

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 from 1 to 2.

Question 1: A. produced B. believed C. stopped D. laughed

Question 2: A. crop B. common C. household D. bodily

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 of the following questions from 3 to 4.

Question 3: A. enough B. achieve C. foreign D. diverse

Question 4: A. solution B. confidence C. supportive D. develop

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions from 5 to 12.

Question 5: Of the two films I watched in my free time, the documentary about Planet Earth is _____.

A. better fascinating B. as fascinating C. the most fascinating D. the more fascinating

Question 6: My younger cousin still _____ his parents to choose his clothes when he goes shopping.

A. depends on B. turns into C. looks around D. breaks down

Question 7: Many teachers accept graphic novels as literature because they _____ young readers and motivate them to read more.

A. attract B. attraction C. attractive D. attractively

Question 8: A student wins a science and technology prize at the school fair.

Linh: "My robot project won first prize at the school fair!"

Mai: "_____"

A. That's too difficult. You shouldn't do it again. B. Oh no—are you sure it's true?
C. Wow, that's amazing! Congratulations, Linh! D. Robots are boring. Don't talk about them.

Question 9: _____ importance of _____ education cannot be overstated.

A. A – the B. A – an C. The – Ø D. the – an

Question 10: When you arrive at the wedding, everybody _____ in the hall.

A. is dancing B. will be dancing C. are dancing D. will dance

Question 11: If she were better trained for the job, she _____ get the position.

A. will B. can C. may D. could

Question 12: The river is too dirty _____ in, so students are told to stay away.

A. swim B. swimming C. to swim D. to swimming

Read the following announcement and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 13 to 16.

MINI WORKSHOP – “STUDY SMARTER WITH YOUR PHONE”

Grade 9 students! If you often use your phone for learning, don't miss this mini workshop on using electronic devices in a good way.

When: 4:00–5:10 p.m. **(13)** _____ Monday, May 18

Where: Multimedia Room (next to the Library)

In the workshop, you will:

- learn simple rules for safe online learning and screen time,
- try useful apps for vocabulary and note-taking,
- join a short challenge to organize your files and **(14)** _____ up storage space.

Please bring your phone and **(15)** _____ of earphones so you can watch a short video without disturbing others. A teacher will guide you step by step, and there will be time for questions at the end.

To join, sign up at the library desk before May 15.

For **(16)** _____ support, contact Mr. Long (IT teacher) at ext. 109.

Question 13: A. at B. in C. on D. for

Question 14: A. empty B. busy C. bright D. free

Question 15: A. a pair B. many C. much D. lots

Question 16: A. technical B. thankful C. musical D. personal

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions from 17 to 18.

(17) _____ Many people carry electronic devices all day, from phones to wireless earbuds. They are helpful for study and work, but they can also steal attention during meals or conversations. **(18)** _____ When you use devices with purpose, they feel like tools instead of bosses.

Question 17: Choose the sentence that can **BEGIN** the text most appropriately.

- A. Charging cables break easily, so people should buy a strong one for daily use.
- B. Some new phones have brighter screens, and this feature looks impressive in stores.
- C. Many students like online videos, because they can watch them anytime at home.
- D. Electronic devices make life easier, yet they require smart habits to avoid problems.

Question 18: Put the sentences (a–c) in the correct order, then fill in the blank to make a logical text.

- a. Setting “quiet hours” at night can protect your sleep and your next morning mood.
- b. If you turn off extra notifications, you may focus longer without feeling nervous.
- c. Putting your phone face down during talks shows respect and builds real connection.

A. c - b - a

B. b - c - a

C. a - c - b

D. b - a - c

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 19 to 24.

Balance is key for Mary, a busy teenager. She (19) _____ use an app to stay organized with her assignments and deadlines; the app helps her receive reminders to ensure she doesn't forget anything. Mary also makes a daily to-do list to help her stay focused and motivated. She's mindful of not spending too much time on online social media, limiting her usage to an hour each day to avoid wasting her time. On weekends, Mary enjoys relaxing and socializing with friends, going to the cinema, shopping, (20) _____ just hanging out. She also does some volunteer work at a local (21) _____ valuable professional experience and looks great on her CV.

James, an adult working a (22) _____ job, is also aware of the importance of time management. He starts his day by making a checklist, prioritizing the most urgent or difficult tasks first when he has the most energy. To avoid distractions, James turns off email and social media notifications on his phone and closes his office door, allowing him to concentrate. At home, James and his wife share the housework, taking turns (23) _____, ensuring a great work-life balance. In his free time, James (24) _____ fit by going to the gym, which helps him relax and clear his mind.

Question 19: A. should

B. can

C. must

D. could

Question 20: A. yet

B. or

C. so

D. as

Question 21: A. charity, provided

B. charity that provides

C. charity which provides

D. charity, which provides

Question 22: A. nine-to-five

B. nine to five

C. five-to-nine

D. five to nine

Question 23: A. cook and clean

B. cooking and cleaning

C. cook and to clean

D. cooks and cleans

Question 24: A. has

B. holds

C. takes

D. keeps

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to the original sentence in each of the following questions from 25 to 26.

Question 25: She said, “Don't smile, John. Be serious.”

A. She said not to smile and be serious.

B. She said John not to smile and be serious.

C. She told John not to smile and asked him to be serious.

D. She told John do not smile and be serious.

Question 26: In the past, my grandmother did the farm work better than she does now.

- A. Now, my grandmother does the farm work better than she did.
- B. Now, my grandmother doesn't do the farm work as well as she did.
- C. Now, my grandmother doesn't do the farm work as good as she did.
- D. Now, my grandmother does the farm work more worse than she did.

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is best made from the given cues in each of the following questions from 27 to 28.

Question 27: The smell / freshly baked cookies / remind me / my grandmother / kitchen.

- A. The smell of freshly baked cookies remind me of my grandmother's kitchen.
- B. The smell of freshly baked cookies reminds me of my grandmother's kitchen.
- C. The smell of freshly baked cookies remind me about my grandmother's kitchen.
- D. The smell in freshly baked cookies reminds me of my grandmother's kitchen.

Question 28: She / work / overtime / complete / project / deadline / close.

- A. She worked overtime in order to complete the project as the deadline was close.
- B. She worked overtime because of the deadline was close, so she completed the project.
- C. She worked overtime to completing the project before the deadline was close.
- D. She worked overtime so the project completed when the deadline was close.

Read the following notice or message and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions from 29 to 30.

Question 29: What does the notice mean? (Pizza promotion)

- A. You must buy three pizzas to get one free.
- B. You can get one free pizza if you buy two on weekdays.
- C. The offer is available every day of the week.
- D. You get a free drink with every pizza.



Question 30: What is Alex doing in this card?

- A. thanking Kim for lunch
- B. offering his congratulations
- C. giving Kim some information
- D. asking Kim about her new job



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 following questions from 31 to 36.

Vietnam is home to 54 ethnic groups, and each one has its own way of dressing, celebrating, and telling stories. For many communities, traditional clothing is not just fabric and colour. It carries meaning. The **intricate** patterns on a H'mong skirt or the silver jewellery of a Dao woman often tell the story of where a family comes from and what they believe in. These traditions have been passed down for hundreds of years, not through books, but through hands. Mothers teach daughters. Grandmothers teach granddaughters. And in that quiet act of teaching, something important stays alive.

Some teenagers today feel that old customs slow them down in a modern world. They prefer jeans over hand-woven cloth and pop music over folk songs. This is understandable. Cities are fast, and trends change quickly. But many young people are also finding a quiet pride in their roots. They wear traditional clothes at festivals, learn weaving from their grandmothers, or share cultural videos online. What is interesting is that these young people are not choosing between the old and the new. They are doing both.

In doing so, they are helping their heritage endure. A tradition does not need to stay exactly the same to remain **authentic**. It only needs people who care enough to carry it forward, in whatever way feels natural to them. Perhaps that is how culture has always survived — not by standing still, but by moving gently with the people who love it.

Question 31: Which of the following is **TRUE** according to the passage?

- A. Traditional clothes are mainly kept today through museums and written records.
- B. The writer suggests that young people should leave old customs behind.
- C. Silver jewellery and skirt patterns are described as decorations with no cultural meaning.
- D. Some cultural knowledge is preserved through everyday teaching in families.

Question 32: The word **intricate** in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to ____.

- A. simple
- B. detailed
- C. ancient
- D. colourful

Question 33: Why does the writer mention that some teenagers prefer jeans and pop music?

- A. To show that modern tastes have completely replaced older traditions.
- B. To argue that city life gives young people better cultural choices.

C. To explain why balancing tradition and modern life matters today.

D. To prove that hand-woven clothes are too costly for most families.

Question 34: What can be inferred about the young people described in the second paragraph?

A. They see value in tradition without feeling forced to reject modern life.

B. They copy old customs mainly because their families expect it at home.

C. They join festivals mostly to avoid losing contact with city fashion.

D. They use the internet because traditional activities no longer interest them.

Question 35: The word **authentic** in paragraph 3 is closest in **OPPOSITE** meaning to ____.

A. natural

B. lasting

C. careful

D. false

Question 36: Which of the following best expresses the main idea of the passage?

A. Traditional culture survives best when communities refuse all outside influence.

B. Cultural heritage can remain alive when young people adapt and continue it.

C. Modern city life has made traditional customs less meaningful than before.

D. Traditional clothing is the most important symbol of ethnic identity in Vietnam.

Four phrases/sentences have been removed from the text below. For each question, mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 37 to 40.

In the near future, communication will mix AI, social media trends, and (37) _____. Many people already prefer short videos, voice messages, and “reaction” buttons because they are quick and emotional. Soon, AI may help us reply faster, fix grammar, (38) _____. This sounds useful, especially for global study and work, but it can also make communication feel less “human” if we depend on it too much.

At the same time, new technology like AR glasses and (39) _____. Imagine joining a class or team meeting as an avatar, or seeing live subtitles while someone speaks. But there are hot debates: Will this increase loneliness? Will people become more afraid of real-life conversations? And what about privacy, when apps can track our voice, face, or even emotions? In the end, the future may bring smarter and faster communication, (40) _____.

A. but we must choose tools carefully and keep real trust and empathy in our daily life

B. new devices in a way that changes how we connect

C. virtual spaces could make conversations more visual and interactive

D. and translate in real time during online meetings

Question 37: _____.

Question 38: _____.

Question 39: _____.

Question 40: _____.

