

ĐỀ LUYỆN THI THPT QUỐC GIA – ĐỀ SỐ 1

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Thời gian làm bài: 60 phút, không kể thời gian phát đề

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.

Question 1: A. critical B. solution C. perform D. reaction

Question 2: A. alteration B. observe C. achievement D. specific

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

Question 3: What were some of the things that brought _____ the Resolution?

A. around B. up C. on D. about

Question 4: Poor management brought the company to _____ of collapse.

A. the ring B. the edge C. the brink D. the foot

Question 5: John _____ this task yesterday morning, but I did it for him. He owes me a thank-you.

A. must have completed B. may have completed
C. should have completed D. could have completed

Question 6: I may look half asleep, but I can assure you I am _____ awake.

A. broad B. well C. full D. wide

Question 7: I suggest the room _____ before Christmas.

A. should decorate B. is decorated C. were decorated D. be decorated

Question 8: It is time every student _____ harder for the coming exam.

A. worked B. should work C. works D. work

Question 9: Mr. Simpkins is the big _____ in the company as he has just been promoted to the position of Managing Director.

A. bread B. meat C. cheese D. apple

Question 10: She is so _____ to her children that she has decided to quit her job to stay at home and look after them.

A. persistent B. kind C. responsible D. devoted

Question 11: The new sports complex _____ will accommodate an Olympic-sized swimming pool and others including fitness center, and a spa, to name just a few.

A. supplies B. facilities C. categories D. qualities

Question 12: There _____ a number of reasons for the fall of the Roman Empire

A. are said being B. are said to have been

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.

Question 22: Pitchforks were once carved entirely from wood, but today they have steel tines and wooden handle.

- A. in the meantime B. in one area C. formerly D. sometimes

Question 23: Her style of dress accentuated her extreme slenderness.

- A. betrayed B. emphasized C. revealed D. disfigured

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.

Question 24: A. opponent B. compose C. podium D. advocate

Question 25: A. competitor B. illegal C. epidemic D. education

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.

Question 26: *The president offered his congratulations to the players when they won the cup.*

- A. The president congratulated the players on their winning the match.
B. When they won the cup, the players had been offered some congratulations from the president.
C. The president would offer the players congratulations if they won the match.
D. The president congratulated that the players had won the cup.

Question 27: *A house in that district will cost at least \$100,000.*

- A. If you have \$100,000, you can buy a house in that district.
B. You won't be able to buy a house in that district for less than \$100,000.
C. You won't be able to buy a house in that district for more than \$100,000.
D. \$100,000 is the maximum price for a house in that district.

Question 28: *To get to work on time, they have to leave at 6.00am.*

- A. They always leave for work at 6.00am.
B. They have to leave very early to catch a bus to work.
C. Getting to work on time, for them, means leaving at 6.00am.
D. Leaving at 6.00am, they have never been late for work.

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.

Question 29: *The new restaurant looks good. However, it seems to have few customers.*

- A. In order to get more business, the new restaurant should improve its appearance.
B. If it had a few more customers, the new restaurant would look better.
C. The new restaurant would have more customers if it looked better.

D. In spite of its appearance, the new restaurant does not appear to attract much business.

Question 30: *No one but the experts was able to realize that the painting was an imitation. It greatly resembled the original.*

A. It was hard for ordinary people to judge between the fake painting and the real one, but not for the experts.

B. It was almost impossible for amateurs to realize that the painting was not authentic, though the experts could judge it quite easily.

C. The painting looked so much like the authentic one that only the experts could tell it wasn't genuine.

D. It was obvious that only a person with great talent could fake a painting so successfully.

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

A considerable **body** of research has demonstrated a correlation between birth order and aspects such as temperament and behavior, and some psychologists believe that birth order significantly affects the development of personality. Psychologist Alfred Adler was a pioneer in the study of the relationship between birth order and personality. A **key** point in his research and in the hypothesis that he developed based on **it** was that it was not the actual numerical birth position that affected personality; instead, it was the similar responses in large numbers of families to children in specific birth order positions that had an effect. For example, first-borns, who have their parents to themselves initially and do not have to deal with siblings in the first part of their lives, tend to have their first socialization experiences with adults and therefore tend to find the process of peer socialization more difficult. In contrast, later-born children have to deal with siblings from the first moment of their lives and therefore tend to have stronger socialization skills.

Numerous studies since Adler's have been conducted on the effect of birth order and personality. These studies have tended to classify birth order types into four different categories: first-born, second-born and/or middle, last, and only child.

Studies have consistently shown that first-born children tend to exhibit similar, positive and negative personality traits. First-borns have consistently been linked with academic achievement in various studies; in one study, the number of National Merit scholarship winners who are first-borns was found to be equal to the number of second- and third-borns combined. *First-borns have been found to be more responsible and assertive than those born in other birth-order positions and tend to rise to positions of leadership more often than others; more first-borns have served in the U.S. Congress and as U.S. presidents than have those born in other birth-order positions.* However, studies have shown that first-borns tend to be more subject to stress and were considered problem children more often than later-borns.

Second-born and/or middle children demonstrate markedly different tendencies from first-borns. They tend to feel inferior to the older child or children because it is difficult for them to comprehend that their lower level of achievement is a function of age rather than ability, and they often try to succeed in areas other than those in which their older sibling or siblings excel. They tend to be more trusting, **accepting**, and focused on others than the more self-centered first-borns, and they tend to have a comparatively higher level of success in team sports than do first-borns or only children, who more often excel in individual sports.

The last-born child is the one who tends to be the eternal baby of the family and thus often exhibits a strong sense of security. Last-borns collectively achieve the highest degree of social success and demonstrate the highest levels of self-esteem of all the birth-order positions. They often exhibit less competitiveness than older brothers and sisters and are more likely to take part in less competitive group games or in social organizations such as sororities and fraternities.

Only children tend to exhibit some of the main characteristics of first-borns and some of the characteristics of last-borns. Only children tend to exhibit the strong sense of security and self-esteem exhibited by last-borns while, like first-borns, they are **more achievement oriented** and more likely than middle-or last-borns to achieve academic success. However, only children tend to have the most problems establishing close relationships and exhibit a lower need for affiliation than other children.

Question 31: The word “body” in paragraph 1 could best be replaced by_____.

- A. amount B. organization C. corpse D. skeleton

Question 32: The word “key” in paragraph 1 could best be replaced by_____.

- A. secret B. studied C. significant D. locked

Question 33: The word “it” in paragraph 1 refers to_____.

- A. component B. research C. hypothesis D. personality

Question 34: What is stated in paragraph 1 about Adler?

- A. He had found that the responses by family members had little to do with personality.
B. He believed that it was the actual birth order that affected personality.
C. He was one of the first to study the effect of birth order on personality.
D. He was the only one to study birth order.

Question 35: Which of the sentences below expresses the essential information in the italic sentence in paragraph 3?

Incorrect choices change the meaning in important ways or leave out essential information.

- A. Because first-borns tend to be very assertive, they are uncomfortable serving in government positions.
B. Several examples support the idea that first-borns have characteristics that make them leaders.

C. An interesting fact that is difficult to explain is that many first-borns have served in high government positions.

D. In spite of certain characteristics that first-borns possess, many of them become leaders.

Question 36: The word “accepting” in paragraph 4 is closest in meaning to_____.

- A. respectable B. affectionate C. admissible D. tolerant

Question 37: Which of the following is NOT true?

- A. Middle children tend to have a preference for team sports.
B. First-borns tend to do well in individual sports.
C. Only children tend to prefer individual over team sports.
D. Last-borns tend to prefer games with fierce competition.

Question 38: The phrase “more achievement oriented” in the paragraph 6 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. more skilled as leaders
B. more aware of surroundings
C. more directly involved
D. more focused on accomplishments

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

An important point to remember if you like spending time out in the open air is that the human head doesn't work very well outdoors if it becomes too hot, cold or wet. That's why a hat is a good investment, whenever you are planning to go out and about. Surprisingly, a single waterproof hat with a brim will do the (39)_____ adequately in most conditions.

In cold climates, the problem is that the head is (40)_____ heat all the time. As much as fifty to sixty per cent of your body's heat is lost through the head and neck, (41)_____ on which scientist you believe. Clearly this heat loss needs to be prevented, but it's important to remember that hats don't actually keep you warm, they simply stop heat escaping.

Just as important is the need to protect your neck from the effects of bright sunlight, and the brim of your hat will do this. If you prefer a baseball cap, (42)_____ buying one that has a drop down 'tail' at the back to stop your neck getting sunburnt.

And in wet weather (43)_____, hats are often more practical than pulling up the hood of your waterproof coat because when you turn your head, the hat goes with you, whereas the hood usually does not.

Question 39: A. role B. duty C. job D. task

Question 40: A. giving away B. sending out C. running down D. dropping off

Question 41: A. regarding B. relating C. depending D. according

Question 42: A. advise B. suggest C. recommend D. consider

Question 43: A. conditions B. cases C. occasions D. positions

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

Certainly no creature in the sea is odder than the common sea cucumber. All living creature, especially human beings, have their peculiarities, but everything about the little sea cucumber seems unusual. What else can be said about a **bizarre** animal that, among other eccentricities, eats mud, feeds almost continuously day and night but can live without eating for long periods, and can be poisonous but is considered supremely edible by gourmets?

For some fifty million years, despite all its eccentricities, the sea cucumber has subsisted on its diet of mud. It is adaptable enough to live attached to rocks by its tube feet, under rocks in shallow water, or on the surface of mud flats. Common in cool water on both Atlantic and Pacific shores, it has the ability to such up mud or sand and digest whatever nutrients are present.

Sea cucumbers come in a variety of colors, ranging from black to reddish-brown to sand-color and nearly white. One form even has vivid purple tentacle. Usually the creatures are cucumber-shaped-hence their name-and because they are typically rock inhabitants, this shape, combine with flexibility, enables them to squeeze into crevices where they are safe from predators and ocean currents.

Although they have voracious appetites, eating day and night, sea cucumbers have the capacity to become quiescent and live at a low metabolic rate-feeding sparingly or not at all for long periods, so that the marine organisms that provide their food have a chance to multiply. If it were not for **this faculty**, they would devour all the food available in a short time and would probably starve themselves out of existence.

But the most spectacular thing about the sea cucumber is the way it defends itself. Its major enemies are fish and crabs, when attacked, it squirts all its internal organs into the water. It also **casts off** attached structures such as tentacles. The sea cucumber will eviscerate and regenerate itself if it is attached or even touched; it will do the same if the surrounding water temperature is too high or if the water becomes too polluted.

Question 44: What does the passage mainly discuss?

- A. Places where the sea cucumber can be found
- B. The reason for the sea cucumber's name
- C. How to identify the sea cucumber
- D. What makes the sea cucumber unusual

Question 45: The word "bizarre" is closest meaning to

- A. rare B. simple C. marine D. odd

Question 46: The fourth paragraph of the passage primarily discusses

- A. the eating habits of sea cucumbers
- B. the food sources of sea cucumbers
- C. the reproduction of sea cucumbers
- D. threats to sea cucumbers' existence

Question 47: According to the passage, why is the shape of sea cucumbers important?

- A. It makes them attractive to fish
- B. It helps them to protect themselves from danger.
- C. It helps them to digest their food.
- D. It makes it easier for them to move through the mud.

Question 48: The phrase "casts off" is closest in meaning to

- A. gets rid of
- B. grows again
- C. grabs
- D. uses as a weapon

Question 49: The words "this faculty" refers to the sea cucumber's ability to

- A. live at a low metabolic rate
- B. squeeze into crevices
- C. devour all available food in a short time
- D. suck up mud or sand

Question 50: What can be inferred about the defense mechanisms of the sea cucumber?

- A. They are very sensitive to surrounding stimuli.
- B. They are almost useless.
- C. They are similar to those of most sea creatures.
- D. They require group cooperation.