#### KTU DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE 2019-2020 FALL SEMESTRE PROFICIENCY EXAM Date: 30.09.2019

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### **1.** – 20 Choose the correct answer. (3x20= 60 pts.)

1) You ...... to your dentist appointment by bus. I would have lent you my car if you had asked.

A) shouldn't goB) didn't have to goC) didn't need to goD) must not have goneE) needn't have gone

2) In 1940 Hemingway wrote *For Whom the Bells Tolls* and dedicated it to Martha, ..... he got married at the end of that year.

A) whoB) thatC) whichD) to whomE) whom

3) Along with aging, we become ...... to diseases, so our ability to fight illness declines.

A) susceptible

- B) impervious
- C) accessible
- D) insensitive
- E) impenetrable

4) Since she didn't ..... our criteria about a proper secretary, we didn't employ the woman they had recommended for the secretarial position.

A) put up withB) brush up onC) measure up toD) keep up withE) talk down to

5) The couples, who were \$300 for their services in the research, ...... they ..... to discuss the source of stress in their marriage.

A) told / were going to ask
B) had told / would ask
C) have been told / are going to ask
D) told / will be asked
E) were told / would be asked

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6) There is still no cure for SARS; ....., for now suspected carriers are confined to special hospital wards.

A) furthermoreB) thereforeC) thoughD) sinceE) as a result of

7) The practice of listing the Seven Wonders began in ancient times, ..... Greeks and Romans compiled lists of memorable things ...... travellers should see.

A) when / that
B) during which / what
C) which / which
D) --- / for which
E) whose / ---

8) Most parents who can't afford college tuition for their kids usually apply for student loans ...... from a bank ..... a government agency.

A) not only / but as well
B) just as / so
C) yet / and
D) neither / nor
E) either / or

9) Political espionage is thought ..... systematically by Joseph Fouché during the French Revolution and the reign of Napoleon.

A) to first be usedB) to have first been usedC) was first usedD) that was first usedE) having been first used

10) Insurance is always higher for high-risk cars like sports cars. ...... are the drivers often more reckless, they are also a more common target for theft and vandalism.

A) If onlyB) NorC) NeitherD) Not onlyE) Such

11) ..... how much you like a certain ca, take it for a long, serious test drive ...... you buy it.

A) Regardless of / until
B) In view of / unless
C) No matter / before
D) Irrespective of / even if
E) Despite / after

12) ...... you must always bear in mind ...... selling something is that you are not selling an item or object – you are selling a feeling.

A) The fact that / while
B) Whether / during
C) Why / upon
D) That / for
E) What / when

13) Rising oil prices are having an adverse impact ...... the U.S. economy as evident ..... recent economic data and stock market performance.

A) on / from B) at / in C) in / without D) off / by E) upon / with

14) Subsidies are payments, economic concessions, or privileges ..... by the government ..... businesses or consumers.

A) giving / favouring
B) to be given / favoured
C) to give / to favour
D) given / to favour
E) being given / to be favoured

15) environmentalists in the capital, ..... speak on the condition of anonymity, say Beijing is indifferent to the desertification of the area.

A) either of whichB) most of whomC) thatD) whereE) each of whom

16) Othello, a play ...... William Shakespeare, takes place in Venice ...... the invasion of the island of Cyprus by the Turks.

A) of / upon B) for / as C) by / during D) about / at E) upon / for 17) ......dolphins swim in the water, people think they must be fish. ...., they are in fact warm-blooded mammals that breathe air and give birth to baby dolphins rather than lay eggs.

A) Although / But
B) even if / Yet
C) On one hand / On the other hand
D) Whereas / Nevertheless
E) Since / However

18) They ..... pretty as ornament, but tattoos and piercing ...... to cause infection and other health issues.

A) looks / have known
B) look / has been known
C) are looking / is known
D) may look / are known
E) could look / know

19) Romeo and Juliet is a classic of English literature and is ...... studied in British high schools.

A) rarelyB) indecisivelyC) widelyD) intentionallyE) likely

20) When people think of animated cartoons, one name ...... comes to mind; Walt Disney.

A) immediatelyB) boastfullyC) accessiblyD) hurriedlyE) hastily

21. – 24. Complete the sentences. (3X4=12 pts.)

21) .....; instead we have a self-healing mechanism.

A) Our blood hardens to form a protective seal for new skin to form underneath

B) Humans are never bound to be cured by a drug prescribed by a doctor

C) When we cut ourselves we don't have to glue our parts back together

D) Although some illnesses are very painful and take some time to get treated

E) Their robots usually do not interfere in fixing jobs at the plant

22) These findings may be important for pregnant women and clinicians .....

A) who has a defective infant that requires immediate treatment

B) when making decisions about the most appropriate treatments for depression in pregnancy

C) because they can't have been misinformed of the harmful effects of smoking

D) they must be careful about them in the course of delivering the baby

E) who is deprived of any income to sustain a healthy pregnancy period

23) ....., the Simpsons is one of America's most popular television shows.

A) Viewing it mostly whenever they are not busy

B) Played with two teams with a net over a small area on a beach

C) In order to have fun with one's family on the weekend

D) Ranking as the number one program for viewers under eighteen years of age

E) Having put an end to painful skin tests conducted on animals

24) ..... when someone walks on them or something presses them.

A) Land mines are buried bombs that explode

B) The mines were designed to injure and kill people going about their daily lives

C) Kittens become so joyful on occasions

D) None of the applicants was aware of

E) Our livestock tended to walk away from the stable

25. - 29. Choose the correct answer. (2X5=10 pts.)

While history books almost (25) ...... talk about the writing of Mesopotamia and Egypt, writing has also been developed in the Indus valley, China, and Mesoamerica. This phenomenon (26) ..... many historians to conclude that writing is necessary for a complex society to exist. Nevertheless, there was a society (27) ..... in the Andean Mountain in present day Peru (28) ..... writing was never invented, yet it is still considered a civilization. Instead, this civilization used a method of record keeping that functioned (29) ...... writing.

25) A) absolutely

- B) exclusively
- C) pervasively
- D) only
- E) barely

D) was leading
E) is led
27) A) locating
B) located
C) to be located
D) to have located
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28) A) whose
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29) A) in place of
B) at the sight of
C) rather than
D) in terms of
E) in touch with
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26) A) lead

B) have led C) has led

## **30.** - **34.** Choose the correct answer. (2X5=10 pts.)

In 1977, in a remote part in China, Yu Chenhuan (30) ...... his parents when he was born with long silky hair on almost his entire body. His condition continued to mystify everybody as he grew up (31) ...... a very hairy boy. People who believe in a myth called 'paglilihi' would simply dismiss Yu as a case of a child (32) ...... monkey. (33) ....., the medical experts who (34) ...... his condition found out that Yu was suffering from a disorder known as 'hypertrichosis.'

- 30) A) was surprising
  - B) was surprisedC) had surprised
  - D) surprised
  - E) has surprised

31) A) to

B) into

C) by

D) out E) of

- 32) A) conceived
  - B) stolen
  - C) perturbed D) copied
  - E) cloned
- 33) A) Though
- B) Because
  - C) However
  - D) Moreover

34) A) searched for

- B) fell through
- C) looked for
- D) looked into
- E) went off

## **35.** -38. Choose the closest meaning. (2X4=8 pts.)

35) As soon as the economic sanctions began, so did the criticism.

A) No sooner had the economic embargo commenced than the criticism did too.

B) Both the economic sanctions and the criticism had started quite spontaneously.

C) The start of the economic sanctions coincided with the culmination of criticisms in conflicts.

D) Not only the economic crisis but also the criticism about it started simultaneously.

E) Hardly had the criticism of the economy begun when the sanctions were employed.

36) The Vietnam War swelled the anti-American wave into a tsunami.

A) Pro-Americanism prior to the Vietnam War has changed people's attitude dramatically.

B) A tsunami has often occurred whenever America waged a war such as that in Vietnam.

C) The anti-American sentiments existed all over the world long before the Vietnam War.

D) America lost most of its proponents when it caused atrocities in the Vietnam War.

E) The already existing anti-Americanism reached its zenith with the Vietnam War.

37) After the war Japan was on the verge of bankruptcy in its international payments.

A) Japan was on the point of going insolvent in international payments following the war.

B) Japan was about to go bankrupt because of its foreign debts just prior to war.

C) From the war onwards, Japan's economy got absolutely devastated in domestic payments.

D) International payments derailed Japan's economy to the extent that it could go bankrupt during the war.

E) If Japan hadn't joined the war, it wouldn't have become insolvent after it.

38) She was irritated at the sight of Jack in her room as she hated him a lot.

A) Because she loathed him, she got very stunned to see Jack's picture in her room.

B) Upon seeing Jack in her room she became so furious since she didn't like him a bit.

C) What made her crazy was that she had seen Jack, whom she disliked.

D) If she hadn't caught sight of Jack in her room, she wouldn't be angry now.

E) Jack's sighting of her in the room made her unforgivably outrageous.

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