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Directions: In this section, you will show how well you understand how to write in English. For each question, choose the correct answer.

Women in Space

(1) In 1963, a Russian named Valentina Tereshkova became the first woman to fly into space. (2) Twenty years later, in 1983, Sally Ride became the first U.S. woman to blast off into orbit. (3) Then, in 1992, Dr. Mae Jemison became the first African American woman to travel to space. (4) On an eight-day U.S.-Japanese space mission, Dr. Jemison did research on bone cells. (5) In 1993, Dr. Ellen Ochoa became the first Hispanic American woman in space. (6) She is an inventor as well as an astronaut. (7) Without a doubt, women will continue to set milestones in space travel.

1 This selection is BEST classified as —

- A narrative.
- B expository.
- C persuasive.
- D descriptive.

2 Which word means the same as the phrase blast off in sentence 2?

- A fall
- B launch
- C stillness
- D touchdown

3 Which sentence could be added between sentences 2 and 3 to support the MAIN point of view of this selection?

- A In 1990, the United States launched the first space telescope in its Great Observatories program.
- B In 1988, Vladimir Titov and Musa Manarov became the first men to spend a year in space.
- C In 1984, Ride also became the first American woman to travel to space a second time.
- D In 1984, Bruce McCandless became the first astronaut to use a jet pack in space.

4 What part of speech identifies the word research as it is used in sentence 4?

- A adjective
- B adverb
- C noun
- D verb

5 Which punctuation mark should be used to join sentences 5 and 6?

- A colon
- B semicolon
- C question mark
- D exclamation mark

6 Which transitional word BEST begins sentence 5?

- A Later,
- B Likewise,
- C Obviously,
- D Accordingly,

7 Read the paragraph.

Watching sports events is one of the few activities in which we divert our attention from the issues of daily life. People laugh, cry, and jump from excitement. This is when we bond together to enjoy the events.

Which word is the BEST synonym of the underlined word in the paragraph?

- A focus
- B change
- C maintain
- D strengthen

8 Read the sentences.

Mr. Jiménez, the math teacher, assigned Roberto the task of analyzing the difference between the measurements of the teacher's desk and chair. With the results, Roberto needs to prepare a written report.

What type of organizational pattern would MOST LIKELY be appropriate for the report?

- A process
- B persuasion
- C cause and effect
- D compare and contrast

9 Read the sentence.

The students started to believe that the math team was invincible when they won every tournament.

Which word BEST explains the meaning of the underlined word?

- A sustainable
- B miraculous
- C unbeatable
- D brilliant

10 Read the paragraph.

(1) The five-second rule is based on the idea that if you drop food on the floor, it is still safe to eat as long as you pick it up within five seconds. (2) This idea sounds interestingly, but it is one that can cause health problems. (3) Scientists have found that food that has been on the floor for five seconds can have up to 8,000 bacteria on it. (4) Food that is left on the floor for one minute can have ten times that amount of bacteria. (5) This is why the five-second rule is not true.

Which word correctly replaces the underlined word in sentence 2?

- A interest
- B interests
- C interested
- D interesting

Directions: In this section, you will show how well you can read and understand written English. For each question, choose the correct answer.

11 An author can give a hint of what is coming later in a story by using —

- A foreshadowing.
- B flashback.
- C anecdote.
- D allusion.

12 Read the paragraph.

I forgot how the sand feels on my feet. The waves crash furiously into my worn-down wooden boat. Some days the rain soothes my thirst, but then the sun appears and lashes out in hot fury. I sometimes look into the horizon and I wave my hands, thinking another boat is rowing my way to save me. As it comes closer, it vanishes away; yet another illusion. I sit on the edge of my boat, wondering if I will ever see land again.

What is the setting in the paragraph?

- A the desert
- B the valley
- C the river
- D the sea

Doña Felisa

1 Felisa Rincón de Gautier, also known as Doña Felisa, was born in 1897 in Ceiba,
Puerto Rico. When she was only 12, her mother unexpectedly passed away. As the oldest of nine
children, she was called upon to care for her younger brothers and sisters. Some believe that it was
these early experiences of nurturing her family that taught her the importance of helping others.

2 Although Doña Felisa was trained as a pharmacist, she was fascinated by the world of
fashion. Consequently, she traveled to New York City and educated herself in fashion design as well
as in operating and managing a dress factory. Her primary purpose in creating a fashion business was
to provide a source of work for the unemployed in Puerto Rico. Her business was highly successful,
but it did not completely satisfy her desire to help others. From that point on, much of her life
became devoted to serving the people of Puerto Rico.

3 She was a pioneer in politics, and to her, nothing was impossible. She was one of the first
women to register to vote in Puerto Rico. She held leadership positions in political parties, and in
1946, she accepted a great challenge. She became mayor of San Juan and held the position for 22
years. Becoming the first woman in the Americas to hold a mayoral position in a capital city was just
the beginning for Doña Felisa. She worked tirelessly to restore historical buildings in Old San Juan
and created one of the most beautiful cities in the Americas. Determined to aid others, Doña Felisa
organized preschools, which became models for the Head Start program in the United States. She
built clinics in neighborhoods and rebuilt the Municipal Hospital. In 1954, she received the Woman
of the Americas Award, and under her leadership, San Juan received an All-America City Award
in 1959.

4 Doña Felisa was always accessible and made certain that the people of San Juan could come
to her with their troubles. She held Wednesday meetings at city hall. During these meetings, people
could explain some of the problems they were facing. Children, as well as their parents, benefited
from her work. She helped organize baseball teams, provided equipment, and created ballparks. She
was instrumental in organizing Little League teams in San Juan.

5 Doña Felisa was extremely popular and received the admiration of her people. She also had
the respect of people from France, Spain, Ecuador, and the United States. Today, a museum in
San Juan displays her many awards and her honorary degrees as well as some of her clothing and

furniture. The museum gives glimpses into her life and mirrors the respect and love given to her by the Puerto Rican people.

- 13** What is the author’s purpose in this reading selection?
- A to entertain
 - B to persuade
 - C to explain
 - D to inform
- 14** Which word BEST replaces the word nurturing in paragraph 1?
- A guiding
 - B following
 - C sustaining
 - D maintaining
- 15** Which event in Doña Felisa’s early years shaped her desire to help others?
- A losing her mother
 - B creating a fashion business
 - C becoming the first female mayor of San Juan
 - D holding city hall meetings to hear residents’ problems
- 16** From the reading selection, you can infer that Doña Felisa was —
- A a very popular woman.
 - B a woman who worked for a cause.
 - C the first woman to vote in Puerto Rico.
 - D the first woman to teach high-fashion design.
- 17** Which sentence is the BEST thesis statement for the reading selection?
- A “Some believe that it was these early experiences of nurturing her family that taught her the importance of helping others.”
 - B “From that point on, much of her life became devoted to serving the people of Puerto Rico.”
 - C “Doña Felisa was always accessible and made certain that the people of San Juan could come to her with their troubles.”
 - D “Doña Felisa was extremely popular and received the admiration of her people.”

- 18** According to paragraph 2, Doña Felisa created a fashion business in order to —
- A make San Juan a beautiful city.
 - B restore historical buildings in San Juan.
 - C provide work for the unemployed in Puerto Rico.
 - D provide modern uniforms and equipment for baseball teams.

- 19** Read the following sentences from paragraph 3.

“She was a pioneer in politics, and to her, nothing was impossible. She was one of the first women to register to vote in Puerto Rico.”

Which word has a meaning **SIMILAR** to pioneer?

- A figure
- B builder
- C founder
- D inheritor

- 20** A. What was Doña Felisa’s **MAIN** motivation for traveling to New York?

B. What were the results of her trip?

Remember to answer all parts of the question in the space provided. Your answers should be in ENGLISH, but you can also answer in SPANISH.

Directions: In this section, you will show how well you understand spoken English. Listen carefully. Then, choose the correct answer.

- 1** Why is it important for Alondra to learn to change a flat tire?
- A She knows it will make her father happy.
 - B She wants to get her driver's license soon.
 - C She should learn how to use the wrench to remove the lug nuts.
 - D She will be safer if she knows what to do in this type of emergency.
- 2** What question could Alondra ask to get more information about changing a flat tire?
- A Where is the spare located?
 - B Where should I place the jack?
 - C What should I do if the engine light comes on?
 - D What other problems could I have on the road?
- 3** According to this passage, Alondra's father is —
- A an adventurous person.
 - B an indifferent person.
 - C a responsible person.
 - D a humorous person.
- 4** What is the first step in changing a flat tire?
- A Put on the spare tire.
 - B Remove the hubcap.
 - C Loosen the nuts.
 - D Lift up the car.

Directions: In this section, you will show how well you understand how to write in English. For each question, choose the correct answer.

Dragonflies

(1) Dragonflies is truly remarkable creatures. (2) Their four transparent wings often shimmer in a rainbow of colors, including red, green, and blue. (3) Since dragonflies are a favorite snack for some birds, these insects are capable of reaching speeds of up to 38 miles an hour when being chased. (4) Many people do not realize it, there are about 30,000 lenses on a dragonfly eye!

5 Which is the CORRECT way to edit sentence 1?

- A Dragonflies is (are) truly remarkable creatures.
- B Dragonflies ^{are} ~~is~~ truly remarkable creatures.
- C Dragonflies ~~is~~ truly remarkable creatures.
- D Dragonflies ^{are} ~~is~~ truly remarkable creatures.

6 Which word has a meaning SIMILAR to shimmer as it is used in sentence 2?

- A gleam
- B dance
- C blink
- D flash

7 It is important for dragonflies to be able to see moving objects far away so that they can —

- A fly considerably faster.
- B change their colors.
- C find nearby food.
- D avoid predators.

8 What is the BEST way to correct sentence 4?

- A Many people do not realize it, so there are about 30,000 lenses on a dragonfly eye!
- B Many people do not realize it, or there are about 30,000 lenses on a dragonfly eye!
- C Many people do not realize it, but there are about 30,000 lenses on a dragonfly eye!
- D Many people do not realize it, and there are about 30,000 lenses on a dragonfly eye!

9 Read the sentences.

Will you ever forget me? asked
Mariela.

Only time will tell, responded
Carlos, looking away.

Which punctuation is missing in the sentences?

- A exclamation marks
- B quotation marks
- C period
- D colon

10 Read the sentences.

Pedro and Juan is visiting their
grandmother. Pedro see her and
excitedly yells, "Let's eat Grandma!"

Which is the **CORRECT** way to write these sentences?

- A Pedro and Juan is visiting their grandmother. Pedro sees her and excitedly yells, "Let's eat Grandma!"
- B Pedro and Juan is visiting their grandmother. Pedro sees her and excitedly yells, "Let's eat, Grandma!"
- C Pedro and Juan are visiting their grandmother. Pedro see her and excitedly yells, "Let's eat, Grandma!"
- D Pedro and Juan are visiting their grandmother. Pedro sees her and excitedly yells, "Let's eat, Grandma!"

11 Which type of information would be relevant in an article about the history of clocks?

- A the best stores and websites to shop for clocks
- B the first ancient civilizations that used clocks
- C the names of the parts of a grandfather clock
- D the biography of the inventor of the water clock

12 Which suffix changes the adjective active into a verb?

- A -ate
- B -ity
- C -ist
- D -ly

13 Which sentence states that no one else likes steamed carrots?

- A Marco said that he only likes steamed carrots.
- B Marco only said that he likes steamed carrots.
- C Marco said that he likes only steamed carrots.
- D Marco said that only he likes steamed carrots.

14 Read the sentence.

Mrs. Rivera could not understand the presentation because Valerie spoke very quickly, so she asked Valerie to enunciate clearly.

Which word BEST replaces the underlined word in the sentence?

- A demonstrate
- B pronounce
- C translate
- D explain

Directions: In this section, you will show how well you can read and understand written English. For each question, choose the correct answer.

Playing Basketball

- 1 Basketball is one of the best sports to play. It requires teamwork, and the goal is to throw the ball inside the other team's basket. It has an array of rules, and it is played all around the world.
- 2 In North America, the National Basketball Association (NBA) has one season. Basketball is a really interesting sport because you can play it different ways, such as half-court or 3-on-3. Playing basketball can also improve your health.

15 What is the author's MAIN purpose in the reading selection?

- A to inform the reader about the sport of basketball
- B to inform the reader that basketball has one season
- C to persuade the reader that basketball is a sport that everyone should play
- D to persuade the reader that 3-on-3 basketball is better than regular basketball

16 Which word has a meaning that is SIMILAR to the meaning of the underlined word in paragraph 1?

- A set
- B unit
- C body
- D entity

Daydreaming about My Dreams



1 My eyes flew to such a great height.
 And what they saw was a beautiful sight!
 All my dreams were spread before me,
 Waiting for me to grasp them boldly.

2 I reached out to them with eagerness,
 But was suddenly stopped by a dark fortress.
I pushed and I shoved to break through this wall,
 But it did not budge; it did not move at all.

3 I cried and I pleaded with great desperation.
 Confusion I felt, along with frustration.
 I sighed and moaned and cried in defeat.
My spirit was shattered; hope fell at my feet.

4 Then as my dreams began to break down,
 From out of the dark came a powerful sound.
It was my heart screaming the song of victory,
 “Stand up and make your dreams reality.”

17 What is the MAIN IDEA of this poem?

- A giving up
- B reaching goals
- C having self-pity
- D having fantasies

18 Which line from stanza 1 gives evidence that the narrator aspires to greatness?

- A line 1
- B line 2
- C line 3
- D line 4

19 What kind of sensory images does the author use MOST in this poem?

- A auditory
- B tactile
- C smell
- D visual

20 Which stanza from the poem is represented in the illustration?

- A stanza 1
- B stanza 2
- C stanza 3
- D stanza 4

21 Based on stanza 4, what will the narrator MOST LIKELY do about her dreams?

- A give up
- B lose hope
- C try harder
- D make changes

22 Which theme does the author develop in the poem?

- A Friendship erases barriers.
- B Intelligence beats strength.
- C Virtue overcomes wickedness.
- D Persistence conquers obstacles.

23 What inference can the reader make about the narrator in the poem?

- A She likes to daydream a lot.
- B She has given up on her dreams.
- C She will work hard in the future.
- D She has already reached her goals.

24 A. What could the dark fortress in stanza 2 symbolize?

B. What is the outcome in the poem?

Remember to answer all parts of the question in the space provided. Your answers should be in ENGLISH, but you can also answer in SPANISH.