Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best completes each of the following exchanges.

Question 1: Binh is talking to Minh after the performance.

- Binh: "You've got a lovely voice, Minh."
- Minh: "_____"

A. Congratulations! **B.** Thank you. **C.** Me too. **D.** No problem.

Question 2: Tim is late for the class meeting.

- Tim: "Sorry, I'm late, Peter".
- Peter: "_____"

A. Thanks a lot. **B.** Same to you **C.** Never mind. **D.** Good idea.

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 3: A. nervous **B.** polite **C.** careful **D.** happy

Question 4: A. festival **B.** attention **C.** customer **D.** capital

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 5: A. started **B.** rained **C.** cried **D.** seemed

Question 6: A. face **B.** save **C.** take **D.** land

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

Question 7: _____ comfortable I feel, the more creative I am.

A. Most **B.** More **C.** Most of **D.** The more

Question 10: I like eating in this restaurant because the waiters are very _____ and friendly.

A. help **B.** helpfulness **C.** helpfully **D.** helpful

Question 11: The next SEA Games will be held _____ Viet Nam.

A. in **B.** on **C.** at **D.** up

Question 13: The building is beautiful, _____?

A. has it **B.** wasn't it **C.** isn't it **D.** was it

Question 15: I _____ a lot of presents on my birthday last week.

A. give **B.** was given **C.** was giving **D.** have given

Question 16: We _____ flowers in the school garden when it started to rain.

A. plant **B.** were planting **C.** are planting **D.** have planted

Question 17: _____ the experiment several times, the scientists finally succeeded in developing a new vaccine.

A. Having been carrying out **B.** Have carried out

C. Having carried out **D.** Have been carried out

Question 18: _____, he will be very happy.

A. When my father was seeing my test scores **B.** When my father had seen my test scores

C. When my father sees my test scores **D.** When my father saw my test scores

Question 19: The students enjoyed the online course _____ they found it useful for their studies.

A. despite **B.** because **C.** although **D.** because of

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 26 to 30.

Many people say that schooldays are the best days of their life, and they often feel that this should be a period of enjoyment. **(26)** _____, exams often make them unhappy, and many students prefer having no exam at all. They say the exams **(27)** _____ they have to take often make them worried, and they have no time to relax. Others, on the other hand, say that exams help students study better. They will have to study throughout the year, and if they do well, they will become more **(28)** _____ in studying.

There are **(29)** _____ students who prefer only final exams. They say that they have to work hard for two months a year and so they have more time for their leisure activities. They think that this is a better way of **(30)** _____ student' knowledge and ability in the subjects they are studying.

(Adapted from Complete First for Schools by Brook-Hart, Hutchison, Passmore and Uddin)

Question 26: A. Although **B.** However **C.** Therefore **D.** Moreover

Question 27: A. which **B.** when **C.** who **D.** where

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Question 29: **A.** some **B.** another **C.** each **D.** every

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 31 to 35.

Many children have music classes when they attend school. And it is thought that music can help them learn other subjects better. Research has shown that **it** can improve children's performances in certain subjects.

Some studies have shown that music training can help you understand your own language better. It could also help you with learning a second one. Moreover, young people who have studied music also seem to get higher scores in other subjects like maths. So it could be that these school subjects are connected in some way.

Music also helps you think of new ideas and believe more in yourself. If you are learning the guitar, for example, it can be really exciting when you are able to start **composing** your own pieces of music. One of the biggest benefits, of course, is that listening to music can reduce your stress. And composing music can make you feel the same way. Maybe your musical knowledge will even open up a great career path for you in the future!

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Question 32: The word "**it**" in paragraph 1 refers to _____.

A. research **B.** school **C.** child **D.** music

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 36 to 42.

Although there are not any strict rules about how to teach "ambition" or what decides it, many successful people do share some things. Most scientists agree that it helps to have parents who encourage the children to try new experiences, praise their successes, and accept their failures. In those families, kids often have much higher confidence levels. They know how to set goals and keep trying until they achieve **them**. Money also plays an important role. Those who are not very rich often want to earn money. It forces them to work hard all the time and improve their life.

Question 39: The word **them** in paragraph 3 refers to _____.

A. kids **B.** levels **C.** levels **D.** goals

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 43: It is not necessary for you to book movie tickets in advance.

A. You would book movie tickets in advance.

B. You can't book movie tickets in advance.

C. You needn't book movie tickets in advance.

D. You must book movie tickets in advance.

Question 44: "I have a lot of homework to do," Ha said.

A. Ha said that I have a lot of homework to do.

B. Ha said that she had a lot of homework to do.

C. Ha said that she has had a lot of homework to do.

D. Ha said that I had a lot of homework to do.

Question 45: He last went to the cinema two months ago.

A. He has two months to go the cinema. **B.** He hasn't gone to the cinema for two months.

C. He has gone to the cinema for two months. **D.** He didn't go to the cinema two months ago.

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.

Question 46: Students need to develop necessary skills to prepare for his future.

A **B** **C** **D** (their)

Question 47: Mai invites her classmates to her 18th birthday party last week.

A **B** **C** **D**

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 49: Mike doesn't feel well today. He can't go out with his friends.

A. Provided that Mike feels well today, he can't go out with his friends.

B. If Mike had felt well today, he couldn't have gone out with his friends.

C. If only Mai had felt well today, he couldn't have gone out with his friends.

D. Mike wishes he felt well today so that he could go out with his friends.

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