

SỞ GIÁO DỤC VÀ ĐÀO TẠO

**ĐỀ THI SỐ 02**

(Đề thi gồm có 09 trang)

KỲ THI CHỌN HỌC SINH GIỎI

CẤP TỈNH LỚP 9

MÔN: TIẾNG ANH

Thời gian làm bài: **120** phút (không kể thời gian phát đề)

Ngày thi: .....

Họ và tên thí sinh: ..... Số báo danh: .....

Giám thị 1: ..... Giám thị 2: .....

**SECTION I: LISTENING (3.0 points) (You will hear twice for each part)**

**PART 1. You will hear a man called Ian talking on the radio about difficult neighbours. For each question, choose the correct answer.**

1. Why couldn't Isabel sleep?

- A. Her flat-mate was too noisy.
- B. The phone kept ringing
- C. The downstairs neighbor was shouting.

2. Isabel was angry because .....

- A. this had happened many times before.
- B. the man was shouting at her
- C. people were phoning her late at night.

3. What happened when Isabel approached the man?

- A. He hit her.    B. He reluctantly apologized    C. He wasn't at all sorry

4. Why did Isabel move?

- A. The men followed her home from work
- B. Nobody would do anything about the man.
- C. The renting agency asked her to.

5. According to research .....

- A. one in ten people argue with their neighbors.
- B. one in ten people are disturbed by noise.
- C. one in ten people are forced to move home.

6. According to Lisa Dorn \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. modern living conditions cause problems.
  - B. people no longer know their neighbors.
  - C. people are more lonely than they used to be.

**Part 2. You will hear a tour guide talking to a group of people. For each question, fill in the missing information in the numbered space.**

**EXCURSION TO BRIGHTON**

**ITINERARY**

**COACH PICK UP TIME:** 8 a m

**PICK UP POINT:** outside the **(7)** .....

**ARRIVAL TIME IN BRIGHTON:** **(8)** .....

**DROP OFF POINT:** Pool Valley Coach Station

**guided walking tour**

**10.15 - 10.45:** Tour of the famous Brighton Lanes Famous for **(9)** .....and  
boutiques

**11 am - 12.30 pm:** Coffee break. Refreshments are available inside the Palace Café.  
or in the **(10)** .....café.

**11.30 - 12.30:** Guided tour of the palace.

**12.45 - 2 pm:** lunch at Donatello Restaurant.  
Two-course lunch **(11)** £ .....  
Three-course lunch **(12)** £ .....  
Coffee /tea included

**2pm - 3 p m:** Brighton Museum and Art Gallery.  
Guided tour optional- free of charge.

**3pm - 5 pm:** Free time on Brighton seafront.  
Recommended sights: Brighton Pier **(13)** .....and artists' studios.

**5.10 - 6 p m:** Grand Hotel for **(14)** .....  
Depart from Pool Valley **(15)** .....

**SECTION II: LEXICO – GRAMMAR (7.0 points)**

**Part 1: Questions from 16 to 36. (3.0 points - 0.15/ each)**

**Choose the best answer to each question.**

16. There are over 2,000 varieties of snakes, \_\_\_\_\_ are harmless to humans.  
A. mostly they B. most of them C. most of which D. which most
17. Smoke jumpers are \_\_\_\_\_ descend into remote areas by parachute to fight forest fires.  
A. firefighters B. when firefighters C. who, as firefighters D. firefighters who
18. It was the ragtime pianist Scott Joplin \_\_\_\_\_ the "Maple Leaf Rag," perhaps the best known of all ragtime tunes.  
A. wrote B. the writer of C. who wrote D. writing
19. In geometry, a tangent is a straight line \_\_\_\_\_ a curve at only one point.  
A. it touches B. whose touching C. its touching D. that touches
20. The size and shape of a nail depends primarily on the function \_\_\_\_\_ intended.  
A. which it is B. for which it is C. which it is for D. for which is
21. A keystone species is a species of plant or animal \_\_\_\_\_ absence has a major effect on an ecological system.  
A. that its B. its C. whose D. with its
22. Seals appear clumsy on the land, \_\_\_\_\_ are able to move short distances faster than most people can run.  
A. but they B. which they C. they D. which
23. Most folk songs are ballads \_\_\_\_\_ have simple words and tell simple stories.  
A. what B. although C. who D. that
24. \_\_\_\_\_ added to a liquid, antifreeze lowers the freezing temperature of that liquid.  
A. That B. As is C. It is D. When
25. \_\_\_\_\_ through a prism, a beam of white light breaks into all the colors of the rainbow.  
A. When shines B. It shines C. It is shone D. When shone
26. Well- \_\_\_\_\_ child often behaves quite differently from one who did not get good schooling.  
A. education B. educated C. educate D. educating
27. When my grandfather was alive, he \_\_\_\_\_ morning exercises.  
A. used to do B. use to do C. used to doing D. wasn't used to do
28. There is no \_\_\_\_\_ explanation for what happened.

A. scientifically B. scientist C. science D. scientific

29. –“I’ve passed my driving test.” –“\_\_\_\_\_.”

A. It’s nice of you to say so. B. Do you?  
C. Congratulations! D. That’s a good idea.

30. We \_\_\_\_\_ them before the reception yesterday

A. haven't met B. hadn't met C. didn't meet D. wouldn't meet

31. I could not \_\_\_\_\_ the lecture at all. It was too difficult for me.

A. make off B. take in C. get along D. hold on

32. Some sociologists believe that the \_\_\_\_\_ family is rapidly becoming a thing of the past.

A. basic B. closed C. immediate D. nuclear

33. Bill: “I’m having some friends over for lunch this Saturday. Would you like to join us?” Nancy:  
“\_\_\_\_\_.”

A. Can I take a rain check? B. Come on, it's your turn

C. Thanks, but I mustn't D. As a matter of fact, I do

34. The criminal knows the \_\_\_\_\_ of successful robberies.

A. trash and treasure B. part and parcel C. ins and outs D. close all

35. To buy this type of product, you must pay half of the money \_\_\_\_\_, and pay the rest on the day of delivery.

A. in advance B. in cheque C. in cash D. in charge

**Part 2: Questions from 36 to 45. (2 points - 0.2/ each)**

**Use the correct form of the word in brackets to complete the following sentences.**

36. He's a really \_\_\_\_\_ person.

RELY

37. She made several excellent \_\_\_\_\_ in her essay on Charles Dickens.

OBSERVE

38. Watching TV shows in English is definitely very \_\_\_\_\_ to improve your listening skills.

USE

39. The Internet is probably one of the best \_\_\_\_\_ ever.

INVENT

40. The boat was 16 feet in \_\_\_\_\_.

LONG

41. Both \_\_\_\_\_ and fluency are important when speaking a foreign language.

ACCURATE

42. You shouldn't have said that! It was a totally \_\_\_\_\_ remark.

APPROPRIATE

43. Since the earliest times, civilisations have understood the \_\_\_\_\_ of time.

IMPORTANT

44. Doing puzzles keeps our brains fit and .....

HEALTH

45. As well as gaining ....., by doing puzzles we give our brains a good workout.

SATISFY

**Part 3: Questions from 46 to 50.(1 point - 0.2/ each)**

**Each of the following sentences has an error. Find the errors and correct them.**

46. The notebook lists every opportunities for handicapped workers in the area.

47. In the end, she quit the job because it was too bored.

48. Every candidate under considering for a federal job must undergo a thorough medical examination.

49. When I was a child, summers would be warmer and winters colder than now.

50. It took them at least two months learning how to pronounce these words.

**Part 4: Questions from 51 to 55.(1 point - 0.2/ each)**

**Fill in each of the sentences with correct prepositions.**

51. Our teacher is really intolerant .....anyone who has a different point of view to her own.

52. So .....what grounds are you claiming compensation?

53. Yes, but .....respect, you did miss the last meeting, didn't you?

54. Joey came .....a very interesting book the other day.

55. Mary will not be able to come; she has come .....with a flu.

**SECTION III: READING (6.0 points)**

**Part 1. Questions 56 – 65 (2 points - 0.2/ each)**

**Read the passage below and choose the best answer to each question.**

The first question we might ask is: What can you learn in college that will help you in being an employee? The schools teach a (56) \_\_\_\_\_ many things of value to the future accountant, doctor or electrician. Do they also teach anything of value to the future employee? Yes, they teach the one thing that it is perhaps most valuable for the future employee to know. But very few students bother (57) \_\_\_\_\_ it. This basic is the skill ability to organize and express ideas in writing and in speaking. This means that your success as an employee will depend on your ability to communicate, with people and to (58) \_\_\_\_\_ your own thoughts and ideas to them so they will (59) \_\_\_\_\_ understand what you are driving at and be persuaded.

Of course, skill in expression is not enough (60) \_\_\_\_\_ itself. You must have something to say in the first place. The effectiveness of your job depends (61) \_\_\_\_\_ your ability to make other people understand your work as they do on the quality of the work itself.

Expressing one's thoughts is one skill that the school can (62) \_\_\_\_\_ teach. The foundations for skill in expression have to be (63) \_\_\_\_\_ early: an interest in and an ear (64) \_\_\_\_\_ language; experience in organizing ideas and data, in brushing aside the irrelevant, and above all the habit of verbal

expression. If you do not lay these foundations (65) \_\_\_\_\_ your school years, you may never have an opportunity again.

56. A. large B. great C. far D. lots
57. A. learning B. to learn C. with learning D. learn
58. A. interpret B. give out C. transfer D. present
59. A. both B. not C. as well D. either
60. A. on B. for C. by D. in
61. A. on most B. most on C. much on D. on much
62. A. quite B. hardly C. truly D. really
63. A. lied B. laid C. lain D. lay
64. A. by B. in C. for D. of
65. A. during B. of C. for D. when

**Part 2. Questions 66 – 75 (2.0 points - 0.2/ each)**

**Read the passage below and choose the best answer to each question**

Although they are an inexpensive supplier of vitamins, minerals, and high-quality protein, eggs also contain a high level of blood cholesterol, one of the major causes of heart diseases. One egg yolk, in fact, contains a little more than two-thirds of the suggested daily cholesterol limit. This knowledge has caused egg sales to plummet in recent years, which in turn has brought about the development of several alternatives to eating regular eggs. One alternative is to eat substitute eggs. These egg substitutes are not really eggs, but they look **somewhat** like eggs when they are cooked. They have the advantage of having low cholesterol rates, and they can be scrambled or used in baking. One disadvantage, however, is that they are not good for frying, poaching, or boiling. A second alternative to regular eggs is a new type of egg, sometimes called 'designer' eggs. These eggs are produced by hens that are fed low-fat diets consisting of ingredients such as canola oil, flax, and rice bran. In spite of their diets, however, these hens produce eggs that contain the same amount of cholesterol as regular eggs. Yet, the producers of these eggs claim that eating their eggs will not raise the blood cholesterol in humans.

Egg producers claim that their product has been portrayed unfairly. They cite scientific studies to **back up** their claim. And, in fact, studies on the relationship between eggs and human cholesterol levels have brought **mixed results**. It may be that it is not the type of egg that is the main determinant of cholesterol but the person who is eating the eggs. Some people may be more sensitive to cholesterol derived from food than other people. In fact, there is evidence that certain dietary fats stimulate the body's production of blood cholesterol. Consequently, while it still makes sense to limit one's intake of eggs, even designer eggs, it seems that doing this without regulating dietary fat will probably not help reduce the blood cholesterol level.

66. What is the main purpose of the passage?

- A. To introduce the idea that dietary fat increases the blood cholesterol level.
- B. To inform people about the relationship between eggs and cholesterol.
- C. To persuade people that eggs are unhealthy and should not be eaten
- D. To convince people to eat 'designer' eggs and egg substitutes.
67. According to the passage, which of the following is a cause of heart diseases?
- A. minerals    B. cholesterol    C. canola oil    D. vitamins
68. Which of the following could best replace the word 'somewhat'?
- A. in fact    B. a little    C. indefinitely    D. a lot
69. What has been the cause for changes in the sale of eggs?
- A. increasing price    B. decreased production
- C. dietary changes in hens    D. concerns about cholesterol
70. According to the passage, one yolk contains approximately what fraction of the suggested daily limit for human consumption of cholesterol?
- A.  $\frac{3}{4}$     B.  $\frac{2}{3}$     C.  $\frac{1}{2}$     D.  $\frac{1}{3}$
71. The word 'portrayed' could best be replaced by which of the following?
- A. studied    B. destroyed    C. tested    D. described
72. What is the meaning of 'back up'?
- A. reverse    B. advance    C. block    D. support
73. What is meant by the phrase 'mixed results'?
- A. The results are blended.    B. The results are a composite of things.
- C. The results are inconclusive.    D. The results are mingled together.
74. According to the passage, egg substitutes cannot be used to make any of following types of eggs EXCEPT?
- A. boiled    B. poached    C. scrambled    D. fried
75. According to the author, which of the following may reduce blood cholesterol?
- A. reducing egg intake but not fat intake    B. increasing egg intake and fat intake
- C. decreasing egg intake and fat intake    D. increasing egg intake but not fat intake

**Part 3: Questions 76 – 85 (2.0 points - 0.2/ each)**

**Read the text and fill in one word which best fits each gap.**

Miss Darby was one of those people who never threw anything away. "You never know when you might need it" was (76) .....of her favorite sayings. She lived (77) .....herself in a large Victorian house across the road from us. Although I never went to her house, I knew it was full (78) .....antique furniture, Persian carpets and so on. In every room, there were dozens of paintings so that her house was (79) .....an art gallery. I remember my father (80) .....that she was a "Staffordshire Darby" but I had (81) .....idea what he meant. I (82) .....out years later that the Darby family had made their money from coal-mining in Staffordshire. We used to make up stories (83) .....her. My sister Alice, (84) .....was a romantic girl, told us that Miss Darby once had a lover, but he walked out one day and she (85) .....saw him again!

**Part 1: Questions from 86 to 90.(1 point- 0.2/ each)**

**Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the sentence printed before it.**

86. I am having a lot of trouble now because I lost my passport last week.

☒ If I

87. She asked an assistant how much the Colombian coffee cost.

☒ She asked, "

88. Although it looks fierce, the dog has never bitten anyone.

☒ Fierce

89. "You should have waited for us," the team leader said to John.

☒ The team leader criticized

90. As people use a lot of wood-pulp, many trees are cut down.

☒ The more

**Part 2: Questions from 91 to 95.(0.5 point - 0.25/ each)**

**Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given.**

91. Most people regard him as the best man for the job. (**widely**)

☒ He is .....man for the job.

92. The suspect could not explain why he had sand on his boots. (**account**)

☒ The suspect could .....on his boots.

93. The best solution was thought of by Sally. (**came**)

☒ Sally .....solution.

94. You should consider the fact that he hasn't spoken French for years. (**allowances**)

✎ You should .....speaking French for years.

**95.** House prices have risen sharply this year. (**increase**)

✎ There has .....this year.

.....**THE END** .....

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