

I. PHONETICS (0.5 points)

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation.

1. A. cook B. foot C. food D. put
2. A. idea B. near C. clear D. bear

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress.

3. A. local B. custom C. control D. village
4. A. computer B. teenager C. gallery D. mineral

II. LEXICO-GRAMMAR (2.5 points)

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

5. My sister is very fond _____ listening to traditional pop music in her free time.

A. on B. of C. in D. at

6. Teenagers should limit the time they spend _____ on social media every day.

A. surf B. to surf C. surfing D. surfed

7. Life in my hometown is much _____ than it was ten years ago.

A. peaceful B. more peaceful C. peacefully D. more peacefully

8. The farmers are busy _____ the rice from the truck into the big barn.

A. loading B. collecting C. drying D. riding

9. Nam was tired after a long trip; _____, he finished all his homework before bedtime.

A. because B. however C. so D. and

10. She spends most of her weekends making unique paper items, as she is very .

A. artistic B. shy C. helpful D. strict

11. During the harvest season, people in the countryside have to work much _____ than usual.

A. hard B. hardly C. harder D. more hardly

12. My close friend detests _____ up early on freezing winter mornings.

A. get B. getting C. to get D. got

13. Parents often have high _____ for their children, which can cause severe academic stress.

A. pressures B. expectations C. connections D. celebrations

14. - Lan: "Thank you so much for helping me with my project, Nam!"

- Nam: ""

A. Never mind. I'm glad I could help. B. You're welcome. It's very bad.

C. Oh, I don't like it at all. D. What a pity!

III. READING (2.0 points)

Read the passage and choose the best answer (A, B, C, or D) to fill in each blank.

Many teenagers today face a modern problem called cyberbullying or intense pressure from online networks. They often care too much about virtual (15) _____ on their posts, such as likes, hearts, or comments. When they do not get enough positive feedback, they may feel disappointed and anxious. Moreover, comparing their real lives with the seemingly perfect lives of others online can lead to low self-esteem. To stay mentally healthy, teenagers should balance their time between online activities and (16) _____ hobbies like playing sports, reading books, or joining school clubs. Communicating face-to-face with (17) _____ friends also helps them build real social skills and reduce school stress effectively.

15. A. interactions B. complaints C. punishments D. distances

16. A. indoor B. offline C. digital D. boring

17. A. artificial B. fake C. genuine D. stressful

Read the passage and choose the correct answer (A, B, C, or D) for each question below.

Life in a small village offers a quiet atmosphere that city dwellers often dream of. Houses are usually spaced widely apart, surrounded by green rice fields and vast orchards. People here know almost everyone in the community, and they are always ready to lend a helping hand when someone is in trouble. Although modern technology has reached rural areas, traditional values and customs remain unchanged. Festivals are celebrated together, bringing villagers closer. However, life is not completely without flaws; job opportunities are limited, and young people sometimes have to move to major cities to find better careers.

18. What is the main idea of the passage?

A. The challenges of modern technology in the countryside.

B. Features and characteristics of life in a small village.

C. Why city dwellers hate living in rural areas.

D. How to find a good career in big cities.

19. According to the passage, what can be found around houses in the village?

- A. Busy factories and tall buildings. B. Green rice fields and vast orchards.
C. Crowded shopping malls and cinemas. D. Heavy traffic and noisy streets.

20. Which of the following is NOT true about village life according to the text?

- A. People in the village are helpful and close-knit.
B. Traditional values and customs are still kept.
C. There are plenty of high-paying jobs for young people.
D. Village life offers a quiet atmosphere.

IV. WRITING (2.5 points)

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first one.

21. My brother doesn't like playing computer games after school. (into)

--> My brother _____.

22. Tom swims faster and better than his younger brother. (as...as)

--> Tom's younger brother doesn't _____.

23. Although she was very tired, she tried to finish her English project on time. (However)

--> She was very tired; _____.

24. Mark loves collecting stamps, so he spends all his pocket money on new stamps.
(because)

--> Mark spends all his pocket money on new stamps _____.

Use the given words or phrases to make meaningful sentences.

25. Life / countryside / seem / peaceful / quiet / than / life / city //

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26. Many / teenagers / suffer / stress / because / high / expectations / parents //

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