PRACTICE TEST No. 1

I. MULTIPLE CHOICE (8.0 points)

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

1. A. food B. good C. tooth D. tool
2. A. heavy B. bear C. measure D. eat

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following questions.

3. A. volunteer B. convenient C. remain D. support
4. A. maintain B. marine C. challenge D. device

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined part that needs correcting in each of the following questions.

5. Some people enjoy preparing (A) their (B) own meals while (C) another (D) would rather eat out regularly.
6. The (A) news of the decision to (B) invade with armed forces were (C) not well received (D) by the citizens.
7. Air traffic controllers must use (A) a (B) form of communication that is universal (C) understood because a pilot's understanding (D) of instructions is critical.

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

8. By_____1,500,000 tons of insects a year, birds greatly help American farming.
A. eat B. eating C. having eaten D. to eat
9. He is_____ better at golf_____ at swimming because he even doesn't know how to hit the ball.
A. so – and B. any – so C. much – than D. no – than
10. Pictures_____ showed the reality of war entered the living rooms of Americans on the nightly news.
A. that B. when C. where D. who
11. E. Coli has proven to be_____ most dangerous bacteria that can be acquired from food and water, even in developed countries.
A. one of the B. one of C. one D. of one
12. The hotels were all full so we offered to put Andrew_____ for the night.
A. in B. under C. out D. up
13. Leif Ericsson is only one of many early voyagers_____ discovered America long before the days of Columbus.
A. which B. by whom C. who D. whose
14. As my sister was going to be away for a long time, we all went to see her_____ .
A. out B. up C. off D. after
15. "Did you enjoy your vacation?" – "Well, I didn't like Egypt_____ Turkey."
A. the half of B. half as much as C. half the much D. half the time as
16. One of the best places_____ the guitar-playing bands there is Plaza Garibaldi.
A. to have heard B. to be heard C. to hear D. hear

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the most suitable response to complete each of the following exchanges.

17. – "I'm taking my driving test tomorrow." – "_____!"
A. Luck B. Best wishes C. Good luck D. Good chance
18. – Susan: "Can you do the cooking today?" – Bill: "_____!"
A. Oh, all right. B. No, thank you. C. I know that D. Yes, please

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

19. He had never experienced such **discourtesy** towards the president as it occurred at the annual meeting in May.
A. politeness B. rudeness C. encouragement D. measurement

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20. When being interviewed, you should **concentrate on** what the interviewer is saying or asking you.

A. be related to
B. be interested on
C. pay all attention to
D. express interest to

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

21. He **wisely** decided to tell the truth.

A. foolishly B. sensibly C. intelligently D. carefully

22. Unless the two signatures are **identical**, the bank won't honor the check.

A. different B. genuine C. fake D. similar

Read the followingpassage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

One of the largest and most luxurious palaces in the world is the Palace of Versailles. (23)_____near Paris, France, the palace has more than 2,000 rooms, (24)_____are extravagantly decorated. Versailles was constructed during the seventeenth century. Its original use was as a hunting lodge for King Louis XIV. However, he and his successors constantly expanded it until it became a massive palace. Versailles became one of (25)_____prominent symbols of the French monarchy, and it served as the royal court from 1682 to 1789. Following the events of the French Revolution, the palace was (26)_____into a museum. Today, Versailles contains thousands of works of art, including paintings, drawings, engravings, and sculptures. Due to its art and the beauty of the palace itself, it is a prime tourist attraction at the present. As a result, millions of people visit the palace (27)_____.

23. A. is located B. Locating C. Having located D. Located
24. A. every which B. all of which C. that are all D. what all
25. A. the most B. more C. much more D. most of the
26. A. designed B. constructed C. rehabilitated D. transformed
27. A. permanently B. consistently C. continually D. annually

Read the followingpassage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

It is said that most people have no more than 30 friends at any given time, and 400 over the whole of their lives. However, on social networking sites, most users have about 150 friends. If these numbers are correct, then friendship means different things in different situations.

One of the reasons for having more online friends than real friends at a certain point in time is that online friendships do not require much time and energy: it is easy to accept friendships and keep them forever. Another possibility is that it is difficult to say 'no' when somebody asks us to be their friend online, even if we feel we don't really know them. The fact that they ask us suggests that they do consider us a friend, which is a nice feeling. Alternatively, they may be 'collectors' of online friends and just want to use us to get a higher number of friends and appear to be popular.

Online friendships are quite easy, but in the real world decisions about friendships are harder to make. There are no rules about friendship. There are no guidelines about how to make friends, how to keep friendships going, and how to finish friendships if we want to move on. People have very different opinions about this: some people would die for their friends and they value them more than family. Others say that friends are temporary, only there to help each other until they are no longer needed. If people with such different views become friends, this can lead to problems.

Because of these different definitions of friendship, it is easy to be unhappy about our friendships. We may want them to be deeper or closer, or we may want to have more friends in our lives. Sometimes we simply do not have the time to develop our friendships, or we fear we have left it too late in life to start. If we move to another country or city, we have to find ways to make new friends again.

This dissatisfaction shows us how important friendships are for most of us. We should not think that it could be too late to build friendships. We also need to understand that the need to be around other people is one that is shared by many. Therefore, we should not be too frightened about starting to talk to people who in the future may become our friends: it is likely that they too would like to get closer to us. Remember what people say: strangers are friends we have not met yet.

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28. How many friends do the majority of people probably have?
A. 30 real friends or fewer
B. a minimum of 30 real friends
C. 150 internet friends
D. 400 internet friends over the course of their lives

29. It is difficult_____.
A. to believe the numbers about friendship.
B. to keep your friends happy.
C. to trust what you read on social networking sites.
D. to give a definition of 'friendship'.

30. Friendship means _____.
A. different things to different people.
B. dying for your friends if you need to.
C. helping each other until it is no longer necessary.
D. accepting people with different views

31. Sometimes people worry because _____.
A. they think that they have too many friends.
B. they spend too much time with friends
C. they think they are too old to make friends.
D. there are no guidelines about friendship

32. Most of us _____.
A. are dissatisfied with our friends.
B. build friendships late in life.
C. are frightened to talk to strangers.
D. need to be with others.

PRACTICE TEST No. 2

I. MULTIPLE CHOICE (8.0 points)

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

1. A. mix**ed**	B. us**ed**	C. voic**ed**	D. increas**ed**
2. A. m**a**ss	B. tr**a**sh	C. g**a**ther	D. w**a**sh

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following questions.

3. A. infrastructure	B. ultimately	C. acquaintance	D. temperature
4. A. bureau	B. abrupt	C. parade	D. predict

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined part that needs correcting in each of the following questions.

5. Vietnam exports (A) a lot of rice is grown (B) mainly in the south (C) of the country (D).
6. We all know that (A) we have to work hardly (B) to earn a living ourselves (C) and support (D) the family.
7. Your intelligence (A) and energy will help (B) you solve (C) any problems you encounter; use these (D) strengths wisely.

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

8. This car was the most expensive purchase I've ever_____.

A. made	B. taken	C. put	D. done

9. Could you_____in touch with John and arrange a time to meet?

A. put	B. find	C. get	D. go

10. It was_____a boring book_____I didn't want to read it once more.

A. so – that	B. so – as	C. very – that	D. such – that

11. She has that reserve and slight coldness of manner, which is_____English.

A. typically	B. typical	C. typing	D. typist

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12. In my opinion, you must find a really qualified carpenter for a job like this, _____seems to require a large amount of talent.

A. that B. which C. who D. where

13. _____better, the team would have been able to defeat the opponent.

A. If it prepares B. If prepares C. Preparing D. Had it prepared

14. Nobody knows why_____postponed until next week.

A. the meeting B. was the meeting C. did the meeting D. the meeting was

15. After a while we began_____ _____the ball back and forth.

A. the meeting B. was the meeting C. did the meeting D. the meeting was

16. Many people are enthusiastic about herbal remedies, regarding them as an_____way of treating illness.

A. effectively B. effective C. affective D. affectively

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the most suitable response to complete each of the following exchanges.

17. – "I've passed my driving test." – "_____".

A. Congratulations! C. It's nice of you to say so.

B. That's a good idea. D. Do you?

18. – "Hello, I'd like to speak to Mrs. Smith." – "_____".

A. Sure. C. Hang on, please.

B. Where are you? D. Of course you can.

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

19. They try to **imitate** the wings and shape of animals in nature to produce parts of vehicles.

A. irritate B. irrigate C. paste D. copy

20. They all **started** playing water polo when they were very young.

A. took away B. took up C. took over D. took off

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

21. If the weatherman has predicted **accurately**, tomorrow will be a perfect day for our picnic.

A. astutely B. correctly C. wrongly D. acutely

22. Fruits and vegetables grew in **abundace** on the island. The islanders even exported the surplus.

A. sufficiency B. excess C. large quantity D. small quantity

Read the followingpassage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

Dear Helgar,

I would like to welcome you to our school. I know that being an (23)_____ studnet can be difficult, especially when you are so far away from your home. As you may have heard, the Thanksgiving holiday is (24)_____ I am aware that it isn't celebrated in Germany, but it's a very important holiday in the United States. It is an occasion when American families gather to spend time with one another and enjoy a variety of food. If you have nothinf planned for that day, I would like to (25)_____ you to visit my home for Thanksgiving. My entire famlily is planning to be there, so you will get to hang out with us. My mother is considered (26)_____ cooks in the city, so you will get a great introduction to traditional Americian home cooking. I hope you can come as I am positive that you (27)_____ a wonderful time. Let me know if you are interested.

Sincerely,

Greg Foster

23. A. exchange B. exchanges C. exchanged D. exchaning

24. A. improving B. happening C. approaching D. passing

25. A. invite B. require C. let D. insist

26. A. the better B. one of the best C. as good as D. the best

27. A. have B. are having C. will have D. have had

Read the followingpassage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

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We owe the invention of paper to the Egyptian papyrus or the Egyptian paper. The Egyptians made paper from the papyrus plant (Cyperus papyrus) that was commonly found along the banks of river Nile. The pith of the plant was taken out and cut into long strips. These strips were placed diagonally over each other, and for better binding, were placed under a weight for a couple of days. The quality of papyrus paper is evident from the fact that they are still intact about 5000 years after they were written on.

Historical sources tell us that the ancient Egyptians were very secretive about the manufacturing technique of their papyrus. This was because papyrus was one of the main commodities that was exported by Egypt all over the region. Keeping **its** manufacturing process a secret enabled them to achieve monopoly in the market.

28. **What is the main topic of the article?**

A. The importance of papyrus in Egyptian history.
B. Egyptian culture.
C. The making of papyrus and its commercial role.
D. Commercial trades between ancient Egyp and other countries

29. **To make a piece of papyrus, the first step is to_____.**

A. take out the pith of papyrus plants and cut it into long strips.
B. place strips of pith diagonally over each other.
C. place strips of pith under a flat stone
D. keep the making process a secret

30. **Why did the ancient Egyptians keep the making process of papyrus a secret?**

A. Ancient Egypt was not an open country.
B. it could be enable them to dominate the market.
C. It took ancient Egyptians much time to invent papyrus .
D. Ancient Egypt didn't export papyrus

31. **In the second paragraph, the word 'its'** refers to_____.

A. papyrus's B. Egyptians' C. a region's D. the pitch's

32. **What can we infer from the article?**

A. To make a piece of papyrus, you need to put strips of pith parallel over each other.
B. Ancient Egypt didn't like trading.
C. In the ancient times, the Egyptians possessed a basic commercial awareness.
D. Papyrus was used within ancient Egypt only.

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