**Subject-** **Verb agreement**

**Total 50 points**

**(1 point for each correct answer)**

**1. Choose the right variant.**

1. Which (is/are) your favourite series on TV?
2. The spaghetti (taste/tastes) good.
3. His family (is/are) not very large.
4. Six kilometers (is/are) a long way to walk.
5. The United Nations (is/are) an international organization.
6. The United States (is/are) a powerful country.
7. The USA (consists/consist) of fifty states and the District of Columbia.
8. The team (is/are) celebrating their victory tonight.
9. The committee (is/are) full of enthusiasm.
10. The typical Belarusian family (has/have) two children nowadays.
11. A basketball team (consist/consists) of five players.
12. All the jury (is/are) arguing now.
13. The class (has/have) decided to take part in the conference.
14. My family (don’t/doesn’t) like your idea.
15. Three weeks (is/are) a long time if you spend in on boards the ship.
16. The crew (was/were) rescued by our boat. *f*
17. Three months (has/have) passed since we moved here.
18. There (is/are) a steel works in our city.
19. The majority of the pupils (hasn’t/haven’t) done their homework today.
20. The majority (knows/know) him to be a good teacher.
21. The number of days in a week (is/are) seven.
22. A number of sweets (was/were) eaten at my birthday party.

**2.** **Choose the right variant.**

1. Mathematics\_\_\_\_\_\_ my favourite subject at school.

a) are; b) were; c) is; d) aren’t.

2. Where\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ my glasses? I can’t find them.

a) are; b) is; c) was; d) has been.

3. There\_\_\_\_\_\_ interesting news in yesterday’s newspaper.

a) are; b) is; c) was; d) were.

4. His jeans\_\_\_\_\_\_ the latest fashion.

a) are; b) was; c) is; d) has been.

5. The stairs\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ made of iron.

a) are; b) is; c) was; d) has.

6. The Moscow authorities\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ investigating the problem.

a) was; b) has been; c) is; d) are.

7. Fifty dollars\_\_\_\_\_ too much to pay for this dress.

a) aren’t; b) are; c) were; d) is.

8. Ten minutes \_\_\_\_\_enough time to finish our discussion.

a) isn’t; b) aren’t; c) don’t; d) doesn’t.

9. This pair of scissors\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ dull.

a) are; b) aren’t; c) is; d) don’t.

10. The pliers on the table.

a) is; b) were; c) was; d) wasn’t.

11. The committee \_\_\_\_\_ already reached a decision.

a) has; b) have; c) haven’t; d) doesn’t.

12. A number of reporters\_\_\_\_\_ at the conference yesterday.

a) were; b) was; c) have been; d) has been.

13. The number of days in a year\_\_\_\_\_ 365.

a) are; b) aren’t; c) is; d) were.

14. The number of oscillations per second\_\_\_\_\_\_ called the frequency.

a) is; b) are; c) were; d) have been.

15. The total number of bodies\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ three.

a) are; b) aren’t; c) is; d) were.

16. Today an enormous number of problems that cannot be done analytically\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ solved by numerical methods.

a) is; b) are; c) was; d) has been.

17. So the number of fields needed to describe the complete situation\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on how complicated the problem is.

a) are depended; b) is depended; c) depend; d) depends.

18. \_\_\_\_of were hurt or killed by the falling buildings.

1. Thousand, persons; c) Thousands, persons;
2. Thousands, person; d) Thousands, the persons.

**3. Find out a mistake**

1. We’ve just received this piece of traffic information (1): the police is advising drivers (2) to leave their cars at home (3) and use public transport (4).

2. The international organization donated money which (1) have been used to support (2) a range of projects globally (3) with its focus on education (4).

3. Liza glanced down and realized that (1) she couldn’t return home (2) in clothes(3) that was all dirty (4).

4. We haven’t heard anything(1) from the hospital(2) today, but I suppose (3) no news are good news(4).

5. The(1) only means of(2) communication were(3) sign language.(4)

6. There(1) have been several cases of influenza(2) and the number(3) are rising(4).

7. Ten minutes(1) were not enough (2) to translate this text(3) in time (4).

8. According to(1) the results of the research (2) the majority (3)of primary school teachers is women(4).

9. Most of the nation(1) wants (2) peace; only a minority(3) want(4) the war to continue.

10. Fifty per cent(1) of the pollution(2) in this river come(3) from industrial waste(4).