



Select the correct option to complete each sentence:

1. I can't make it to the meeting, something has _____.
A) come up
B) come across
C) come by
2. I'll _____ if anything important happens while you're away.
A) set the record straight
B) keep you posted
C) cross your mind
3. His determination more than _____ his lack of experience.
A) made up for
B) kept up with
C) held up
4. I took my suit back to the tailor to have it _____. The pants were ever so slightly too long.
A) adapted
B) revised
C) altered
5. She had been planning to sell her late father's medals, but she had a _____ at the last minute.
A) change of plan
B) change of mind
C) change of heart
6. Under no circumstances _____ out tonight.
A) are you to go
B) you can go
C) were you to go
7. They've just moved into a _____ barn. They've been doing it up since last year.
A) changed
B) transformed
C) converted
8. Scarcely _____ moved into the new house _____ it was broken into.
A) we had / when
B) had we / when
C) had we / than
9. I try to avoid luxury resorts when I travel abroad. I much prefer to get off the _____.
A) rough road
B) beaten track
C) trodden path
10. I mean, he's _____ talented, but he's hardly Cristiano Ronaldo.
A) extremely
B) supremely
C) fairly
11. You should never let money _____ true love.
A) go between
B) stand in front of
C) stand in the way of
12. No sooner _____ left the house _____ it started raining.
A) we had / when
B) had we / when
C) had we / than
13. Her boss insisted that the report _____ by the end of the day, so she is staying behind to get it done.
A) be completed
B) was completed
C) is completed
14. Never _____ so many people in one place. It was beyond belief.
A) we had seen
B) have we seen
C) had we seen

15. The steak was so _____ that you could've cut it with a spoon!
- A) bland
 - B) squishy
 - C) tender
16. _____ earlier, I wouldn't have missed my flight.
- A) Having left
 - B) Were I to leave
 - C) Had I left
17. My most prized possession is the crucifix my grandmother gave me. It's _____.
- A) unreplaceable
 - B) inreplaceable
 - C) irreplaceable
18. Mike was _____ tears when he heard the news.
- A) on the verge of
 - B) on the cusp of
 - C) on the fence of
19. I had to _____ hundreds of pounds to have my car fixed this morning.
- A) carve out
 - B) fork out
 - C) cut out
20. He was knocked off his bike by a _____ of wind.
- A) stroke
 - B) burst
 - C) gust
21. They had a massive argument last night, but John had got the wrong end of the _____.
- A) stick
 - B) rope
 - C) branch
22. The room was immaculate. I couldn't find so much as a _____ of dust.
- A) speck
 - B) grain
 - C) pane
23. Barely _____ to work _____ he was fired for gross misconduct.
- A) did Alex return / than
 - B) had Alex returned / than
 - C) had Alex returned / when
24. I often _____ of the more expensive brands when I go shopping.
- A) steer away
 - B) steer clear
 - C) steer out
25. Moving abroad can be difficult at first until you _____.
- A) settle in
 - B) settle out
 - C) settle up
26. Sheila got a bit _____ at the shopping centre and spent a fortune.
- A) carried on
 - B) carried off
 - C) carried away
27. Sean was _____ about his poor behaviour in the meeting.
- A) disapologetic
 - B) inapologetic
 - C) unapologetic
28. The protagonist was _____ by George Clooney.
- A) displayed
 - B) portrayed
 - C) conveyed
29. Her emotional speech really struck a _____ with me. She didn't sugar coat anything.
- A) note
 - B) key
 - C) chord
30. We've never really _____ due to our political opinions. We're on opposite ends of the spectrum.
- A) seen eye to eye
 - B) come face to face
 - C) gone head to head

Answer Key

1. A
2. B
3. A
4. C
5. C
6. A
7. C
8. B
9. B
10. C
11. C
12. C
13. A
14. C
15. C
16. C
17. C
18. A
19. B
20. C
21. A
22. A
23. C
24. B
25. A
26. C
27. C
28. B
29. C
30. A