REVISION FOR THE FIRST - MID TERM TEST (N^{0}3) – GRADE 11

READING

I. Choose the word or phrase among A, B, C or D that best fits the blank space in the following passage.

EX1: Fathers in today families are spending more time with their children than at any point in the past 100 years. (1) ____ the number of hours the average woman spends at home with her children has declined since the early 1900s, as more and more women enter the workforce, there has been a decrease in the number of children per family and an increase in (2) ____ attention to each child. As a result, mothers today in the United States, (3) ____ those who work part- or full-time, spend almost twice as much time with each child as mothers did in the 1920s. People (4) ____ raised children in the 1940s and 1950s typically report that their own adult children and grandchildren communicate far better with their kids and spend more time (5) ____ with homework than they did.

Question 1.	A. Although	B. However	C. Unless	D. Besides
Question 2.	A. isolated	B. individual	C. unique	D. single
Question 3.	A. adding	B. counting	C. taking	D. including
Question 4.	A. whom	B. which	C. who	D. when
Question 5.	A. helping	B. to help	C. help	D. on help

EX2: In a healthy relationship, both partners respect, trust and embrace (6) ____ differences. Both partners are able to communicate (7) ____ their needs and listen to their partner, and work to resolve conflict in a rational and (8) ____ way. But maintaining a healthy relationship calls for skills many young people are never taught. A lack of these skills, and (9) ____ up in a society that sometimes celebrates violence or in a community that experiences a high (10) ____ of violence, can lead to unhealthy and even violent relationships among youth.

Question 6.	A. another's	B. each another's	C. each other's	D. one another's
Question 7.	A. effective	B. effectively	C. effectiveness	D. ineffective
Question 8.	A. non-violent	B. violently	C. violent	D. violence
Question 9.	A. bringing	B. growing	C. raising	D. taking
Question 10.	A. amount	B. number	C. rate	D. scale

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

EX3: 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.

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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 U.S. population will be 65 or older. For the first time, a generation of adults must plan 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 exhibiting 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.

Question 11. 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 12. Nowadays, ____ of men help take care of children.

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

Question 13. 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 14. 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 15. The word "**equivalent**" in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to ____.

A. comparable B. opposed C. dissimilar D . constrasting

Question 16. The word "**manageable**" in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to ____.

A. difficult B. challenging C. demanding D. easy

Question 17. The word "**this**" in the paragraph 3 refers to ____.

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A. getting divorced B. minimizing conflict

C. causing problems to kids D. maintaining bonds

EX4: It has long been seen as a less romantic way of meeting Mr Right. But finding love over the Internet is a good way of meeting a marriage partner, research has showed. It found that one in five of those who have used dating sites to find their perfect partner have gone on to marry someone they met over the web. The study, by consumer group Which?, also revealed that more than half of the 1,504 people questioned had been on a date with someone they met in **cyberspace**. Sixty-two per cent agreed that it was easier to meet someone on a dating site than in other ways, such as in a pub or club, or through friends. At the same time, the under-35s were more likely to know someone who had been on a date or had a long-term relationship with someone they met through online dating. The survey also found that Match.com and Dating Direct were the most popular dating websites. Jess Ross, editor of which.co.uk, said: "Online dating is revolutionising the way people meet each other. Switching the computer on could be the first step to success." According to industry surveys, more than 22 million people visited dating websites in 2007, and more than two million Britons are signed up to singles sites. Previous research has shown that couples who get to know each other via emails are more likely to see each other again after their first date. Two years ago, a study by Bath University revealed that those who met on dating websites were 94 per cent more likely to see each other after their first meeting than other couples. The researchers studied relationships formed on online dating website Match.com over a six-month period. They found that consummate love - described as a balance of passion, intimacy and commitment - was evident at around 12 months into a relationship. Of the 147 couples who took part in the study, 61 per cent said their relationships had high levels of these components. The researchers also found that men were more likely to find true love on the Internet than women. Some 67 per cent of men but just 57 per cent of women said they had experienced consummate love with an online partner.

Companionate love - a relationship with high levels of intimacy and commitment, but lower levels of passion - was the next most frequently experienced form of love, exhibited by 16 per cent of the study group. Dr Jeff Gavin, who led the team, said: "To date, there has been no **systematic** study of love in the context-of relationships formed via online dating sites. But with the popularity of online dating, it is **imperative** we understand the factors that influence satisfaction in relationships formed in this way." Charlotte Harper, of Match.com, said: "We were thrilled to find so many of our former members have found love. It supports our belief that the Internet does in fact encourage old-fashioned courtship."

Question 18. According to the passage, online dating is seen as ____.

A. a modern romantic way of dating B. an economical way of dating

C. the fastest way to find a soul mate D. a great change in the way people meet

Question 19. The words "cyberspace" in paragraph 2 probably means ____.

A. dating agency B. group dating C. online network D. school club

Question 20. According to the passage, the number of people taking part in a study by Bath University was ____.

A. more than 1500 B. more than 750 C. about 150 D. about 300

Question 21. The words "systematic" in paragraph 5 is closest in meaning to ____.

A. efficient B. fixed C. flexible D. insecure

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Question 22. Which of the following statements is NOT true according to the passage?

A. Consummate love has higher levels of passion than companionate love.

B. Less than 20 million people visited dating websites in 2007.

C. Many members of match.com have found love.

D. Men are more likely to find their ideal partner online than women.

Question 23. The word "imperative" in paragraph 5 is closest in meaning to ____.

A. crucial B. minor C. optional D. useless

Question 24. Which of the following statements is TRUE according to the passage?

A. Many couples got married within 12 months since their first meeting.

B. Men were more likely to visit dating websites than women.

C. The number of single people in Britons reduced owing to online dating.

D. Many people had a long-term relationship through online dating.

Question 25. Which of the following would serve as the best title for the passage?

A. Internet does in fact encourage old-fashioned courtship.

B. Online dating - a good way of meeting people.

C. Online dating is showed to help you find your perfect partner.

D. The revolution of online dating is alarming.

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