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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 1: Jack is suggesting a day trip to the countryside.

Jack: Do you feel like going on a trip to the countryside? - **Mary:** “_____”

- A. Yes, let's. It's a good idea B. No, don't worry
C. You're welcome, D. I'm afraid so

Question 2: Peter and Susan are talking about Tet holiday.

Peter: “I believe that Tet holiday is the grandest holiday of the year.”

Susan: “_____. It is really lovely!”

- A. You're exactly right! B. You could be right.
C. You're dead wrong. D. I couldn't agree less.

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: That is _____ song this band has ever performed.

- A. the most beautiful B. more beautiful C. beautiful as D. The more beautiful

Question 4: I think that up to now there has not been a real _____ between men and women.

- A. equal B. equally C. equality D. equalize

Question 5: He was the only student _____ there at the time.

- A. have been living B. to live C. living D. who lives

Question 6: It was a beautiful day. _____ sun shone brightly in the sky.

- A. An B. No article C. The D. A

Question 7: Please _____ your shoes before entering the temple.

- A. put off B. go off C. take off D. turn off

Question 8: The photos _____ in a London studio last week.

- A. were taken B. have taken C. took D. have been taken

Question 9: It's better to avoid _____ during the rush hour.

- A. travelling B. to travel C. travel D. travelled

Question 10: Bob told you something about my story, _____?

A. didn't he B. doesn't he C. did he D. hadn't he

Question 11: If government don't _____ global warming, more natural disasters will occur.

A. discuss B. promote C. discourage D. pretend

Question 12: My mother _____ when she heard the explosion last night.

A. is cooking B. was cooking C. cooked D. cooks

Question 13: The mass media are _____ of communication, such as books, newspapers, recordings, radio, movies, television, mobile phones and the Internet.

A. models B. means C. tools D. devices

Question 14: He will let us know his decision _____.

A. when he made it. B. before he made it.
C. while he was making it. D. as soon as he makes it.

Question 15: One cannot be successful in business unless one is willing to _____ a risk.

A. keep B. get C. take D. catch

Question 16: Learning a foreign language properly is greatly important _____ students who want to find a good job after university.

A. for B. on C. of D. to

Question 17: After he lost his job, he had to live from hand to _____ for a couple of months.

A. mouth B. head C. ear D. nose

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 18: A. century B. capital C. capable D. captain

Question 19: A. april B. take C. tradition D. decorate

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 20: A. adapt B. deplete C. preserve D. product

Question 21: A. interact B. habitat C. natural D. casual

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 .

In the early twentieth century, an American woman named Emily Post wrote a book on etiquette. This book explained the proper behavior Americans should follow in many different social situations, from birthday parties to funerals. (22) _____ in modern society, it is not simply to know the proper rules for behavior in your own country. It is necessary for people (23) _____ work or travel abroad to understand the rules of etiquette in (24) _____ cultures as well.

Cultural differences can be found in such simple processes as giving or receiving a gift. In Western cultures, a gift can be given to the receiver with relatively little ceremony. When a gift is offered, the receiver usually takes the gift and (25) _____ his or her thanks. However, in some Asian countries, the act of gift-giving may appear confusing to Westerners. In Chinese culture, both the giver and receiver understand that the receiver will typically refuse to take the gift several times before he or she finally accepts it. In addition, to (26) _____ respect for the receiver, it is common in several Asian cultures to use both hands when offering a gift to another person.

(Source: *Reading Advantage* by Casey Malarcher)

Question 22: A. But

B. So

C. Moreover

D. Therefore

Question 23: A. which

B. who

C. where

D. whose

Question 24: A. one

B. much

C. every

D. many

Question 25: A. describes

B. tells

C. expresses

D. talks

Question 26: A. show

B. get

C. feel

D. take

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 .

Body shaming is a prevalent issue in today's society, with individuals facing criticism and judgment based on their physical appearance. Whether it's online or in-person, body shaming can have damaging effects on a person's mental health and self-esteem. It is essential to raise awareness about this problem and foster a culture of body positivity and acceptance.

Body shaming takes various forms, including making hurtful comments about someone's weight, size, or body shape. Such comments not only hurt the individual being targeted but also contribute to the perpetuation of unrealistic beauty standards. Media and societal pressures often reinforce these ideals, making it crucial for everyone to actively challenge and reject body shaming.

The impact of body shaming is far-reaching, affecting people of all ages, genders, and backgrounds. It can lead to anxiety, depression, and even eating disorders as individuals strive to conform to societal expectations. Moreover, **it** can harm social relationships, leading to isolation and feelings of worthlessness.

To **combat** body shaming, education and awareness are key. Schools, communities, and media outlets should promote body positivity campaigns that celebrate diversity and emphasize the importance of self-acceptance. Moreover, teaching empathy and kindness can help create a more compassionate society where body shaming has no place.

Question 27: According to the passage, how can body shaming affect individuals?

A. It can lead to improved mental health and self-esteem.

B. It may result in feelings of isolation and worthlessness.

C. It promotes a culture of empathy and kindness.

D. It encourages people to conform to societal expectations.

Question 28: Which statement is **NOT TRUE** about body shaming?

A. Body shaming can lead to anxiety and depression.

B. Body shaming affects people of all ages, genders, and backgrounds.

C. Body shaming fosters a culture of body positivity and acceptance.

D. Body shaming perpetuates unrealistic beauty standards.

Question 29: In paragraph 3, the pronoun "it" refers to _____.

- A. depression B. expectation C. individual D. body shaming

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 .

The authors noted that while other forms of pollution are decreasing, noise pollution has been increasing. This conclusion is reinforced by the fact that there has been an increase in the number of people who have been complaining about excessive noise in the WHO region. Populations that are exposed to high noise levels can be **afflicted** by other symptoms such as: stress reactions, sleep-stage changes, and clinical symptoms like hypertension and cardiovascular diseases. All these impacts can contribute to **premature** mortality. It is important to note that these adverse health problems impact all age groups including children and adolescents. In fact, it has been reported that children who live and or study in an area afflicted with noise pollution tend to suffer from stress, impairments in memory and attention as well as difficulty reading.

"In Western Europe, the guidelines say, traffic noise results in an annual loss of at least one million healthy years". Traffic noise is currently ranked second among environmental threats to public health.

The danger of noise pollution is more present to us when we are asleep. Because the human ear is so sensitive, it never rests, it is always working, picking up and transmitting sounds for our brains to interpret. **This** always on working process is where the danger lies, though you may be sleeping, sounds are still being picked up and processed. The most common side effects of this phenomenon are sleep disturbance and tiredness, impaired memory, judgment, and psychomotor skills. The other more serious outcomes of this can be the triggering of the body's acute stress response, which raises blood pressure and heart rate as the body and brain go into a state of hyperarousal. According to the European Environment Agency, at least 10,000 cases of premature deaths from noise exposure occur each year, although incomplete data mean this number is significantly underestimated.

(Adapted from <https://www.encyclopedia.dk/>)

Question 30: Which is **NOT** mentioned in the article as a symptoms caused by exposure to high noise levels?

- A. stress reactions B. hypertension
C. staying highly alert D. cardiovascular diseases

Question 31: In Western Europe, an annual loss of at least one million healthy years is resulted from _____.

- A. guidelines B. public health
C. environmental threats D. traffic noise

Question 32: The word "**This**" in paragraph 3 refers to _____.

- A. side effect B. sound C. human ear D. the danger

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 33: Linda's final exam is important. She never realizes this

- A. Under no circumstances does Linda realize how important her final exam is.

- B. Rarely does Linda realize how important her final exam is.
- C. Hardly does Linda realize how important her final exam is.
- D. Never does Linda realize how important her final exam is.

Question 34: Today isn't Sunday. The pupils can't go swimming.

- A. If today were Sunday, the pupils could go swimming.
- B. If today is Sunday, the pupils could go swimming.
- C. The pupils could go swimming unless today is Sunday.
- D. The pupils could not go swimming if today isn't Sunday.

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 35: My brother usually asked me for help when he has difficulty with his homework.

- A. asked
- B. when
- C. has
- D. homework

Question 36: Animals like frogs have waterproof skin that prevents it from drying out quickly in air, sun, or wind.

- A. have
- B. that
- C. it
- D. wind

Question 37: We need someone really effective who can organize the office and make it run smoothly.

- A. effective
- B. who
- C. it
- D. smoothly

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 38: It is necessary for you to work hard in any circumstances.

- A. You should work hard in any circumstances
- B. You may work hard in any circumstances.
- C. You mustn't work hard in any circumstances.
- D. You can work hard in any circumstances.

Question 39: I have not met her for three years.

- A. The last time I met her was three years ago.
- B. It is three years when I will meet her.
- C. I did not meet her three years ago.
- D. During three years, I met her once.

Question 40: "I'm going back to work next week," said Harry.

- A. Harry said that he was going back to work the following week.
- B. Harry said that I am going back to work next week.
- C. Harry said that I was going back to work the following week.
- D. Harry said that he was going back to work next week.

