

ESL Worksheet: Advanced Exam Tricks- 1

Choose the correct answer.

Q1 - the good reviews, the film was a box office failure

- Instead of**
- Apart from**
- In spite of**
- In the event of**

Q2 - You should two hours for the journey

- permit**
- allow**
- give**
- let**

Q3 - He looked his record collection to see if he could find the album

- at**
- up**
- through**
- out**

Q4 - In the 1970s sheflared trousers like everybody else

- would have had**
- was used to have**
- used to having**
- used to had**

Q5 - I finished two novels the holiday

- over**
- through**
- since**
- while**

Q6 - He's always complaining..... his flatmates

- about
- of
- around
- at

Q7 - They are always shouting their children

- to
- about
- down
- at

Q8 - She was with murder

- charged
- accused
- arrested
- sentenced

Q9 - When I was 40, I wanted to start something new, so I took.... painting

- on
- up
- after
- over

Q10 - The dog will not bite you..... you leave it alone

- provided
- unless
- when
- if only

Q11 - I wouldn't recommend that car; it's got a lot of faults

- you to buy
- you buy
- buying
- that you would buy

Q12 - She resembles her mother very closely; she is not at all her mother

- like
- as
- resembling
- taking after

Q13 - We.....for a few hours when the lightning struck

- were walking
- had been walking
- have walked
- walked

Q14 - This stew would taste better if you added a of butter

- slice
- piece
- knob
- rasher

Q15 - He shout even though I asked him to keep the noise down

- would
- will
- insisted on
- won't

Q16 - I never buy expensive gloves because I'm always them

- losing
- used to losing
- lose
- loose

Q17 - The results of the research were convincing that we felt obliged to publish them

- so
- such
- really
- very

Q18 - The scones were hot that we had to wait for them to cool down

- such
- so
- very
- really

Q19 - Under no circumstances press that button

- you will
- you should
- must you
- you must

Q20 - Hardly her speech than the sound failed

- had she begun
- did she begin
- was she beginning
- she began

Q21 - The police tend to do things the book

- by
- at
- on
- for

Q22 - He looked as though he..... some bad news

- gave
- was given
- has given
- had been given

Q23 - I tried to learn from it by putting it to experience

- up
- away
- down
- from

Q24 - The project has been by her illness

- held down
- held off
- held back
- held in

Q25 - When she found the purse there was any money in it

- no
- some
- any
- hardly

Q26 - By the time we get there, it finished

- will have
- ought to
- had
- might

Q27 - You are always leaving the milk out of the fridge. I wish you!

- don't
- won't
- hadn't
- wouldn't

Q28 - Despite the investigation, the of the accident remains a mystery

- reason
- start
- result
- cause