

II. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR (10 points)**For each of the following questions, circle the best answer (A, B, C or D).**

1. The noise got _____ as the car disappeared into the distance.
A. smaller B. slighter C. weaker D. fainter
2. She _____ her neighbor's children for the broken window.
A. accused B. blamed C. denied D. complained
3. To a large extent, slavery was _____ during the past century.
A. prevented B. abolished C. uprooted D. removed
4. Despite the storm, the plane _____ down at Heathrow Airport as planned.
A. landed B. took C. touched D. flew
5. Could you _____ this parcel to my parents when you come to Rome?
A. bring B. take C. fetch D. carry
6. He looked _____ with such a big scar on his face.
A. frightening B. frightened C. frightenedly D. frighteningly
7. Before you start cooking, you should gather together all the necessary _____.
A. ingredients B. factors C. substances D. elements
8. The actor got his moustache shaved so as to avoid _____.
A. being recognized B. to be recognized C. recognizing D. be recognized
9. My classmate, _____ father has been in hospital for a month, looked depressed this morning.
A. which B. who C. of whom D. whose
10. We all have to follow the rules, and none of us is _____ the law.
A. beyond B. over C. above D. onto
11. This is _____ the most difficult job I've ever had to do.
A. by heart B. by chance C. by far D. by myself
12. They asked me a lot of questions, _____ I couldn't answer.
A. neither of them B. most of them C. neither of which D. most of which
13. Be patient; _____ you won't succeed.
A. otherwise B. or C. because D. unless
14. Peter is a good teacher who taught me _____ Maths and _____ Physics at secondary school.
A. the/the B. a/the C. the/a D. Ø/Ø
15. Let your younger brother talk first, _____?
A. will you B. would you C. shall we D. do you
16. It is essential that she _____ her English for the course she is going to do at Queensland University of Technology.
A. improves B. improve C. improving D. improved
17. Why don't we emigrate? If we _____ in Australia, at least the weather _____ better.
A. lived/would be B. didn't live/is C. live/would be D. live/will be
18. "It is said that these herbs are good for you." has the same meaning as _____.
A. "These herbs are said to do very good." B. "These herbs is said to do you good."
C. "These herbs are said are good for you." D. "These herbs are said to do you good."

19. After graduating from university in Vietnam, she went on _____ for a Ph.D. course at an Australian University.
A. applying B. apply C. applied D. to apply

20. *Jeff is calling Alice.*

- **Jeff:** "Hello? Alice? This is Jeff. How are you?"

- **Alice:** "Jeff? What a coincidence! I _____ about you when the phone rang.

- A. have just been thinking B. just thought
C. was just thinking D. was just thought

There are 10 mistakes in the following passage. Identify the mistakes and write the corrections in the corresponding numbered boxes. (0) has been done as an example.

Example: Line (0): the → a

0 Stress is often called the 21st century illness, but it has always
1 been with us perhaps with different names. Those days we often
2 consider stress is a necessary evil of modern life. However, stress
is
3 not negative and without it we will certainly not enjoy some of
the
4 highpoints in life just as the anticipation before a date or the
5 tension leading up to an important match. All these situations
6 produce stress, but if you can control it and not the other
7 way round you will feel stimulated, not worn out. Like these
8 situations, which are generally positive but easier to deal with,
9 sitting in a train that is late, being stuck in a traffic jam, working
10 to a tight deadline is much harder to manage and control. Stress
11 is now recognized as a medical problem and as a significant
12 factor in causing coronary heart disease, high blooded pressure
13 and high cholesterol count. The fact is that patients are often
willing to
14 admit to stress problems because they feel they are a form of
15 society failure and it is important that symptoms should be
identified in
16 order to avoid unnecessary sufferings. So why should we be
17 looking out for as danger signals? Some common signs of stress
are
18 increased tiredness, irritability and the inability to solve certain
situations.

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III. READING (25 points)

Part 1: Read the following passage, choose and circle the best answer (A, B, C or D) to fill in each of the blanks. (10 points)

PROOF THAT SILENCE IS GOLDEN FOR STUDYING

The combination of music and study has long been a source of disagreement between adults and children. Parents and teachers alike maintain that silence is important when learning, (1) _____ youngsters insist that their favorite sounds help them concentrate.

Now a study shows that the grown-ups have been (2) _____ all along. Psychologists in Florida tested how fast students wrote essay with and without music in the (3) _____. They found that the sounds slowed progress down by about sixty words per hour. "This demonstrates clearly that it is difficult to (4) _____ with listening and writing at the same time", said Dr. Sarah Randall. She also (5) _____ to the conclusion that it is a myth that instrumental music is less distracting than vocals. "All types of music (6) _____ the same effect", she said in her report. "One's ability to pay attention and write fluently is likely to be (7) _____ by both vocal and instrumental music", she added.

Dr. Randall claimed the research (8) _____ that the idea that music could improve performance was wrong. "Writing an essay is a complex (9) _____. You are recalling information and putting it in (10) _____. An additional stimulus in the form of music is bound to distract. But music is not the only distractor. What is particularly worrying is that more and more teenagers are studying in front of the television".

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| 1. A. whereas | B. unlike | C. besides | D. despite |
| 2. A. precise | B. right | C. valid | D. true |
| 3. A. setting | B. background | C. surrounding | D. circumstances |
| 4. A. manage | B. support | C. cope | D. stand |
| 5. A. reached | B. drew | C. arrived | D. came |
| 6. A. made | B. had | C. brought | D. kept |
| 7. A. disturbed | B. interfered | C. bothered | D. shocked |
| 8. A. pointed | B. displayed | C. demonstrated | D. presented |
| 9. A. project | B. concern | C. scheme | D. task |
| 10. A. order | B. arrangement | C. line | D. pattern |

Part 2: Read the text below and think of the word which best fits each space.

KEEPING FIT

Bodies are made to move! They are not designed for sitting around in front of the television or reading magazines. Keeping fit doesn't (1) _____ you have to be a super-athlete, and even a (2) _____ exercise can give a lot of fun. When you are fit and healthy, you will find you look better and feel better. You'll have more energy and self-confidence.

Every time you move you are exercising. The human body is designed to blend, stretch, run, jump and climb. The (3) _____ it does, the stronger and fitter it will become. Best of

(4) _____, exercise is fun. It's (5) _____ your body likes doing most – keeping on the move.

Physical exercise is not only good for your body. People who take regular exercise are usually happier, more relaxed and more alert (6) _____ people who sit around all day.

Try an experiment – next time you're (7) _____ a bad mood, go for a walk or play a ball game in the park. See how (8) _____ better you feel after an hour.

A sense of achievement is yet (9) _____ benefit of exercise. People feel good about themselves when they know they have improved their fitness. People who exercise regularly will (10) _____ you that they find they have more energy to enjoy life. So have a go; you'll soon see and feel the benefits!

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6	7	8	9	10

IV. WRITING (25 points)

Part 1: For each question, complete the second sentence in such a way that it is as similar in meaning as possible to the one printed before it. (5 points)

1. The number of road accidents has soared in recent months.

There

2. People no longer smoke so many cigarettes as they used to.

The smoking

3. I don't intend to apologize to either of them.

I have

4. Nobody expected her to lose, but she did.

Against.....

5. I'm more interested in the people than the job.

It's not the

Part 2: For each question, complete the second sentence in such a way that it has the closest meaning to the original one, using the WORD given. DO NOT change this word. You must use between THREE AND FIVE WORDS, including the word given. (5 points)

1. I found it difficult to follow the instructions.

TROUBLE

→ I the instructions.

2. The neighbors' all-night parties were too much for me, so I moved. **PUT**

→ I moved because I the neighbors' all-night parties.

3. Nigel should leave soon if he's catching the 8.30 train.

HAD

→ Nigel if he's catching the 8.30 train.

4. Things are much more expensive here than we thought they would be.

EXPECTED

→ We had cheaper here.

5. The news was such a shock to them that they all sat there without saying a word.

SILENCE

→ They all sat there so shocked by the news.

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