

PRACTICE TEST No. 11

I. MULTIPLE CHOICE (8.0 points)

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.

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| 1. A. <u>c</u> ultural | B. er <u>u</u> ption | C. b <u>u</u> ry | D. fr <u>u</u> strated |
| 2. A. <u>c</u> limate | B. adm <u>i</u> re | C. <u>p</u> rovide | D. prom <u>i</u> se |

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.

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| 3. A. interest | B. performance | C. vehicle | D. pyramid |
| 4. A. mausoleum | B. citizenship | C. temperature | D. dormitory |

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined part that needs correcting in each of the following questions.

5. I'm (A) usually (B) right about the weather, am not (C) I? (D).
6. Despite (A) most mustrooms are edible (B), some species cause (C) serious poisoning (D).
7. Do you want to get up (A) by yourself, or would you like (B) me (C) to wake up you (D)?

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

8. Life in France seemed strange at first. For example, I _____ wine with my food.
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| A. didn't use to drink | C. wasn't used to drinking |
| B. wasn't use to drinking | D. didn't used to drink |

9. Being _____ is one of the worst things that can happen to someone.
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| A. employed | B. employing | C. unemployed | D. unemployment |
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10. The people _____ are all professionals.
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| A. I work with | B. which I work with | C. with which I work | D. with who I work |
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11. There's no point _____ a garage if you don't have a car to put in it.
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| A. to build | B. that you build | C. on building | D. in building |
|-------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|
12. You don't realise how lucky you are. I wish I _____ in your position.
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| A. am | B. were | C. will be | D. would be |
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13. A large percentage of the population _____ on very little money.
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| A. get away | B. get by | C. get over | D. get through |
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14. Harry loves cars and he's so _____ about them.
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| A. well-known | B. knowledge | C. knowledgeable | D. acknowledged |
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15. I am very sorry _____ I said. Please accept my apologies.
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| A. of what | B. of that | C. for what | D. for that |
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16. At the end of the play, the _____ applauded enthusiastically.
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|-------------|---------------|--------------|------------|
| A. audience | B. spectators | C. onlookers | D. viewers |
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Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the most suitable response to complete each of the following exchanges.

17. Susan: "Well, it's been nice talking to you."

Kate: " "

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| A. Yes, nice to have met you too. | C. Nice to meet you, too. |
| B. Oh, yes, I'm afraid so. | D. Have you been here long. |

18. Jane: "I think golf is really great."

Jack: " "

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| A. Do you? I think it's boring. | C. Neither do I. |
| B. Don't you believe so? | D. Almost every day. |

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.

19. I invited her to join our trip to Trang An, but she turned down my invitation.
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|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| A. returned | B. rejected | C. accepted | D. offered |
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20. Air pollution has a bad influence on the environment.

- A. impact B. result C. consequence D. affect

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

21. It's discourteous to ask Americans questions about their age, marriage or income.

- A. impolite B. polite C. unacceptable D. rude

22. She was unhappy that she lost contact with a lot of her old friends when she went abroad to study.

- A. made room for B. put in charge of C. lost control of D. got in touch with

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.

UK fires starting gun on race to 'zero emission' economy

Government ministers are calling time on the UK's greenhouse gas emissions by tasking climate experts (23)_____ finding a path to a net zero emission economy.

The committee on climate change is (24)_____ to strengthen the UK's existing 2050 target to drive emissions down by 80pc from levels in 1990.

The new target is likely to spur action to find low-carbon alternatives for British manufacturing, transport and heating in what ministers believe is "one of the greatest industrial (25)_____ of our time".

The UK has already cut its emission by over 40pc from 1990 levels, while the economy has grown by over 60pc but new policies will be needed to go further, said the Confederation of British Industry.

"Businesses are committed to playing their part in the move to (26)_____ zero-carbon future, ensuring the UK remains a global leader in low-carbon performance," said Tom Thackray, of the CBI, "but they can only go so far without the correct policy measures to drive investment and change consumers' (27)_____".

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| 23. A. for | B. with | C. of | D. in |
| 24. A. expected | B. known | C. reported | D. suggested |
| 25. A. opportunity | B. possibility | C. possibilities | D. opportunities |
| 26. A. Ø | B. one | C. that | D. the |
| 27. A. action | B. role | C. act | D. behavior |

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.

Mars has captured the imaginations of people since ancient times. People have long wondered if the planet is home to alien life. Over the years, a number of theories concerning this matter have arisen.

In the nineteenth century, there were finally telescopes made that could closely examine the surface of the Red Planet. While looking at Mars, an Italian astronomer saw many straight channels on its surface. These were most likely caused by the action of either the wind or water in the distant past. When he published his observations, he used the Italian word canali, which means "channels". However, English-speaking astronomers interpreted the word as "canals" and assumed that he was referring to something akin to manmade canals on Earth.

An American astronomer, Percival Lowell, believed that these "canals" had been built by a race of intelligent beings that had lived - and might still be living - on Mars. The result of that highly publicized claim was that a great number of myths about Mars suddenly arose. For instance, H. G. Wells wrote *The War of the Worlds*, a book about a Martian invasion of Earth, in 1898. Over the next few decades, Mars and Martians featured in countless science fiction stories, movies, and TV shows.

Years later, in the 1960s and 1970s, the United States sent several satellites to investigate Mars more closely. The satellites found no canals, but one picture suddenly ignited a great deal of interest in Mars. In 1976, Viking 1 took a snapshot of the Martian surface. In the picture was what appeared to be an enormous human face. It was so large that it measured more than three kilometers long. This convinced people that there was - or had been - intelligent life on Mars.

In 2001, however, the mystery of the Martian face was solved by Mars Global Surveyor. The pictures that it transmitted proved that the face was just a mesa, a type of geological formation. As for

the "eyes, nose, and mouth" of the face, they were merely shadows. Despite this proof, many people are still convinced that signs of life could be found on Mars someday.

28. What is the best title for the passage?

- A. The Martian face and other mysteries
- B. What are Martians thought to look like?
- C. Martian Civilization: What happened to it?
- D. Mars and the belief that life exists on it

29. Which of the following can be inferred from the passage about Mars?

- A. It is farther from the sun than Earth
- B. One of its nicknames is the Red Planet
- C. Humans hope to visit it someday
- D. It almost surely had life on it at some point

30. What does the author point out by writing that a picture 'ignited a great deal of interest' in Mars?

- A. Schools focused on educating students on Mars
- B. More pictures of Mars became available
- C. People wanted more satellites to be sent to Mars
- D. Many people began to think about Mars

31. What does the author say about the Martian face?

- A. It was discovered by a satellite
- B. It proved there was life on Mars
- C. It was found near some channels
- D. It is located near some mesas

32. What did Mars Global Surveyor do?

- A. It searched for hidden canals on Mars
- B. It mapped part of the surface of Mars
- C. It showed what the Martian face really was
- D. It looked for signs of life on Mars

PRACTICE TEST No. 12

I. MULTIPLE CHOICE (8.0 points)

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.

1. A. museum B. cultural C. drum D. sculpture
2. A. kits B. photographs C. laughs D. chores

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.

3. A. apply B. supply C. device D. order
4. A. dictionary B. emotional C. computer D. technology

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined part that needs correcting in each of the following questions.

5. It was (A) an extremely (B) frightened (C) experience in (D) my life.
6. Mark went on (A) working (B) despite (C) he felt (D) unwell.
7. Frank is usually swimming (A) before work (B), but (C) this morning he is jogging (D).

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

8. I wish I _____ you tomorrow, but it's impossible.
A. can see B. could see C. saw D. would see
9. There _____ between 4,000 to 6,000 languages in the world, depending on how you count them.
A. say to be B. are said that C. are said to be D. said being
10. A: "When did they first meet?" – B: "_____ a rainy day _____ May."
A. At – on B. On – in C. In – in D. On – on
11. He suggested _____ outside the theater.
A. meet B. meeting C. to meet D. met
12. People are becoming far more aware of _____ issues.
A. environment B. environmental C. environmentally D. environmentalist
13. In the future, teachers will be _____ rather than knowledge providers.
A. facility B. facilitation C. facilitators D. facilitate
14. By 1820, there were over six steamboats on the Mississippi River, _____ were quite luxurious.
A. many of them B. which may C. many of which D. many that
15. We are responsible _____ keeping our class clean.
A. about B. of C. toward D. for
16. I _____ a few words of English while I was on holiday.
A. picked up B. took in C. went on D. looked for

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the most suitable response to complete each of the following exchanges.

17. Anne: "I don't think I can do this." – John: "_____"
A. Not at all C. Sure, go ahead!
B. Oh, come on! Give it a try! D. No, I hope not.
18. Jack: "Oh, I'm really sorry!" – Jim: "_____"
A. You're welcome. C. That's alright.
B. Thanks. D. It's my pleasure.

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.

19. He's still financially dependent on his parents until he gets a job.
A. economically B. heavily C. totally D. physically
20. Astronauts are required to complete a special training program before they are allowed to fly into the space.
A. advised B. obliged C. suggested D. opposed

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

21. One of the reasons why families break up is that parents are always critical of each other.

- A. unaware B. supportive C. intolerant D. tired
22. You can **attach** a document to this email.
- A. detach B. stick C. close D. adhere

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.

Since usage of the Internet became widespread in the 1990s, it has (23)_ a number of advantages for people. For example, people use the Internet to communicate with others, to find information, to make purchases, and (24)_ themselves. Unfortunately, some people use the internet for illegal purpose. Downloading files from the Internet without paying for them is one of (25)_ illegal activities people utilize the internet for. The main things that people illegally download are music, movies, TV programs, and books. This internet piracy, as it is called, costs the makers of these products billions of dollars a year. In the past decade, sales of music CDs and movie and TV program DVDs have (26)_ considerably. Many people simply download TV shows and watch them whenever they want. Some TV shows have been cancelled due to the resulting low ratings. Thus far, most (27)_ at stopping internet piracy have failed.

23. A. discovered B. provided C. approved D. resulted
24. A. to entertain C. to be entertained D. to be entertaining
- B. to entertaining
25. A. as common as C. most common D. the most common
- B. more common
26. A. manufactured B. staggered C. removed D. declined
27. A. requests B. attempts C. demands D. challenges

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.

The idea of life in outer space has been talked about for a long time. Some scientists say that life development on Earth was far too unlikely for it to have happened anywhere else. Things had to be perfect for us to make it on this planet. Other scientists say that space is too big. Stars and other planets are far too **numerous** for there to be no other life in the universe.

For many years, there have been reports of visitors from other planets. People all around the world have claimed to see alien spaceships or even aliens themselves. There have been glimpses of these so-called UFOs (unidentified flying objects) flying through the air and they have even been captured on video. Some Americans believe that the U.S. Army found an alien spaceship crashed in the desert and then lied to the press about it. Although these sightings may be true, scientists have not found significant evidence that aliens exist.

If you go out into the countryside on a clear night and look up, you can see thousands of stars. These stars make up a tiny part of our universe. There are more stars, planets, and galaxies than we can count. Even the smartest scientists can't even come close to defining how big space is. The number of possible stars and planets out there is bigger than our ability to count. If we are really on the only planet that can sustain life, then we are special in a universe full of amazing things.

28. What would be the best title for this passage?

- A. Visitors from Faraway Planets
- B. The Possibility of Life on Other Worlds
- C. The Life and Times of an Alien Life
- D. The Mysterious Crash Landing in America

29. Why does the author mention "reports of visitors from other planets"?

- A. To give an example of people who do not believe in science
- B. To explain why scientists are not interested in studying aliens
- C. To raise the issue of whether or not we are alone in the universe.
- D. To inform people that a spaceship crashed in the American desert.

30. What can be inferred about finding aliens?

- A. It's not possible yet. C. Aliens can be found in the USA.
- B. It's already been done. D. Scientists already know the truth.

31. The word "numerous" is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. rare B. large C. plentiful D. interesting

32. What have some people claimed about aliens?

- A. Aliens often appear in dreams.
- B. They have encountered aliens.

- C. Aliens are extremely dangerous.
- D. Aliens are always kidnapping people.