

**Exercise 1. Complete the following sentences with proper prepositions (*with, for, up, down, about...*).**

1. We'll buy a smaller house when the children have grown \_\_\_\_\_ and left home.
2. The computer isn't working. It broke \_\_\_\_\_ this morning.
3. My headaches have been much better since I gave \_\_\_\_\_ drinking coffee.
4. I turned \_\_\_\_\_ their offer because they weren't going to pay me enough money.
5. It was not a problem. We looked \_\_\_\_\_ his number in the telephone book.
6. Helen takes \_\_\_\_\_ her mother in many ways.
7. We need to set \_\_\_\_\_ early tomorrow.
8. The plane took \_\_\_\_\_ very quickly.
9. Anne's leaving \_\_\_\_\_ London tomorrow morning.
10. Your friend is always complaining \_\_\_\_\_ her job.
11. If there was a technical failure, Gagarin might never get \_\_\_\_\_ to the Earth.
12. Courses like shoemaking or glass engraving provide people \_\_\_\_\_ practical skills they can do with their hands.
13. She is famous \_\_\_\_\_ her beautiful face and sweet voice.
14. We are all aware \_\_\_\_\_ the importance of the environment protection.
15. His opinion is different \_\_\_\_\_ mine.

**Exercise 2. Put *a/ an, the* or  $\emptyset$  in each space to complete the following sentences.**

1. I'm sorry. I didn't mean to do that. It was \_\_\_\_\_ mistake.
2. There were no chairs, so we had to sit on \_\_\_\_\_ floor.
3. Lucy has just gotten \_\_\_\_\_ job in \_\_\_\_\_ bank in Chicago.
4. There's \_\_\_\_\_ bookstore on \_\_\_\_\_ corner near my house.
5. It's very cold in here. Can you close \_\_\_\_\_ window, please?
6. If you go past \_\_\_\_\_ post office, can you get me some stamps?
7. It was \_\_\_\_\_ very hot day. It was \_\_\_\_\_ hottest day of \_\_\_\_\_ year.
8. What's \_\_\_\_\_ name of \_\_\_\_\_ woman who sat beside you at the dinner?
9. How often do you go to \_\_\_\_\_ movies?
10. "Can you tell me where \_\_\_\_\_ Room 306 is, please?" "It's on \_\_\_\_\_ third floor."
11. He lay down \_\_\_\_\_ ground and looked up at \_\_\_\_\_ sky.
12. You'll find \_\_\_\_\_ information you need at \_\_\_\_\_ top of \_\_\_\_\_ page 24.
13. \_\_\_\_\_ moon goes around \_\_\_\_\_ earth every 27 days.
14. He doesn't usually have \_\_\_\_\_ lunch, but he always eats \_\_\_\_\_ good breakfast.
15. If you live in \_\_\_\_\_ foreign country, you should try and learn \_\_\_\_\_ language.

**Exercise 3. Choose A, B, C or D to complete the following sentences.**

1. "Write to me when you get home." - "\_\_\_\_\_."  
A. I must                      B. I should                      C. I will                      D. I can
2. Mr Kent is on time for everything. How \_\_\_\_\_ it be that he was late for the opening ceremony?  
A. can                      B. should                      C. may                      D. must
3. - "Are you coming to Jeff's party?" - "I'm not sure. I \_\_\_\_\_ go to the concert instead."  
A. must                      B. would                      C. should                      D. might
4. An awful accident \_\_\_\_\_, however, occur the other day.  
A. does                      B. did                      C. can                      D. may
5. Sorry I'm late. I \_\_\_\_\_ have turned off the alarm clock and gone back to sleep again.  
A. might                      B. should                      C. can                      D. will
6. "Will you stay for lunch?" - "Sorry, I \_\_\_\_\_. My brother is coming to see me."  
A must                      B. can't                      C. needn't                      D. won't
7. - "Alice, you feed the bird today, \_\_\_\_\_?" - "But I fed it yesterday."  
A. do you                      B. will you                      C. didn't you                      D. don't you
8. There was a lot of fun at yesterday's party. You \_\_\_\_\_ come, but why didn't you?  
A. must have                      B. should                      C need have                      D. ought to have
9. - "I stayed at a hotel while in New York." - "Oh, did you? You \_\_\_\_\_ with Barbara."  
A could have stayed                      B. could stay  
C would stay                      D. must have stayed
10. "When can I come for the photos? I need them tomorrow afternoon." - "They \_\_\_\_\_ be ready by 12:00."  
A. can                      B. should                      C. might                      D. need
11. The fire spread through the hotel very quickly but everyone \_\_\_\_\_ get out.  
A had to                      B. would                      C. could                      D. was able to
12. Jack \_\_\_\_\_ yet, otherwise he would have telephoned me  
A. mustn't have arrived                      B. shouldn't have arrived  
C. can't have arrived                      D. need not have arrived
13. Johnny, you \_\_\_\_\_ play with the knife, you \_\_\_\_\_ hurt yourself.  
A. won't / can't                      B. mustn't/ may                      C. shouldn't/must                      D. can't/ shouldn't
14. When he was there, he \_\_\_\_\_ go to that coffee shop at the corner after work every day.  
A. would                      B. should                      C. had better                      D. might
15. Yesterday, Jane walked away from the discussion. Otherwise, she \_\_\_\_\_ something she would regret later.  
A. had said                      B. said                      C. might say .                      D. might have said
16. Sir, you \_\_\_\_\_ be sitting in this waiting room. It is for women and children only.  
A. oughtn't to                      B. can't                      C. won't                      D. needn't
17. - "There were already five people in the car but they managed to take me as well." - "It \_\_\_\_\_ a comfortable journey."  
A. can't be                      B shouldn't be                      C. mustn't have been                      D. couldn't have been
18. It's nearly seven o'clock. Jack \_\_\_\_\_ be here at any moment.  
A. must                      B. need                      C. should                      D. can
19. - "Mary looks sad. Did you tell her about the accident?" - "Yes, but I \_\_\_\_\_ her later."  
A. ought not to have told                      B. shouldn't have told  
C. must have told                      D. should have told
20. - "Shall I tell John about it?" - "No, you \_\_\_\_\_. I've told him already."  
A. needn't                      B. wouldn't                      C. mustn't                      D. shouldn't

21. - "Don't forget to come to my birthday party tomorrow." - " \_\_\_\_\_. "  
 A. I don't                      B. I won't                      C. I can't                      D. I haven't
22. I told Sally how to get here, but perhaps I \_\_\_\_\_ for her.  
 A. had to write it out                      B. must have written it out  
 C. should have written it out                      D. ought to write it out
23. \_\_\_\_\_ it rain tomorrow, we would have to put off the visit to the Marble Mountains.  
 A. Were                      B. Should                      C. Would                      D. Will
24. Tom ought not to \_\_\_\_\_ me your secret, but he meant no harm.  
 A. have told                      B. tell                      C. be telling                      D. having told
25. Peter \_\_\_\_\_ come with us tonight, but he isn't very sure.  
 A. must                      B. may                      C. can                      D. will
26. "Could I borrow your dictionary?" - "Yes, of course you \_\_\_\_\_."  
 A. might                      B. will                      C. can                      D. should
27. We \_\_\_\_\_ last night, but we went to the concert instead.  
 A. must have studied                      B. might study  
 C. should have studied                      D. would study
28. A computer \_\_\_\_\_ think for itself; it must be told what to do.  
 A. can't                      B. couldn't                      C. may not                      D. might not
29. Jane \_\_\_\_\_ have kept her word. I wonder why she changed her mind.  
 A. must                      B. should                      C. need                      D. would
30. - "Do you have to leave now?" - "Sorry, but I really \_\_\_\_\_."  
 A. can't                      B. mustn't                      C. have                      D. should
31. He \_\_\_\_\_ you more help, even though he was very busy.  
 A. might have given                      B. might give  
 C. may have given                      D. may give
32. It's a fine day. Let's go fishing, \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
 A. won't we                      B. will we                      C. don't we                      D. shall we
33. I didn't hear the phone. I \_\_\_\_\_ asleep.  
 A. must be                      B. must have been                      C. should be                      D. should have been
34. Mother \_\_\_\_\_ us stories when we were young.  
 A. was used to tell                      B. is used to telling                      C. used to tell                      D. used to telling
35. You \_\_\_\_\_ return the book now. You can keep it till next week.  
 A. can't                      B. mustn't                      C. needn't                      D. may not

**The end!**