

# CONJUNCTIONS & TRANSITIONS

## PART I

### SET 1

1. ---- I dislike sentimental films, sometimes, when I'm not feeling very energetic, I can curl up on the sofa and watch one.  
A) As soon as  
B) Although  
C) The moment  
D) However  
E) Despite
2. She is fed up with sharing a house with others; ----, she is looking for her own flat.  
A) moreover  
B) therefore  
C) however  
D) although  
E) nevertheless
3. He is not leaving the company because he is not happy there; ---- he has enjoyed working there, but he has other reasons.  
A) on the other hand  
B) as a result  
C) however  
D) on the contrary  
E) nonetheless
4. This diet and exercise plan is ---- costly ---- painful, so anyone with a little will-power can follow it with ease.  
A) not only / but also  
B) no matter / how  
C) so much / that  
D) whether / or  
E) neither / nor
5. ---- her illness leaving her very weak at times, she tries to derive pleasure from life.  
A) Despite  
B) Whereas  
C) Although  
D) However  
E) Instead of
6. She had ---- placed the plate of cakes on the table ---- the children gave her the empty plate and requested some more.  
A) the moment / while  
B) hardly / when  
C) neither / nor  
D) yet / still  
E) not only / but also
7. ---- how many windows I open, I can't get any air movement in the house.  
A) Even if  
B) Although  
C) No matter  
D) Whereas  
E) However
8. We had better take a spare blanket with us ---- it gets cooler than we expect in the mountains.  
A) if only  
B) so that  
C) thus  
D) in case  
E) even though
9. ---- they played better than they have so far in the cup, they lost the match.  
A) Despite  
B) No sooner  
C) In contrast  
D) However  
E) Although
10. ---- television channel you watch, the news bulletins are all the same, as if written by the same person!  
A) No matter  
B) However  
C) Whichever  
D) As soon as  
E) The more
11. ---- relieve some of the burden on the city's only airport, they are planning to build a second one.  
A) No matter  
B) In case  
C) In order to  
D) Even though  
E) Owing to
12. Our students have to choose to study ---- French ---- Spanish, because they are the compulsory languages selected by the board.  
A) such / as  
B) neither / nor  
C) scarcely / and  
D) whether / or  
E) either / or

13. ---- we discuss the fine details, let me ask you whether you are interested in our offer.
- A) However  
B) Consequently  
C) Afterwards  
D) In spite of  
E) Before
14. **Western Scotland is wild and mountainous, ---  
- Eastern Scotland is lush farmland.**
- A) despite  
B) whereas  
C) as a result  
D) nevertheless  
E) therefore
15. **I don't see why the boys can't go fishing ----  
they promise to stay together and come back  
before it gets dark.**
- A) whereas  
B) no matter  
C) whether  
D) as long as  
E) in spite of
16. ---- your mothers' efforts in making the  
costumes, the whole cast of the play looked  
great.
- A) Despite  
B) However  
C) Thanks to  
D) As a result  
E) Much as
17. **He was ---- well liked ---- everybody in the firm  
gave generously towards his retirement  
present.**
- A) so / that  
B) not only / and  
C) either / or  
D) neither / nor  
E) both / and
18. **He was just ---- calm ---- anybody could be  
under the circumstances.**
- A) not only / but also  
B) so / that  
C) much / than  
D) as / as  
E) neither / nor
19. ---- does the International Students' Society  
help foreign students settle in, ---- it organizes  
sightseeing trips as well.
- A) So / that  
B) No sooner / than  
C) Not only / but  
D) Both / and  
E) Neither / nor
20. ---- 'Internet Cafes', students who can't afford  
computers have access to the Internet and to  
e-mail.
- A) In order that  
B) Owing to  
C) Wherever  
D) Whereas  
E) Whoever
21. **Black bears don't usually attack humans. ----,  
they normally run away from us.**
- A) On the contrary  
B) On the other hand  
C) Furthermore  
D) Consequently  
E) Nevertheless
22. **She has been looking much more  
enthusiastic about the future ---- she accepted  
her new job.**
- A) since  
B) until  
C) before  
D) when  
E) by the time
23. ---- the renovation of their football stadium,  
the team will be using another team's ground  
next season.
- A) However  
B) While  
C) Due to  
D) Because  
E) Whereas
24. **The traffic into town usually gets a bit lighter -  
--- the schools have closed for the summer.**
- A) in case  
B) so that  
C) while  
D) once  
E) although

25. ---- your mother comes to visit, we must remember to give her the things your sister left for her.
- A) Whereas  
B) When  
C) However  
D) By the time  
E) No matter
26. **When deep-sea diving, you must pay attention to the time, ---- staying under water too long may result in serious illness.**
- A) whereas  
B) so  
C) for  
D) but  
E) whenever
27. **Please answer the telephone for the next hour ---- the receptionist has gone to the dentist.**
- A) while  
B) until  
C) therefore  
D) so  
E) as
28. **The residents received some warning of the tornado; ----, several people were injured.**
- A) nonetheless  
B) despite  
C) even though  
D) thus  
E) otherwise
29. ---- the authorities try, they don't seem to be able to reduce the crime rate.
- A) Whoever  
B) No sooner  
C) No matter  
D) Whatever  
E) By the time
30. ---- vast distances and great difficulties in transportation, there was a remarkable amount of trade in the ancient world.
- A) Whenever  
B) As a consequence of  
C) While  
D) Even though  
E) In spite of
31. ---- the facts that the café is close to the university and offers reasonably priced meals, it is very popular with students.
- A) On account  
B) Owing to  
C) Whereas  
D) Because  
E) As long as
32. **There are a lot of jellyfish in the water around here; ---- they are a harmless variety.**
- A) no matter  
B) besides  
C) consequently  
D) however  
E) much as
33. **Playing games in the back, the children didn't get bored ---- we drove to the resort.**
- A) by the time  
B) for  
C) as  
D) during  
E) since
34. **He was tired of commuting such a long way to work, ---- he was quite excited when a local company offered him a job.**
- A) as  
B) so  
C) for  
D) though  
E) still
35. **It was clear that ---- how much he protested, his father was not going to change his mind.**
- A) no matter  
B) whereas  
C) whenever  
D) whatever  
E) although
36. ---- it was extremely windy, we managed to have a good game of beach volleyball.
- A) However  
B) No matter  
C) In spite of  
D) Even though  
E) For fear that
37. **We are going to set out at dawn tomorrow, --- - we have loaded up the car tonight.**
- A) as  
B) when  
C) so  
D) for  
E) because

38. **We had to move offices temporarily ---- a new carpet was being fitted in ours.**  
 A) much as  
 B) wherever  
 C) during  
 D) until  
 E) while
39. **We cannot move back into our office ---- the workmen have cleared up.**  
 A) while  
 B) by the time  
 C) as long as  
 D) until  
 E) when
40. **His parents were happy that he managed to gain a university degree ---- his handicap.**  
 A) thus  
 B) provided  
 C) besides  
 D) though  
 E) despite
41. **---- the sports centre has marvellous facilities, it is usually crowded with sports enthusiasts.**  
 A) Despite  
 B) Whenever  
 C) Because  
 D) However  
 E) On account
42. **Working hours for farmers, ---- the fixed hours of office workers, are irregular and dependent upon the needs of livestock and crops.**  
 A) in order to  
 B) in contrast to  
 C) nevertheless  
 D) in spite of  
 E) on the other hand
43. **---- we scrubbed the floor, ---- obvious it became that a special cleaning fluid would be required to remove the marks.**  
 A) Hardly / when  
 B) Not only / but also  
 C) However / so  
 D) No matter / how  
 E) The more / the more
44. **I have heard that he has been doing well ---- he opened his own language school.**  
 A) since  
 B) while  
 C) no sooner  
 D) when  
 E) by the time
45. **---- the way they are portrayed in numerous films and stories as man-eating creatures, only a few species of sharks are known to attack humans**  
 A) As  
 B) Owing to  
 C) Unlike  
 D) Although  
 E) Because
46. **---- people are more aware of the cruelty of importing exotic animals, dealers are less likely to find buyers for pets such as monkeys and parrots.**  
 A) As a result  
 B) Because of  
 C) Nevertheless  
 D) In contrast to  
 E) Now that
47. **He had ---- opened the doors of the shop ---- a customer came in and bought all the fresh cream cakes.**  
 A) both / and  
 B) not only / but also  
 C) the earlier / the more  
 D) no sooner / than  
 E) neither / nor
48. **I like to read my newspaper ---- travelling to work, but I often leave it behind.**  
 A) instead of  
 B) while  
 C) as soon as  
 D) because of  
 E) since
49. **---- you have used the photocopier, please don't forget to turn it off.**  
 A) After  
 B) While  
 C) Just  
 D) Before  
 E) Unless

50. I'm worried about him as he went directly to bed ---- hardly touching his dinner.
- A) while  
B) when  
C) before  
D) after  
E) until
51. People often don't tell the truth on market surveys; ----, the results obtained from them are not always accurate.
- A) for  
B) otherwise  
C) due to  
D) thus  
E) however
52. The people of Quebec, Canada, are ---- patriotic ---- the blue and white provincial flag flies over many homes and businesses.
- A) but / still  
B) neither / nor  
C) just as / when  
D) not only / but also  
E) so / that
53. The ban on night-time visitors to Patara beach is ---- the fact that the turtles get confused about which direction the sea is when they see artificial light.
- A) because  
B) due to  
C) despite  
D) though  
E) in order to
54. ---- we sat down for our coffee break, the fire alarm rang.
- A) Hardly  
B) Seeing that  
C) As long as  
D) Until  
E) Just as
55. ---- being an accomplished artist Leonardo da Vinci was also a sculptor, an architect and a man of science.
- A) Not only  
B) However  
C) In order to  
D) Besides  
E) Moreover

## SET 2

1. ---- the great diversity in social behaviour and habits between different types of ants, most of them have the same basic physical structure.
- A) Regardless  
B) Even though  
C) As if  
D) Besides  
E) Despite
2. Strawberries are ---- cheap at the moment ---- we should make some jam.
- A) both / and  
B) not only / but also  
C) so / that  
D) more / than  
E) as / as
3. This book is ---- entertaining ---- informative, so I definitely recommend it to you.
- A) both / and  
B) either / or  
C) so / that  
D) neither / nor  
E) whether / or
4. Some people argue that traditional blood sports, ---- fox-hunting and bullfighting, should be banned because they are barbaric and inhumane.
- A) in case  
B) even when  
C) as far as  
D) such as  
E) as though
5. The police are determined to find the culprits - --- long it may take to trace them.
- A) in spite of  
B) however  
C) even if  
D) the more  
E) no matter
6. ---- engaged in as competition ---- as recreation, waterskiing is an exhilarating outdoor sport.
- A) No sooner / than  
B) Unless / and  
C) Whether / or  
D) Hardly / when  
E) The more / the less

7. **Special heat sensors on the front of the rattlesnake's head enable it ---- to detect the presence of prey in the dark ---- to strike its victim accurately.**  
 A) in addition / due  
 B) not only / but also  
 C) whether / or  
 D) either / or  
 E) scarcely / when
8. **Peter is leaving to go back to England, ---- we are holding a farewell dinner for him.**  
 A) or else  
 B) since  
 C) once  
 D) yet  
 E) so
9. **As we will be touring, we could take the tent just ---- we see a nice campsite and want to stop.**  
 A) in case  
 B) when  
 C) unless  
 D) until  
 E) as
10. **---- urgently callers say they need to speak to me, I do not want any calls for the next hour.**  
 A) Moreover  
 B) Provided that  
 C) However  
 D) Even if  
 E) The more
11. **---- the work was physically demanding, and at times we felt really exhausted, seeing the end result was very satisfying.**  
 A) Owing to  
 B) Even though  
 C) No matter  
 D) As though  
 E) However
12. **He has put on a little weight ---- he started doing this sedentary office job.**  
 A) once  
 B) when  
 C) despite  
 D) since  
 E) before
13. **It is a pebble beach, ---- we had better take some beach mats to lie on.**  
 A) as  
 B) because  
 C) unless  
 D) for  
 E) so
14. **They looked around a lot of different buildings ---- they could choose the most suitable one to rent for their new business.**  
 A) yet  
 B) besides  
 C) since  
 D) by the time  
 E) so that
15. **---- he is a strong man, he had no trouble hiking with a heavy rucksack.**  
 A) For  
 B) Since  
 C) Until  
 D) Provided that  
 E) When
16. **I'm not sure ---- he has decided to take the new job ---- stay with his present employer.**  
 A) whether / or  
 B) neither / nor  
 C) yet / still  
 D) not only / but also  
 E) hardly / when
17. **I wasn't disappointed not to win the final ---- I hadn't even expected to get as far as I had in the competition.**  
 A) even  
 B) though  
 C) however  
 D) as  
 E) providing
18. **You'll have awfully sore legs tomorrow ---- you don't use plenty of lotion now to protect them from this strong sun.**  
 A) or  
 B) in case  
 C) if  
 D) so  
 E) still

19. ---- somebody bought me a ticket, I still wouldn't go to see the Spice Girls perform.
- A) However  
B) Only if  
C) Even if  
D) Until  
E) Besides
20. ---- the introduction of the new education act, elementary school children have been taught English from the fourth grade.
- A) In order to  
B) Although  
C) Until  
D) During  
E) Since
21. They will start constructing the new roof ---- every resident has paid their contribution.
- A) no sooner  
B) while  
C) in order that  
D) as soon as  
E) no matter
22. It was ---- she was in Milan that she was discovered by a fashion designer and persuaded to work as a model.
- A) while  
B) during  
C) no sooner  
D) despite  
E) besides
23. ---- the solar system is tiny compared with the distances to galaxies or even to nearby stars, it is enormous when compared with distances on the Earth.
- A) However  
B) Even though  
C) Nevertheless  
D) As long as  
E) The fact that
24. They tried not to swallow any water as they swam across the river ---- it might be contaminated.
- A) for fear that  
B) meanwhile  
C) besides  
D) even though  
E) regardless
25. They'll be able to take on some permanent staff ---- they have fully established themselves in the city.
- A) as though  
B) while  
C) when  
D) even if  
E) during
26. He was extremely happy about winning the contest, because it gave him ---- the opportunity to join a professional orchestra, -- the chance to travel.
- A) either / or  
B) no sooner / than  
C) whether / or  
D) not only / but also  
E) neither / nor
27. The household vacuum cleaner was first mass-produced by William Henry Hoover; ----, it is now commonly referred to as a 'hoover'.
- A) besides  
B) on the contrary  
C) otherwise  
D) whereas  
E) therefore
28. The inhabitants of Zelve were re-housed in a nearby village ---- prevent any more injuries and deaths from rock fall.
- A) in order that  
B) in case  
C) so as to  
D) even if  
E) as far as
29. We wrapped the roast chicken in special paper ---- it would stay warm until our guests arrived.
- A) while  
B) so that  
C) in case  
D) as though  
E) much as
30. The population of the rare mountain gorilla has increased in the last few years largely ---- the Rwandan government's recognition of this animal's importance to the tourist industry.
- A) nevertheless  
B) as for  
C) otherwise  
D) owing to  
E) furthermore

### SET 3

1. **Although the pension was very reasonably priced, it was certainly not comfortable. ----, it had a beautiful shady garden and a roof terrace with a splendid view of the area.**
  - A) Therefore
  - B) Even though
  - C) Otherwise
  - D) Moreover
  - E) Nevertheless
2. **The coach was full and the weather very hot, but the air conditioning wasn't working. ----, the passengers were uncomfortable and many of them complained.**
  - A) On the contrary
  - B) Nevertheless
  - C) Consequently
  - D) Otherwise
  - E) Furthermore
3. **They could easily afford to stay at the best hotels, ---- they preferred to stay at small family run guest houses.**
  - A) as
  - B) yet
  - C) for
  - D) therefore
  - E) so
4. **The 35th US President, J.F. Kennedy, was shot by a lone gunman ---- taking part in a procession in November, 1963.**
  - A) in order to
  - B) during
  - C) owing to
  - D) until
  - E) while
5. **We are unable to send you a brochure at the moment, but we will send you one ---- new stock arrives.**
  - A) before
  - B) until
  - C) as soon as
  - D) while
  - E) although
6. **---- of how many different precautions you take, you cannot avoid being bitten by midges in Scotland at this time of year.**
  - A) No matter
  - B) Nevertheless
  - C) Whatever
  - D) Regardless
  - E) Instead
7. **We are, from this date forward, cancelling your company's credit facility with us ---- your poor payment record.**
  - A) on account of
  - B) even though
  - C) in addition to
  - D) in spite of
  - E) besides
8. **Dave caught malaria ---- he was working on a construction project in Africa.**
  - A) during
  - B) while
  - C) by the time
  - D) as soon as
  - E) until
9. **I still think it's a long way to go without taking a break ---- they are to take turns at the wheel.**
  - A) even if
  - B) whether
  - C) so that
  - D) despite
  - E) yet
10. **---- performing all the functions of a standard vacuum cleaner, this model will also clean your carpets, Madam.**
  - A) Regardless
  - B) However
  - C) In addition to
  - D) Seeing as
  - E) Furthermore
11. **I'm glad that we phoned to check the date of their wedding; ----, we would have missed it.**
  - A) consequently
  - B) in case
  - C) although
  - D) however
  - E) otherwise
12. **They didn't buy that house because it is a long way from any schools; ----, it needs a fortune spending on it.**
  - A) nevertheless
  - B) regardless
  - C) whereas
  - D) furthermore
  - E) on the other hand

13. **Because my car is very old and ---- a little unreliable, I usually take the train travelling long distances.**
- A) however  
B) though  
C) therefore  
D) while  
E) owing to
14. **---- varied they may be in purpose, all spacecrafts move through space in accordance with fundamental physical laws, and all are made up of similar basic components.**
- A) Because  
B) So that  
C) However  
D) While  
E) Consequently
15. **We are holding a meeting tomorrow ---- we can develop a plan for next year's campaigns well in advance.**
- A) in case  
B) in order that  
C) no sooner  
D) even if  
E) no matter
16. **This charity ---- provides emergency relief ---- teaches people practical skills to help avoid future catastrophes.**
- A) such / that  
B) whether / or  
C) both / so  
D) rather / than  
E) not only / but also
17. **---- how careful I try to be throughout the month, I always seem to run out of money before I get paid.**
- A) Whenever  
B) Even though  
C) No matter  
D) In case  
E) Even if
18. **---- ordinary chestnuts, which are delicious when roasted, horse chestnuts are inedible and are most commonly used by children in a game called 'conkers'.**
- A) Besides  
B) Similar to  
C) Whereas  
D) In contrast to  
E) On the other hand
19. **Apart from the radiator, the cylinder head is -- -- damaged, ---- the garage will need our car for a week to repair it.**
- A) still / yet  
B) so / as  
C) both / though  
D) such / as  
E) also / so
20. **The summer will be over ---- they open the swimming-pool.**
- A) by the time  
B) while  
C) though  
D) during  
E) no sooner
21. **For reasons of safety, space-launch centres are usually located on ---- oceans ---- sparsely populated land.**
- A) either / or  
B) such / as  
C) neither / nor  
D) hardly / when  
E) whether / or
22. **---- the 1970's, the United States developed the space shuttle, the first reusable manned space vehicle.**
- A) When  
B) During  
C) While  
D) Due to  
E) By the time
23. **---- the doctor told you that you had only six months to live, what would you do with that time?**
- A) Regardless of  
B) Owing to  
C) In addition to  
D) Suppose that  
E) In order that
24. **Traffic to the airport has been much lighter ---- the metro system was built.**
- A) as if  
B) once  
C) since  
D) until  
E) while

25. **He resigned from his position ---- he could find time to write his long intended book.**
- A) otherwise
  - B) however
  - C) thanks to
  - D) moreover
  - E) so that
26. **In their opinion, they presented the best proposals, ---- They didn't get the contract.**
- A) if
  - B) yet
  - C) as
  - D) for
  - E) so
27. **There will be a shortage of water ---- we get some rainfall soon.**
- A) as if
  - B) in case
  - C) whenever
  - D) unless
  - E) by the time
28. **The lungs are never completely empty. ---- the most vigorous expiration, they still contain about 983 cubic centimetres of air.**
- A) Even after
  - B) As though
  - C) However
  - D) Whereas
  - E) Even if
29. **---- writing techniques and vocabulary can be taught, no amount of instruction can make up for a lack of natural creative talent.**
- A) Soon
  - B) Hardly
  - C) While
  - D) No matter
  - E) Since
30. **---- the council has provided places for us to take our empty bottles for recycling, many of us still throw glass bottles into the ordinary dustbins.**
- A) However
  - B) On account of
  - C) In addition to
  - D) Despite
  - E) Even though

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5	A	25	B	45	C	
6	B	26	C	46	E	
7	C	27	E	47	D	
8	D	28	A	48	B	
9	E	29	D	49	A	
10	C	30	E	50	D	
11	C	31	B	51	D	
12	E	32	D	52	E	
13	E	33	C	53	B	
14	B	34	B	54	E	
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CONJUNCTIONS - PART I						
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12	D					
13	E					
14	E					
15	B					
16	A					
17	D					
18	C					
19	C					
20	E					

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