

## FIRST SEMESTER TEST 2

Duration: 90 minutes

### I. LISTENING (2.5 points)

**TASK 1** Listen to some information about teenagers and exercise. Circle the best answer A, B, or C. You will listen TWICE.

- How long do teenagers need to do exercise per day?
  - 60 minutes
  - 4 hours
  - 30 minutes
- How do teenagers stay healthy?
  - Reduce their screen time
  - Have a good diet
  - Maintain a healthy weight
- What is the benefit of regular physical activities?
  - Prevent some bad health conditions
  - Help develop good habits
  - Cause sleepiness
- What should teenagers do when they don't have enough time to exercise?
  - Do more intense exercise the next day
  - Avoid individual sports like running or swimming
  - Do light exercise for 30 minutes instead
- How do teenagers keep their regular exercise schedule?
  - Choose fewer intense workouts
  - Join a club

C. Exercise with their parents or friends

**TASK 2** Listen to a student and his mother talking about his diet and complete the table. Write **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS AND/ OR A NUMBER** in each blank. You will listen **TWICE**.

<b>Beef Production</b>	
<b>Create:</b>	Greenhouse gases such as (1)_____
<b>Impact on the environment:</b>	Cause (2)_____
<b>Indirect impact:</b>	Cause (3)_____
<b>Solutions:</b>	Eating (4)_____ or plant-based foods instead Buy meat from companies that use more (5)_____ farming techniques

**II. READING (2.5 points)**

**TASK 1** Read the passage. Circle the best answer A, B or C to each of the questions.

The reason why humans attempt to protect endangered species may involve the balance of the natural ecosystem that has far-reaching effects on the development of human society. It has been scientifically proven that when a certain species is at risk, it's a warning bell that an ecosystem is extremely unbalanced. Sadly, humans are considered the main cause of the mass disappearance of many wildlife species. To meet our demand, we use natural resources excessively and destroy many forests where millions of

species inhabit. In nature, everything is interconnected, so the loss of one species will lead to the loss of **others** and even an ecological imbalance of the whole region.

Many sources of rare flora and fauna are just obtained by having a well-balanced ecosystem. To assess the extinction risk of species, government agencies and conservation organisations used the IUCN Red List, consisting of more than 42,100 species threatened with extinction. There are nine groups of endangered species, four of which are in very serious trouble. Based on the list, governments and conservationists can take possible measures to safeguard and boost the populations of endangered species. These struggles against probable species extinction have got initial achievements. For example, by the 1980s the giant panda's numbers in the wild had declined to just over a thousand but now, thanks to China's steady efforts, the animal is no longer classified as 'endangered' according to the IUCN. This can be seen as a motivation for other conservation projects in the future.

1. What is the passage mainly about?
  - A. The extinction of rare species in the wild
  - B. The imbalance of human society
  - C. The effect of conservation projects
  - D. The importance of saving endangered species
2. What does the word **others** in the first paragraph refer to?
  - A. Other forests
  - B. Other sources
  - C. Other species
  - D. Other regions
3. Why are humans responsible for the disappearance of many wildlife species?
  - A. Because of their overuse of natural resources and

destruction of forests

- B.** Because of their exploitation of natural resources and hunt for food
  - C.** Because of their destruction of natural resources and overuse of forest lands
  - D.** Because of their unreasonable demand and devastation of rainforests
4. Which of the following is NOT true about the IUCN Red List?
- A.** It is an assessment system for classifying endangered species.
  - B.** There are over 42,100 species threatened with extinction on the list.
  - C.** Four out of nine groups are categorised as least concerned.
  - D.** It is used by government agencies and conservation organisations.
5. What had happened to the giant panda by the 1980s?
- A.** There had been a considerable fluctuation in their populations.
  - B.** There had been a dramatic decrease in their populations.
  - C.** Their population had greatly increased.
  - D.** Their populations had remained stable.

**TASK 2**      **Complete the reading passage. Write ONE suitable word in each blank.**

AEC, standing **(1)** \_\_\_\_\_ The ASEAN Economic Community, was formed in 2003 thanks to the great efforts of the ASEAN leaders. Its primary goals are to create a single market and product base, promote fair economic development as well as be fully integrated into the global **(2)** \_\_\_\_\_. Since its establishment, this organisation has rewarded many important achievements in economics such as facilitating

trade in goods and services as well as protecting and enhancing investment among the (3) \_\_\_\_\_ states in the bloc. Particularly, as of 2020, AEC is basically tariff-free on schedule and still has been well on its (4) \_\_\_\_\_ to fulfilling all its objectives. Now there are still some remaining issues for AEC 2025 (a blueprint setting out strategic measures), including the delays in trade liberalisation in services, elimination of non-tariff barriers and trade facilitation, (5) \_\_\_\_\_ requires further cooperation between ASEAN governments in years to come.

**III. WRITING (2.5 points)**

**TASK 1** For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use the word in brackets and do not change it. Write **NO MORE THAN FIVE WORDS**.

*Example:*

0. I started taking a fitness course two months ago.

I \_\_\_\_\_ a fitness course for two months. (TAKEN)

Answer: 0. have taken

1. This is the first time Della has grown vegetables in the rooftop garden. (NEVER)

Della \_\_\_\_\_ in the rooftop garden before.

2. It is inconvenient for John to commute to work in the heart of the city. (COMMUTING)

\_\_\_\_\_ in the heart of the city is inconvenient for John.

3. Farmers used chemical pesticides too much and contributed to polluting the water of the nearby river. (OVERUSING)

\_\_\_\_\_ contributed to polluting the water of the nearby river.

4. The avalanche made it impossible for us to go skiing last week. (PREVENTED)

The avalanche \_\_\_\_\_ last week.

5. My brother had better reduce the time of playing online games. (CUT)

The time of playing online games \_\_\_\_\_ my brother.



4. A. politics            B. experience    C. atmosphere    D. citadel  
5. A. proposal            B. skyscraper    C. privacy            D. compliment

**TASK 2**      **Choose the best option to complete each sentence. Circle A, B, C or D.**

1. - Do you live with your grandparents, Hoa?  
- I did in the past but I have lived with my parents \_\_\_\_\_ we moved to the city.  
A. when            B. after            C. since            D. until
2. Without drastic changes, the city will fail \_\_\_\_\_ its rapidly growing population in the next decade.  
A. sustain            B. to sustain            C. sustaining            D. sustained
3. Lifting weights is a great way to build your strength; \_\_\_\_\_, you should do it properly to avoid injuries.  
A. therefore            B. otherwise            C. however            D. consequently
4. Valuing \_\_\_\_\_ above all else, Liam's parents grounded him for a month.  
A. honesty            B. honest            C. dishonesty            D. dishonest
5. Obeying the new law, corporations must cut their carbon dioxide \_\_\_\_\_ in half by the end of the year.  
A. pollutants            B. absorbance            C. emissions            D. temperatures
6. After suffering a fall, my father \_\_\_\_\_ treatment for three months before working again.  
A. must            B. must be            C. must be            D. must have  
   receive            receiving            received            received
7. Walking home from work, Helen stopped \_\_\_\_\_ ingredients for a new recipe.  
A. buy            B. buying            C. to buy            D. to be bought
8. Not managed properly, \_\_\_\_\_ can lead to many respiratory diseases.

- A. impact      B. greenhouse      C. fuel      D. soot
9. Owen's article about the generation gap \_\_\_\_\_ popular after a celebrity shared it on social media.
- A. is becoming      B. had become      C. will become      D. became
10. After doing some research, Kate is thinking of giving up meat \_\_\_\_\_ the fact that she loves eating it.
- A. owing to      B. despite      C. instead of      D. in light of
11. This is a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ organisation so volunteers can speak any language they master.
- A. multilingual      B. non-governmental      C. educational      D. political
12. Since she was 11, Jenny has taken part \_\_\_\_\_ this volunteering programme every year.
- A. out      B. of      C. in      D. to
13. Cutting down too many trees should be illegal \_\_\_\_\_ deforestation is a huge contributor to climate change.
- A. even though      B. so that      C. because      D. when
14. This sustainable city project has been in development \_\_\_\_\_ two years without any progress.
- A. since      B. in      C. during      D. for
15. Born and raised in America, John celebrates and values \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. individualism      B. individualist      C. individualistic      D. individuality

**TASK 3**      **Fill each blank with the correct form of the verb in brackets.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (pressure) by many city dwellers, the mayor

cancelled the skyscraper project.

2. One of the aims of this competition is \_\_\_\_\_ (develop) leadership skills among students.
3. Despite coming down with the flu, he keeps on \_\_\_\_\_ (work out).
4. It \_\_\_\_\_ (seem) impossible to avoid conflict now that Kevin brings up his controversial view.
5. Motorcyclists must not enter cycle paths unless they want \_\_\_\_\_ (fine).
6. \_\_\_\_\_ (destroy) for farming activities, the forest cannot provide enough food for the wild species living there.
7. As of now, many utilities have to \_\_\_\_\_ (upgrade) before this place is liveable.
8. Moving in with his extended family, Dan has to adapt himself to \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a lack of privacy.
9. A few decades ago, life expectancy \_\_\_\_\_ (be) lower than it is today.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ (elect) as the president, Mrs Jones inspired many women to get into politics.
11. The project leader can't find his workers since they \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a lunch break somewhere.
12. The global average temperature \_\_\_\_\_ (not stop) rising since 1981 despite efforts to limit global warming.
13. Last Friday, all students \_\_\_\_\_ (celebrate) the end of the cultural exchange week.
14. The community garden \_\_\_\_\_ (look) amazing thanks to the hard work of everyone in the neighbourhood.
15. \_\_\_\_\_ (capture) by solar panels, sunlight can be turned into a source of renewable energy.