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**After carefully reading the text below, choose the correct alternatives in accordance with the text's contents.**

Bank cheques have been known to bounce. But disintegrate? Several banks, including at least two in Illinois and one in Tennessee have unwittingly accepted cheques coated with a chemical that made them begin to deteriorate within hours after being deposited. In a few days they were little more than confetti. One or more unidentified scam artists have passed at least fourteen such cheques, cheating the banks out of some seventy thousand dollars.

In one case a customer, apparently using a fictitious name, opened an account at Chicago's Northern Trust Bank and later deposited a \$ 4,000 cheque drawn on an out-of-state bank. The customer couldn't withdraw the funds immediately because Northern Trust, like most banks, puts a hold on such a deposit for several days to see if the cheque will be returned for lack of funds. When the culprit came back in nine days the cheque had not been returned, so the bank allowed a \$ 4,000 withdrawal to be made. In this case, though the cheque had not been returned because it had appeared disintegrated in transit. By the time the bank officials figured out what had happened, the trick-cheque passer was nowhere to be found, and Northern Trust was out of \$4.000. If the police know what chemical is being used to coat the cheques, they are not saying, probably for fear of inspiring copycat cheque cashers. Says Chicago Police Captain James Zurawski, who is investigating the case: "It's like something out of a James Bond film".

**QUESTÃO 01**

The special substance referred to in the text has the property of...

- a) covering the cheque with a protective coat.
- b) eliminating the possibility of tampering with the cheque.
- c) reducing the cheque into tiny bits.
- d) erasing the handwriting on the cheque.
- e) enabling one to remove any possible errors.

**QUESTÃO 02**

The customer who deposited the cheque...

- a) really wanted to open an account in his own name.
- b) was a well-known member of the artistic community.

- c) intended to disintegrate the cheque when he was in transit.
- d) was assured that it would bounce.
- e) intended to defraud the bank.

**QUESTÃO 03**

Many a bank puts a hold on out-of-state cheque...

- a) because all of them are invariably returned for lack of funds...
- b) so that they may be withdrawn at once when being deposited...
- c) allow the police enough time to check their authenticity...
- d) until they receive a confirmation that the cheques are valid...
- e) so as to safeguard the withdrawer's integrity.

**QUESTÃO 04**

Which alternative is synonymous with "unwittingly" as used in line 3?

- a) unknowingly    b) unblushingly    c) understandably
- d) unbelievably    e) uneasily

**QUESTÃO 05**

Which alternative is a Portuguese equivalent of "withdraw" as used in line 12 ?

- a) desenhar com    b) sacar    c) retirada
- d) depositar    e) reembolso

**Language control the alternative which would correctly each of the following sentences. Indicate the alternative which would correctly complete each of the following sentences.**

**QUESTÃO 06**

"..... do banks put an out-of-state cheque on hold, sir?"

"For several days."

- a) How far    b) How long    c) How frequent
- d) How much    e) How high

**QUESTÃO 07**

The cheque of the customer had not been returned,..?

- a) hadn't it    b) does it    c) hasn't it    d) did it    e) had it

**QUESTÃO 08**

The driver asked the policeman ..... to the nearest hospital.

- a) how would it                      b) if farther was it  
 c) how quickly Was it              d) Where would it be  
 e) how far it was.

**QUESTÃO 09**

He shivered like a man who is ..... cold.

- a) in    b) very    c) in a              d) with              e) like

**QUESTÃO 10**

The waiter was ....., that we didn't feel like complaining.

- a) so a nice man                      b) such nice man  
 c) so nice man                        d) such a nice man  
 e) such nice a man

**QUESTÃO 11**

My cousin felt annoyed with ....., when she saw what had happened.

- a) themselves    b) herself              c) oneself  
 d) himself        e) yourself

**QUESTÃO 12**

Not only ..... tired but very hungry as well.

- a) he is              b) he has been              c) was he  
 d) will be he        e) he did

**QUESTÃO 13**

They ..... since early this morning let them have a rest.

- a) work              b) would work    c) have been worked  
 d) are working    e) have been working

**QUESTÃO 14**

She's ..... as you think she is.

- a) cleverer              b) less foolish              c) not stupid  
 d) more of a fool        e) not so absent-minded

**QUESTÃO 15**

A football team is made ..... eleven players.

- a) of    b) into    c) within    d) up of    e) against

**QUESTÃO 16**

He refrained ..... commenting on the economic crisis.

- a) to    b) from    c) about    d) within    e) at

**QUESTÃO 17**

I was very happy ..... him that he'd won the prize.

- a) to tell                      b) tell                      c) told  
 d) have told                  e) were telling

**QUESTÃO 18**

I knew he ....., his driving test if he ..... hard enough.

- a) can pass / had a try    b) would pass / tried  
 c) passed / would try    d) could not pass / will try  
 e) will pass / had not tried

**QUESTÃO 19**

We saw Mrs. Jones .....two occasions last week.

- a) at    b) in    c) by    d) from    e) on

**QUESTÃO 20**

I don't believe you'll have.....difficulty in obtaining a license soon.

- a) a great deal                  b) much                      c) many  
 d) a lot                            e) a few

**QUESTÃO 21**

They ....., there three years ago.

- a) must go                      b) ought to go  
 c) might have gone          d) have gone  
 e) should be going

**QUESTÃO 22**

You are ..... for met

- a) enough clever                  b) too much cleverer  
 c) far too clever                  d) very much cleverer  
 e) too far clever

**QUESTÃO 23**

Is there ..... food left for tomorrow?

- a) any    b) plenty    c) a few    d) many    e) fewer

**QUESTÃO 24**

My flat is ..... comfortable than my parent's.

- a) much more    b) as    c) too much    d) very    e) far too

**QUESTÃO 25**

Which of the sentences below cannot be changed into the Passive voice?

- a) The customer could not withdraw the money immediately.  
 b) One or more scam artists have at least fourteen cheques.  
 c) The \$ 4,000 cheque had apparently appeared.  
 d) A woman opened an account at that  
 e) Several banks have already accepted cheques coated with a chemical.