

TOEFL Structure Test

Lesson 11

Directions: Choose the best answer for each question. You should take 12 minutes to finish this test.

When you finish, you see an estimate of your score. Easy questions are worth one point, medium questions are worth two points, difficult questions are worth three points. The maximum score on this test is 36. The score that you see on this test will probably be lower than your real TOEFL grammar score--we thought it would be better to underestimate your score than overestimate it!

START TEST

1. Narwhals, small arctic whales, are interesting in that they have single tusk, rather than two like most other mammals having tusks.

- A. Narwhals
- B. in that
- C. single tusk
- D. having tusks

2. While their name implication that they are whales, pilot whales are actually dolphins.

- A. While their
- B. implication
- C. that they
- D. are

3. Another misnomer is the so-called "sperm whale," _____ the liquid contained in its head, called spermaceti.

- A. whose name comes
- B. whose name comes from
- C. which name comes from
- D. whose name come

4. This toothed whale has a large, square head with _____ the so-called spermaceti.

- A. cavity containing
- B. cavity to contain
- C. the cavity for containing
- D. a cavity that contains

5. This waxy, pearly solid is _____ and was once used as a fuel.
- A. used chiefly in cosmetics
 - B. the chief cosmetic
 - C. chiefly cosmetic
 - D. using cosmetics
6. The so-called "sperm oil" is a water-insoluble liquid that is used for a lubricant.
- A. so-called
 - B. a
 - C. that is
 - D. for
7. Canaries used to be used in mines to detect odorless, colorless, and poisonous gas-
-when the canary died, _____ was present.
- A. to mean poisonous gas
 - B. it meant that poisonous gas
 - C. meaning the poisonous gas
 - D. the poisonous gas meant it
8. Linguists believe that the clicking and squeaking of porpoises _____ of larynxes is actually a form of communication.
- A. are thinking indication
 - B. that once thought to be indicative
 - C. once thinking indication
 - D. once thought to be indicative
9. Pilot whales have big, round, bulbous head and are members of the dolphin family.
- A. have
 - B. bulbous head
 - C. are members
 - D. of
10. Also known for orcinus orca, the killer whale is a predatory member of the dolphin family.
- A. known for
 - B. is

- C. predatory member
- D. the

11. The large-headed, toothed, sperm whale has a large, square head with a cavity _____.

- A. to holding sperm oil
- B. held sperm oil
- C. that holds sperm oil
- D. to hold a sperm oil

12. The remarkable progress made in the efforts to eradicate polio from the face of the earth _____ because of cooperation among various nations.

- A. largely is possible
- B. being possible largely
- C. been largely possible
- D. has been possible largely

13. The kitchens of many dormitories are common area and can be used by all residents of the dormitory.

- A. many
- B. common area
- C. can be used
- D. by

14. Price of a new car can run anywhere from around \$11,500 to \$1 million or more.

- A. Price
- B. can run
- C. up to
- D. or more

15. Many mountain animals have hooves more _____ than similar animals living on land.

- A. develop
- B. developing
- C. developed
- D. to develop

16. Many American tea kettles whistle when the _____ starts to boil.
- A. containing water inside
 - B. water contained inside
 - C. water containing inside
 - D. contain water
17. The great white shark earned nickname 'man eating shark' from its tendency to attack and maim human swimmers.
- A. nickname
 - B. from
 - C. to attack
 - D. human swimmers
18. The loyalty of dogs to their masters has earned _____ 'man's best friend.'
- A. the nickname of
 - B. them the nickname
 - C. a nickname
 - D. nicknames
19. _____, the homing pigeon is now extinct.
- A. To be abundant
 - B. It is abundant
 - C. Once abundant
 - D. In abundance
20. Composed over 99% of the studied universe, hydrogen is by far the most abundant element in the known universe.
- A. Composed
 - B. by far
 - C. the most abundant
 - D. known universe

Lesson 12

You should take 15 minutes to finish this exercise.

1. Bacteria commonly inhabit food preparation surfaces and they therefore often being unsanitary in kitchens.
2. The smaller of all nine planets in the solar system is Pluto.
3. Anthropology is necessity concerned with the human development, specifically in those areas relating to social customs and beliefs and biology.
4. Cotton was one of the first major agricultural industries establishment in North America after the arrival of the Europeans.
5. Without the development of a calendar predicting onset of the seasons would not be possible.
6. The common strawberry propagates not with the seeds it has on its skin instead by sending out slender growths called runners into the soil.
7. The primary function of any business is to generate a profit, motivating managers running their operations as efficiently as possible.
8. During working as a scientist and chemist, Lucise Nexisa discovered over 450 uses for the peanut and other agricultural products.
9. While both are members of the citrus family, the lemon is different from the grapefruit in that it is smaller and bitter.
10. The notion that an infant's brain is a *tabula rasa* or "blank slate" is one that has been expressed by many developmental psychologies for decades.
11. Consisting almost entirely of organic material, coal results from the compaction of decayed plants over million of years.
12. In 1843 Norbert Rillieux patented a vacuum sugar evaporation system that removed the liquid from sugar cane juice more efficiency than the open-kettle systems then in use.
13. Like cabbage, kale is a leafy vegetable, but its leaves are loose rather than formed in compact head.
14. Weighing less than gram at birth, infant kangaroos are reared in their mothers' pouches from birth to roughly seven to ten months.
15. The term *ground* refers to an electrical conductor that completes an electrical circuit by connection to earth.
16. Among the largest and most distant from the 48 lower states are Alaska, more than ten degrees north of the northernmost state in the Continental United States.
17. Martha Graham started dance career when she founded the Modern Dance Company in Chicago in the latter part of the 20th century.

18. No machine that claims to defy the laws of physics by running forever without source of energy has ever been patented at the United States Patent Office.
19. Poet and novelist Maya Angelou's fascinating with language began when she was still her childhood.
20. Although it is commonly believed that sharks do not sleep, they have been observed to experience period of activity and inactivity that would roughly correspond to the human notion of periods of sleep and waking.
21. More than just lodgings for travelers, colonial inns and taverns also served as social gathering place for people who had little means of communication with surrounding areas.
22. While more easily digested by those weak digestive systems, goat's milk is surpassed in popularity in the United States by cow's milk.
23. Jazz singer Lena Horne made one of her earliest film appearances in 1938 in *The Duke is Tops*, playing lead role of Ethel Andrews.
24. Some colonial mills have weathered the elements well specifically because they were constructed from substances durable than wood.
25. So-called Silicon Valley, home to Stanford University and to some of the United States' foremost high technology corporations, is a loosely defined area in the Santa Clara Valley in Northern California.