# Test 8 Phương Yến

## Reading Comprehension

*Choose the word or phrase (A, B, C, or D) which best completes each sentence.*

1 Mary said she wanted to be Prime Minister when she grew up but Anna, not to be ..... , said she was going to be Queen.
A overawed B outdone C outclassed D overtaken

2 Sally's remark that she was feeling worn out ..... thoughts of a holiday.
A stimulated B provoked C prompted D engendered

3 The soldiers had little to ..... from delaying military action.
A benefit B win C gain D obtain

4 In terms of protocol, the President takes ..... over all others in the country.
A priority B the lead C precedence D the head

5 In this district there is a growing ..... between those with jobs and those without.
A separation B fissure C difference D divide

6 This champion racehorse is one in a ..... .
A hundred B million C billion D thousand

7 I'm not surprised people are arguing – they are at the ..... of their tether.
A end B limit C finish D termination

8 ..... you had to find a new job, what would you like to do?
A Provided B Supposing C So D Though

9 ..... from collecting shells, he also enjoys looking for fossils.
A Except B Besides C Apart D Excluded

10 ..... I'm concerned he's the best manager this company has ever had.
A Where B As far as C Whereas D While

11 To get his proposal accepted, the Finance Manager had to ..... heavy pressure from colleagues.
A fend off B laugh off C send off D push off

12 When attacked by his opponents, the general ..... with a strong justification for his policy.
A hit back B struck up C leapt up D pushed forward



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13 Jane's very modest, always ..... her success.
A playing down B turning around C keeping down D pushing back

14 Mark had to ..... his pocket money by doing jobs around the house.
A gain B work C earn D take

15 A ..... for the company said that the matter was being investigated.
A speaker B representative C publicist D spokesperson

16 Activities in the department store were ..... by animal rights activists protesting against the sale of fur coats.
A disorientated B disrupted C deranged D disturbed

17 Farmers decided to ..... outside the Ministry of Agriculture in protest against the cut in subsidies.
A caution B boycott C control D picket

18 The scientist's claim to have visited other planets was greeted with ..... laughter from his colleagues.
A ridiculous B derisive C amusing D ludicrous

19 Opinion polls are conducted in order to ..... public attitudes and views.
A indicate B calibrate C gauge D quantify

20 He's very keen, but has he got the stamina to stay the ..... ?
A race B course C length D championship

21 Any athlete who aims to ..... performance by taking drugs is likely to be detected and banned.
A develop B enhance C stimulate D motivate

22 Tim ..... himself as one of the best, if not the best, actors of his generation.
A estimates B regards C appreciates D values

23 Helen was very much in ..... of her father.
A respect B awe C regard D admiration

24 Stephen felt ..... about changing his job.
A afraid B apprehensive C indecisive D timid

25 Many people ..... pleasure in looking after their gardens.
A derive B take C get D make



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*Test Eight*

## Use of English

1 *Fill each of the numbered blanks in the following passage with* **one** *suitable word.*

There are many different ways of looking at a town for the first time. One of them is to walk around it, ..... (1) in hand. We may study with our guide-books all the historic, individual ..... (2) of a town and get to know ..... (3). But then, if we are ..... (4) our time and stay to look at the town as a ..... (5), other questions begin to ..... (6), which even the best guide-books do not answer. Why is the town just ..... (7) this, this shape, this plan, this size? Why do its streets run in this ..... (8) way, and not in some other way that ..... (9) more logical to us?

Here ..... (10) the best guide-book fails us. One looks in ..... (11) for a book that provides a discussion of the town's physical growth, of ..... (12) the original core lay, of the directions in ..... (13) it grew, and when and why, and of ..... (14) one can account for the street plan that we can see today.

What is the ..... (15) of studying towns in this way? For me, it is simply that one ..... (16) a greater depth of pleasure out of knowing the anatomy of a town and ..... (17) it takes that particular form ..... (18) from just considering its superficial features, ..... (19) attractive they ..... (20) be individually.



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2 *Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it is as similar as possible in meaning to the sentence printed before it.*

EXAMPLE: We expect he will arrive by nine o'clock.

ANSWER: He is *expected to arrive by nine o'clock.*

a) Whatever the methods used to obtain the results, drugs were definitely not involved.

There was no question .....

b) It was the ability to incorporate loan words that made English so rich in vocabulary.

English became rich in vocabulary .....

c) The Chairman insisted that the Sales Director resign.

The Sales Director .....

d) The report has still not been written.

The report has yet .....

e) The latest estimate is that there are six million cats in the UK.

There are .....

f) Harry pays £50 a week for bed and breakfast.

Bed and breakfast .....

g) The mistake arose because of inaccurate accounting.

It was from .....

h) The number of people killed in industrial accidents this year is now fifteen.

Already this year .....



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3 *Fill each of the blanks with a suitable word or phrase.*

EXAMPLE: 'Would you like some toast?'
'No, thank you. I've *had some* already.'

a) Of course I didn't steal the camera – I ..... like that.

b) The climbers were within an hour ..... the summit when they were forced to abandon the climb.

c) There's no need ..... ironing the pillow cases.

d) He criticises his wife ..... she does.

e) If you don't like the job, you ..... off resigning.

f) Why did you get a taxi? I ..... a lift.

4 *For each of the sentences below, write a new sentence as similar as possible in meaning to the original sentence, but using the word given. This word* **must not be altered** *in any way.*

EXAMPLE: It is by no means certain that he was responsible for the crime.
**questionable**

ANSWER: *It is questionable whether he was responsible for the crime.*

a) When under stress Michael often loses his temper.
**tendency**

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b) His ability to lead seems to come naturally.
**born**

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c) The west of the country suffered worst in the storm.
**bore**

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d) Sally Smith became known throughout the country as a result of her popular TV series.
**household**

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e) When estimating the cost of a holiday, it's important to remember all the extra things that add to the cost.
**account**

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f) John made his teacher very angry.
**incurred**

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g) The committee finally said what they thought of the plans.
**verdict**

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h) He used to be a teacher, so he really knows what it's like in the classroom.
**firsthand**

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