I. We live in a watery world. Oceans cover over 1/3 of the earth’s surface, and to a great degree they are responsible for 2/3 all life. They have helped 3/4 all life as a food source and as a vital link in global ecological cycles. Sadly, we pollute, we overfish, and we treat the oceans as a 4/5 and assume that we can keep 5/6 them forever, with no fear of consequences.

1. (A) three-two  (B) two-three  (C) three-seCONDS  (D) two-thirds
2. (A) sustaining  (B) suspecting  (C) surrendering  (D) surrounding
3. (A) nourish  (B) nourishing  (C) be nourished  (D) being nourished
4. (A) generator  (B) dump  (C) back yard  (D) paradise
5. (A) regulating  (B) abusing  (C) praising  (D) contradicting

II. A thin layer of ozone and oxygen in the atmosphere 10 to 30 miles above the earth 6/7 us from the sun’s harmful 7/8 rays; it 8/9 this by absorbing the rays. However, as ozone is destroyed, an increasing amount of radiation travels to the earth. It has many damaging 9/10. It cause skin cancer and makes the body more susceptible to 10/11 diseases.

6. (A) shields  (B) shines  (C) shoots  (D) seduces
7. (A) radar  (B) radio-active  (C) ultraviolet  (D) alkaline
8. (A) balances  (B) neutralizes  (C) reflects  (D) accomplishes
9. (A) affects  (B) affections  (C) affluences  (D) effects.
10. (A) infectious  (B) cosmetic  (C) plastic  (D) artificial

III. The world economy is becoming 11/12, and more and more firms are 12/13 international operations. In 2000, Blockbuster Entertainment found its 13/14 market in the United States virtually 14/15: officials estimated that there would be a Blockbuster within a 10-minute drive of most American neighborhoods.

Accordingly, Blockbuster planned to have 4,000 stores 15/16 outside the United States. This route, however, is not appropriate for every company.

11. (A) maximized  (B) localized  (C) globalized  (D) industrialized
12. (A) conducting  (B) interacting  (C) supervising  (D) sourcing
13. (A) export  (B) import  (C) domestic  (D) trading
14. (A) saturated  (B) exploded  (C) inflated  (D) depreciated
15. (A) shrinking  (B) tightening  (C) adapting  (D) operating

IV. The president of National Taiwan University Hospital 16/17 in September for one of the most sensational incidents of medical 17/18 in Taiwan’s history. 18/19 from an HIV-infested man were harvested after he was pronounced brain dead. They were 19/20 into five different patients. Both the patients and those who did the operations are 20/21 becoming infected.

16. (A) debated  (B) apologized  (C) suspected  (D) rumored
17. (A) achievement  (B) pioneer  (C) malpractice  (D) implant
18. (A) Identity  (B) Cellular  (C) Organs  (D) DNA
19. (A) transferred  (B) transplanted  (C) transported  (D) transmitted
20. (A) at the expense of  (B) at risk of  (C) getting danger up  (D) turning out to

V. The 21/22 for the 22/23 of the September 11, 2001 terror attacks in New York City has been completed on the tenth 23/24 of the terrible event. Family members of those who died were the first people allowed in.

The structure 24/25 twin pools that have 30 foot waterfalls. Surrounding the pools are bronze parapets with the names of the deceased 25/26 on them.

21. (A) memory  (B) memorial  (C) miniature  (D) memoirs
22. (A) participants  (B) terrorists  (C) victims  (D) survivors
23. (A) ceremony  (B) holiday  (C) anniversary  (D) foundation
24. (A) consists of (B) constructs of (C) convinces of (D) converts from
25. (A) subscribed (B) described (C) inscribed (D) transcribed

VI. One of the most famous _26_ races is the Tour de France. It _27_ over 2,000 miles and can take three weeks to finish. Like in any popular sport, professional racing teams have _28_, and all kinds of branded products. These teams compete in major tours, which are _29_ for fans around the world. Some events even offer VIP lounges for _30_ at the finish line, so super fans can be close to the action.

26. (A) auto (B) bike (C) flight (D) sailing
27. (A) extends (B) hovers (C) covers (D) surfs
28. (A) sponsors (B) reporters (C) shareholders (D) advertisers
29. (A) teleexcel (B) telescopated (C) televised (D) telegraphed
30. (A) coaches (B) technicians (C) journalists (D) spectators

31. _______ give exclusive ownership rights to the creators of books, articles, designs, illustrations, photos, films, and music. Computer programs and even semiconductor chips are also protected. (A) Bankruptcy laws (B) Copyrights (C) Warranties (D) Tariffs
32. Because the development of products is expensive, companies must prevent other firms from using their brand names. A producer can apply for _______, the exclusive legal right to use a brand name. (A) a liability (B) an insurance (C) a trademark (D) a principal
33. Greece is facing its worst economic _______ in recent history, and there’s still no end in sight. (A) myth (B) miracle (C) crisis (D) epic
34. After years of rising _______, the economy of Greece has seemingly reached its lowest point. Greece owes foreign governments hundreds of billions of Euros. (A) tension (B) protests (C) investments (D) debts.
35. Earlier 2011, health officials in Germany struggled to fight against an E. coli _______ that killed dozens of people. E. coli bacteria got into uncooked meat and vegetables. (A) epidemic (B) nutrient (C) ingredient (D) stem cell
36. On 11th March 2011 an earthquake measuring 9.0 on the Richter Scale struck the east coast of Japan and a devastating _______ caused destruction and loss of life to thousands. (A) hurricane (B) tsunami (C) shipwreck (D) landslide
37. The revolution of Tunisia in January 2011 _______ people around the world to start their revolutions quickly from Egypt, Libya, Yemen...to the Wall Street in Manhattan. (A) persuaded (B) indicated (C) inspired (D) terrified
38. Some people get so _______ to online video games that their social life and health suffer negative effects. (A) creative (B) addicted (C) immune (D) projected
39. Criminals sometimes take advantage of _______ flaws in Web sites to cheat online-shoppers out of their money. (A) security (B) pirate (C) defraud (D) trick
40. _______ buying at the checkout counter may not add much to your shopping bill. But your waistline is a different matter. Never go shopping hungry. (A) Impulse (B) Volunteer (C) Rational (D) Appeal
41. As Beijing cracks down on unsafe toy exports and demands more testing, many small toy producers are feeling a financial squeeze. New inspections are slowing shipments and _______ profits. (A) boosting (B) clipping (C) ducking (D) drifting
42. Though car-accident fatalities are declining, the number of Americans killed on motorcycles has risen dramatically. Just 20 states now require _______, compared with 47 in 1975.
43. The U.S. unveiled ______ to persuade the Sudanese government to curb violence in its Darfur region. Should Khartoum refuse, President Obama promised sanctions.
   (A) sticks  (B) incentives  (C) commotions  (D) strikes

44. Seven years after Saddam Hussein’s downfall, energy companies are finally lining up to develop Iraq’s vast oil ______.  (A) pump  (B) swamp  (C) reserves  (D) tanks

45. No Grain, Big Pain: From India to the Philippines, the price of rice is ______, setting off worries of widespread shortages.  (A) nose-diving  (B) plunging  (C) skyrocketing  (D) slashing

46. ______ churches ride a secular trend to reconnect with the faithful. Some churches’ sites offer visitors a chance to anonymously post online confession.
   (A) Old-fashioned  (B) Conservative  (C) Tech-savvy  (D) Diehard

47. Saudi Arabia has been through ______ and bust before. That’s given it an edge over many of its neighbors in the recent economic situation.  (A) boom  (B) boon  (C) boost  (D) bun

48. After a 25-year spree, U.S. households can no longer count on easy credit. Recession or not, American families will be forced to tighten their ______.  (A) ropes  (B) belts  (C) strings  (D) ties

49. Many states in the U.S. have ______ restrictions that prevent consumers from ordering wine over the Internet, phone, or in person from out-of-state wineries. They are easing on direct shipments.
   (A) relieved  (B) deferred  (C) loosened  (D) barred

50. The ______ Ceiling: While women make up 34% of the Silicon Valley’s technical workforce, they tend to leave or be passed over after reaching midlevel jobs. Female executives can’t rise there.
   (A) Cloud  (B) Transparent  (C) Sexism  (D) Glass