1. The web giant launched a Chinese version, Google.cn, that is censored to ____ Chinese government regulations.
   A. dismiss from  B. comply with  C. fight against  D. gain access to
2. For centuries, cartoons have depicted ____ perspectives of religion, political leaders...etc. Caricatures have violated and attacked every basic western viewpoint.
   A. negative  B. moderate  C. liberal  D. sensible
3. Today, there is old India and new India. One is epitomized by the surging chaos that fascinated generations of backpackers and travel writers. The other is the efficient center of ____ and IT that thrills today's investment bankers.
   A. outsourcing  B. booming  C. migration  D. infrastructure
4. The highly pathogenic H5N1 strain of ____ which reached France recently has caused total or partial import bans on French poultry products by 43 non-E.U. countries.
   A. duck-raising  B. migratory waterfowl  C. vaccinated birds  D. avian flu
5. UN World Food program: One year after the tsunami there is hope. Houses have been rebuilt. Trees replanted. Lives reborn. And children are returning to school. For just 19 cents a day, we can give a hungry child a school lunch. But we need your help. Please ____.
   A. volunteer  B. compensate  C. invest  D. donate
6. From the Iraq war to torture to energy policy, US Vice president Dick Cheney stubbornly clings to what he believes. He sticks to his ____.
   A. weapon  B. intuition  C. positions  D. guns
7. Some said that the highly controversial movie Brokeback Mountain ____ without decades of equal-rights activism by gay men and lesbians.
   A. never was filmed  B. would never have been made  C. will never be produced
   D. had never been possible
8. Some officials of the Philippines were quick to blame the landslide disaster that engulfed a small farming village and its inhabitants in a thick river of mud on illegal logging. According to some officials what might have caused this tragedy?
   A. a geological fault  B. deforestation  C. tropical storms  D. catastrophes
9. The nine Australians, aka the 'Bali Nine', who were arrested on suspicion of plotting to smuggle 8.3 kg of heroin from the Indonesian island to Australia were sentenced, convicted of leading a drug-____.
   A. importing  B. exporting  C. trafficking  D. marketing
10. With worldwide demand for energy rising sharply, oil spiking at more than $60 per bbl. And fears growing about the lasting impact of greenhouse gases, the outlook for ____ today is quite radiant. The new-generation pressurized-water reactor is in fashion, about 800 reactors will be built over the next 25 to 50 years.
    A. wind mill  B. coal-mining  C. nuclear power  D. solar energy
11. The 12 cartoon caricatures of the Prophet Muhammad published by a Danish weekly
have provoked _______ around the world.
A. gangsters  B. activists  C. Muslims  D. terrorists
12. A leading Danish religious historian, Tim Jensen, warned that physical representation of the Prophet is widely observed as _______.
A. taboo  B. ignorance  C. inspiring  D. iman
13. United Parcel Service (UPS) intends to be a major player in _______, where it already dominates shipping by Internet retailers.
A. B2B commerce  B. e-commerce  C. piracy commerce  D. elicit commerce
14. Some firms make and sell ‘knock-offs’ or ______ goods that resemble or copy the original products, violating trademark and copyright laws.
A. innovative  B. hip-hop  C. distinctive  D. counterfeit
15. Mr. Ang Lee thanked every-body in Taiwan, Hong Kong and China while accepting a Best Director Oscar for his gaycowboy _______ Brokeback Mountain.
A. science fiction  B. romance  C. animated feature  D. thriller
16. Tension between Washington and Beijing is rising as the U.S. trade ______ soars.
A. hostility  B. conflict  C. deficit  D. impact
17. In 1970, Boeing bet its fortunes on the 747 ______ jet, which for the first time made intercontinental air travel accessible to a mass market.
A. jumbo  B. fighter  C. turbine  D. cargo
18. In 1999, riots at the World Trade Organization (WTO) meeting in Seattle signaled a ______ against globalization and free trade.
A. backfire  B. backup  C. backlash  D. backnumber
19. Mr. Bush and Mr. Hu Jintao both back free trade, but they face increasing pressure at home to curb ______ side effects. A. their  B. each other’s  C. those  D. its
20. Germany and Japan have been subsidizing solar installation for years because the cost of generating electricity from the sun remains at least three times ______ than prices that homeowners normally pay their local electric utility.
A. more expensive  B. much cheaper  C. less costly  D. higher bid
21. According to a study by the World Health Organization, out of the 361 basic _______ points on the human body, China, Japan and South Korea disagree on 92 points, prompting a drive to standardize the 2,000-year-old therapy.
A. nerves  B. massage  C. acupuncture  D. diagnosis
22. This November HSBC will stage the most significant golf event ever in Asia— the first annual HSBC Champions _______.
A. competitiveness  B. tournament  C. combat  D. monument
23. There are multiple lessons to be learned from the _______ of Hurricane Katrina and the unnecessary loss of so many lives.
A. incompetence  B. disaster  C. syndrome  D. protest
24. Many ______ kept their lives but have lost all their material possessions, devastated by Hurricane Katrina. A. consignees  B. refugees  C. evacuees  D. levees
25. The tourist haven of Bali was under attack. Suicide bombers wearing vests packed with _______ were responsible, and their remains were found at the scene.
   A. explosives   B. victims   C. bruises   D. injuries

26. The Internet was supposed to be immune to _______, but Beijing has found ways to stifle online dissent. With new technology and tough laws, Beijing tightens its control over the Internet. A. subversion  B. taming  C. censorship  D. cyber cafés

27. _______ with the devastation of the tsunami, ordinary people performed extraordinary acts, the very essence of heroism.
   A. Contended  B. Paralyzed  C. Confronted  D. Determined

28. The explosion of the Chinese Jilin Petrochemical Company sent a flood of toxic pollutants into the Songhua River. The massive chemical _______ threatened water supplies of Harbin area. A. sewage  B. spill  C. diarrhea  D. inaction

29. In the West, despite concerns about the sun’s rays and skin cancer, people spend billions of dollars trying to duplicate her café au lait tone. But Asia has always prized pale. And in India the desire to have fair, light skin is a national _______. A. legend  B. icon  C. lightness  D. obsession

30. Microsoft and AOL are losing billions in ad revenues to Google and Yahoo. By combining their websites into a _______ network, they could sell ads across the board. Hooking up would be a defensive play too.
   A. downsized  B. mammoth  C. dial-up  D. negotiated

31. China is poised to send its second manned flight into orbit, and Japan is re-launching its moribund rocket program. The _______ between China and Japan is reaching new heights. A. rivalry  B. protest  C. scandal  D. pandemic

32. The population is _______ in Japan. Nearly one out of five Japanese close to 25 million people are over 65. But with a median age of 42.6 years and rising, it doesn’t mean Japan is turning into a vast nursing home. Led by spirited adventures, its trail-blazing seniors are just getting started.
   A. grayest  B. aging  C. overburdened  D. stagnating

33. Rampant intellectual-property theft in China is hurting _______-U.S. trade relations.
   A. Mao  B. Mainland  C. Sino  D. Beijing

34. Silk Alley in Beijing was probably the world’s most _______ market for fake consumer goods: Gucci handbags, Nike sneakers... few of them authentic.
   A. ubiquitous  B. infamous  C. prestigious  D. humorous

35. A Chinese salesgirl offered a knock-off of a Louis Vuitton wallet bearing a cherry design at _______(1/8) the price of the genuine item.
   A. eight-one  B. one/eight  C. one-eighth  D. one-by-eight

36. Brands, trademarks, business processes and ideas, the _______ properties that are protected by patent, are also vulnerable to counterfeiting.
   A. private  B. intangible  C. illegal  D. leasing

37. Tony Blair won a third term with a lacklustre majority in the British General election, but he was fair to call this result historic, because it’s the first time his Labor Party has
won a third ______ term in office.
   A. legislative  B. lion’s share  C. landslide  D. consecutive
38. Diamonds may be forever, but the cost of diamond jewelry made by many brand-name designers can put the pieces forever out of reach. Still, ____ is in the eye of the beholder.
   A. availability  B. affordability  C. accessibility  D. accountability
39. No country in Asia has as many internal security problems as the Philippines. But its armed forces lack the funds and equipment to meet the threats, which fuels restiveness and ______ attempts.  A. coup  B. ransom  C. kidnap  D. ceasefire
40. While rivals like Sony are struggling, Sharp has become Japan’s hottest electronics firm. But for years its president Katsuhiro Machida was despondent, wondering if Sharp would forever be ______ by giants like Sony, Matsushita and Samsung.
   A. plummeted  B. pumped  C. overshadowed  D. doomed
41. Sharp Corporation’s ______ in LCDs has completely transformed the TV business. Sharp can sell its TVs for $200-$300 more than Sony, which is a total reversal of the old situation.  A. prelude  B. forecast  C. preview  D. foresight
42. Whether ______ giants China and India can get along will be one of this century’s great questions.  A. grooming  B. booming  C. growing  D. groaning
43. “I was saddened by the stinginess and lack of empathy that the U.S. has continually shown.” Based on this quote, America is considered the most ______ among the rich donor nations.
   A. generous  B. liberal  C. tightfisted  D. compassionate
44. If one’s too concerned about himself, and is not interested in other people, he is ______.  A. self-censored  B. self-absorbed  C. self-loathing  D. self-motivated
45. Africa is a dysfunctional continent, scarred by the most damaging legacy of ______.
   A. modernization  B. globalization  C. colonization  D. de-centralization
46. ______ effective measures been taken to reduce overpopulation a generation ago, extreme poverty would not exit today.  A. If  B. Had  C. Should  D. Once
47. The world needs to stop ______ and supporting war and instead open borders to free trade.  A. curbing  B. alienating  C. withdrawing  D. initiating
48. Blockbuster lost $1.25 billion last year; the company saw its stock fall 47% and just announced plans to ______ 300 workers, who’ll receive their pink slips soon.
   A. recruit  B. lay off  C. sit back  D. draw in
49. China Fast Track can soften your landing. Established to provide ______ VIP treatment from arrival to department, CFT makes business travel to China “red-carpeted.”  A. thrust  B. depressed  C. seamless  D. frightening
50. Movies such as “Ray” and “Walk the Line”, based on the events of someone’s life, are called ______.  A. autobiography  B. memorial  C. debut  D. biopic.