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READING COMPREHESION

Read the following article and tick (✓) the answer (A, B or C) which you think fits best according to the text

THE ARTIST

People think being an artist must be a wonderful way to earn one's living. And of course, there are lots of great things about working for oneself, at home alone, even in a cold studio like mine. What I really like is that nobody tells me what time to start in the morning. I like to paint as soon as I wake up, which is always early, but it isn't the same time every day. And nobody tells me what to wear, or whether I can take the afternoon off and go to a football match.

But then, I have no one to chat with when I'm bored, no one to discuss last night's match with during the office lunch hour. Sure, I can spend the afternoon doing something I enjoy like cycling or gardening if I choose. But the work will still be there when I do finally get back home.

Unfortunately, working at home means that people can always find me, whether I'm bored or not, and once I've answered the doorbell, it's too late – my thoughts have been interrupted. No one would dream of calling in if I worked in an office, but I find myself listening to friends' troubles. As they talk, my ideas disappear and I feel increasingly stressed thinking of my work waiting to be done.

However, when I hear the traffic news on the radio, and imagine my friends sitting miserably in their cars in a jam, feeling bored, or waiting unhappily for an overcrowded tram in the rain, I realise that I don't really have much to complain about. I find a CD which will start me thinking, turn it up really loudly and begin another picture.

1. What is the writer trying to do in the text?

- (A) Encourage readers to work at home.
- (B) Explain why he has changed his job.
- (C) Describe his working life.

2. What does the writer like about his life?

- (A) He is his own boss.
- (B) He has plenty of opportunities for sport.
- (C) He has a comfortable place to work.

3. What does the writer imagine he might do with colleagues?

- (A) Have meals in restaurants.
- (B) Talk about sport.
- (C) Spend time in the countryside.

4. The writer plays loud music because:

- (A) the traffic outside is noisy.
- (B) it prevents him from feeling bored.
- (C) it helps him to have ideas.

USE OF ENGLISH

Complete the following sentences with the best option (A, B or C)

5. Hello! Come in. I've _____ made some coffee. Would you like some?

- (A) still
- (B) just
- (C) yet

6. What _____ last weekend?

- (A) do you do
- (B) did you do
- (C) have you done

7. Andy asked me if I could _____ him some money.

- (A) borrow
- (B) gave
- (C) lend

8. – “I don't want to go the party.” –
“_____ do I.”

- (A) Neither
- (B) So
- (C) Either

9. What _____ you do if she doesn't reply to your email?

- (A) will
- (B) would
- (C) do

10. Let's order a pizza. We don't have _____ to cook for dinner.

- (A) nothing
- (B) something
- (C) anything

11. I think this is the _____ song on my MP3 player.

- (A) better
- (B) most best
- (C) best

12. I put _____ sugar in my coffee.

- (A) a little
- (B) too many
- (C) a few

13. I'm sorry I'm late. I've _____ the bus.

- (A) lost
- (B) left
- (C) missed

14. A key is a thing _____ you use to open doors.

- (A) who
- (B) where
- (C) which

15. The train was so _____. We couldn't move.

- (A) crowded
- (B) modern
- (C) noisy

16. This castle _____ in 1600.

- (A) built
- (B) was built
- (C) was build

17. Did you _____ sightseeing in Madrid?

- (A) go
- (B) do
- (C) make

18. I _____ in the park when it started raining.

- (A) was sitting
- (B) sit
- (C) have sat

19. _____ have yellow and black stripes on their bodies.

- (A) Mosquitoes
- (B) Bees
- (C) Flies

20. I need some advice. What _____ do?

- (A) should I
- (B) I must
- (C) could

21. I _____ the swimming pool on Monday evenings.

- (A) go usually to
- (B) always go
- (C) often go to

22. We've lived in the same house _____ 2005.

- (A) for
- (B) from
- (C) since

23. That case is too heavy for you. I _____ you.

- (A) 'll help
- (B) help
- (C) 'm going to help

24. My brother's really afraid _____ spiders.

- (A) by
- (B) of
- (C) about

25. I don't have _____ money left, because I bought a new jacket.

- (A) many
- (B) lots
- (C) much

26. _____ in the sea makes you really strong.

- (A) To swim
- (B) Swim
- (C) Swimming

27. The meeting is _____ June 16th at 2.00 p.m.

- (A) in
- (B) at
- (C) on

28. I _____ work tomorrow, so I'll have a lie-in!

- (A) don't have to
- (B) must to
- (C) haven't to

29. He _____ invite them to dinner if he didn't want them to come.

- (A) won't
- (B) wouldn't
- (C) didn't

30. She couldn't remember where she _____ her car.

- (A) had parked
- (B) has parked
- (C) was parking