B. PRACTICE EXERCISES

I. Choose the word whose main stressed syllable is placed differently from that of the others in each group.

1.	A. profession	B. altitude	C. impressive	D. extremely
2.	A. orbit	B. mission	C. spacewalk	D. trainee
3.	A. astronomic	B. emergency	C. experiment	D. collaborate
4.	A. activity	B. parabolic	C. observatory	D. historical
5.	A. surface	B. approach	C. descend	D. explore

II. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the others in each group.

1.	A. astronomer	B. astrology	C. astronaut	D. astronomy
2.	A. cooperate	B. rocket	C. telescope	D. microgravity
3.	A. universe	B. mission	C. rinseless	D. space
4.	A. stuff	B. scuba	C. include	D. blue
5.	A. emergency	B. together	C. galaxy	D. gravity

III. Choose the best answer to complete each of the following sentences.

1. The first _____ was done by Alexei Leonov, a Russia cosmonaut on March 18th, 1965. It was 10 minutes long.

A. spaceward B. spacesuit C. spacewalk D. spaceship

2. Pham Tuan said everything _____ quite strange although he _____ when he was on the ground.

A. was – had prepared B. had been – prepared
C. was – prepared D. was – has prepared

3. At night, the ISS can easily be seen from the Earth, as it flies at the _____ of 320 kilometres above us.

A. attitude B. height C. level D. altitude

4. The Milky Way is just a _____ in the universe and it contains our Solar System.

A. galaxy B. planet C. comet D. meteorite

5. Virgin Galactic is the world's first commercial _____.

A. spaceship B. exploration C. space D. space line

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6. Mukai Chiaki, the first female Japanese astronaut, _____ 15 days aboard the space shuttle Columbia in space before it _____ to the Earth on July 23, 1994.

A. was spending – was returning B. spent – was returning
C. spent – had returned D. had spent – returned

7. NASA uses a variety of facilities to _____ microgravity conditions.

A. invent B. perform C. do D. create

8. Joan was _____ the moon when she found out she was going to be a grandmother.

A. in B. over C. up D. into

9. Today, the menu on the ISS includes more than 100 items _____ astronauts can choose their daily meals before they fly into space.

A. in which B. where C. which D. from which

10. "_____ I go to the cinema, only when there's a film I really, really want to see."

A. The sky's the limit B. Out of this world
C. Over the moon D. Once in a blue moon

11. "Did you see the new 3D film at Megastars Theatre?" – "Yes. It was better than good. It was _____."

A. out of this world B. the sky's the limit
C. over the moon D. once in a blue moon

12. The closest potentially _____ planet ever found has been spotted by Australian scientists, ant it's just 14 light years away.

A. transferable B. workable C. foreseeable D. habitable

13. Do you know the reason _____ humans are interested in Mars and other planets in the solar system?

A. which B. that C. why D. whose

14. She wasn't listening to me at all. Sometimes I think she's living _____ another planet.

A. in B. on C. at D. down

15. In 1998 at the age of 77, John Glenn _____ with six other astronauts on the space shuttle after he _____ three orbits around the Earth a long time.

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A. flew – had made
B. had flown – made
C. flew – made
D. was flying – made

IV. Give the correct form of the word in brackets to complete the following sentences.

1. On the ISS _____ have to attach themselves so they don't float around. (ASTRONOMY)
2. An unmanned Chinese _____ has returned safely to Earth. (SPACE)
3. In 2015, NASA discovered an Earth-like planet which might be _____ because it has 'just the right' conditions to support liquid water and possibly even life. (HABITAT)
4. One of the largest _____ found on Earth is the Hoba from southwest Africa, which weighs about 54,000 kg. (METEORIC)
5. The training often takes place in a water tank laboratory so that trainees become familiar with crew activities in simulated _____ in order to perform spacewalks. (GRAVITY)

V. Read the text below and write one word in each blank to complete it.

The space tourism industry is officially open for business, and tickets are going for 20 million US dollars (1) _____ a one-week stay in space. Despite reluctance from NASA, Russian made American businessman Dennis Tito the world's first space tourist. Tito flew into (2) _____ aboard a Russian Soyuz spaceship that arrived at the International Space (3) _____ (ISS) on April 30, 2001. The second tourist, South American businessman Mark Shuttleworth, took off abroad the Russian Soyuz on April 25, 2002, also bound for the ISS. Greg Olsen, an American businessman, became tourist number three to the ISS on October 1, 2005.

On September 18, 2006, Anousheh Ansari, a telecommunications businesswoman (4) _____ the first female space tourist and the fourth space tourist overall. She (5) _____ also the first person of Iranian descent to make it into space. Charles Simonyi, a software architect, became the fifth space tourist on April 7, 2007.

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