EXERCISE

A. PHONETICS

I. Choose the word which has the underlined part pronounced differently from the others.

1. A. ranked	B. gained	C. prepared	D. proved
2. A. host	B. honor	C. hockey	D. horror
3. A. badminton	B. swallow	C. challenge	D. ballet
4. A. teammate	B. reading	C. creating	D. seaside
5. A. athlete	B. author	C. length	D. southern
6. A. touch	B. foul	C. account	D. mount
7. A. lose	B. vote	C. control	D. social
8. A. rear	B. bear	C. gear	D. year
9. A. please	B. peace	C. seat	D. spread
10. A. overlooks	B. beliefs	C. towards	D. rights

II. Choose the words that have the different stress from the others.

1. A. chemist	B. browser	C. technique	D. programme
2. A. aspect	B. advance	C. spaceship	D. progress (n)
3. A. reality	B. unable	C. enormous	D. benefit
4. A. explorer	B. physicist	C. scientist	D. telephone
5. A. experiment	B. biologist	C. ordinary	D. development

B. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

I. Underline the incorrect verb form.

1. I **am playing/ will play** tennis at 11.00 this morning.
2. Oh, I need to make a quick phone call. OK. I **am waiting/ will wait** for you here.
3. We need to discuss this. **Are you doing/ Will you do** anything tomorrow?
4. Can you come for dinner on Saturday?

   No, I'm sorry. We **are going/ will go** to the theatre.
5. In the future most people **are working/ will work** at home.
6. Well, I'm rather busy at the moment. I **am calling/ will call** you back Ok?

II. Choose the best answer A, B, C or D to complete the sentences.

1. Facebook was built on the_____of earlier social network sites like MySpace and Bebo.

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A. succeed B. successful C. successfully D. success

2. It is thought that driverless cars will transform the way we move_____cities in the future.

A. around B. away C. along D. ahead

3. Little Pascal_____a mechanical calculator which could do additions or subtractions very quickly.

A. discovered B. found C. found out D. invented

4. Robots save workers from_____dangerous tasks.

A. making B. having C. performing D. carrying

5. Many people believe that robots have made workers jobless,_____that is not necessarily true.

A. but B. and C. so D. or

6. Recent_____developments have made robots more user-friendly, and intelligent.

A. science B. scientist C. scientific D. scientifically

7. Teenagers spend most of their time playing computer games;_____, they lose their interests in daily activities.

A. moreover B. so C. however D. as a result

8. Science and technology have_____the life safe, secure and comfortable.

A. transformed B. made C. done D. changed

9. Terrorists are using modern technology_____their destructive work.

A. about B. at C. for D. with

10. With the advance of the science and technology, our life changes greatly in various .

A. scenes B. fields C. sights D. regions

III. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct future tense.

1. We **(implant)**_____chips in the brain to control devices by the year 2050.

2. With commercial space travel, we **(take)**_____minerals from the moon at this time in 2030.

3. Universal translation **(become)**_____common in mobile devices.

4. We **(create)**_____a synthetic brain that functions like the real one in the year 2050.

5. Japan **(build)**_____a robotic moon base by 2020, built by robots, and for robots.

6. China **(connect)**_____Beijing to London with a high-speed railway soon.

7. Car-makers **(design)**_____self-driving cars to offer extreme safety and ease of transport.

8. The US military officials say that navy ships **(run)**_____on 50 percent of biofuels by 2020.

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9. Your movies_____**(help)** you choose the best course for your aims and goals.
10. What_____**(I/ do)** after the course?

IV. Read the text below and choose the best answer for each question after the text.

SOME ANIMALS CAN PREDICT FUTURE EARTHQUAKES

A recent investigation by scientists at the U.S. Geological Survey shows that strange animal behavior might help predict future earthquakes. Investigators found such occurrences in a ten-kilometer radius of the epicenter of a fairly recent quake. Some birds screeched and flew about wildly: dogs yelped and ran around uncontrollably.

Scientists believe that animals can perceive these environmental changes as early as several days before the mishap.

In 1976, after observing animal behavior, the Chinese were able to predict a devastating quake. Although hundreds of thousands of people were killed, the government was able to evacuate millions of other people and thus keep the death toll at a lower level.

1. What prediction may be made by observing animal behavior?

A. An impending earthquake
B. The number of people who will die
C. The ten-kilometer radius of the epicenter
D. Environmental changes

2. Why can animals perceive these changes when humans cannot?

A. Animals are smarter than humans.
B. Animals have certain instincts that humans don't possess.
C. By running around the house, they can feel the vibrations.
D. Humans don't know where to look.

3. Which of the following is NOT true?

A. Some animals may be able to sense an approaching earthquake
B. By observing animal behavior scientists perhaps can predict earthquakes.
C. The Chinese have successfully predicted an earthquake and saved many lives
D. All birds and dogs in a ten-kilometer radius of the epicenter went wild before the earthquake.

4. In this passage the word "evacuate" most nearly means

A. remove B. destroy C. exile D. emaciate

5. If scientists can accurately predict earthquakes, there will be

A. fewer animals going crazy
B. a lower death rate
C. fewer people evacuated
D. fewer environmental changes

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