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*Write the answer (A-B-C-D) which best completes each sentence. Do not rewrite the answer or circle it:*

1. Russian troops invaded Ukraine ..... February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022.  
A. on                      B. in                      C. at                      D. by                      1. ☐
2. This is the first time a country in Europe ..... in nearly eighty years.  
A. is attacking              B. is attacked              C. has been attacked              D. was attacked              2. ☐
3. Putin ..... last night that Ukraine and NATO allies are aware that Russia is one of the strongest nuclear countries in the world.  
A. has said              B. says                      C. has been saying              D. said                      3. ☐
4. Putin doesn't want Ukraine ..... NATO.  
A. to join              B. joins                      C. join                      D. joining                      4. ☐
5. Rarely ..... on Wednesday in Europe. Indeed, it was early on Thursday, that Vladimir Putin declared war on Ukraine in the form of a "special military operation" to "denazify" the country.  
A. wars start              B. start wars              C. do wars start              D. are wars starting              5. ☐
6. It is ..... that some 75% of Ukrainians see their future in the European Union, and 90% support independence.  
A. saying              B. being said              C. to say                      D. been saying              6. ☐
7. Many people ..... for a few days why won't Russia let its neighbour go? Why can't Russia accept Ukraine's independence? Why won't Russia leave Ukraine alone?  
A. are wondering              B. wonder                      C. have been wondering              D. have been wondered              7. ☐
8. Boris Johnson told the people who were anxious — ..... at home or abroad — that Brexit did not mean that the United Kingdom would be in any way less united. Nor indeed did it mean that it would be any less European.  
A. if                      B. unless                      C. whether                      D. both                      8. ☐
9. When Ukraine ..... an association agreement with the EU, Putin countered with an economic offer of his own, and Ukraine opted for the Russian offer.  
A. offered                      B. was offered                      C. was offering                      D. offering                      9. ☐
10. Boris Johnson managed to get Brexit ....., even though he might have a "disunited Kingdom" a divorce from Scotland as well as a divorce from Northern Ireland, which may consider reuniting with the island under Dublin.  
A. done                      B. did                      C. doing                      D. to do                      10. ☐
11. As ..... as Russia is concerned, Ukraine must never join NATO.  
A. long                      B. far                      C. close                      D. near                      11. ☐
12. .... many ties between Ukraine and Russia, recent events are turning Ukrainians versus Russians.  
A. Despite                      B. Although                      C. Nevertheless                      D. Even though                      12. ☐
13. .... being chosen to be the captain to steer the country to its next destination after David Cameron's resignation, Theresa May had been part of the Remain camp in the run-up to the referendum.  
A. Despite                      B. Although                      C. Nevertheless                      D. In spite                      13. ☐
14. Good morning everybody and thank you for ..... me here today to speak about climate change.  
A. invite                      B. to invite                      C. inviting                      D. to inviting                      14. ☐
15. I would like to congratulate ..... on delivering Brexit, despite all odds.  
A. the Prime Minister              B. with the Prime Minister              C. on the Prime Minister              D. at the Prime Minister              15. ☐

16. ...., more than 150 Ukrainian people have already been killed and hundreds have been wounded.

- A. So far                      B. So long                      C. As far                      D. As long                      16. ☐

17. Within minutes, explosions were heard near Kyiv's main airport in Ukraine, ..... in many other cities.

- A. as long as                      B. as well as                      C. as near as                      D. as far as                      17. ☐

18. When it ..... to climate change, Barack Obama keeps saying that the threat of climate change is no longer a distant threat, is no longer a far-off problem: climate change is like cancer, the longer you wait, the worst your chances are.

- A. deals                      B. goes                      C. comes                      D. treats                      18. ☐

19. We ..... tribute to all the Italians fighting in the trenches of the hospitals. We are facing a war against coronavirus, and we must mobilize accordingly.

- A. pay                      B. turn                      C. give                      D. allow                      19. ☐

20. As Jonathan Van-Tam has said on several occasions, "The cavalry are coming, there's no ..... yet. We've seen the swallow, but this is very much not the summer. It would be a colossal mistake for any of us to relax at this point".

- A. slam dunk                      B. dunk slam                      C. easy dunk                      D. plain slam                      20. ☐

21. This is what matters at the end..... Relationships and diplomacy is everything in politics. At the surprise of most, President Biden and President Putin are going to meet shortly.

- A. of the day                      B. of the week                      C. of the month                      D. of the year                      21. ☐

22. It is not the time to let up. I've asked the country to wear masks for my first 100 days in office. Now is not the time to let our guard down. People's lives are .....

- A. on stake                      B. in stake                      C. over stake                      D. at stake                      22. ☐

23. Universities have been working ..... to make campuses as safe as possible, including through enhanced cleaning measures, good ventilation, social distancing on campus and changes to timetables to reduce attendance on site.

- A. hard                      B. hardly                      C. heavy                      D. heavily                      23. ☐

24. Joe Biden said that it was very disappointing that Russia and China didn't ..... at the COP26 summit in Glasgow to address the scourge of climate change.

- A. show up                      B. show in                      C. show at                      D. show off                      24. ☐

25. We are all ..... a difficult time. This is a good time for a resilience workout. Experts say that resilience is a skill to foster, a muscle to pump up. It's not a trait you have or you don't have. It is a set of skills that can be taught and learned.

- A. going through                      B. going at                      C. going toward                      D. going at                      25. ☐

26. It is very difficult these days to ..... with people who don't want to wear a face mask. Transport operators will be able to refuse permission to travel where someone isn't using a face covering.

- A. put off                      B. put up                      C. put on                      D. put in                      26. ☐

27. A nationwide effort led by PHE (Public Health England) to ..... whether people who had COVID-19 can get infected again has now recruited 10,000 health workers from across the NHS.

- A. get out                      B. find out                      C. take out                      D. put out                      27. ☐

28. During the COVID 19 pandemic, governments are ..... experts and scientists. Also the climate change challenge has increased trust in science.

- A. relying on                      B. relying in                      C. relying over                      D. relying with                      28. ☐

29. If we look at Joe Biden's tweets, climate change is an existential threat, it's already here, and we have to hurry, we have to act before it's too late, because time is .....

- A. running out                      B. running up                      C. running over                      D. running away                      29. ☐

30. We have to ..... a way to persuade some Republicans that climate change is not a hoax.

- A. figure in                      B. figure on                      C. figure at                      D. figure out                      30. ☐

