**UNIT 15: COMMON STRUCTURES**

***A. Rewrite the following sentences with the words given so that the rewritten ones have the same meaning as the original ones.***

1. The bridge was so low that the lorry couldn’t go under it.

→ The bridge was too

→ It was such

1. My brother used to walk to school with his friends.

→ My brother no longer

→ No longer

1. “What’s your name?” the policeman said to the little boy.

→ The policeman asked the little boy

1. My kitchen is smaller than yours.

→ Your

1. I’ll give you my phone number. I want you to phone me when necessary.

→ I’ll give you my phone number so

1. I couldn’t come there on time because I got up late.

→ Because of

→ If

→ I got up late

1. My father advised me to choose that job.

→ I

1. That boy is clever. He can make children’s toys.

→ That boy is so

→ That is such

1. That pupil is very lazy. My sister can’t teach him English.

→ That pupil is so

→ That pupil is too

1. I regret buying the second-hand motorbike.

→ I wish I

1. They think that she is the most beautiful girl in this class.

→ She is

→ It is

1. We have to keep these explosives in a safe place.

→ These explosives

1. It was such a good film that we decided to go and see it again.

→ The film was

1. People are using computers in almost every field.

→ Computers

1. The thief drove very quickly. The police couldn’t catch him.

→ The thief

1. I would like you to help me to lift this heavy box up.

→ Would you mind

1. Someone rang the alarm as soon as the burglars left the shop.
2. → No sooner
3. The last time I saw her was a week ago.

→ I haven’t

1. He had hardly put down the phone when his wife rang back.

→ Hardly

1. She stayed in bed because of her sickness.

→ Because

1. You didn’t work hard. You got bad marks.

→ If

1. The boy can’t wear the shirt because it’s very tight.

→ The shirt is so

→ The shirt is too

1. Both Peter and Mary enjoy scientific expeditions.

→ Mary enjoys scientific expeditions, and so

→ Peter enjoys scientific expeditions, and Mary

1. Mike is a more careful driver than his brother.

→ Mike drives

1. She worked hard so she got high wages.

→ If

1. Unless you phone me tonight, you won’t get any information.

→ If

1. Tom cried a lot when he was a child.

→ Tom used to

1. This problem is very difficult. He can’t solve it.

→ The problem is too

→ It is such

→ The problem is so

1. Let’s go to the seaside this summer.

→ Why don’t we

→ How about

→ I suggest

1. Many people said that our team won the gold medal by chance.

→ Our team was

1. I’m sorry that I lent him much money.

→ I wish

1. Mary felt sick because she drank too much wine.

→ If

1. You will catch a cold if you don’t put on your coat.

→ Unless

1. Both he and she couldn’t afford to buy a car.

→ He couldn’t afford to buy a car, and neither

→ He couldn’t afford to buy a car, and she

1. We enjoyed our trip although the weather was bad.

→ In spite of

1. He was sleepy; therefore, he went to bed early.

→ Because

1. I made a mistake because I was very tired.

→ Because of

1. These cars are cheap but they last a long time.

→ Even though

1. Despite the noise, the children slept well.

→ Although

1. Because of being tired, he didn’t walk to the station.

→ Because

***B. Choose the best answer among A, B, C or D to complete each sentence or to best replace the orginal sentence.***

**1)** Our seats were \_\_\_\_\_ far from the stage that we couldn't see the actors and actresses clearly.

**A.** very **B.** too **C.** enough **D.** so

**2)** He was \_\_\_\_\_ he never washed his clothes by himself.

**A.** too lazy **B.** so lazy that **C.** very lazy that **D.** such lazy that

**3)** They are \_\_\_\_\_ young \_\_\_\_\_ drive the car.

**A.** so / that **B.** too / to **C.** enough / to **D.** not only / but also

**4)** It's \_\_\_\_\_ long time since he last saw his parents.

**A.** such a **B.** so **C.** very **D.** too

**5)** Is there \_\_\_\_\_ for everyone?

**A.** food and drink enough **B.** enough food and drink

**C.** enough of food and drink **D.** enough food and drink enough

**6)** He was \_\_\_\_\_ he could not continue to work.

**A.** very tired that **B.** such tired that

**C.** too tired that **D.** so tired that

**7)** John’s eyes were \_\_\_\_\_ bad that he couldn’t read the number plate of the car in front.

**A.** such **B.** too **C.** so **D.** very

**8)** She was \_\_\_\_\_ clever that she could make a dress by hands.

**A.** much **B.** very **C.** so **D.** such

**9)** Most of the pupils are \_\_\_\_\_ to pass the examination.

**A.** enough good **B.** good enough **C.** too good **D.** very good

**10)** You can send me a letter if you want to, but your phone call is \_\_\_\_\_ for me.

**A.** enough good **B.** good as enough

**C.** good enough **D.** good than enough

**11)** Davis has \_\_\_\_\_ many patients \_\_\_\_\_ he is always busy.

**A.** too / that **B.** very / until **C.** such / that **D.** so / that

**12)** It was \_\_\_\_\_ a difficult question that they couldn't explain.

**A.** so **B.** such **C.** very **D.** too

**13)** The lesson \_\_\_\_\_ for me to understand**.**

**A.** is very difficult **B.** too difficult

**C.** difficult too **D.** is too difficult  
**14)** The tent show is \_\_\_\_\_ for us to see.

**A.** enough interesting **B.** very interesting

**C.** interesting enough **D.** interesting

**15)** They are \_\_\_\_\_ that they can't buy a bicycle.

**A.** enough poor **B.** poor enough

**C.** so poor **D.** too poor  
**16)** If I have \_\_\_\_\_, I'll travel south to New Orleans.

**A.** money enough **B.** enough money

**C.** too money **D.** so money  
**17)** It's surprising now \_\_\_\_\_ beautiful girl can make so heinous crime.

**A.** such **B.** so **C.** a such **D.** such a  
**18)** These are \_\_\_\_\_ ugly chairs \_\_\_\_\_ I am going to give them away.

**A.** so / that **B.** such / that

**C.** so many / that **D.** so much / that

**19)** She is \_\_\_\_\_ kind that everybody loves her.

**A.** such **B.** such a **C.** so **D.** so a  
**20)** We have \_\_\_\_\_ in the house, so we needn't go shopping tomorrow.

**A.** enough food **B.** food enough **C.** too food **D.** food too  
**21)** The day was \_\_\_\_\_ that we had a shower four times a day.

**A.** such a hot **B.** so hot **C.** very hot **D.** hot

**22)** It was \_\_\_\_\_ that I couldn't eat it.

**A.** such a hard cake **B.** such hard cake

**C.** so a hard cake **D.** so hard cake

**23)** He is \_\_\_\_\_ a busy man that he really needs a helper.

**A.** so **B.** such **C.** very **D.** quite  
**24)** It was \_\_\_\_\_ that we went for a picnic in the countryside.

**A.** so nice a day **B.** such nice day

**C.** so nice day **D.** such a nice day

**25)** My mathematics teacher is \_\_\_\_\_ person that all of us like his period**.**

**A.** a such funny **B.** a so funny **C.** such funny **D.** such a funny

**26)** That old woman is \_\_\_\_\_ deaf to hear what her children say.

**A.** so **B.** enough **C.** too **D.** not

**27)** He was \_\_\_\_\_ terrified to move.

**A.** enough **B.** very **C.** too **D.** so

**28)** -"Was the boy upset about his bad marks?"

-"Yes, he was \_\_\_\_\_ upset that he cried about it afterwards."

**A.** very **B.** so **C.** such **D.** too

**29)** She hasn't got \_\_\_\_\_ to buy a car.

**A.** enough money **B.** money enough

**C.** so many money **D.** so much money

**30)** It was \_\_\_\_\_ a boring speech that I felt asleep.

**A.** such **B.** so **C.** very **D.** too

**31)** It was \_\_\_\_\_ a boring film that Tom fell asleep.

**A.** such **B.** so **C.** much **D.** too

**32)** My son is \_\_\_\_\_ young to go to school.

**A.** very **B.** too **C.** so **D.** enough

**33)** -"What a cold day!"

-"Yes, it's \_\_\_\_\_ that I have to wear two pullovers and a coat.

**A.** such cold **B.** so cold **C.** too cold **D.** cold so

**34)** Those boys took a long ladder \_\_\_\_\_

**A.** that they will get the ball from the roof

**B.** and then get the ball from the roof

**C.** in order to get the ball from the roof

**D.** so that the ball from the roof can get

**35)** This skirt is \_\_\_\_\_ small for me. I need a larger size.

**A.** so **B.** not **C.** too **D.** all are correct

**36)** She regretted to tell him that \_\_\_\_\_

**A.** she was leaving the tickets at home

**B.** the tickets at home would be left

**C.** she would have left the tickets at home

**D.** she had left the tickets at home

**37)** - Why don’t we make a fire? - It’s not cold \_\_\_\_\_ to make a fire.

**A.** too **B.** enough **C.** such **D.** much

**38)** They are not \_\_\_\_\_ to take part in this program of the World Health Organization.

**A.** as old **B.** enough old **C.** old enough **D.** so old

**39)** Why can’t you solve \_\_\_\_\_ easy exercises?

**A.** so **B.** such a **C.** such **D.** all are correct

**40)** The football match was postponed \_\_\_\_\_ the bad weather.

**A.** because **B.** in spite **C.** despite **D.** because of

**41)**. She is \_\_\_\_\_ to answer the question.

**A.** enough intelligent **B.** so intelligent

**C.** intelligent enough **D.** very intelligent

**42)** Peter doesn't like scuba-diving. \_\_\_\_\_ does his brother.

**A.** Too **B.** Neither **C.** Either **D.** So

**43)**. This exercise is \_\_\_\_\_ hard for me to do.

**A.** very **B.** too **C.** so **D.** quite

**44)** \_\_\_\_\_, we couldn't have continued with the project.

**A.** Unless we had your contribution

**B.** Provided your contribution wouldn't come

**C.** Even if you didn't like to contribute

**D.** If you hadn't contributed positively

**45)** Alex did not do very well in class \_\_\_\_\_

**A.** therefore he was a good student

**B.** because he failed to study properly

**C.** although he was not hard-working

**D.** as long as he had studied badly

**46)** That play was \_\_\_\_\_ for her to see again.

**A.** too interesting **B.** enough interesting

**C.** interesting enough **D.** so interesting

**47)** She didn't want to go \_\_\_\_\_ she knew all her friends would be there.

**A.** wherever **B.** so that **C.** therefore **D.** even though

**48)** Surely 15 minutes is \_\_\_\_\_ for you to make tea**.**

**A.** long time **B.** enough time **C.** long enough **D.** too enough

**49)** If I had the map now, I \_\_\_\_\_ a short-cut across the desert.

**A.** could take **B.** take **C.** can take **D.** could have taken

**50)** My father is very busy. \_\_\_\_\_, he is always willing to give a hand with the housework.

**A.** However **B.** Despite **C.** Therefore **D.** Although

**51)** I’m not \_\_\_\_\_ that ceiling.

**A.** enough tall to reach **B.** tall enough for reach

**C.** tall enough reaching **D.** tall enough to reach

**52)** Lan's grandfather \_\_\_\_\_ teach literature at a high school, but now he has retired.

**A.** is used to **B.** was used to **C.** use to **D.** used to

**53)** I \_\_\_\_\_ any classes if I were you.

**A.** didn't miss **B.** wouldn't miss **C.** won't miss **D.** don't miss

**54)** It was cold and wet, \_\_\_\_\_ Paul went to the beach.

**A.** therefore **B.** although **C.** because **D.** but

**55)** John hasn’t seen the new movie yet, and \_\_\_\_\_

**A.** I have neither **B.** I don’t either **C.** so have I **D.** neither have I

**56)** Peter never comes to class late, \_\_\_\_?

**A.** does he **B.** does Peter **C.** doesn’t Peter **D.** doesn’t he

1. They haven’t seen their parents for five years.
2. It’s five years since they last saw their parents.
3. Their parents have seen them for five years.
4. They saw their parents five years ago.
5. A & C are correct.
6. Although she felt jealous, she tried to hide her feelings.
7. Despite feeling jealous, she tried to hide her feelings.
8. Despite her jealousy, she tried to hide her feelings.
9. She tried to hide her feelings in spite of she felt jealous.
10. A & B are correct.
11. I regret not studying French when I had a chance.
12. I wish I had studied French when I had a chance.
13. I wish I studied French when I had a chance.
14. I wish I would study French when I had a chance.
15. I wish I study French when I had a chance.
16. You must work harder or you’ll be sacked.
17. Unless you work harder, you’ll be sacked.
18. If you work harder, you won’t be sacked.
19. If you don’t work harder, you won’t be sacked.
20. A & B are correct.
21. Jane can swim further than I can.

**A.** I can’t swim as far as Jane.

**B.** Jane can swim as far as I can.

**C.** I can swim further than Jane.

**D.** A & C are correct.

1. It’s not a habit of mine to sleep in the afternoon.
2. I am not used to sleeping in the afternoon.
3. I used to sleep in the afternoon.
4. I am not used for sleeping in the afternoon.
5. A & C are correct.
6. Someone was breaking into my shop.

**A.** My shop was broken into.

**B.** My shop being broken into.

**C.** My shop was being broken into.

**D.** My shop broken into.

1. My brother is a factory worker. He talked with you yesterday.
2. My brother, who talked with you yesterday, is a factory worker.
3. My brother, that talked with you yesterday, is a factory worker.
4. My brother, with whom talked you yesterday, is a factory worker.
5. All are correct.
6. The test was so difficult that we couldn’t finish it in two hours.
7. It was such a difficult test that we couldn’t finish it in two hours.
8. The test was too difficult for us to finish in two hours.
9. The test was not easy enough for us to finish it in two hours.
10. All are correct.
11. This is the first time I have lived in such a friendly neighbourhood.
12. I have lived in such a friendly neighbourhood before.
13. I haven’t lived in such a friendly neighbourhood before.
14. I had lived in such a friendly neighbourhood before.
15. All are correct.
16. She didn’t make any mistakes in her answers because of her carefulness.
17. Because her carefulness she didn’t make any mistakes in her answers.
18. Because she was careful, she made many mistakes in her answers.
19. Because she was careful, she didn’t make any mistakes in her answers.
20. Because she was careful, so she didn’t make any mistakes in her answers.
21. I didn’t have time, so I didn’t go shopping.
22. If I have time, I will go shopping.
23. If I had time, I would go shopping.
24. If I had had time, I would have gone shopping.
25. If I have had time, I would have gone shopping.
26. I won’t do anything if you don’t answer my question.
27. Unless you answer my question, I won’t do anything.
28. If you answer my question, I won’t do anything.
29. Unless you don’t answer my question, I won’t do anything.
30. A & B are correct.
31. Shall we go out for dinner?

**A.** What about go out for dinner?

**B.** I suggest go out for dinner.

**C.** How about going out for dinner?

**D.** All are correct.

1. We spent a whole day looking for these old pictures.
2. It took we a whole day to look for these old pictures.
3. It took us a whole day looking for these old pictures.
4. It took us a whole day to looking for these old pictures.
5. It took us a whole day to look for these old pictures.
6. It was so late that nothing could be done.
7. It was too late for nothing to be done.
8. It was too late for anything to be done.
9. It was such late that nothing could be done
10. B & C are correct.
11. Learning a foreign language is interesting.
12. It is interesting to learn a foreign language.
13. It is interesting to learning a foreign language.
14. It is interesting learning a foreign language.
15. It is interesting for learning a foreign language.
16. It was such a boring speech that we began to yawn.
17. The speech was very boring that we began to yawn.
18. It was so a boring speech that we began to yawn.
19. The speech was too boring that we began to yawn.
20. The speech was so boring that we began to yawn.
21. He kept on working though he was ill.

**A.** In spite of was ill, he kept on working.

**B.** In spite of being ill, he kept on working.

**C.** Despite his illness, he kept on working.

**D.** B & C are correct.

1. Tim is too young to drive a car.

**A.** Tim is not old enough to drive a car.

**B.** Tim is not young enough to drive a car.

**C.** Tim is old enough to drive a car.

**D.** Tim is so old that he can drive a car.

1. Unless you work harder, you’ll fail.

**A.** If you work harder, you’ll fail.

**B.** If you don’t work harder, you’ll fail.

**C.** If you work harder, you’ll not fail.

**D.** B & C are correct.

1. To do all this work is hard.

**A.** I find it hard to do all this work.

**B.** I find it hard do all this work.

**C.** I find hard to do all this work.

**D.** I find it hard doing all this work.

1. Although Tom took a taxi, he was still late for the party.
2. In spite of Tom took a taxi, he was still late for the party.
3. Tom was still late for the party in spite of taking a taxi.
4. Despite took a taxi, Tom was still late for the party.
5. B & C are correct.
6. The book was so good that I couldn’t put it down.

**A.** It was so a good book that I couldn’t put it down.

**B.** It was such a good book that I couldn’t put it down.

**C.** The book was so good for me to put it down.

**D.** B & C are correct.

***C. Choose the underlined part among A, B, C or D that needs correcting.***

**1)** In my opinion that girl is enough beautiful to be a movie star.

**A** **B** **C** **D**

**2)** The specific gravity of the water in the great Salt Lake is too great that  
 **A** **B**

one cannot sinkor completely submerge in it.

**C** **D**

**3)** This lesson is such long that I have written it for 30 minutes.

**A** **B** **C** **D**

**4)** The pull of the earth is too strong that no one can jump as high as three meters.

**A** **B** **C** **D**

**5)** It was so an interesting film that my mother had seen it three times.

**A** **B C**  **D**

**6)** Mary is so an intelligent pupil that she can answer this question.

**A** **B C** **D**

**7)** Mars is far so from the earth that our spaceships cannot reach it in a few months.

**A** **B** **C** **D**

**8)** Despite the time of the year, yesterday’s temperature was enough hot

**A B C**

to turn on the air conditioning.

**D**

**9)** I was such nervous that I didn’t think I would pass the exams.

**A B C D**

**10)** The problems of pollution are too difficult for us to solving.

**A B C D**

**11)** His father was so poor to send him to school.

**A B C D**

**12)** This refrigerator is very old to keep things at a proper temperature.

**A B C D**

**13)** She is such good at mathematics that everyone admires her.

**A B C D**

**14)** George is not enough intelligent to pass this mathematics class.

**A B C D**

**15)** The novel was such interesting that I had read it all night.

**A B C D**

**16)** He was tired that he couldn’t continue his work.

**A B C D**

**17)** It was so a funny film that I burst out laughing.

**A B C D**

**18)** His TOEFL score was enough high to be accepted.

**A B C D**

**19)** It was so an exciting novel that I do not want to stop reading it.

**A B C D**

**20)** The woman was too old that she could not run.

**A B C D**

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***A.***

1)

The bridge was too low for the lorry to go under.

It was such a low bridge that the lorry couldn’t go under it.

2)

My brother no longer walks to school with his friends.

No longer does my brother walks to school with his friends.

3) The policeman asked the little boy what his name was.

4) Your kitchen is bigger than mine.

5) I’ll give you my phone number so that you can phone me when necessary.

6)

Because of getting up late, I couldn’t come there on time.

If I had not got up late, I could come there on time.

I got up late so I couldn’t come there on time.

7) I was advised to choose that job by my father.

8)

That boy is so clever that he can make children’s toys.

That is such a clever boy that he can make children’s toys.

9)

That pupil is so lazy that my sister can’t teach him English.

That pupil is too lazy for my sister to teach him English.

10) I wish I had not bought the second-hand motorbike.

11)

She is thought to be the most beautiful girl in this class.

It is thought that she is the most beautiful girl in this class.

12) These explosives have to be kept in a safe place.

13) The film was so good that we decided to go and see it again.

14) Computers are being used in almost every field.

15) The thief drove so quickly that the police couldn’t catch him.

16) Would you mind helping me to lift this heavy box up?

17) No sooner had someone rung the alarm than the burglars left the shop.

18) I haven’t seen her for one week.

19) Hardly had he put down the phone when his wife rang back.

20) Because she was sick she stayed in bed.

21) If you had worked hard, you wouldn’t have got bad marks.

22) The shirt is so tight that the boy can’t wear it.

The shirt is too tight for the boy to wear.

23) Mary enjoys scientific expeditions, and so does Peter.

Peter enjoys scientific expeditions, and Mary does, too.

24) Mike drives more carefully than his brother.

25) If she hadn’t worked hard, she wouldn’t have got high wages.

26) If you don’t phone me tonight, you won’t get any information.

27) Tom used to cry a lot when he was a child.

28) The problem is too difficult for him to solve.

It is such a difficult problem that he can’t solve it.

The problem is so difficult that that he can’t solve it.

29) Why don’t we go to the seaside this summer?

How about going to the seaside this summer?

I suggest going to the seaside this summer.

30) Our team was said to have won the gold medal by chance.

31) I wish I had not lent him much money.

32) If Mary had not drunk too much wine, she wouldn’t have felt sick.

33) Unless you put on your coat, you will catch a cold.

34) He couldn’t afford to buy a car, and neither could she.

He couldn’t afford to buy a car, and she couldn’t, either.

35) In spite of the bad weather, we enjoyed our trip.

36) Because he was sleepy, he went to bed early.

37) Because of being very tired, I made a mistake.

38) Even though these cars are cheap, they last a long time.

39) Although it was noisy, the children slept well.

40) Because he was tired, he didn’t walk to the station.

**B.**

1) D

2) B

3) B

4) A

5) B

6) D

7) C

8) C

9) B

10) C

11) D

12) B

13) D

14) C

15) C

16) B   
17) D

18) B

19) C

20) A

21) B

22) A

23) B

24) D

25) D

26) C

27) C

28) B

29) A

30) A

31) A

32) B

33) B

34) C

35) C

36) D

37) A

38) C

39) C

40) D

41) C

42) B

43) B

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**C.**

1) B

2) B

3) B

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5) B

6) A

7) A

8) C

9) A

10) D

11) B

12) B

13) A

14) A

15) A

16) A

17) A

18) C

19) A

20) B