



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

1. The _____ of animals in the wild depends on their ability to adapt to environmental changes.
A. level B. survival C. hunt D. ban
2. Bullying is considered a _____ in many places and can lead to legal consequences.
A. poverty B. crime C. anxiety D. campaign
3. Developing good time management skills can help you _____ your tasks effectively.
A. store B. sort C. combine D. manage
4. In the UK, students usually attend a/an _____ for their final two years of high school.
A. sixth-form college B. career education
C. academic education D. higher education
5. _____ are those skills that aid in your ability to choose solutions to challenges.
A. Decision-making skills B. Learning goals
C. Money management skills D. Independence skills
6. Jane had to stay at home to look after her mother _____ she was sick.
A. though B. because C. because of D. despite
7. Bullying is considered a _____ in many places and can lead to legal consequences.
A. poverty B. crime C. anxiety D. campaign
8. Conservation organisations work tirelessly to protect _____ species.
A. dangerous B. danger C. endanger D. endangered
9. _____ at the beautiful works of art for hours, we left the exhibition with satisfaction.
A. Being looked B. Looking C. Having looked D. Look
10. We decided _____ the factory by the end of this year.
A. shut down B. shutting down C. has shut down D. to shut down
11. _____ his efforts, he didn't win the race.
A. Since B. Therefore C. Because of D. Despite
12. a. Finally, would you mind telling me if there are native German-speaking teachers at your language centre?
b. First, could you please let me know whether there are German courses at your language centre?
c. Dear Sir or Madam, I am writing to ask for some information about the language courses at your language centre.
d. I look forward to hearing from you.
e. Yours faithfully,
f. Next, I would also like to know how long the course for beginners lasts and how often classes take place.
A. c - d - b - f - a - e B. c - f - b - a - e - d C. c - b - d - f - a - e D. c - b - f - a - d - e
13. a. Next, it enables you to build better relationships with people because through frequent sports you can get to know a lot about others' personalities.
b. First, playing sports helps reduce the stress and gives you more energy in your life.
c. In short, people should play sports regularly because it brings lots of advantages.
d. Lastly, it improves your health. When playing sports, the body is protected from different types of harmful bacteria and viruses.
e. Playing sports brings a lot of advantages.
A. e - a - b - d - c B. e - b - a - d - c C. b - a - d - c - e D. c - b - a - e - d

HOW TO FIGHT AGAINST SOCIAL ISSUES

- Are you (14) _____ about the pressing social issues facing our society today?
- Take a stand against overpopulation, (15) _____, crime, and body shaming.
- Join us in creating a better world for all.
- + Stand up, speak out, and make a difference.
- + Together, we (16) _____ tackle these challenges head-on and create a more inclusive and compassionate community.
- + Let's work together to combat these social issues and build a brighter future for everyone.
- Join the movement today!

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| 14. A. concerning | B. concerned | C. to be concerned | D. concern |
| 15. A. plagiarism | B. illegal migrating | C. overthinking | D. bullying |
| 16. A. mustn't | B. had to | C. can | D. could |

Read the following advertisement 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

ARE YOU READY TO BECOME AN INTERNATIONAL UN VOLUNTEER?

- * The minimum age to serve as an international UN Volunteer is 18 years old.
 - * You can contribute your time, skills and knowledge through volunteering with the UN. This is (17)_____ opportunity to create a positive impact and be a (18)_____ force for achieving peace and development. Make a difference to the lives of many!
 - * The registration process follows a few simple steps, all of which (19)_____ before you can apply for onsite or online volunteering assignments.
 - * In order to apply for assignments, candidates need to register in our Global Talent Pool.
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| 17. A. an | B. x (no article) | C. a | D. the |
| 18. A. significant | B. signify | C. signification | D. significantly |
| 19. be completed | B. must be complete | C. must complete | D. must be completed |

Read the following passage and choose the correct answer to each of the following questions.

Extinction is part of life on Earth. Through much of our planet's history, species have been forming, evolving and eventually disappearing. Today, however, human activities have dramatically sped up the process. The Earth is losing animals, birds, and other living things so fast. There are many different views about why protecting it is important.

Conservation biology is a scientific field with a mission: protecting and restoring biodiversity around the world. Michael Soulé, one of the field's founders, argued that biological diversity is good and should be conserved because it has intrinsic value. He also proposed that conservation biologists should act to save biodiversity even if sound science isn't available to inform decisions.

Many researchers do research on the value of ecosystems to humans. They reached a conclusion that the total economic value of the world's ecosystems was worth an average US\$33 trillion per year in 1997 dollars. At the time, this was nearly twice the global value of the entire world's financial markets. This estimate included services such as predators controlling pests that would otherwise destroy crops; wetlands, mangroves and other natural systems protecting coastlines against storms and flooding; oceans providing fish for food; and forests providing wood and other building materials. A second group began to quantify the non-monetary value of nature for human health, happiness and well-being. Their research found that spending time in nature tended to reduce blood pressure, lower hormones related to stress and anxiety, decrease depression and improve cognitive function.

By 2010, scientists had published more than 600 experiments over 500 groups of organisms in freshwater, marine and land ecosystems. In a 2012 review of these experiments, it is found that when ecosystems lose biodiversity, they become less efficient and less productive. And they are less able to deliver many of the services that benefit human well-being. For example, we found that loss of tree diversity reduced the amount of wood that forests produced, that oceans with fewer fish species produced

less-reliable catches, and that ecosystems with lower plant diversity were more easily influenced by diseases.

Research clearly shows that nature provides humanity with enormous value. It is important to make everyone get involved in conserving Earth's ecosystems and living creatures for the good of all.

20. Which of the following can be the best title for the passage?

- A. Reasons for Biodiversity Preservation
- B. The Value of Ecosystem Services
- C. The Loss of Species on Earth
- D. Conservation Biology: A Scientific Field

21. The word 'intrinsic' in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. economic
- B. normal
- C. essential
- D. unnecessary

22. The word 'quantify' in paragraph 3 is opposite in meaning to _____.

- A. measure
- B. count
- C. ignore
- D. calculate

23. According to paragraph 3, which of the following is NOT mentioned as one of the ecosystem services included in the estimate?

- A. controlling pests
- B. protecting against storms and flooding
- C. providing fish for food
- D. producing fruits and vegetables

24. The word 'they' in paragraph 4 refers to _____.

- A. scientists
- B. ecosystems
- C. organisms
- D. experiments

25. Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?

- A. Ecosystems with higher biodiversity are more efficient.
- B. Biological diversity should be conserved only due to its monetary value.
- C. Spending time in nature has negative impacts on human health.
- D. The loss of biodiversity can make ecosystems become stronger.

26. Which of the following is NOT true according to the passage?

- A. The value of the world's ecosystems was greater than that of financial markets in 1997.
- B. Conserving Earth's ecosystems and living creatures is essential for the benefits of all.
- C. Nature's nonmonetary value for human health includes reducing stress and anxiety.
- D. Human activities have slowed down the process of species extinction on Earth

Read the following passage about Vietnamese heritage and choose the correct answer for each question.

(27)_____ the heritage of traditional Vietnamese water puppetry is an important effort to maintain the country's rich cultural history. Water puppetry, (28)_____ originated in the Red River Delta, tells stories through colorful puppets that perform on water. This unique form of theater dates back to the 11th century and (29)_____ passed down through generations. In recent years, efforts have been made to protect this art form by teaching it to young people and organizing performances in both rural and urban areas. The government has also supported the creation of water puppet theaters, (30)_____ the famous Thang Long Water Puppet Theatre in Hanoi. By continuing (31)_____ and promote water puppetry, Vietnam ensures that this traditional art will be preserved for future generations to appreciate and enjoy.

- 27. A. Preserves B. Preserved C. Having preserved D. Preserving
- 28. A. which B. that C. whom D. whose
- 29. A. has B. has been C. being D. to have
- 30. A. example B. which C. such as D. for
- 31. A. to celebrate B. to celebrating C. celebrated D. has celebrated

Rewrite the following sentences as directed so as not to change their original meaning.

32. The sun was shining. It was still very cold outside.

→ Although _____.

33. The last time I saw Sarah and her husband was years ago.

→ I _____.

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

34. High parents' expectations can put children under too much _____.
 A. depression B. pressure C. bullying D. peer pressure
35. With so many different species of plants and animals, the _____ of the area is amazing.
 A. biodiversity B. conservation C. tropical forest D. habitat
36. It's important to raise people's _____ of these social issues.
 A. anxiety B. awareness C. depression D. pressure
37. My brother wants to go to the best university _____ for an engineering degree.
 A. study B. to study C. having studied D. to studying

Complete the sentence with the correct word form.

38. Be careful, this necklace is very _____ to me. (value)
 39. Winning the award was a great _____ for her. (achieve)

Circle the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s).

40. She has self-reliance from an early age, so she is very independent now.
 A. dependence B. responsibility C. reliability D. independence
41. Her speech was very persuasive and convinced many people.
 A. boring B. convincing C. confusing D. doubtful
42. The test was extremely challenging for most students.
 A. difficult B. easy C. long D. important
43. The situation is becoming more complex over time.
 A. simple B. difficult C. confusing D. serious

ERROR RECOGNITION

44. Not have taken a professional cooking course, he couldn't find a job as a restaurant cook.

Advertisement 1

Finally, a stain remover that removes stains! We have all (45) _____ that other kind-the one that promises but does not deliver. Now try "Unbelievable," (46) _____ stain remover that actually works. You will understand where it got its name the first time you wipe away day-old spaghetti sauce from your light green upholstery.
 Ask your grocer for "Unbelievable" or (47) _____ 555-5555.

45. A. sold B. tried C. fired D. created
 46. A. a B. an C. the D. no article
 47. A. get B. receive C. make D. call

Advertisement 2

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48. A. to B. for C. by D. of
 49. A. taking B. using C. making D. providing
 50. A. demand B. require C. suggest D. contact

The end – Good luck to you!