GSP Practice Test

Grammar

1. My dog likes to ______ on my bed when I am out of the house.
   A. lie
   B. lied
   C. lay

2. The winter coat I bought cost ______ than I thought it would.
   A. less
   B. lesser
   C. fewer

3. Cole and ____ are going to the concert Friday night.
   A. me
   B. I
   C. myself

4. Please send your RSVP for the party to __________.
   A. her or I
   B. her or me
   C. she or I

5. We used to enjoy swimming and ______ around the lake.
   A. to bike
   B. biking
   C. bike

6. How much ______ those hats on the top rack?
   A. be
   B. is
   C. are

7. All of us are supposed to buy _____ uniforms at the same store.
   A. his or her
   B. their
   C. our

8. Jennifer, _____ is wearing the red shirt, is the best student in the class.
   A. whom
   B. who
   C. whose

9. Of all the gymnasts on the school team, Gabrielle is the ______.
   A. best
   B. better
   C. good
10. If you had practiced more, you ______ made the team.
   A. wouldn’t
   B. would of
   C. would have

11. Sasha performed _____ in the gymnastics competition.
   A. well
   B. good
   C. nice

12. If I _____ you, I would take that art class.
   A. wasn’t
   B. were
   C. was

13. My mother _____ the casserole on the table.
   A. sat
   B. sit
   C. set

14. The shortstop and _____ are my favorite Texas Rangers players.
   A. he
   B. his
   C. him

15. I _____ to eat a lot of french fries, until I realized their fat content.
   A. use
   B. used
   C. uses

16. Compared ______ the residence hall, the Motel 6 room seemed like a palace.
   A. to
   B. with
   C. at

17. The three roommates shared the refrigerator ______ themselves.
   A. amongst
   B. between
   C. among

18. The company is hiring in _____ human resources department.
   A. their
   B. its
   C. they’re

19. Yesterday I _____ my umbrella in the hallway and today I can’t find it.
   A. laid
   B. lay
   C. lied

20. He is the type of person _____ makes others feel comfortable.
   A. who
   B. whose
   C. whom
21. I recommended that my professor give _______ homework assignments.
   A. less
   B. further
   C. fewer

22. Sandra and _____ like to ride the train downtown to shop.
   A. I
   B. me
   C. myself

23. Neither the yellow tie _____ the orange one looks good with Tom’s blue shirt.
   A. and
   B. or
   C. nor

24. The city council is made up of people _____ care about the future of the community.
   A. who
   B. that
   C. which

25. The concert will feature ___ opening band before the main act appears at midnight.
   A. a
   B. some
   C. an
1. The state legislator said she _______ would vote against the bill.
   A. definitely
   B. definately
   C. definitly

2. The veteran gave a speech in which he _____ his experiences in Afghanistan.
   A. bare
   B. beared
   C. bared

3. The child _______ through the mall alone for two hours before his parents found him.
   A. wandered
   B. woundeder
   C. wondered

4. He asked for some sour cream to put on his _________.
   A. potatoe
   B. potato
   C. patato

5. The family visits the _______ every Memorial Day.
   A. cema
   B. cemetery
   C. cemeta

6. The teenager couldn’t wait until he was old enough to be _______ from his parents.
   A. independent
   B. independant
   C. indapendent

7. The prosecutor did not think the witness’ story was _____________.
   A. believeable
   B. believable
   C. beleiveable

8. A reporter’s most important asset is ______________.
   A. creditability
   B. credability
   C. credibility

9. The teacher was appalled at the number of ____________ cases in his class.
   A. plagerism
   B. plagarism
   C. plagiarism

10. The defendant would never ___________ that he knew who had pulled the trigger.
    A. acknowledge
    B. acknowledge
    C. aknowledge
11. The mayor _________ the importance of voting in the upcoming election.
A. emphasized
B. emphasised
C. emphasised

12. The new apartment complex can ___________ 500 college students.
A. acomadate
B. accommadate
C. accommodate

13. The CIA director was ____________ when news of his extramarital affair became public.
A. embarassed
B. embarrased
C. embarrassed

14. You cannot return clothes to that store without a ________.
A. receipt
B. recipe
C. receipt

15. The woman ________ her brother of extorting money from their elderly parents.
A. accused
B. accused
C. acussed

16. He is the ________ owner of the advertising firm.
A. principal
B. principel
C. principle

17. The politician thought his opponent’s stance on gun control was ____________.
A. rideculous
B. rediculous
C. ridiculous

18. The ________ family is not as common as it used to be.
A. nucular
B. neuclear
C. nuclear

19. You won’t find healthful food in the ________ store over there.
A. convenient
B. convenience
C. convince

20. ___________ is a virtue.
A. Patience
B. Patients
C. Pateints

21. Please include only ________ information in your essay answers on the test.
A. relavant
B. relevant
C. relavent
22. The man was arrested for ___________ his former girlfriend.
A. harrassing
B. harrasing
C. harassing

23. We have __________ the names of people who did not fill out the forms.
A. omitted
B. ommitted
C. ommited

24. Class ___________ is important to that professor.
A. attendence
B. attendance
C. atendence

25. The celebrity said she tried to ________ her private life from her public life.
A. separate
B. seperate
C. seperete
1. The members of Congress said they were following their _______ wishes.
   A. constituents
   B. constituent’s
   C. constituents’

2. While listening to the __________ reporters took notes.
   A. speech the
   B. speech, the
   C. speech the,

3. The school board will consider a __________ a member proposed last month.
   A. resolution that
   B. resolution, that
   C. resolution that,

4. The Olympics competitor accepted the __________ medal.
   A. shiny-gold
   B. shiny, gold
   C. shiny gold

5. The burglar broke into the house when the owners were visiting relatives in ________ police said.
   A. Houston
   B. Houston.
   C. Houston,

6. The __________ in his first trial, spoke hesitantly in front of the judge.
   A. lawyer clearly,
   B. lawyer, clearly
   C. lawyer clearly

7. To make that cookie recipe, you will _______ flour, butter and sugar.
   A. need:
   B. need
   C. need;

8. The star athlete went to middle school in Midland, ________ but her family later moved to Denton, Texas.
   A. Texas,
   B. Texas
   C. Texas;

9. The __________ senator decided it was time to retire.
   A. well respected
   B. well, respected
   C. well-respected

10. “I have a _______ were the most famous words of Martin Luther King, Jr.’s speech.
    A. dream,
    B. dream”,
    C. dream”
11. Her alarm went off at 6 ______ did not make another sound.
   A. a.m. it
   B. a.m. It
   C. a.m., it

12. My mother ____ I should audition for the play, although I haven’t acted since third grade.
   A. said
   B. said,
   C. said, “

13. “Where did you get that _____ the student’s roommate asked.
   A. iPod?
   B. iPod?”
   C. iPod”?

14. Winston __________ was prime minister of Great Britain during World War II, had a quick wit.
   A. Churchill who
   B. Churchill, who
   C. Churchill who,

15. My editor needs time to edit my _______ she asked me to turn it in by 3 p.m.
   A. story so,
   B. story. So
   C. story, so

16. Many Baby Boomers were children during the _______.
   A. 1950’s
   B. 1950s
   C. 1950s’

17. The ______ was on trial decided not to testify.
   A. defendant, who
   B. defendant who
   C. defendant who,

18. In the United States __________ amendment guaranteeing freedom of the press is listed first.
   A. Constitution the
   B. Constitution. The
   C. Constitution, the

19. The library on _______ has many historical books, is the best place to conduct that type of research.
   A. campus, which
   B. campus. Which
   C. campus which

20. Forgetting her ______ the woman ran out of the restaurant.
   A. purse
   B. purse,
   C. purse;
21. He decided to bike to ________ he found no bicycle racks available outside the building.
   A. class. But
   B. class but
   C. class, but

22. Ben said he no longer can stand working ______ he’s going to look for another job.
   A. there so
   B. there, so
   C. There. So

23. The materials required for that art class are the _____ paint, brushes, a palette, canvases and a
    smock.
   A. following
   B. following;
   C. following:

24. Ann ______ with her sister, who used the pen name Dear Abby, popularized advice
    columns.
   A. Landers. Along
   B. Landers, along
   C. Landers along

25. The jury plans to return the ___________ the judge arrives in the courtroom.
   A. verdict after
   B. verdict, after
   C. verdict. After
Word Use

1. The squirrels stole her patio pillows to make _______ nests.
   A. they’re
   B. there
   C. their

2. The lion escaped _____ cage at the zoo.
   A. its
   B. it’s
   C. its’

3. The finance department will examine the charts to see how the holiday ______ sales.
   A. effected
   B. affected
   C. effective

4. That type of leash is helpful to ______ large dogs and also ponies.
   A. lead
   B. led
   C. leaded

5. The police decided to halt the investigation ______ none of the witnesses would talk.
   A. since
   B. sense
   C. because

6. The new mayor will take the ______ starting in May.
   A. reigns
   B. rains
   C. reins

7. The loud noises coming from the house next door did not ______ the children.
   A. phase
   B. faze
   C. raze

8. The teenagers were ______ of the store where the armed guards patrolled.
   A. weary
   B. wiry
   C. wary

9. The neighborhood committee discussed ______ plans for halting crime.
   A. further
   B. farther
   C. father
10. After the accident, the truck driver lit _______ along the highway.
A. flairs
B. fliers
C. flares

11. The professor marked off points when students failed to _____ their sources.
A. site
B. sight
C. cite

12. The book store sells _____ of different colored pens.
A. allot
B. a lot
C. alot

13. His mother told him not to _____ his mittens on the way to school.
A. loose
B. lose
C. looser

14. We ______ the prices of fresh fruit to rise during the winter.
A. accept
B. except
C. expect

15. James was always late to work, ______ of his supervisor’s threats to fire him.
A. irregardless
B. regarding
C. regardless

16. If you read all the ____ in that magazine, you will discover some coupons.
A. adds
B. ads
C. ad’s

17. Their constant arguing tore the couple ______.
A. a part
B. apart
C. appart

18. You should buy some nice ________ to write thank-you letters to the managers.
A. stationery
B. stationary
C. stationarry

19. Alicia and Kevin hoped the weather would not ______ their outdoor wedding ceremony.
A. effect
B. defect
C. affect

20. The football team celebrated _____ victory over the Baylor Bears.
A. their
B. they’re
C. its
21. Carlos planned to buy a new ______ for the job interview.
A. suite
B. sweet
C. suit

22. The police officer ______ the man’s car after arresting him for drunken driving.
A. sized
B. seized
C. siezed

23. My co-worker ______ her bicycle to work every day, even in the rain.
A. peddles
B. pedals
C. petals

24. The students refused to be ______, so she left the library for the coffee shop.
A. quiet
B. quit
C. quite

25. The rabid raccoon headed ______ the children’s playground.
A. towards
B. forward
C. toward