

Grammar Practice Questions

1. Everyone in the bank-including the manager and the tellers, ran to the door when the fire alarm rang.

- A. tellers, ran
- B. tellers:ran
- C. tellers, had run
- D. tellers-ran
- E. tellers' ran"

2. To no ones surprise, Joe didn't have his homework ready.

- A. no ones surprise
- B. noones surprise
- C. no-ones surprise
- D. no ones' surprise
- E. no one's surprise

3. If he would have read "The White Birds," he might have liked William Butler Yeats's poetry.

- A. would have read
- B. could have read
- C. would of read
- D. could of read
- E. had read

4. After the hurricane, uprooted trees were laying all over the ground.

- A. were laying
- B. lying
- C. were lying
- D. were laid
- E. was laid

5. Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-1882), the great Transcendentalist philosopher, wrote in his essay "Self-Reliance" of the need for an individual to develop his capacities.

- A. essay "Self-Reliance"
- B. essay, "Self-Reliance"
- C. essay: Self-Reliance
- D. essay, Self-Reliance
- E. essay; "Self-Reliance"

6. The recently built children's amusement park has been called " a boon to the community " by its supporters and "an eyesore" by its harshest critics.

- A. and "an eyesore" by its harshest
- B. and, " an eyesore," by its harshest
- C. and, an eyesore; by its harshest
- D. and-an eyesore- by its' harshest
- E. and-"an eyesore"- by its' harshest

7. I always have trouble remembering the meaning of these two common verbs, affect (to change" or "to influence") and effect ("to cause" or "to accomplish). "

- A. " to accomplish). "
- B. " to accomplish").
- C. "to accomplish).
- D. To accomplish.
- E. (" to accomplish. ")

8. My class just finished reading- " The Fall of the House of Usher ", a short story by Edgar Allen Poe.

- A. reading- " The Fall of the House of Usher",
- B. reading, The Fall of the House of Usher,
- C. reading "The Fall of the House of Usher, "
- D. reading, The Fall of the house of Usher, "
- E. reading: The Fall of the House of Usher-

9. After it was repaired it ran perfect again.

- A. ran perfect
- B. ran perfectly
- C. could run perfect
- D. could of run perfect
- E. would run perfectly

10. "Are there two e's in beetle," asked Margo?

- A. there two e's in beetle," asked Margo?
- B. their two e's in beetle?" asked Margo.
- C. there two e's in beetle," asked Margo?
- D. there two e's in beetle?" asked Margo.
- E. there two e's in beetle, asked Margo?

11. The circus audience received a well-deserved round of applause for the perfectly timed acrobatic stunt.

- A. audience received a well-deserved
- B. audience gave a well deserved
- C. audience did receive a well deserved
- D. audience gave a well-deserved
- E. audience did get a well-deserved

12. Looking directly at me, my Mother said, " These are your options: the choice is yours."

- A. Mother said, " These are your options: the choice is
- B. Mother said- these are your options, the choice is
- C. Mother had said, These are your options; the choice is
- D. Mother had said, "These are your options; the choice is
- E. Mother said, "These are your options; the choice is

13. *Porcupine* is from Latin *porcus*, "pig," and *spina*, "spine."

- A. *porcus*, "pig," and *spina*, "spine."
- B. *Porcus-pig* and *spina*, "spine."
- C. *Porcus-pig*, and *Spina*, "spine."
- D. *Porcus-Pig*-, *Spina-spine*.
- E. *Porcus*, "pig," and *spina* "spine".

14. Seeing the dolphins, some sharks, a killer whale, and a Moray eel made the visit to the marine park worthwhile.

- A. a killer whale, and a Moray eel made the visit
- B. a killer whale, and a moray eel made the visit
- C. a killer whale and a moray eel makes the visit
- D. a killer whale and a Moray eel makes the visit
- E. a killer whale and a moray eel made the visit

15. Still, the fact that a planet exists outside our solar system encourages hope that other solar systems exist, and in them, perhaps, a planet that does support life.

- A. that a planet exists outside our solar system encourages hope that other solar systems exist, and
- B. that a Planet exists out side our solar system encourages hope that other solar systems exist and
- C. could be that a planet exists outside our solar system encourages hope that other solar systems exist, and
- D. that a planet exist outside our solar systems encourage hope that other solar systems exist, and
- E. that a planet does exists out side our solar system encourages hope that other solar systems exist, and

16. Mail-order shopping can be convenient and timesaving with appropriate precautions, it is safe as well.

- A. can be convenient and timesaving
- B. can be convenient and timesaving;
- C. should be convenient and time saving;
- D. could be convenient and time saving;
- E. can be convenient and time-saving;

17. Among the many fields of science, no matter what turns you on, there are several fields of study.

- A. science, no matter what turns you on,
- B. Science, no matter what turns you on,
- C. Science, no matter which you chose,
- D. Science, no matter which of these you chose-
- E. science, no matter which you choose,

18. The fact that boxing is known to cause head injuries and brain damage should lead us to inform the public and push for a ban on boxing.

- A. should lead us to inform
- B. could lead us to inform
- C. should of led us to inform

- D. will lead us to inform
- E. should have led us to inform,

19. The first part of the test was on chemistry, the second on mathematics, and the third on english.

- A. on mathematics, and the third on english.
- B. on mathematics; and the third on English.
- C. on Mathematics; and the third on English.
- D. on mathematics, and the third on English.
- E. on mathematics: and the third on English.

20. *The Diary of Anne Frank* showed a young girl's courage during two years of hiding.

- A. showed a young girl's courage
- B. shows a young girl's courage
- C. did show a young girls courage
- D. has shown a young girl's courage
- E. showed a young girl's courage

21. In August my parents will be married for twenty-five years.

- A. will be married for twenty-five years.
- B. shall have been married for twenty-five years.
- C. will have been married for twenty-five years.
- D. will be married for twenty five years.
- E. will have married for twenty-five years.