The quiz consists of 60 questions divided into 4 sections.

**What do you say?**

Questions 1-15 test your knowledge of English expressions used in everyday situations.

**Idioms**

Questions 16-25 check how well you know various idiomatic expressions – proverbs, sayings, fixed phrases.

**Grammar**

Questions 26-39 concern grammatical issues. Given two sentences, you will have to decide if they have similar or different meanings.

**Culture**

In the last section, questions 40-60 try to find out what you know about the countries where English is spoken – their history, geography, art, etc.

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**What do you say?**

1. What do you say when you are successful after you failed the first two times?
   - a. There’s no time like third time.
   - b. Third time is the best.
   - c. Third time lucky.

2. What do you say when you want to say politely that someone can go in front of you?
   - a. You are first.
   - b. You before.
   - c. After you.

3. What do you say when you want somebody to take something, especially food or drink, without asking?
   - a. Take yourself.
   - b. Help yourself.
   - c. Get yourself.

4. What do you say when you think that something is dirty, ugly or unpleasant?
   - a. foooy
   - b. yummy
   - c. yuck

5. What do you say if you don’t know the answer to a question?
   - a. I haven’t got a direction.
   - b. I haven’t got a clue.
   - c. I haven’t got evidence.
6 What do you say when you don’t understand a joke?
   a. I don’t take it.
   b. I don’t get it.
   c. I don’t have it.

7 What do you say when you hurt yourself and feel sudden pain?
   a. Wow!
   b. Achoo!
   c. Ouch!

8 What do you shout when you liked a performance and want to hear more?
   a. Bis!
   b. Again!
   c. Encore!

9 How do you say “yes!” in an enthusiastic way?
   a. Let’s bet.
   b. We bet.
   c. You bet.

10 What do you say when you want to know what somebody is thinking about?
    a. A penny for your thoughts.
    b. Reveal your thoughts to me.
    c. I want to buy your thoughts.

11 What do you say when you think that something bad happened because you are not a lucky person?
   a. Just my luck!
   b. Never my luck!
   c. Such my luck!

12 What do you say when you don’t know or understand something?
   a. It beats me.
   b. It kicks me.
   c. It hits me.

13 What do you say if you want to encourage someone to do something or to try very hard?
   a. Run for it!
   b. Jump for it!
   c. Go for it!

14 What do you say when you accept what someone says?
   a. Good enough.
   b. Fair enough.
   c. Clear enough.

15 What do English pigs “say”?
   a. neigh-neigh
   b. khrum-khrum
   c. oink-oink
16 If you can almost remember a word or a name, it is on the ........ of your tongue.
   a.  end
   b.  finish
   c.  top
   d.  tip

17 If you are working late at night, you are burning the ........
   a.  midnight oil
   b.  night candle
   c.  late lamp
   d.  eternal fire

18 If somebody drinks too much alcohol, he or she drinks like a(n) ........
   a.  horse
   b.  fish
   c.  fountain
   d.  ocean

19 Something that makes you think a lot about a particular subject can be referred to as ........
   a.  food for thinking
   b.  food for thought
   c.  food for ideas
   d.  inspiration food

20 When you are good friends with somebody, you get on like ........
   a.  two peas in a pod
   b.  three little pigs
   c.  a house on fire
   d.  a fish in water

21 When a place or organization is not as good as it used to be, you might say that it’s going ........
   a.  to hell
   b.  to the dogs
   c.  to the gutter
   d.  to the woods

22 If something happens in a way that is sudden and unexpected, it happens out of the ........
   a.  red
   b.  blue
   c.  black
   d.  grey

23 English people are famous for their reserve: a stiff upper ........
   a.  lip
   b.  arm
   c.  back
   d.  moustache

24 If you want to encourage someone to take a risk, you can say: “Nothing ventured, nothing ........”
   a.  gained
   b.  obtained
   c.  won
   d.  done
25 When you need to accept something which is not perfect for you, you can say: “………. can’t be choosers.”
   a. buskers
   b. paupers
   c. beggars
   d. losers

26 I’ve been living in Białystok for a long time.
    I’ve lived in Białystok for a long time.
   a. quite similar
   b. completely different

27 I have a few good friends.
    I have few good friends.
   a. quite similar
   b. completely different

28 He works hard.
    He hardly works.
   c. quite similar
   d. completely different

29 It was a very silly thing to do. You might have hurt yourself.
    It was a very silly thing to do. You could have hurt yourself.
   a. quite similar
   b. completely different

30 We’ll go out when I finish.
    We’ll go out when I’ve finished.
   a. quite similar
   b. completely different

31 I look forward to hearing from you.
    I’m looking forward to hearing from you.
   a. quite similar
   b. completely different

32 They really love each other.
    They really love themselves.
   a. quite similar
   b. completely different

33 As your sister I have to warn you.
    Like your sister I have to warn you.
   a. quite similar
   b. completely different

34 I’ll buy a bottle of wine if she comes.
    I’ll buy a bottle of wine in case she comes.
   a. quite similar
   b. completely different
35 He **had** his car stolen when he was shopping.
He **got** his car stolen when he was shopping.
- a. quite similar
- b. completely different

36 When I was a child, we **would** go to the seaside on holiday.
When I was a child, we **used to** go to the seaside on holiday.
- a. quite similar
- b. completely different

37 I study English **in order to** have a better chance of getting a job.
I study English **so as to** have a better chance of getting a job.
- a. quite similar
- b. completely different

38 It looks **as if** I’m going to win.
It looks **as though** I’m going to win.
- a. quite similar
- b. completely different

39 You can go out **provided** you tell me where you’re going.
You can go out **as long as** you tell me where you’re going.
- a. quite similar
- b. completely different

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**Culture**

40 What is the name of the national flag of the United Kingdom?
- a. Royal Flag
- b. Union Jack
- c. Union Square
- d. Royal Cross

41 How old is Queen Elizabeth II?
- a. 68
- b. 78
- c. 88
- d. 98

42 David Cameron - the current British Prime Minister - is the leader of ......... Party.
- a. Conservative
- b. Labour
- c. Liberal
- d. Sinn Fein

43 What is Barack Obama’s middle name?
- a. Saddam
- b. Hussein
- c. Muhammad
- d. Ali
44 New York is sometimes called ........
   a. the Big Cheese
   b. the Big Apple
   c. the Big Candy
   d. the Big Burger

45 What is the capital city of Wales?
   a. Swansea
   b. Newport
   c. Cardiff
   d. Llandudno

46 Silicon Valley is located near ........
   a. San Francisco
   b. New York
   c. Chicago
   d. Miami

47 What is the name of the lead vocalist of the band Coldplay?
   a. Chris Martin
   b. Damon Albarn
   c. Brian Molko
   d. Paul Banks

48 JK Rowling writes detective novels as ........
   a. Christopher Gilbert
   b. Colin Dexter
   c. Robert Galbraith

49 Who invented the sandwich?
   a. Queen Victoria
   b. George Washington
   c. Earl of Sandwich
   d. King Edward IV

50 Which building is the tallest in the USA (and in the Western Hemisphere, 4th tallest in the world)?
   a. One World Trade Center
   b. Empire State Building
   c. Willis Tower (Sears Tower)
   d. Chrysler Building

51 How many wives did King Henry VIII have?
   a. 8
   b. 6
   c. 4
   d. none

52 The second biggest state in the USA is ........
   a. California
   b. New Jersey
   c. Arizona
   d. Texas
53 The Severn - the longest river in the UK - is .......... km long.
   a. 354
   b. 662
   c. 862
   d. 1,224

54 Which country has the largest population?
   a. Australia
   b. New Zealand
   c. Canada

55 What is marmalade made from?
   a. strawberries
   b. apples
   c. mixed fruits
   d. citrus fruits

56 Australians are sometimes called .......... 
   a. Ozzies
   b. Kangoos
   c. Dingos
   d. Boomerangs

57 When is Thanksgiving celebrated in the USA?
   a. On the first Thursday of Advent
   b. On the last Thursday in October
   c. On the fourth Thursday in November

58 What is the world's first national park (established in 1872)?
   a. Thousand Islands, Canada
   b. Yellowstone National Park, USA
   c. Yorkshire Dales National Park, UK
   d. Everglades National Park, USA

59 Selfridges is:
   a. a film studio
   b. a department store
   c. a brand of whisky
   d. a bank

60 Which New York square is the site of the famous New Year's Eve celebrations?
   a. Washington Square
   b. Franklin Square
   c. Times Square
   d. Madison Square