

## I. LISTENING: (3.0 points)

**Part 1. Questions 1 to 5. Listen to the conversation then choose the best option, to answer each of the following questions.**

- How many bedrooms does the man's apartment have?  
A. one                                      B. two                                      C. three
- The swimming pool \_\_\_\_\_ the apartment building.  
A. next to                                      B. behind                                      C. in front of
- What business are opposite the apartments?  
A. clothing stores                                      B. book stores                                      C. restaurants
- How much does the man pay for rent?  
A. \$235                                      B. \$255                                      C. \$275
- What service is NOT included in the rent?  
A. gas                                      B. the Internet                                      C. electricity

**Part 2. Questions 11-15. Listen to part of a telephone conversation, and complete the form below. Use no more than three words or a number in each space.**

## ABBEY CAR HIRE

## Booking Form

Car size	medium family car
Name	Steven (6) .....
Address	3 Hamilton House, (7) ....., Stretton
Postcode	ST17 5BU
Telephone	(8) .....
Pick up	(9) ..... 25 April at (10) .....
Drop off	(11) ..... at (12) .....
Total charge	£87.50 (including insurance)
Driver license number:	(13) .....
Extras	(14) ..... (£10)
Reference	(15) .....

## II. LEXICOLOGY AND GRAMMAR. (7 points)

**Part 1: Circle the letter (A, B, C or D) next to the word or phrase which best completes each sentence.**

- I \_\_\_\_\_ sports to keep fit, not because I like it.  
A. make                                      B. do                                      C. practice                                      D. train
- Did you phone her parents when you heard she \_\_\_\_\_ an accident?  
A. had                                      B. has had                                      C. had had                                      D. was having

3. I could have changed my flight if \_\_\_\_\_ you were too busy to meet me at the airport.  
A. I knew                      B. I'd have known      C. I know                      D. I'd known
4. Don't worry! You \_\_\_\_\_ told if there's a change of plan.  
A. be                              B. will                              C. will have                      D. will be
5. I've got a headache and I don't feel very \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. fit                              B. healthy                              C. well                              D. healthful
6. My new apartment is great, but I wish I \_\_\_\_ used to the constant noise from the street below.  
A. am                              B. got                              C. have gotten                      D. could get
7. We didn't \_\_\_\_\_ to the station in time to catch the train.  
A. get                              B. reach                              C. make                              D. arrive
8. She tried to prevent the dog \_\_\_\_\_ running into the road.  
A. to                              B. for                              C. against                              D. from
9. These clothes need \_\_\_\_\_ immediately.  
A. be washed                      B. washing                              C. washed                              D. to wash
10. It's a very \_\_\_\_\_ book. You can learn a lot from it.  
A. informative                      B. boring                              C. interesting                      D. cheap
11. I don't think that red dress \_\_\_\_\_ her.  
A. suits                              B. helps                              C. agrees                              D. matches
12. To everyone's surprise, Mr. Brown \_\_\_\_\_ at the Trade Union meeting.  
A. turned in                      B. turned over                      C. turned up                      D. turned round.
13. My best friend's mother is very nice to me. She \_\_\_\_\_ her daughter.  
A. holds parties for                      B. treats me like                      C. spends time with                      D. worries about.
14. Pauline \_\_\_\_\_ me very much of a girl I used to know at university.  
A. remembers                      B. reminds                              C. recalls                              D. recollects.
15. There is no use \_\_\_\_\_ him at this hour.  
A. to call                              B. calling                              C. call                              D. called
16. She did all the work \_\_\_\_\_ her own.  
A. by                              B. for                              C. with                              D. on
17. Neither my friend nor I \_\_\_\_\_ to be blamed.  
A. are                              B. am                              C. be                              D. is.
18. I would \_\_\_\_\_ you didn't leave just at the moment.  
A. rather                              B. like                              C. ask                              D. advise
19. I'm sorry I was rude to you yesterday. => I apologize \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. for you to being rude yesterday                      B. to you for rude yesterday  
C. to you for being rude yesterday                      D. to you to being rude yesterday
20. She never let you cook the meals, \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. didn't she                      B. doesn't she                      C. was she                      D. did she.

**Part 2: There are 5 errors in the following passage. Identify the errors, then underline and correct them, write your answers in the numbered spaces.**

Have you ever wandered what your school – mates are doing now? Well plenty of people	Line 1
in Britain do. One of the most successful Internet venture in Britain has shown how	Line 2



popular, and how lucrative, nostalgia can be. The website Friends Reunited was started for fun in 1999 by a couple who was interested in knowing what their old school friends were doing. The project snowballed and by 200 the site had 12 millions members. You can also post a personal profile showing what you are doing now, and read others people's details. Steve Pankhurst, one of the founders of the site, thinks that one of the reasons for its success is, that some people like to be anonymous. On Friends Reunited, you can snoop on other people's lives without giving away anything about yourself if you don't want to. Its also an opportunity to bolster your self – esteem by showing off to everyone just how successful and happy you are now, even if you weren't while you were at school.

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**Part 3. Supply each space with a suitable preposition or adverbial particle to complete each of the following sentences.**

- It turned \_\_\_\_\_ that the mayor had bribed several councilors to vote.
- The kids used all of the toothpaste \_\_\_\_\_ so we need to buy some more.
- We threw our old furniture \_\_\_\_\_ when we won the lottery.
- Can he cope \_\_\_\_\_ the large amount of work?
- We were very grateful \_\_\_\_\_ our friends for all of their assistance?
- Her knowledge \_\_\_\_\_ climbing helped her during the competition.
- San Francisco is \_\_\_\_\_ the west coast of the United States.
- The criminal's regret \_\_\_\_\_ committing the crime did not convince the judge.
- There is no difference \_\_\_\_\_ those two colors.
- Her fondness \_\_\_\_\_ traveling led to her career in the travel industry.

**Part 4. Fill each gap with the correct form of the word in brackets**

- We go to the restaurant for \_\_\_\_\_ whenever we 're tired of eating meat.  
(*vegetable*)
- Don't worry. I 'll be waiting for you at the \_\_\_\_\_ to the pagoda .
- The old theater of our city is being enlarged and \_\_\_\_\_.
- Advertisements account for three fourths of the \_\_\_\_\_ of the newspaper.
- What is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the adjective "solid".

(*enter*)  
(*modern*)  
(*come*)  
(*oppose*)

6. \_\_\_\_\_ should complain if they are not satisfied with the service they receive. (*consume*)  
 7. If your work is \_\_\_\_\_ you won't get a raise. (*satisfy*)  
 8. \_\_\_\_\_ are alarmed by the rate at which tropical rainforests are being destroyed. (*conserve*)  
 9. That kind of material is a wonderful discovery but they haven't found it \_\_\_\_\_ for them. (*practise*)  
 10. The beauty of the mountains was a great source of \_\_\_\_\_ to the poet. (*inspire*)

### III. READING: (6 Points)

**Part 1: Choose the word or phrase (A, B, C or D) that best fits each blank space in the following passage.**

As computers have become (1) \_\_\_\_\_ tools for the rapid and economic production of pictures, computer graphics has emerged as one of the most rapidly growing fields in computer science. It is used routinely in such (2) \_\_\_\_\_ areas: business, industry, art, government, education, research, training, and medicine. One of the initial uses of computer graphics, and ultimately its greatest use, has been as an aid to design, generally (3) \_\_\_\_\_ to as computer aided design (CAD). One of its greatest advantages is (4) \_\_\_\_\_ designers can see how an object will look after construction and make changes freely and much more quickly than (5) \_\_\_\_\_ hand drafting. For three-dimensional (6) \_\_\_\_\_ of machine parts, engineers now rely heavily on CAD. Automobile, spacecraft, aerospace, and ship designers use CAD techniques to design vehicles and (7) \_\_\_\_\_ their performance. Building designs are also created with computer graphics systems. Architects can design a building (8) \_\_\_\_\_, create a three-dimensional model, and even go for a simulated "walk" through the rooms or around the outside of the building.

Business graphics is another rapidly growing area of computer graphics, where it is used to create graphs, charts and cost models to summarize financial, statistical, mathematical, scientific, and economic data. As an educational aid, computer graphics can be used to create weather maps and cartographic materials. Computer art also has creative and commercial art applications, where it is used in advertising, publishing, and film productions, (9) \_\_\_\_\_ for computer animation, which is achieved by a (10) \_\_\_\_\_ process.

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| 1. A. handful      | B. overbearing | C. controlling  | D. powerful   |
| 2. A. widening     | B. diverse     | C. versatile    | D. variant    |
| 3. A. resorted     | B. inferred    | C. implied      | D. referred   |
| 4. A. whether      | B. as          | C. that         | D. then       |
| 5. A. for          | B. with        | C. of           | D. over       |
| 6. A. rendering    | B. severing    | C. hindering    | D. pondering  |
| 7. A. try          | B. test        | C. experiment   | D. challenge  |
| 8. A. fallout      | B. layout      | C. breakout     | D. workout    |
| 9. A. specifically | B. specially   | C. particularly | D. definitely |
| 10. A. consecutive | B. connective  | C. sequential   | D. successive |

**Part 2: Fill in each of the blank spaces with one suitable word.**

Energy is one of the (1) \_\_\_\_\_ that many people are interested in. It is not an unfamiliar word. It is heard, said, discussed day after day. It is close to everyone's (2) \_\_\_\_\_ life. You turn on the lamp and it is (3) \_\_\_\_\_ that gives you light. You turn on a TV and it is energy that gives you pictures and sound. You ride a motorcycle and it is energy that gives you (4) \_\_\_\_\_. You cook your meals and it is energy that gives you heat to boil rice.



The problem is that the demand for energy is rising and that the price of energy is getting (5) \_\_\_\_\_ and higher. The supply of energy on earth is limited. It cannot provide us all forever. The (6) \_\_\_\_\_ of energy in the future is inevitable. Therefore, saving energy is a must if we want to (7) \_\_\_\_\_ to live in a safe and sound world.

If we save energy, the (8) \_\_\_\_\_ will be less polluted and our health will be better and we will live a more meaningful life and more happily. Perhaps the best (9) \_\_\_\_\_ to the problem of energy is a source of clean energy coming from the sun: solar energy. This kind of energy is easily available, free, and inexhaustible. Furthermore, it does not cause (10) \_\_\_\_\_.

**Part 3: Read the text below and choose the best answer to each question.**

The air above our head is becoming cleaner. A breath of fresh air has been running right round the planet for the past five years. The planet is apparently purging itself of pollution. Paul Novell of the University of Colorado, the co-author of a report on this phenomenon says, "It seems as if the planet's own cleansing service has suddenly got a new lease of life. Suddenly, there are a lot of changes going on up there." Estimates of the death toll from urban smog have been steadily rising, so the new cleaner trend could have significant consequences for life expectancy in cities as well as for the planet itself. The sudden and unexpected reversal of several decades of worsening pollution extends from the air in city streets to the remotest mid-Pacific Ocean and Antarctica. Among the pollutants which have begun to disappear from the atmosphere are carbon monoxide, from car exhausts and burning rain forests, and methane from the guts of cattle, paddy fields, and gas fields. Even carbon dioxide, the main gas behind global warming, has fallen slightly. There are two theories about why pollution is disappearing. First, that there is less pollution to start with due to laws to cut down urban smog and acid rain starting to have a global impact. Second, that the planet may be becoming more efficient at cleaning up. The main planetary clean-up agent is a chemical called hydroxyl. It is present throughout the atmosphere in tiny quantities and removes most pollutants from the air by oxidizing them. The amount of hydroxyl in the air had fallen by a quarter in the 1980s. Now, it may be **reviving** for two reasons: ironically, because the ozone hole has expanded, letting in more ultraviolet radiation into the lower atmosphere, where it manufactures hydroxyl. Then the stricter controls on vehicle exhausts in America and Europe may have cut global carbon monoxide emissions, thereby allowing more hydroxyl to clean up other pollutants.

1. What is the main topic of the passage?  
A. The decreasing pollution of the atmosphere. B. The changing pollutants in the atmosphere.  
C. Hydroxyl's influence on the atmosphere. D. The oxygenation of the atmosphere.
2. The word '**purging**' is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. destroying B. refining C. filtering D. ridding
3. According to the passage, life expectancy partly depends on people having \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. access to details about atmospheric pollution. B. recommendations from university research  
C. improvement in atmospheric conditions D. changes in their lifestyle
4. The word '**toll**' could best be replaced by \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. costs B. count C. damage D. loss
5. What does the author suggest is the main cause of pollution reduction?  
A. Less impact from burning forests B. A smaller number of cars  
C. A curtailment of chemicals D. Fewer cattle and gas fields

6. The word 'it' refers to \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. urban smog                      B. a clean-up agent    C. acid rain                      D. the ozone hole
7. It can be inferred from the passage that the new cleaner trend is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. inexplicable                      B. confusing                      C. surprising                      D. predictable
8. Based on information in the passage, all of the following information referring to hydroxyl is true EXCEPT.  
 A. the reduction in the ozone layer is beneficial to hydroxyl.  
 B. oxidization of pollutants is carried out by hydroxyl.  
 C. there is difficulty in destroying carbon dioxide by hydroxyl.  
 D. ultraviolet radiation increases production of hydroxyl.
9. The word 'reviving' is closest in meaning to  
 A. reappearing                      B. refreshing                      C. reproducing                      D. repeating
10. The passage supports which of the following conclusions?  
 A. The decrease of methane has enabled ultraviolet radiation to enter the atmosphere.  
 B. An expansion in hydroxyl has enlarged the ozone hole.  
 C. The reduction in carbon dioxide has produced a cleaner atmosphere.  
 D. The beneficial effect of hydroxyl has aided the cleaning process.

#### IV. WRITING: (4 points)

**Part 1: Rewrite each sentence, beginning as shown, so that the meaning stays the same.**

1. I had to cancel the birthday party because my closest friend is seriously ill.  
 => I had to cancel \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Hung will write an essay on the life of President Ho Chi Minh.  
 => An essay \_\_\_\_\_.
3. I regret not visiting my grandparents last weekend.  
 => I wished \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Although he came late he gained the highest result.  
 => In spite of \_\_\_\_\_.
5. We didn't know that Lan had an accident, so we couldn't visit her.  
 => If we \_\_\_\_\_.
6. You shouldn't leave these magazines on the table. You should put them on this shelf.  
 => These magazines \_\_\_\_\_.
7. "If you don't pay the ransom, we'll kill the boy", said the kidnappers  
 => The kidnappers \_\_\_\_\_.
8. The film was so interesting that all we want to see again.  
 => It was such \_\_\_\_\_.
9. I would prefer you to deliver the sofa on Friday.  
 => I would rather \_\_\_\_\_.
10. I haven't seen that man here before.  
 => It's \_\_\_\_\_.

**Part 2: In about 140 words, write a paragraph about why is it important to protect our environment? What should we do to fulfill this task?**

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