

**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.**

**Question 1:** A. worshipss      B. confirmss      C. waverss      D. endowss

**Question 2:** A. bush      B. rush      C. pull      D. push

**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.**

**Question 3:** A. public      B. teacher      C. happy      D. divide

**Question 4:** A. adequate      B. bronchitis      C. talented      D. dominant

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

**Question 5:** If we really \_\_\_\_\_ to succeed, we must work hard every day.

A. want      B. wants      C. wanted      D. had wanted

**Question 6:** At this time last night, she \_\_\_\_\_ and he \_\_\_\_\_ the newspaper.

A. is cooking / is reading      B. was cooking / was reading  
C. has cooked / is reading      D. was cooking /read

**Question 7:** Most children enjoy \_\_\_\_\_ with their parents and siblings.

A. play      B. to play      C. playing      D. played

**Question 8:** Nobody should go out without any valid reason these days, \_\_\_\_\_?

A. should they      B. does it      C. shouldn't they      D. doesn't it

**Question 9:** We had to \_\_\_\_\_ the noise from the building site next door for three months.

A. give up      B. stand up to      C. put up with      D. look up to

**Question 10:** It is \_\_\_\_\_ funniest book that I have ever read.

A. a      B. an      C. the      D. Ø (no article)

**Question 11:** Many of the pictures \_\_\_\_\_ from outer space are presently on display in the public library.

A. sending      B. sent      C. having sent      D. were sent

**Question 12:** \_\_\_\_\_ his poor English, he managed to communicate his problem very clearly.

A. Because      B. Even though      C. Because of      D. In spite of

**Question 13:** I've got lots of \_\_\_\_\_, but only a few are really good friends.

A. acquainted      B. acquaint      C. acquaintance      D. acquaintances

**Question 14:** Mr. Park Hang Seo, a Korean coach, is considered a big \_\_\_\_\_ in Vietnamese football.

A. bread      B. cheese      C. sandwich      D. egg

**Question 15:** There is no truth in the \_\_\_\_\_ that Margaret has lost her job.

A. rumour      B. news      C. coverage      D. gossip

**Question 16:** The problems of the past few months have \_\_\_\_\_ their toll on her health and there are shadows under her eyes.

A. taken      B. effected      C. had      D. changed

**Question 17:** She won't be able to help us all the family commitments she has.

**Question 18:** You can have a dog

A. because you will promise to take care of it  
B. as long as you promise to take care of it  
C. until you promised to take care of it  
D. since you had promised to take care of it

**Question 19:** This is a long-term project. We are not out to make a quick .

**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.**

**Question 20:** The new air conditioner was **installed** yesterday.

|                         |                              |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| A. inspected thoroughly | B. put in position           |
| C. well repaired        | D. delivered to the customer |

**Question 21:** We were pretty disappointed with the quality of the food.

**A. highly**      **B. rather**      **C. extremely**      **D. very**

*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.*

**Question 22:** Many women prefer to use cosmetics to **enhance** their beauty and make them look younger.

A. improve      B. maximize      C. worsen      D. enrich

**Question 23:** I think we cannot purchase this device this time as it **costs an arm and a leg**.

**A.** is cheap      **B.** is painful      **C.** is confusing      **D.** is expensive

*Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best completes each of the following exchanges.*

**Question 24:** Nam and Mai are having a party at Nam's house.

**Question 25:** Tim and Peter had a quarrel last week and now Tom is giving Tim advice.

- Tom: "I think the best way to solve that problem is to keep silent."

- Tim: "Silence may kill our friendship."

- A. That's a great idea
- B. That's not a good idea
- C. I'm not wrong
- D. Yes, I think much

**Read the following passage 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 from 26 to 30.**

Learning tools and technology enable students to develop effective self-directed learning skills. They are able to (26) \_\_\_\_\_ what they need to learn, find and use online resources, apply the information on the problem at hand, and even evaluate resultant feedback. This increases their efficiency and productivity. (27) \_\_\_\_\_ engaging students, digital learning tools and technology sharpen critical thinking skills, which are the basis for the development of analytic reasoning. Children who explore open-ended questions with imagination and logic learn how to make decisions, as opposed to just temporarily memorizing the textbook.

Interactive social skill games are excellent learning tools that teach children discipline because playing games requires children to follow rules and guidelines in order to participate. Even children (28) \_\_\_\_\_ might grow frustrated with other learning methods may stick with games longer because playing itself is rewarding. This ends up helping them develop patience, (29) \_\_\_\_\_ useful life skill.

Children also develop positive feelings of accomplishment from mastering new knowledge and skills using digitized learning tools (30) \_\_\_\_\_ them the confidence they need to want to learn even more new things. It is commendable that millions of courses by the best educators are available for free to anyone with an internet connection. The possibilities are endless.

**Question 26:** A. let                    B. suggest                    C. make                    D. identify

**Question 27:** A. Instead of            B. In addition to            C. In spite of                    D. Thanks to

**Question 28:** A. who                    B. which                    C. they                            D. when

**Question 29:** A. other                    B. one                            C. another                            D. every

**Question 30:** A. to give                    B. giving                            C. gave                                    D. given

*Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 31 to 35.*

Each year, the Academy Awards, better known as the “Oscars”, celebrate the best films and documentaries with categories ranging from acting, directing and screenwriting, to costumes and special effects. This year, 9-year-old Quvenzhané Wallis joins the list of kids who have taken the movie business by storm, as she **competes** for the best actress award for her role as “Hushpuppy” in the film “Beasts of the Southern Wild”.

The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences is made up of filmmakers in all fields. The group ranks their favourites in each category. Oftentimes Oscar recognition can take many years, but for some lucky and talented individuals **that honour** comes early in life.

Newcomer Quvenzhané Wallis (pronounced Kwe-VEN-zhah-nay) portrayed “Hushpuppy,” a young girl fighting to survive in a poor Mississippi Delta community prone to devastating flooding. In the film, Wallis learns to find food in the wilderness, escapes a homeless shelter and deals with the death of her father. She will be the youngest ever nominee in the best actress category at nine years old.

Born in Houma, LA., Quvenzhané was just five years old when she auditioned for Beasts of the Southern Wild. Since auditions for the role of Hushpuppy were only open to 6-9-year olds, Quvenzhané’s mother lied on the initial paperwork to allow her daughter to audition. When director Benh Zeitlin saw her audition however, he immediately recognized her as the best pick for this strong and independent young character.

**Question 31:** Which could be the best title of the passage?

A. Young Actors Achieve Big for the Oscars            B. Little Lady Nominees for the Oscars

C. Youngest Ever Nominee for the Oscars            D. A Young Actress makes it to the Oscars

**Question 32:** According to the passage, the Academy Awards celebrate \_\_\_\_\_.

A. musical films                            B. documentaries                            C. news                                    D. cartoons

**Question 33:** The word “competes” in paragraph 1 mostly means \_\_\_\_\_.

A. contests      B. provides      C. includes      D. explore

**Question 34:** The phrase “that honour” in paragraph 2 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. lucky and talented individuals      B. Oscars recognition  
C. favourites      D. award

**Question 35:** Which of the following is TRUE about Quvenzhané Wallis as stated in the passage?

A. She is a young girl fighting to survive in a poor Mississippi Delta community.  
B. She has won the best actress Oscars award for her role in “Hushpuppy”.  
C. She escapes a homeless shelter and deals with the death of her father.  
D. She is the youngest ever nominee in the best actress category for the Oscars.

*Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 36 to 42.*

Hydrogen is the most common element in the universe and was perhaps the first to form. It is among the ten most common elements on Earth as well and one of the most useful for industrial purposes. Under normal conditions of temperature, hydrogen is a gas. Designated as H, hydrogen is the first element in the periodic table because it contains only one proton. Hydrogen can combine with a large number of other elements, forming more compounds than any of the others. Pure hydrogen seldom occurs naturally, but it exists in most organic compounds, that is, compounds that contain carbon, which account for a very large number of compounds. Moreover, hydrogen is found in inorganic compounds. For example, when hydrogen burns in the presence of oxygen, it forms water.

The lightest and simplest of the elements, hydrogen has several properties that make it valuable for many industries. It releases more heat per unit of weight than any other fuel. In rocket engines, tons of hydrogen and oxygen are burned, and hydrogen is used with oxygen for welding torches that produce temperatures as high as 4,000 degrees F and can be used in cutting steel. Fuel cells to generate electricity operate on hydrogen and oxygen.

Hydrogen also serves to prevent metals from tarnishing during heat treatments by removing the oxygen from them. Although it would be difficult to remove the oxygen by itself, hydrogen readily combines with oxygen to form water, which can be heated to steam and easily removed. Furthermore, hydrogen is one of the coolest refrigerants. It does not become a liquid until it reaches temperatures of 425 degrees F. Pure hydrogen gas is used in large electric generators to cool the coils.

Future uses of hydrogen include fuel for cars, boats, planes, and other forms of transportation that currently require petroleum products. These fuels would be lighter, a distinct advantage in the aerospace industry, and they would also be cleaner, thereby reducing pollution in the atmosphere.

Hydrogen is also useful in the food industry for a process known as hydrogenation. Products such as margarine and cooking oils are changed from liquids to semisolids by combining hydrogen with their molecules. Soap manufacturers also use hydrogen for this purpose. In addition, in the chemical industry, hydrogen is used to produce ammonia, gasoline, methyl alcohol, and many other important products.

**Question 36:** Which is the most suitable title for the passage?

- A. Hydrogen**
- B. Combination of hydrogen**
- C. Uses of hydrogen**
- D. Hydrogen in food industry**

**Question 37:** According to paragraph 1, how does hydrogen generally occur?

**A.** It is freely available in nature.  
**B.** It is contained in many compounds.  
**C.** It is often found in pure form.  
**D.** It is released during hydrogenation.

**Question 38:** According to the passage, how can hydrogen be used to cut steel?

- A. By cooling the steel to a very low temperature
- B. By cooling the hydrogen with oxygen to a very low temperature
- C. By heating the steel to a very high temperature
- D. By heating the hydrogen with oxygen to a very high temperature

**Question 39:** The word "them" in paragraph 3 refers to

**Question 40:** The word "readily" in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to

A, completely      B, slowly      C, usually      D, easily

**Question 41:** The word "combining" in paragraph 5 is closest in meaning to .

A. trying out      B. joining together      C. finding out      D. changing round

**Question 42:** Which statement is TRUE, according to the passage?

- A. Hydrogen is too dangerous to be used for industrial purposes.
- B. Hydrogen has many purposes in a variety of industries.
- C. Hydrogen has limited industrial uses because of its dangerous properties.
- D. Hydrogen is used in many industries for basically the same purpose.

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

**Question 43:** Neither the Minister nor his colleagues has given an explanation for the chaos in the financial market last week.

**Question 44:** Being tired, hungry, and thirsty makes it hard for him to finish his work.

A. hungry      B. thirst      C. hard      D. to finish

**Question 45:** All the candidates for the scholarship will be equally treated regarding of their sex, age, or nationality.

*Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.*

**Question 46:** In Vietnam, football is more popular than basketball.

- A. In Vietnam, basketball is not as popular as football.
- B. In Vietnam, basketball is more popular than football.
- C. In Vietnam, football is not as popular as basketball.
- D. In Vietnam, football is as popular as basketball.

**Question 47:** "I have completed all my work last night," Linh said.

- A. Linh said that she had completed all her work the previous night.
- B. Linh said that she has completed all her work last night.
- C. Linh said that I had completed all my work the previous night.
- D. Linh said that I would complete all my work last night.

**Question 48:** Perhaps Sally will pay for her travel in advance.

- A. Sally may pay for her travel in advance.
- B. Sally mustn't pay for her travel in advance.
- C. Sally should pay for her travel in advance.
- D. Sally can't pay for her travel in advance.

*Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best combines each pair of sentences in the following questions.*

**Question 49:** You don't spend much time studying. You don't make better progress.

- A. If you spent much time studying, you couldn't make better progress.
- B. You couldn't make better progress unless you spent much time studying.
- C. Provided you spent much time studying, you couldn't make better progress.
- D. But for your laziness, you couldn't make better progress.

**Question 50:** He had just finished eating his breakfast. Then he fell down.

- A. Hardly did he finished eating his breakfast when he fell down.
- B. Hardly he had finished eating his breakfast when he fell down.
- C. Hardly have he finished eating his breakfast when he fell down.
- D. Hardly had he finished eating his breakfast when he fell down.

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