



ÖSYM VOCABULARY

1. **Several of my friends have entered the ----, but none of them expects to win. (YDS – 2000)**
  - A) performance
  - B) application
  - C) competition
  - D) responsibility
  - E) vacancy
  
2. **He's a terribly ---- person and never thinks at all of the needs or the wishes of other people. (YDS – 2000)**
  - A) nervous
  - B) sensitive
  - C) extravagant
  - D) reliable
  - E) selfish
  
3. **As she grew older, it became ---- difficult for her to do the shopping. (YDS – 2000)**
  - A) eventually
  - B) increasingly
  - C) doubtfully
  - D) adequately
  - E) reluctantly
  
4. **The survivors of the shipwreck who were able to reach the land, decided to ---- a fire and wait to be rescued. (YDS – 2000)**
  - A) make
  - B) do
  - C) show
  - D) set
  - E) put
  
5. **The melting of all the ice mass in the Arctic would ---- the sea level by several metres. (YDS – 2000)**
  - A) establish
  - B) preserve
  - C) raise
  - D) restore
  - E) spoil
  
6. **I tried hard to ---- why the motor would have to be replaced, but he couldn't understand what I was trying to say. (YDS – 2001)**
  - A) insist
  - B) complain
  - C) reply
  - D) inform
  - E) explain
  
7. **The market for computers and all related goods has been ---- rapidly in recent years. (YDS – 2001)**
  - A) reaching
  - B) expanding
  - C) exploring
  - D) exceeding
  - E) disturbing
  
8. **The company is not only looking for well-qualified people; it also wants them to be ---- about their work. (YDS – 2001)**
  - A) enthusiastic
  - B) comprehensive
  - C) relevant
  - D) indifferent
  - E) convenient
  
9. **They still haven't come to an ---- about which play they are going to put on next term. (YDS – 2001)**
  - A) opinion
  - B) assessment
  - C) appointment
  - D) agreement
  - E) event
  
10. **I met your father once years ago, but I can ---- remember him. (YDS – 2001)**
  - A) hardly
  - B) enormously
  - C) extremely
  - D) immensely
  - E) simultaneously



11. William Wordsworth was a poet of nature, and had the special ---- to throw charm over ordinary things. (YDS – 2002)

- A) ability
- B) verse
- C) topic
- D) admiration
- E) illusion

12. No one knows for certain when the first Anglo- Saxon settlements were made in Britain, but it is ---- that some of them at any rate were founded about the middle of the fifth century A.D. (YDS – 2002)

- A) temporary
- B) vital
- C) probable
- D) contemporary
- E) urgent

13. James Joyce was born and educated in Ireland but spent most of his ---- life in Europe, mainly in France, Italy and Switzerland. (YDS – 2002)

- A) superficial
- B) adult
- C) competitive
- D) coherent
- E) precise

14. Frederick Taylor is ---- known as the founder of the scientific management movement. (YDS – 2002)

- A) alternatively
- B) fluently
- C) hopefully
- D) widely
- E) sensitively

15. The tourists had intended to walk along the coast to the next town but were ---- from doing so by the stormy weather. (YDS – 2002)

- A) deceived
- B) influenced
- C) compelled
- D) encouraged
- E) prevented

16. All teenagers have ----; the problem is to teach them to exploit it to the best advantage. (YDS – 2003)

- A) destiny
- B) compulsion
- C) potential
- D) preference
- E) significance

17. Have they come to a ---- yet on whether to move to Izmir or stay in Antalya? (YDS – 2003)

- A) disturbance
- B) suggestion
- C) reversal
- D) conflict
- E) decision

18. Ireland is in the Atlantic Ocean and ---- from Great Britain by the Irish Sea. (YDS – 2003)

- A) established
- B) occupied
- C) placed
- D) inhabited
- E) separated

19. Geologists have ---- that Africa was once warmer and wetter than it is today. (YDS – 2003)

- A) explored
- B) discovered
- C) surveyed
- D) searched
- E) experimented

20. Australia, which is normally a grains exporting country, has started importing wheat and corn to meet a shortage resulting from a ---- drought. (YDS – 2003)

- A) widespread
- B) hostile
- C) sustainable
- D) secular
- E) restrictive



21. After decades of speculation astronomers now have fairly ---- information concerning the basic features of our universe. (YDS – 2003)

- A) desperate
- B) preventive
- C) reluctant
- D) accurate
- E) respective

22. The meridians are ---- counted from the meridian of the observatory of Greenwich, in England, which is called the zero meridian. (YDS – 2003)

- A) traditionally
- B) suitably
- C) previously
- D) notably
- E) markedly

23. Finland, which is three times the size of Ohio, is ---- forested and contains thousands of lakes, numerous rivers and extensive areas of marshland. (YDS – 2003)

- A) mutually
- B) exactly
- C) heavily
- D) currently
- E) profoundly

24. The religion of the Hittites was based upon ---- of a sun goddess and a storm god. (YDS – 2004)

- A) wonder
- B) invention
- C) survival
- D) worship
- E) display

25. The success of the classical record industry is largely due to high quality of the ----. (YDS – 2004)

- A) descriptions
- B) audiences
- C) sales
- D) articles
- E) products

26. The first ---- of Australia were the Aborigines, who migrated there at least 40,000 years ago from Southeast Asia. (YDS – 2004)

- A) inhabitants
- B) guests
- C) population
- D) citizens
- E) troops

27. In spite of much research into the subject, we still only ---- know how and why tornadoes form. (YDS – 2004)

- A) likely
- B) truly
- C) ideally
- D) partially
- E) fairly

28. Ideally, museums should have lots of public money, ---- space to exhibit most of their treasures and enough staff to look after them. (YDS – 2004)

- A) grateful
- B) sufficient
- C) incredible
- D) portative
- E) radiant

29. Volunteer fire brigades, unlike professional ones, ---- have the training to deal with big or complicated fires. (YDS – 2004)

- A) secretly
- B) suddenly
- C) rarely
- D) reasonably
- E) convincingly

30. In his final years of office, President Clinton maintained a ---- low profile but took several major trips overseas. (YDS – 2004)

- A) certainly
- B) randomly
- C) strongly
- D) plainly
- E) relatively



31. Although it is dying out in the towns, folk dance is still a vibrant tradition in Turkish villages, as you may well see if you ---- a traditional wedding party. (YDS – 2004)

- A) involve
- B) attend
- C) demonstrate
- D) consist
- E) relieve

32. The new version of the *Night Sky* programme has various ---- that make it much more enjoyable than the first version. (YDS – 2005)

- A) extracts
- B) totals
- C) additions
- D) needs
- E) disappointments

33. It was the only school for miles around and so all the children in the ---- went to the same school. (YDS – 2005)

- A) situation
- B) property
- C) department
- D) neighbourhood
- E) circumstance

34. I was a ---- child and so I used to make up stories and hold conversations with imaginary people. (YDS – 2005)

- A) painful
- B) selfish
- C) consistent
- D) charming
- E) lonely

35. Queen Elizabeth I established a strong central government that received the ---- support of her people. (YDS – 2005)

- A) loyal
- B) favourite
- C) capable
- D) sensitive
- E) fluent

36. Stewart, a young and ---- talented British historian, has written a book on the impact of World War II on British politics. (YDS – 2005)

- A) convincingly
- B) remarkably
- C) directly
- D) continually
- E) crucially

37. Fire-fighting and the training methods employed are becoming ---- complex. (YDS – 2005)

- A) previously
- B) plainly
- C) partly
- D) courageously
- E) extremely

38. Films quite often focus on journalism, and from time to time they have critically examined and ---- this profession. (YDS – 2005)

- A) succeeded
- B) deserved
- C) denied
- D) influenced
- E) suspected

39. Marathon-training schedules range from four to six months and they all ---- considerable discipline. (YDS – 2005)

- A) require
- B) reduce
- C) imply
- D) combine
- E) improve

40. A vital problem facing us this century is the ---- of global warming. (YDS – 2006)

- A) collection
- B) provision
- C) issue
- D) disturbance
- E) expression



41. In 1496, fresh from his ---- of the New World, Christopher Columbus was still thinking about China. (YDS – 2006)

- A) invention
- B) journey
- C) possession
- D) discovery
- E) pursuit

42. Much has been written about the outbreak of war in 1914, but the question of who was ---- is still being debated. (YDS – 2006)

- A) desirable
- B) responsible
- C) compulsive
- D) peaceful
- E) adequate

43. She seems ---- to take part in the quiz-programme. (YDS – 2006)

- A) reluctant
- B) hard-working
- C) selfish
- D) loyal
- E) delicate

44. His novels have been ---- praised for the superb use of colloquial language. (YDS – 2006)

- A) rapidly
- B) strangely
- C) suddenly
- D) safely
- E) widely

45. An estimated \$4 billion over the next five years will cover the cost of ---- immunizing children in developing countries. (YDS – 2006)

- A) undeniably
- B) abruptly
- C) fully
- D) currently
- E) actively

46. T.S. Eliot's poem *The Waste Land* really ---- in capturing the mood of post-war Europe. (YDS – 2006)

- A) disturbs
- B) deserves
- C) contributes
- D) recovers
- E) succeeds

47. If life didn't start on Earth but came from comets instead, there's no reason why something similar couldn't ---- again today. (YDS – 2006)

- A) establish
- B) respect
- C) happen
- D) perceive
- E) develop

48. If you go down to the woods in August, it is easy to get the ---- that the birds, like so many of us, are on holiday. (YDS – 2007)

- A) notice
- B) desire
- C) consciousness
- D) impression
- E) evidence

49. Pandas consume 18 kg of woody bamboo daily, which provides almost 99 per cent of their dietary ----. (YDS – 2007)

- A) measurements
- B) needs
- C) achievements
- D) expectations
- E) supplements

50. It is not clear whether bald eagles are directly ---- for driving away golden eagles in California's Channel Islands. (YDS – 2007)

- A) responsible
- B) stable
- C) cautious
- D) particular
- E) reasonable



51. In order to study the past it is not always ---- to know precisely how long ago in years a particular period or event occurred. (YDS – 2007)
- A) recurrent
  - B) annual
  - C) capable
  - D) absolute
  - E) essential
52. Consumers know that food labels such as “organic” and “natural” do not ---- guarantee good conditions for the animals that produced the meat, milk or eggs found inside the packaging. (YDS – 2007)
- A) respectively
  - B) relatively
  - C) necessarily
  - D) severely
  - E) falsely
53. The ---- accepted laws of physics are the same everywhere in the world. (YDS – 2007)
- A) continually
  - B) rapidly
  - C) simply
  - D) equally
  - E) commonly
54. The total sales of US magazines in 1986 ---- 325.3 million. (YDS – 2007)
- A) profited
  - B) afforded
  - C) provided
  - D) reached
  - E) recorded
55. An attempt to ---- a poem should never be made before the poem is well understood. (YDS – 2007)
- A) compare
  - B) support
  - C) determine
  - D) mean
  - E) evaluate
56. Stavanger is probably the wealthiest town in Norway, and its ---- derives mainly from oil taken from the North Sea. (YDS – 2008)
- A) enlargement
  - B) prosperity
  - C) availability
  - D) emergence
  - E) arousal
57. Football owes many of its early innovations to just a few individual players and coaches who thought deeply about the ---- of the game. (YDS – 2008)
- A) experiments
  - B) results
  - C) fundamentals
  - D) possessions
  - E) associations
58. Researchers who publish their work in scientific journals describe their experiments in ---- detail to be independently performed by other scientists. (YDS – 2008)
- A) fair
  - B) harsh
  - C) temporary
  - D) sufficient
  - E) irrelevant
59. With the introduction in the 1950s of more advanced sound-recording techniques which played an important part in the creation of new styles, pop music became ---- from folk music. (YDS – 2008)
- A) distinct
  - B) valid
  - C) reliable
  - D) changeable
  - E) definite
60. At all times and in all societies, the tendency to commit crime ---- increases in early adolescence and levels off in middle age. (YDS – 2008)
- A) randomly
  - B) intentionally
  - C) adequately
  - D) usually
  - E) accurately



61. As scientific evidence ---- shows, second-hand smoking is a serious health hazard that can lead to disease in children and non-smoking adults. (YDS – 2008)
- A) unfairly
  - B) hopefully
  - C) incompetently
  - D) unremarkably
  - E) clearly
62. The ruins of the ancient city of Pompeii ---- over some 250 acres in the shadow of Mount Vesuvius. (YDS – 2008)
- A) contain
  - B) extend
  - C) collapse
  - D) supply
  - E) explore
63. The element “zircon” has been important not only for understanding the age of the continents but also for ---- when life first appeared. (YDS – 2008)
- A) determining
  - B) approving
  - C) providing
  - D) affording
  - E) supporting
64. If you think the only ---- of light is to enable us to see, you couldn't be more wrong because it affects us both physically and mentally. (YDS – 2009)
- A) ability
  - B) work
  - C) function
  - D) support
  - E) responsibility
65. You may think that the feel-good ---- created by laughing is purely psychological, but science has now proved that mind and body are inseparably linked and that it affects your physical health, too. (YDS – 2009)
- A) sensation
  - B) thought
  - C) awareness
  - D) requirement
  - E) expression
66. After the earthquake in 1999, the government was accused of not having provided enough supervision of builders, whose ---- construction of housing increased the destruction and added to the number of dead. (YDS – 2009)
- A) expensive
  - B) unattractive
  - C) beautiful
  - D) faulty
  - E) disappointed
67. To make her characters ----, the author includes many events from her own remarkable life. (YDS – 2009)
- A) enormous
  - B) memorable
  - C) regrettable
  - D) measurable
  - E) practical
68. It is the translators who make literature written in a foreign language ---- accessible to Turkish readers. (YDS – 2009)
- A) cautiously
  - B) barely
  - C) largely
  - D) peculiarly
  - E) slowly
69. About 550 volcanoes have erupted on Earth's surface since the beginning of recorded history, but far more have erupted --- on the ocean floor. (YDS – 2009)
- A) unobserved
  - B) noticeably
  - C) seldom
  - D) deeply
  - E) fast
70. It is time to ---- chances and to get your work shown, though you may be a young and unproven painter. (YDS – 2009)
- A) gain
  - B) get
  - C) have
  - D) own
  - E) take



71. With its luxurious guest rooms, excellent restaurants and relaxing bar, the hotel ---- the ideal environment for businessmen and tourists alike to pursue their activities in. (YDS – 2009)

- A) describes
- B) invites
- C) means
- D) offers
- E) changes

72. Probably the first Indian and Eskimo ---- in America came across the Bering Strait when the sea was frozen solid. (LYS – 2010)

- A) origins
- B) provinces
- C) species
- D) workers
- E) settlers

73. Films with a great deal of violence in them are not ---- for young children. (LYS – 2010)

- A) suitable
- B) separate
- C) urgent
- D) distinct
- E) complete

74. In Austria, freshwater lakes and rivers are ---- frozen for most of the winter. (LYS – 2010)

- A) unfairly
- B) partly
- C) anxiously
- D) suddenly
- E) newly

75. Humans developed the way they did because they had to run long distances in order to ----. (LYS – 2010)

- A) return
- B) admit
- C) survive
- D) compete
- E) remain

76. The successful ---- of developing countries into world trade requires more than just open access to export markets and international trade rules. (LYS – 2011)

- A) contribution
- B) investment
- C) integration
- D) reduction
- E) resignation

77. The printing press had a ---- effect on the transformation of cultural and religious issues in the Renaissance. (LYS – 2011)

- A) profound
- B) redundant
- C) controversial
- D) spiritual
- E) previous

78. In the past 25 years, the number of children's museums has increased ----. (LYS – 2011)

- A) instantly
- B) separately
- C) frequently
- D) commonly
- E) rapidly

79. Nobel Prizes are widely ---- as the world's most prestigious awards given for intellectual achievement. (LYS – 2011)

- A) discovered
- B) revealed
- C) competed
- D) regarded
- E) founded

80. To a psychologist, personality consists of persistent ---- of thought, emotion and behaviour. (LYS – 2012)

- A) belongings
- B) patterns
- C) compliments
- D) inventions
- E) services





81. Both Malatya and Gaziantep have grown economically in the past three decades and both are now considerably ---- than they used to be. (LYS – 2012)

- A) weaker
- B) stricter
- C) simpler
- D) riskier
- E) wealthier

82. Passing on knowledge to others was once thought to be a ---- human ability, but several species are proving otherwise. (LYS – 2012)

- A) uniquely
- B) hazardously
- C) rapidly
- D) generously
- E) steadily

83. Psychological factors influence our physical health, because our emotions and thoughts are always ---- by biochemical reactions in our bodies. (LYS – 2012)

- A) pretended
- B) rejected
- C) appointed
- D) accompanied
- E) detected

84. The best way to use olive oil to retain its extraordinary nutritional ---- is to add it after cooking. (LYS – 2013)

- A) distributions
- B) demands
- C) restrictions
- D) benefits
- E) indications

85. In ancient times, cacao seeds or beans were used as a form of currency, ---- both for the purchase of everyday items and for the payment of tribute money to the king. (LYS – 2013)

- A) excessive
- B) valid
- C) redundant
- D) hazardous
- E) preventable

86. The economic crisis in East Asia ---- affected growth prospects, and governments are faced with the dilemma of cutting social expenditure. (LYS – 2013)

- A) illegally
- B) incidentally
- C) abusively
- D) adversely
- E) separately

87. Film directors may place objects or actors in the foreground in order to ---- their narrative significance. (LYS – 2013)

- A) spoil
- B) relieve
- C) threaten
- D) overcome
- E) highlight

88. The classification of schizophrenia remains complex because of the ---- of symptoms. (LYS – 2014)

- A) preservation
- B) accuracy
- C) objectivity
- D) diversity
- E) decline

89. The health and wealth of any society depend on having ---- supplies of clean water. (LYS – 2014)

- A) adequate
- B) definite
- C) selective
- D) initial
- E) urgent

90. If we are to be successful in conserving the Earth's biodiversity, it is essential that there are vigorous efforts ---- put into place to reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases. (LYS – 2014)

- A) immediately
- B) adversely
- C) obscurely
- D) comparatively
- E) hesitantly



91. Many experts agree that preventing or treating obesity in childhood will ---- the rate of heart diseases in adulthood. (LYS – 2014)

- A) explain
- B) accomplish
- C) reduce
- D) deliver
- E) specify

92. Technology is the practical ---- of knowledge and skills to make tools, machines, vehicles and other useful things. (LYS – 2015)

- A) elimination
- B) expectation
- C) responsibility
- D) application
- E) diversity

93. Managers must often decide whether to drop products or departments that are not as ---- as desired. (LYS – 2015)

- A) profitable
- B) abrupt
- C) severe
- D) dependent
- E) consistent

94. No one has to read a textbook to learn that children's problem solving abilities improve ---- across childhood. (LYS – 2015)

- A) deliberately
- B) dramatically
- C) approximately
- D) respectively
- E) incidentally

95. One socio-psychological explanation of violence suggests that frustrating situations make people angry and increase their ---- to act aggressively. (LYS – 2016)

- A) addiction
- B) tendency
- C) rejection
- D) exposure
- E) dedication

96. William Du Bois, the first African-American to graduate from Harvard University with a doctorate, showed ---- academic promise from a very early age. (LYS – 2016)

- A) comprehensive
- B) additional
- C) temporary
- D) intentional
- E) exceptional

97. In a network combining the entire world, no one will be trustworthy enough, so connecting your computer to the Internet is ---- going to bring some risks. (LYS – 2016)

- A) inadequately
- B) incomparably
- C) inevitably
- D) unequally
- E) ineffectively

98. The fruit of the cacao tree and the seeds or beans it contains ---- a lengthy and complex series of transformations in order to yield chocolate. (LYS – 2016)

- A) overcome
- B) dismiss
- C) highlight
- D) undergo
- E) exchange

99. Because anxiety is a common mental health concern today, efforts should be directed towards the ---- of anxiety disorders. (LYS – 2017)

- A) extension
- B) prevention
- C) prevalence
- D) restriction
- E) outcome

100. Sometimes all that is needed to help solve a problem is a chance to talk about it with a ---- listener. (LYS – 2017)

- A) sympathetic
- B) memorable
- C) fierce
- D) hostile
- E) speculative



**101. The Caribbean is a haven for colourful bird life, most ---- the scarlet ibis of Trinidad and Tobago, a bird that feeds on crabs and other small sea creatures that live in the coastal mudflats. (LYS – 2017)**

- A) ultimately
- B) annually
- C) privately
- D) formally
- E) notably

**102. United Nations Peacekeeping emerged out of Word War II to help warring countries or communities to create the ---- for two peace. (LYS – 2018)**

- A) inventions
- B) predictions
- C) interventions
- D) accomplishments
- E) conditions

**103. Invented by the Chinese in the 9<sup>th</sup> century, gunpowder rapidly became a ---- factor in battle. (LYS – 2018)**

- A) crucial
- B) complicating
- C) provable
- D) virtual
- E) limiting

**104. It is difficult to say ---- when people first started to make rope because very few early examples have survived until today. (LYS – 2018)**

- A) eventually
- B) importantly
- C) exactly
- D) consistently
- E) partially

**105. The continents are the major land masses of the Earth and ---- around 29 per cent of the planet's surface. (LYS – 2018)**

- A) threaten
- B) occupy
- C) maintain
- D) initiate
- E) provide

**ANSWER KEY**

1	C	28	B	55	E	82	A
2	E	29	C	56	B	83	D
3	B	30	E	57	C	84	D
4	A	31	B	58	D	85	B
5	C	32	C	59	A	86	D
6	E	33	D	60	D	87	E
7	B	34	E	61	E	88	D
8	A	35	A	62	B	89	A
9	D	36	B	63	A	90	A
10	A	37	E	64	C	91	C
11	A	38	D	65	A	92	D
12	C	39	A	66	D	93	A
13	B	40	C	67	B	94	B
14	D	41	D	68	C	95	B
15	E	42	B	69	A	96	E
16	C	43	A	70	E	97	C
17	E	44	E	71	D	98	D
18	E	45	C	72	E	99	B
19	B	46	E	73	A	100	A
20	A	47	C	74	B	101	E
21	D	48	D	75	C	102	E
22	A	49	B	76	C	103	A
23	C	50	A	77	A	104	C
24	D	51	E	78	E	105	B
25	E	52	C	79	D		
26	A	53	E	80	B		
27	D	54	D	81	E		