

MOCK TEST 8

Choose the word with the underlined part pronounced differently from the others:

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| 1. A. parents <u>u</u> | B. sometimes <u>u</u> | C. signals <u>u</u> | D. values <u>u</u> |
| 2. A. archeology | B. archite <u>u</u> ct | C. ch <u>u</u> re | D. Ch <u>u</u> ristmas |
| 3. A. promoted <u>u</u> | B. comm <u>u</u> nded | C. contr <u>u</u> lled | D. contact <u>u</u> d |

Choose the word with the stress pattern different from the others:

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| 4. A. influence | B. contrib <u>u</u> te | C. approp <u>u</u> riate | D. initi <u>u</u> te |
| 5. A. enter | B. reserv <u>u</u> e | C. appe <u>u</u> ar | D. support |

Choose the best option:

6. **Teacher:** "You didn't do your homework, did you?"

John: "_____. I came home late and I was too tired to do anything."

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| A. Yes, I'm sorry | B. No, I'm sorry |
| C. Yes, I did | D. Yes, I didn't |
7. - "_____." - "You too."
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| A. Bye | B. It was nice seeing you again |
| C. I must be going now | D. I'm out |
8. - "May I go out?" - "_____"

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| A. Yes, you do. | B. Let's go. |
| C. No, not at all. | D. Yes, you can. |

9. I am writing in **reply** to your letter dated November 2.

The **SYNONYM** of "**reply**" is _____.

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| A. information | B. question | C. response | D. opinion |
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10. Shall I pass you some **compliments** on your excellent academic performance this school year?

The **SYNONYM** of "**compliments**" is _____.

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| A. praises | B. criticism | C. comments | D. words |
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11. At first, nobody believed he was a teacher, but his documents **lent colour to** his statements.

The **OPPOSITE** of "**lent colour to**" is _____.

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| A. provided evidence for | B. got information from |
| C. borrowed colour from | D. gave no proof of |

12. If you fail to **make efforts**, you cannot win this game.

The **OPPOSITE** of "**make efforts**" is _____.

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| A. try hard | B. give up |
| C. become successful | D. take action |

13. On account of the rapid increase in food poisoning, many people start to use vegetables _____ organically.

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| A. grown | B. that grown | C. which grows | D. are grown |
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14. If you cannot give the answers immediately, jot the questions _____ on a handy notepad.

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| A. down | B. in | C. by | D. for |
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15. Today, the husband tends to assist his wife in _____ the domestic chores.

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| A. making | B. getting | C. taking | D. doing |
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16. It was not until he arrived at the airport that he realized he _____ his passport.

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| A. forgot | B. has forgotten | C. had forgotten | D. would forget |
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17. The librarian told us not _____ reference books out of the library.

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| A. take | B. taking | C. to take | D. took |
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18. Dato is going to _____ an important exam tomorrow. I hope he will do it well.

- A. make B. play C. pass D. sit
19. My granddad has a good _____ on me.
- A. influence B. interest C. keen D. feeling
20. The suspect said that he had been working at home at that time _____.
- A. the following day B. two days before
- C. a day ago D. then
21. Peter wants to look his best at the wedding, so he's _____.
- A. having made a suit B. having a suit made
- C. to get made a suit D. make a suit
22. On _____ she could get the job, she became cheerful.
- A. she was told B. telling C. having told D. being told

Find the only mistake in each sentence:

23. That is the man who's daughter won the spelling bee.
A B C D
24. The man for who the police are looking robbed the bank yesterday.
A B C D
25. The only man to survive crash has been suffering from depression.
A B C D
26. It is always believed that working hard leads to succeed.
A B C D
27. If you are not keen on nothing, you can't blame others for your failures.
A B C D

Read the passage and choose the best option to fit each blank:

The United States has many different types of families. While most American families are traditional, (28)_____ a father, mother and one or more children, 22 percent of all American families in 1988 were headed by one parent, usually a woman. In a few families in the United States, there are no children. These (29)_____ couples may believe that they would not make good parents; they may want freedom from the (30)_____ of childrearing; or, perhaps they are not physically able to have children. Other families in the United States have one adult who is a stepparent. A stepmother or stepfather is a person who joins a family by marrying a father or mother. Americans tolerate and accept these different types of families. In the United States, people have the right to (31)_____ and Americans do not believe in telling others what type of family group they must belong to. They respect each other's choices regarding family groups. Families are very important (32)_____ Americans.

- 28.A. including in B. composing C. consisting D. comprising
29.A. childish B. childless C. childlike D. children
30.A. care B. burdens C. responsibilities D. jobs
31.A. privacy B. background C. secrecy D. confidence
32.A. with B. for C. to D. in

Read the passage and choose the best answer to each question:

THE POWER OF SOLITUDE

We're never really alone anymore. Technology has made interaction a click away and **the world has gotten a lot smaller**. At the same time, we've seen a movement towards collaboration in every facet of

our work. Both of these movements have signaled a sign of the times, but they have also overshadowed one of the most important parts of our lives – solitude.

The power of being alone should not be dismissed. Despite all the external factors that are pulling us away from our ability to be alone, solitude has much to offer in all facets of our lives and a conscious effort should be made by every individual to experience **it** regularly. Here are just four typical of the many benefits that come from solitude.

Being alone allows you to be with your own thoughts and discover your own voice. Creativity **flourishes** in solitude. It allows you to dive into ideas, focus on problems, think outside the box, and reach deep within yourself and your imagination in a way that is not possible around others.

At the same time, solitude provides you with the perfect opportunity to be with yourself and truly understand who you are. Gaining this deeper understanding of yourself will help you in all facets of your life. And not only for yourself, but for others as well. Furthermore, this understanding can be applied to anything you are dealing with: your fears, your struggles, your demons – anything can be realized with some alone time for you to think.

A great part of solitude is that it also gives you a chance to relax and recover from your day to day stresses. Getting away from it all allows you to break the cycle and recover from your typical routine. It allows you to ground yourself, re-discover your goals, and remind yourself of what's important in your life. Having this space will make it all easier to be ready to get back to the grind when you return.

33. The author states that **“the world has gotten a lot smaller”** to clarify that _____.

- A. the increasing number of human beings is not aligned with the space given for living
- B. technological devices ensure our constant connection to the rest of the world
- C. budget travel carriers allow easy and frequent movements for those who are on the go
- D. upgrading infrastructure gives access to many far-flung corners of the world

34. According to the passage, the predominance of the two movements has led to the less time people spend for _____.

- A. their families
- B. social relationships
- C. themselves
- D. daily routines

35. The word **“it”** in paragraph 2 refers to _____.

- A. solitude
- B. loneliness
- C. facet of lives
- D. conscious effort

36. The word **“flourishes”** in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. halts
- B. develops
- C. accomplishes
- D. flows

37. It can be inferred from paragraph 4 that _____.

- A. the more often you are alone, the less likely you will be to understand yourself
- B. you can hardly find a good partner if you distance yourself from others
- C. understanding yourself can give rise to your chances of promotion at work
- D. being alone with your thoughts can help you get over your difficulties

38. Who in the following situations is probably in need of being alone?

- A. A man travelling with his family to a scenic historic spot
- B. A person with a burden of workload
- C. A teacher who enjoys working with children
- D. A psychologist helping others overcome their fears

39. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a benefit of being on your own?

- A. creativity
- B. understanding
- C. productivity
- D. restoration

40. The paragraph following this passage is most likely about _____.

- A. another advantage of being alone
- B. solutions to gaining the power of solitude

- C. some ways to achieve inner peace
- D. the importance of being on your own