Fill in the blank spaces numbered 1-15 using the best answer from the choices given

A driver was last night _______1_______ his valuables _______2______ Nairobi - Nakuru highway. _______3____
and _______4_____ passengers _______5_____ heading home after _______6____ work, when _______7_____
developed a mechanical hitch. _______8_____ happened just before they _______9_____ the flyover bridge, an area
dreaded for thugs, no sooner had they stopped to find what the problem was _______10____ a gang of
_______11____ men _______12____ the shadows and _______13____ them.

They _______14_____ them to surrender all the money he had and in total we lost more than twenty thousand
shillings. They _______15_____ they were not through with us even after we had obliged. They beat us senselessly,” he lamented.

1. A. robbed of  B. stolen of  C. taken of  D. burgled of
2. A. in the  B. on the  C. at the  D. along the
3. A. A driver  B. An driver  C. He driver  D. The driver
4. A. the  B. a  C. our  D. her
5. A. were  B. was  C. weren’t  D. shall
6. A. the day’s  B. the day’s  C. the day  D. the days
7. A. their vehicle  B. there vehicle  C. this vehicle  D. these vehicle
8. A. Those  B. When  C. This  D. These
9. A. reached on  B. reached at  C. arrived  D. reached
10. A. than  B. then  C. before  D. when
11. A. not less than  B. more than  C. not least  D. not less
12. A. submerged from  B. emerged from  C. sprout from  D. shouted from
13. A. ascended on  B. attacked on  C. descended on  D. ambushed
14. A. forced us  B. enforced us  C. reinforced us  D. requested us
15. A. More so  B. Therefore  C. Nevertheless  D. However

Complete each of the following sentences with the correct question tag

16. You have done your duty, _______?
   A. have you  B. haven’t you  C. hadn’t you  D. don’t you

17. They won’t be here before the end of this month _______?
   A. will they?  B. won’t they  C. may they?  D. might they?

For question 18 and 19, fill the blank space with the correct word(s)

18. Magatu _______ to the meet with his father tomorrow.
   A. was coming  B. is coming  C. will be coming  D. has come

19. I have _______ Rehemah for the last two years.
   A. knew  B. been knowing  C. known  D. know
For questions 20 and 21 choose the alternative that means the opposite of the underlined word
20. When the ship capsized, everyone **perished** in the water.
   A. collapsed  
   B. died  
   C. swam  
   D. survived
21. The sweater my sister washed is still **moist**.
   A. dry  
   B. rough  
   C. wet  
   D. faded

For questions 22 and 23 complete the following sentences with the correct adverb
22. Philip works very ________, he has not finished his work.
   A. quietly  
   B. nicely  
   C. quickly  
   D. slowly
23. Mrs. Wambora was dismissed because she had the habit of speaking ____ to her boss.
   A. softly  
   B. politely  
   C. rudely  
   D. kindly

For questions 24 and 25 arrange the given sentences in the correct order
24. (i) who works  
   (ii) becomes top of the class  
   (iii) Fatuma is the girl  
   (iv) very hard and  
   A. i, ii, iv, ii  
   B. iii, iv, i, ii  
   C. i, ii, iii, iv  
   D. iii, ii, iv, i
25. (i) has been arrested  
   (ii) by the police  
   (iii) was being chased by the mob  
   (iv) the thief who  
   A. iv, iii, ii, i  
   B. iv, iii, i, ii  
   C. i, ii, iv, iii  
   D. i, iv, iii

Read the passage below and answer questions 26 - 38

A long time ago there was a terrible drought in the animal kingdom. The beasts were dying of thirst as there was no water. Days went by and no solution was found. Several meetings were convened to discuss ways and means of ending the crisis.

At long last, the animals decided to dig a well. For several days the animals worked led by the lion king. As the digging continued, it was discovered that master Hare and his entire family had boycotted the work. Just to be fair, the other animals thought of reminding him of his responsibility of digging the well alongside other animals. So somebody was appointed to take the message. It was Tortoise.

When the Hare heard the animals’ request he refused to co-operate. “I won’t dig”, he replied, “I have enough juicy food, he added. And sure enough, master Hare stuck to his words and he refused to dig with the other animals.

The animals were **stunned** by the Hare’s stubbornness and they bethought him quite unfeeling, nevertheless, they did not lose hope but continued to dig with even greater determination. Finally there were cries of “Water! Water! Water! So water had been found and amid waves of excitement the animals quenched their thirst.

Almost immediately an impromptu meeting was called by the Lion. A resolution was passed to the effect that the Hare was not to be allowed under any circumstances to drink water. He had to be let to die alone.

A strong fence was built around the well to keep away intruders. A gate was also erected and duties were assigned in rotation so that the well was always being guarded.

Meanwhile Hare’s thirst for water began to bite unbearably. One day he took with him a calabash full of honey and went to the well. Today it was the Elephant turn to be on duty as a watchman.

The Hare said, “I cannot drink your water, I have water which is sweater”. The elephant was told to hurry home where this water was available. So the Elephant left without hesitating, leaving the Hare unguarded at the well. The Hare fetched the water and defected into the well, polluting it. Later the elephant realized he had been tricked.

The following day the animals found their water dirty and they knew it was due to the Hare’s **mischief**. They also blamed the elephant for being tricked so easily by the Hare. The animals put more security measures and the lion was to be the permanent guard.
26. What was the state of affairs when the drought came?
   A. All animals died of thirst
   B. A solution to the problem was immediately found
   C. The animals’ well drained up
   D. Many animals died before a solution was found

27. Who introduced the idea of building or digging a well?
   A. It is the lion who proposed it
   B. It was brought up by the Hare
   C. The idea was arrived at in a meeting
   D. The idea was brought up by the elephant

28. As the work of digging was going on ______
   A. The hare was not aware of it
   B. The hare wasn’t in attendance
   C. The hare’s absence was not detected
   D. The hare dug only a little

29. Why did the hare refuse to co-operate with the animals’ request?
   A. Because he was the master of the animals
   B. He was just stubborn
   C. He had enough juicy food in the store
   D. He had dug the well earlier

30. Which of the following is not fitting description of the hare’s character?
   A. Sympathetic
   B. cunning
   C. Stubborn
   D. Crafty

31. The word “stunned” has been underlined. It can be replaced by any of the following except:
   A. amazed
   B. excited
   C. surprised
   D. astonished

32. An “impromptu meeting” is a meeting ______
   A. One held without prior arrangement
   B. which is well organised
   C. which takes place promptly
   D. which takes place late in the day

33. What resolutions did the animals make?
   A. To punish the hare by death
   B. Not to give the hare enough water
   C. To deny the hare any water to drink
   D. Not to lose hope in guarding the well

34. When the hare went to the well for the first time
   A. He was carrying sweet water
   B. He had left sweet water at the Elephant’s home
   C. He wanted to reward the animals with honey for digging the well
   D. He was thirsty

35. The word “mischievous” is underlined. The adverb formed using it would be
   A. mischievously
   B. mischievous
   C. mischievous
   D. mischieves

36. Which of the animals took the role of the watchman in the well?
   A. Lion and Hare
   B. Tortoise and Lion
   C. Elephant and Lion
   D. Elephant and Hare

37. Which of the animals is associated with its proper characteristic according to the story?
   A. Lion - Very clever
   B. Elephant - a deceiver
   C. Hare - very cunning
   D. Tortoise - very greedy

38. The best title for this passage would be ______
   A. Digging a well
   B. The stubborn hare
   C. Drought in animal kingdom
   D. The wild beasts

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Read the passage below and answer questions 39 - 50.

Mary walked out of their house with her one year old cousin strapped on her back. The child who was recovering from a minor illness, had cried through most of that sunny morning despite relentless effort to comfort her.

As the pair stepped out into the open ground outside the house, Mary unstrapped the baby and placed it on a shawl on the ground. An aircraft's drove increasingly filled the air. Mary looked up and saw a huge aircraft going above the nearby industrial area heading towards the estate.
She pointed towards the approaching aeroplane hoping to distract her cousin’s attention and make him stop crying. Suddenly, she realized the plane was flying dangerously low. When she looked up against he noticed that it was pitched on one area as if trying to gather enough speed. For a moment she stood transfixed as the noise drowned her cousin’s screams. The ground was trembling slightly and she got **terrified** when she realized that the plane was heading for a neighbouring residential block.
Now thoroughly frightened she only managed a quick glance to see the aircraft crashing. It was nose-diving into the building before she impulsively picked up her cousin and fled.

Seconds later, a loud explosion ripped through the residential block and a huge ball of fire engulfed the place where she had stood only moments before. There was no trace of the shawl she had left behind.

39. Why did Mary walk out of their house?
A. To see the plane falling
B. To see an accident occur
C. To comfort her young cousin who was crying
D. To watch aeroplanes flying and crashing

40. What did she do when she stepped outside?
A. She pointed towards the approaching aircraft
B. She unstrapped the baby and placed it on a shawl on the ground
C. Distracted her cousin’s attention
D. Looked up to see the huge aircraft that was flying above

41. What was the baby suffering from?
A. He was suffering from a complicated disease
B. He was suffering a mild disease
C. He was suffering a common cold
D. He was suffering from tuberculosis

42. In which direction was the plane flying?
A. It was flying towards the industrial area
B. It was flying towards the estate
C. It was flying towards the house
D. It was flying away from Mary

43. As the pair stepped out means ________
A. As they ran out
B. As they jumped out
C. As they walked out
D. As they flew out

44. How was the aeroplane flying when Mary pointed at it?
A. Safely as usual
B. The way the pilot wanted
C. The way all aeroplanes fly
D. It was flying unusually low

45. The word ‘terrified’ as used in the passage means same as _______
A. excited
B. thrilled
C. uneasy
D. scared

46. What happened to the shawl that Mary left behind?
A. It got burnt out
B. Only a few pieces remained
C. It got buried in the dust
D. It floated in the air

47. “She stood transfixed” implied that Mary
A. sat down
B. moved about
C. did not move
D. ran away

48. What did the aeroplane crash into?
A. Mary and her cousin
B. The building
C. Crashed into the ocean
D. Crashed into industrial area

49. What drowned the baby’s scream?
A. Mary and her cousin
B. The building
C. Crashed into the ocean
D. The aircraft’s noise

50. Which is the most suitable title for the story?
A. Mary and the pilot
B. The screaming Mary
C. A frightening experience
D. How to fly on aeroplane