

Sentences with One Clause

1. John Butterfield _____ the Southern Overland Mail Company with two stagecoaches in 1858.
 - (A) he set up
 - (B) setting up
 - (C) set up
 - (D) the setup

2. The radiation piercing the atmosphere _____ of tanning or burning in humans.
 - (A) it is the cause
 - (B) causing it
 - (C) is the cause
 - (D) the cause

3. The _____ during an earthquake are caused by seismic waves.
 - (A) actually vibrate
 - (B) actual vibrations
 - (C) vibrations happen
 - (D) from the actual vibrations

4. During the Middle Ages, _____, large sets of bells with as many as 70 bells, first became popular.
 - (A) with carillons
 - (B) carillons are
 - (C) carillons have
 - (D) carillons

5. The tea plant, an evergreen shrub pruned to three to five feet high, _____ mild, semitropical climate in which to grow.
- (A) the need for
 - (B) it needs
 - (C) to need
 - (D) needs a
6. _____, an author probably most famous for his tales of terror, also dabbled in some science fiction.
- (A) To Edgar Allen Poe
 - (B) Edgar Allen Poe
 - (C) Edgar Allen Poe was
 - (D) For Edgar Allen Poe to be
7. Humans living at high elevations _____ to the lower level of oxygen in the air by producing more red blood corpuscles.
- (A) adjust
 - (B) to adjust
 - (C) the adjustment
 - (D) adjusting
8. By 1870, over 30 nations _____ their own postage stamps.
- (A) the issue
 - (B) were issuing
 - (C) issuing
 - (D) they issued

9. The Statue of Liberty, completed in Paris in 1884, _____ in New York Harbor in 1886.

- (A) the unveiling
- (B) to unveil
- (C) it unveiled
- (D) was unveiled

10. Red Ribbon Week, a national campaign to keep young people from using drugs, _____.

- (A) annually in October
- (B) annually in October each year
- (C) takes place annually in October
- (D) taking place annually in October

Sentences with Multiple Clauses

1. Parent flamingos lose their intense pink coloring until _____.
 - (A) weaning young
 - (B) their youths
 - (C) they wean their young
 - (D) young

2. Champagne can be purchased by the balthazar, _____ cannot be purchased in this amount.
 - (A) brandy
 - (B) but
 - (C) because brandy
 - (D) but brandy

3. _____ has a beautiful red coat, the red panda is called "hun-ho" or "fire fox" in China.
 - (A) It
 - (B) Because it
 - (C) On it
 - (D) As soon as

4. _____ long enough, every Down's syndrome individual gets Alzheimer's disease.
 - (A) The person lives
 - (B) If the person living
 - (C) If the person lives
 - (D) Because the life

5. Although Congress passed an income tax law in 1894, in 1895 _____ the law unconstitutional.
- (A) the ruling of the Supreme Court
 - (B) was ruled by the Supreme Court
 - (C) if the Supreme Court ruled
 - (D) the Supreme Court ruled
6. When San Diego's summer heat has withered most flowers, _____ bloom.
- (A) as soon as lilies
 - (B) lilies
 - (C) of lilies
 - (D) by the time lilies start
7. _____ dugout canoes where the floodplains have dried into long stretches of dry sand.
- (A) Because oxen pull
 - (B) Oxen pull
 - (C) For oxen to pull
 - (D) Oxen pulling
8. Like a mountain, the Empire State Building creates its own updrafts, _____ have been observed to fall up.
- (A) and snow and rain
 - (B) snow and rain
 - (C) of snow
 - (D) but snow

9. _____ perceives the color black provided there is a complete lack of stimulation of the retina.
- (A) When a person
 - (B) A person will
 - (C) If a person
 - (D) A person
10. Elephant poaching _____ the international ban on ivory was established.
- (A) has diminished since
 - (B) it has diminished
 - (C) since diminishing
 - (D) it has diminished since

More Complex Sentences

1. For every disease-carrying toxin, there is an antitoxin which _____ out the effect of the toxin.
 - (A) cancels
 - (B) the cancellation
 - (C) to cancel
 - (D) cancelling

2. Galileo's observations of the phases of Venus proved _____ formed the center of the planetary system.
 - (A) that the Sun
 - (B) the Sun is
 - (C) it is the Sun
 - (D) what is the Sun

3. Skin color is determined by a chemical called melanin, _____ in greater or lesser amounts.
 - (A) which human skin contains
 - (B) human skin contains
 - (C) in human skin contains
 - (D) there is in human skin

4. Environmentalists are earnestly trying to determine _____ of the ozone layer over the poles.
 - (A) is causing the deterioration
 - (B) what the cause of the deterioration
 - (C) what is causing the deterioration
 - (D) the deterioration is causing

5. Historical records _____ were used in China for centuries before spreading to Europe.
- (A) suggesting that fireworks
 - (B) fireworks
 - (C) that fireworks
 - (D) suggest that fireworks
6. The first mention of the cultivation of tea _____ in a Chinese dictionary which dates about the year 350.
- (A) finding
 - (B) to be found
 - (C) it is found
 - (D) can be found
7. The anteater has a long sticky tongue, _____ capture ants and termites from their nests.
- (A) which the use
 - (B) uses it to
 - (C) it is used
 - (D) which it uses to
8. _____ global climate is warming has been well documented.
- (A) There is the
 - (B) It is the
 - (C) The
 - (D) That the
9. Bank employees collect worn-out dollar bills, _____ to a central office to be destroyed in a furnace.
- (A) who send them
 - (B) which are sent
 - (C) who are sent
 - (D) are sent

10. _____ such a challenging science is that all theory is based on observations that cannot be replicated in a controlled environment.

- (A) It is astronomy
- (B) Astronomy is
- (C) What makes astronomy
- (D) Why is astronomy

Written Expressions

16. Lake Superior, located between Canada and the United States,
A
cover nearly thirty thousand square miles.
B C D
17. Ultralight airplanes can being used to guide whooping cranes to their
A B C
wintering grounds.
D
18. All plastics have in common the fact that them consist of large organic
A B C
molecules.
D
19. Euclid was a Greek mathematician who, in 300 B.C.,
A
wrote prodigiously a monumental work on geometry.
B C D
20. Boston became the bigger town in the colony called Massachusetts,
A B
which was started by the Puritans.
C D
21. In July 1962, AT&T launches Telstar, which was the first
A B
communication satellite to transmit telephone and telegraph
C
signals.
D
22. In 1940, the Oldsmobile corporation produced his first fully
A B C
automatic transmission automobile.
D

23. Either insects nor "bugs," spiders belong to the order of Araneida,
A B
which includes not only mites and ticks but also scorpions.
C D
24. Fiber optic tubing carries hundreds of times more information per
A B C
second than do wire communication cable.
D
25. Many lumber mills shut down in the late 1980s and early 1990s after
A
the federal government restricted logging in an ancient forests of
B C
the Northwest to protect the northern spotted owl.
D
26. Hollywood, a famous center of movie and record production is located
A B C
Southern California.
D
27. Eighteen-year-old gymnast Keri Strugg won the 1996 gold medal even
A B
though she has broken her ankle in the Olympic event.
C D
28. The acid fumes of the combination of the two chemicals, ammonia and
A B
chlorine, can be fatally to humans.
C D
29. In autumn, many newspapers and magazines publish lists of year
A B C
chores to prepare a house for winter snow and rain.
D

30. In 1944, the Martha Graham ballet *Appalachian Spring*, with music by
A B
Aaron Copland, premiered with Graham in leading role.
C D
31. At the fourth century B.C., the "thumbs up" gesture was used to give
A B
silent instructions to Etruscan gladiators in the arena about whether or
C D
not to spare an opponent's life.
32. On an accordion, each of the keyboards on either side of the bellows
A
effectively resemble individual reed organs.
B C D
33. A protective film that is spread over the surface of the eye with each
A B
blink formed by tears so that vision stays clear and eyes feel
C D
comfortable.
34. A traitor betrays the confidant of his or her country by revealing
A B
classified information to an enemy.
C D
35. Abandoning towns are often called ghost towns, but sometimes a
A
handful of people inhabit these towns that once were home to hundreds
B C D
or even thousands.

36. A huge counterclockwise swirl of warm moist air with winds greater
A
than 75 miles an hour, an hurricane is the most extreme form of a
B C D
tropical cyclone.
37. A moon that forms at the same time as a planet typically orbits around
A B
the planet's equator and found within a few hundred thousand miles of
C D
the planet.
38. Most of the more than 50 different blends of coffee imported to the
A B C
United States comes from Central and South American countries.
D
39. Ice covers roughly ten percent of the Earth's land surface, which is
A B C
about the same number as farms.
D
40. In an isosceles triangle, two sides are congruent and two angles are
A
congruent, so the third side and another angle are not congruent.
B C D

