TEST 1

A. PHONETICS

I. Find the word which has a different sound in the part underlined.

1. A. pleasant	B. health	C. healthy	D. breathe
2. A. come	B. roll	C. comb	D. grow
3. A. fear	B. realize	C. pear	D. near
4. A. inventor	B. president	C. adventure	D. genetics
5. A. adopt	B. front	C. column	D. borrow

II. Choose the word which has a different stress pattern from the others.

1. A. recommend	B. volunteer	C. understand	D. potential
2. A. study	B. reply	C. apply	D. rely
3. A. suspicion	B. telephone	C. relation	D. direction
4. A. reduction	B. popular	C. financial	D. romantic
5. A. discover	B. difficult	C. invention	D. important

B. VOCABUALRY AND GRAMMAR

I. Complete the sentences with A, An or The.

1. _____ Vietnamese like to joke around, but their jokes are not easily translated into English.
2. Each person has _____ strong sense of regional cultural identity.
3. Henry was _____ bit of _____ rebel when he was _____ teenager and dyed his hair pink, and he also rebelled his parents' plans for him and left school at _____ age of 16.
4. You may have _____ object that you trust will bring you good luck, but many people object to that belief.
5. Relationships in _____ family are never to be broken and they are to be built up continuously.
6. They are also very friendly, easy-going and have _____ easy smile.
7. To show respect, many Vietnamese people bow their heads to _____ superior or elder.
8. _____ Vietnamese have been described as energetic, sentimental, proud, and hardworking
9. _____ course allows students to progress at their own speed, and they are making much progress in awareness of cultural diversity.
10. There is _____ obvious contrast between _____ cultures of East and West; however, European cultures contrast with that of the USA.

II. Put the correct preposition for the sentences below.

1. Most Vietnamese people place more emphasis _____ their duties _____ their family than their own desires.
2. _____ home, he should show respect _____ his parents, older brothers or sisters, and older relatives.
3. _____ some teenagers, when they rebel _____ their parents, they act as rebels.
4. If you really want _____ get to know _____ their culture, you need _____ go there to record their daily activities as well as festivals.
5. There are three ways _____ which a man can acquire a good name: either _____ heroic deeds, _____ intellectual achievements, or _____ moral virtue.
6. If you volunteer _____ present about that cultural aspect, you will get a present _____ the teacher.
7. Rich people who are not educated are often looked _____ upon _____ other people.
8. He seems _____ have particular respect and admiration _____ learned people, and learning is considered more valuable than wealth and material success.
9. There is an increase _____ the number _____ Vietnamese women taking the roles _____ leaders _____ their organisations.
10. You need _____ perfect yourself _____ order to look _____ a perfect life partner.

III. Choose the correct words in brackets to complete the sentences.

1. In the past, the proposal and engagement ceremonies took place one or two years **before / after** the wedding.
2. There is a wedding **proposal / reception** for all guests after the wedding ceremony.
3. My cousin's **marriage / wedding** is next Sunday.
4. The **groom / bride** can have as many bridesmaids as she wants.
5. There will be about 100 **grooms / guests** at my cousin's wedding.
6. My brother got **engaged / married** to one of his friends from college and started saving for the big day.
7. On the wedding day, the best man is expected to help the **groom / bride**.

IV. Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line.

1. The parents of the groom go to the fortune teller to see what date and time is best for them to _____ the wedding ceremony.	CELEBRATION
2. _____, the reception occurs at their houses, but now many families hold wedding parties at the restaurant.	TRADITION
3. American teenagers send an average of 60 text messages per day, making this an _____ way in communication.	EFFECT
4. Consider that there are a good number of book _____ now putting their content online.	PUBLISH
	LEARN

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5. In order to integrate technology into the classroom, teachers should implement the BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) policy to make the _____ process more relevant and effective.	ACADEMY
6. Studies encourage mobile learning because students benefit greatly from more opportunities for _____ development.	MARRY
7. On that day, the groom's family and relatives visit the bride and her family with round lacquered boxes known as betrothal presents which are covered with red cloth and carried by _____ girls or boys.	CREATE
8. The Intel programme tries to deliver the "four Cs" to grade-10 students: critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and _____.	CONSTANT
9. Many digital textbooks are _____ updated and often more vivid, helpful, creative, and a lot of cheaper than those old heavy books.	PERMIT
10. Then, the couple should pray in front of the altar to ask their ancestors for _____ for their marriage, then express their gratitude to both groom's and bride's parents for raising and protecting them.	

V. Choose the best answer A, B, C or D to complete the sentences.

1. To the Chinese, 8 is a lucky number, ____ the Vietnamese believe 9 brings luck, and the 1 and 8 of 18, adding up to 9, are considered success.
   A. despite B. but C. while D. and
2. Many people believe that the first person who visits their home on the first day of the New Year will ____ their life.
   A. change B. afford C. effect D. affect
3. That year, things were going a lot better for the Pilgrims, thanks to ____ help of Squanto and Samoset.
   A. an B. the C. a D. x
4. In ____ Netherlands, singing at ____ dinner table means you are singing to ____ devil for your dinner – which means bad luck.
   A. x - the - the B. the - the - a C. x - a - the D. the - the - the
5. In Spain, it is believes to be bad luck to enter ____ room with your left foot.
   A. a B. an C. the D. x
6. Cultural diversity makes the United States a ____ interesting place in which to live for all of its inhabitants.
   A. much better B. more C. many more D. much more
7. In every culture, there are basic standards for social ____ such as personal space distance, eye contact, amount of body language displayed in public.
   A. reaction B. interaction C. relationship D. relation
8. They invited these friends and their families to ____ special meal. It was ____ first Thanksgiving dinner with turkey, fish, green beans, and soup.
   A. a - a B. a - the C. a - x D. the - a
9. Today, Australia is one of ____ diverse countries in the world.
   A. the more culturally B. the most culturally C. most cultural D. the most cultural
10. UN World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development on May 21st is a chance to celebrate the cultural diversity of people around us, and find out more about what we have ____.
    A. as usual B. as normal C. in common D. alike

C. READING

I. Fill each of the numbered blanks in the following passage. Use only one word in each space.

range	cultures	first	added	contributed
benefited	dishes	developed	way	alive

Cultural diversity means a (1) _____ of different societies or people of different origins, religions and traditions all living and interacting together. Britain has (2) _____ from diversity throughout its long history and is currently one of the most culturally diverse countries in the world.

The food they eat, the music they listen to, and the clothes they wear have all been influenced by different (3) _____ coming into Britain. Ethnic food, for example, is part of an average British diet. One of Britain's favourite (4) _____ is Indian curry. Britons have enjoyed curry for a surprisingly long time - the (5) _____ curry went on an English menu in 1773.

Even the English language (6) _____ from the languages spoken by Anglo-Saxons, Scandinavian Vikings and Norman French invaders. New words were (7) _____ from the languages of other immigrants over the years.

Valuing the diverse culture is all about understanding and respecting the beliefs of others and their (8) _____ of life, as we would expect someone to respect ours. It is about supporting individuals in keeping their cultural traditions (9) _____ and appreciating the fact that all these different traditions will enrich British life both today and in the future.

People from all over the world have (10) _____ to the Britain and they continue to do so.

II. Choose the word or phrase among A, B, C or D that best fits the blank space in the following passage.

VIETNAMESE WEDDING CUSTOMS

The wedding consists of several (1) _____ including asking permission to receive the bride, the procession to the groom's house, the ancestor ceremony, and the banquet party.

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In the morning, the groom's mother and a few close relatives would walk to the bride's house with a present of betel to ask permission to receive the (2) ____ at her house. The date and time of the ceremony is usually determined by a Buddhist monk or fortune teller.

In the procession to receive the bride, the groom and his family often carry decorated lacquer boxes covered in red cloth to represent his (3) ____ and which include various (4) ____ for the bride's family. There are either 6 or 8 boxes, but never 7 because it is bad (5) ____.

After paying their (6) ____ to their ancestors, the bride and groom will serve tea to their parents who will then give them advice regarding (7) ____ and family. During the candle ceremony, the bride and groom's families union is celebrated and the mother-in-law of the bride will open the boxes filled with jewelry and dress her new daughter-in-law in the jewelry.

Finally, the groom officially asks for permission to take his new bride (8) ____ and they make their way back to his house. During the (9) ____, there is usually a 10-course meal and the bride and groom make their (10) ____ to each table to express their gratitude and also get money as presents.

1. A. asks	B. ceremonies	C. requests	D. tells
2. A. bride	B. regulations	C. laws	D. notes
3. A. condition	B. culture	C. relation	D. wealth
4. A. beans	B. boxes	C. presents	D. wars
5. A. bad	B. fond	C. luck	D. interest
6. A. respects	B. allows	C. stops	D. refuses
7. A. existence	B. dead	C. marriage	D. divorce
8. A. flat	B. home	C. house	D. apartment
9. A. acquaintance	B. contribution	C. difficulty	D. reception
10. A. troubles	B. problems	C. ovals	D. rounds

D. WRITING

I. Complete the sentences with a suitable comparative or supperative.

1. In my opinion, Spanish is (easy) _____ foreign language to learn.
2. Dogs are intelligent but not (intelligent) _____ chimpanzees.
3. They say it's (good) _____ to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all.
4. Even (carefully) _____ prepared plans can go wrong.
5. England isn't (mountainous country) _____ Scotland.
6. Reykjavik is the world's (northern) _____ capital city.
7. Your composition is full of mistakes because you didn't spend half (time) _____ on it _____ you should have!
8. Don't worry, you'll be OK with Gary, he's (careful driver) _____ you could wish to have.
9. In the Alto Adige region of Italy, German dialect is spoken much (frequently) _____ Italian.
10. Sumo wrestlers must be (heavy) _____ athletes in the world.

II. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the superlative form of the adjectives given.

1. Russia is bigger than any other country in the world. (big)
→_____
2. Many people believe that no sea in the world is warmer than the Red Sea. (warm)
→_____
3. The Nile is longer than any other river in the world. (long)
→_____
4. No ocean in the world is deeper than the Pacific. (deep)
→_____
5. Mount Everest is higher than every mountain in the world. (high)
→_____

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