

## ANGLAIS

### VERSION

She snarled defiantly at me. It was amazingly arousing under the circumstances. 'Don't you want your country united ?

'What country ?'

'Don't you consider yourself Irish ?'

'Sweetheart, I don't consider myself at all, I am humble that way.'

At last she started to get really annoyed. 'Don't call me sweetheart!'

From that high point the evening deteriorated.

She gave us the full whack, the entire job lot\*. The international perspective, the moral imperative and the historical basis for why it was OK for the people she liked to kill the people she didn't like. I'd had many such evenings, many such listenerships – being Irish, I could hardly have failed to – but it had never been so hard to take, it had never been so ugly.

She was particularly good on the history, what with her big local degree and all. She gave us the rundown from prehistory through the Dark Ages to the present day. The old stuff : the island of Ireland had been a free stronghold where human culture flourished at its finest. Then the English came!

There were three basic versions of Irish history: the Republican, the Loyalist and the British. They were all murky and overplayed the role of Oliver Cromwell, an old guy with a bad haircut. I had a fourth version to add, a Simple Version. Eight hundred years, four hundred years, whatever way you wanted it, it was just lots of Irish killing lots of other Irish.

We swallowed the rest of our meal. I couldn't be bothered taking her on any more. She had the impervious faith of the bourgeois zealot, which was OK for her. I envied educated people who got off on \*\* revolutionaries. It must have been fun if you didn't have to do any of the dying.

*Adapted from EUREKA STREET by Robert McLiam Wilson*

\* *She gave us the full whack, the entire job lot = elle nous a servi (tout le tintouin), la totale*

\*\* *...people, who got off on revolutionaries. = les gens qui s'enthousiasmaient pour les révolutionnaires.*

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### THEME

1. Le nouveau règlement ne sera appliqué qu'à partir du 1<sup>er</sup> juin.
2. Pourriez-vous demander à votre associé de me rappeler sans faute demain matin ?
3. Il est vrai que de plus en plus d'entreprises se sont dotées de la capacité à effectuer certaines opérations en euro, notamment l'émission et le traitement de factures en euro ainsi que la double indication des prix.
4. Dans notre société, aucun grand changement ne peut être réalisé sans des activités d'information et des communications bien pensées.
5. Son entreprise a fait faillite et il n'a toujours pas retrouvé un emploi de directeur.
6. Les éditeurs de logiciels SAP ont annoncé des résultats meilleurs que prévu et de bonnes perspectives pour 2002.
7. Grâce à la capacité des Françaises à concilier travail et maternité, le rebond de la natalité devrait perdurer.
8. Le nombre de demandeurs d'emploi de moins de 25 ans inscrits à l'ANPE affiche un bond de 8,7% sur un an.
9. Trois études récentes citées par la Sloan Management Review concluent qu'en ces temps incertains les patrons les plus efficaces ne sont pas ceux qui prétendent avoir toutes les réponses, mais ceux qui savent recueillir l'avis de leurs collaborateurs.
10. Les besoins en investissements dans le domaine de la santé d'ici à 2015 dans les pays en voie de développement s'élèveront à 66 milliards de dollars.

## QCM D'ANGLAIS

*Cochez la bonne réponse sur la grille fournie*

*(bonne réponse: 3 points; mauvaise réponse: -1 point; pas de réponse: 0 point)*

1. If you really trust him, you should give him the ..... of the doubt.
  - a) advantage
  - b) benefit
  - c) merit
  - d) use
  
2. I would like to ..... your promotion.
  - a) talk
  - b) discuss about
  - c) discuss
  - d) talk with
  
3. He is the tallest man ..... the world.
  - a) on
  - b) in
  - c) of
  - d) over
  
4. I ..... Jeremy last week at the railway station.
  - a) ran out of
  - b) ran under
  - c) ran into
  - d) ran up
  
5. When I was a child, we ..... all get up early and go for a swim in the lake.
  - a) would
  - b) used
  - c) will
  - d) were
  
6. Mark is studying for ..... MBA at the London School of Economics.
  - a) the
  - b) a
  - c) an
  - d) ....
  
7. Our management team ..... four Americans, two Europeans and one African.
  - a) consists of
  - b) consists in
  - c) comprises of
  - d) composes of

8. If the package ..... from New York tomorrow, I will be extremely pleased.
- a) will arrive
  - b) is going to arrive
  - c) would arrive
  - d) arrives
9. The traffic lights ..... green and I continued to drive.
- a) became
  - b) got
  - c) turned
  - d) lit up
10. There are a number of people ..... be asked.
- a) should
  - b) who should
  - c) whom should
  - d) which should
11. What have we got ..... ?
- a) for the dinner
  - b) for a dinner
  - c) for dinner
  - d) to dinner
12. He agreed to ..... my flat while I was in the US.
- a) look into
  - b) look over
  - c) look after
  - d) look for
13. The report is very damning and is clearly ..... .
- a) intent to be
  - b) intended to
  - c) intended so
  - d) intended to be
14. Do you often borrow books ..... the library ?
- a) off
  - b) in
  - c) from
  - d) of
15. Malcolm is ..... at the moment.
- a) in holiday
  - b) on holiday
  - c) on holidays
  - d) in holidays
16. I'm sorry but you cannot get a refund ..... sales goods.
- a) on
  - b) of
  - c) with
  - d) under

17. It's true we are facing a .....  
a) terrible difficult problem  
b) difficult terrible problem  
c) difficulty terrible problem  
d) terribly difficult problem
18. The receptionist ..... me where to find your office.  
a) explained  
b) told  
c) said  
d) directed
19. Melanie speaks .....  
a) perfectly Italian  
b) a perfect Italian  
c) Italian perfectly  
d) Italian perfect
20. I think you are entitled ..... a promotion.  
a) for  
b) to  
c) by  
d) at
21. You will fail your exams ..... you start studying.  
a) unless  
b) when  
c) if  
d) until
22. Anybody ..... tea?  
a) at  
b) on  
c) to  
d) for
23. When she ..... her speech, she sat down.  
a) gives  
b) had given  
c) has given  
d) will give
24. Mary was upset when her marriage broke down, but she is determined to ..... her life.  
a) get over with  
b) get on with  
c) get through to  
d) get behind with
25. By the weekend the death ..... had reached 95, and those injured were 123.  
a) list  
b) number  
c) toll  
d) tax

26. I have been waiting for you ..... ages.  
a) since  
b) during  
c) for  
d) with
27. You ..... crazy if you think I am going to let you drive.  
a) should be  
b) are supposed to  
c) ought to be  
d) must be
28. I notified ..... that I had changed my address.  
a) with the bank that  
b) the bank that  
c) that  
d) to the bank that
29. The ..... party held the government responsible for high inflation.  
a) objection  
b) opposition  
c) counter  
d) contrary
30. The last time I met Andrew, he ..... on a train for London.  
a) got  
b) was getting  
c) is getting  
d) had got
31. You're scraping the bottom of the ..... .  
a) box  
b) bin  
c) barrel  
d) beaker
32. I always associate mint tea ..... .  
a) to Morocco  
b) for Morocco  
c) by Morocco  
d) with Morocco
33. The ..... faulty.  
a) equipment are  
b) equipment was  
c) equipments were  
d) equipment were
34. I'll be at your house in ..... .  
a) a quarter of hour  
b) a quarter of one hour  
c) a quarter of an hour  
d) one quarter of an hour

35. The story sounds good but I am sure he .....  
a) made it for  
b) made for it  
c) made it out  
d) made it up
36. .... resigned, we would have been forced to fire him.  
a) Hadn't he  
b) Had he not  
c) He had not  
d) He not had
37. According to last night's weather ....., a blizzard may hit the area soon.  
a) prediction  
b) prophecy  
c) expectation  
d) forecast
38. .... English since I was twelve.  
a) I'm learning  
b) I've been learning  
c) I've learning  
d) I learn
39. The recent incidents ..... doubt on the sincerity of the organisation to provide services for the disabled.  
a) give  
b) raise  
c) put  
d) cast
40. The company is no longer operating ..... a profit.  
a) at  
b) in  
c) with  
d) under