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Reading Comprehension Part one

Read the passage below carefully and choose the right answer. (1-7)

ON THE FACE OF IT, there is little to connect the oriental art of Feng Shui with the world of hammers, power drills and paint. But the ancient Chinese philosophy, which involves changing the design of your living or working space to improve your fortune, is proving to be a big hit in the world of 'Do-It-Yourself' stores, where people go to buy building materials and tools.

Two vast new DIY superstores have been designed in the UK following Feng Shui guidelines, and their business is booming. Both store managers maintain their success is due to the positive energy that has been channelled into their shops by Feng Shui experts, who were called in for advice before the final decisions were made about the design of the new buildings.

"I first encountered Feng Shui when I went to the opening of our company's first store in Taiwan. Everyone there takes it so seriously you cannot fail to be impressed," said David Ingliss, store manager.

Mr Ingliss's hosts in Taiwan told him of the Hong Kong millionaire who relocated his business empire into a new skyscraper. However, soon after the move, the business began to go down. In desperation the businessman called in the Feng Shui experts, who said that because his new office block was round it was like a huge cigarette, and all the energy was burning off through the roof. They said the only thing he could do was to build a swimming pool on the roof, which he did. And to this day there is an office block in Honh Kong with a swimming pool 40 floors up which no one ever uses, but there is a successful company underneath it.

"Some people may think Feng Shui just mystical rubbish and I must admit there is a superstitious element to it" said Mr Ingliss. "But much of it is just common sense and has a direct relevance to good selling. Experts believe that things should not be messy and crowded together-it interrupts the flow of positive energy - so we made a policy of keeping the aisles between the shelves wide, clear and welcoming, and generally followed the Feng Shui principles for positioning various departments and activities". Mr Ingliss's store, with a floor area greater than two football pitches, has been described locally as a DIY Disneyland, which he takes as a great compliment. And it has also been one of the most successful in its first year of any of the chain of stores.

Jon Dorsett, manager of a sister store, also sticks to the policy of wide, uncluttered aisles and even goes so far as to order all restocking work to be done outside opening hours."We paid close attention to advice on colour, lighting and especially on the distribution of indoor plants," said Mr Dorsett. "We trained them to grow around the entrance to the garden centre and installed wind chimes. Wind chimes by doors help weaken negative energy and bring in positive opportunity. The department is now among the top five in the company."

"I'm not sure that I believe in the magical side to it but I did move a mirror at home that was facing the front door - that is very unlucky apparently - but it actually just looks better in its new place," said Mr Dorsett.

1 What does 'it' (line 20) refer to?

- A) Some energy
- B) The business
- C) A cigarette
- D) The building
- E) The roof.

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2 Why was the swimming pool built?

- A) To make the building safer in case of fire
- B) To stop the building from falling down
- C) To make the building look good
- D) To provide somewhere for the employees to relax
- E) To stop the building's energy from being lost

3 What impressed Mr Ingliss in Taiwan?

- A) The people's attitude to Feng Shui
- B) The buildings
- C) The amount of business there was
- D) How serious everyone seemed
- E) The opening of a new store

4 What does Mr. Ingliss think about Feng Shui?

- A) It can help your sales
- B) It doesn't tell you anything new
- C) It is superstitious rubbish
- D) It can give you more energy
- E) It interrupts the flow of positive energy

5 What is meant by a DIY Disneyland (line 34-35)?

- A) A very colourful store
- B) A place which is enjoyable to visit
- C) Somewhere for all the family
- D) A very large building
- E) A store where there are lots of things to do

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6 What did the Feng Shui experts do for the UK stores?

- A) They helped to build the stores
- B) They gave some advice about business
- C) They made some suggestions about design
- D) They taught the managers their philosophy
- E) They gave advice about tools

7 What do Mr Ingliss's and Mr Dorsett's stores both have?

- A) Long opening hours
- B) Lots of space for customers
- C) Leisure areas
- D) Successful garden departments
- E) Wind chimes

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Reading Comprehension Part two
(According to the passages below which book...)(8-15)

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Walking to the mountain

Not just any mountain but Mount Kailash. It's a special place for pilgrims of all religions

and has been for thousands of years. Author Wendy Teasdill took the hard route, the

'Southern Road'. She hitch-hiked rode trucks and walked the final 400 miles. She crossed flooded rivers and survived on biscuits, noodles and wild plants and lived to tell her story!

B

The sea on our Left

At the age of 52 and at height of their careers (he a dentist., she a physiotherapist) Richard and Shally Hunt gave up their steady middle-class lifestyle to spend a year walking the 4.300 miles around the British coast. This book tells their story and leaves you wondering why you haven't got the courage to do the same.

C

Gobi Tracking the Desert

Until recently the Gobi Desert was seen as a wasteland of intense heat, polar cold and frightening

sandstorms. But it also has the world's second largest national park, the world's only desert bear, the world's only surviving wild horses, snow leopards and is where the first dinosaur eggs were found. Writer and broadcaster, John Man, explored 1.000 miles of this remote area to research his book.

D

A Grain of Sand

Author Brendon Grimshaw is a modern day 'Robinson Crusoe' for over 25 years he has lived alone on the tiny palm-covered tropical Seychelles Island of Moyenne. Over the years he has had many experiences which show that living alone on a desert island is not as romantic as it sounds. During this time. Grimshaw has also led a never-ending search for buried treasure, said to be worth £30 m.

E

Tarantulas, Marmosets and Other Stories

Nick Gordon, the author, is one of those amazing wildlife cameramen that spend their lives waiting for the perfect shot. For the last ten years Gordon has lived in the Amazon basin filming jaguars stalking freshwater turtles, and giant eight-eyed tarantulas in their underground homes. This book

is an account of his time. It's a lot more than just a wildlife book though, with Gordon telling stories of escaping from hostile tribes as well as eventually gaining acceptance among these rarely contacted inhabitants.

8 Deals especially with rare creatures?

- A) Gobi: Tracking the Desert
- B) Walking to the Mountain
- C) The Sea on our Left
- D) A Grain of Sand
- E) Tarantulas, Marmosets and Other Stories

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**9 Which Author :
Made big changes in order to make this trip?**

- A) Richard and Shally Hunt
- B) John Man
- C) Brendon Grimshaw
- D) Wendy Teasdill
- E) Nick Gordon

**10 Which Author :
Seems to be a very patient person?**

- A) Wendy Teasdill
- B) Brendon Grimshaw
- C) John Man
- D) Richard and Shally Hunt
- E) Nick Gordon

11 Tells about danger from unfriendly people?

- A) Gobi: Tracking the Desert
- B) A Grain of Sand
- C) Walking to the Mountain
- D) The Sea on our Left
- E) Tarantulas, Marmosets and Other Stories

12 Involves different forms of transport?

- A) The Sea on our Left
- B) Walking to the Mountain
- C) A Grain of Sand
- D) Gobi: Tracking the Desert
- E) Tarantulas, Marmosets and Other Stories

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**13 Which Author :
Has an unfulfilled dream?**

- A) John Man
- B) Richard and Shally Hunt
- C) Wendy Teasdill
- D) Brendon Grimshaw
- E) Nick Gordon

14 Destroy a popular belief?

- A) A Grain of Sand
- B) Walking to the Mountain
- C) The Sea on our Left
- D) Gobi: Tracking the Desert
- E) Tarantulas, Marmosets and Other Stories

15 Describes the author's diet?

- A) The Sea on our Left
- B) A Grain of Sand
- C) Walking to the Mountain
- D) Gobi: Tracking the Desert
- E) Tarantulas, Marmosets and Other Stories

16 Choose the best answer.

If I give you "my two cents' worth," I give you _____.

- A) an order
- B) nothing
- C) my opinion
- D) a very small amount of money
- E) something you can't use

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17 Choose the best answer.
People say, "Chin up!" when they want to
_____ someone

- A) criticize
- B) touch
- C) help
- D) warn
- E) encourage

18 Choose the best answer.
A "tabloid" is a kind of _____.

- A) furniture
- B) newspaper
- C) book
- D) medicine
- E) muscle

19 Choose the best answer.
"Don't look a gift horse in the mouth" means that
you _____ something that's given to you.

- A) shouldn't appear too eager to accept
- B) should be very suspicious of
- C) shouldn't refuse
- D) shouldn't be too critical of
- E) shouldn't return

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20 Choose the best answer.
Someone who "ticks you off" makes you feel
_____.

- A) angry or upset
- B) sad and lonely
- C) scared
- D) confused
- E) stupid

21 Choose the best answer.
When the response to a question is "Beats me,"
the person responding means that he/she _____.

- A) thinks the question is stupid
- B) won't tell you the answer
- C) wants you to answer the question
- D) doesn't know the answer
- E) wants you to ask the question again

22 Complete the following sentences with the most
suitable word.

David has never been _____ in football. He
prefers rugby

- A) eager
- B) pleased
- C) keen
- D) fond
- E) interested

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23 Complete the following sentences with the most suitable word.

Cathy's only been here a week. I think you should _____ that into consideration before you complain about her

- A) put
- B) let
- C) take
- D) bring
- E) carry

24 Complete the following sentences with the most suitable word.

Please confirm your reservation in _____.

- A) letter
- B) writing
- C) post
- D) words
- E) paper

25 Complete the following sentences with the most suitable word.

Can you lend me some money? I've _____ my wallet at home

- A) forgotten
- B) left
- C) let
- D) put
- E) taken

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26 Complete the following sentences with the most suitable word.

At the age of 65, Geoff retired and lived off his _____.

- A) allowance
- B) grant
- C) loan
- D) salary
- E) pension

27 Choose the word or phrase that is the nearest in meaning to the following.

Take after

- A) occupy
- B) resemble
- C) copy
- D) leave
- E) absorb

28 Choose the word or phrase that is the nearest in meaning to the following.

Envisage

- A) encompass
- B) forget
- C) remember
- D) explain
- E) imagine

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29 Choose the word or phrase that is the nearest in meaning to the following.

Unilateral

- A) unanimous
- B) equal
- C) alike
- D) one-sided
- E) invalid

30 Choose the word or phrase that is the nearest in meaning to the following.

Dominant

- A) follow
- B) rotate
- C) domain
- D) rule
- E) divide

31 Choose the word or phrase that is the nearest in meaning to the following.

Encounter

- A) run after
- B) run out of
- C) run into
- D) run off
- E) run away

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32 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

You should insure your bicycle _____ stolen

- A) in case it will be
- B) in case it is
- C) if it will be
- D) in case it would be
- E) if it is

33 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

_____ a problem in most big cities

- A) The crime is
- B) The criminal is
- C) Crime is
- D) The crimes are
- E) A crime is

34 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

The woman was carrying a _____ bag

- A) small plastic black
- B) small black plastic
- C) small and black plastic
- D) black small plastic
- E) plastic small black

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35 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

Linda has lost her passport again. It's the second time this _____

- A) has happened
- B) is happening
- C) happens
- D) was happening
- E) happened

36 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

It's late. It's time _____ home

- A) we should go
- B) we must go
- C) we are going
- D) we go
- E) we went

37 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

Everything is going well. We _____ any problems so far.

- A) don't have
- B) didn't have
- C) hadn't had
- D) won't have
- E) haven't had

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38 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

They live on a busy road. _____ a lot of noise from the traffic

- A) It must make
- B) It must be
- C) There must have
- D) There must be
- E) It must have

39 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

'What time will you arrive?' 'I don't know it depends _____ the traffic.

- A) of
- B) from
- C) about
- D) for
- E) on

40 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

At the end of this year, you _____ English for three years.

- A) will learn
- B) will have been learning
- C) will be learning
- D) have been learning
- E) were learning

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- 41 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

When Jane came to Britain, she had to get used to _____ on the left

- A) to drive
- B) to driving
- C) driving
- D) drive
- E) to be driven

- 42 Choose the answer which is an example of this term.

Imperative

- A) John, come here please
- B) John came over very quickly
- C) Could you find the house, John?
- D) Coming over, John winked at me
- E) John won't be coming tonight

- 43 Choose the answer which is an example of this term.

Quantifier

- A) The dog is cold
- B) A dog is cold
- C) Some dogs are cold
- D) This dog is cold
- E) My dog is cold

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- 44 Choose the answer which is an example of this term.

Countable noun

- A) I saw him the last time we went
- B) He ran out of money
- C) Which music do you like?
- D) The information was useless
- E) Too much time has been wasted

- 45 Choose the answer which is an example of this term.

Reflexive pronoun

- A) They looked at themselves
- B) They looked at each other
- C) He did it
- D) We both did it
- E) We looked at them

- 46 Choose the answer which is an example of this term.

Future perfect continuous

- A) We will have made up most of the time by then
- B) She won't have seen him before tonight
- C) We will be looking forward to a long partnership
- D) I will have been doing this job for six years.
- E) I would have been going on holiday

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47 Name the book which opens with the line 'All children, except one grew up'?

- A) Oliver Twist
- B) Winnie the Poo
- C) Jungle Book
- D) The Railway Children
- E) Peter Pan

48 In which century were Geoffrey Chaucer's Canterbury Tales written?

- A) fourteenth
- B) fifteenth
- C) seventeenth
- D) sixteenth
- E) eighteenth

49 'Jane Eyre' was written by which Bronte sister?

- A) Jane
- B) Anne
- C) Charlotte
- D) Emily
- E) Elizabeth

50 Who wrote the crime novel "Ten Little Niggers"?

- A) Agatha Christie
- B) Emile Zola
- C) Irvine Welsh
- D) Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
- E) Charles Dickens

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51 What nationality was Robert Louis Stevenson, writer of 'Treasure Island'?

- A) Welsh
- B) Scottish
- C) Irish
- D) English
- E) French

52 Which of the following should you worry about if your boss says it is too high during your lessons?

- A) QASI
- B) ASAP
- C) RSVP
- D) PPP
- E) TTT

53 Your student has big problems with fricatives. Which word will cause greater difficulty for this student?

- A) total
- B) church
- C) black
- D) favour
- E) game

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54 Which of the following sentences would naturally have most examples of "weak forms"?

- A) Give me a large, cold beer at once
- B) The yellow one is the only one that I can see
- C) That man wants me to go and speak with him
- D) Take that book home
- E) Help me understand the main points of this problem

55 The director of your school wants "realia" to play a bigger part in your lessons. What does he/she want from you?

- A) more authentic materials
- B) more honesty with the students about their problems
- C) more roleplay
- D) more conversation about real life
- E) more authentic accent from you

56 If your school had a power cut, which would be worst affected?

- A) roleplay
- B) C.A.L.L.
- C) scanning
- D) interlanguage
- E) drilling

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