

ĐỀ CƯƠNG THI GIỮA KỲ 1 KHỐI 12 (NO 1)

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions. (2 sentences).

1. A. urbanizeded B. watched C. rushed D. laughed
2. A. manages B. laughs C. photographs D. makes

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following questions. (2 sentences).

3. A. promote B. service C. arrange D. decide
4. A. disappear B. familiar C. initiate D. tsunami

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. (3 sentences)

5. The nutritionist(A) recommended(B) that Sally reduced(C) her daily(D) fat intake.

A. The nutritionist B. recommended C. reduced D. daily

6. He shouted(A) at his(B) girlfriend, that(C) really disappointed(D) me.

A. shouted B. his C. that D. disappointed

7. He knows(A) New York very well because(B) he has gone(C) to the city many times(D).

A. knows B. because C. has gone D. many times

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions. (15 sentences)

8. In _____ cities, people have access to jobs, health care and other facilities.

A. fast-growing B. high-level C. well-established D. well-paid

9. Our _____ guests have just arrived. Let's welcome them with a big round applause.

A. distinguished B. talented C. happy D. responsible

10. Switching to _____ eco light bulb is one way to protect the environment.

A. energy-wasting B. energy-expending C. energy-lacking D. energy-saving

11. Bill Gates has made large donations to numerous _____ organizations.

A. charitable B. charitably C. charity D. charities

12. You should your car with petrol before starting on a journey

A. deal B. supply C. replenish D. offer

13.is what shaped our cities into what they are today.

A. Electrification B. Industrialisation C. Determination D. Urbanisation

14. The teacher insisted that Tom _____ more time on his English pronunciation

A. spend B. spends C. should spends D. spent

15. The sun is shining and there are very few clouds; _____, I am sure it is going to rain.

A. what's more B. hence C. nevertheless D. thus

16. The weather in Dalat is neither too hot in summer _____ too cold in winter.
 A. or B. nor C. or else D. otherwise
17. Mr. Smith is _____ old customer and _____ honest man.
 A. An/ the B. the/ an C. an/ an D. the/ the
18. _____ youngest boy has just started going to _____ school.
 A. a/ x B. x/ the C. an/ x D. the/ x
19. Last night at this time, they _____ the same thing. She _____ and he _____ the newspaper.
 A. are doing/ is cooking/ is reading B. were doing/ was cooking/ was reading
 C. was doing/ has cooked/ is reading D. had done/ was cooking/ read
20. The boys broke a window when they _____ football.
 A. played B. were playing C. half played D. are playing
21. Nowadays, people are searching for more _____ materials to build their houses.
 A. environment-friendly B. environmentally-friendly
 C. environmental-friendly D. environmental-friend
22. They requested that she _____ them the money she borrowed.
 A. paid B. pays C. pay D. must pay

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions. (2 sentences)

23. I **propose** that we wait until the budget has been announced before committing ourselves to any expenditure.
 A. approve B. recommend C. reject D. suggest
24. Her identity will never be **revealed** in order to protect her children from being judged.
 A. uncovered B. proclaimed C. leaked D. hid

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions. (2 sentences)

25. The repeated **commercials** on TV distract many viewers from watching their favourite films.
 A. advertisements B. contests C. businesses D. economics
26. Polish artist Pawel Kuzinsky creates satirical paintings filled with **thought-provoking** messages about the world.
 A. inspirational B. provocative C. stimulating D. universal

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the most suitable response to complete each of the following exchanges. (2 sentences)

- 27: Lan and Nam are discussing on leaving school of students

Lan: Should students be allowed to leave school when they are 14?

Nam: _____

- A. I don't think so. I think it is very important to have a good education.
- B. Who wants to leave school at the age of 14?
- C. It is a hard decision.
- D. Students can't have their own choice at the age of 14.

28: Mike and Lane are neighbors. They are talking about Lane's party.

Mike: "Thank you for a lovely evening".

Lane: " _____ "

- A. It depends on you.
- B. Thank you very much indeed.
- C. Yeah. I'm really looking forward to it.
- D. You are welcome.

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.

29. There was a hurricane in August 1992 over West Africa. This hurricane was named Andrew.

- A. There was a hurricane who was named Andrew in August 1992 over West Africa.
- B. There was a hurricane what was named Andrew in August 1992 over West Africa.
- C. There was a hurricane which was named Andrew in August 1992 over West Africa.
- D. There was a hurricane whom was named Andrew in August 1992 over West Africa.

30. They whispered. They didn't want anyone to hear them." Means _____.

- A. They whispered in order to make anyone hear them
- B. They whispered so that no one could hear them
- C. They whispered to make everyone hear them
- D. They whispered in order that make everyone hear them

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.

31. Although he is intelligent, he doesn't do well at school.

- A. Despite his intelligence, he doesn't do well at school.
- B. In spite he is intelligent, he doesn't do well at school.
- C. Although his intelligence, he does well at school.
- D. In spite of intelligent, he doesn't do well at school

32. He didn't hurry so he missed the plane.

- A. If he hurried, he wouldn't miss the plane.
- B. If he had hurried, he might catch the plane.
- C. If he had hurried, he could have caught the plane.
- D. He didn't miss the plane because he hurried

33. She was so busy that she couldn't answer the phone.
- A. She was very busy that she couldn't answer the phone.
 - B. She was too busy to answer the phone.
 - C. She was too busy not to answer the phone.
 - D. She was very busy so that she couldn't answer the phone

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 34 to 38.

Urban development is having a direct impact on the weather in (34) _____ cities worldwide. It has been noticed that the difference in temperature is usually greater at night and the phenomenon occurs in both winter and summer. Experts agree that this is due to urban development, when open green spaces are replaced with asphalt roads and tall brick or concrete buildings. These materials retain heat generated by the Sun and release it through the night. In Atlanta, in the US, this has even led to thunderstorms (35) _____ occur in the morning rather than, as is more common, in the afternoon.

Large cities around the world are adopting strategies to combat this issue, (36) _____ it is not uncommon to find plants growing on top of roofs or down the walls of large buildings. In Singapore, the government has pledged to transform it(37) _____ a "city within a garden" and, in 2006, they held an international competition calling for entries to develop a master plan to help bring this about. One outcome was the creation of 18 "Supertrees" – metal constructions resembling very tall trees. Each one is a vertical freestanding garden and is (38) _____ to exotic plants and ferns. They also contain solar panels used to light the trees at night and also containers to collect rainwater, making them truly self-sufficient.

- 34: A. one B. many C. each D. much
- 35: A. which B. where C. what D. when
- 36: A. however B. for C. otherwise D. and
- 37: A. to B. into C. for D. with
- 38: A. land B. house C. place D. home

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 39 to 43.

Did you ever watch a video on the Internet? Maybe you used YouTube. YouTube is a Website where people can share their video. Today, YouTube is an important part of the Internet. However, that wasn't always true.

YouTube started with a young man named Jawed Karim and two friends. One day, Karim was on the Internet. He wanted information about the 2004 tsunami in Southeast Asia. He found news stories

about it, but he couldn't find any videos. **This** gave Karim an idea. He wanted to help people put video on the Internet. Karim told his friends about this idea. Together, they created a company - YouTube.

YouTube became a global success. Millions of people around the world visited the Website. It was clear to Google, another Internet company, that YouTube had a lot of value. Google made a deal. It bought YouTube for \$1.65 billion. As a result, YouTube investors and its employees made a lot of money. The three friends who started YouTube were very big investors. Therefore, they made an enormous amount of money.

Karim became very rich, and he continued to work toward his PhD. There was something else he wanted to do. He wanted to help young people go into business. He used money and experience to start a new company called Youniversity Ventures. This company helps young people who have good business ideas. It gives them advice and money to start Internet businesses. Milo is one business that students started with the help of Youniversity Ventures.

Milo is a shopping Website. It helps people find products in stores near their homes. Another example is AirBob. This Web site helps people find for video conferences. People in different places can use this site to have business meetings.

Karim has some advice for students who want to start business. First, find a successful company. Do a lot of research about the company and the top people in the company. There, copy the way they do things. For students who want to start Internet business, Karim is probably a very good example to copy.

39: What can be the best title for the passage?

- A. Sharing Success on the Internet.
- B. To be successful on the Internet.
- C. Support from Youniversity Ventures.
- D. The best videos from YouTube.

40: What does the word "**This**" in paragraph 2 refer to?

- A. the 2004 tsunami in Southeast Asia.
- B. that he could find no videos.
- C. the news stories he could find.
- D. the information of the 2004 tsunami.

Question 41: YouTube now belongs to _____

- A. Milo
- B. Youniversity
- C. Google
- D. Tokbox

Question 42: Which of the following can replace the word "enormous" in paragraph 4?

- A. increasing
- B. giant
- C. considerable
- D. huge

Question 43: What is Karim's advice for students who want to start business?

- A. Get a PhD degree from famous university.
- B. Copy successful people and companies.
- C. Give money to Youniversity Ventures.
- D. Work for successful people and companies.

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 44 to 50.

Although noise, commonly defined as unwanted sound, is a widely recognized form of pollution, it is very difficult to measure because the discomfort experienced by different individuals is highly subjective and therefore, variable. Exposure to lower levels of noise may be slightly irritating, whereas exposure to higher levels may actually cause hearing loss. Particularly in **congested** urban areas, the noise produced as a by-product of our advancing technology causes physical and psychological harm, and detracts from the quality of life for those who are exposed to **it**.

Unlike the eyes, which can be covered by the eyelids against strong light, the ear has no lid, and is therefore, always open and vulnerable; noise penetrates without protection

Noise causes effects that the hearer cannot control and to which the body never becomes accustomed. Loud noises instinctively signal danger to any organism with a hearing mechanism, including human beings. In response, heartbeat and respiration **accelerate**, blood vessels constrict, the skin pales, and muscles tense. In fact, there is a general increase in functioning brought about by the flow of adrenaline released in response to fear, and some of these responses persist even longer than the noise, occasionally as long as thirty minutes after the sound has ceased.

Because noise is unavoidable in a complex, industrial society, we are constantly responding in the same way that we would respond to danger. Recently, researchers have concluded that noise and our response may be much more than an annoyance. It may be a serious threat to physical and psychological health and well-being, causing damage not only to the ear and brain but also to the heart and stomach. We have long known that hearing loss is America's number one nonfatal health problem, but now we are learning that some of us with heart disease and ulcers may be victims of noise as well. Fetuses exposed to noise tend to be overactive, they cry easily and they are more sensitive to gastrointestinal problems after birth. In addition, the psychic effect of noise is very important. Nervousness, irritability, tension, and anxiety increase affecting the quality of rest during sleep, and the efficiency of activities during waking hours, as well as the way that we interact with each other.

44. Which of the following is the author's main point?

- A. Hearing loss is America's number one nonfatal health problem.
- B. Loud noises signal danger.
- C. Noise may pose a serious threat to our physical and psychological health,
- D. The ear is not like the eye.

45. According to the passage, what is noise?

- A. A byproduct of technology
- B. Physical and psychological harm
- C. Congestion
- D. Unwanted sound

46. Why is noise difficult to measure?

