

Thời gian làm bài: 60 phút, không kể thời gian phát đề

Họ, tên thí sinh:

Số báo danh:

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. extendeded B. skipped C. looked D. watched

Question 2: A. accurate B. account C. acept D. acuse

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. couple B. secure C. across D. attack

Question 4: A. perseverance B. application C. agriculture D. dedication

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: It gets _____ when the winter is coming.

- A. cold and cold B. the coldest and coldest
C. more and more cold D. colder and colder

Question 6: You _____ clean the windows. The window-cleaner is coming tomorrow.

- A. don't have B. must C. mustn't D. needn't

Question 7: I like doing _____ such as cooking, washing and cleaning the house.

- A. house-keeper B. household chores C. lord of house D. white house

Question 8: A recent survey has shown that _____ increasing number of men are willing to share the housework with their wives.

- A. a B. an C. the D. some

Question 9: If it _____ for the suggestions of the teacher, nobody would have found out the correct answer.

- A. weren't B. had better not C. didn't thank D. hadn't been

Question 10: Mary always takes great care _____ her children.

- A. for C. to B. of D. with

Question 11: They are always _____ of what their children do.

A. support B. supporting C. supportive D. supportively

Question 12: _____ migrate long distances is well documented.

- A. That it is birds B. That birds
C. Birds that D. It is that birds

Question 13: The Giant Panda has been on the _____ of extinction for many years.

- A. border B. verge C. margin D. rim

Question 14: The girls _____ to the cinema. They won't be back until ten o'clock.

- A. went B. were C. have been D. have gone

Question 15: Her husband bought her _____ when he went on holiday in Singapore last week.

- A. a beautiful yellow silk scarf B. a beautiful yellow silky scarf
C. a beautiful silk yellow scarf D. a beautiful yellow scarf silk

Question 16: Penicillin is perhaps the drug _____ more lives than any other in the history of medicine.

- A. what has saved B. which saved C. which has saved D. who saves

Question 17: What _____ views do Americans and Asians have about love and marriage?

- A. tradition B. traditionally C. traditionalism D. traditional

Question 18: We regret to tell you that the materials you ordered are _____.

- A. out of reach B. out of practice C. out of stock D. out of work

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.

Question 19: Mary invited her friend, Sarah, to have dinner out that night and Sarah accepted.

- Mary: "Shall we eat out tonight?"

- Sarah: "_____."

- A. That's a great idea B. That's acceptable
C. You are welcome D. It's kind of you to invite

Question 20. Peter: "Do you want me to help you with those suitcases?"

Mary: "_____".

- A. Of course, not for me B. No, I can't help you now
C. No. those aren't mine D. No, I can manage them myself

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

Question 21: As all of us cannot be available today, let's put off the discussion till later.

- A. present for the event B. scheduled for the event
C. arranged for the event D. appointed for the event

Question 22: The whole village was wiped out in the bombing raids.

- A. changed completely B. cleaned well C. destroyed completely D. removed quickly

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 23: His performance stood head and shoulders above the rest.

- A. was better than B. was worse than C. became higher than D. became cheaper than

Question 24: Cutting down on energy use is the best way to help reduce global warming.

- A. Shrinking B. Declining C. Decreasing D. Increasing

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 25 to 29.

At present, single-parent families ought to be of great focus, be recognized and supported as they are a growing family form and should not be an afterthought in family, economic and labor market policies. Single parent families should be (25) _____ considered and addressed in all family policy discussions and decisions. (26) _____, home-care cash allowances, which are paid to a parent who abstains from employment to take care for her child at home, can have significant consequences encouraging lower levels of female employment among single-parent families, (27) _____ in turn results in higher childhood poverty. In this regard, work-life balance policies and workplace practices also need to (28) _____ a single-parent perspective, for example, the impact of non-standard work hours when childcare is not available.

The provision of educational and skill-building opportunities and affordable quality day care become even more urgent in families with single parents. Such families should have a higher priority and subsidized access to childcare facilities. Governmental agencies should be established (29) _____ child support payment from non-resident parents in case of conflicts, disagreements or delayed payments, e.g., after a divorce or separation.

(Adapted from <http://www.socialtrendsinsitute.org/>)

Question 25. A. implicitly B. clearly C. indirectly D. completely

Question 26. A. For instance B. However C. Moreover D. Therefore

Question 27. A. who B. whose C. which D. that

Question 28. A. take responsible for B. take in hand
C. take no notice of D. take account of

Question 29. A. to facilitate B. facilitating C. facilitated D. facilitate

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 30 to 34.

Having a hobby that you enjoy—whether that’s crocheting a sweater for your beastie’s new baby, hitting the slopes to enjoy some fresh powder, or practicing pirouettes in ballet class—has all sorts of well-documented benefits, from lower levels of stress to an increased sense of belonging and purpose.

Clearly, hobbies can make a serious impact on your quality of life. But they can also improve your work performance. According to licensed professional counselor Rebecca Weiler, when you're engaged and fulfilled in your life outside of work like you are when you're pursuing meaningful hobbies, that happiness spills over. It can make you more focused and enthusiastic when you're on the job.

And depending on the hobby, the skills you gain as a result of your leisurely pursuits can also make you better at your job and make you a more appealing candidate for potential employers. "For example, someone who performs in an **improvisational** group as a hobby could be attractive to an employer because **they** can think quickly on their feet and may also be more comfortable presenting in front of a group of people," Weiler says.

So, having a hobby that you love can do good things for your life and your job. But what if you don't actually have a hobby you enjoy? You're not alone. According to Weiler, trying to find meaningful hobbies is one of the primary reasons her clients—especially young people—seek counseling. Clearly, there are plenty of people out there who don't have, or don't know how to find, a hobby. But that doesn't mean they can't find one. It doesn't matter if you're 25 or 85 years old—it's not too late to hop on board the hobby train!

(Source: <https://www.themuse.com/>)

Question 30. Which best serves as the title for the passage?

- A. It's good for your life and career to find a hobby you love.
- B. Hobbies are essentially different from your jobs.
- C. How to succeed in your hobby outside of work.
- D. Not just your job, your hobbies also define who you are.

Question 31. According to paragraph 1, what is NOT mentioned as a rewarding hobby by the author?

- A. Give your expecting friend a baby-sized sweater with your needlework skill.
- B. Partake in some athletic recreational activities like the winter sport of skiing.
- C. Making a pie or baking a batch of cookies for your family on the weekend.
- D. Polish the technique of spinning while poised on the toe of shoe with the other leg bent.

Question 32. The word "**improvisational**" in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. casual
- B. rehearsed
- C. temporary
- D. extempore

Question 33. The word "**they**" in paragraph 2 refers to _____.

- A. skills
- B. candidates
- C. employers
- D. clients

Question 34. According to paragraph 3, what kind of people who requires counselling?

- A. People who have no problems but want self-discovery and self-improvement.
- B. People who live a boring life with no mentionable hobbies or interests.
- C. People who have experienced a stressful or traumatic life event.
- D. People with mental health problems needing a supportive environment.

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 35 to 42.

You might be surprised to know that bicycles have existed for less than two hundred years. Though the earliest comes from a sketch said to be from 1534 and **attributed** to Gian Giacomo, there are several early but unverified claims for the invention of the modern bicycle. No one is sure who invented this popular two-wheeled machine, but it was probably either the German Karl von Drais, in 1817, or the American W K Clarkson, in 1819. The early models didn't look much like the bicycles of today. The front wheel was much bigger than the back one, and also there weren't any pedals - riders had to move themselves forward by pushing their feet against the ground. Pedals finally arrived in the 1840s, and in 1879 an Englishman named Henry Lawson had the idea of connecting them to the back wheel with a chain. Gears, which made things much easier for those cycling uphill, first appeared in the 1890s.

There are now approximately one billion bicycles in the world - more than twice the total number of cars - and they are the main form of transport in some developing countries. They have to compete with cars on the streets of all the world's cities, and the two forms of transport don't always mix well. In London in 2005, for example, over 300 cyclists were either killed or seriously injured in accidents involving cars. Even though bicycles are much more environmentally friendly than cars, most governments don't do much to encourage people to ride rather than drive. In China, which is famous for having a huge number of bicycles (about 200 million), the authorities in the city of Shanghai even banned cycling for a while in 2003.

Cycling is on the rise in the United Kingdom, and the number of annual journeys made by bike in London has increased 50% over the last five years. Experts say there is a mixture of reasons for this boom: concerns about the environment, the desire to keep fit, and also the fact that cycling is often not only cheaper but also quicker than travelling by car.

However, although one in three British adults owns a bicycle, they still don't use them nearly as much as they could. Bikes are used for a mere 2% of journeys in the UK, while the figure for the Netherlands is an impressive 27%.

Cycling is becoming more popular as a competitive sport, and the most famous race is of course the three-week Tour de France, which takes place every July. American Lance Armstrong won it every year from 1999 to 2005 - one of the greatest individual sporting achievements of all time.

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Question 35: Why didn't early bicycles look much like today's models?

- A. The wheels were different sizes. B. They only had one wheel.
C. They were made of wood. D. They had machine.

Question 36: The highlighted word "**attributed**" is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. rejected B. discounted C. acknowledged D. noticed

Question 37: Which of the following is FALSE?

- A. Cycling was banned in Shanghai, China, in 2003.
- B. There are about one billion bicycles in the world today.
- C. More than 90% of the world's bicycles are in Africa.
- D. About 20% of the world bicycles are in China.

Question 38: According to experts, which of the following is NOT an explanation for the recent increase in bicycle use in London?

- A. People want to keep fit.
- B. People have more money, so they can afford to buy good bicycles.
- C. Travelling by car is often slower than travelling by bicycle.
- D. Cycling protects the environment.

Question 39: In the Netherlands, what percentage of journeys are made by bicycle?

- A. More than 25%
- B. 5-10%
- C. 25%
- D. Less than 5%

Question 40: What was Lance Armstrong's amazing achievement?

- A. Cycling continuously in three weeks.
- B. Winning the Tour de France seven times.
- C. Cycling to work every day for twenty years.
- D. Cycling all the way around the world.

Question 41: The highlighted word "it" in paragraph 6 refers to _____.

- A. cycling
- B. sport
- C. the race
- D. the achievement

Question 42: Which can be the best title for the passage?

- A. Bicycle
- B. Tour-de-France
- C. Best means of transport
- D. The invention of bicycle

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: Last month, while my friend travelled round England by car, he crashed the car into a tree.

- A. travelled
- B. while
- C. the
- D. a

Question 44: She complained that her husband never paid her any complements anymore.

- A. complained
- B. never
- C. any complements
- D. anymore.

Question 45: I wish to publicly record my gratitude to those whose support and assistance were made this possible.

- A. wish
- B. publicly record
- C. to those
- D. were made

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: “My father doesn’t work in the factory any more” Bella told us.

- A. Bella said that her father no longer worked in the factory.
- B. Bella wished that her father didn’t work in the factory any more.
- C. Bella hoped that her father was used to working in the factory
- D. Bella denied that her father used to work in the factory.

Question 47: He broke up with her but now he thinks that was a mistake.

- A. He feels a pity that he had broken up with her.
- B. He wishes not to have broken her up.
- C. He regrets having broken up with her.
- D. He was mistaken with breaking up with her.

Question 48: The weather has been terrible recently. I am very depressed now.

- A. If the weather had not been terrible lately, I wouldn't be so depressed now.
- B. If the weather hasn't been terrible recently, I won't be so depressed now.
- C. If the weather hadn't been terrible recently, I wouldn't have been so depressed now.
- D. If the weather had been more terrible recently, I would be depressed now.

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: Her living conditions were not good. However, she studied very well.

- A. Living in difficult conditions forced she to study very well.
- B. She studied very well just because she lived in difficult conditions.
- C. Difficult as her living conditions were, she studied very well.
- D. Living in difficult conditions, she had no choice but to study well.

Question 50: It’s cold outside and my leg hurts. I haven’t been out for weeks.

- A. I haven't been out for weeks, which makes the weather cold and my leg bad.
- B. The weather is cold and my leg is bad as a result of my stay indoors for weeks.
- C. Due to the cold weather and my bad leg, I haven't been out for weeks.
- D. What makes the weather cold and my leg bad is my stay indoors for weeks.

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