

MINITEST 1 – GRADE 9

Fullname: Class:

I. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently.

1. a. culture b. popular c. regular d. fabulous
2. a. historical b. system c. landscape d. business
3. a. pottery b. opinion c. communicate d. behavior

II. Choose the word whose stress is pronounced differently.

1. a. cosmopolitan b. communication c. multicultural d. metropolitan
2. a. handicraft b. cultural c. museum d. sculpture

III. Circle A, B, C or D next to the word or phrase which best completes each sentence below.

1. Since changing the way of production, many craftsmen have voluntarily joined together to for _____.
a. cooperatives b. cooperative c. cooperates d. cooperation
2. The four-ton statue of hero Tran Vu, _____ in 1667, still stands in Quan Thanh Temple.
a. to cast b. to be vast c. cast d. casting
3. For that artisans, making the paintings is a career _____ it supports the life of many generations of the family.
a. because of b. although c. so that d. because
4. He couldn't _____ his father that he was telling the truth.
a. admit b. confide c. trust d. convince
5. She reads a lot of magazines to _____ current trends in fashion.
a. live on b. keep up with c. pass down d. come back
6. When you want to relax, you'll have one of the world's _____ cities at your feet, with more than 40% green space and open water to enjoy.
a. greener b. greenest c. mostly green d. green mostly
7. The trip to the National Gallery has been _____ until next Friday.
a. put off b. looked into c. turned up d. found out
8. Life in Ho Chi Minh City is _____ than we thought at first.
a. far the busier b. the more busier c. much more busy d. much busier
9. No city in America has _____ monuments and museums into one area as Washington, DC.
a. as much b. such many c. as many d. a few
10. It's time to say goodbye, but I'm _____ meeting you all again soon.
a. getting on with b. keep up with c. put up with d. looking forward to

IV. Read the text then answer the questions.

HANOI, A CAPITAL OF TRADITIONAL CRAFTS

Hanoi has long been home to hundreds of craft villages. Over the years, many of the crafts have developed, while some have disappeared altogether.

The heart and soul of Hanoi's vibrant old crafts are its craftsmen and women. One such couple are Nguyen Van Hoa and his wife Dang Huong Lan of Ba Dinh District's Hang Than Street. They are among the few artisans still making elaborate cardboard masks in order to preserve the traditional culture.

Although the work itself requires many steps, the materials required are simple: newspapers, glue, paint and paintbrushes. The first step entails tearing the newspapers to pieces and then using glue to combine them into a mold. The masks are painted one color at a time and then laid out to dry. Cardboard mask making is therefore dependent on dry weather and the couple can only make about 2,000 masks per festival. These are priced from VND25,000 to VND35,000 a piece, bringing in VND50-60 million - a sum is not commensurate with the efforts that go into making these elaborate crafts.

Making swans out of cotton is also a traditional craft. Only artisan Vu Thi Thanh Tam of 79 Hang Luoc Street in the capital makes these swans. The swan frames are made of notebook paper and are stuffed with cotton, then a skillful artisan puts each layer of cotton on the swan frames and uses rice water to smooth them. The swan neck is made of steel wire and is covered by cotton. The finished product is placed in a rattan basket with cotton around and glass-beads and silk flowers are added for color.

The continuity of traditional crafts adds to the capital's attractiveness in the eyes of citizens and international visitors.

1. Who plays role as the heart and soul of Hanoi's crafts?

2. Which traditional craft do Mr. Hoa and his wife preserve?

3. Which kind of weather does the craft making process depend on?

4. What are the swan frames made of?

5. What does the artisan use to smooth the frames?

V. Read the passage and circle the best answer A, B or C.

I was born in Ha Noi, the capital of Viet Nam. Ha Noi is famous for its natural beauty, with lots of rivers and lakes. There are many historical places to visit in Ha Noi. The Literature Temple (Van Mieu – Quoc Tu Giam) is the country's first ever historical university. Teenagers often come here to **pray for** high results in their upcoming examinations. As Viet Nam is a Buddhism-oriented nation, its capital has also been the centre of Buddhism for centuries. In Ha Noi alone, there are about 600 temples and pagodas. It also has a big church in the city centre, a popular place for the few Christians living here. With a population of nearly eight million, the city is quite crowded. However, the public transportation is not **adequate**, so visitors find it hard to safely cross the roads. The city is packed with universities and enterprises, making it the top destination for higher education students and labour workers. Many people from rural areas reside in Ha Noi so that they can get well paid jobs. This makes the city become more crowded than ever before.

1. What is the passage about?

A. a city

B. changes in a city

C. a city in the past

2. What does '**pray for**' means?

A. pass

B. like

C. wish

3. What is the most popular religion in Ha Noi?

A. Buddhism

B. Christianity

C. both A and B

4. What does '**adequate**' mean?

A. satisfactory

B. abundant

C. much

5. Which among this is NOT mentioned about Hà Nội?

A. natural features

B. nightlife

C. infrastructure

VI. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence using the word given.

1. You need to plan your trip to South America carefully. You don't spend all your money too quickly. (SO THAT)

2. Munnar is prettier than most other hill stations in India. (THE)

3. Mary thinks Melbourne is the most "liveable" city in Australia. (OTHER)

VII. Write complete sentences, using the words/phrases given in their correct form. You can add some more necessary words, but you have to use all the words given.

1. Hoi An/ most beautiful town/Viet Nam

2. If/you/get there/full moon day./all lights/turned off

VIII. Listen to a conversation between a man and a receptionist. Fill each of the gaps in the notes with no more than two words or a number. You will listen TWICE.

MAYFAIR HOTEL - BOOKING FORM

Name: Mark (1) _____.

Phone number: (2) _____.

Number of days: (3) _____.

Number of guests: (4) _____.

Price: \$160

Note: Book a (5) _____ for him.