?

- A He wrote a song.
- B He was learning English.
- C He is playing active person chess.

29. When was the African Drum concert?

- A It isn't today!
- B No, I wasn't!
- C It was on Saturday evening.

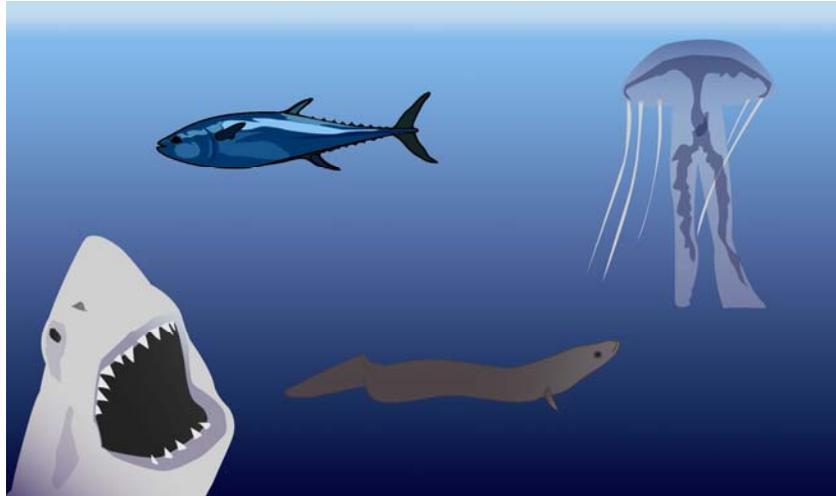
30. Do you know who ate my sandwiches?

- A It wasn't me.
- B No, he didn't.
- C Yes please.

(5 marks)

## Part Six

Choose the correct answer from the choices (A, B or C) on the next page to fill the numbered gaps. Mark your answers on your answer sheet .



The first true fish <sup>31</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ about 500 million years ago. They were the first fish to have back bones but they <sup>32</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ teeth so they could not hold or <sup>33</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ hard food. Millions of years later, fish developed jaws which meant they could eat other fish. Many new types of fish <sup>34</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ at this time, so it is known as the “age of fish”. After millions of years, fish began to grow teeth and <sup>35</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ like the fish of today. The largest prehistoric fish <sup>36</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ as long as a bus. It had teeth that were as big as an adult’s hand and <sup>37</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ open its mouth so wide that four people could have stood inside. Some fish had even bigger teeth, <sup>38</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ were about 60 centimetres long.

There are more than 21,000 types of fish today. People <sup>39</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ always eaten fish from the sea. Some fishermen use nets which <sup>40</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ behind their boats as they move through the water. When the nets are full, the fish are lifted onto the boats. Then it is off to the market.

**Part Six (continued)**

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|--------------|------------|----------|------------|----------|--------------|
| <b>31. A</b> | lived      | <b>B</b> | alive      | <b>C</b> | living       |
| <b>32. A</b> | have       | <b>B</b> | had        | <b>C</b> | didn't have  |
| <b>33. A</b> | eat        | <b>B</b> | ate        | <b>C</b> | eaten        |
| <b>34. A</b> | develop    | <b>B</b> | developing | <b>C</b> | developed    |
| <b>35. A</b> | become     | <b>B</b> | became     | <b>C</b> | are becoming |
| <b>36. A</b> | was        | <b>B</b> | are        | <b>C</b> | is           |
| <b>37. A</b> | can't      | <b>B</b> | couldn't   | <b>C</b> | could        |
| <b>38. A</b> | who        | <b>B</b> | which      | <b>C</b> | were         |
| <b>39. A</b> | will have  | <b>B</b> | have       | <b>C</b> | having       |
| <b>40. A</b> | are pulled | <b>B</b> | pulls      | <b>C</b> | pulling      |

*(10 marks)*