5. Some markets in Ha Long Bay sell unusual relics and natural objects, such as coral pieces, sea sells, or unique stones, probably illegally removed (23)_____ the protected areas. Many of thesse items, converted into rings, key chains, and other souvenirs, are purchased by unsuspecting tourists. Buying these items creates a black market (24)_____ to further destruction of Ha Long Bay. As eco-tourists, we can help to protect to Ha Long Bay for future generations in several ways. (25)_____, by sailing and fishing with the fishermen, we can share the benefits of tourism with the local (26)_____.

Question 23: **A.** about **B.** in **C.** from **D.** at

Question 24: **A.** allowing **B.** leading **C.** appointing **D.** sending

Question 25: **A.** But **B.** If **C.** However **D.** For example

Question 26: **A.** society **B.** community **C.** human **D.** farmers

6. One of the seven wonders of the ancient world, the Great Pyramid of Giza was a monument of wisdom and prophecy built as a tomb for Pharaoh Cheops in 2720 B.C. Despite its antiquity, certain aspects of its construction make it one of the truly great wonders of the world. The thirteen-acre structure near the Nile River is a solid mass of stone blocks covered with limestone. Inside are a number of hidden passageways and the burial chamber for the Pharaoh. It is the largest single structure in the world. The four sides of the pyramid are aligned almost exactly on true north, south, east, and west – an incredible engineering feat. The ancient Egyptians were sun worshipers and great astronomers, so computations for the Great Pyramid were based on astronomical observations.

Explorations and detailed examinations of the base of the structure reveal many **intersecting** lines. Further scientific study indicates that these represent a type of timeline of events – past, present, and future. Many of the events have been interpreted and found to coincide with known facts of the past. Others are prophesied for future generations and are currently under investigation. Many believe that pyramids have supernatural powers, and this one is no exception. Some researchers even associate it with extraterrestrial beings of the ancient past. Was this superstructure made by ordinary beings, or one built by a race far superior to any known today?

Question 27: The word "**intersecting**" in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to ____.

A. crossing **B.** aligning **C**. observing **D.** cutting

Question 28: What do the intersecting lines in the base symbolise?

A. Architects' plans for the hidden passages.

B. Pathways of the great solar bodies.

C. Astrological computations.

D. Dates of important events taking place throughout time.

Question 29: Extraterrestrial beings are ____.

A. very strong workers **B.** astronomers in the ancient times

C. researchers in Egyptology **D.** living beings from other planets

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Question 30: What is the best title for the passage?

A. Symbolism of the Great Pyramid **B.** Problems with the Construction of the Great Pyramid

C. Wonders of the Great Pyramid of Giza **D.** Exploration of the Burial Chamber of Cheops

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