IV. READING

Choose the word (A, B, C or D) that best fits the space in the following passage.

Passage 1

My name is Hung. I went on a vacation to Australia, where the main language is English. I was (1)____ about speaking English (2)_____I arrived here because it was my first trip outside Viet Nam. People talk to each other (3)_____English. It's the language used in airports and most tourist (4)_____around the world. It's used on all (5)_____ along the streets. At first, I have some difficulties in (6)_____English but I learned so much on that trip.

1. A. interested	B. worried	C. fond	D. scared
2. A. when	B. what	C. who	D. how
3. A. on	B. of	C. in	D. with
4. A. transportation	B. attractions	C. competition	D. stadium
5. A. trees	B. flowers	C. rivers	D. signs
6. A. speak	B. speaks	C. speaking	D. spoke

Passage 2

Thailand is famous for its festivals and holidays. There are holidays and festivals to celebrate many Thai events. One of the most important (1)_____holidays is the Thai New Year holiday. The Thai people called it Songkran and this year the (2)_____will be in the last week of April. Many people will use the holiday to travel back to their homes, see their relatives, and (3) _____the temples. Thais also celebrate Songkran with a big water festival. People come (4) _____on the streets and have big water fights. This happen in cities (5) _____towns all over Thailand. It is a great way to have fun and keep cool in the (6)_____weather.

1. A. national	B. nation	C. nationality	D. nationalist
2. A. ceremony	B. holiday	C. festival	D. party
3. A. play	B. go	C. visit	D. watch

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4. A. in	B. with	C. at	D. out
5. A. but	B. and	C. about	D. while
6. A. hot	B. snowy	C. windy	D. foggy

Passage 3

Hey Phuong,

I'm having a really nice vacation in Cambridge. I'm staying at a ___(1)____ near King's College. I was worried about speaking English when I arrived here. But when I checked in to the hotel, I answered all their questions OK. Later, I went ____(2)____ for dinner. I asked the waiter to explain the menu. He spoke _____(3)_____ so I understood everything! Cambridge is so beautiful. I did have one big problem, though. ____(4)_____, I left my bag on the bus! I went to the bus station to ____(5)____ for help. It was difficult to explain, but… I got my bag back! I was so ____(6)_____. It's fun to use English with native speakers. I'm taking a ride on a punt tomorrow. It's a special boat that people ride on the river here.

See you soon!

1. A. apartment	B. hotel	C. restaurant	D. supermarket
2. A. at	B. in	C. on	D. out
3. A. fast	B. slowly	C. quickly	D. rapidly
4. A. Tonight	B. Tomorrow	C. Yesterday	D. Next week
5. A. ask	B. asks	C. asked	D. asking
6. A. bored	B. disappointed	C. happy	D. unhappy

V. TRUE/ FALSE

1. *Read the following passage. Decide if the statements from 1 to 4 are True or False and choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D) for the questions 5 and 6*.

Mid-Autumn Festival is very popular in many Asian countries, including Viet Nam. It is held in autumn. It is a seasonal festival. Traditionally, it was held to celebrate the summer harvest's end. Nowadays, it is the time for families to light the lanterns and enjoy a special type of food. The food is called Moon Cake, because it is round, like the moon. In Viet Nam, most families buy Moon Cakes from shops, while some other families make the cakes by themselves. People often eat Moon Cakes with fruits or tea. During the festival, people can also watch the Lion Dances by the performers on the streets.

1. Mid-Autumn Festival is held in autumn. _____
2. Mid-Autumn Festival is held in Viet Nam only. _____
3. Mid-Autumn Festival is a religious festival. _____
4. Some families make Moon Cakes by themselves. _____
5. People often eat Moon Cakes with_____.

A. coffee B. fruits C. milk tea D. water

6. People can watch the _____ during Mid-Autumn Festival.

A. Dragon Dances B. Fire Dances C. Lion Dances D. Puppet Dances

2. *Read the following passage. Decide if the statements from 1 to 4 are True or False and choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D) for the questions 5 and 6*.

MUD BALL WRESTLING AT THE KHÁNH HA FESTIVAL

This festival takes place in the village of Vân, in the north of Vietnam. It happens every two years, in the spring. The festival celebrates the victory of the Truong brothers. Over 1,500 years ago, the brothers defeated some demons in a mud ball wrestling game. During the festival, two teams play for three hours. The teams score by carrying a heavy wooden ball to one end of a muddy field. At the festival, the locals pray for good weather for the rice-growing season. It is really exciting and really messy!

1. The festival happens every spring. _____

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2. The Truong brothers won a mud ball wrestling game. _____
3. Three teams play for two hours. _____
4. The villagers pray for good weather to grow rice. _____
5. Where does the festival take place in the village?

A. Vân B. Chài C. Trương D. Khánh

6. What term best describes the game at the festival?

A. family game B. a team sport C. a relaxing event D. a funny action

3. Read the following passage. Decide if the statements from 1 to 4 are True or False and choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D) for the questions 5 and 6.

Hi John,

I'm really enjoying myself in America. I'm practicing my English a lot and I think I'm getting better. Last week, I went to New York city. I took the bus there. At first, I was nervous speaking English, but now it's fun to use English to buy tickets and order food. I met some friendly people and they help me improve my speaking English. I'm coming back to Vietnam next week - I wish I could stay longer so I could practice my English more.

See you soon.

Nhi

1. Nhi is practicing her Vietnamese a lot. _____
2. Last week, She went to New York city. _____
3. At first, Nhi was nervous speaking English. _____
4. Nhi is coming back to New York next week. _____
5. Where is Nhi from?

   A. Vietnam B. New York C. USA D. England

6. Who is the writer?

   A. Nhi B. John C. Lan D. Both nhi and John are correct

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VI. REWRITE

DANG 1: plan to ¬ be going to / be +V-ing

- They plan to watch a movie tonight.

⇔They are going to watch a movie tonight.

⇔They are watching a movie tonight.

1. We plan to go to Hyde Park on Wednesday.

=> We are_____

=> We are _____

2. She plans to eat fish and chips tonight.

=> She is_____

=> She is _____

3. Mr. Duy plans to join the English speaking club next Sunday.

=> Mr. Duy is _____.

=> Mr. Duy is _____.

DANG 2: Although ¬ However

It was raining heavily. However, he still went out.

⇔Although it was raining heavily, he still went out.

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It was raining heavily. However, he still went out.

⇔Although it was raining heavily, he still went out.

1. I woke up early. However, I missed the bus.

→Although _____.

2. He wants to study overseas. However, he is afraid of living alone.

→ Although _____.

3. I woke up early. However, I got to class late.

→ Although _____.

4. She is not the winner. However, she is happy with the result.

→ Although _____

DANG 3: **Synonyms**

+ happen<=>take place

+ be excited about <=>be looking forward to

1. I'm excited about going on the Riverside ferry to see the islands.

→I'm looking _____

2. He is excited about visiting the Tower of London.

→He's _____

3. The children are excited about going to the circus.

=> The children are _____.

4. The Lim Festival happens in Lim Village, in Bắc Ninh Province.

=> The Lim Festival _____

5. The Tây Sơn Festival happens in Bình Định Province, Vietnam.
=> The Tây Sơn Festival _____.

DANG 4: **more .....than/ less.....than**

- I have **more** money **than** my brother

⇔ My brother has **less** money **than** me

1. I have more time than my mom.

→ My mom has _____

2. Greenwood uses more renewable energy than Maple Falls.

→ Maple Falls uses _____

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3. Hambry gets less energy from oil than Highdale.

→ Highdale gets _____

4. Spring field uses 40% more coal than Twin Peaks.

→ Twin Peaks uses _____

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