

**QCM**  
(20 points sur 60)

*Cochez la bonne réponse*

1. Keep a ..... eye on the weekly expenses or they could get out of control.  
a) near                      b) close                      c) fast                      d) tight
2. Filly's Fish Factory has done ..... its competitors in the past year.  
a) better than              b) better as                      c) the best of              d) best of
3. The ..... of living is the amount of money that must be paid for food, housing, clothing, and so on.  
a) level                      b) price                      c) standard                      d) cost
4. Ten people were arrested during the riots, which saw people ..... bottles and stones at police.  
a) threw                      b) throwing                      c) had thrown              d) thrown
5. The manufacturing firm employs several part-time assistants, which ..... Joan to catch up on her paperwork.  
a) allow                      b) allowing                      c) allows                      d) is allowed
6. The HR manager had his secretary ..... up a list of potential candidates for the job.  
a) drew                      b) drawing                      c) to draw                      d) draw
7. After the war, almost \$20bn of material damage was reported; ten years later some of it ..... isn't repaired.  
a) still                      b) already                      c) always                      d) yet
8. They say that about 30% of ..... sales come from the Americas.  
a) the company's              b) company's                      c) companies                      d) the companies
9. It is the tourism sector that has the most to ..... from that new law.  
a) do                      b) earn                      c) win                      d) gain
10. In 2001, the ..... received 24% of foreign investment into ..... EU, second only to ..... Netherlands.  
a) GB/the/the              b) UK/the/-                      c) GB/-/the                      d) UK /the/the
11. Peter Springer, chief ..... at KPMG, says that the Chinese domestic market is rising rapidly.  
a) economics                      b) economist                      c) economy                      d) economies

12. Mr Dawson ..... to relinquish his benefits package if he accepts the new deal with the competitor.  
a) have                      b) has                      c) will have                      d) would have
13. Today, Ireland's poor are slipping deeper into poverty after experiencing signs of ..... throughout the 1990s.  
a) improvement                      b) bettering                      c) approval                      d) adjustment
14. The government proposed emergency help for America's airlines, which ..... a slump in passenger numbers.  
a) are suffering from                      c) is suffering of  
b) are suffering of                      d) is suffering from
15. Manual workers are often absent from work due to difficult working conditions and a ..... of financial incentive.  
a) less                      b) short                      c) miss                      d) shortage
16. 40% of Chinese people now own their own homes, ..... practically zero a decade before.  
a) up to                      b) up from                      c) down to                      d) down from
17. The American auto industry suffered a serious setback ..... 1990s.  
a) late in                      b) lately in the                      c) in the late                      d) in the end of
18. When Eve was an apprentice, she ..... living on less than €800 per month; now she has a proper job and is delighted with a decent salary.  
a) was used to                      b) used to                      c) used                      d) had used to
19. Jørgen Vig Knudstorp ..... a name for himself when he took over the leadership of Lego, the Danish toy manufacturer.  
a) made                      b) had                      c) did                      d) done
20. The CFO was forced to resign in 2006. So ..... the chief operating officer who had been recruited from Google.  
a) does                      b) has                      c) is                      d) was
21. On an impulse he ..... his civil service job and went on a trip around the world.  
a) set down                      b) gave up                      c) gave in                      d) threw up
22. The representative from New York was not present and ..... was the one from Berlin.  
a) as                      b) either                      c) so                      d) neither
23. The shareholders are happy because all of the company's recent investments in Eastern Europe have been .....  
a) beneficial                      b) profitable                      c) benefitting                      d) profiting

24. They received ..... mail that they could not process it all.  
a) so many                      b) so much                      c) too many                      d) too much
25. .... small local brands which do not have high spending power, the global brands can invest heavily in communication and advertising.  
a) Unlike                      b) Whereas                      c) Although                      d) Though
26. We have ..... Friday to hand in that feasibility study on the Japanese market.  
a) at                      b) to                      c) for                      d) until
27. This company ..... to many different low-cost manufacturers in Asia, which proves far more profitable than British production.  
a) relies                      b) outsources                      c) relocates                      d) gives
28. .... tourists visited Canada this year than last.  
a) Less                      b) Much                      c) Fewer                      d) Some
29. ALCO has cut 15,000 jobs since it was formed by the ..... of British Steel and a Swedish steelmaker.  
a) fusion                      b) takeover                      c) buyout                      d) merger
30. Which of the countries on the periphery of Europe is the ..... at risk?  
a) least                      b) less                      c) lesser                      d) lest
31. The artifacts were ..... at an archaeological site in Mexico.  
a) dug                      b) founded                      c) undiscovered                      d) unearthed
32. If you ..... so critical of his actions, he wouldn't be so unpleasant to work with.  
a) weren't                      b) wasn't                      c) wouldn't                      d) aren't
33. Jason calls in sick ..... there is an important meeting with head office.  
a) whenever                      b) ever                      c) always                      d) at times
34. I can see ..... about booking a trip six months in advance; in fact you tend to get the best deals.  
a) nothing unusual                      b) everything unusual                      c) anything unusual                      d) the most usual
35. Many exciting things happened last week, but this week has been rather .....  
a) changeable                      b) uneventful                      c) unpredictable                      d) inactive
36. The interest rate went up ..... almost 5% in the space of three months.  
a) till                      b) for                      c) by                      d) at
37. We're looking for someone who can ..... with the rest of the team.  
a) get up                      b) act up                      c) work off                      d) fit in

38. Nowadays, there are many companies offering next-day delivery for white goods, .....?  
a) aren't they            b) aren't there            c) are they            d) isn't it
39. Recently, he ..... to work very late. We'll have to speak to him about this issue.  
a) has been coming    b) had been coming    c) had come            d) having come
40. Mr Green read as much as he ..... on the subject of team building.  
a) would            b) can            c) might            d) could

CORRECTION

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| 1. B  | 21. B |
| 2. A  | 22. D |
| 3. D  | 23. B |
| 4. B  | 24. B |
| 5. C  | 25. A |
| 6. D  | 26. D |
| 7. A  | 27. B |
| 8. A  | 28. C |
| 9. D  | 29. D |
| 10. D | 30. A |
| 11. B | 31. D |
| 12. C | 32. A |
| 13. A | 33. A |
| 14. A | 34. A |
| 15. D | 35. B |
| 16. B | 36. C |
| 17. C | 37. D |
| 18. A | 38. B |
| 19. A | 39. A |
| 20. D | 40. D |