

# ***Straightforward* Upper Intermediate and Advanced Placement test**

The *Straightforward* Upper Intermediate and Advanced Placement test has been designed to help you decide whether the *Straightforward* Upper Intermediate course would be suitable for your students or whether they would qualify for using the *Straightforward* Advanced Course.

The *Straightforward* test has 50 questions, each worth one point. The first 40 are grammar questions and the final 10 are vocabulary questions. The conversion chart below has been designed to assist you in making your decision but please note, however, that these bandings are a guide.

<b>Total score</b>	<b>Level</b>
0 – 35	Upper Intermediate
36 – 50	Advanced

This test can also be used to diagnose the grammar of the Upper Intermediate level that your students need clarification on.

## ***Grammar***

- 1 She \_\_\_\_ obsessed with rock climbing at a young age. **Unit 1A**
  - a becomes
  - b became
  - c has become
  - d would become
  
- 2 He's not a stamp collector, \_\_\_\_? **Unit 1A**
  - a was he
  - b wasn't he
  - c is he
  - d isn't he
  
- 3 How long \_\_\_\_ you had this car? **Unit 1B**
  - a did
  - b do
  - c have
  - d were
  
- 4 \_\_\_\_ anyone get hurt? **Unit 1B**
  - a did
  - b were
  - c have
  - d had
  
- 5 He \_\_\_\_ about birds. It drives me mad! **Unit 2A**
  - a forever talk
  - b is forever talking
  - c will forever be talking
  - d has forever been talking
  
- 6 She keeps \_\_\_\_ her things all around the place which is so annoying. **Unit 2A**
  - a to leave
  - b leaves
  - c leave
  - d leaving

- 7 He \_\_\_\_ me to the first game when I was only 6. **Unit 2C**  
a used to take  
b would take  
c took  
d has taken
- 8 At first I \_\_\_\_ starting work so early but this has changed. **Unit 2D**  
a didn't use to  
b wouldn't  
c didn't have to  
d wasn't used to
- 9 My new PC, \_\_\_\_ I bought last week, has already broken down. **Unit 3B**  
a that  
b which  
c whose  
d —
- 10 I'd like to see the photos \_\_\_\_ you took on holiday. **Unit 3B**  
a who  
b whose  
c where  
d —
- 11 People \_\_\_\_\_ from the illness find it difficult to relax. **Unit 3C**  
a suffered  
b suffering  
c who suffering  
d were suffering
- 12 You'd better take your coat \_\_\_\_ the weather gets worse. **Unit 4A**  
a in case  
b otherwise  
c so that  
d in order to
- 13 She did a course in confidence building \_\_\_\_ overcome her phobia **Unit 4A**  
a so that  
b in order to  
c although  
d in case
- 14 He \_\_\_\_ a therapist for several years after he left school. **Unit 4B**  
a has seen  
b has been seeing  
c saw  
d used to seeing
- 15 She \_\_\_\_ much better since she left the hospital last week. **Unit 4B**  
a is feeling  
b feels  
c felt  
d has been feeling
- 16 He realized that he \_\_\_\_ his car keys in the office. **Unit 5A**  
a left  
b has left  
c had left  
d was leaving

- 17 We couldn't fall asleep because our neighbours \_\_\_\_ a lot of noise. **Unit 5A**  
a made  
b had made  
c have made  
d were making
- 18 \_\_\_\_ plans you might have for the weekend, you'll have to change them. **Unit 5B**  
a Wherever  
b Whoever  
c Whatever  
d However
- 19 They \_\_\_\_ out for a few years before they decided to get married. **Unit 5C**  
a had gone  
b have been going  
c were going  
d had been going
- 20 You won't pass the exam \_\_\_\_ you start revising immediately. **Unit 6A**  
a as long as  
b provided  
c unless  
d if
- 21 We wouldn't have missed the bus if you \_\_\_\_ to chat with Mary! **Unit 6A**  
a didn't stop  
b hadn't stopped  
c don't stop  
d wouldn't have stopped
- 22 The party was so boring I wish I \_\_\_\_ there at all. **Unit 6B**  
a hadn't gone  
b wouldn't go  
c haven't gone  
d didn't go
- 23 If only you \_\_\_\_ more time to spend with the family. **Unit 6B**  
a would have  
b have had  
c had  
d have
- 24 Oh, you're busy? I \_\_\_\_ you later, OK? **Unit 7B**  
a am calling  
b call  
c have called  
d will call
- 25 By the time the guests arrive, we \_\_\_\_ everything for the party. **Unit 7C**  
a will be preparing  
b will have prepared  
c prepare  
d have prepared
- 26 During the next meeting we \_\_\_\_ about setting goals. **Unit 7C**  
a are talking  
b will have talked  
c will be talking  
d talk

- 27 I can't find my keys. I \_\_\_\_ them. **Unit 8B**  
a may lose  
b must lost  
c might have lost  
d should have lost
- 28 The police stopped us and said we \_\_\_\_ to enter the building. **Unit 8C**  
a can't  
b couldn't  
c didn't allow  
d weren't allowed
- 29 Admission was free so we \_\_\_\_ any tickets. **Unit 8C**  
a needn't buy  
b mustn't buy  
c didn't need to buy  
d mustn't have bought
- 30 I'm not sure if you're aware \_\_\_\_ the risk. **Unit 9B**  
a of  
b to  
c at  
d in
- 31 The horror movie wasn't just frightening! It was \_\_\_\_ terrifying! **Unit 9C**  
a extremely  
b absolutely  
c very  
d fairly
- 32 \_\_\_\_ the weather was horrible, we decided to go out for a short walk. **Unit 9D**  
a Even though  
b However  
c In spite of  
d Despite
- 33 We should remind \_\_\_\_ to be thankful for all that we have. **Unit 10A**  
a us  
b —  
c ourselves  
d we
- 34 His father asked Dan where \_\_\_\_ all day. **Unit 10B**  
a had he been  
b was he  
c he had been  
d he has been
- 35 She advised him \_\_\_\_\_ sun cream. **Unit 10C**  
a putting  
b put on  
c to putting on  
d to put on
- 36 She was only 19 when she sailed across \_\_\_\_ Atlantic. **Unit 11A**  
a a  
b an  
c the  
d —

- 37 Your leg could be broken so you must have \_\_\_\_ X-ray. **Unit 11C**  
a a  
b an  
c the  
d —
- 38 The square was \_\_\_\_ crowded we couldn't pass. **Unit 11D**  
a so  
b such  
c very  
d as
- 39 Two climbers are reported to \_\_\_\_ during the storm last night. **Unit 12B**  
a die  
b have died  
c had died  
d died
- 40 I'll need to have the stairs \_\_\_\_\_. **Unit 12C**  
a renovate  
b renovating  
c to renovate  
d renovated

## ***Vocabulary***

- 41 I only paid £20 for this jacket! It was a real \_\_\_\_\_.  
a buy  
b price  
c bargain  
d sale
- 42 Jane is always poking her nose in other people's business. She's so \_\_\_\_!  
a inquisitive  
b obedient  
c playful  
d unreliable
- 43 As far as I'm \_\_\_\_, I do not support the new government.  
a matter  
b referred  
c according  
d concerned
- 44 The window \_\_\_\_ was really imaginative.  
a exhibition  
b display  
c collection  
d vision
- 45 She \_\_\_\_ the sack last week and is now looking for a new job.  
a did  
b made  
c took  
d got

- 46 She doesn't \_\_\_\_\_ of my decision.
- a agree
  - b approve
  - c accept
  - d support
- 47 During his stay in Indonesia he went \_\_\_\_\_ with malaria.
- a up
  - b off
  - c down
  - d over
- 48 When the customs officers found some illegal goods hidden in the car, he was arrested for \_\_\_\_\_.
- a assault
  - b mugging
  - c hijacking
  - d smuggling
- 49 I can't move the sofa. Could you \_\_\_\_\_ me a hand with it, please?
- a give
  - b get
  - c take
  - d borrow
- 50 I couldn't get in \_\_\_\_\_ with you all week! Where have you been?
- a contact
  - b call
  - c touch
  - d talk