

A. Choose the best topic sentence (a, b, c, or d) about the opinion paragraph ideas.

1. The advantages of studying abroad.

- a. Students who study abroad can't speak the language well
- ☒ b. Studying abroad has two main advantages.
- c. I believe this for several reasons.
- d. There are many good schools in foreign countries.

2. The benefits of living in a large city.

- a. Living in a city is good.
- ☒ b. Life in a large city has many benefits.
- c. Large cities have many people.
- d. There are many cars in a large city.

3. The benefits of using public transportation.

- a. Using public transportation is nice.
- ☒ b. Using public transportation has benefits on the environments.
- c. Using public transportation helps people.
- d. Public transportation is wonderful.

4. The benefits of traveling.

- a. Traveling to other cities is easy.
- ☒ b. Traveling to other countries has many benefits.
- c. Traveling to other countries is good.
- d. Traveling to other countries makes you happy.

5. The advantages of owning a small car.

- a. Small cars are nice.
- b. A small car is easy to drive.
- c. Small cars are better than large cars.
- ☒ d. Owning a small car has three main benefits.

B. Choose the words that best fill in the blank spaces in the following paragraph.

6. Some children play sports; others \_\_\_\_ stamps.  
7. However, since I \_\_\_\_ young, my hobby was owning my own business.  
8. I \_\_\_\_ very good in mathematics,  
9. so when I \_\_\_\_ fifteen,  
10. I \_\_\_\_ a tutoring business.  
11. Every afternoon after school I \_\_\_\_ math to younger children.  
12. I \_\_\_\_ fun, and the students did too.  
13. That experience \_\_\_\_ me confidence.  
14. I 2005, I \_\_\_\_ the university and started another business.  
15. I \_\_\_\_ businesspeople how to use different computer programs.  
16. That business \_\_\_\_ very successful.  
17. At first, I \_\_\_\_ all of my free time at my business.  
18. That \_\_\_\_ a mistake.  
19. The first year, I failed three classes. That showed me that you can't do everything alone. Then I \_\_\_\_ two assistants.  
20. Now my business \_\_\_\_ doing well  
21. and my classes \_\_\_\_ too.

6.  
a. collect  
b. collecting  
c. have collect  
d. have collecting

7.  
a. was  
b. were  
c. have being  
d. has being

8.  
a. has being  
b. have being  
c. were  
d. was

9. a. was  
b. were  
c. is  
d. am

10. a. has start  
b. has started  
c. started  
d. starting

11. a. teaching  
b. taught  
c. am teaching  
d. were teaching

12. a. had  
b. having  
c. were having  
d. has

13. a. gave  
b. given  
c. give  
d. giving

14. a. entering  
b. entered  
c. have entered  
d. has entered

15. a. have teaching  
b. has teaching  
c. teaching  
d. taught

16.

- a. am
- b. where
- c. were
- d. was

17.

- a. have spending
- b. has spent
- c. spending
- d. spent

18.

- a. is
- b. was
- c. am
- d. are

19.

- a. hired
- b. is hiring
- c. hiring
- d. have hired

20.

- a. was
- b. is
- c. has
- d. having

21.

- a. was X
- b. are
- c. has X
- d. have X

C. Combine the following two sentences using *Since*.

22. Many people have moved out of my neighborhood. It has become a very dangerous place.

- a. Since many people have moved out my neighborhood, it has become a very dangerous place.
- b. Many people since have moved out of my neighborhood. It is a very dangerous place.
- c. Many people have moved out of my neighborhood. It since is a very dangerous place.
- d. Many people have moved out of my neighborhood. It is a very dangerous place since.

23. My apartment is big. I can afford to keep it a little messy.

- a. Since my apartment is big, I can afford to keep it a little messy.
- b. My apartment is big since. I can afford to keep it a little messy.
- c. My since apartment is big. I can afford to keep it a little messy.
- d. My apartment is big. I can afford to keep it a little messy since.

24. My friend needed a roommate and is easy to get along with. I decided to move in with him.

- a. My friend since needed a roommate and is easy to get along with. I decided to move in with him.
- b. Since my friend needed a roommate and is easy to get along with, I decided to move in with him.
- c. My friend needed a roommate and is easy to get along with, since I decided to move in with him.
- d. My friend needed a since roommate and is easy to get along with, I decided to move in with him.

25. It is difficult to get to know everyone in my building. Over 140 people live in it.

- a. Since it is difficult to get to know everyone in my building. Only 140 people live in it.
- b. It is difficult to get to know everyone in my building. Only since 140 people live in it.
- c. Since only 140 people live in my building, It is difficult to get to know everyone in it.
- d. It is easy to get since to know everyone in my building. Only 140 people live in it.

26. I have many relatives in New York. I decided not to rent an apartment.

- a. I have many relatives in New York. Since I decided not to rent an apartment.
- b. I have many since relatives in New York. I decided not to rent an apartment.
- c. I have since many relatives in New York. I decided not to live in a dormitory.
- d. Since I have many relatives in New York, I decided not to rent an apartment.

D. Match the following word to their definitions.

27. Gleeful

- a. having no protection
- b. solved with great effort
- c. comfortable to walk on
- d. very happy

28. Bonanza

- a. living
- b. walking
- c. sudden riches
- d. drinking

29. Prosecute

- a. go underground
- b. charge with a crime
- c. serve in the army
- d. protect with force

30. Convict

- a. find guilt of a crime
- b. open a school
- c. find new ways
- d. travel quickly

31. Insured

- a. protected from loss
- b. lost in an accident
- c. tested for a disease
- d. lost in thought

E. Complete the sentences with the correct verb form.

32. I \_\_\_\_ about the situation concerning John for a long time.

- a. have known
- b. knowing
- c. are knowing
- d. was know

33. I \_\_\_\_ this solution since yesterday.

- a. have been considering
- b. have considering
- c. are considering
- d. had considering

34. I \_\_\_\_\_ at many different restaurants, but Chili's is my favorite.

- a. was worked
- b. is worked ~~x~~
- c. have worked
- d. has worked ~~x~~

35. Has he ever \_\_\_\_\_ as night guard?

*he has ever*

- a. work
- b. worked
- c. working
- d. works

36. I \_\_\_\_\_ my report yet.

- a. have not written
- b. has not written
- c. having not written
- d. had not write

37. They \_\_\_\_\_ the building for a month, and they are still not finished.

- a. have been decorating
- b. has been decorating ~~x~~
- c. have been decorate
- d. have decorating

38. She \_\_\_\_\_ applications for the last four hours.

- a. have filling out ~~x~~
- b. have been filling out ~~x~~
- c. has filling out
- d. has been filling out

39. John is always late. I \_\_\_\_\_ for him since four o'clock.

- ☒ a. have waiting
- b. have been waiting
- c. has waited
- d. has waited

40. I \_\_\_\_\_ engineering for four years now.

- a. has studying
- b. has been studying
- ☒ c. have been studying
- d. have studying

F. Choose the demonstrative that best fills in the blank spaces in the following sentence.

41. Tom told \_\_\_\_\_ same stories yesterday.

- a. this
- ☒ b. that
- c. them
- d. those

42. Sarah, take \_\_\_\_\_ and put it over there.

- a. these
- b. them
- c. this
- ☒ d. those

43. Angry, the little boy demanded \_\_\_\_\_ piece of chocolate on the shelf.

- a. them
- b. those
- ☒ c. these
- d. that

44. \_\_\_\_\_ birds are standing on the tree over there.

- ☒ a. Those
- ☐ b. This
- ☐ c. That
- ☐ d. These

45. \_\_\_\_\_ were the best days of our lives.

- ☐ a. Those
- ☒ b. These
- ☐ c. This
- ☐ d. That

46. \_\_\_\_\_ people in the office work for our company.

- ☐ a. This
- ☐ b. That
- ☒ c. Those
- ☐ d. Them

47. The captain flew us out of \_\_\_\_\_ awful storm.

- ☒ a. these
- ☐ b. those
- ☐ c. them
- ☐ d. that

48. \_\_\_\_\_ film John was talking about seems like an interesting film to watch.

- ☒ a. That
- ☐ b. These
- ☒ c. Those
- ☒ d. Them

49. Could I have five of \_\_\_\_ doughnuts over there, please.

- a. this
- b. those
- c. that
- d. them

50. Would you like me to serve you some more of \_\_\_\_ coffee?

- a. this
- b. those
- c. these
- d. them