

*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 1.** A. leave    B. teach    C. speak    D. learn

**Question 2.** A. hesitate    B. reserve    C. physics    D. basic

*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 the following questions.*

**Question 3.** A. struggle    B. anxious    C. confide    D. comfort

**Question 4.** A. advantageous    B. oceanic    C. compulsory    D. influential

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

**Question 5.** "Why did you buy these oranges?" "They were \_\_\_\_\_ I could find."

A. cheapest    B. cheapest ones    C. the cheapest ones    D. the most cheapest **Question 6.**

**Question 6.** His \_\_\_\_\_ of the generator is very famous.

A. invent    B. inventive    C. invention    D. inventor

**Question 7.** She will send me the design of my new house \_\_\_\_\_.

A. after she had finished it    B. while she was finishing it  
C. as soon as she has finished it    D. before she finished it

**Question 8.** While \_\_\_\_\_ the historical building, they had to get some of the missing tiles specially made.

A. to restore    B. restore    C. restoring    D. being restored

**Question 9.** She played \_\_\_\_\_ piano confidently, but her timing was not good.

A. a    B. no article    C. the    D. an

**Question 10.** As Joe's roommate, I find him a fairly nice fellow, even if at times it is not easy to \_\_\_\_\_ his noisy behavior.

A. put up with    B. look up to    C. get on with    D. catch up with

**Question 11.** "What a beautiful shirt you're wearing!" "Thank you. It \_\_\_\_\_ especially for me by my mother."

A. is made    B. has made    C. made    D. was made

**Question 12:** If you've finished \_\_\_\_\_ the dictionary, I'd like to borrow it.

A. to have used    B. to use    C. using    D. used

**Question 13:** I'm getting better at this job, \_\_\_\_\_?

A. am I    B. am not I    C. isn't I    D. aren't I

**Question 14.** The growth in employment and wages gives consumers some spending \_\_\_\_\_ to absorb the higher cost of energy.

A. energy    B. force    C. ability    D. power

**Question 15.** When he came, I \_\_\_\_\_ in the kitchen.

A. cooked    B. am cooking    C. has cooked    D. was cooking

**Question 16.** A professor at Oxford University was \_\_\_\_\_ for her contribution to finding an effective vaccine against the novel coronavirus.

A. decorated    B. renovated    C. refurbished    D. embellished

**Question 17.** I am sure your sister will \_\_\_\_\_ you a sympathetic ear when you explain the situation to her.

A. pay    B. lend    C. borrow    D. take

**Question 18:** If you are absent \_\_\_\_\_ work for more than three days, you must provide a medical certificate.

A. at    B. from    C. to    D. away

**Question 19.** The characters in Tony's film are always larger than \_\_\_\_\_ as they are much more exciting and interesting than any other actors.

A. life    B. expectation    C. span    D. longevity

*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 20:** Nam and Mai are having a party at Nam's house.

- Nam: "Would you like to have some more dessert, Mai?" - Mai: "\_\_\_\_\_. I'm full."

A. That would be great    B. Yes, I like your party  
C. Yes, please    D. No, thanks

**Question 21:** Tim and Peter had a quarrel last week and now Tom is giving Tim advice.

- Tom: "I think the best way to solve that problem is to keep silent."

- Tim: "\_\_\_\_\_. Silence may kill our friendship."

A. That's a great idea    B. That's not a good idea  
C. I'm not wrong    D. Yes, I think much



*Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.*

**Question 22.** Various programs have been designed in order to facilitate the storage and analysis of research data.

- A. ease      B. block      C. speed      D. build

**Question 23.** I should keep a stiff upper lip and take the high road and all that, so I will.

- A. be talkative      B. be calm      C. be quiet      D. be nervous

*Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.*

**Question 24.** He stressed that idea of the event is to grab the public's attention with their favorite acts, rather than to give them a diverse arts festival.

- A. distract      B. evaluate      C. change      D. attract

**Question 25.** It's a memorable night for all Vietnamese football fans when their team won the gold medal in Sea Games 31.

- A. unforgettable      B. remarkable      C. incredible      D. eventful

*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 26.** It's not good for us to stay up late to surf the internet every day.

- A. We needn't stay up late to surf the internet every day.  
B. We must stay up late to surf the internet every day.  
C. We may stay up late to surf the internet every day.  
D. We shouldn't stay up late to surf the internet every day.

**Question 27.** I haven't heard from Jenny and her family for several months.

- A. I didn't hear about Jenny and her family several months ago.  
B. Jenny and her family heard about me several months ago.  
C. I last heard from Jenny and her family several months ago.  
D. Jenny and her family didn't hear from me several months ago.

**Question 28.** "I had lunch with my friends last month," Jean said.

- A. Jean said that she had had lunch with her friends the previous month.  
B. Jean said that I had had lunch with my friends the previous month.  
C. Jean said that I had lunch with her friends last month.  
D. Jean said that she would have lunch with her friends last month.

*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 29.** Honestly, the team had the distinctive advantage of playing in their own stadium; winning a victory is not surprising.

- A. Honestly      B. distinctive      C. stadium      D. surprising

**Question 30.** Last year, Tim works as a shipper and he earned twice as much as his brother.

- A. works      B. a shipper      C. twice      D. as

**Question 31.** Some children still face discrimination at school because of its sexual orientation

- A. Some      B. face      C. at school      D. its

*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 32.** He doesn't have practical life skills. He can't solve most problems by himself.

- A. If he had had practical life skills, he could have solved most problems by himself.  
B. He wishes he had practical life skills, he couldn't solve most problems by himself.  
C. If he had practical life skills, he could solve most problems by himself.  
D. Provided that he has practical life skills, he can't solve most problems by himself.

**Question 33.** The prime minister was criticised for his sluggish reaction to a new wave of coronavirus infections. He decided to give up his responsibility then.

- A. Not until the prime minister decided to give up his responsibility was he criticised for his sluggish reaction to a new wave of coronavirus infections.  
B. So much was the prime minister criticised for his sluggish reaction to a new wave of coronavirus infections that he decided not to give up his responsibility then.  
C. No sooner was the prime minister criticised for his sluggish reaction to a new wave of coronavirus infections than he decided to give up his responsibility.  
D. Only after the prime minister was criticised for his sluggish reaction to a new wave of coronavirus infections did he decide to give up his responsibility.

*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 from 34 to 38.*



Psychologists and neuroscientists have divided memory systems into two broad (34) \_\_\_\_\_, declarative and nondeclarative. The declarative memory system is the system of memory (35) \_\_\_\_\_ is perhaps the most familiar. It is the memory system that has a conscious component and it includes the memories of facts and events. A fact like 'Paris is the capital of France', or an event like a prior vacation to Paris.

Nondeclarative memory, also called implicit memory, includes the (36) \_\_\_\_\_ of memory systems that do not have a conscious component but are nevertheless extremely significant. They include the memories for skills and habits (e.g., riding a bicycle, driving a car, playing golf or tennis or a piano), a phenomenon called priming, simple forms of associative learning and finally (37) \_\_\_\_\_ simple forms of nonassociative learning such as habituation and sensitization. Declarative memory is "knowing what"; (38) \_\_\_\_\_, nondeclarative memory is "knowing how".

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**Question 34:** A. categories      B. bonds      C. structures      D. systems

**Question 35:** A. when      B. which      C. who      D. where

**Question 36:** A. ways      B. types      C. styles      D. forms

**Question 37:** A. another      B. the others      C. others      D. other

**Question 38:** A. but      B. besides      C. as long as      D. therefore

*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.*

Edward Patrick Eagan was born April 26, 1897, in Denver, Colorado, and his father died in a railroad accident when Eagan was only a year old. He and his four brothers were raised by his mother, who earned a small income from teaching foreign languages. Inspired by Frank Merriwell, the hero of a series of popular novels for boys, Eagan pursued an education for himself as well as an interest in boxing. He attended the University of Denver for a year before serving in the U.S. Army as an artillery lieutenant during World War I. After the war, he entered Yale University and, while studying there, won the U.S. national amateur heavyweight boxing title. He graduated from Yale in 1921, attended Harvard Law School, and received a Rhodes scholarship to the University of Oxford where he received his A.M. in 1928.

While studying at Oxford, Eagan became the first American to win the British amateur boxing championship. Eagan won his first Olympic gold medal as a light heavyweight boxer at the 1920 Olympic Games in Antwerp, Belgium. Eagan also fought at the 1924 Olympics in Paris as a heavyweight but failed to get a medal. Though he had taken up the sport just three weeks before the competition, he managed to win a second gold medal as a member of the fourman bobsled team at the 1932 Olympics in Lake Placid, New York. Thus, he became the only athlete to win gold medals at both the Summer and Winter Olympics. Eagan was a member of the first group of athletes inducted into the U.S. Olympic Hall of Fame in 1983. Eagan became a respected attorney, serving as an assistant district attorney for southern New York and as chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission (1945 - 51). He married soap heiress Margaret Colgate and attained the rank of lieutenant colonel during World War II.

**Question 39:** What is the main idea of the passage?

- A. Eagan's life shows how a wealthy student can achieve as much as a poor one.
- B. Eagan's life shows that military experience makes athletes great.
- C. Eagan's life shows that a man can be athlete and a well-educated person.
- D. Eagan's life shows how easy it is to win two gold medals in different Olympic sports.

**Question 40:** The word "who" in paragraph 1 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Eagan's mother      B. Frank Merriwell's mother
- C. Eagan's brothers      D. Eagan's father

**Question 41:** What is **NOT TRUE** about Eagan?

- A. Eagan's mother was a foreign teacher.
- B. Eagan's father passed away when he was only one year old.
- C. After Eagan's father's death, his family had only 6 members left.

**Question 42:** Eagan got a scholarship for his \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. amateur heavyweight boxing      B. studying at Yale
- C. A.M      D. Olympic gold medal

**Question 43:** The word "attained" in the last paragraph is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. defeated      B. inducted      C. achieved      D. handed in

*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.*

Tomatoes are probably the most popular garden vegetable grown in the United States. This can be attributed to their unique flavor, attractiveness, richness as a source of vitamins C and A, and versatility as a food. The popularity of peppers as a garden plant can be attributed to the same factors, although they are usually not consumed in large enough quantities to make them an important nutritional factor in the diet.

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of South America. It was introduced to other areas of the world by Indians and European travelers. Its seeds were taken to Europe, where a superstition soon arose that the tomato stimulated love. Because of **this**, the tomato was called the "love apple". The first report of the tomato in North America was in 1710, where it was grown primarily as an ornamental plant. Early colonists brought the seeds to Virginia and grew tomatoes in flower gardens.

Tomatoes, actually a fruit that is used as a vegetable, began gaining wide acceptance as a food plant in the United States between 1820 and 1850. Modern plant growers have done much to improve the tomato and to add to its usefulness. Its productivity has been doubled, and varieties with larger, smoother, more even shapes and meatier pulps have been developed. The tomato is the leading crop canned in the United States today.

Peppers are also native to America and were grown by American Indian tribes in both North and South America over 2,000 years ago. The small red hot peppers were discovered by Columbus in the West Indies and introduced into Europe, where they became popular before gaining widespread acceptance in the United States. Peppers became one of the first New World foods used commercially in Europe. Botanists class the fruit of the bush-type garden pepper as a berry. Although most varieties of peppers produce red fruits (which are green in their immature stage), there are some yellow-fruited varieties, and peppers are of both mild and pungent types. Peppers enjoy warm climates, and young plants can be injured by frosts. **Seasonings** such as paprika and chili powder and food products such as canned pimentos are commercial uses of garden peppers that are grown in the United States today.

The familiar spice black pepper known in households throughout the world is the product of a trailing or climbing shrub grown in Indonesia and other hot countries. The islands of Java and Madura furnish most of the black pepper used in American homes. The United States buys almost 25,000 tons of this spice annually.

**Question 44:** What is the topic of the passage?

- A. Why tomatoes are more popular than peppers.
- B. Tomatoes and peppers.
- C. The nutritional value of garden vegetables.
- D. food discoveries of early Europeans.

**Question 45:** The phrase "**attributed to**" in paragraph 4 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. inducted into
- B. thanked for
- C. resulted from
- D. resulted in

**Question 46:** The word "**this**" in paragraph 2 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. a superstition
- B. a tomato
- C. a love
- D. love apple

**Question 47:** According to the passage, different types of tomatoes have been developed \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. with larger, smoother, more even shapes and meatier pulps
- B. as the slow crop canned in the United States today
- C. as quickly as peppers
- D. uselessly

**Question 48:** All of the following can be inferred from the passage about peppers **EXCEPT** \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. peppers became popular in the United States later than in Europe.
- B. peppers were bought and sold in Europe.
- C. red peppers are highly spices.
- D. peppers originated fairly recently, in North and South America

**Question 49:** The word "**Seasonings**" in paragraph 4 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. spicy
- B. flavorings
- C. peppers
- D. foods

**Question 50:** What can be inferred from the passage?

- A. The familiar spice black pepper is the product of a trailing or climbing shrub only grown in Indonesia.
- B. America is home to both tomatoes and peppers.
- C. Tomato is not a kind of fruit.
- D. The United States produces a large amount of pepper spice per year.

**THE END**