

Lou Gehrig Test

1. Lou Gehrig was a great _____ player.
 - A. golf
 - B. football
 - C. baseball
 - D. soccer
2. His parents _____.
 - A. wanted him to become a doctor
 - B. wanted him to work near home
 - C. didn't want him to farm
 - D. didn't want him to have a sports career
3. A talent scout saw him and offered him _____.
 - A. a sports scholarship in college
 - B. \$500
 - C. a scholarship to become a doctor
 - D. a trip to New Orleans
4. His family couldn't help him financially because _____.
 - A. there were so many children in the family
 - B. they didn't want him to go to college
 - C. his father was ill
 - D. his mother had died
5. His mother was _____.
 - A. not living
 - B. a cook at the college
 - C. a secretary at the college
 - D. a housekeeper
6. Lou helped to pay his way through college by _____.
 - A. waiting on tables
 - B. tutoring other students
 - C. cooking for the students
 - D. working at the carwash
7. In 1923 he started playing for the _____.
 - A. Chicago White Sox
 - B. Minnesota Twins
 - C. New York Yankees
 - D. Baltimore Orioles
8. His parents were able to give him _____ to go to spring training camp.
 - A. \$250
 - B. \$1500
 - C. \$14
 - D. \$50
9. He didn't have to work during spring training because _____.
 - A. his parents sent him more money
 - B. he won some money gambling
 - C. the coach told him he didn't have to pay
 - D. the team paid him some money in advance
10. He was _____ named American League Most Valuable player.
 - A. twice
 - B. never
 - C. once
 - D. three times

11. Lou Gehrig was nicknamed _____.

- A. A-Rod
- B. the Schoolboy
- C. the Iron Horse
- D. the Rocket

12. He played in every game without missing one for _____.

- A. 9 months
- B. 9 years
- C. 2 years
- D. 14 years

13. He set a record of playing in _____ games.

- A. 500
- B. 2,000
- C. 1,000
- D. 250

14. When he became ill he _____.

- A. couldn't run anymore
- B. had terrible headaches
- C. had a rash all over his body
- D. went blind

15. The doctors called the disease _____.

- A. CF
- B. ALS
- C. TB
- D. ADD

16. The disease attacks _____.

- A. the spleen and liver
- B. the knees and muscles
- C. the nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord
- D. the outer layer of the skin

17. A person with the disease usually lives _____.

- A. 2-5 years
- B. a normal lifespan
- C. 10-15 years
- D. 6 months to a year

18. When he resigned, a special day of recognition was held for him in _____.

- A. Fenway Park
- B. Yankee Stadium
- C. Shea Stadium
- D. Wrigley Field

19. Gehrig described himself as "_____".

- A. the unluckiest man on earth
- B. the most blessed person in the state
- C. a loser in the end
- D. the luckiest man on the face of the earth

20. The disease that afflicted Gehrig came to be commonly known as _____.

- A. amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
- B. the ballplayer's disease
- C. Lou Gehrig's Disease
- D. muscle deterioration