

Test yourself: basic points

Here are some of the basic grammar points from *How English Works*. Do you know them all? Check your answers on page 11.

Choose the correct answer(s). One or more answers may be correct.

- 1 She's ... university teacher.
A a B an C the D one
- 2 I like ... small animals.
A the B — (= nothing) C every D all
- 3 Is this coat ... ?
A yours B your C the yours
- 4 Is Diana ... ?
A a friend of yours B a your friend C your friend
- 5 Who are ... people over there?
A that B the C these D those
- 6 ... is your phone number?
A Which B What C How
- 7 Could I have ... drink?
A other B an other C another
- 8 There aren't ... for everybody.
A chairs enough B enough chairs C enough of chairs
- 9 They're ... young to get married.
A too much B too C very too
- 10 Most ... like travelling.
A of people B of the people C people
- 11 Ann and Peter phone ... every day.
A them B himself C themselves D each other
- 12 It's ... weather.
A terrible B a terrible C the terrible
- 13 *The plural of car is cars. Which of these are correct plurals?*
A journeys B ladys C minuts D sandwichs E babies
- 14 *Which of these is/are correct?*
A happier B more happier C unhappier D beautifuller
- 15 This is ... winter for 20 years.
A the more bad B worse C the worse D worst
E the worst

- 16 She's much taller ... me.
A than B as C that
- 17 He lives in the same street ... me.
A that B like C as D than
- 18 Her eyes ... a very light blue.
A are B have C has
- 19 ... help me?
A Can you to B Do you can C Can you
- 20 You ... worry about it.
A not must B don't must C must not D mustn't
- 21 It ... again. It ... all the time here in the winter.
A 's raining, 's raining B rains, rains
C rains, 's raining D 's raining, rains
- 22 I ... she ... you.
A think, likes B am thinking, is liking
C think, is liking D am thinking, likes
- 23 Who ... the window?
A open B opened C did opened
- 24 Why ... ?
A those men are laughing
B are laughing those men
C are those men laughing
- 25 What ... ?
A does she want B does she wants C she wants
- 26 I didn't ... he was at home.
A to think B think C thinking D thought
- 27 ... a hole in my sock.
A There's B There is C It's D It is E Is
- 28 I'll see you ... Tuesday afternoon.
A at B on C in
- 29 What time did you arrive ... the station?
A at B to C —
- 30 We're going ... the opera tomorrow night.
A at B — C in D to

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- 31 I went out without ... money.
A some B any
- 32 He's got ... money.
A much B many C a lot of D lots of
- 33 'Who's there?' '...'
A It's me B It is I C Me D I
- 34 Although he felt very ..., he smiled ...
A angrily, friendly B angry, friendly C angry, in a friendly way
- 35 I ... to America.
A have often been B often have been C have been often
- 36 My mother ... my birthday.
A always forgets B always is forgetting C forgets always
- 37 You look ... a teacher.
A like B as C the same like
- 38 How many brothers and sisters ... ?
A have you got B do you have C are you having
- 39 Good! I ... work tomorrow.
A mustn't B don't have to C haven't got to
- 40 I ... smoke.
A — (= nothing) B use to C used to
- 41 Andrew ... to see us this evening.
A will come B comes C is coming
- 42 Alice ... have a baby.
A will B shall C is going to
- 43 I knew that he ... waiting for somebody.
A is B was C would
- 44 ... Gloria last week?
A Have you seen B Did you see C Were you seeing
- 45 She's an old friend — I ... her ... years.
A 've known, for B know, for C 've known, since
D know, since
- 46 We met when we ... in France.
A studied B were studying C had studied
- 47 As soon as she came in I knew I ... her before.
A have seen B saw C had seen
- 48 This picture ... by a friend of my mother's.
A is painting B is painted C was painting D was painted
- 49 Can you ... ?
A make me some tea B make some tea for me
C make for me some tea
- 50 Try ... be late.
A not to B to not
- 51 I went to London ... clothes.
A for buy B for to buy C for buying D to buy
- 52 You can't live very long without
A to eat B eat C eating D you eat
- 53 I enjoy ... , but I wouldn't like ... it all my life.
A to teach, to do B teaching, doing C to teach, doing
D teaching, to do
- 54 Her parents don't want ... married.
A her to get B her get C that she get D that she gets
- 55 I'm not sure what ...
A do they want? B do they want. C they want.
- 56 The policeman ... me not to park there.
A asked B said C told D advised
- 57 I ... you if you ... that again.
A hit, say B 'll hit, 'll say C hit, 'll say D 'll hit, say
- 58 It would be nice if we ... a bit more room.
A would have B had C have
- 59 If you ... me, I ... in real trouble last year.
A didn't help, would have been
B hadn't helped, would have been
C hadn't helped, would be
D didn't help, would be
- 60 There's the man ... took your coat.
A which B who C that D —

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- 61 My family ... thinking of moving to Birmingham.
A is B are
- 62 We watched a ... on TV last night.
A war film B war's film C film of war
- 63 He was wearing ... riding boots.
A red old Spanish leather B old leather red Spanish
C old red Spanish leather D Spanish red old leather
- 64 ... he gets, ...
A The richer, the more friends he has
B Richer, more he has friends
C Richer, more friends he has
D The richer, the more he has friends
- 65 It's ... if you take the train.
A quicker B the quicker C quickest D the quickest
- 66 He ... very annoying.
A 's B 's being
- 67 That ... be Roger at the door - it's too early.
A can't B mustn't C couldn't
- 68 At last, after three days, they ... get to the top of the mountain.
A could B managed to C succeeded to D were able to
- 69 It was crazy to drive like that. You ... killed somebody.
A may have B might have C could have D can have
- 70 I wonder if John ... this evening.
A will phone B phones
- 71 Who ... you that ring?
A 's given B gave
- 72 He ... quite different since he ... married.
A is, has got B has been, has got C is, got D has been, got
- 73 This is the first time I ... a sports car.
A 've driven B 'm driving C drive
- 74 On her birthday ...
A she was given a new car B a new car was given to her
- 75 We can't use the sports hall yet because it ...
A is still built B is still building C is still being built

- 76 I look forward ... you soon.
A seeing B to seeing C to see
- 77 If you have trouble going to sleep, try ... a glass of milk before bedtime.
A drinking B to drink C drink
- 78 This is my friend Joe. I ... met, have you?
A don't think you've B think you haven't
- 79 How ... I
A he works hard B hard he works
- 80 Which of these sentences are correct in spoken English?
A Car's running badly. B Seen Peter?
C Can't come in here, sorry. D Careful what you say.
E Lost my glasses. F Have heard of her.
- 81 Nobody phoned, did ... ?
A he B she C they D it E he or she F anybody
- 82 If you were ever in trouble, I would give you all the help you ...
A will need B would need C need D needed
- 83 My wife will be upset ...
A if I don't get back tomorrow B unless I get back tomorrow
- 84 Tell me at once ... Margaret arrives.
A if B when C in case
- 85 It's time you ... home, but I'd rather you ... here.
A go, stay B went, stayed C go, stayed D went, stay
- 86 I wish I ... more time.
A had B have C would have D will have
- 87 John Hastings, ... , has just come to live in our street.
A that I was at school with B I was at school with
C with who I was at school D with whom I was at school
- 88 She keeps tapping her fingers, ... gets on my nerves.
A which B what C that which
- 89 Can you finish the job ... Friday?
A till B until C by D for
- 90 There's a supermarket ... our house.
A in front of B opposite C facing

