

EXERCISES

I. Choose the appropriate idiomatic expression to substitute for the italicized word or words in each sentence below. Idioms from previous lessons are indicated by number.

1. It took me a long time to recover from the sadness of losing my girlfriend.
A. to get over B. to look out C. to change my mind D. get on
2. James dislikes his smoking habit so much that he wants to quit forever.
A. for the time being B. for good C. in a hurry D. for sale
3. At the last moment, Judy altered her decision about getting married so quickly.
A. changed her mind B. made up her mind C. never mind D. got over
4. I'd like you to remove those toys from sight before they get broken.
A. to put away B. to take out C. to look out D. put off
5. I still have a lot of work to do, but I feel like stopping temporarily.
A. in a hurry B. to shake hands C. for now D. up to now
6. Mr. Harris got _____ from his business trip to Chicago this morning.
A. off B. out C. in D. back
7. How did she ever _____ cold in such warm weather?
A. win B. had C. caught D. catch
8. Sally is considering several colleges to attend, but she hasn't made up her mind yet.
A. divide B. decided C. change D. worked
9. For the time being, Janet is working as a waitress, but she really hopes to become an actress soon.
A. for now B. up to present time C. so far D. such a long time
10. The referee called off the soccer game because of the darkness.
A. canceled B. postponed C. put off D. called up
11. Many students put off doing their assignments until the last minute.
A. put up B. canceled C. postponed D. put out
12. Alex seems _____ a hurry; he must be late for his train again.
A. on B. in C. at D. for
13. When are you going to make up your mind about your vacation plans?
A. decide B. deceive C. get back D. divide
14. Matthew has changed his _____ several times about buying a new car.
A. sight B. view C. head D. mind
15. Are you finished with school for good, or will you continue your studies some day?
A. for the time being B. in a hurry C. forever D. for sale
16. The president called the meeting _____ because she had to leave town.
A. in B. off C. up D. on
17. We have _____ our minds and are going to Canada instead of California this summer.
A. changed B. arranged C. agreed D. awoke
18. Will you return in time for dinner or will you be home late tonight?
A. put off B. get back C. take place D. get up
19. Do you think it's too early to telephone Cindy this morning?
A. call off B. call on C. call up D. call over
20. Judy wanted to postpone the wedding for other two or three months.
A. call off B. put off C. turn off D. cancel
21. If you don't wear a sweater in this cold weather, you'll suffer from a cold.
A. get over B. catch a cold C. tire out D. recover
22. If you don't be careful, you'll cut your hands on that sharp knife.
A. look up B. watch out C. make up your mind D. look up
23. When people meet for the first time, they usually shake _____.
A. arms B. legs C. hands D. fingers
24. " _____ !" Jeffrey cried as his friend almost stepped in a big hole in the ground.
A. Look out B. look after C. look up D. take place
25. Could you get the children _____ home by five o'clock?
A. back B. off C. over D. off

26. **Look out** for reckless drivers whenever you cross the street.
A. look after **B. watch out** C. look up D. postpone
27. It took me over a month to **get over** my cold, but I'm finally well now.
A. quit **B. recover** C. give out D. gave away
28. The student warmly _____ hands with his old professor at the meeting last weekend.
A. shook B. shakes C. shaken D. looked
29. Small children should always **watch out** for strangers offering candy.
A. look for B. see off C. look up **D. be cautious**
30. If you go out in this rain, you will surely **catch cold**.
A. suffer from a cold B. cold C. carry cold D. put on a cold
31. Ruth has **returned** to Canada for good. She won't ever live in the United States again.
A. got over B. got on **C. got back** D. got off
32. It seems that Mr. Mason will never **get over** the death of his wife.
A. recollect B. receive **C. recover** D. recall
33. We're living in an apartment **for now**, but soon we'll be looking for a house to buy.
A. in a hurry B. to shake hands **C. for the time being** D. up to now
34. Let's put the party _____ until next weekend, okay?
A. on B. up C. away **D. off**
35. She's always **in a rush** in the morning to get the kids to school.
A. at last B. for now **C. in a hurry** D. by mistake

II. Fill in each blank with the appropriate form of an idiomatic expression from this unit only.

Todd: Mark! I was wondering when you would (1) _____ home!

Mark: Hi, Todd. I'm sorry, but I had a late meeting today.

Todd: Usually you leave a note in the morning when you'll be late.

Mark: I know, but I had to leave (2) _____ to catch the bus to work I almost missed it.

Todd: Say, what do you think? Should I go to a movie tonight with Sheila and Dick, or shouldn't I? I need to (3) _____ soon.

Mark: What do you mean? You haven't (4) _____ your cold yet, have you?

Todd: No, I haven't, but I feel much better.

Mark: I think that you feel better (5) _____ only because you stayed home all day.

Todd: I guess you're right. Do you think that I should (6) _____ going with them until another time?

Mark: That would be my advice.

III. Choose the best answer to complete the sentences.

1. I am _____ my vacation next month.
A. looking to **B. looking forward to**
C. looking out for D. looking through
2. _____ the pot-holes in the road when you ride your bike.
A. Look to B. Look over C. Look out **D. Look out for**
3. I can't find my keys. Can you help me _____ them?
A. look for B. look after C. look out D. look up
4. My friend Jacky always asks me to _____ her dog when she goes out of town.
A. look at **B. look after** C. look with D. look to
5. I don't know where I am going, I need to _____ a map.
A. look with B. look to C. look for **D. look at**
6. I really _____ my old professor. He is a wise and kind man who has inspired me to continue my studies.
A. look up to B. look like C. look after D. look over
7. Could you please _____ my homework and make sure there aren't any errors?
A. look over B. look up C. look in D. look to
8. If you don't know the definition of the word you should _____ in the dictionary
A. look it ut **B. look it up** C. look it out D. look it through
9. The president of the company did not have much time so he only _____ the meeting.
A. looked in on B. looked in C. looked at D. looked down on

10. Chris and Paul have many files that they need to _____ in order to find the paper.
A. look out B. look C. look back **D. look through**
11. Whenever I read a mystery novel I always _____ to find out the ending to the story.
A. look after B. look for C. look in **D. look ahead**
12. Even though they are twins they don't _____.
A. look alike B. look like C. look in D. look out
13. She is such a snob, she is always _____ people who have less money than her.
A. looking forward to **B. looking down on**
C. looking for D. looking down
14. I forgot to _____ my plant, and now it has died.
A. look at B. look for **C. look after** D. look over
15. The only thing that gets me through the Winter is _____ the Spring when the snow melts and the flowers bloom again.
A. looking forward to B. looking down on
C. looking ahead D. looking at
16. When the police could not solve the crime they asked the private detective to _____ the case.
A. look after B. look back **C. look into** D. look out for
17. I will _____ my e-mails to see if I can find a copy of the message.
A. looks through B. looks on C. looks in D. looks alike
18. I won't be nervous if I _____ my notes one more time before I give my speech.
A. look ahead B. look for C. look at **D. look over**
19. What role model do you most _____?
A. look to **B. look up to** C. look up D. look for
20. I don't like to _____ on my childhood because it wasn't very happy.
A. look back B. look C. look into D. look ahead
21. We looked _____ a few houses before we bought this one.
A. for **B. at** C. forward D. round
22. We asked the teacher to look _____ our essays for mistakes.
A. Into B. after **C. through** D. over
23. I don't know where my book is. I have to _____ it.
A. look for B. look after C. look into D. look up
24. Could you look _____ my dog while I'm on holiday, please?
A. after B. into C. up D. forward to
25. I'm really looking _____ to my holiday as I need a rest
A. up **B. forward** C. down on D. back
26. Some people came to look _____ the house, but I don't think they'll buy it
A. over B. into C. after D. round
27. "Look _____ that chair's going to fall over!"
A. round B. into C. out **D. over**
28. I had to look _____ my aunt's children while she was away
A. into B. after C. up D. back
29. If you don't know a word, look it _____ in a dictionary
A. after **B. up** C. at D. up to
30. Look _____; he's got a gun!
A. up B. in **C. out** D. round
31. He's a bit of a snob and looks _____ people who aren't from his social background
A. up to B. forward to **C. down on** D. into
32. The police **are investigating** the cause of the plane crash
A. looking into B. looking up C. looking over D. looking up to
33. She's always losing her keys and looking _____ them
A. for B. at C. to D. after
34. I look _____ on my childhood as the happiest part of my life
A. round B. through **C. back** D. in on

35. I didn't know the word so I looked it _____ in the dictionary.
A. into B. after C. round **D. up**
36. I looked their address _____ in the telephone directory.
A. over **B. up** C. after D. forward to
37. My father's wonderful. He's the person I most **admire**.
A. look forward to B. look into C. look down on **D. look up to**
38. When I look _____ on my time at university, it puts a smile on my face.
A. down on B. up to **C. back** D. round
39. I think I lost my car keys. Will you help me _____ them?
A. look into B. look over C. look back **D. look for**
40. My lawyer told me to _____ the contract before I signed it.
A. look over B. look up to C. look down on D. look for
41. The accident was so horrible that I had to _____ .
A. look for B. look forward to **C. look away** D. look into
42. It is wrong to _____ poorer people.
A. look down on B. look into C. look back D. look for
43. Who is _____ the baby when you are away from home?
A. looks on B. looks in **C. looking after** D. looks alike
44. You can _____ my number in the telephone directory.
A. look up B. look after C. look into D. look for
45. I _____ meeting you next week.
A. look for **B. look forward to** C. look away D. look into
46. We'll _____ the problem and come back to you when we have the information.
A. look after B. look back **C. look into** D. look out for
47. When I was a child I always _____ my grandparents, who were wonderful people.
A. looked up to B. looked for C. look down on D. look into
48. The police will _____ the causes of the fire
A. look over B. look for **C. look into** D. look up to
49. We were going to _____ my brother-in-law, but he wasn't home.
A. look after B. look for **C. look in on** D. look over
50. The newcomer student in our class really _____ their teachers.
A. look in on B. look out C. after **D. look up to**
51. Are you still looking _____ a job?
A. out **B. for** C. after D. up to
52. Everybody, look _____ this picture, please.
A. at B. in C. in on D. after
53. Lady Crawford and her friends are in the habit of looking down on people who are _____.
A. wealthier than they are B. taller than they are
C. less-educated than they are D. higher position in society than they are
54. We _____ the house and decided that we didn't like it enough to buy it.
A. looked into B. looked for C. looked after **D. looked round**
- 55.** Old people often look _____ their lives in the past.
A. back B. on C. after D. for
56. Who will _____ your house while you go out to work?
A. look for B. look up **C. look after** D. look at
57. The Police just **looked on** as the demonstrators marched peacefully through the streets.
A. managed **B. observed** C. tried on D. see
58. Nobody helped me. They just _____ as I struggled to get up off the street.
A. looked for B. looked into C. look out **D. looked on**
59. _____ ! The boss is coming.
A. Look out B. look after C. look over D. look up to
60. At the end of the exam, I only had a few minutes to _____ what I had written.
A. look up B. look into **C. look over** D. look for

61. I had to look _____ my neighbour's dog while she was away.
A. into **B. after** C. up D. for
62. If you don't know a word, look it _____ in a dictionary.
A. after **B. up** C. at D. over
63. Look _____: he's got a gun!
A. up B. in **C. out** D. into
64. She promised them that she would look _____ the matter and find out what had gone wrong.
A. at B. to **C. into** D. over
65. He's a bit of a snob and looks _____ people who aren't from his social background.
A. up to B. forward to **C. down on** D. down on
66. The Investigation Committee was set up to look _____ the cause of the plane crash.
A. into B. up C. over D. forward to
67. I'm really looking _____ to my holiday as I need a rest
A. up **B. forward** C. down on D. over
68. She's always losing her keys and looking _____ them.
A. for B. at C. to D. down on
69. Customs stopped me and looked _____ all my luggage.
A. on **B. through** C. into D. back
70. Could you look _____ my dog while I'm on holiday, please?
A. after B. into C. up D. over
71. I look _____ on my childhood as the happiest part of my life.
A. round B. through **C. back** D. into
72. "Look _____! That chair's going to fall over!"
A. over **B. out** C. round D. up
73. When my brother is out of town, I _____ the cats.
A. look after B. look for C. look over D. look into
74. When I _____ on my time at university, it puts a smile on my face.
A. look back B. look over C. look into D. look forward to
75. Many Americans used to _____ on Japanese made cars. They don't now.
A. look into B. look for **C. look down** D. look up
76. I think I lost my car keys. Will you help me _____ them?
A. look after B. look into C. look back **D. look for**
77. I am looking _____ visiting the Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam.
A. in B. over **C. forward to** D. at
78. My father's wonderful. He's the person I most _____.
A. look down on B. look forward to C. look over **D. look up to**
79. All his employees look _____ him and admire him.
A. down to **B. up to** D. over D. into
80. Would you look _____ my dog for me this weekend?
A. after B. for C. into D. over
81. The group is looking _____ vacationing together.
A. out B. for **D. into** D. over
82. What do you see when you look _____ the mirror?
A. for C. over **C. into** D. up to
83. Look _____! There's a bus coming.
A. from **B. out** C. after D. down on
84. My lawyer told me to look _____ the contract before I signed it.
A. over B. round C. through D. in
85. You must look _____ new vocabulary words in your dictionary.
A. for B. into C. over **D. up**