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# Final Exam Revision

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**LISTENING 1 (Items 1-7)**

**(7 marks)**

You are going to hear an interview between an **interviewer** and a **young Omani inventor**. Listen, and shade in the bubble  next to the correct option.

1. Mohammed is \_\_\_\_\_ years old.

13

18

22

2. The "Child Locator" device helps \_\_\_\_\_ .

children find their bags

parents locate their children

schools track students

3. Mohammed's brother was in grade \_\_\_\_\_ when he went missing.

one

two

Three

4. Mohammed invented a "Child locator" \_\_\_\_\_

watch

Hand-held device

Device attached to a school bag

5. According to Mohammed, the best feature in his invention is the \_\_\_\_\_

Tracking system

colour

camera

6. After he won the first prize, \_\_\_\_\_ showed an interest in Mohammed's invention.

parents

principles

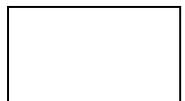
friends

7. Mohammed's immediate challenge is to \_\_\_\_\_ .

secure financial support

sell his device

complete his studies



You are going to hear **someone talking** about **Vanuatu, a famous tourist destination in the south Pacific.**

**Task one:** Listen and for each item, write a short answer (not more than **FOUR WORDS**).

8. How many islands are there in Vanuatu?

\_\_\_\_\_

9. How many people live on Vanuatu?

\_\_\_\_\_

10. What are the main sources of its economy?

**Agriculture, tourism and** \_\_\_\_\_

11. What languages are spoken on Vanuatu ?

**English, Bislama and** \_\_\_\_\_

**Part Two:** For each item, shade in the bubble  next to the correct option.

12. About \_\_\_\_\_ tourists visit Vanuatu every year.

300

5000

50000

13. Tourists can enjoy \_\_\_\_\_ on Tanna Island.

volcano boarding

surfing

scuba diving

14. The island of Espiritu has \_\_\_\_\_ .

high mountains

beautiful beaches

steep cliffs

15. The Nagol Pentecost diving event is held every \_\_\_\_\_ from April to June.

Saturday

Monday

Tuesday

**LISTENING**

**SCORE**

**15**

**Vocabulary General Revision**

1. Teens from \_\_\_\_\_ or impoverish homes both can and do abuse drugs  
 affluent       effluent       fluent       afflict
2. The government has refused to rescue the company from \_\_\_\_\_.  
 achievement       satisfaction       corruption       bankruptcy
3. He's \_\_\_\_\_ liar that you can't believe a word he says.  
 an impulsive       an offensive       a compulsive       an addiction
4. We are conducting a survey of \_\_\_\_\_ attitudes towards organic food  
 consult       consumer       conditions       construct
5. The boiler has exploded from \_\_\_\_\_ pressure of steam.  
 excessive       aggressive       impressive       progressive
6. Watching violence on TV makes some children more \_\_\_\_\_.  
 aggressive       excessive       progressive       massive
7. The government is wrestling with difficult \_\_\_\_\_ problems.  
 advertisement       addicted       passion       economic
8. We import raw materials and energy and \_\_\_\_\_ mainly industrial products.  
 export       port       report       expose
9. Under the \_\_\_\_\_ of the drug my mind was filled with fantasy images.  
 affect       influence       fluent       influent
10. The house itself was unimpressive but the \_\_\_\_\_ was spectacular.  
 donation       location       education       relation
11. Don't let his friendly manner \_\_\_\_\_ you into trusting him.  
 persuade       reveal       mislead       cause
12. A strange \_\_\_\_\_ was performed in front of our eyes.  
 actual       religious       ritual       virtual

13. I needed a lot of retail \_\_\_\_\_ to help me get over my stress.
- shopping       goods       theory       therapy
14. She really likes going for shopping a lot, so she has become a \_\_\_\_\_.
- workaholic       shopaholic       buyer       patient
15. They moved off \_\_\_\_\_ to share a flat in the town.
- campus       university       college       course
16. He had a distinguished \_\_\_\_\_ as a diplomat.
- career       hobby       exercise       task
17. We needed to reskill our workforce to \_\_\_\_\_ with the massive technological change.
- help       cope       support       assist
18. We've just appointed \_\_\_\_\_ who will oversee the whole project.
- a worker       an employer       a coordinator       an educator
19. Next week is the \_\_\_\_\_ for sending in your application.
- decline       outline       headline       deadline
20. I know that this draft text will need to be \_\_\_\_\_.
- signed       credit       editor       edited
21. The decision was based on \_\_\_\_\_ rather than on rational thought
- option       motion       emotion       logical
22. She studies abroad. She feels \_\_\_\_\_ for her country.
- delighted       homesick       pleased       cheerful
23. The students at schools should build up a solid \_\_\_\_\_ in English.
- foundation       presentation       introduction       anticipation
24. The teacher conducted a \_\_\_\_\_ test to find the appropriate level for the new students in the cour:
- achievement       ability       final       placement
25. Overseas investment has had a \_\_\_\_\_ effect on exports. The profits have increased greatly.
- sensitive       negative       positive       unsure

26. People should eat less fat to \_\_\_\_\_ the risk of heart disease.  
 expand       raise       increase       reduce
27. Kidnapping crime is increasing at a \_\_\_\_\_ rate.  
 security       terrified       terrifying       ritual
28. The town's importance lies in the richness and quality of its \_\_\_\_\_.  
 hospitality       customers       lecture       architecture
29. The conditions are very poor and overcrowded, as there is a total lack of the most basic \_\_\_\_\_.  
 luxury       duty       amenities       comfortable
30. The Niagara Falls are a truly \_\_\_\_\_ sight.  
 tiresome       awesome       dull       boring
31. As he fell, his scream resounded through the long and deep \_\_\_\_\_.  
 trek       canyon       source       scenery
32. We got lost and ended up miles away from our intended \_\_\_\_\_.  
 destination       suggestions       design       source
33. We edited out some unnecessary words or sentences from the \_\_\_\_\_.  
 craft       drawing       note       draft
34. He left his successful business and life of \_\_\_\_\_ to become a monk.  
 gravity       century       luxury       poverty
35. There's been \_\_\_\_\_ television coverage of the World Cup.  
 aggressive       massive       offensive       impressive
36. You should \_\_\_\_\_ your work and correct any mistakes you find.  
 show       proof       reproof       proofread
37. The staff should work together to \_\_\_\_\_ the school curriculum.  
 proof       proofread       revise       draft
38. The \_\_\_\_\_ staff can see all the outside of the building on their CCTV monitors.  
 celebrity       security       priority       sector

39. They reached the refugee camp after an arduous two-day \_\_\_\_\_ across the mountains.
- trek                       treat                       trend                       trip
40. As soon as the bell rang, the captain gave orders to cast off, and the \_\_\_\_\_ began.
- voyage                       flight                       vacation                       canyon
41. Chinese people \_\_\_\_\_ a lot from the open-up policy.
- traffic                       benefit                       affect                       define
42. The Government has launched an advertising \_\_\_\_\_ to encourage people to vote.
- campus                       campaign                       mislead                       freight
43. As traffic grew, the \_\_\_\_\_ wisdom was that roads should be widened to make room.
- exotic                       prevention                       conventional                       unusual
44. The brochure shows the products that are \_\_\_\_\_ available.
- gallery                       currency                       currently                       unlikely
45. It is illegal for factories to \_\_\_\_\_ black smoke into the air.
- omit                       flyer                       absorb                       emit
46. The \_\_\_\_\_ about the new English course is handed out.
- flyer                       series                       flies                       papers
47. The railways carry millions of tons of \_\_\_\_\_ every year.
- freight                       passengers                       areas                       statistics
48. This kind of oil is \_\_\_\_\_ and is used principally for lighting.
- incredible                       credible                       edible                       inedible
49. In late 1958 the United States launched three \_\_\_\_\_ spacecrafts on missions to the Moon.
- elimination                       speed                       engineer                       pioneer
50. Tempers flared and road rage increased as the \_\_\_\_\_ became worse.
- ambitious                       simulator                       traffic jam                       fatality
51. The freight \_\_\_\_\_ caused a cloud of dust as it went down the unpaved road.
- train                       truck                       plane                       journey

52. When we arrived in the capital, we started to \_\_\_\_\_ the city.
- explore       explain       amuse       search
53. Oman has fantastic \_\_\_\_\_. There are so many different kinds of animals and birds in the natural a
- atmosphere       reptiles       domestic       wildlife
54. My daughter had the first prize in the competition. I'm so \_\_\_\_\_ of her.
- active       jealous       proud       clever
55. The concert last night was \_\_\_\_\_. I had a great time.
- crowded       amused       awesome       entertained
56. A good chef must have a \_\_\_\_\_ for food and cooking.
- management       passion       patience       ambition
57. Many young Omanis are \_\_\_\_\_ about leaving school for the university.
- apprehensive       prospects       independent       foreign
58. Many students continue their education to improve their \_\_\_\_\_ for the future.
- apprehensive       prospects       abroad       culture
59. Nowadays, companies use brand names, slogans and logos to \_\_\_\_\_ people to buy their products.
- trade       mislead       persuade       bargain
60. Most advertisements are \_\_\_\_\_ to attract people to buy the products.
- annoying       dull       appalling       appealing

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**1) GRAMMAR (Items 6–10)**

**(2½ marks)**

For each item, shade in the bubble  next to the correct option.

Speaker A: Hi! It's great to see you today, but (6) ( is /  are) everything alright?

Speaker B: Actually, it's not. I've just been (7) ( checking /  checked) the news.

Speaker A: Why, what's wrong? I haven't logged onto it (8) ( from /  since) yesterday.

Speaker B: Well, there was a hurricane in Oman last night.

Speaker A: Oh! That's terrible news! Was it as bad (9) ( as /  than) the last one?

Speaker B: Actually, it was a lot worse. There (10) ( were /  had) a lot of people killed and many others have been injured.

Speaker A: Oh! What a terrible news! It's so sad.

**2) GRAMMAR (Items 6–10)**

**(2½ marks)**

For each item, shade in the bubble  next to the correct option.

Speaker A: Hi! I haven't seen you (6) ( for /  since) a long time! What happened?

Speaker B: Nothing to worry about! I've been (7) ( studying /  studied).

Speaker A: But you graduated three months (8) ( before /  ago).

Speaker B: I know, but now I'm doing an English course for ILETS exam. I wish it (9) ( would /  will) help to get a good job soon.

Speaker A: Oh! That is (10) ( interesting /  interested). Good luck!

Speaker B: Thank you.

**3) GRAMMAR (Items 6–10)**

**(2½ marks)**

For each item, shade in the bubble  next to the correct option.

Speaker A: Are you ready for your interview tomorrow?

Speaker B: Oh yes. I've been preparing (6) ( for /  since) two days now.

Speaker A: Have you?

Speaker B: Yes, I (7) ( have made /  am making) a list of questions that they might ask me, but I still need to practise answering them.

Speaker A: So, (8) ( do /  would) you like me to help?  
I wish I could (9) ( do /  make) something.

Speaker B: That's very kind of you! If they (10) ( get /  will get) me the job, I'll give you a present.

Speaker A: Thanks! I wish you good luck.

**1) GRAMMAR/VOCAEBULARY (Items 11–15)**

**(5 marks)**

A well-advertised (11)\_\_\_\_\_ is easier to be sold by the salesman in the market. If a (12)\_\_\_\_\_ is popular and well-known, people respond quickly to the salesman's efforts. It provides a support to salesmanship, as the (13)\_\_\_\_\_ understands the product and its uses more clearly through the (14)\_\_\_\_\_ and the salesman's effort is reduced to (15)\_\_\_\_\_ the buyers..

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 11. <input type="radio"/> skill   | <input type="radio"/> craft         | <input type="radio"/> good     | <input type="radio"/> product   |
| 12. <input type="radio"/> brand   | <input type="radio"/> slogan        | <input type="radio"/> device   | <input type="radio"/> label     |
| 13. <input type="radio"/> people  | <input type="radio"/> individuals   | <input type="radio"/> audience | <input type="radio"/> announcer |
| 14. <input type="radio"/> company | <input type="radio"/> advertisement | <input type="radio"/> effect   | <input type="radio"/> influence |
| 15. <input type="radio"/> retail  | <input type="radio"/> mislead       | <input type="radio"/> respect  | <input type="radio"/> convince  |

**2) GRAMMAR/VOCAEBULARY (Items 11–15)**

**(5 marks)**

Dr Müller and her colleagues conducted a research on data from earlier studies on (11)\_\_\_\_\_ shopping. Their research focused on 122 patients who sought treatment (12) \_\_\_\_\_ BSD "Buying Shopping Disorder". Dr Müller reported that about five per cent of the population may be (13)\_\_\_\_\_ from BSD. She added that younger people experienced greater levels of (14)\_\_\_\_\_ and depression. People with BSD easily exhibit negative behaviors. These include spending (15)\_\_\_\_\_ amounts of money on things they don't need, never using things they order, buying things for the sake of instant gratification, and ending up in debt. BSD can destroy marriages, relationships and mental health.

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|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 11. <input type="radio"/> compulsive | <input type="radio"/> apprehensive | <input type="radio"/> dull        | <input type="radio"/> Tiring     |
| 12. <input type="radio"/> at         | <input type="radio"/> on           | <input type="radio"/> of          | <input type="radio"/> for        |
| 13. <input type="radio"/> treating   | <input type="radio"/> suffering    | <input type="radio"/> challenging | <input type="radio"/> derived    |
| 14. <input type="radio"/> anxiety    | <input type="radio"/> emotion      | <input type="radio"/> prospect    | <input type="radio"/> confidence |
| 15. <input type="radio"/> excessive  | <input type="radio"/> little       | <input type="radio"/> cash        | <input type="radio"/> credit     |

**GRAMMAR/VOCABULARY (Items 11–15)**

**(5 marks)**

Starting university is like starting a new life. When students leave home for university, they embark on a new journey of self-reliance and self-discovery. Most students are not prepared well for this (11) \_\_\_\_\_ which results in taking extra time to (12) \_\_\_\_\_ and adjust to their new life. The first year of university is always hard so they should be expecting to, at least, get a (13) \_\_\_\_\_ shock because of (14) \_\_\_\_\_ different things would be (15) \_\_\_\_\_ to home or school.

- |     |                               |                                  |                                   |                                 |
|-----|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 11. | <input type="radio"/> skill   | <input type="radio"/> transition | <input type="radio"/> course      | <input type="radio"/> study     |
| 12. | <input type="radio"/> able to | <input type="radio"/> cope with  | <input type="radio"/> suffer from | <input type="radio"/> fill with |
| 13. | <input type="radio"/> culture | <input type="radio"/> individual | <input type="radio"/> visitor     | <input type="radio"/> career    |
| 14. | <input type="radio"/> what    | <input type="radio"/> why        | <input type="radio"/> how         | <input type="radio"/> when      |
| 15. | <input type="radio"/> joined  | <input type="radio"/> connected  | <input type="radio"/> belonged    | <input type="radio"/> compared  |

**GRAMMAR/VOCABULARY (Items 11–15)**

**(5 marks)**

Parents are becoming increasingly (11) \_\_\_\_\_ about the impact of computers on their children's health. They tell us that their children often suffer (12) \_\_\_\_\_ eye strain and severe headaches as a (13) \_\_\_\_\_ of looking at computer screen for long hours. They also frequently mention psychological (14) \_\_\_\_\_, such as depression, loss of concentration and forgetfulness. Most important of all these effects is lack of social skills, with children being unable to (15) \_\_\_\_\_ with others when meeting face to face.

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|-----|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 11. | <input type="radio"/> concerned  | <input type="radio"/> concerning | <input type="radio"/> dominating | <input type="radio"/> addicted   |
| 12. | <input type="radio"/> a bout     | <input type="radio"/> from       | <input type="radio"/> of         | <input type="radio"/> for        |
| 13. | <input type="radio"/> method     | <input type="radio"/> result     | <input type="radio"/> habit      | <input type="radio"/> profit     |
| 14. | <input type="radio"/> anxiety    | <input type="radio"/> emotions   | <input type="radio"/> effects    | <input type="radio"/> confidence |
| 15. | <input type="radio"/> connecting | <input type="radio"/> compare    | <input type="radio"/> confuse    | <input type="radio"/> interact   |

Read the texts. Are the statements which follow each text **True** or **False**?  
For each item, shade in the bubble  under the correct option.

- 1.** When I was young, I used to enjoy watching mother cook, especially when she was preparing my favourite omelets. When the eggs turned golden and mother flipped them over, I would jump and clap my hands with glee.

**Statement**

The writer's mother was a horrible cook.

<b>True</b>	<b>False</b>
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- 2.** "Look over there," she whispered. I was surprised that she was talking to me during a test, but I followed the direction of her eyes, Muna was copying her answer from a piece of paper that she held under her desk. At the other end of the classroom, Miss Hend was busy marking some books.

**Statement**

Miss Hend warned Muna of cheating.

<b>True</b>	<b>False</b>
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- 3.** Computer games technology, particularly virtual applications, have other uses apart from entertainment. Medical simulations for training surgeons and more realistic flight simulators for pilot education are just two uses for the technology.

**Statement**

The course is especially designed for professionals such as doctors and pilots

<b>True</b>	<b>False</b>
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- 4.** Scottish university has announced a world first in the field of elite academic achievement. It's offering a Master Degree course in computer games software engineering. The university of Abertay in Dundee says it could put the city at the centre of a multi-million pound industry.

**Statement**

The university wants to teach people how to play games better.

<b>True</b>	<b>False</b>
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- 5.** With an exclusive blend of natural soy and a multi-vitamin complex, the non-sticky lotion minimizes flaking and peeling, and helps reduce the signs of redness and irritation caused by the sun.

**Statement**

Clothes may stick to the body after using this product.

<b>True</b>	<b>False</b>
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6. SunPro after-sun treatment is the first and only after-sun product with the dry skin healing power of natural soy. The cooling lotion soothes and revitalizes sun-exposed skin on contact and helps minimize the short-term effect of sun damage.

**Statement**

**True** **False**

Only this company uses natural soy in an after-sun product

7. Once upon a time, there was a man called Rip Van Winkle. He was likable but a lazy man who never did an ounce of work in his life. His wife was always nagging at him for being so lazy.

**Statement**

**True** **False**

Rip's wife used to compliment him on his nature

8. The Zulus are a fierce tribe in Southeast Africa, known for their conquests of other African tribes. The founder of the Zulu nation, Shaka Zulu, was a much feared leader who ruled the Zulus with absolute power.

**Statement**

**True** **False**

Shaka Zulu was the last king of the Zulu tribe

9. I was really shocked when I heard about the government's plan to expand the old hydro-electric power station in our town. If the plan goes ahead, a large new building will be attached to the old station, right next to the river.

**Statement**

**True** **False**

The project was praised by the writer

10. Why don't you come to our family shopping festival? Take advantage of our special low prices, starting 15th February. Remember! This special offer only lasts for 2 weeks. So don't hesitate to visit us as soon as possible. Believe me! You won't regret.

**Statement**

**True** **False**

The special offer will end in March.

11. I work in the same bank as Nada and Khalid. I like working with him. He's always very helpful. On the other hand, she's not a team worker. She is lazy and always blames others for her own mistakes.

**Statement**

**True** **False**

Nada has interpersonal skills.

12. Recently, my neighbours had a party. It started quietly, but later on there was a terrible noise coming from the flat! Music, and people talking, shouting and laughing! I didn't mind that at first, but then when it was nearly midnight and I couldn't get to sleep, I decided to phone them and complain.

**Statement**

The writer couldn't sleep because of the din.

True	False
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

13. After more than a year of travelling alone, Neumann was sick and exhausted. He left Brazil and then made his way through the forests of Venezuela. His aim was to cross into Columbia, where he could rest and recover. But he died before he could reach the border.

**Statement**

Neumann died in Columbia

True	False
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

14. The Portuguese and the Spanish prepared for battle. The Portuguese king was worried because he had only twenty thousand soldiers. Ten thousand less than the enemy. The Spanish army also had more guns and better equipment.

**Statement**

The Spanish army had twenty thousand soldiers.

True	False
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

15. Dear Marco, many thanks for the book you sent me on Roman history. I was also able to get some information about museums from the internet. But now I need to find out about hotels, so that I'll have somewhere to stay. Can you help me? Ali.

**Statement**

Ali wants Marco to send him information about hotels

True	False
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

16. Is your handwriting a mess? Well, our new 'Dextrus' model can help you. With its revolutionary new design, it is easy to hold and it moves smoothly across the paper. It's available in 6 different sizes-just choose the one that fits your hand exactly. The Dextrus will make writing a real pleasure again!

**Statement**

This is an advertisement for a handwriting book.

True	False
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

17. The Asuma has a top speed of 180 km/h, but safety is our first priority. Brakes, safety belts, suspension, steering, tires \_ all use the very latest technology guarantee that you and your family arrive safely at your destination.

**Statement**

This is an advertisement for a car.

**True** **False**

18. There was a fire at Khalid's house yesterday. his 4 years old son Yahya was playing with matches, and he set fire to the furniture. Luckily, the boy was rescued, but the whole house was destroyed and the family lost everything.

**Statement**

The fire was caused by Khalid.

**True** **False**

19. Alfred the great was the king of the Angles and Saxons, and ruler of large part of England. He was a wise and able man, and a great warrior. When the Danes tried to conquer his kingdom, he formed an army and a navy to defend the country.

**Statement**

England was attacked by Alfred.

**True** **False**

20. Halima is an 'amiable' person. Whenever she meets people, she greets them with a big smile on her face. She's very easy to talk to, and never seems to get angry or upset. But the best thing about her is, she's always ready to help people when they have a problem.

**Statement**

'Amiable' means very proud

**True** **False**

21. I tried to phone Faisal and Amina to tell them about the accident. I managed to contact him at his office, but I couldn't get through to her at all.

**Statement**

The writer talked to Faisal and Amina.

**True** **False**



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Read the text. Then for each item, shade in the bubble  next to the correct option.

I was born in Valente, a small town with a population of 20,000 people, situated in the state of Bahia, in north-east Brazil. The land is semi-arid and too infertile to produce much vegetation. Most people make their living by cultivating and harvesting sisal, the only crop which grows well on this barren land. With its strong fibre, sisal is traditionally used to make clothes, ropes, and baskets, but nowadays carpets and rugs are more popular. Since Bahia is the largest producer of sisal in the country, it has attracted the attention of large businesses. Five days ago, a well-known company held a meeting in my town and presented their plan to build a new factory nearby. What really disappoints me is that many local people oppose this proposal. They claim that the new factory will cause damage to the local environment. But, in my view, it will change things for the better and bring us a lot of benefits.

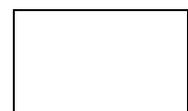
Let me tell you why I believe this. In Valente, over fifty percent of the people live below the poverty line. Although public education is free at all levels, most children from poor families leave school from the age of 12 in order to help their parents with the cultivation and harvesting of sisal. All my younger brothers and sisters did the same. However — maybe because I'm the oldest — my parents insisted on supporting me to study Engineering until I graduated from Bahia State University in 2009. After graduation, I was offered a job with a company in Salvador, a city with a population of one million. Unfortunately, it is 120 km away from my home town. So I have now spent three years travelling to and from work every day and struggling to support my large family.

In Valente, only a few local government jobs are currently available. The unemployment rate is high and the only hope of improving the situation is to find another source of jobs. The construction and running of this new factory will create lots of work opportunities. According to the company's plan, they will immediately provide 800 permanent jobs in the factory, in addition to 100 casual jobs during construction. Then, after the first year of production, they will employ 400 more full-time workers. Priority will be given to the local people, both men and women. This will definitely be a great opportunity for most young people in my town to get suitable jobs and make their own living.

There is one more important benefit. For the factory to run smoothly, workers will have to get to work on time. But the road conditions here are terrible! So the company knows that it will have to provide better transportation. It will have to rebuild and broaden the main roads and replace muddy tracks with concrete-paved roads. It will also have to supply our town with a low-cost bus service, which will give people easy access to any destination in the area. All of this is covered in the company's proposal.

**READING 2 (continued)**

8. The conditions in the region of Bahia are suitable for \_\_\_\_\_ .  
 only one crop                       a small number of different crops                       many different crops
9. A few days ago, a company \_\_\_\_\_ about a proposed factory.  
 Put an article in the newspaper                       held a public meeting                       made a radio broadcast
10. The company is interested in using sisal to make \_\_\_\_\_ .  
 rope                       baskets                       carpets
11. Many children leave school early to \_\_\_\_\_ .  
 save school fees                       work in the fields                       work in factories
12. In the writer's family, \_\_\_\_\_ had a good education.  
 only he has                       only the boys have                       all the children have
13. Many people are against the proposed factory because they fear \_\_\_\_\_ .  
 rising prices                       increased pollution                       outside influence
14. The company has promised to provide about \_\_\_\_\_ new jobs.  
 500                       More than 1000                       more than 2000
15. They will also provide improved \_\_\_\_\_ .  
 housing                       health services                       transportation



Read the text. Then complete the task.

(*'Tourism' magazine, November 2012*): Have you ever imagined that you could eat fish and watch them swimming at the same time!?! It seems like a dream! But this dream has finally come true with the opening last month of the world's first underwater restaurant. It's an unforgettable experience, I can tell you!

The restaurant, called 'Nautilus', is part of a fancy hotel/resort on the Maldives Islands. It lies five metres below the waves of the Indian Ocean. It is surrounded by thick glass that allows a view of a huge coral reef inhabited by hundreds of different types of fish and other sea creatures.

To enter, you have to go along a wooden walkway, and then down a steep staircase. Inside, it's quite small, with room for only fifteen people at any one time, usually private parties. The menu offers you — naturally — top-quality seafood, prepared by a specialist chef. This doesn't come cheap, with the average meal costing about two hundred and fifty dollars. So only people with lots of money — or journalists paid for by a magazine! — can enjoy this experience.

The restaurant was designed and built by an American construction company. The work started in late 2010, and, because of technical difficulties, was not actually done on the Maldives, but in Singapore! Then, in May of this year, the completed restaurant was lifted onto a large ship, which carried it to the Maldives. It took three weeks to reach its destination, and then engineers set to work to 'install' the restaurant on the coast. This work took months and involved moving huge amounts of sand. But finally, everything was ready and the opening ceremony took place.

I myself was lucky enough to be invited as a representative of my magazine. I must say, the atmosphere was fantastic! The lighting was very good, and I will always remember the sight of all those fishes, including a huge shark — I wonder what he was thinking! The grilled prawns that I ate were also superb, served with a delicious sauce. The only thing I didn't like was the attitude of the waiters. They took such a long time to bring my food, and they seemed to be looking down on me, because I wasn't one of their usual, super-rich, celebrity customers! But perhaps I'm too sensitive...

**READING 3 (continued)**

**Task One:** For each item, write a short answer (**not more than FOUR WORDS**)

16. When was the "Nautilus Restaurant" opened?

\_\_\_\_\_

17. What kind of food does the "Nautilus" restaurant serve?

\_\_\_\_\_

18. How many customers can it hold?

\_\_\_\_\_

19. What are the walls made of?

\_\_\_\_\_

20. What kind of people are the restaurant's customers?

\_\_\_\_\_

**Task Two:** For each item, shade in the bubble  next to the correct option.

21. The restaurant was built in \_\_\_\_\_.

- France                                       the USA                                       Singapore

22. It has taken \_\_\_\_\_ to complete the restaurant project.

- six months                                       one year                                       Two years

23. The restaurant was transported to the Maldives by \_\_\_\_\_.

- ship                                       helicopter                                       plane

24. The writer was lucky to enter the restaurant as a \_\_\_\_\_.

- customer                                       journalist                                       partner

25. When the writer was there, he was unhappy with the \_\_\_\_\_.

- service                                       food                                       surroundings

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( \_\_\_\_\_ )

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