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Choose the correct answer. Only one answer is correct.

I had been sitting 1 in my usual compartment 2 at least ten minutes, waiting 3. The trains from Littlebury never seemed to start 4 and I often thought that I could have 5 in bed a little longer or had 6 cup of tea before 7. Suddenly I heard someone shouting 8 the platform outside. A young girl was running towards the train. The man 9 put out his hand to stop her but she ran past him and opened the door of my compartment. Then the whistle blew and the train started.

"I nearly missed it, 10?" the girl said. "How long does it take to 11 London?"

"It depends on the 12," I said. "Some days it's 13 others." "I'll have to 14, 15 late again tomorrow," she said. "It's my first day 16 with a new firm today and they told me that the man 17 is very strict. I 18 him yet so I don't know 19 but he sounds a bit frightening.

She talked about her new job 20 the way to London and before long, I realized that she was going to work for my firm. My 21 secretary had just left so I must be her new boss 22 only fair to tell her.

"Oh, dear," she said. "23 mistake! I wish I 24."

"Never mind," I said. "At least you'll know when your train's late that 25."

1. A) for myself B) only myself C) by myself D) in my own
2. A) for B) during C) since D) meanwhile
3. A) the train to start B) for the train start
C) the train's start D) for the train to start
4. A) on their hour B) on time
C) at their hour D) at time
5. A) lain B) laid C) lied D) lay
6. A) other B) some other C) another D) one other
7. A) I had left the home B) leave from home
C) leaving home D) to leave home
8. A) at B) by C) in D) on
9. A) at place B) on duty C) for control D) in post
10. A) haven't I B) don't I C) wasn't I D) didn't I
11. A) get to B) arrive to C) reach to D) make to
12. A) driver to the engine B) driver engine
C) engine's driver D) engine driver
13. A) far slower than B) much slower than
C) a lot more slow than D) a great deal more slow than
14. A) mend me the watch B) mend me my watch
C) have my watch mended D) have mended my watch
15. A) in order not are B) so as not to be
C) for not being D) so that it's not
16. A) at job B) in job C) in work D) at work
17. A) I'm going to work for B) what I'm going to work for
C) for which I'm going to work D) which I'm going to work
18. A) didn't meet B) haven't met
C) didn't know D) haven't known
19. A) what he is like B) what is he like
C) how he is D) how is he
20. A) through B) by C) on D) in
21. A) proper B) own C) same D) self
22. A) There was B) That was C) It was D) Was
23. A) What a terrible B) What terrible
C) How terrible D) So terrible a
24. A) had known B) have known
C) knew D) would have known
25. A) so will the mine be B) the mine will be, too
C) So will mine D) mine will be, too

Hello, Mary! I 26 you before now but I 27 so hard at the office that I didn't have time. My boss 28 to holiday tomorrow and he 29 arrange everything before he 30. If he had given me sensible instruction I could have done the work next week. But you 31 the same problems with your boss. Anyway, 32 two tickets for the new play at the Grand Theatre on Saturday 33 and see it together?

26. A) should have rung B) must have rung
C) had to ring D) ought to ring
27. A) must work B) must have worked
C) have had to work D) ought to work
28. A) will go B) is going
C) shall go D) shall be going
29. A) wants that I B) would that I
C) would like that I D) wants me to
30. A) leaves B) shall leave C) will leave D) is leaving
31. A) have to have B) can have
C) ought to have D) must have
32. A) they have been given to me B) I have been given
C) I am given D) they are given to me
33. A) May we go B) Do you like to go
C) Shall we go D) Will we go
34. The lift is out of _____ so we'll have to walk.
A) function B) order C) running D) work
35. Dinner will be ready _____ but we have time for a drink before than.
A) currently B) lately C) presently D) suddenly
36. What do you _____ to do about the problem now that this solution has failed.
A) attempt B) think C) pretend D) intend
37. We have _____ for a new secretary but we haven't had any replies yet.
A) advertised B) advised C) announced D) noticed
38. I've _____ for the job and I hope I get it.
A) appointed B) applied C) presented D) succeeded
39. He threw the box out of the window and it fell to the _____ outside.
A) flat B) floor C) plain D) ground
40. 100 competitors had _____ the race.
A) put their names for B) entered for
C) put themselves for D) taken part
41. I'm very _____ to you for your help.
A) grateful B) agreeable C) pleased D) thanks
42. He's so mean that he wouldn't give a beggar a _____ of bread.
A) peel B) shell C) crust D) skin
43. Will you be able to come to the party? I _____.
A) believe yes B) am afraid not
C) don't hope so D) don't expect
44. I never expected you to turn _____ at the meeting. I thought you were abroad.
A) A round B) on C) in D) up
45. The plane is just going to take _____.
A) away B) out C) off D) up

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46. A) knees B) peace C) freeze D) keys
47. A) home B) sum C) crumb D) come
48. A) straighter B) greater C) water D) later
49. A) ache B) shake C) steak D) weak
50. A) another B) bother C) brother D) mother

I 51 don't believe in ghosts 52 my experience at the Rose Inn. 53 I have never seen one. But ghost stories have made me 54 uncomfortable since then I 55 the inn late at night and asked 56.

"There's nothing left," he said, "57 to sleep in Number 7."

"Why not?" I said. "What's wrong with it?", I was so tired that I would have slept 58.

"Nothing," he said slowly. "but something happened there a few months ago."

Every old inn has 59 strange stories, so I thought that 60 he told me about it, the better. I was willing to listen to anything for 61 a bed to sleep in.

"A man came here late at night, 62 you," the landlord said. "I thought there was something odd 63 him because he kept looking 64 his shoulder while he was signing his name in the book. He asked me 65 have and I offered 66" "67 a man who has said he'll kill me," he said suddenly. "With a knife." He looked 68 that I thought I had better 69 him to his room. I locked the door and left him 70. The next day we 71 him dead, with a knife beside him. He had 72" the landlord said. "or someone else had done it. Do you mind sleeping there now you know the story?". "Well," I said. "73 is following me. But I wish you 74 the story in morning 75 I'll sleep here on the bar if you've got a couple of blankets."

51. A) Already B) Yet C) no longer D) still
 52. A) Even though B) even after C) although D) in spite
 53. A) At least B) At last C) At first D) At once
 54. A) To feel B) feel myself C) feel D) that I feel
 55. A) arrived to B) arrived at C) reached to D) reached at
 56. A) room of the landlord B) room from the landlord
 C) the landlord a room D) the landlord for a room
 57. A) If you didn't like B) If you don't like
 C) Unless you are liking D) Unless you'd like
 58. A) anywhere B) somewhere
 C) nowhere D) in whatever place
 59. A) his B) its C) their D) the
 60. A) so soon as B) as soon as C) the soonest D) the sooner
 61. A) the sake of B) the lack of C) the need of D) the wish of
 62. A) as B) like C) the same that D) similar with
 63. A) with B) of C) about D) around
 64. A) through B) back C) over D) after
 65. A) what room could he B) what room he may
 C) which room could he D) which room he could
 66. A) to him the number 7 B) to him number 7
 C) him number 7 D) him the number 7
 67. A) It's B) There's C) That's D) He's
 68. A) to be so frightened B) so frightened
 C) with such fright D) with such fright
 69. A) to bring B) to take C) bring D) take
 70. A) by himself B) by his self C) only himself D) in his own
 71. A) met B) knew C) found D) uncovered
 72. A) cut himself the throat B) himself cut the throat
 C) his throat cut D) cut his throat
 73. A) None B) No one C) Anyone D) Any one
 74. A) told me B) had told me
 C) would tell me D) would have told me
 75. A) As it is B) Like it is
 C) Being like that D) Being as that

"Darling! There's hardly any petrol left in the tank. I 76 it up before we left home. 77 a garage quite near but I 78 drive carefully until we 79 there. If only I 80 the petrol before we started out! Damn! I 81 this to happen for the last ten minutes. I'll have to push the car to the side of the road because we 82 if we leave it here. But I can't imagine what 83 to let this happen.

76. A) must have filled B) should have filled
 C) would have filled D) had to fill
 77. A) There may be B) It may be
 C) There can be D) It can be
 78. A) like better B) would better
 C) had better D) prefer
 79. A) shall get B) will get
 C) are getting D) get
 80. A) checked B) would have checking
 C) had checked D) have checked
 81. A) am expecting B) expect
 C) have been expecting D) was expecting
 82. A) will be fined B) will fine
 C) will be being fined D) will be fining
 83. A) was I thinking about B) I was thinking about
 C) did I think about D) I thought about
 84. He _____ me by two games to one
 A) beat B) conquered C) gained D) won
 85. His office is on the third _____ of the building.
 A) floor B) flat C) ground D) level
 86. How long are you thinking of _____ in this country?
 A) reminding B) staying C) resting D) inhabiting
 87. I don't want to go into the sea. I'd rather lie on the _____.
 A) coast B) beach C) bank D) seaside
 88. I'm _____. I didn't pass the examination but I'll do better next time.
 A) deceived B) despaired C) disillusioned D) disappointed
 89. The lecture was so _____ that everyone went to sleep.
 A) boring B) bored C) tiring D) tired
 90. I _____ an answer to my letter within a few days.
 A) hope B) wait C) look forward D) expect
 91. When he _____ he wants to be an architect.
 A) ages B) grows C) grows up D) increases
 92. It's on the top shelf, out of _____.
 A) distance B) reach C) touch D) attempt
 93. He's worked so _____ that he deserves a rest.
 A) roughly B) intensive C) hardly D) hard
 94. They're staying with us _____ the time being until they find a place of their own.
 A) during B) in C) since D) for
 95. I'll call _____ you at 8.30 and give you a lift to work.
 A) in B) for C) at D) up

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96. A) blood B) stood C) flood D) mud
 97. A) word B) third C) stirred D) lord
 98. A) war B) bar C) far D) star
 99. A) eyes B) prize C) lies D) buys
 100. A) build B) mild C) wild D) child