

Exercise 1: Find the word having a different sound in the underlined part.

1. A. activity B. sick C. think D. city
2. A. busy B. picturesque C. support D. campus
3. A. orange B. village C. buffalo D. cabbage
4. A. begin B. women C. harvest D. entertainment
5. A. police B. cover C. collect D. combine

Exercise 2: Put the words in the correct column /ə/ ; /ɪ/:

harvest	dragon	market	carrot
cottage	orchard		

3 Choose the correct words to complete the following sentences. ➡

1. The workers are _____ a truck with timber.
A. unloading B. loading C. taking D. filling
2. He often _____ holes in his garden to plant trees.
A. ploughs B. picks C. digs D. collects
3. My uncle hired extra workers to help at harvest _____.
A. time B. point C. period D. season
4. From the hilltop, we can see row after row of orange trees _____ to the horizon.
A. running B. expanding C. enlarging D. stretching
5. People in my village grow rice in vast _____ fields.
A. corn B. wheat C. pad D. paddy

5 Complete the sentences with the suitable forms of the adverbs in the box. ↔

fluently	carefully	fast	hard	early
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1. Horses can run _____ than buffaloes.
2. You made the same mistake again. You should check your paper _____ before handing it in.
3. All these students are good, but some work _____ than others.
4. Girls normally become mature _____ than boys.
5. My sister speaks English much _____ than I do.

Ex4: Use the adjective in brackets in their correct forms of comparison to complete the sentences.

1. Tea is _____ coffee. (cheap)
2. The new harvest machine is _____ than the old one. (effective)
3. The countryside is _____ the town. (beautiful)
4. A tractor is _____ a buffalo. (powerful)
5. My sister is _____ me. (tall)
6. Blue whales are _____ elephants. (heavy)
7. The Mekong River is _____ the Red River. (long)
8. Do you think English is _____ French in grammar? (easy)

9. My new bed is _____ my old bed. (comfortable)

10. The film about my village town is _____ the book. (interesting)

Exercise 6: Read the following passage and circle the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

Last summer, Long went (1) _____ a holiday for two weeks to the island of Cat Ba. He (2) _____ a hotel which had a wonderful swimming pool and beautiful views of the sea. It was in a village where the local people went fishing in the winter, and foreign visitors came in the summer. Long spent his first day on the beach, but on the second day he felt very ill. First, he was too hot, then he was too cold. He couldn't understand why he felt (3) _____ that. So he went to see the local doctor, who was a very nice man, and (4) _____ voice was so sweet.

"Summer is a time when people often feel ill," the doctor said. "It's too hot for most of us! (5) _____ this medicine, and stay out of the sun." Long took the doctor's (6) _____ and stayed in his room for the rest of his holiday. He soon felt better. "What a cheap holiday!" he thought happily.

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| 1. A. to | B. for | C. on | D. in |
| 2. A. lived | B. rented | C. hired | D. stayed |
| 3. A. like | B. as | C. so | D. Ø |
| 4. A. spoke | B. an | C. who | D. whose |
| 5. A. Eat | B. Drink | C. Take | D. Have |
| 6. A. chance | B. advice | C. opportunity | D. advise |

Ex7: Read the following passage and circle the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

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 to 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 means that it is hard to find jobs.

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

1. According to the passage, living in the country has _____.

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

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

- A. two B. three C. four D. no

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

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

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

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

5. Having few friends is _____.

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