UNIT 9: NATURAL DISASTER (EXERCISES)

I. Choose the correct answer A, B, C or D that best fits the gap in the following sentences

1. According to the weather _______ it will rain tonight.
   A. forecast B. forecaster C. forecasted D. forecasting
2. The tsunami _______ in December 2004 in South East-A killed more than 160,000 people.
   A. disaster B. disastrous C. disastrously D. disastering
3. We must find a shelter now, because of the _______ storm.
   A. strong B. long C. heavy D. boring
4. The roof _______ under the weight of snow last night.
   A. collapsed B. collapsing C. collapses D. collapse
5. He warned me of the _______ in the forest.
   A. dangers B. dangerousness C. dangerously D. dangerous
6. Pompeii was completely _______ in AD 79 by an eruption Mount Vesuvius.
   A. destroyed B. destroy C. to destroy D. destroying
7. Many people become _______ because of the natural disasters every year,
   A. homeless B. homesick C. homeland D. homework
8. Early warnings about tornadoes could save many ________.
   A. lives B. life C. living D. things
9. Yesterday a typhoon _______ a coastal city in the country.
   A. hit B. strike C. collapsed D. predicted
10. People can know when a volcano will _______ nowadays, can't they?
    A. break B. warn C. erupt D. seek
11. A tropical storm is called a hurricane in North and South America when it ______ 120 kilometers per hour.
    A. reaches B. goes C. gets D. comes
12. A _______ is a very large wave.
    A. tidal wave B. tsunami C. tornado D. a and b are correct.
13. A/ An _______ is a sudden strong shaking of the ground.
    A. snowstorm B. tidal wave C. earthquake D. volcano.
14. A _______ is a tropical storm with strong winds.
A. typhoon  B. tornado  C. volcano  D. tsunami

15. In 1995 a huge earthquake ______ the city of Kobe in Japan.
A. struck  B. striking  C. struck  D. strike

16. Tidal waves ______ the result of an abrupt shift in the underwater movement of the Earth.
A. are  B. were  C. is  D. was

17. According to the weather ______, it will be raining tonight.
A. prediction  B. information  C. announcement  D. forecast

18. You shouldn't laugh _______ old people.
A. at  B. on  C. with  D. for

19. The roof ______ under the weight of snow last night.
A. collapsed  B. fell  C. dropped  D. flew

20. A tornado looks like a big, dark ______ coming from the bottom of a storm cloud.
A. funnel  B. bowl  C. mushroom  D. cloud

21. The _______ is heavy rain for tomorrow.
A. forecast  B. news  C. saying  D. guess

22. Severe thunderstorms are ______ for Tuesday night.
A. forecast  B. brought  C. hit  D. damaged

23. It's going to be quite cool with _______ as low as 18 ºC.
A. degrees  B. measurements  C. temperatures  D. conditions

24. The south-central coast can ______ thunderstorms.
A. be  B. expect  C. predict  D. guess

25. HCM City will _______ temperatures between 28 ºC and 34 ºC.
A. experience  B. arrive  C. reach  D. occur

26. I don't expect much traffic, but _______ there is, I think we should leave early.
A. in case  B. in case of  C. in time  D. in a hurry

27. Although Tom's grandmother doesn't ______ weather forecasts, she likes watching them.
A. experience  B. trust  C. expect  D. predict

28. An area of land with hills or mountains is called the _______.
A. regions  B. territories  C. highlands  D. environment

29. They are going to a park _______ the other side of Saigon Bridge.
30. The word "typhoon" comes ______ the Chinese language, doesn't it?
A. from  B. for  C. about  D. with

32. That important event ______ in 1945.
A. happened  B. happening  C. was happened  D. has happened

33. She was having a rest when the volcano ______.
A. erupted  B. flew  C. flowed  D. broke

34. Two hundred people died in that volcano ______.
A. corruption  B. eruption  C. destruction  D. reduction

35. Tidal waves are the result of an ______ shift in the underwater movement of the Earth.
A. amazing  B. alternative  C. abrupt  D. unpleasant

36. ______ are funnel-shaped storms passing overland below a thunderstorm.
A. Earthquakes  B. Tropical storms  C. Hurricanes  D. Tornadoes

37. In 1995, a huge earthquake struck Kobe city in Japan and caused severe ______
A. damage  B. destruction  C. shift  D. collapse

38. The earthquake ______ the city at 2 this morning
A. occurred  B. hit  C. swept  D. measured

39. Thousands of people were saved because scientists had ______ them about the volcanic eruption.
A. said  B. spoke  C. warned  D. talked

40. A tropical storm which reaches 120 kilometers an hour is called a ______ in North and South America.
A. typhoon  B. cyclone  C. hurricane  D. tornado

II. Fill in the blank space with the correct from of the words in parentheses
1. waves are one of the great forces of nature. (tide)
2. food is very convenient for campers. (can)
3. can predict when a tidal wave will hit land. (science)
4. If we want to look after the environment, we should protect......... rainforest. (tropic)
5. That tsunami was the most............... of the year 2004. (disaster)
6. We had left the city......................... before tidal waves came. (safety)
7. Thousands of people have been made...................... by the flooding. (home)
8. Thunder makes me .................... (terrify)
9. HCM can ....................... thunderstorms someday. (expectation)
10. The .................. of the volcanoes is always disastrous. (erupt)

III. Give the right word formation for these provided word
1. ______ waves are one of the great forces of nature. (tide)
2. Tsunamis, earthquakes and typhoons are __________ disasters. (nature)
3. Our ______ turns out to be correct. (predict)
4. The building was ______ damaged by the fire. (extend)
5. The most ___ earthquake in Japanese history damaged Tokyo and Yokohama. (disaster)
6. A typhoon is going to hit our area. What sorts of ______ shall we make? (prepare)
7. __________ food is very convenient for campers. (can)
8. Today ______________ can predict when a tidal wave hits land. (science)
9. It was the biggest ______ of Mt. Vesuvius for some years. (erupt)
10. A tidal wave brings death and ______ in its way. (destroy)

IV. Give the correct word form of these following words
1. The mountain was full of ______ rock and ash when the eruption was over. (volcano)
2. When the fire occurred, I was fast ___________. (sleep)
3. Mr. Robinson is a ___________. He presents weather reports on TV every night. (weather)
4. ______ Vietnam is often affected by droughts. (center)
5. If we want to look after the environment, we should protect ______ rainforest. (tropic)
6. We've decided to travel ______ because we don't want to get seasick and airsick. (land)
7. Thousands of people have been made ______ by the flooding and are in need of food, clothing and shelter. (home)
8. We left the town ___________ before the lava hit it. (safety)
9. It is ______ for you to live in an earthquake zone. What can you do to prepare in advance for an earthquake? (danger)
10. The sky is very ___________. It's going to rain. (cloud)
V. Finish the second sentences so that it has the same meaning with the first one
1. Although his leg was broken, he managed to get out of the car.
   In spite........................................................................................................................................
2. It may rain on your way home, so take a raincoat with you.
   In case........................................................................................................................................
3. The storm destroyed the town completely.
   The town....................................................................................................................................
4. Despite his age, Mr. Thanh runs five kilometers every morning.
   Even...........................................................................................................................................

VI. Use the suggested words to write full sentences
1. I/ have/ rest/ when/ volcano/ erupt.
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2. The majority/ earthquake/ occur/ around/ pacific Rim/ which/ know/ "Ring of Fire".
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3. What/ you/ do/ next/ when/ you/ get/ caught/ thunderstorm/ last night?
   ..............................................................................................................................................
4. Many/ house/ damage/ typhoon/ yesterday?
   ..............................................................................................................................................
5. About 40/ per cent/ children/ affect/ tsunami/ last December.
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VII. Read the following passage carefully, and then complete it with the most suitable words provided

DO ALL VOLCANOES ERUPT

Some volcanoes are always (1) ___. They are called active volcanoes. Mount Etna in Italy is an active (2) ___. Some volcanoes have not erupted since prehistoric times. These are (3) ___ extinct volcanoes. Most of the Hawaiian Islands are extinct volcanoes. These volcanoes (4) ___ have a hot spot under them. They (5) ___ erupt anymore. Some volcanoes have not erupted for a long time, (6) ___ they could erupt again. These are called dormant volcanoes. (dormant : temporarily inactive)

Scientists try to figure out (7) ___ volcanoes will erupt. Studying volcanoes is hard and dangerous work. Scientists drill into volcanoes. They (8) ___ maps of the inside of
the volcanoes. They use satellites to study volcanoes (9) ____ space. Scientists have been able to predict a few eruptions. But it is not (10)____ to tell what a volcano might do.

1. A. erupting  B. running  C. going  D. firing
2. A. mountain  B. volcano  C. river  D. hill
3. A. named  B. thought  C. called  D. said
4. A. any longer  B. any more  C. not more  D. no longer
5. A. won’t  B. can not  C. should not  D. may not
6. A. and  B. or  C. but  D. so
7. A. where  B. why  C. that  D. when
8. A. do  B. create  C. build  D. make
9. A. in  B. from  C. into  D. out of
10. A. easy  B. difficult  C. able  D. good