Section 1
Verbal Reasoning

This section is divided into two parts that contain two different types of questions. As soon as you have completed Part One, answer the questions in Part Two. You may write in your test booklet. For each answer you select, fill in the corresponding circle on your answer document.

PART ONE — SYNONYMS

Each question in Part One consists of a word in capital letters followed by four answer choices. Select the one word that is most nearly the same in meaning as the word in capital letters.

SAMPLE QUESTION:

CHARGE:
(A) release
(B) belittle
(C) accuse
(D) conspire

PART TWO — SENTENCE COMPLETION

Each question in Part Two is made up of a sentence with one blank. Each blank indicates that a word is missing. The sentence is followed by four answer choices. Select the word that will best complete the meaning of the sentence as a whole.

SAMPLE QUESTIONS:

It rained so much that the streets were _______.
(A) flooded
(B) arid
(C) paved
(D) crowded

STOP. Do not go on until told to do so.
PART ONE – SYNONYMS

Directions: Select the word that is most nearly the same in meaning as the word in capital letters.

1. STREWN
   (A) lost
   (B) hidden
   (C) attached
   (D) scattered

2. DISCOURSE
   (A) deviation
   (B) loss
   (C) conversation
   (D) investigation

3. PERSPIRE
   (A) sweat
   (B) breathe
   (C) encourage
   (D) inhale

4. EXTERIOR
   (A) protected
   (B) outside
   (C) relevant
   (D) mysterious

5. GENERATE
   (A) power
   (B) produce
   (C) spin
   (D) burn

6. GLOSS
   (A) soap
   (B) illness
   (C) luster
   (D) shell

7. HARMONIOUSLY
   (A) aggressively
   (B) slowly
   (C) cooperatively
   (D) strikingly

8. PURSUE
   (A) browse
   (B) escape
   (C) chase
   (D) discover

9. CONFESS
   (A) admit
   (B) suppose
   (C) commit
   (D) fail

10. WORLDLINESS
    (A) orderliness
    (B) richness
    (C) miseducation
    (D) sophistication

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PART TWO – SENTENCE COMPLETION

Directions: Select the word that best completes the sentence.

21. Local officials produced ______ fishery reports by inflating the figures so that fisheries appeared more productive.
   (A) removed
   (B) distinctive
   (C) dismissive
   (D) fraudulent

22. Once he ran out of reasonable arguments against his opponent's position, the mean-spirited senator resorted to making ______ personal remarks about his opponent.
   (A) disparaging
   (B) complimentary
   (C) conclusive
   (D) decisive

23. In a victory for police and law enforcement the Supreme Court ______ a lower court's ruling, which allowed officers to take DNA samples from arrested suspects.
   (A) proposed
   (B) dismissed
   (C) upheld
   (D) criticized

24. After years of collecting scraps of wood, metal, and machinery, John's garage is a hopeless ______ of odds and ends.
   (A) facade
   (B) studio
   (C) jumble
   (D) clatter

25. Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart published over 600 pieces of music, making him one of the most ______ composers of the Classical era.
   (A) notorious
   (B) copious
   (C) comprehensive
   (D) prolific

26. Although most of the club's members claimed to ______ the policy proposal, it was still passed in a secret ballot.
   (A) endorse
   (B) oppose
   (C) debate
   (D) resolve
27. Dean loved his old car, but had to admit that it was too small to be a _______ family vehicle.
   (A) peculiar
   (B) sensational
   (C) wasteful
   (D) practical

28. A cave-dwelling amphibian called the olm can survive for years without food, making it extremely resistant to _______.
   (A) starvation
   (B) drought
   (C) attack
   (D) elimination

29. Karen is often described by her coworkers as a _______ worker who pays careful attention to every detail.
   (A) playful
   (B) bickering
   (C) diligent
   (D) bellicose

30. The commentator’s _______ remarks contributed very little to the story and were largely ignored.
   (A) vapid
   (B) intriguing
   (C) inclusive
   (D) explosive

31. Determined to find the exact cause of the accident, forensic engineers conducted an _______ investigation of the wreckage.
   (A) incautious
   (B) overwrought
   (C) underfunded
   (D) exhaustive

32. Sea turtles are _______ aquatic, usually coming onto land only to lay eggs.
   (A) furtively
   (B) rarely
   (C) predominantly
   (D) exclusively

33. Processed foods _______ to contain more artificial preservatives than fresh alternatives, so some dieticians recommend avoiding them.
   (A) prefer
   (B) attempt
   (C) cease
   (D) tend

34. Mark’s lack of _______ was demonstrated by his inability to persuade even a single coworker to support his plan for the project.
   (A) influence
   (B) courage
   (C) adventure
   (D) derision
35. After projecting steep budget ______, the company was forced to close underperforming stores in an effort to reduce spending and avoid losses.
   (A) negotiations  
   (B) divisions  
   (C) deficits  
   (D) increases

36. The captive tiger ______ to be free and spent most of its time looking for some way to escape its cage.
   (A) hated  
   (B) compelled  
   (C) yearned  
   (D) taught

37. Some medieval monks ______ to live lives of poverty, promising to own nothing and live only off of the charity of their parishioners.
   (A) presumed  
   (B) menaced  
   (C) deferred  
   (D) vowed

38. Male lemurs are normally quite ______, but they become highly aggressive towards other males during their short mating season.
   (A) tactile  
   (B) various  
   (C) supernatural  
   (D) docile

39. A vehicle owner’s manual can be a useful ______ on maintenance and simple fixes, but won’t teach you how to make major repairs.
   (A) dialogue  
   (B) category  
   (C) primer  
   (D) incident

40. In ______ of the coming tourist season, Percy stocked his shop’s shelves with souvenirs and trinkets of the sort that tourists generally buy.
   (A) anticipation  
   (B) regulation  
   (C) peril  
   (D) consternation