

Read the following text and answer the questions that follow it.

How far has Africa progressed along the road to achieving cultural independence since the granting of formal independence in the late 50s and the 60s? Perhaps one indication is that the problem is now widely recognized as existing, whereas in 1960 to paraphrase Nkrumah, the political kingdom having been achieved, it was felt all else would follow. Today rarely a day passes without a newspaper carrying an article on the need to reassert Africa's own cultural values.

Yet in the early 60s only a small group of academics and artists together with a handful of systematic expatriates seemed aware of how deeply Africa's cultural life was dominated by foreign cultural ideals especially in the educational system.

With the approach of independence African lecturers in many universities in Africa challenged the orientation of much of their curricular, for example in history where African history was excluded unless it concerned European activities in Africa.

1. The 'problem' in the third line refers to
 - a) Africa's cultural independence
 - b) Formal independence for Africa
 - c) Africa's progress
 - d) Newspaper articles
2. Writer's view of the statement of Nkrumah means that
 - a) The political Kingdom had been achieved
 - b) All else followed
 - c) Things had made more difficult
3. Select the word which does not have the same meaning as 'Felt' in the third sentence in the first paragraph
 - a) Taken for granted
 - b) Imagined
 - c) Thought
 - d) Rejected
4. Reasserting Africa's cultural values indicates that
 - a) European activities in Africa have to be reviewed
 - b) The university curricular didn't have to be changed
 - c) African values have been changed
 - d) Africans have no cultural values
5. Report the following sentences: Ben said, can you swim, John?
 - a) Ben asked John if he could swim
 - b) Ben said if John could swim
 - c) Ben said if John can swim
 - d) John answered that he could swim
6. Teacher: (to Amman). Go away!

- a) The teacher begged Amman to go away
 - b) The teacher ordered Amman to go away
 - c) The teacher told Amman to go away
 - d) The teacher pleaded to Amman to go away
7. Which means 'big' in the list below?
- a) Gigantic
 - b) Immense
 - c) Large
 - d) Huge

Complete the following sentences with the most appropriate words chosen from the list provided

8. The older you grow the _____ you become
- a) Wise
 - b) Wiser
 - c) Wisest
 - d) More Wise
9. Doing his homework is the _____ a student can do for a teacher
- a) Little
 - b) Small
 - c) Less
 - d) Least
10. A new drying product has been _____ in the market.
- a) Launched
 - b) Lunched
 - c) Lanced
 - d) Launced
11. This is the boy _____ father died in the car accident near the airport
- a) Who
 - b) Whom
 - c) Which
 - d) Whose
12. I know the girl _____ you danced.
- a) to whom
 - b) with whom
 - c) at whom
 - d) from whose
13. _____ the work looks difficult, it is really quite simple.
- a) Although
 - b) Despite
 - c) Already
 - d) In spite
14. Which of the above indicates that Lumumba was a spokesman?
- a) Lumumba spoke as a spokesman
 - b) Lumumba spoke like a spokesman

Complete the following sayings

15. Fire is a good servant
- a) Which serves very well
 - b) but also the best master
 - c) and a good master
 - d) but a bad master
16. A stitch in time
- a) sews your clothes
 - b) stitches your garments
 - c) saves nine
 - d) now and not later
17. Heaven helps those who
- a) Fight everyday
 - b) Help themselves
 - c) Pray every day
 - d) Help others

Find the strange word

18. a) lions b) dogs c) tigers d) bears e) wolves
19. a) luminous b) numerous c) many d) much

Choose the most appropriate interpretation for each sentence

20. Had the man applied for the job a day earlier, he would not have turned down.
This means that the man
a) Got the job in spite of his late application
b) Failed to get the job because he applied too late
c) Failed to get the job because he applied too early
d) Refused to accept the job that he was offered
21. Our neighbors are leading a hand to mouth existence
a) Eat in a traditional manner
b) Are always eating a great deal
c) Have something to hide
d) Have difficulty finding enough to live
22. My father prefers not to have visitors until after lunch. This means that they
a) People like to visit my father before lunch
b) People prefer to visit my father after lunch
c) My father does not want to receive visitors before lunch.
d) My father does not want to receive visitors before lunch.
23. When his shirt was torn, she said 'Give it to me and I'll have it mended in no time at all'.
This means that she
a) Would mend it very quickly
b) Had not time to mend it
c) Could not say when it would be mended
d) Thought it wasn't worth spending time mending it
24. The boy not only stole Bisi's money, but even accused her of taking his. From this we understand that
a) Bisi accused the boy of theft and stole his money
b) The boy stole Bisi's money and accused her of theft
c) The boy is innocent and Bisi is guilty
d) Neither of them stole, but each accused the other of theft
25. It would have been contrary to all our expectations if he had not won the race
a) Unexpectedly, he came neither first nor last
b) He won the race as we expected
c) He lost the race as we expected

- d) He lost, which we had not expected
26. No matter how hard he studies for his exam, success is doubtful
- a) There is no doubt that if he studies hard he will pass
 - b) He will probably fail through over work
 - c) Even if he studies hard, it is very unlikely that he will pass
 - d) If he fails, it won't matter so long as he studies hard
27. Her unceasing care for her sick child, like was of no avail. This means
- a) Because of her great care like ultimately recovered
 - b) Although she didn't stop caring for Ike, he didn't get better
 - c) No one gave her any help in looking after her sick child
 - d) Although Ike was incurable, she didn't stop caring for him
28. Time is money. This means
- a) Time means money
 - b) Money means time
 - c) Time must be like money
 - d) Use time to make money
29. Stubborn pupils leave the class at will. This means that
- a) Stubborn pupils leave the class before time
 - b) Stubborn pupils leave the class unwillingly
 - c) Stubborn pupils leave the class by the will of God
 - d) Stubborn pupils leave the class whenever they wish

Complete the following tables

Beat Beat Beaten

30. Buy bought _____
31. Catch _____ caught
32. Cost cost _____
33. Keep kept _____
34. Lose _____ lost

Put these in order of magnitude

35. a) gale b) breeze c) hurricane d) gust

Choose the strange word

36. a) cabbage b) lucky leberry c) leek d) mango
37. a) Adamaoua b) Cameroon c) Congo d) Gabon
38. Make sense out of the jumbled words: you live both. Do street Foncha in?

- a) Both you live in Foncha street do?
 - b) Both do you live in Foncha street?
 - c) In Foncha street do you both live?
 - d) Do you both live in Foncha street?
39. They own that cat. This means that
- a) That cat is theirs
 - b) that cat is them
 - c) that cat is their

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