

I. Listen to the story and answer the questions.

- 1) The woman went to ...
A. Crete last year
B. Greece this year
C. Greece last year
- 2) They are going on holiday for ...
A. two weeks
B. a month
C. one week
- 3) She and her husband are staying in a ...
A. town
B. hotel
C. small village
- 4) They are staying by the ...
A. forest
B. sea
C. ocean
- 5) The woman is going to ... every day on holiday.
A. cook
B. eat out
C. do the cleaning
- 6) The woman's husband enjoys ... on holiday.
A. cooking
B. storing up
C. eating out
- 7) Her husband can cook ...
A. different dishes
B. nothing
C. Italian food
- 8) Food in local restaurants is said to be ...
A. exquisite
B. dreadful
C. loathsome
- 9) The man would like to go to ...
A. Malta
B. Maltha
C. a mall
- 10) The man has already ... his trip.
A. booked
B. thought about
C. had

II. Read the text attentively and choose the right form from the variants below.

The Simpsons are ... (11) Americans. It is a soft-satirical parody. The family consists ... (12) five people: Homer, the father, who likes alcohol; Marge, the mother, who has blue hair; Bart, a school-boy; Lisa, who goes to school too and Maggie,

the lovely baby. She doesn't talk. They all love animals. Their favourite TV show ... (13) called "The Itchy and Scratchy show". It ... (14) a parody on "Tom and Jerry" where a cat and a mouse ... (15) each other, but Itchy and Scratchy are much ... (16) violent.

The show is set in the fictional town of Springfield, and makes ... (17) many aspects of the human condition, as well as American culture, society ... (18) a whole, and television itself. The Simpsons was an early hit for Fox and won several major awards. The Simpsons ... (19) cited as an influence on many animated sitcoms.

... (20) its debut on December 17, 1989, the show has aired 403 episodes over 19 seasons. 2007 marks the 20th anniversary of The Simpsons. A feature-length film, The Simpsons Movie, was released worldwide by July 27, 2007.

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| 11) A. animated | B. an animated | C. animate |
| 12) A. at | B. from | C. of |
| 13) A. was | B. is | C. will be |
| 14) A. is | B. has | C. were |
| 15) A. hurt | B. hurts | C. hits |
| 16) A. much | B. than | C. more |
| 17) A. fun of | B. laugh at | C. fun at |
| 18) A. is | B. as | C. like |
| 19) A. has been | B. have been | C. will |
| 20) A. When | B. At | C. Since |

III. Complete the phrases using the information from the text.

- 21) The Simpsons movie was released ...
A. all over the world
B. only in the USA
C. in some parts of the world
- 22) There are ... people in the family.
A. four
B. five
C. three
- 23) The Simpsons ...
A. come from the USA
B. comes from Great Britain
C. living in Africa
- 24) Marge has ...
A. blonde hair
B. no children
C. blue hair

- 25) Bart is a ...
A. teacher
B. schoolboy
C. father
- 26) Maggie ...
A. talks a lot
B. doesn't talk
C. loves talking
- 27) Maggie ...
A. goes to school
B. doesn't go to school
C. is the mother
- 28) The Simpsons like to watch ... most of all.
A. drain
B. TV
C. books
- 29) "The Itchy and Scratchy" is the ... on "Tom and Jerry".
A. parody
B. pairing
C. painting
- 30) The cat and the mouse ...
A. never quarrel
B. hit each other
C. never see each other

IV. Complete the dialogue.

B is for Bart, M is for Marge

B: Hi, mom!

M: Hello, darling!

B: Could you help me with my English test, please?

M: Yes, sure!

B: 31) What does this mean: "to rain cats and dogs"?

M: A. it is sunny during the rain
B. it rains heavily
C. there are cats and dogs in the street

B: 32) Oh, thank you!!! And what does "hit on" mean?

M: A. find something unexpectedly
B. hit somebody in the face
C. become a music hit

B: 33) Thank you so much!!! I've got another ... questions.

A. match of
B. two of
C. couple of

M: Yes, darling!

- B: 34) What is "to pull one's leg"?
M: A. to play jokes on somebody
B. to have the leg drawn up
C. to hurt the leg
- B: 35) And "to do away"?
M: A. to go away
B. to put an end to
C. to make somebody go away
- B: 36) Mom, and "something goes amiss"?
M: A. something is not going well
B. something goes on well
C. something hurts me
- B: 37) What about "to make a do of it"?
M: A. to make a carpet
B. to use something properly
C. be successful
- B: 38) The teacher said that I "played truant".
What did he mean?
M: A. you skipped lessons
B. you pretended to be dead
C. you pretended to be ill
- B: 39) And he also said that our lesson will be
"as good as a play". What does it mean?
M: A. very unusual
B. very interesting
C. very short
- B: 40) Moreover, he said that I should "play it
cool". What did he mean?
M: A. you should be calm
B. you are the best student
C. you should study more
- B: Thank you, mom!!!

V. Choose the correct explanation for the words according to their meaning in the text.

- 41) animated =
A. drawn B. real C. ankle
- 42) soft-satirical =
A. looking out B. deriding C. setting
- 43) favourite =
A. beloved B. detested C. damned
- 44) violent =
A. queer B. curious C. cruel
- 45) fictional =
A. invented B. assumed C. brushed
- 46) aspect =
A. perspective B. shape C. spot
- 47) major =
A. grand B. chief C. splendid
- 48) cite =
A. fore B. answer C. refer

- 49) sitcom = ... comedy
A. soap B. situation C. satiric
- 50) anniversary =
A. jubilee B. annual C. annite

VI. Choose the correct answer.

- 51) The girl was ... from her friend in the exam.
A. accusing to copy
B. accused of copying
C. accused that she copied
- 52) She was ... when she got lost in the bazaar in
Tunis.
A. absolutely terrified
B. absolutely terrifying
C. very frightening
- 53) My brother ... his room in a mess. It's awful!
A. always leaving
B. is leaving always
C. is always leaving
- 54) There was a fire in the factory last Friday
night, but fortunately the fire officers ... put
it out.
A. could
B. have managed to
C. were able to
- 55) Her grandfather ... a policeman in London.
A. is used to be
B. used to be
C. used to being
- 56) You'll never pass the exam ... harder.
A. if you will study
B. if you studied
C. unless you study
- 57) She doesn't like spicy food, ... hot curries.
A. so as
B. as
C. such as
- 58) The teacher asked ... the next paragraph.
A. her to read
B. that she read
C. her that to read
- 59) ... having three houses, he lived on a boat on
the River.
A. In case of
B. Even though
C. Despite
- 60) Because there were storms over the mountains,
they had a very ...
A. bumpy flight
B. nervous plane
C. uncomfortable flying



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