

## مئوية الأزملة سؤال على كل فكرة

### EX1. Choose the correct alternative.

1. The phone \_\_\_\_\_ and I can't find where I've put it .  
A) rang                      B) is ringing                      C) have been ringing                      D) rings
2. The phone \_\_\_\_\_ all the time now that we run a business.  
A) rang                      B) is ringing                      C) have been ringing                      D) rings
3. I \_\_\_\_\_ Malek all day today .  
A) am calling                      B) have called                      C) have been calling                      D) call
4. I \_\_\_\_\_ Malek a couple of times today.  
A) am calling                      B) have called                      C) have been calling                      D) call
5. It \_\_\_\_\_ easier and easier to stay in touch with people.  
A) gets                      B) have got                      C) have been getting                      D) is getting
6. It \_\_\_\_\_ less difficult every time I write an essay..  
A) gets                      B) have got                      C) have been getting                      D) is getting
7. I \_\_\_\_\_ a film when the lights suddenly went out.  
A) am watching                      B) was watching                      C) have been watching                      D) watched
8. I \_\_\_\_\_ a film when I got home from the school.  
A) am watching                      B) was watching                      C) have been watching                      D) watched
9. What \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ of my phone?  
A) do/think                      B) are/thinking                      C) were/thinking                      D) were/think
10. What \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ about?  
A) do/think                      B) are/thinking                      C) were/thinking                      D) were/think
11. I \_\_\_\_\_ Heba all morning.  
A) have text                      B) am texting                      C) have been texting                      D) text
12. I \_\_\_\_\_ Heba three times today.  
A) have texted                      B) am texting                      C) have been texting                      D) has been texting
13. Lama \_\_\_\_\_ that essay since this morning.  
A) has written                      B) has been writing                      C) was writing                      D) am writing
14. Lama \_\_\_\_\_ two essays today.  
A) has written                      B) has been writing                      C) was writing                      D) am writing
15. Amal \_\_\_\_\_ how to write in English yet.  
A) hasn't learned                      B) hasn't been learning                      C) wasn't learning                      D) hasn't learning
16. Amal \_\_\_\_\_ English for vey long.  
A) has learned                      B) hasn't been learning                      C) wasn't learning                      D) hasn't learning
17. Do you know that man? He \_\_\_\_\_ at you all evening.  
A) has looked                      B) has been looking                      C) is looking                      D) had looked
18. Why \_\_\_\_\_ the milk? Do you think it has gone bad?  
A) were you smell                      B) have you smell                      C) did you smelling                      D) are you smelling
19. We \_\_\_\_\_ lunch now. Will you join us, please?  
A) are having                      B) have been having                      C) were having                      D) have
20. Just look at his face: I bet he \_\_\_\_\_ about something amazing!  
A) thinks                      B) have been thinking                      C) were thinking                      D) is thinking

21. Apologies, but I \_\_\_\_\_ much time at the moment. I'll get back to you soon, I promise.  
 A) am not having      B) haven't had      C) don't have      D) didn't have
22. Monther Rayahneh \_\_\_\_\_ in the award-winning TV show, *The Invasion*  
 A) is appearing      B) appears      C) have been appearing      D) have appeared
23. She \_\_\_\_\_ to be highly intelligent, but she's awfully lazy too. What a waste!  
 A) is appearing      B) appears      C) have been appearing      D) appear
24. I \_\_\_\_\_ what you mean, but I can't agree with you.  
 A) was seeing      B) am seeing      C) have been seeing      D) see
25. My mum \_\_\_\_\_ it's the best idea.  
 A) was thinking      B) thinks      C) has been thinking      D) is thinking
26. Malek \_\_\_\_\_ much better with his hair cut.  
 A) was looking      B) has been looking      C) looks      D) is looking
27. When I got home, the flat \_\_\_\_\_ of smoke.  
 A) is smelling      B) has been smelling      C) smelled      D) smells
28. \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ anybody these days, Faisal?  
 A) Do/see      B) Have/seen      C) Did/see      D) Are / seeing
29. I \_\_\_\_\_ when I heard the news.  
 A) have shopped      B) was shopping      C) have been shopping      D) am shopping
30. The researchers \_\_\_\_\_ understood the ancient text before that incredible day.  
 A) had been      B) had never      C) have never      D) has never
31. I \_\_\_\_\_ that this is the best way to spread our message; we need to think of something different.  
 A) haven't agreed      B) am not agreeing      C) wasn't agreeing      D) don't agree
32. Gas and oil prices \_\_\_\_\_ more and more expensive these days.  
 A) got      B) get      C) are getting      D) have got
33. When I got to the stadium, I \_\_\_\_\_ a huge queue.  
 A) joined      B) was joining      C) had joined      D) have joined
34. I \_\_\_\_\_ touch with a few of my friends in recent years.  
 A) am losing      B) was losing      C) lose      D) have lost
35. Dad \_\_\_\_\_ contact with his cousin from time to time, so they're not close.  
 A) makes      B) is making      C) was making      D) had made
36. She \_\_\_\_\_ on her mobile for ages. Can't they see each other in person?  
 A) is chatting      B) has been chatting      C) have chatted      D) had chatted
37. I \_\_\_\_\_ contact with Mr Farley earlier today, but he hasn't responded yet.  
 A) am establishing      B) have established      C) were establishing      D) established
38. \_\_\_\_\_ the laptop right now? I need to send an email.  
 A) Did you use      B) Were you sing      C) Are you using      D) Have you used
39. My teacher took my mobile phone off me yesterday - I \_\_\_\_\_ to my friend at the time  
 A) was talking      B) am talking      C) Have been talking      D) have talked
40. He \_\_\_\_\_ in touch with me ever since we had that argument.  
 A) isn't staying      B) hasn't stayed      C) wasn't staying      D) haven't stayed
41. I \_\_\_\_\_ going for a regular run once a week.  
 A) love      B) am loving      C) had been loving      D) was loving
42. Jaber \_\_\_\_\_ to stay in on Saturday nights these days.  
 A) preferred      B) prefers      C) has preferred      D) had preferred
43. Muneer wanted to sit down because he \_\_\_\_\_ all day at work.  
 A) stands      B) has been standing      C) had been standing      D) have stood
44. My friends and I \_\_\_\_\_ usually \_\_\_\_\_ emails.  
 A) aren't/sending      B) haven't/sent      C) weren't/sending      D) don't/send

45. Once in a while, my grandfather \_\_\_\_\_ a letter.  
 A) is writing                      B) writes                      C) has been writing                      D) wrote
46. \_\_\_\_\_ your laptop right now? I'd like to borrow it.  
 A) Do you use                      B) Have you been using                      C) Are you using                      D) Had you used
47. Can I call you back? I \_\_\_\_\_ to someone else at the moment.  
 A) was talking                      B) talk                      C) have been talking                      D) am talking
48. landline telephones \_\_\_\_\_ less and less common these days.  
 A) became                      B) are becoming                      C) had been becoming                      D) were becoming
49. \_\_\_\_\_ how much credit you've got left on your phone?  
 A) Do you know                      B) Have you been knowing                      C) Are you knowing                      D) were you knowing
50. Most teenagers \_\_\_\_\_ texting to calling.  
 A) prefer                      B) are prefer                      C) were preferred                      D) is preferring
51. I usually \_\_\_\_\_ a break from my screen from time to time to give my eyes a rest.  
 A) took                      B) have been taking                      C) was taking                      D) take
52. According to my phone, I \_\_\_\_\_ sixty-seven minutes online since nine o'clock.  
 A) am spending                      B) have pent                      C) spent                      D) was spending
53. We \_\_\_\_\_ about ancient methods of communication at school recently.  
 A) are learning                      B) have been learning                      C) were learning                      D) learnt
54. I forgot my password and \_\_\_\_\_ my email account the day before yesterday.  
 A) blocked                      B) have been blocking                      C) am blocking                      D) was blocking
55. It's getting more and more difficult to maintain face-to-face communication nowadays.  
 A) blocked                      B) have been blocking                      C) am blocking                      D) was blocking
56. We were walking on the beach earlier today when we found a message in a bottle.  
 A) walk                      B) have walked                      C) were walking                      D) are walking
57. Software programmer Neil Papworth \_\_\_\_\_ the first text message in 1992. It was a greeting.  
 A) sent                      B) has sent                      C) was sending                      D) is sending
58. Papworth \_\_\_\_\_ for a phone company at the time.  
 A) is working                      B) has worked                      C) was working                      D) works
59. Since the time of that very first message, people \_\_\_\_\_ really long messages.  
 A) were sending                      B) have been sending                      C) are sending                      D) send
60. Papworth said that he only recently \_\_\_\_\_ his children that it was he who sent the very first text message.  
 A) tells                      B) told                      C) is telling                      D) has told
61. Since 1992, there \_\_\_\_\_ many innovations in phone technology.  
 A) are                      B) were                      C) has been                      D) have been
62. Papworth \_\_\_\_\_ that this was perhaps a key moment in mobile history.  
 A) agreed                      B) agree                      C) is agreeing                      D) was agreeing
63. Hani \_\_\_\_\_ his bike when he dropped his phone.  
 A) was riding                      B) has been riding                      C) is riding                      D) rides
64. Hani was concentrating on the road, so he \_\_\_\_\_ his phone fall.  
 A) wasn't hearing                      B) hasn't heard                      C) didn't hear                      D) doesn't hear
65. He arrived at school and \_\_\_\_\_ straight to his first lesson.  
 A) went                      B) had gone                      C) has gone                      D) was going
66. He \_\_\_\_\_ in English class when he realised that he had lost his phone.  
 A) sits                      B) sat                      C) is sitting                      D) was sitting
67. Hani thought he \_\_\_\_\_ his phone at home  
 A) leaves                      B) has been leaving                      C) had left                      D) is leaving

68. Hani assumed that someone \_\_\_\_\_ his phone.  
 A) had stolen      B) had been stealing      C) steals      D) was stealing
69. Members of an Australian family found the world's oldest message in a bottle over 100 years after German researchers \_\_\_\_\_ it into the Indian Ocean.  
 A) have thrown      B) have been throwing      C) had thrown      D) thrown
70. The Illman family \_\_\_\_\_ on the beach in Perth in Australia, when they came across a bottle lying in the sand.  
 A) is walking      B) have walked      C) has been walking      D) was walking
71. Researchers \_\_\_\_\_ the note, which was sent in a bottle, 132 years earlier.  
 A) are writing      B) had written      C) have been writing      D) write
72. Since the dawn of time, people \_\_\_\_\_ different ways of communicating at a distance.  
 A) are using      B) have been using      C) has been using      D) had used
73. In ancient times, they \_\_\_\_\_ more ingenious methods of delivering messages .  
 A) invented      B) have invented      C) are inventing      D) has invented
74. At the turn of the 20th century, bottles were found which had been sent by people who \_\_\_\_\_ on board the Titanic.  
 A) have travelled      B) have been travelling      C) are travelling      D) were travelling
75. She had found his bottle and soon after they were married.  
 A) found      B) has been finding      C) had found      D) has found
76. They \_\_\_\_\_ for the criminal when he arrived the police station.  
 A) are waiting      B) were waiting      C) have waited      D) wait
77. Since the invention of the mobile and the internet, the world \_\_\_\_\_ a different place.  
 A) has become      B) is becoming      C) have become      D) came
78. People \_\_\_\_\_ still \_\_\_\_\_ messages.  
 A) has/sent      B) were/sending      C) have/sent      D) are/sending
79. It usually \_\_\_\_\_ only seconds to deliver messages.  
 A) has taken      B) has been taking      C) takes      D) had taken
80. But \_\_\_\_\_ we now \_\_\_\_\_ how to communicate face-to-face?  
 A) were/forgetting      B) are/forgetting      C) have/forgotten      D) had/forgotten
81. There are also examples of when the Internet has changed someone's life for the better.  
 A) have changed      B) have been changing      C) change      D) has changed
82. He \_\_\_\_\_ thank-you letters all morning.  
 A) has written      B) has been writing      C) is writing      D) wrote
83. I \_\_\_\_\_ an English essay last night.  
 A) have written      B) have been writing      C) had written      D) wrote
84. She \_\_\_\_\_ a text message right now.  
 A) has written      B) has been writing      C) is writing      D) wrote
85. Young people \_\_\_\_\_ by hand less often these days  
 A) have written      B) have been writing      C) are writing      D) wrote
86. I \_\_\_\_\_ to Eleanor when she called me.  
 A) was writing      B) have been writing      C) have written      D) am writing
87. They \_\_\_\_\_ several very long essays since they joined the English club.  
 A) were writing      B) wrote      C) have written      D) are writing
88. We \_\_\_\_\_ to each other regularly back then.  
 A) were writing      B) write      C) has written      D) are writing
89. I \_\_\_\_\_ down everything she's said so far.  
 A) was writing      B) had been writing      C) wrote      D) have written
90. Carl writes at least ten texts every day.  
 A) has written      B) has been writing      C) is writing      D) writes
91. I \_\_\_\_\_ already \_\_\_\_\_ to that police officer about the burglary, so he knew I was innocent.  
 A) had/talked      B) have/been talking      C) have/talked      D) am/talking

92. Teenagers rarely \_\_\_\_\_ emails.

- A) were writing      B) write      C) had written      D) are writing

93. \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ any hand-written letters recently?

- A) Are/receiving      B) Do/receive      C) were/receiving      D) Have/received

94. Has social media changed the meaning of friendship?

- A) Have/changed      B) Do/ changed      C) Has/changed      D) Are/changing

95. \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ the documentary about communication through the ages yesterday?

- A) Did/watch      B) Have/ watched      C) Have/been watching      D) Do/watch

96. \_\_\_\_\_ Grandma \_\_\_\_\_ how to switch on the computer?

- A) Is/knowing      B) Does/know      C) Has/know      D) was/knowing

97. \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ her photos on social media before you met her?

- A) Have/seen      B) Do/see      C) Had/seen      D) Are/seeing

98. Were you having a bad dream when I woke you up?

- A) Have/had      B) Do/have      C) Have/been having      D) Were/having

99. I usually take a break from my screen \_\_\_\_\_ to give my eyes a rest.

- A) right now      B) from time to time      C) the day before yesterday      D) earlier today

100. According to my phone, I've spent sixty-seven minutes online \_\_\_\_\_

- A) since nine o'clock      B) once in a while      C) nowadays      D) ever since

101. We've been learning about ancient methods of communication at school \_\_\_\_\_

- A) right now      B) last week      C) once in a while      D) recently

102. I forgot my password and blocked my email account \_\_\_\_\_

- A) once in a while      B) from time to time      C) the day before yesterday      D) in recent weeks

103. It's getting more and more difficult to maintain face-to-face communication \_\_\_\_\_

- A) nowadays      B) from time to time      C) the day before yesterday      D) at the time

104. We were walking on the beach \_\_\_\_\_ when we found a message in a bottle.

- A) once in a while      B) from time to time      C) nowadays      D) earlier today

105. Since the dawn of time, people **have been using** different ways of communicating at a distance.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) an action in progress or repeated over a period of time up until now  
B) things happening now or around now  
C) situations which are changing during the present time  
D) actions that started and finished at a specific time in the past

106. In ancient times, they **invented** more ingenious methods of delivering messages.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) actions in progress at a specific time in the past  
B) routines and habits  
C) a long activity interrupted by a short one  
D) actions that started and finished at a specific time in the past

107. At the turn of the 20th century, bottles were found which had been sent by people who **were travelling** on board the Titanic.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) actions in progress at a specific time in the past  
B) finished actions in the past when we don't say exactly when they happened.  
C) facts and things that are generally true.  
D) an action in the past that was completed before another action or time in the past.

108. She **had found** his bottle and soon after they were married.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) things happening now or around now  
B) situations which are changing during the present time  
C) routines and habits.  
D) an action in the past that was completed before another action or time in the past.



109. They were waiting for the criminal when he arrived the police station.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) actions and states which began in the past and continue until now
- B) a long activity interrupted by a short one
- C) facts and things that are generally true.
- D) an action in the past that was completed before another action or time in the past.

110. Since the invention of the mobile and the internet, the world has become a different place.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) actions and states which began in the past and continue until now
- B) things happening now or around now
- C) actions that started and finished at a specific time in the past
- D) a long activity interrupted by a short one

111. People **are** still **sending** messages.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) routines and habits
- B) things happening now or around now
- C) actions in progress at a specific time in the past
- D) actions and states which began in the past and continue until now

112. It usually **takes** only seconds to deliver messages.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) routines and habits
- B) a long activity interrupted by a short one
- C) actions in progress at a specific time in the past
- D) things happening now or around now

113. But **are** we now **forgetting** how to communicate face-to-face?

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) things happening now or around now
- B) situations which are changing during the present time
- C) routines and habits.
- D) an action in the past that was completed before another action or time in the past.

114. There are also examples of when the Internet has changed someone's life for the better.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) actions that started and finished at a specific time in the past
- B) things happening now or around now
- C) actions in progress at a specific time in the past
- D) finished actions in the past when we don't say exactly when they happened

115. Look at Tara Taylor's case, a mother who **lives** in the USA.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) finished actions in the past when we don't say exactly when they happened
- B) situations which are changing during the present time

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- C) facts and things that are generally true.
- D) an action in the past that was completed before another action or time in the past.

116. He's been writing thank-you letters all morning.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) an action in progress or repeated over a period of time up until now.
- B) situations which are changing during the present time
- C) facts and things that are generally true.
- D) things happening now or around now

117. I wrote an English essay last night.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) an action in progress or repeated over a period of time up until now.
- B) actions in progress at a specific time in the past
- C) an action in the past that was completed before another action or time in the past
- D) actions that started and finished at a specific time in the past

118. She's writing a text message right now.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) routines and habits
- B) situations which are changing during the present time
- C) things happening now or around now
- D) an action in the past that was completed before another action or time in the past.

119. Young people are writing by hand less often these days

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) things happening now or around now
- B) situations which are changing during the present time
- C) routines and habits.
- D) an action in the past that was completed before another action or time in the past.

120. I was writing to Eleanor when she called me.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) actions and states which began in the past and continue until now
- B) a long activity interrupted by a short one
- C) facts and things that are generally true.
- D) an action in the past that was completed before another action or time in the past.

121. They've written several very long essays

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) actions that started and finished at a specific time in the past
- B) things happening now or around now
- C) actions in progress at a specific time in the past
- D) finished actions in the past when we don't say exactly when they happened

122. We were writing to each other regularly back then.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) actions in progress at a specific time in the past
- B) finished actions in the past when we don't say exactly when they happened.
- C) facts and things that are generally true.
- D) an action in the past that was completed before another action or time in the past.

123. I've written down everything she's said so far.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) actions and states which began in the past and continue until now
- B) things happening now or around now
- C) actions that started and finished at a specific time in the past
- D) a long activity interrupted by a short one

124. Carl writes at least ten texts every day.

**The function (meaning) of the above sentence is:**

- A) routines and habits
- B) a long activity interrupted by a short one
- C) actions in progress at a specific time in the past
- D) things happening now or around now