

Choose the correct answer using the information given in the text.

When we think of time, we think of clock time. Action all around the world is synchronized by clock time, starting with train and plane schedules, navigation, astronomy, worldwide telecommunication, etc. The accuracy standards of timekeeping devices have been increasing rapidly due to the demands for more and more accurate timing for space communication, navigation, astronomy, etc. Rather than use mechanical clocks, we are relying nowadays on 'atomic clocks'. This is not a clock in the usual sense but a device that uses the very stable oscillation of the caesium atoms as a standard for timekeeping.

From grandfather clocks to wrist-watches, all these clocks are supposed to chop up for us the 24 hours of the day more or less reliably into hours, minutes and seconds. Let's call this kind of time 'objective' since everybody's watches are supposed to cut time into slices of even thickness. However, we know from personal experience that time does not 'feel' as passing evenly under different circumstances. When pursuing some interesting activity, time 'flies'; while waiting in the dentist's office, it 'drags'. When Einstein was once asked about this 'psychological time' he replied with a now famous observation: "When you spend two hours with a nice girl, you think it's only a minute. But when you sit on hot stove for a minute, you think it's two hours". Realizing the relativity of time, let us see, then, how this subjective time can be put to some use.

1. According to the text, which of the following is NOT an example of accurate timing?

- a. clock time
- b. psychological time**
- c. atomic clock time
- d. objective time

2. The text states that the demands for more accurate timing have resulted in

- a. the growth of telecommunication, navigation, and astronomy
- b. the development of better mechanical clocks
- c. the improvement of accuracy standards for timekeeping devices**
- d. the dependence on atomic power

3. According to the text, when asked about psychological time, Einstein

- a. declined to answer
- b. commented on its stability
- c. said that socializing was more time-consuming than tending the fire
- d. observed that time seems to pass quickly or slowly according to our activity**

4. I realized they were _____ the truth.

- a. saying
- b. telling**
- c. making
- d. doing

5. The detective obtained _____ important information.

- a. one
- b. many
- c. a lot of**
- d. an

6. The boy over there, _____ shirt is blue, is a very good tennis player.

- a. of which

- b. of whom
- c. whose**
- d. of whose

7. Michael would certainly have bought that e-book _____.

- a. if he would have found it
- b. if he found it
- c. if he had found it**
- d. if he would find it

8. The company was not capable _____ handling such a large order.

- a. from
- b. of**
- c. for
- d. to

9. Grannie's cake is not ready yet. It _____.

- a. is just cooked
- b. was just cooked
- c. is just being cooked**
- d. will be cooked

10. He may come but, _____ the other hand, he may be too busy.

- a. on**
- b. in
- c. by
- d. for

11. He made a lot of bad _____ in his essay.

- a. faults
- b. mistakes**
- c. fails
- d. defects

12. _____ have you been there?

- a. How long time
- b. How much time
- c. How much
- d. How long**

13. I can't understand the language they're speaking. They must be _____.

- a. foreign**
- b. strange
- c. rare
- d. outlandish

14. I don't have _____ money but I can lend you some.

- a. many
- b. a few
- c. much**
- d. lots

15. My brother doesn't practise any sport and I'm not interested in sports, _____.

- a. either**
- b. also
- c. neither
- d. still

16. The display of goods in this shop-window is _____ to the eye.

- a. satisfactory
- b. good
- c. praising
- d. appealing**

17. This is an insult. He will not put _____ with.

- a. on
- b. up**
- c. along
- d. for

18. His old car _____ several times during the holidays.

- a. broke up
- b. broke out
- c. broke down**
- d. broke off

19. It's too expensive for me. I can't _____ it.

- a. spend
- b. pay
- c. afford**
- d. cost

20. I have an _____ with my lawyer this afternoon.

- a. appointment**
- b. opportunity
- c. ordonnance
- d. opportunity

21. He was _____ by an aunt after his parents' death.

- a. brought out
- b. brought up**
- c. grown up
- d. grown

22. You must _____ facts and not run away from the truth.

- a. look
- b. see
- c. front
- d. face

23. The _____ of the two exams is 7.

- a. average
- b. middle
- c. minor
- d. slow

24. The students aren't looking forward to _____ the test.

- a. take
- b. taking
- c. having taken
- d. having been taking

25. She _____ a bath. Don't disturb her now!

- a. is having
- b. has
- c. has had
- d. will have

26. All museums in London are worth _____.

- a. to see
- b. to be seen
- c. seeing
- d. to have been seen

27. I'm sure we are going to _____.

- a. treat together well
- b. pass together well
- c. get on well together
- d. go by well together

28. Under the given _____ I refused the offer.

- a. circumstances
- b. reason
- c. opportunity
- d. occasion