



ĐỀ KHẢO SÁT CHẤT LƯỢNG HỌC KÌ II
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I. LISTENING

Listen to an advertisement for a messaging application. Circle the best answer A, B, or C. You will listen TWICE.

- What is people's top concern when it comes to messaging applications?
A. Stable connection B. Late update C. Too many competing applications
- What can users have when they choose to use ConnectABC?
A. The best network B. Unreliable connection C. Frequent interruptions
- What do developers commit to doing twice a month?
A. Looking for security issues B. Gathering users' feedback
C. Updating the application
- How many users does ConnectABC currently have?
A. 50 thousand B. 30 thousand C. 60 thousand
- What will people get when they sign up today?
A. A free smartphone B. An exclusive voice message from the creator
C. New features



II. READING

TASK 1. Read the passage. Circle the best answer A, B or C to each of the questions.

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1. What is the passage mainly about?

- A. The downsides of using homework helper apps
- B. The encouragement of using homework helper apps
- C. The positive impact of using homework helper apps

2. What does the word *they* in line 12 mean?

- A. Cheating students
- B. Teachers
- C. Problems

3. According to the passage, who might not rely on homework helper apps?

- A. Idle students
- B. Intelligent students
- C. Hard-working students



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4. Why is a homework helper app considered a double-edged sword?

- A. Because cheating students find it hard to deal with a new problem in exams.
- B. Because cheating students can't solve even a simple problem without this app.
- C. Teachers are capable of discovering cheating students.

5. Which of the following is true about the passage?

- A. QANDA is an entertaining app that helps students relax after school.
- B. There will be a lack of knowledge if students count on learning apps excessively.
- C. Advanced learners always use homework helper apps to finish their homework.



TASK 2. Complete the reading passage. Write ONE suitable word in each blank.

Last Friday night, a tropical storm abruptly hit Xuan's town and caused a lot of damage. Its gale-force winds blew down several trees, (1) _____ of houses and electric poles leading to a widespread power cut. Then, it caused torrential rains leaving most of the town under water. Consequently, 1.5-metre-deep (2) _____ waters isolated many of the main roads and communities. While the storm was attacking, the rescue teams (3) _____ making every effort to evacuate the locals in low-lying areas, including Xuan's family, to safer places. The residents spent a sleepless night together in a large supplied shelter waiting for water to recede. They were really upset and worried because that ferocious storm (4) _____ their houses and swept away many valuable properties like motorbikes and household appliances. It was a painful lesson for them as a result (5) _____ their underestimation of storm warnings issued by the local government before.

III. WRITING

TASK 1. For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use the word in brackets and do not change it. Write NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS.

1. My brother doesn't have the habit of going browsing at the shopping centres.

My brother _____ browsing at the shopping centres.
(NEVER)

2. During her stay in the hotel, she heard a loud thunderstorm sound.

While _____ in the hotel, she heard a loud thunderstorm sound. (SHE)

3. Can I borrow one of your tablets?

Can you lend me a _____? (OF)

4. The robots will have the ability to help around the house in a few years.

The robots _____ to help around the house in a few years.
(BE)

5. She asked, "How many planets are there in the solar system, Dad?"



She asked her dad how many _____ in the solar system.
(THERE)

TASK 2. Write a paragraph (80-100 words) about the advantages and disadvantages of a way of modern communication.

You can use the following questions as cues.

- What is the way of communication?
- What are its advantages?
- What are its disadvantages?
- Will it be popular in the future?

IV. LANGUAGE FOCUS

TASK 1.

Choose the word with a different way of pronunciation in the underlined part. Circle A, B, C, or D.

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| 1. A. in <u>st</u> ant | B. ca <u>st</u> le | C. <u>st</u> icker | D. sub <u>st</u> ance |
| 2. A. cr <u>a</u> ter | B. <u>t</u> ablet | C. web <u>c</u> am | D. sc <u>a</u> nn <u>a</u> rr |

Choose the word which has a different stress pattern from that of the others. Circle A, B, C, or D.

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| 3. A. guarantee | B. awardee | C. committee | D. absentee |
| 4. A. gravity | B. truancy | C. disaster | D. habitat |

TASK 2. Choose the best option to complete each sentence. Circle A, B, C, or D.

1. One of the most outstanding features of Zoom Meeting is _____ rooms which allow small split groups of students to discuss a particular subject.

- A. breakout
- B. breakthrough
- C. break-up
- D. break-in



2. Mark's mother _____ him becoming an astronomer because she didn't think this job would suit him.

- A. proposed B. disposed C. imposed D. opposed

3. The famous sports programme was _____ live over the Internet.

- A. permitted B. admitted C. transmitted D. predicted

4. My flat started _____ when I was watching TV with my son. It scared us a lot.

- A. frightening B. trembling C. strengthening D. warning

5. I will submit my assignment on the future role of teacher robots _____ Friday.

- A. of B. for C. in D. by

TASK 3. Fill each blank with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

1. Please stop _____ (litter). You are making the school yard dirty.

2. The coach _____ (not leave) till 11.30, so my dad is preparing his luggage at a slow pace.

3. My mother allowed me _____ (go) to the discount shop to get some stuff alone.

4. The flood water swiftly washed away the village while many families _____ (sleep).

5. Before my grandfather _____ (drink) tea, he bought a newspaper.