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Section 2 Vocabulary: Total ____/25

Section 3 Writing: Total ____/25

Section 4 Speaking: Total ____/25

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Section 1 Language

Circle the correct alternative – a, b or c.

- 1 ____ a bank near here?
a Is b Is it c Is there
- 2 Sam speaks English very ____.
a good b well c bad
- 3 My mother is ____ teacher.
a – b a c one
- 4 What ____?
a Sam does want b does Sam wants
c does Sam want
- 5 We had ____ rain last night.
a a lot b a little c a few
- 6 Sam is ____ than Dave.
a more old b more older c older
- 7 ____ to Australia?
a Have you ever been b Have you ever gone
c Did you ever go
- 8 She's in the same class ____ me.
a to b like c as
- 9 Who ____ this book?
a gave you b did give you c did you give
- 10 ____ coffee.
a Never I drink b I drink never c I never drink
- 11 Where ____?
a is Harry going b Harry is going
c is going Harry
- 12 This picture ____ by my friend.
a painted b was painting c was painted
- 13 A: I love Indian food. B: ____
a I do so b So do I c So I do
- 14 There's a no-smoking sign. You ____ smoke here.
a don't have to b don't must c mustn't
- 15 If you're hot, I ____ the window.
a 'll open b am going to open c open
- 16 I'm going out ____ some milk.
a for get b for to get c to get
- 17 Try ____ late.
a to not be b to be not c not to be
- 18 I ____ here before.
a think I haven't been b don't think I've been
c I don't think I haven't been
- 19 Someone ____ the meeting was cancelled.
a said me b told me c told to me
- 20 If you ____ me your email address, I'll write to you.
a will give b give c gave
- 21 Life would be easier if I ____ a bit more money.
a would have b have c had
- 22 I'm late for school ____.
a sometimes b never c always
- 23 I look forward ____ you next week.
a seeing b to see c to seeing
- 24 He speaks with ____ strong accent.
a – b the c a
- 25 I'm going to the hairdresser's ____.
a to get my hair cut b to get cut my hair
c to cut my hair
- 26 I ____ in Rome since 2003.
a 'm living b 've lived c live
- 27 Is it alright ____ I open the window?
a – b that c if
- 28 We complained to the waiter ____ the food.
a for b of c about
- 29 ____ it was raining we went for a walk.
a however b but c although
- 30 Sam was only pretending ____ upset.
a be b to be c being
- 31 My parents never let me ____ computer games.
a play b to play c playing
- 32 I ____ call you yesterday, but I didn't have time.
a would b would be going to c was going to
- 33 Peter came out with us last night ____ feeling ill.
a yet b although c despite
- 34 I was surprised ____ Tom at the party last night
a to see b seeing c for seeing
- 35 If you're tired, ____ to bed.
a go b you go c you will go
- 36 Have you any idea where ____?
a does she live b she does live c she lives
- 37 I wish I ____ to David yesterday.
a had spoken b would have spoken c spoke

- 38 A: What's this word mean? B: Look _____ in the dictionary.
a up b it up c up it
- 39 This time next week, I _____ on a beach in Greece.
a 'm lying b 'll lie c 'll be lying
- 40 I could see a small road _____ into the distance.
a disappearing b was disappearing c disappeared
- 41 It _____ Pete who broke the window – he wasn't here at the time.
a mustn't have been b couldn't be c can't have been
- 42 This is the first time _____ Vietnamese food.
a I've eaten b I'm eating c I eat
- 43 I can't give you a lift because my car is _____.
a still repairing b still being repaired c still repaired
- 44 _____, that everyone stayed indoors.
a The weather such was b Such was the weather c Such the weather was
- 45 Phone me when you _____.
a 've arrived b will arrive c will have arrived
- 46 I'd rather you _____ in the house.
a didn't smoke b not smoke c don't smoke
- 47 Nobody rang me, _____.
a did anybody b did he or she c did they
- 48 _____ realised, I would've told you.
a Had I b Would I have c If I would have
- 49 Sam doesn't work, _____ he always seems to have a lot of money.
a whereas b yet c however
- 50 _____ all the questions, James felt quite pleased with himself.
a Has finally answered b Finally answering c Having finally answered

Total mark _____ / 50

Section 2 Vocabulary

Add the missing word.

- 1 I _____ born in Paris.
- 2 I _____ 21 years old.
- 3 My birthday is _____ July.
- 4 Last month, I went _____ the USA.
- 5 I stayed in New York _____ two weeks.
- 6 Did you _____ many photos on holiday?
- 7 What does Katy's new boyfriend look _____?
- 8 Did you _____ your homework last night?
- 9 It's a good idea to try _____ clothes before you buy them.
- 10 As _____ as I'm concerned, Internet shopping is a great idea.
- 11 Oxford is famous _____ its university?
- 12 Have you any _____ what time it is?
- 13 I get on really _____ with my brothers and sisters.
- 14 We went to lots of places last night, but we ended _____ in *Bar Soliel*.
- 15 Sue's new dress is very eye-_____.
- 16 We used to be friends, but we lost _____ a few years ago.
- 17 I don't know how old he is, but he looks in _____ late-twenties.
- 18 The sea was very cold – in fact it was absolutely _____.
- 19 Can you _____ a secret?
- 20 Lizzy has got a great _____ of humour.
- 21 After being off school for a week, he found it difficult to _____ up with the work he'd missed.
- 22 You're the only person I've told. No-one knows about it _____ from you and me.
- 23 The advantages far _____ the disadvantages.
- 24 Central Park in New York is a great place to while _____ a few hours.
- 25 She'll be very successful – she's a real go-_____.

Total mark _____ / 25

This page contains guidance for teachers for Section 3 Writing and Section 4 Speaking.

Section 3 Writing

Write about one of the following topics. Write a maximum of 150 words.

- a My family
- b My home town or city
- c My job/studies
- d My hobbies and interests

Give a score out of 25

out of 5 points for accuracy
out of 5 points for vocabulary use
out of 5 points for cohesion
out of 5 points for complexity of language used
out of 5 points for general impression

Section 4 Speaking

Choose from the following questions. Within each section the questions become progressively more challenging.

Home town/city

Where are you from?
How long have you lived there?
Can you tell me something about (student's home town/city)?
How do you feel about living in (student's home town/city)?

Family and friends

Do you have a large or small family?
Can you tell me something about your family?
What kinds of things do you do together as a family?
Can you tell me something about your friends?
What kinds of things do you do with your friends?
What do you think are the important qualities of a good friend?

Work/study

Do you work or are you a student?
What do you do/study?
How long have you had this job/been a student?
Can you tell me something about your work/studies?
What do you enjoy most about your work/studies?
Is there anything you don't like?

Leisure

Have you got any hobbies or interests?
How did you become interested in (student's hobby or interest)?
Are you interested in sports/music/cinema/reading etc?
What's your favourite sport/kind of music/film/book etc?
What else do you like to do in your free time?
What do you generally do in the evenings and at weekends in (student's home town/city)?

Future plans

What do you hope to do in the next few years?
Do you have any long-term plans?
Where do you see yourself in ten years' time?

Learning English

How long have you been studying English?
Why are you learning English?
How do you feel about learning English?
How important is English for you?

What do you want to gain from this English course?

Which areas of English are the most important for you to work on during this course?
– speaking
– writing
– reading
– listening
– grammar
– vocabulary
– pronunciation

Give a score out of 25

out of 5 points for accuracy
out of 5 points for vocabulary use
out of 5 points for cohesion
out of 5 points for complexity and language used
out of 5 points for general impression

See page 154 for answers to Section 1 Language and Section 2 Vocabulary

Most students should be able to complete sections 1 and 2 in approximately 30 minutes.