

THPT – PRACTICE 14

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

Question 1: A. booths B. learns C. arrives D. leaves

Question 2: A. identity B. finalist C. applicant D. reliance

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

Question 3: A. contact B. concert C. constant D. concern

Question 4: A. assignment B. reasonable C. acceptable D. election

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

Question 5: She thinks that there will not be sunshine today, _____?

A. doesn't she B. will there C. does she D. will she

Question 6: It is almost impossible _____ our life without electronic appliances which make the housework better and faster.

A. to imagine B. imagine C. to imagining D. imagining

Question 7: If you _____ the instructions carefully, you wouldn't have answered the wrong questions.

A. read B. had read C. reads D. to read

Question 8: I _____ the bell three times when he answered the door.

A. would ring B. rang C. had rung D. was ringing

Question 9: To my mind housework is boring. _____ it takes a lot of time with a hardly visible result.

A. besides B. then C. yet D. so

Question 10: _____ he was kidnapped.

A. No sooner he arrived in Italia B. Had he no sooner arrived in Italia
C. As soon as he arrived in Italia D. Before he had arrived in Italia

Question 11: Tom is _____ hot water with his teacher because he didn't do any assignments.

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

Question 12: Kiêu Story, _____ by Nguyen Du, is very interesting.

A. was written B. writing C. to write D. written

Question 13: People believe that many anonymous poetic satires and letters were attributed to this mythical_____.

- A. personnel B. personality C. personage D. personalize

Question 14: The team were eager to make_____ the loss of the previous match.

- A. away with B. off with C. up for D. up with

Question 15: Bill has a real _____ for looking after handicapped children.

- A. career B. post C. inspiration D. vocation

Question 16: The roads are terrible. I'm always getting ____ in traffic.

- A. stuck B. lost C. exhausted D. late

Question 17: Don't ____ in my presentation with your comments like that. It is so annoying and rude.

- A. take B. chip C. but D. cut

Question 18 Jimmy always takes the _____ by the horns at every chance in order to become a famous pop star, which is why he is so successful now.

- A. bull B. horse C. cow D. buffalo

Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

Question 19: Scientists hope that this new drug will be a major breakthrough in the fight against AIDS.

- A. new cure B. important therapy
C. sudden remedy D. dramatic development

Question 20: Online courses allow learners to study at flexible time.

- A. fixed B. adjustable C. rigid D. unchangeable

Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

Question 21: A new school has just been set up for the kids in the area.

- A. started B. established C. built D. demolished

Question 22: I eat lunch with a convivial group of my friends.

- A. unsociable B. large C. old D. lively

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best completes each of the following exchanges

Question 23: Binh is inviting Nam to join the football club.

Binh: "I know you are very good at playing football. Would you like to join our club?"

Nam: "_____"

A. Yes. I am very busy.

B. Yeah. Good idea. I'd love to.

C. What a good friend you are!

D. What do you think?

Question 24: Nam and Nga are talking with each other about artificial intelligence.

Nam: "I think that the rapid development of artificial intelligence would pose a threat to humankind. What do you think?"

Nga: "_____. Human beings are very smart. They create artificial intelligence and would know how to keep it under control."

A. I totally agree with you

B. No. I don't think so

C. What on earth you are talking about

D. You can't say it again

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions 24- 29

The tradition of gift giving is a worldwide (25)_____ that is said to have been around since the beginning of human beings. Over time, different cultures have developed their own gift giving customs and traditions.

In France, the gift of wine for the hostess of a dinner party is not an appropriate gift as the hostess would prefer to choose the vintage for the night. In Sweden, a bottle of wine or flowers are an appropriate gift for the hostess. In Viet Nam, a gift of whisky is appropriate for the host, and some fruit or small gifts for the hostess, children or elders of the home. Besides, gifts should never be wrapped in black paper because this color is unlucky and associated with funerals in this country. Gifts (26)_____ symbolize cutting such as scissors, knives and other sharp objects should be avoided because they mean the cutting of the relationship. Also, in some countries you should not open the gift in front of the giver and in (27)_____ it would be an insult if you did not open the gift.

Beyond the gift itself, give careful consideration to the manner in which it is presented. Different cultures have different customs regarding how a gift should be offered - using only your right hand or using both hands, (28)_____. Others have strong traditions related to the appropriate way to accept a gift. In Singapore, for instance, it is the standard to graciously refuse a gift several times before finally accepting it. The recipient would never unwrap a gift in front of the giver for fear of appearing greedy.

Understanding these traditions and customs, as well as taking time to choose an appropriate gift, will help you to avoid any awkwardness or (29)_____ as you seek to build a better cross-cultural relationship.

(Source: http://www.giftypedia.com/International_Gift_Customs)

- Question 25:** A. exercise B. practice C. work D. task
Question 26: A. what B. that C. where D. who
Question 27: A. others B. other C. the others D. the other
Question 28: A. yet B. instead C. though D. for example
Question 29: A. embarrassment B. excitement C. enjoyment D. joy

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions 30- 35

Since water is the basis of life, composing the greater part of the tissues of all living things, the crucial problem of desert animals is to survive in a world where sources of flowing water are rare. And since man's inexorable necessity is to absorb large quantities of water at frequent intervals, he can scarcely comprehend that many creatures of the desert pass their entire lives without a single drop.

Uncompromising as it is, the desert has not eliminated life but only those forms unable to withstand its desiccating effects. No moist- skinned, water-loving animals can exist there. Few large animals are found. The giants of the North American desert are the deer, the coyote, and the bobcat. Since desert country is open, it holds more swift-footed running and leaping creatures than the tangled forest. Its population is largely nocturnal, silent, filled with reticence, and ruled by stealth. Yet they are not **emaciated**. Having adapted to their austere environment, they are as healthy as animals anywhere else in the world. The secret of their adjustment lies in the combination of behavior and physiology. None could survive if, like mad dogs and Englishmen, they went out in the midday sun; many would die in a matter of minutes. So most of **them** pass the burning hours asleep in cool, humid burrows underneath the ground, emerging to hunt only by night. The surface of the sun-baked desert averages around 150 degrees, but 18 inches down the temperature is only 60 degrees.

Question 30. The author mentions all the following as examples of the behavior of desert animals EXCEPT_.

- A. they are watchful and quiet. B. they sleep during the day.
C. they dig home underground. D. they are noisy and aggressive.

Question 31. The word “**them**” means_.

- A. animals B. minutes C. people D. water

Question 32. According to the passage, creatures in the desert_____.

- A. are smaller and fleetier than forest animals.
B. are more active during the day than those in the tangled forest.
C. live in an accommodating environment.
D. are not as healthy as those anywhere else in the world.

Question 33. The word “**emaciated**” in the passage mostly means_.

- A. wild B. unmanageable C. cunning D. unhealthy

Question 34. The title for this passage could be_____.

- A. “Man’s Life in a Desert Environment” B. “Desert Plants”
C. “Animal Life in a Desert Environment” D. “Life Underground”

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 35 to 42.

In American, although most men still do less housework than their wives , that gap has been halved since the 1960s. Today, 41 per cent of couples say they share childcare equally, compared with 25 percent in 1985. Men’s greater involvement at home is good for their relationships with their spouses, and also good for their children. Hands-on fathers make better parents than men who let their wives do all the nurturing and childcare. They raise sons who are more expressive and daughters who are more likely to do well in school – especially in math and Science.

In 1900, life expectancy in the United States was 47 years, and only four per cent of the population was 65 or older. Today, life expectancy is 76 years, and by 2025, it is estimated about 20 per cent of the us, population will be 65 or older. For the first time, a generation of adults must pay for the needs of both their parents and their children. Most Americans are responding with remarkable grace. One in four households gives the **equivalent** of a full day a week or more in unpaid care to an aging relative, and more than half say they expect to do so in the next 10 years. Older people are less likely to be impoverished or incapacitated by illness than in the past, and have more opportunity to develop a relationship with their grandchildren.

Even some of the choices that worry people the most are turning out to be **manageable**. Divorce rates are likely to remain high, and in many cases marital breakdown causes serious problems for both adults and kids. Yet when parents minimize conflict, family bonds can be

maintained. And many families are doing this. More non-custodial parents are staying in touch With their children. Child-support receipts are rising. A lower proportion of children from divorced families are exhibitivie problems than in earlier decades. And stepfamilies are learning to maximize children’s access to supportive adults rather than cutting them off from one side of the family.

(Source: Adapted from U.S. Society and Values)

Question 35. Which of the following can be the most suitable heading for paragraph 1?

- A. Men’s involvement at home B. Benefits of men’s involvement at home
- C. Drawbacks of men’s involvement at home D. Children studying math and Science

Question 36. Nowadays, _ of men help take care of children.

- A. 50% B. 41% C. 25% D. 20%

Question 37: According to the writer, old people in the USA _____.

- A. Are experiencing a shorter life expectancy
- B. Receive less care from their children than they used to
- C. Have better relationships with their children and grandchildren
- D. May live in worst living conditions

Question 38: The word “**equivalent**” in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. Comparable B. opposed C. dissimilar D. contrasting

Question 39: Which of the following is **NOT** true about divorce rates in the USA?

- A. They will still be high.
- B. They can cause problems for both parents and children.
- C. More problems are caused by children from divorced families.
- D. Children are encouraged to meet their separate parents.

Question 40: The word “**manageable**” in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. Difficult B. challenging C. demanding D. easy

Question 41: The word “**this**” in the paragraph 3 refers to ____.

- A. Getting divorced B. minimizing conflict
- C. Causing problems to kids D. maintaining bonds

Question 42. According to the writer, the future of American family life can be ____.

- A. Positive B. negative C. unchanged D. unpredictable

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.

Question 43: Lan accompanied with her children are walking on the beach

A B C D

Question 44: Campers often participate in fishing, hunting, swimming , to watch wildlife

A B C D

Question 45: I am deeply impressive by the beauty of Ancient capital of Hue

A B C D

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

Question 46: Mr Lam drives more carelessly than he used to .

- A. Mr Lam doesn't drive as carelessly as he did
- B. Mr Lam didn't drive as careless as he does .
- C. Mr Lam drove as carelessly as he did
- D. Mr Lam didn't drive as carelessly as he does now

Question 47: "He should to go to bed before 11p: m everyday", I said to him.

- A. I advised him to go to bed before 11p: m everyday
- B. He shouldn't go to bed before 11p: m everyday
- C. I prayed him to go to bed before 11 p: m everyday
- D. I ordered him you should stay in bed.

Question 48: Smoking is not allowed in the museum.

- A. You mustn't smoke in the museum.
- B. You can smoke in the museum
- C. You don't have to smoke in the museum
- D. You may smoke in the museum

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best combines each pair of sentences in the following questions

Question 49: It is the earth's gravity that gives us our weight.

- A. If there were not the earth's gravity, we would be weightless.
- B. Due to the earth's gravity we cannot weigh anything.
- C. We are overweight because of the earth's 'gravity.
- D. The earth's gravity is given weight by people.

Question 50: She only felt relaxed after a few months working for him.

- A. She used to feel relaxed working for him a few months.

- B.** A few months ago, she didn't find it relaxed working for him.
- C.** Only after a few months working for him did she feel relaxed.
- D.** It was not until a few months working for him did she feel relaxed