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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.

1. A. sculpture B. measure C. nature D. secure
 2. A. autumn B. translate C. itinerary D. urgent

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.

3. A. comprehend B. operate C. interfere D. overcome
 4. A. bacteria B. certificate C. elevator D. establishment

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

5. Pumpkin soup is rich in essential _____ like vitamins and minerals that support muscle growth and repair.
 A. ingredients B. nutrients C. substances D. materials
6. Applying sunscreen daily helps _____ your skin from harmful UV rays because it can reduce the risk of sunburn and skin damage.
 A. preserve B. conserve C. maintain D. protect
7. On Saturday evenings, Anna and her elder sister enjoy _____ at the riverfront to watch street performers and live music.
 A. showing around B. running away C. hanging out D. coming across
8. I've _____ tried snowboarding _____. It looks fun, but also a bit terrifying!
 A. ever – before B. yet – so far C. never – before D. not – up to now
9. Mai wishes Helen good luck before her Japanese exam.
 Mai: Good luck on your Japanese exam tomorrow, Helen!
 Helen: “_____”
 A. I hope I don't fail this time. B. Thank you! I'll do my best.
 C. Japanese is my favorite language. D. I promise I won't be late again.
10. In the final stretch of the marathon, Emily ran _____ than anyone else and crossed the finish line first.
 A. faster B. more fastly C. quicker D. much quickly
11. If the organizers finish setting up the event on time, we _____ the opening ceremony at 6 p.m. sharp.
 A. can have started B. would start C. should be starting D. will start
12. The musicians preferred playing classical music _____, the audience often requested popular songs.
 A. However B. Moreover C. Even if D. Otherwise

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.

ENGLISH SPEAKING CLUB DEBATE

Attention all students! The English Speaking Club is organizing (13) _____ exciting Debate Competition!

Theme: “Is Social Media More Harmful Than Helpful for Teenagers?”

Time: Monday, 25th August 2025, (14) _____ 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Location: School Meeting Hall

Judges: Mr. John Smith (English teacher) and Ms. Emily Brown (Public Speaking Coach)

(15) _____ will be awarded to the Best Speaker, Best Team, and Most Improved Speaker.

Join us for a fun and meaningful event to improve your English skills! (16) _____, register with your form

teacher by 15th August 2025.

Don't miss it!

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| 13. A. a | B. the | C. an | D. x (No article) |
| 14. A. at | B. about | C. from | D. between |
| 15. A. Winners | B. Champions | C. Offerings | D. Prizes |
| 16. A. In participation | B. To participate | C. By participating | D. Of participants |

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. Put the sentences (a-c) in the correct order, then fill in the blank to make a logical paragraph.

- a. They will first visit Las Vegas, Nevada, where the desert weather will be very hot.
b. It will be a bit cold there, but the snow will have melted because it's spring.
c. After that, they will drive to Tahoe, California, a beautiful place with mountains and a big lake.
_____. Finally, they will head to San Francisco, a city known for its rainy and cloudy weather, museums, and parks. They are busy packing for their adventure.

- A. a – c – b B. b – c – a C. c – a – b D. b – a – c

18. Choose the topic sentence of the paragraph (in Question 17) most appropriately.

- A. Alex and his friends are excited about their two-week spring trip.
B. Alex and his friends have decided to choose Las Vegas as their first stop because they want to try hot desert weather.
C. Alex and his friends can't wait visiting the museums and parks in San Francisco.
D. Alex and his friends are looking forward to the cool spring air and the beautiful view of the big lake.

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.

Eating in Thailand is a unique and enjoyable experience with some important customs to follow. While (19) _____, like not talking with your mouth full, are the same as in other countries, Thai dining has its own traditions. Before eating, wait to be seated and let the host or the most senior person at the table (20) _____ first. Meals in Thailand are shared, so don't order your own dish. Instead, small portions of food are served onto your plate, and you can refill as needed. Remember not to take the last portion of any dish unless the host offers it to you. Thai people eat (21) _____ a spoon in their right hand and a fork in their left. The spoon is used for eating, and the fork helps (22) _____ the spoon. Chopsticks are only used for noodle dishes, and sticky rice is eaten with your fingers.

Mealtimes in Thailand are social and relaxed. (23) _____ the food and the conversation. Avoid using your smartphone at the table, as it is considered impolite. (24) _____ these customs will help you enjoy the experience and show respect for Thai culture.

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| 19. A. basic manners at table | B. basic table manners | | |
| C. table manners basically | D. basic manner tables | | |
| 20. A. begin | B. to begin | C. by beginning | D. begins |
| 21. A. by | B. in | C. with | D. on |
| 22. A. push onto food | B. to push food with | C. pushing food with | D. push food onto |
| 23. A. Take your time enjoying | B. Take your time to enjoy | | |
| C. Taking your time to enjoy | D. Take your time and enjoying | | |
| 24. A. Followed | B. Follow | C. Being followed | D. Following |

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.

25. Last weekend, it took his dad three hours to build a birdhouse for his backyard.

- A. Last weekend, building a birdhouse for his backyard lasted his dad three hours.
- B. Last weekend, a birdhouse for his backyard took his dad three hours to build.
- C. Last weekend, his dad spent three hours building a birdhouse for his backyard.
- D. Last weekend, his dad took three hours to build a birdhouse for his backyard.

26. I'd rather read a mystery novel than watch another predictable action movie.

- A. I prefer reading a mystery novel to watching another predictable action movie.
- B. I like reading a mystery novel more than to watch another predictable action movie.
- C. I choose reading a mystery novel better than watching another predictable action movie.
- D. I prefer to read a mystery novel than to watch another predictable action movie.

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

27. Nam/ wish/ speak/ confident/ best friend/ Minh.

- A. Nam wishes he will speak more confident than his best friend, Minh.
- B. Nam wishes he could speak as confidently as his best friend, Minh.
- C. Nam wishes he would speak so confidently as his best friend, Minh.
- D. Nam wishes he can speak a little more confident than his best friend, Minh.

28. He/ suggest/ put/ garbage bins/ prevent/ litter/ park.

- A. He suggested putting more garbage bins to prevent people from littering in the park.
- B. He suggested we should put more garbage bins to prevent people of littering in the park.
- C. He suggested to put more garbage bins to prevent people from littering in the park.
- D. He suggested we put more garbage bins to prevent people not to litter in the park.

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

29. What does the sign say?

HAVE YOU REMEMBERED?

We are not responsible for personal items left in the store. Please double check to see that you have your wallet, camera and other personal items.

Thank You!

- A. The store will not return items left behind.
- B. The store is not responsible for lost items.
- C. Customers must leave their personal items outside.
- D. Customers can ask staff to keep their personal items.

30. What does the message say?

"Thanks so much for helping me choose which subject to study. Your advice really made a big difference!"

- A. Your friend is asking for more advice on a subject.
- B. Your friend is thanking you for helping with a project.
- C. Your friend is showing gratitude for your guidance.
- D. Your friend is inviting you to study the same subject.

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.

Childhood is a special time in life when we grow, learn, and explore. Many people **look back on** their childhood with happy memories of the adults who **inspired** them. These could be parents, grandparents, teachers, or even neighbors. They encouraged children to stay curious, study hard, and dream big. For some, these adults helped shape a love for learning that lasts a lifetime.

Unfortunately, not all children have a happy childhood. Many children around the world live in poverty without clean water, enough food, or proper healthcare. Some children live in dangerous places or are even forced to fight in wars. Over 120 million children do not attend school, and many who do cannot read, write, or do basic math. Children depend on adults for care and support, but sadly, not all adults fulfill this responsibility.

To protect children, Universal Children's Day is celebrated on November 20 every year. This day reminds us of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, a global agreement that ensures all children have rights. These include the right to safety, education, healthcare, play, and rest. The agreement asks adults to protect children and help them grow into confident and capable people.

As adults, we can inspire the next generation by teaching children about their rights and supporting their love for learning. Every small action can make a big difference in creating a better world for children.

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31. The phrase **look back on** in paragraph 1 is CLOSEST in meaning to _____.
A. reflect on the past B. think about the future
C. feel regret about something D. plan for the present
32. The word inspired in paragraph 1 is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.
A. encouraged B. motivated C. discouraged D. disliked
33. What is the main idea of the text?
A. Childhood is a difficult time for all children. B. Adults have a responsibility to protect children's rights.
C. Education is the most important right for children. D. Universal Children's Day focuses on global issues.
34. According to the text, what is one reason some children do not attend school?
A. They are not interested in learning. B. They do not know their rights.
C. Their families do not support education. D. They lack access to basic resources.
35. According to the text, what does the Convention on the Rights of the Child ensure?
A. Children must grow up in wealthy families. B. Schools must teach about the Convention.
C. Adults must treat all children equally. D. All children have the right to safety and play.
36. Which detail is NOT mentioned in the text?
A. Some children are forced to join wars. B. Adults can inspire children through teaching.
C. The Convention helps adults to earn money. D. Children depend on adults for support.

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.

The Christmas tree is a symbol of hope and eternal life. (37) _____ Some believe that, after Jesus Christ's birth, trees turned green to celebrate the event. This makes the Christmas tree a powerful symbol of renewal and immortality.

Today, the Christmas tree spreads positivity and joy during the dark winter season. It stands as a sign of courage and strength, while its sweet fragrance helps people feel calm and happy. (38) _____ Long ago, people used to adorn trees like apples and nuts, but now we decorate with lights, stars, bells, and colorful ribbons.

(39) _____ Lights represent knowledge and family warmth. Red ornaments symbolize Jesus' sacrifice, and ribbons show family ties. The star on top reminds us of the star of Bethlehem, which guided the wise men to baby Jesus. The tree is also a special place for gifts, as Santa is said to leave presents underneath. (40) _____

- A. Decorating the tree is an important tradition
B. For families, the Christmas tree is a symbol of love, hope, and holiday joy
C. Its tradition began in Germany in the 16th century, when people used evergreen trees to represent life that continues through the cold winter
D. Each decoration has its own meaning

37. _____ 38. _____ 39. _____ 40. _____