7. Ivy: Have you ever been out of the country?
   Sue:
   (A) Sometimes the ocean is calm.
   (B) My country has many cultures.
   (C) My friend went to Italy.
   (D) Yes, I’ve been abroad several times.

8. Student A: Was the graduation ceremony boring?
   Student B: ____________________________
   (A) Yes, it was fun.
   (B) I saw the whole thing on television.
   (C) No, he didn’t show up.
   (D) No, it was rather exciting.

9. Peter: I’ve registered 20 credits this semester.
   Jane: ____________________________ You’re certainly going to have your hands full
   for the next 4 months.
   (A) You have to sign up first.
   (B) It’s a reasonable tuition fee.
   (C) That’s a heavy load.
   (D) Mind your own business.

10. Ted: Could you get me a coke from the fridge?
    John: Hey, I’m just your roommate. ____________________________
     (A) It’s not my job to wait on you.
     (B) I can’t fix the fridge.
     (C) I am not interested in coke.
     (D) I really don’t know how to cook.

12. Economists are still debating whether the U.S. economy is headed for certain recession, or
    already in one, with employers shedding jobs and consumers reeling from high gas prices
    and tight credit.
    (A) celebrating   (B) hiding   (C) arguing   (D) testing

13. The government of Hong Kong has ordered all kindergartens and primary schools to close
    for two weeks amid a flu outbreak.
    (A) rumor  (B) spread  (C) medicine  (D) holiday

14. A successful marriage is based on reciprocal love and complete trust.
    (A) true  (B) false  (C) mutual  (D) separate

15. The university suffered a major setback in its plans to upgrade the microcomputers
    when the state government announced a budget cut.
    (A) success  (B) failure  (C) loan  (D) fund

16. Don’t dwell on the fact that you fail the test. It will just make you upset.
    (A) dream  (B) depress  (C) obsess  (D) fear

17. Despite the fact that he was regarded as an outstanding engineer, he seemed to be a very
    poor administrator.
    (A) honest  (B) clumsy  (C) determined  (D) eminent

18. Fertilizer can be added to the soil to provide chemical elements essential for plant nutrition
    so that the yield can be increased.
    (A) preferable  (B) limited  (C) anticipated  (D) necessary

19. The book was so popular that eventually it sold more than 10 million copies and provided the
    author with a considerable income.
    (A) large  (B) unexpected  (C) prestigious  (D) steady

20. The American language was developing distinct meanings, pronunciations, and spellings
    from those of British English.
    (A) exact  (B) new  (C) different  (D) simple