

REVISION – THE 1st MID - TERM TEST
GRADE 9

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

READING 1.

1. Read the passage. Circle A, B or C to answer each question.

Unlike life in countryside which is often considered to be simple and traditional, life in the city is modern and complicated. People, from different regions, move to the cities in the hope of having a better life for them and their children. The inhabitants in city work as office secretaries, merchants, teachers, government workers, factory workers and even street vendor or construction workers.

The high cost of living requires city-dwellers, especially someone with low income to work harder or to take a part-time job. For some people, everyday start as usual by getting up in the early morning to do exercise in public parks, preparing for a full day of working and studying, then immersing in crowded boulevards or narrow streets filled with motor scooters and returning home after a busy day. They usually live in large houses, great mansions, and high-rise apartment blocks or even in a small rental equipped with modern amenities like the internet, telephone, television, satellite communication facilities and so on. Industrialization and modernization as well as global integration have big impact on lifestyle in the cities. The most noticeable impact is the Western style of clothes. The “Ao Dai”- Vietnamese traditional clothes are no longer regularly worn in Vietnamese women daily life. Instead, jeans, T-shirt and fashionable clothes are widely preferred.

1. Industrialization and modernization may lead to _____.

- A. some changes in lifestyles
- B. global integration
- C. the fact that women no longer wear Ao Dai
- D. the disappearance of Western- styled clothes

2. The most important reason why people move to the city is that _____.

- A. to have a busy day
- B. to look for a complicated life
- C. to look for a better life

D.to take part- time jobs

3. **We can infer from the passage that _____.**

A. there is a big gap between the rich and the poor in the city.

B. people leave the countryside because life there is simple.

C. Most of the urban dwellers have low income

D. people do morning exercise in public parks because they have much free time.

4. **According to the passage, the city life can offer the city dwellers all of the following things EXCEPT _____.**

A. a variety of jobs in different fields

B. modern facilities

C. the Internet

D. friendly communication with neighbours

5. **The word “impact” in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.**

A. situation

B. effect

C. force

D. action

READING 1.

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More than 80% of American high school students work at part-time jobs in the evenings, on weekends or in summer. These part-time jobs bring teenagers great advantages.

One of the benefits of the work is the students can learn the skills that will be useful for the rest of their lives. When they work, they have to manage both the job and schoolwork. To be able to do so, they must be very organized and able to keep a sensible schedule. They also learn to **cope with** the job stress apart from the stress of the schoolwork. Some of the most stressful jobs include teaching, nursing, and police work. These skills help prepare teenagers for their later careers. High school students who work are more likely to succeed as adults than people who enter the job market at a later age with no work experience.

Teenagers want a lot of expensive things: clothes, mp3 players, trips with their friends, etc. Not all parents can afford them. And even if they can, the teens might not really appreciate that money because they did not earn it. When teenagers make money for themselves, they know its true and are less likely to spend it foolishly.

1. Which of the following is a good title for the passage?

A. Why teenagers should work

- B. Advantages and disadvantages of part-time jobs
 C. Part-time jobs cause stress
2. **According to the passage, what is NOT an effect of part-time jobs?**
 A. Teenagers become organized.
 B. Teenagers become stressed.
 C. Teenagers are more likely to have successful careers.
3. **The word “cope with” in the passage is closest in meaning to _____.**
 A. fight against
 B. deal with
 C. suffer from
4. **According to the passage, when teenagers have jobs, they are more likely to _____.**
 A. spend foolishly
 B. want expensive things
 C. appreciate money
5. **According to the passage, which of the following is TRUE?**
 A. Only some US students do part-time jobs.
 B. US students suffer part-time job stress.
 C. Part-time jobs are somehow good for teenagers.

IX. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

READING 1

Living in a city has a (1)_____ of drawbacks. Firstly, there are many problems of traffic jams and traffic accidents. The increase (2)_____ population and the increasing number of vehicles have caused many accidents to happen every day. Secondly, air pollution negatively affects people's health, and it also has a bad influence on the environment. More and more city dwellers (3)_____ from coughing or breathing problems. Thirdly, the city is noisy, even at night. Noise (4)_____ comes from the traffic and from construction sites. Buildings are always being knocked (5)_____ and rebuilt. These factors contribute to making city life more difficult for its residents.

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| 1. | A. numerous | B. great deal | C. lots | D. number |
| 2. | A. on | B. at | C. of | D. in |
| 3. | A. suffer | B. recover | C. different | D. differ |

4. A. polluting B. pollution C. polluted D. pollute
5. A. up B. on C. at D. down

READING 2

New Orleans is a city in the southern part of the US. It is (1)_____ for its old-fashioned streets and buildings and jazz music. It used to (2)_____ millions of tourists every year. But all of this have changed in August of 2005. A nasty hurricane named Katrina hit the southern part of the US. New Orleans suffered the most damage (3)_____ the storm. New Orleans is a city but built (4)_____ sea level, so it has levees-walls built to keep sea from flowing into land. However, Katrina destroyed these levees and the city eventually is flooded. More than 100 people were dead and the city was totally destroyed. Houses were gone, buildings were ruined, and cars were damaged. Experts (5)_____ that it will cost more than 26 billion dollars to rebuild the city.

1. A. good B. beautiful C. famous D. lovely
2. A. keep B. call C. attract D. absorb
3. A. with B. of C. from D. at
4. A. at B. on C. under D. below
5. A. say B. says C. said D. saying