

UNIT 1: A DAY IN THE LIFE OF...

POINTS TO REMEMBER:

- **READING:** - Guessing meaning in context
- **SPEAKING:** - Asking & Giving information from a timetable
- **LISTENING:** - Listening & numbering pictures / True-False
- **WRITING:** - Writing a narrative
- **LANGUAGE FOCUS:** - /i:/ vs /I/
 - The pronunciation of endings: S & ED
 - Tenses: The Present Simple & The Past Simple
 - Adverbs of frequency

A. READING

I. Word form:

1. He is _____ to stay in his present job for the time being. (**content**)
2. He _____ the chocolate in two. (**break**)
3. All the machines are inspected twice _____ (**day**)
4. I find it _____ to talk to Tom's grandfather. (**interest**)
5. For further _____ write to the managing director of the firm. (**inform**)
6. The river here is very _____ for swimmers. (**danger**)
7. I never feel very _____ in my employer's presence. (**comfort**)
8. They are keeping her in the office for her own _____. (**safe**)
9. Our _____ will arrive at Tan Son Nhat International Airport at 6:30. (**fly**)
10. When he lived in Da Nang, he visited _____ (**occasion**)

II. Choose the best option (based on Reading 1 – textbook).

1. The alarm at 5 o'clock every morning.
A. goes off B. rings C. sounds D. both A & B

2. It often takes me 40 minutes to in the morning.
A. get ready B. do C. prepare D. both A&C
3. We are contented with what we do. "Contented with" is nearest in meaning to
A. satisfied with B. angry with C. bored with D. annoyed with
4. We work about two hours before we a rest.
A. get B. take C. do D. make
5. We chat about our study every day. "Chat" is nearest in meaning to
A. talk in a friendly way B. talk informally
C. talk formally D. both A & B
6. Mr. Vy is a farmer. The synonym of "a farmer" is:
A. a driver B. a peasant C. a teacher D. a worker
7. The antonym of "to boil" is
A. to freeze B. to heat C. to cool D. to warm
8. You must be in that sweater!
A. boiling B. boiled C. boils D. boil
9. We apologize for the late of the train.
A. arrive B. arriving C. arrives D. arrival
10. He has given up smoking for a long time. Now he is a
A. smoker B. Nonsmoker C. smoking D. smoke
11. There is no airport in the
A. local B. locally C. locality D. localize
12. There are obvious between diet and health.
A. continuities B. continue C. continuous D. continuously
13. That old bicycle is I think we should throw it away.
A. irreparable B. reparable C. repair D. repairing
14. My kids spend hours on the phone to their friends.
A. chat B. chatter C. chatty D. chatting

15. Write today's at the top of the page.
A. daily B. day C. days D. date
16. The machines are inspected twice.....
A. daily B. day C. days D. date
17. A is leading a buffalo to plough the field.
A. plough B. ploughman C. ploughing D. ploughs
18. That four-month old baby has just had a liver He's still very weak.
A. transplanted B. transplanting
C. transplantation D. both A&B
19. She smiled
A. content B. contented C. contentment D. contentedly
20. There is no of things to do here. Don't be so lazy.
A. short B. shorten C. shortage D. shortly

III. Read the passage carefully and do the task below.

Every morning I get up at six. The first thing I do is to wash the dishes my family dirtied the day before. Then I cook breakfast. We eat at about seven fifteen. Usually we have bread with butter, sometimes we have rice or boiled sweet potatoes.

It takes me about ten minutes to walk to school, and school begins with an assembly period at seven forty-five. There are fifteen hundred children in our school and so we meet in three separate assemblies: the infant department, the middle department, and the senior department. We always listen attentively to the head mistress then different classes call the roll for the attendance.

We have seven periods from eight to one. We study Mathematics, Geography, History, Art and Crafts, and English. I like English best and next to that, Mathematics. At ten, we have a chance to eat an orange and some peanuts. At noon, we do not rest. At one, we clean up our classroom and close the school.

I go home for lunch. But this time, my sister Patricia gets the meal. We often eat yams with soup and some other dishes. After lunch, I usually sleep for half an hour. In the afternoon, I often play netball. I sometimes skip, run, and jump with the other girls. At about six or six thirty we have dinner. Either my sister or I cook it. The meal is simpler than the mid-day meal. We eat fruit or rice, and sometimes we have bread and tea. Then in the evening, I do my homework and go to bed at about ten.

1. The first thing the girl has to do in the morning is to
A. clean the floor B. wash the dishes
C. cook the meal D. study her lessons.
2. At about seven fifteen, her family
A. have breakfast B. go to work
C. do morning exercise D. boil some water
3. She often spends about minutes walking to school.
A. ten B. twenty C. thirty D. forty
4. Her school begins at
A. six B. six thirty C. seven D. seven forty-five
5. How many assemblies are there in her school?
A. one B. two C. three D. four
6. How many periods does she study every day?
A. five B. six C. seven D. eight
7. What subject does she like best at school?
A. English B. Maths C. Crafts D. History
8. At one, after they their classroom, the children go home.
A. lock B. clean up C. close D. turn on
9. Lunch is considered the meal of a day.
A. first B. last C. mid-day D. mid-noon

10. Their dinner isthan their mid-day meal.
A. smaller B. cheaper C. simpler D. more complex

IV.TENSES

Exercise 1: Choose the best option to complete each sentence.

1. Where's Mother? – She in the kitchen.
A. is cooking B. cooks C. was cooking D. cooked
2. I'm busy at the moment. on the computer.
A. I work B. I'm work C. I'm working D. I working
3. My friend the answer to the question.
A. is know B. know C. knowing D. knows
4. I think I'll buy these shoes really well.
A. They fit B. They have fit
C. They're fitting D. They were fitting
5. Where the car?
A. did you park B. did you parked
C. parked you D. you parked
6. At nine o'clock yesterday morning we for the bus.
A. wait B. waiting C. was waiting D. were waiting
7. When I looked round the door, the baby quietly.
A. is sleeping B. slept C. was sleeping D. were sleeping
8. Here's my report. it at last.
A. I finish B. I finished C. I'm finished D. I've finished
9. I've made some coffee. It's in the kitchen.
A. ever B. just C. never D. yet
10. We to Ireland for our holidays last year.
A. goes B. going C. have gone D. went

11. Robert ill for three weeks. He's still in hospital.
A. had been B. has been C. is D. was
12. When Martin the car, he took it out for a drive.
A. had repaired B. has repaired C. repaired D. was repairing
13. At this time tomorrow over the Atlantic.
A. we flying B. we fly C. we'll fly D. we'll be flying
14. Where's Robert? a shower?
A. Does he have B. Has he C. Has he got D. Is he having
15. We can't go along here because the road is
A. repaired B. being repaired C. repair D. been repaired
16. She him since he school.
A. hasn't seen-leaves B. didn't see- left
C. hadn't seen- left D. hasn't seen-left
17. Fish were among the earliest forms of life. Fish on earth for ages.
A. existed B. are existing C. have existed D. exist
18. We a very hard lesson the day before yesterday.
A. studies B. studied C. study D. had studied
19. They him they him before.
A. tell / don't meet B. told / didn't meet
C. told / hadn't met D. told / haven't met
20. They to their hometown for ages.
A. don't return B. didn't return
C. hadn't returned D. haven't returned

Exercise 2: Complete the passage with the correct form of the verbs from the box. You may use some verbs more than once.

be - have – play – happen - retire - give - belong - say - make

I (1) _____ about a year ago. The company (2) _____ a big party for me and (3) _____ me a gold watch for more than thirty years of service. At the party, everyone (4) _____ to me: "Retirement (5) _____ a time to do the things you didn't have time to do. It (6) _____ a new thing. I can't say that I dislike retirement, but after working for thirty-five years, it's hard to adjust to all this free time.

Money (7) _____ not a serious problem for us because we (8) _____ some savings, but we have to make careful decisions about what we can afford. We are not used to living in a fixed income, but we make ends meet. I still (9) _____ to the club and I (10) _____ cards there once a week, and we spend time with other retired couples in the area. My only regret (11) _____ that I didn't spend enough time thinking about retirement before it (12) _____.

Exercise 3: TRANSFORMATION

1. I last saw him two months ago.

→ _____

2. This is the first time I am in an important examination.

→ _____

3. First Jane checked all the prices then she bought a new car.

→ _____

4. I haven't been to London for three years.

→ _____

5. They finished their work, then they left the office.

→ _____

6. We started learning English about five years ago.

→ _____

7. How much do you pay for this computer?

→ _____

8. The last time Joe heard from his family was in June.

→ _____

9. How long have you been living in this new house?

→ _____

10. This is my third visit to Ho Chi Minh city.

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