LISTENING/SPEAKING - BOOK - 4

MIDTERM TEST - GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY

Name: _____ Date: _____

Vocabulary

A. Complete the paragraph with the correct words from the word bank. Four words will not be used.

agency	*assess*	*dramatically*	*embrace*
force	*hilarious*	*loaned*	*moderately*
stimulating	*stream*	*throughout*	*tool*

Ever since I moved to Phoenix, my life has (1) _____ improved. I have more friends than I have ever had, I love my job, and I've never been happier. I found the job through hiring (2) _____ that matches up recent college graduates with employers looking to hire enthusiastic individuals. I've been very lucky because my new company started to (3) _____ me from the second I arrived. They didn't (4) _____ me to do too much work too soon. I could go slowly and really learn the job well. Now, the work is great! It has been really mentally (5) _____ with constant challenges that I'm ready to take on. In my previous job, I only felt (6) _____ challenged, so I often got bored at work. There is only one thing that I haven't liked about my job here so far, but it is really a very small detail: I live pretty far away from work. The commute has been challenging, but it has gotten easier since my father _____ (7) me a car. I'll stay in my current apartment until my lease expires and then start to (8) _____ the pros and cons of where I live to decide if I should move or not.

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B. Match each word or phrase with its synonym. Three letters will not be used.

_____ 9. innovation	A. inspiration
_____ 10. motivation	B. creativity
_____ 11. Pension	C. perception
_____ 12. Intention	D. issue
	E. employment
	F. retirement payment
	G. plan

VI. Vocabulary Skill

A. Match each underlined word with the correct definition. Two letters will not be used.

A. a lot of something
B. the inability to do something well
C. a misunderstanding
D. entertaining
E. strange
F. surprising or concerning

13. There was a **plethora** of different options available for leadership books at the bookstore, so she had no idea what to choose. _____
14. His partner's sudden change in attitude was **disarming**. His partner had never acted like that before. _____
15. The **peculiar** noise coming out of the machine was annoying, but it didn't seem to be problematic. _____
16. The employee got fired because of his **incompetence**. He had already used his second chance. _____

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B. Write the word in the correct form, based on the specified part of speech and definition.

Example: covering (n.)

verb *to put something over top of something else:* cover

17. imply (v.)

noun *a conclusion that comes from something not directly said:* _____

18. function (v.)

adjective *works well:* _____

19. balance (v.)

adjective *both sides are of equal size or weight:* _____

20. enthusiasm (n.)

adjective *showing a lot of excitement:* _____

VII. Speaking Skill

A. Complete each conversation by underlining the correct question or statement in parentheses.

21. **A:** And then you attach Part B to the rest of the device. (Do you know what I mean? / I'd prefer not to say. / Is that the final version of it?)

B: Yeah, I do.

A: OK, great. Let's move on.

22. **A:** Are you applying for any grant funding?

B: (No, I don't understand you. / I'm exploring a lot of different options to help pay for the project. / Sorry, I have to answer my phone.)

A: Oh, oK. Which ones exactly?

23. **A:** If you have any problems, just give Marla or me a call.

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B: (Do you know what I mean? / I'd prefer not to say. / So you're saying that I should contact the program manager?)

A: Yeah, that's probably the best choice.

24. **A:** And that's how adulthood is legally defined across the world. (Does that make sense? / Are you ready for lunch? / I don't understand what you're saying.)

B: No, not really. Could you clarify?

A: Sure, I can put it a different way.

25. **A:** What is your opinion on the new product design?

B: (Is that the final version of it? / Do you know what I mean? / Are you available on Tuesday?)

A: No, it isn't. But what are your thoughts?

26. **A:** Who are you working with on the research?

B: (Is that clear? / OK, great. Let's move on. / I'd prefer not to say.)

A: OK, that's fine. I hope I didn't offend you.

B: No, it's no problem.

27. **A:** The child development center is open Thursdays and Fridays through October.

B: (Could you clarify? / Do you mean that it's closed in the winter? / I'll be there at 6:00.)

A: No, it will be open, but the days will change.

28. **A:** (Are you ready for the meeting? / Do you have any questions so far? / Is that clear enough?)

B: No, I don't. I'll let you know if I do. Thanks, though.

A: OK, great. Let's continue.

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VIII. Grammar

A. Correct the errors in the sentences. Check the use of gerunds and infinitives, subjunctive for suggestions, phrasal verbs, present perfect verbs, and present perfect continuous verbs.

29. She has work in international relations before, but now she is doing a different job.

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30. If you decide continuing with the research, please let me know ahead of time.

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31. Louis is in charge of picking up him from the airport next Tuesday.

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32. I advise that Marcus calls before finalizing the purchase order.

_____

33. We ask them to care the plants for when we go traveling.

_____

34. It's a good idea that Lisa to register her new device on the server.

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B. Read the sentence and choose the correct answer.

35. Please do not talk about the accident unless she _____ first.

A. brings up it

B. brings it up

C. it brings up

36. Sarah and Tina _____ the office six times.

a. have already called

b. have called already

c. called have already

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37.It is important _____ the causes of the disease before they start.

a. fight
b. fighting
c. to fight

38.Our boss is against _____ any unnecessary costs for the company.

a. to create
b. create
c. creating

39.It's best that he _____ the worksite before accepting the job.

a. visits
b. visit
c. will visit

40.George _____ for the job interview for three weeks now.

a. has been preparing
b. had been preparing
c. had prepared

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