Οι οδηγίες είναι όλες γραμμένες στα Ελληνικά.

PART I – READING COMPREHENSION & VOCABULARY IN CONTEXT

<u>Διάβασε το κείμενο προσεκτικά.</u>

WEIRD OR RANDOM HOLIDAYS

You might be surprised to learn that every single day of the year celebrates at least one - if not a handful - of **bizarre**, weird holidays. Some of these holidays are **consumer-oriented**. *International Coffee Day* or *World Pizza Day* are just two examples when people are encouraged to spend more money. *International Coffee Day* falls on September 29, while people celebrate pizza on February 9.   5

Other holidays, such as *World Elephant Day* and *World Cancer Day* are meant to inform and **spread awareness** about a certain issue. Elephants have their day on August 12, while *World Cancer Day* spreads awareness on February 4. Then there are the **extremely** silly holidays that were probably invented just for a laugh, such as *Frog Jumping Day* and *I Forgot Day*. *Frog Jumping Day* is held on May 13, while *I Forgot Day* is on July 2.   10

So where did all of these random days come from? Creating a nationally recognized holiday, such as *Christmas* and *Thanksgiving*, or a state and city holiday, such as *Mardi Gras* and *Alaska Day*, takes some doing. But anyone can invent a **random** holiday and enter it for submission in *Chase's Calendar of Events* - perhaps the **most extensive** list for all random holidays and events around the world.   15

Tom Roy is a radio show **host** from Pennsylvania who has created around 80 holidays. His creations include *Wave All Your Fingers at Your Neighbors Day* and *Blah Blah Blah Day*. There **doesn't have to be a point** to creating holidays, Roy explains. It's all just for fun.

"It doesn't cost anything to celebrate them; that's the cool thing. You don't even need anyone's **blessing**. I just say *Chase's* because they publish them, but you don't need Congress' stamp of   20
approval, you don't need your town government. You don't need anyone else's permission."

Keeping that advice from Roy in mind, what holiday would you **submit** to *Chase's Calendar of Events*?

1. According to the text when should people in China order pizza?

A.	September 29th	C.	August 12th
B.	February 9th	D.	February 4th

2. Why was *World Elephant Day* established?

A.	to tell people to visit elephants in zoos	C.	to tell people about elephants' habits
B.	to tell people about elephants in Africa	D.	to tell people why elephants need our help

3. What does the author think about *I Forgot Day*?

A.	that it's a day to laugh	C.	that it's on July 2nd
B.	that it's a day to forget about everything	D.	that it's a silly holiday

4. The author tells us that creating a national holiday…

A.	is difficult to do.	C.	can be done by anyone.
B.	is easy to do.	D.	you must ask Tom Roy.

5. *Chase's Calendar of Events* includes only…

A.	a list of national and international holidays.	C.	a list of holidays and events around the world.
B.	a list of all the holidays in every country.	D.	a list of all the silly holidays around the world.

6. Some of the holidays that Tom Roy has created are…

A.	foolish	C.	creative
B.	important	D.	serious

7. *Blah Blah Blah Day* is a day when people should…

A.	be sad.	C.	talk all the time.
B.	listen to others.	D.	ignore people when they speak.

8. Why does Tom Roy say that these holidays are "cool"?

A.	They're interesting.	C.	They are a blessing.
B.	You don't have to pay for them.	D.	They don't need permission.

9. The author of this article is trying to…

A.	educate us.	C.	amuse us.
B.	inform us.	D.	help us.

10. The article tells us that…

A.	there is one holiday for every day of the year.	C.	there is at least one important holiday for every day of the year.
B.	there is more than one holiday for every day of the year.	D.	there is at least one really strange holiday for every day of the year.

<u>Β. Βρες και κάνε ένα κύκλο γύρω από το γράμμα που αντιστοιχεί στην πιο σωστή εξήγηση της **τονισμένης** λέξης ή φράσης, όπως αυτή χρησιμοποιείται μέσα στο κείμενο. **Μία μόνο** απάντηση είναι η σωστή.</u>

11. Another word for **bizarre** (line 2) is…

A.	interesting.	C.	usual.
B.	unusual.	D.	boring.

12. A **consumer-oriented** (line 2) holiday is one when people…

A.	celebrate.	C.	stay home and eat.
B.	go to restaurants.	D.	go shopping.

13. If you **spread awareness** (lines 6-7) you …

A.	tell people about something.	C.	do something important.
B.	help others.	D.	celebrate an issue.

14. A synonym for **extremely** (line 8) is…

A.	least	C.	mostly
B.	little	D.	very

15. A **random** (line 13) holiday is a holiday…

A.	without an important aim.	C.	for a wrong reason.
B.	without a definite day.	D.	without a strange idea.

16. Another word for **most extensive** (line 14) is …

A.	oldest	C.	strangest
B.	best	D.	most complete

17. A **host** (line 16) is ….

A.	an actor.	C.	a performer.
B.	a presenter.	D.	a director.

18. If there **doesn't have to be a point** (lines 18) to something, it means that…

A.	it doesn't matter.	C.	it doesn't have to have a purpose.
B.	it doesn't have to be famous.	D.	it doesn't need effort.

19. A **blessing** (line 20) in this paragraph means…

A.	approval	C.	hope
B.	decision	D.	prayer

20. If you **submit** (line 22) a holiday to *Chase's Calendar of Events* you…

A.	tell them you agree with a holiday.	C.	ask them to tell you what they think of your holiday.
B.	send them your idea for a holiday.	D.	write down one of their holidays.

PART II – GRAMMAR

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21. The tourist _____ the new museums in the centre of Athens tomorrow.

A.	shall visit	C.	has visited
B.	is visiting	D.	visits

22. James _____ reading the story yet.

A.	finished	C.	has finished
B.	didn't finish	D.	hasn't finished

23. As soon as my parents _____ from work, we _____ to the concert.

A.	are returning…go	C.	return…will go
B.	will return…are going	D.	have returned…went

24. _____ what the time is? Stop playing video games. Go to bed immediately!

A.	Are you realizing	C.	Did you realize
B.	Do you realize	D.	Have you realized

25. As a child, I _____ watch the news on television every day.

A. didn't get used to	C. was never used to
B. did never use to	D. didn't use to

26. When you _____ to your friend, _____ to music?

A. spoke…was she listening	C. had spoken…did she listen
B. speak…has she listened	D. have spoken…does she listen

27. "How long _____ for the school bus?"
    "Only about 10 minutes. I don't think it _____ very long now."

A. did you wait…will be	C. have you been waiting…will be
B. are you waiting…is going to be	D. had you waited…is being

28. By the time the team of explorers _____ the secret chest, the thieves
    _____ away with the treasure in a hot air balloon.

A. had found…have flown	C. find…are flying
B. have found…flew	D. found…had flown

29. How many years _____ did you meet your best friend?

A. before	C. long
B. then	D. ago

30. The news last night _____ about a silly holiday.

A.	was	C.	had been
B.	were	D.	was being

31. I will never forget _____ the Louvre Museum. It was an amazing experience!

A.	visiting	C.	visit
B.	to visit	D.	to have visited

32. This _____ be a lie! Jennifer would never steal my pencil case!

A.	can	C.	must
B.	can't	D.	mustn't

33. _____ you possibly help me with my bags, please?

A.	Must	C.	Might
B.	Should	D.	Could

34. Joanna would never hurt my feelings, _____?

A.	wouldn't she	C.	she would
B.	would she	D.	she wouldn't

35. If I _____ a good voice, I _____ in the theater.

A.	would have…would sing	C.	had…sang
B.	had…would sing	D.	will have…will sing

36. This is the reason _____ the team lost the game.

A.	which	C.	why
B.	that	D.	when

37. The lesson was so _____ that a lot of students felt really _____.

A.	confusing…tired	C.	confused…tiring
B.	confusing…tiring	D.	confused…tired

38. Cheetahs can run really _____.

A.	hardly	C.	fast
B.	hardest	D.	fastest

39. This is the _____ building _____ the world.

A.	tallest…in	C.	taller…of
B.	taller…in	D.	tallest…of

40. Some students are not _____, so they often forget to bring homework.

A.	too responsible	C.	as responsible as
B.	enough responsible	D.	responsible enough

PART III – VOCABULARY

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41. The national language of Denmark is _____.

A.	Flemish	C.	Dutch
B.	French	D.	Danish

42. _____ can take only one piece of luggage on the airplane.

A.	Humans	C.	Drivers
B.	Passengers	D.	Conductors

43. We are _____ about Mary's birthday party! We can't wait!

A.	satisfied	C.	afraid
B.	worried	D.	excited

44. The Aegean is considered a sailing paradise because it can get quite_____.

A.	foggy	C.	humid
B.	windy	D.	stormy

45. I have a doctor's appointment tomorrow morning at _____ (10:15).

A.	quarter past ten	C.	fifteen to ten
B.	quarter to ten	D.	ten to fifteen

46. She is a _____ student, but she is not organized enough.

A.	best	C.	brilliant
B.	disappointing	D.	terrible

47. I usually study _____, but today I will go to the library with my best friend to work on a project together.

A.	by myself	C.	with myself
B.	by my own	D.	on myself

48. I started eating healthier and added exercise to my _____ schedule.

A.	day	C.	week
B.	daily	D.	fully

49. He parked his car _____ the house and ran quickly to the door.

A.	along	C.	on the front of
B.	between	D.	in front of

50. He was on a diet that's why he ordered a salad for the main _____.

A.	food	C.	course
B.	order	D.	plate

51. Almost all students in England have to wear a _____ to school.

A.	gear	C.	uniform
B.	costume	D.	trousers

52. Don't eat all this ice cream! You'll have a sore _____ tomorrow!

A.	neck	C.	headache
B.	throat	D.	tongue

53. The _____ on this sofa are very soft and comfortable.

A.	pillows	C.	fabrics
B.	cushions	D.	seats

54. Animals are becoming _____ far more often than we might think.

A.	dead	C.	extinct
B.	dangerous	D.	wild

55. Take a spoon to _____ your cocoa if you put sugar in it.

A.	stir	C.	blend
B.	mix	D.	dilute

56. When you buy clothes, you must keep the _____, otherwise you won't be able to return them if you change your mind.

A.	receipt	C.	change
B.	paper	D.	bill

57. To go to the post-office, you need to _____ the first street on the left.

A.	walk on	C.	follow
B.	turn	D.	take

58. It's 9 o'clock in the morning in Athens, so the shops in London will be closed now, because England is two hours _____ Greece.

A.	back from	C.	behind
B.	ahead	D.	in front of

59. Welcome to our house! Please, make yourselves _____ home!

A.	at	C.	like
B.	on	D.	for

60. How much time do you spend _____ with your friends each week?

A.	calling	C.	going to
B.	hanging out	D.	getting on

PART IV – WRITING
A. COMPOSITION

A family member has brought you a special gift. Write *an email* to your best friend describing the gift, explaining why you liked it, and why it means a lot to you.

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Δέχθηκες ένα εξαιρετικό δώρο από ένα μέλος της οικογένειάς σου. Γράψε *ένα email* στον καλύτερο φίλο/ φίλη σου, στο οποίο θα περιγράφεις το δώρο, θα του εξηγείς γιατί σου άρεσε, καθώς και τι σημαίνει αυτό το δώρο για σένα.