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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 1: A. influence B. demonstrate C. encourage D. penalize

Question 2: A. strengthen B. attract C. destroy D. succeed

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

Question 3: It is expensive to take down and _____ the tent, so they do not remove it during winter.

A. push up B. put down C. push down D. put up

Question 4: The students looked a little confused _____ the teacher's questions.

A. at B. of C. with D. in

Question 5: You will visit Cuc Phuong National park next weekend, _____?

A. don't you B. won't you C. will you D. would you

Question 6: When Mrs. Wilson got home, her son _____ with his girlfriend on the phone.

A. chatted B. chats C. was chatting D. is chatting

Question 7: After 20 days of premiere, "Mai" has become _____ grossing film projects.

A. the highest B. higher C. the higher D. high than

Question 8: _____ the letter, Tom will have left for Paris.

A. By the time we receive B. Before we received
C. After we had received D. When we were receiving

Question 9: The teacher tries her best to make sure that her students can _____ her explanations.

A. understandably B. understandable C. understand D. understanding

Question 10: During the discussion, he suddenly _____ red when someone criticized his work, and the meeting quickly became tense.

A. met B. watched C. looked D. saw

Question 11: I don't want her to smell _____. She has never had a surprise party before.

A. a rat B. a pig C. a thief D. a culprit

Question 12: House prices are expected _____ sharply in the next few months.

- A. rising B. rise C. to rise D. to rising

Question 13: VigileASE, Inc. has made a huge profit of \$1,000 million, _____ its branches to expand across the continent.

- A. allowing B. allows C. to allow D. is allowed

Question 14: My husband's family speaks _____ Polish.

- A. the B. Ø (no article) C. an D. a

Question 15: The unexpected thunderstorm _____ the flight, causing passengers to wait anxiously at the gate.

- A. detained B. apprehended C. bagged D. collared

Question 16: Whenever you're planning to _____ a new product, it's essential to provide excellent customer service.

- A. start B. launch C. declare D. initiate

Question 17: The top-secret document of the company _____ in 2020.

- A. was leaked B. leaks C. was leaking D. has leaked

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 18: Tom and Peter are talking about extreme sports.

-Tom: "People should be encouraged to take part in dangerous sports."

-Peter: "_____. They are prone to both minor and severe injuries."

- A. For sure B. I completely disagree with you
C. Come on, that's surely the case D. I couldn't agree with you more

Question 19: Mr. Collins is asking to see the menu at a restaurant.

- Mr. Collins: "Could we see the menu, please?"- Waiter: "_____."

- A. I'll be your server, Sir B. Here you are, Sir
C. My pleasure, Sir D. You get a 2% discount

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 20: A. system B. historical C. landscape D. business

Question 21: A. make B. tank C. plane D. fame

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 22: Perhaps she will get the yard mowed before it rains.

- A. She should mow the yard before it rains. B. She must get the yard mowed before it rains.
C. She must have the yard mowed before it rains. D. She may get the yard mowed before it rains.

Question 23: It last rained in my town a month ago.

- A. It hasn't rained in my town for a month. B. It rained in my town for a month.
C. It didn't rain in my town for a month. D. It has rained in my town for a month.

Question 24: "I was watching the stars all night," she said.

- A. She said she was watching the stars all night. B. She said she had been watching the stars all night.
C. She said she has been watching the stars all night. D. She said she watched the stars all night.

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 25: Last week, a team of foreign volunteers launches a campaign to help students with disabilities.

- A. to help B. launches C. with D. week

Question 26: If you have a problem, you are welcome to discuss it with me before you try to resolve them.

- A. them B. have C. before D. with

Question 27: The search method is exhausting, so it is ensured that all the necessary parameters will be visited and checked for violations

- A. a ensured B. necessary C. violations D. exhausting

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 28: Spectators are not permitted to bring alcohol into the stadium. There is no exception for any individual.

- A. On no condition are spectators allowed to bring alcohol into the stadium.
- B. On no account are spectators banned from bringing alcohol into the stadium.
- C. In no way were spectators allowed to bring alcohol into the stadium.
- D. In all cases are spectators banned from bringing alcohol to the stadium.

Question 29: Nam was seriously ill for two weeks. He couldn't take part in the School Festival.

- A. If Nam hadn't been seriously ill for two weeks, he could have taken part in the School Festival.
- B. If Nam wasn't seriously ill for two weeks, Nam could take part in the School Festival
- C. If it weren't for his serious illness for two weeks, Nam would take part in the School Festival.
- D. If Nam hadn't been seriously ill for two weeks, he couldn't have taken part in the School Festival

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 .

A team of social psychologists from California has spent six years studying the reactions of people in cities around the world to different situations. The results show that cities where people have less money generally have friendlier populations. Rio de Janeiro in Brazil, which is often known for its crime, comes out top, Vientiane ranks second, and the capital of Malawi, Lilongwe, comes third.

But what makes one city friendlier than another? The psychologists from California State University say it has got more to do with environment than culture or nationality. They carried out a study into the way locals treated strangers in 23 cities around the world. The team conducted their research through a series of tests, where they dropped pens or pretended, they were blind and needed help crossing the street.

The study concludes that people are more helpful in cities with a more relaxed way of life such as Rio. While they were there, researchers received help in 93 percent of cases, and the percentage in Lilongwe was only a little lower. However, richer cities such as Amsterdam and New York are considered the least friendly. Inhabitants of Amsterdam helped the researchers in 53 percent of cases and in New York just 44 percent. The psychologists found that, in these cities, people tend to be short of time, so they hurry and often ignore strangers.

(Adapted from Complete IELTS by Guy Brook- Hart and Vanessa Jakeman)

Question 30: The word "they" in paragraph 2 refers to _____.

- A. the team
- B. tests
- C. locals
- D. strangers

Question 31: All of the following are mentioned in the study conducted by social psychologists from California EXCEPT _____.

- A. the study took six years to complete.
- B. Rio de Janeiro, Vientiane, and Lilongwe are the top three friendliest cities according to the study.
- C. friendliness in a city is more dependent on the environment than culture or nationality.
- D. the research shows that people are more helpful in richer cities.

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 .

THE SECRETS OF LONG LIFE

Marge Jetton is speeding down the motorway in her purple car. Marge, (32)_____ recently turned 101, is late for one of several volunteer commitments she has today. Already this morning, she has eaten breakfast, walked 1.6 km, and lifted weights

Like (33)_____other residents of Loma Linda, California, Marge is a member of a religious community that has always supported healthy living. It (34)_____ smoking and drinking alcohol, and discourages the (35)_____ of most meat, rich foods, and caffeinated drinks as well as most spices. Instead, they enjoy beans, nuts, whole wheat bread, soy milk, tomatoes, and other fruits as well as five glasses of water a day.

All of these lower the risk of developing certain diseases. (36) _____, they get together and socialize with each other to relieve stress every Saturday. A study has revealed that members of this community live four to ten years longer than other Californians.

(Adapted from *Close up B1-Student's book*)

Question 32: A. which

B. that

C. who

D. whom

Question 33: A. many

B. every

C. each

D. much

Question 34: A. excludes

B. prevents

C. halts

D. forbids

Question 35: A. digestion

B. consumption

C. storage

D. intake

Question 36: A. However

B. Because

C. Moreover

D. Although

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 .

Learning to speak is automatic for almost all children, but learning to read requires elaborate instruction and conscious effort. Well aware of the difficulties, educators have given a great deal of thought to how they can best help children learn to read. No single method has triumphed. Indeed, heated arguments about the most appropriate form of reading instruction continue to polarize the teaching community.

Three general approaches have been tried. In one, called whole-word instruction, children learn by rote how to recognize at a glance a vocabulary of 50 to 100 words. Then they gradually acquire other words, often through seeing them used over and over again in the context of a story.

Speakers of most languages learn the relationship between letters and the sounds associated with them (phonemes). That is, children are taught how to use their knowledge of the alphabet to sound out words. This procedure constitutes a second approach to teaching reading – phonics.

Many schools have adopted a different approach: the whole-language method. The strategy here relies on the child's experience with the language. For example, students are offered engaging books and are encouraged to guess the words that they do not know by considering the context of the sentence or by looking for clues in the storyline and illustrations, rather than trying to sound them out.

Many teachers adopted the whole-language approach because of its intuitive appeal. Making reading fun promises to keep children motivated, and learning to read depends more on what the student does than on what the teacher does. The presumed benefits of whole-language instruction – and the contrast to the perceived dullness of phonics – led to its growing acceptance across America during the 1990s and a movement away from phonics.

(Adapted from <https://mini-ielts.com>)

Question 38: The word them in paragraph 4 refers to _____.

A. illustrations

B. books

C. words

D. clues

Question 39: According to paragraph 4, the whole-language method depends on _____.

A. the child's awareness of vocabulary

B. the child's engagement with books

C. the language experience of the child

D. the way the child pronounces words

Question 40: Which of the following is NOT true according to the passage?

A. Educators have tried three approaches to teach children to read.

B. The whole-language approach is applied because of its intuitive appeal.

C. Educators can use only one method to teach children to read.

D. Most children learn to speak automatically.