

English for University Students

Quiz 2

A: Match the following words with their synonyms.

A	B	C
1. Determined	A. Compassionate	1.....
2. Energetic	B. Giving	2.....
3. Gentle	C. Jubilant	3.....
4. Generous	D. Modest	4.....
5. Honest	E. Noisy	5.....
6. Humble	F. Resolute	6.....
7. Independent	G. Self-sufficient	7.....
8. Joyful	H. Sincere	8.....
9. Kind	I. Soft	9.....
10. Loud	J. Vigorous	10.....
A	B	C
1. Firm	A. Animated	1.....
2. Lively	B. Autonomous	2.....
3. Mild	C. Benevolent	3.....
4. Charitable	D. Candid	4.....
5. Truthful	E. Clamorous	5.....
6. Unassuming	F. Considerate	6.....
7. Self-reliant	G. Meek	7.....
8. Delighted	H. Merry	8.....
9. Caring	I. Persistent	9.....
10. Boisterous	J. Tender	10.....

B: Fill in the following blank with the correct option A, B, C or D.

Greenhouse gases are being released into the atmosphere 30 times faster than the time when the Earth experienced a (11)..... episode of global warming. A study comparing the rate at which carbon dioxide and methane are being (12).....now, compared to 55 million years ago when global warming also occurred, has found dramatic differences in the speed of release.

James Zachos, professor of earth sciences at the University of California, Santa Cruz, said the speed of the present buildup of greenhouse gases is far greater than during the global warming after the (13)..... of the dinosaurs. "The emissions that caused this past episode of global warming probably lasted 10,000 years," Professor Zachos told the American Association for the Advancement of Science at a meeting in St. Louis. "By burning fossil fuels, we are likely to emit the same amount over the next three centuries." He warned that studies of global warming events in the geological past (14)..... the Earth's climate passes a (15).....,..... beyond which climate change accelerates with the help of positive feedbacks - vicious circles of warming. Professor Zachos is a leading (16) on the episode of global warming known as the palaeocene-eocene thermal maximum, when average global temperatures increased by up to 5°C due to a massive release of carbon dioxide and methane.

His research into the deep ocean (17)..... suggests at this time that about 4.5 billion tons of carbon entered the atmosphere over 10,000 years. "This will be the same amount of carbon released into the atmosphere from cars and industrial emissions over the next 300 years if present (18)..... continue", he said. Although carbon can be released suddenly and naturally into the atmosphere from volcanic activity, it takes many thousands of years for it to be removed permanently by natural processes. The ocean is capable of removing carbon, and quickly, but this natural (19)..... can be easily (20)....., which is probably what happened 55 million years ago. "It will take tens of thousands of years before atmospheric carbon dioxide comes down to preindustrial levels," the professor said. "Even after humans stop burning fossil fuels, the effects will be long-lasting."

11. A. prearranged

12. A. emitted

13. A. dementia

14. A. comment

15. A. barricade

16. A. autocrat

17. A. dusts

18. A. trends

19. A. capacity

20. A. overcharged

B. premier

B. exhaled

B. demolition

B. mark

B. verge

B. authority

B. sediments

B. gadgets

B. competence

B. overstated

C. previous

C. incorporated

C. detachment

C. compliment

C. threshold

C. administrator

C. dirt

C. fads

C. intelligence

C. overshadowed

D. fundamental

D. digested

D. demise

D. indicate

D. perimeter

D. proprietor

D. powder

D. crazes

D. bulk

D. overwhelmed

C: Fill in the following blank with the correct option A, B, C or D.

- 21 is a real health hazard.
a Stupidity b Sturdiness c Animosity d Obesity
- 22 The old lady was becoming increasingly affected by
a senility b masculinity c virility d chivalry
- 23 His excuses invariably exasperated the manager.
a feeble b frail c robust d wealthy
- 24 I don't to be a genius but I am not stupid either.
a permit b agree c compare d claim
- 25 Smoking can be to your health.
a delightful b harmless c detrimental d indifferent
- 26 People their spending power when prices rise.
a increase b curtail c prolong d think
- 27 He became an outlaw by the law.
a defying b observing c sticking to d abiding by
- 28 is a punishable offense.
a Hunting b Poaching c Jogging d Boxing
- 29 Marian was a beautiful, young lady.
a corpulent b gaunt c slender d bony
- 30 Don't trust him; he's cruel, and unscrupulous.
a loving b slack c treacherous d trustworthy