ENR Exam 2017

- 1. Which of the following negatively impacts the environment?
 - a. reducing the demand for fossil fuels
 - b. replanting deforested areas
 - c. using more pesticides
 - d. using renewable resources
- 2. The diagram below shows a food chain.



What do the arrows in the diagram represent?

- a. flow of energy
- b. life cycle stages
- c. one community replacing another
- d. renewable resource depletion
- 3. If producers in a food web were removed, which of the following changes would most likely occur?
 - a. Consumers of the web would begin making energy for the food web
 - b. the entire food web would collapse over time
 - c. the food web would depend on the decomposers for energy
 - d. the populations of the remaining organisms in the food web would increase
- 4. The most abundant element found in living organisms is...
 - a. carbon
 - b. hydrogen
 - c. nitrogen
 - d. oxygen

5. What is the interdependence of plants and animals on each other for food know as...

- a. a universal relationship
- b. domestic
- c. symbiosis
- d. the food chain
- 6. A food web is different from a food chain because...
 - a. animals eat plants in a food web and they do not in a food chain

b. a food web is a combination of several food chains

- c. decomposers eat animals in a food chain but not in a food web
- d. a food web and a food chain are the same thing
- Material placed on soil to break the fall of raindrops is called ______.
 - a. contour farming
 - b. lime
 - c. mulch
 - d. strip cropping
- 8. In the water cycle when water is changed from a liquid to a gas it is called
 - a. condensation
 - b. evaporation
 - c. precipitation
 - d. transpiration
- 9. Which of the following ingredients is not associated with photosynthesis?
 - a. carbon dioxide
 - b. oxygen
 - c. radon
 - d. water

10. The buildup of heat resulting from sunlight passing through clear objects and heating trapped air in the interior area is called?

- a. infrared energy
- b. the greenhouse effect
- c. radiation
- d. ultraviolet
- 11. Humans can survive how long without proper air to breathe?
 - a. 6 minutes
 - b. 12 minutes
 - c. 2 hours
 - d. 12 hours

- 12. The source of radioactive dust is most likely from...
 - a. cracks in the basement floors
 - b. damaged ozone layer
 - c. improperly adjusted furnaces
 - d. nuclear reactions

13. Which has the lowest tendency to form clods, the least moisture holding capacity and the least fertility?

- a. clay
- b. loam
- c. sand
- d. silt

14. Scientists identified the buildup of **what substance** as the cause of the thinning ozone layer?

- a. carbon monoxide
- b. chlorofluorocarbons
- c. nitrous oxide
- d. radon

15. Which of the following are the basis of food chains?

- a. carnivores
- b. consumers
- c. herbivores
- d. producers

16. What kind of water is unavailable to plant roots because it is held tightly against the soil particles?

- a. alluvial water
- b. capillary water
- c. gravitational water
- d. hygroscopic water

17. What are sensitive organisms that show the state of an environment's overall health called?

- a. consumers
- b. endangered species
- c. indicator species
- d. limiting factor

18. All of the following are examples of recommended practices to reduce or prevent wind and water erosion except for...

- a. conservation tillage
- b. crop rotation
- c. sheet erosion
- d. strip cropping

- 19. What is the process by which organic matter is reduced to organic compounds?
 - a. decomposition
 - b. photosynthesis
 - c. respiration
 - d. symbiosis

20. Which of the following soil particles is the smallest?

- a. clay
- b. organic matter
- c. sand
- d. silt
- 21. Which of the following layers of soil contributes the least to plant nutrition?
 - a. bedrock
 - b. Horizon A
 - c. Horizon B
 - d. Horizon C

22. What is the wildlife relationship that refers to a plant or animal that lives in, on or with another, sharing its food, but not helping or harming it?

- a. commensalism
- b. mutualism
- c. parasitism
- d. predation

23. The amount of dissolved oxygen in warm water is ______ than it is in cold water.

- a. better
- b. higher
- c. lower
- d. no different

24. What is an organism called that is sensitive to pollution and is used to determine the suitability of a living environment?

- a. indicator species
- b. invasive species
- c. limiting factor
- d. native species
- 25. One species of fish that is often undesirable in lakes and ponds is...
 - a. bass
 - b. carp
 - c. sunfish
 - d. trout

- 26. Water quality is least affected by which of the following factors?
 - a. chemical runoff
 - b. fish density
 - c. fish species
 - d. weather

27. What occurs when heritable traits that increase an organism's chances for survival are passed from one generation to the next?

- a. adaptation
- b. assimilation
- c. extinction
- d. mutation

28. This limits photosynthesis and visibility; it is caused by the presence of suspended matter in water.

- a. buffer
- b. temperature
- c. toxins
- d. turbidity
- 29. Renewable resources are...
 - a. any material that provides energy
 - b. irreplaceable
 - c. replaceable
 - d. not natural resources
- 30. The groundwater that is available for plant root absorption is called?
 - a. capillary
 - b. free
 - c. gravitational
 - d. hygroscopic

31. The process of bacteria changing dead organisms into ammonia, then to nitrites, and finally to nitrates useful to plants is called _____.

- a. ammonification
- b. electrolysis
- c. nitrification
- d. photosynthesis
- 32. Carbon is returned to the atmosphere through...
 - a. carbon is completely used and never returns to the environment
 - b. respiration of producers, consumers, and decomposers
 - c. the burning of fossil fuels
 - d. the water cycle

- 33. Approximately 78% of the earth's atmosphere is made up of what gas?
 - a. carbon

b. nitrogen

- c. oxygen
- d. water vapors

34. The organisms unable to manufacture their own food are called...

- a. consumers
- b. decomposers
- c. producers
- d. providers

35. The predictable and gradual change from one community with the passage of time is called...

- a. community change
- b. ecological change
- c. ecosystem drift

d. ecological succession

36. _____ breakdown waste products and organisms that have died into chemical substances that are released into the environment.

- a. Food chains
- b. Producers
- c. Consumers

d. Decomposers

- 37. Consumers...
 - a. are the beginning of any food chain

b. cannot make their own food

- c. manufacture their own food by participating in food chains/webs.
- d. outnumber the producers in the world.
- 38. Salinization, alkalization, and water logging **usually** occur from...
 - a. cultivation of poor soils

b. improper irrigation practices

- c. improper utilization of sewage sludge
- d. low-input cultivation of crops
- 39. Depth of surface soil is important for which of the following reasons? a. is not important

b. root development occurs in the upper 12 inches of soil

c. shallow surface soil holds structures depth of surface soil d. water cannot drain through deep surface soils

40. In the field of chemistry, excessive "misplaced matter" is considered ______.

a. acid rain b. hazardous waste c. nuclear fusion **d. pollution**

41. Which of the following are not considered to be a factor influencing the toxicity of chemicals?

a. absorbed dose

b. frequency of exposure

c. length of exposure

d. weather conditions

42. Which of the following chemical elements is not needed to form an organic chemical?

- a. carbon **b. chlorine** c. hydrogen
- d. oxygen

43. The natural process of plants releasing water into the atmosphere is called

- a. condensation
- b. evaporation
- c. respiration
- d. transpiration

44. The build up of plant nutrients in a body of water, which leads to excessive algae growth is called _____.

- a. equinoctial
- b. equatorial
- c. eradication
- d. eutrophication

45. The process that changes water from a gas to a liquid is called _____.

- a. condensation
- b. evaporation
- c. respiration
- d. transpiration

46. Air pollutants which adhere to precipitation and falls to the earth is called

- a. acid drainage
- b. acid rain
- c. leachate
- d. leaching

- 47. Nitrates are...
 - a. common gases found in the atmosphere.
 - b. formed from the decomposing of dead organisms and animal wastes.
 - c. man-made fertilizers utilized in the production of the food we eat.
 - d. not useful to plants until converted to nitrites
- 48. Which of the following influences the solubility of oxygen?
 - a. alkalinity
 - b. pH
 - c. temperature
 - d. water hardness

49. What is the over accumulation of pollutants at successive levels of the food chain called?

- a. biomagnification
- b. bio permeability
- c. eutriphication
- d. non point source pollution
- 50. Which of the following is not a process of soil degradation?
 - a. nitrogen fixation
 - b. salinization
 - c. soil erosion
 - d. soil pollution