

Unit 5. CULTURAL IDENTITY

Exercise 1. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

1. When it comes to diversity, language can be a bridge for building relationships, or a tool for creating and maintaining divisions across differences.
A. assimilation B. distinction C. uniformity (sự đồng nhất) D. variance
2. The situation got out of hand when the festival organisers couldn't foresee that the mob would get angry because they were stopped from taking the offerings. (mob: đám đông, offerings: lễ vật)
A. hard to complete B. difficult to control C. impossible to find D. unlikely to happen
3. A number of practices at local festivals have come under strong scrutiny in recent years. (sự kiểm tra kỹ lưỡng)
A. approval B. attention C. disapproval D. examination
4. Local people believe that the festival is an opportunity to teach younger generations about patriotism and bravery.
A. heroism B. justice C. loyalty D. truth
5. A smiling Princess Anne was attired in an aqua-blue hat and matching jacket, with white top. (mặc)
A. caught B. grabbed (chộp, ôm gọn) C. revealed D. shown
6. This is especially important in the age of globalisation, where countries face a daunting challenge to preserve their own cultural identities. (daunting (a) làm nản chí, khó khăn)
A. intimidating (đáng sợ) B. delighting (vui vẻ) C. encouraging D. Urging (cấp bách)
7. The Indigenous experience, like with any form of belonging, is highly fluid and context-specific, meaning there are countless examples of what such cultural pluralities can look like.
(Indigenous: bản địa, fluid: linh hoạt, context-specific: phù hợp hoàn cảnh, belonging: tài sản)
A. countable B. uncountable C. too few to count D. too many be counted
8. Steve Kootenay-Jobin, Aboriginal housing coordinator at Mount Royal University, notes that many Indigenous students who move to the city for education, encounter culture shock.
A. avoid B. confront C. overcome D. wipe out
9. Culture has been described as features that are shared and bind people together into a community.
A. divide B. engage C. force D. unite
10. Once you have been accepted as a pupil or student at the school or college, it's against the law for them to discriminate against you because of your religion or belief.
A. judge B. neglect C. misinterpret (giải thích sai) D. expel
11. Changes in attitudes, family values, generational status can occur in both the majority and minority cultures as the two interact; however, typically one culture dominates.
A. normally B. rarely C. specially D. uncommonly

12. Integration and assimilation can help reduce feelings of loss and grief as the migrant starts to incorporate aspects of the majority culture. (incorporate: kết hợp)

- A. disadvantage B. disapproval C. discrimination D. sadness

Exercise 2. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

1. They fear that with the enactment event taken off, the festival may fade away in obscurity. (enactment: văn bản, take off: bãi bỏ, obscurity : sự mờ mịt)

- A. darkness B. dimness C. Fuzziness (sự mờ nhạt, xoắn tóc) D. sharpness

2. Launched by the federations and foundations, Group's brands find local expression through the promotion of social solidarity and culture.

- A. division B. identity C. teamwork D. unity

3. Many ethnic groups find it hard to maintain their own languages.

- A. continue B. discontinue C. preserve D. speak

4. The 21st century has witnessed the surprisingly increasing formation of multicultural societies where a varying number of ethnic people stay together.

- A. continental B. global C. universal D. worldwide

5. The custom of worshiping ancestors is a beautiful, rich, and colorful and joyful tradition in Vietnamese culture.

- A. blaming (sự khiển trách) B. praying C. honoring D. respecting

6. He said he was only joking, but his comments were so close to the bone. (thiếu tế nhị, cợt nhả)

- A. annoying B. offensive C. personal D. respectful

7. Hispanics are expected to abandon their heritage to live in the US. (Hispanics: người TBN& BDN)

- A. adopt B. discard C. drop out D. withdraw

8. For this reason, many immigrants flock to this country in search for new beginnings and better lives.

- A. crowd B. gather C. group D. spread

9. Nothing valuable could come of a revival of the German martial spirit, better to leave it behind or bury it. (revival: sự hồi sinh)

- A. awakening B. destruction C. improvement D. population

10. Kootenay-Jobin says the cultural integration experience can be exacerbated by challenges such as racism and housing. (exacerbate (v) /ɪg'sæsəbeɪt/ làm trầm trọng, làm bức tức provoke (v) khiêu khích, kích động)

- A. increased B. improved C. provoked D. worsen

11. Cultural changes in identity can be stressful and result in problems with self-esteem and mental health.

- A. anxiety B. confidence C. dissatisfaction D. modesty (sự khiêm tốn)

12. Post-migration stresses include culture shock and conflict, both of which may lead to a sense of cultural confusion, feelings of alienation and isolation, and depression. (confusion: sự nhầm lẫn, alienation: sự xa lánh, isolation: sự cô lập, depression: sự trầm cảm)

A. disconnection

B. loneliness

C. sympathy

D. unfriendliness

Exercise 5. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.

1. For conclusion, the death of local languages is an alarming development.

A

B

C

D

2. Over fifty thousand English words have been deriving from the Greek language.

A

B

C

D

3. Even today, Breton as well as several other minority language in France, and the rest of the world, are not legally protected.

A

B

C

D

4. Besides visiting ancient monuments and tombs, coming to Hue, you can also have a chance to bathe and lying under the sun on the most wildly beautiful beaches in Viet Nam.

A

B

C

D

5. According to linguists, children can learn several languages well, as good as they know when to speak each one.

A

B

C

D

6. Individuals define themselves by nationality, ethnic, language, clothing and food.

A

B

C

D