

I. READING

It was something new to call a girl Florence. Within fifty years thousands of girls all over the world would be christened Florence in honor of this baby, but in the summer of 1820, when Fanny Nightingale fixed on the name, it was new.

Novelty was the fashion in 1820. Europe was still rejoicing in the liberty which followed the Napoleonic wars. Freedom to travel had returned and Europe was thronged with travelers. Fanny and William Edward Nightingale had been traveling in Europe since their marriage in 1818. They already had one daughter, born in Naples in 1819 and christened by the Greek name for her birthplace, Parthenope. For her second confinement Fanny chose the city of Florence. When a second girl was born there on May 12, 1820, Fanny decided she too should be named after her birthplace.

Fanny and W.E.N., as he was always called, though both handsome and intelligent, were not a well-matched couple. Fanny was six years older than W.E.N. In 1820 she was thirty-two, extremely beautiful, generous and extravagant, indefatigable in the pursuit of pleasure. In the art of making people comfortable, in the arrangement of a house, the production of good dinners, she possessed genius.

She came from a remarkable family. Her grandfather, Samuel Smith, had been celebrated for the riches he had amassed as a merchant, and for his humanitarian principles. His son William, Fanny's father, devoted his wealth to collecting pictures and fighting for the weak, the unpopular and the oppressed.

Woodham-Smith, Cecil. "Florence Nightingale." Reader's Digest Condensed Books. Volume Three. Summer Selections. The Reader's Digest Association. Pleasantville, N. Y., 1963. 401.

1. The passage can best be described as which of the following?

- ☐ A) An introduction to a fable.
- ☐ B) An introduction to a biographical novel.
- ☐ C) A description of historic events of XIX c.
- ☐ D) A description of an Italian city.

2. What does the abbreviation in the passage stand for?

- ☐ A) The way to call somebody handsome and intelligent.
- ☐ B) A name someone was addressed by.
- ☐ C) Initials.
- ☐ D) Maiden name.

3. According to the text, Fanny

- ☐ A) invented the name
- ☐ B) possessed genius in the art of outraging others
- ☐ C) was a daughter of a tradesman
- ☐ D) was handsome and intelligent

4. The date of Florence's birth may be written as in British English.

- ☐ A) 12th May, 1820
- ☐ B) May 12th, 1820
- ☐ C) May twelfth, 1820
- ☐ D) May the twelve, 1820

5. Which was not mentioned in the passage?

- ☐ A) Future popularity of one of the names.
- ☐ B) The reason for Europe being thronged with travellers in 1820.
- ☐ C) Character traits.
- ☐ D) Word/words related to a religious rite.

II. COMMUNICATION AND VOCABULARY

6. A: Some people are reluctant to learn a foreign language.

B:

- ☐ A) Too bad for them.
- ☐ B) The worse it is for they.
- ☐ C) I feel sorry for them.
- ☐ D) I pity them.

7. A: I haven't seen you for ages.

B:

- ☐ A) I know. You haven't changed a bit.
- ☐ B) It's a pleasure to meet you.
- ☐ C) How do you do?
- ☐ D) Yes, long time no see.

8. A: Would you like a cup of tea?

B:

- ☐ A) It's my pleasure.
- ☐ B) Don't mention it.
- ☐ C) Thanks, I'd love one.
- ☐ D) Thanks, I like it.

9. A: I think you should apologize.

B: I know, there's really no for my behaviour at the meeting.

- ☐ A) excuse
- ☐ B) exception
- ☐ C) sorry
- ☐ D) forgive

10. A: I need your support.

B: You can be absolutely sure.

- ☐ A) I am on your side
- ☐ B) We speak on this matter with one voice
- ☐ C) I close by you all the way.
- ☐ D) You can try on me for your support

11. When the prisoner saw the door unlocked, he made a for it.

- ☐ A) crush
- ☐ B) slash
- ☐ C) thrash
- ☐ D) dash

12. They could not decide what to do. They had to

- ☐ A) bring it to the vote ☐ Б) put it to a vote
☐ B) take a vote ☐ Г) make a vote on it

13. I want to travel when I grow up.

- ☐ A) wildly ☐ Б) wide and far
☐ B) far and wide ☐ Г) widely

14. I hoped to with him at tennis but I was wrong.

- ☐ A) wipe the tears
☐ Б) wipe the fist
☐ B) wipe the smile off
☐ Г) wipe the floor

15. By coincidence he was by lightning five times, but managed to survive each time.

- ☐ A) surprising; attacked
☐ Б) unusual; got
☐ B) amazing; struck
☐ Г) wonderful; caught

16. In one of her interviews, Michelle Obama spoke openly about her own imposter syndrome.

- ☐ A) feelings that you're really not good at what you do
☐ Б) feelings where you refuse to tolerate frauds
☐ B) feelings that you don't deserve your position
☐ Г) feelings that one should be reproached for not doing what is expected

17. Someone who does not live in their native country is an

- ☐ A) expatrian ☐ Б) expatriate
☐ B) ex-patriarch ☐ Г) ex-patriot

III. GRAMMAR

18. Steve's got to go hospital to have an examination. (BrE and AmE)

- ☐ A) onto ☐ Б) through
☐ B) to ☐ Г) to the

19. "If we're spending too much money, we'll have to spend less."

- ☐ A) cut back ☐ Б) cut off
☐ B) cut up ☐ Г) cut away

20. Find any possible equivalent(s) to the sentence "They say she is ill".

- ☐ A) It is said that she is ill.
☐ Б) She is said to be ill.
☐ B) She is ill said by them.
☐ Г) They say what she is ill.

21. "I will not see you off tomorrow unless you me what time the train"

- ☐ A) don't tell; leave ☐ Б) won't tell; left
☐ B) will tell; left ☐ Г) tell; leaves

22. "Do listen, you?"

- ☐ A) willn't ☐ Б) aren't
☐ B) don't ☐ Г) will

23. Marion came and demolished the cheesecake. Others saw her at it didn't comment.

- ☐ A) nor ☐ Б) since
☐ B) yet ☐ Г) before

24. Paul: "Are you hungry?"

Sam (to another person): "Paul wanted to know"

- ☐ A) if we were hungry.
☐ Б) if I were hungry.
☐ B) if were we hungry?
☐ Г) if you were hungry.

25. Which sentence(s) does (do) not contain an awkward word choice?

- ☐ A) They had a highly tasty lunch.
☐ Б) That was a highly good idea.
☐ B) He's a highly successful businessman.
☐ Г) It's highly likely they are in London now.

26. "They cannot help you in any way" can be paraphrased into ".....".

- ☐ A) In no way can they help you
☐ Б) Can they not help you in no way
☐ B) In not any way you can help them
☐ Г) Not a way they cannot help you

27. He be awake yet. It's only seven o'clock.

- ☐ A) could have ☐ Б) might not
☐ B) mustn't to ☐ Г) can't to

28. In case you run a dog, you have to report it to the police.

- ☐ A) into ☐ Б) over
☐ B) across ☐ Г) on

29. Convert the year 746 from numbers to words (BrE and AmE):

- ☐ A) seven forty-six
☐ Б) seven hundred and forty-six
☐ B) seventy fourty-six
☐ Г) seven hundred forty-six

30. My daughter has bought a dress.

- ☐ A) beautiful red silk
☐ Б) silk red polka-dot
☐ B) new beautiful polka-dot
☐ Г) short red silk