

## Unit 2 – Homework

### A. PHONETICS

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

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|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. A. ne <u>igh</u> bor             | B. cou <u>gh</u>              | C. altho <u>gh</u>            | D. dro <u>gh</u> t         |
| 2. A. ente <u>rta</u> in            | B. r <u>ai</u> n              | C. <u>ai</u> r                | D. str <u>ai</u> n         |
| 3. A. t <u>ry</u>                   | B. fa <u>ci</u> lity          | C. ty <u>ph</u> oon           | D. su <u>pp</u> ly         |
| 4. A. su <u>per</u> market          | B. r <u>u</u> ler             | C. po <u>ll</u> ution         | D. <u>u</u> rban           |
| 5. A. n <u>a</u> ture               | B. migra <u>n</u> t           | C. f <u>a</u> ility           | D. <u>a</u> way            |
| 6. A. t <u>r</u> affic              | B. r <u>e</u> lative          | C. t <u>r</u> agedy           | D. j <u>a</u> m            |
| 7. A. apa <u>r</u> tment            | B. o <u>ff</u> er             | C. p <u>r</u> efer            | D. ano <u>th</u> er        |
| 8. A. n <u>a</u> ture               | B. p <u>r</u> ess <u>u</u> re | C. <u>u</u> rban              | D. su <u>pp</u> ly         |
| 9. A. c <u>r</u> ea <u>t</u> e      | B. p <u>e</u> ace <u>fu</u> l | C. i <u>n</u> cre <u>a</u> se | D. <u>e</u> asi <u>l</u> y |
| 10. A. acc <u>e</u> ssi <u>b</u> le | B. p <u>r</u> ess <u>u</u> re | C. ill <u>n</u> ess           | D. succ <u>e</u> ss        |

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

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|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|
| 1. A. nomadic     | B. generous     | C. colourful | D. countryside |
| 2. A. popular     | B. calculus     | C. beehive   | D. disturb     |
| 3. A. harvest     | B. collect      | C. peaceful  | D. whisper     |
| 4. A. charade     | B. transport    | C. expect    | D. maintain    |
| 5. A. opportunity | B. inconvenient | C. facility  | D. optimistic  |

### B. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

I. Write the comparison of these adjectives and adverbs.

	Comparative	Superlative
1. beautifully	.....	.....
2. hot	.....	.....
3. crazy	.....	.....
4. slowly	.....	.....
5. much	.....	.....
6. little	.....	.....
7. badly	.....	.....
8. well	.....	.....
9. attractively	.....	.....
10. big	.....	.....

II. Fill in each blank with the appropriate form of the word in brackets.

1. Iceland is considered the most \_\_\_\_\_ country in the world. (peace)
2. A \_\_\_\_\_ lifestyle has its advantages and disadvantages. (nomad)
3. My brother has been a stamp \_\_\_\_\_ for several years. (collect)
4. It is a/an \_\_\_\_\_ place to hold a picnic because it is too far from the road. (convenience)
5. Drinking water in some areas may be \_\_\_\_\_. (safe)
6. During my stay in the village, I was \_\_\_\_\_ with several local farmers. (friend)

7. Encouraging children to eat and drink \_\_\_\_\_ is very important. (health)
8. Local people in the village often wear their \_\_\_\_\_ costumer during the festivals. (tradition)
9. Please give \_\_\_\_\_ to that charity to help the homeless after the flood. (generous)
10. The baby slept very \_\_\_\_\_ because the bed was really comfortable. (sound)

III. Choose the best answers of these sentences.

1. Of the four dresses, I like the red one (better/ best).
2. Bill is the (happier/ happiest) person we know.
3. Pat's cat is (faster/ fastest) than Peter's.
4. This poster is (colourfuler/ more colourful) than the one in the hall.
5. Does Fred feel (weller/ better) today than he did yesterday?
6. This vegetable soup tastes very (good/ best).
7. Jane is the (less/ least) athletic of all the women.
8. My cat is the (prettier/ prettiest) of the two.
9. This summary is (the better/ the best) of the pair.
10. The colder the weather gets, (sicker/ the sicker) I feel.

IV. Choose the best answer to complete the following sentences.

1. Nam helped his parents \_\_\_\_\_ the rice onto the ox-drawn cart.  
A. load      B. collect      C. dry      D. ride
2. In Emi's opinion, city life is more \_\_\_\_\_ than country life.  
A. friendly      B. exciting      C. natural      D. peaceful
3. The sky is \_\_\_\_\_ here in the countryside because there are no buildings to block the view.  
A. tidy      B. close      C. dense      D. vast
4. Look! Some children are \_\_\_\_\_ the buffaloes.  
A. picking      B. playing      C. driving      D. herding
5. Viet plays the guitar \_\_\_\_\_ than Phong does.  
A. more goodly      B. more well      C. better      D. gooder
6. Medical help is \_\_\_\_\_ easily obtained in remote areas than in towns.  
A. more      B. fewer      C. less      D. higher
7. Today Peter gets up \_\_\_\_\_ than he did yesterday.  
A. earlier      B. more early      C. more earlyly      D. more earlier
8. He seems to be \_\_\_\_\_ than we thought.  
A. more quick      B. more quickly      C. quicklier      D. quicker
9. The wind is blowing \_\_\_\_\_ than it did last night.  
A. stronger      B. more strongly      C. stronglier      D. more stronger

10. Is living in the city \_\_\_\_\_ than living in the country?

- A. more convenient                      B. as convenient  
 C. most convenient                      D. so convenient

C. READING

V. Choose the item among A, B, C or D that best answers the question about the passage.

Living in the country is something that people from the city often dream about. However, in reality, it has both advantages and disadvantages.

There are certainly many advantages of living in the country. First, you can enjoy peace and quietness. Moreover, people tend to be friendlier. A further advantage is that there is less traffic, so it is safer for young children.

However, there are certain disadvantages or drawbacks to life outside the city. First, because there are fewer people, you are likely to have few friends. In addition, entertainment is difficult to find, particularly in the evening. Furthermore, the fact that there are fewer shops and services so it is quite hard to find jobs. As a result, you may have to travel a long way to work, which can be extremely expensive.

In conclusion, it can be seen that the country is more suitable for some people than others. On the whole, it is often the best place for those who are retired or who have young children. In contrast, young or single people who have a career are better provided for in the city.

1. According to the passage, living in the country has \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. both good and bad points    B. only bad points    C. only good points    D. no disadvantages

2. How many advantages does living in the country have?

- A. Two                      B. Four                      C. Three                      D. No

3. Living in the country is safer for young children because \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. there are few shops    B. there is less traffic    C. there are fewer people    D. there are few services

4. Which of the following statements is NOT true according to the passage?

- A. The country is only suitable for retired people.  
 B. It's hard to find entertainment in the country.  
 C. There are fewer shops and services in the country.  
 D. People in the country tend to be friendlier than people in the city.

5. Having few friends is....

- A. one of drawbacks to life in the country  
 B. the only disadvantage of living in the country  
 C. one of certain advantages to life outside the city  
 D. one of certain drawbacks to life outside the city

D. WRITING

VI. Rewrite the sentences of comparison.

1. No river in the world is longer than the Nile.

→ The Nile .....

2. Mount Everest is the highest mountain in the world.

- > No mountain .....
- 3. This is the first time I have ever met such a pretty girl,  
-> She is .....
- 4. He works much. He feels tired.  
-> The more.....
- 5. This computer works better than that one.  
-> That computer .....
- 6. The apartment is big. The rent is high.  
-> The bigger.....
- 7. We set off soon. We will arrive soon.  
-> The sooner .....
- 8. The joke is good. The laughter is loud.  
-> The better.....
- 9. She gets fat. She feels tired.  
-> The fatter .....
- 10. As he gets older, he wants to travel less.  
-> The older.....
- 11. The children are excited with the difficult games.  
-> The more.....
- 12. People dive fast. Many accidents happen.  
-> The faster .....
- 13. I meet him much. I hate him much.  
-> The more.....
- 14. My boss works better when he is pressed for time.  
-> The less.....
- 15. As he has much money, he wants to spend much.  
-> The more.....