

I. PRONUNCIATION

Choose the word that is pronounced differently

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| 1. A. <u>honey</u> | B. <u>donkey</u> | C. <u>monkey</u> | D. <u>survey</u> |
| 2. A. <u>washed</u> | B. <u>handed</u> | C. <u>laughed</u> | D. <u>helped</u> |
| 3. A. <u>host</u> | B. <u>hospital</u> | C. <u>most</u> | D. <u>post</u> |
| 4. A. <u>suitable</u> | B. <u>situation</u> | C. <u>regulation</u> | D. <u>customer</u> |
| 5. A. <u>stripe</u> | B. <u>string</u> | C. <u>spring</u> | D. <u>trip</u> |

II. GRAMMAR

Circle the correct answers

6. We reached the house after for almost an hour.
A. cycled B. to cycle C. cycling D. cycle
7. Would you like to go a walk the park this afternoon?
A. to - at B. for - at C. to - in D. for - in
8. you study harder, you won't be able to pass the examination.
A. Unless B. Because C. If D. Without
9. She told me a story I found hard to believe.
A. what B. which C. in which D. at which
10. When the dwarves came home that evening, they found Snow White on the ground.
A. laid B. lied C. to lie D. lying
11. In the past, people believed that women's roles were as mothers and wives.
A. nature B. natural C. naturism D. naturalist
12. After a long and exhausting journey, they arrived home
A. finally B. by the end C. at the end D. at last
13. Anna change her hair style because the old one doesn't suit her any more.
A. could B. has to C. have to D. doesn't have to
14. She is famous her intelligence. She designs many special styles for *Ao dai*.
A. in B. for C. with D. into
15. We wear uniform at school from Monday to Saturday.
A. have to B. haven't to C. could D. must

III. VOCABULARY

Circle the correct answers

16. There's a in our family that we have a party on New Year's Eve.
A. tradition B. custom C. legend D. belief
17. You need to support your ideas with facts and
A. numbers B. figures C. information D. material
18. Since I moved house, I haven't had much with those friends.
A. connection B. contact C. business D. meeting
19. Tet's and celebrations used to be spread over months.
A. preparation B. lights C. gifts D. foods

NEU/ GRADE 8/ 1st SEMESTER/ FINAL TEST/ READING - WRITING

20. When the first Chinese restaurants opened in Greece, it was very difficult to get fresh of Chinese vegetables.
A. provisions B. materials C. supplies D. ingredients
21. They walked in to the capital.
A. group B. cowed C. line D. procession
22. At the beginning of the festival, they performed a of offering some incense.
A. task B. ritual C. function D. role
23. The Kate Festival is held by the Cham group in Ninh Thuan in the central part of the Viet Nam.
A. province B. ethnic C. people D. ancient
24. To welcome Tet, we..... our house with peach blossoms, or we can buy a mandarin tree for a longer lasting display.
A. decorate B. prepare C. encourage D. make
25. In Mid- Autumn Festival, Vietnamese parents tell their children fairy and serve mooncakes.
A. history B. custom C. tales D. tradition

IV. COMMUNICATION

a. Choose the best reply for each utterance

26. **Hey Jessica! My family would like to invite you to dinner.**
A. Oh, that's nice.
B. You're welcome
C. Yes, that's right.
27. **When is the Hue Festival?**
A. Sounds great!
B. Are you sure?
C. It's in April
28. **Can I ask you some questions about this festival?**
A. Yes, of course.
B. Yes, I can.
C. Have a nice holiday.
29. **Was Duong listening to music?**
A. Yes, they were.
B. No, he wasn't. He was watching TV.
C. Oh, he loves music.
30. **What were you doing at 9 o'clock last night?**
A. It was rainy.
B. I am doing my homework.
C. I was doing my homework.

b. Complete the conversation.

Peter: Hey, I'm visiting Viet Nam this spring. I really want to see a festival there.

Duong: (31).....

Peter: What's that? And when is it?

Duong: (32).....

Peter: Sounds great! How about festivals in February or March?

Duong: (33).....

Peter: Are you sure? But it's your family reunion.

Duong: (34)..... To welcome Tet, we prepare a five-fruit tray and make jam and *chung* cakes. It's hard to explain on the phone. Just come, you won't regret it.

Peter: Thanks, Duong!

Duong: Yes,... Then on the 12th day of the first lunar month I'll take you to Bac Ninh Province, which is in the north of Ha Noi, to see the *Lim* festival.

Peter: (35).....

Duong: Lim – there's traditional *Quan ho* singing which is performed on dragon boats, and folk games like swinging on huge bamboo swings, wrestling ...

- A. Slow down, Duong! The 'what' festival?
- B. Welcome to Viet Nam.
- C. Really? Well, how about the Hue festival?
- D. Well, there's the Tet holiday. Why don't you come for that?
- E. Can you tell me about your holiday?
- F. It's in April. There's lots to see – a grand opening ceremony, an *Ao dai* fashion show, a *Dem Phuong Dong* or oriental night show, royal court music performances... and sporting activities like human chess, boat races...
- G. Sure! Come and join the celebration.
- H. Who do you worship at the festival?

V. READING

a. Read and answer the questions

Yoko, a Japanese girl, has been an exchange student in the USA for two months. She's now living with Paul's family on a farm 80 kilometers to the north of Las Vegas.

The Pauls are kind and friendly. There are four people in their family. Mr and Mrs Paul are hard-working people. They get up early every day and go to work on the farm right after breakfast. Their two children, Jane and Mike often help them after school.

Since Yoko arrived, she has been learning a lot about life on a farm. In the afternoon, after learning, she helps the Pauls with farm work. She often feeds the animals and waters the vegetables. Sometimes she pumps water into the field.

In the evening, after dinner, the Pauls and Yoko often watch TV in the living room, drinking tea and chatting about their work, their plans for the next crops. Yoko feels as if she was in her family in Tokyo.

Questions:

36. Who is Yoko living with now?

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37. Where is the farm?

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38. How many people are there in Paul's family?

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39. What does Yoko do after learning?

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40. Does Yoko enjoy her life with Paul's family?

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b. Read and fill in the blanks

The rice-cooking festival was held in the communal house yard about one kilometer away (41)..... a house. There were three contests: water-fetching, fire-making and rice-cooking. The festival (42)..... one day. In the water-fetching contest, one person from each team had (43)..... to the river to get the water. In the fire-making contest, two team members had to make fire in the (44)..... way. They tried to rub pieces of (45)..... together to make the fire. Six people from each team participated in the Rice-cooking Festival. They had to separate the rice from the husk and then cook the rice.

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| 41. A. for | B. out | C. from | D. of |
| 42. A. take | B. took | C. taking | D. takes |
| 43. A. to run | B. run | C. ran | D. running |
| 44. A. strange | B. tradition | C. traditional | D. cultural |
| 45. A. bamboo | B. rice | C. fire | D. water |

VI. WRITING

Write a short paragraph to describe a local festival in your hometown. It should include the information to answer the questions:

1. What is the festival called?
2. Where is it held?
3. When is it held?
4. What are the main activities there?

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