

Exercise 9: Why do many students drop out school? Write an essay about the reasons and solution for this problem. (School Drop-Outs: Problems and Solutions). Write an essay to give your opinion.

Exercise 10: In your English class you have been discussing different ways of studying English. Your teacher has asked you to write a composition with the following title: **The advantages and disadvantages of learning English abroad compared to learning in your own country.**

Write your composition for your teacher (around 120-180 words).

Exercise 11: 'Why are examinations important?' Write an essay to give your opinion.

Exercise 12: 'Why are family important to everyone?' Write an essay to give your opinion.

Exercise 13: 'Is the friendship important to you?' Write an essay to give your opinion.

Exercise 14: 'Environment pollution is a pressing issue for every nation?' Write an essay about causes and solution to this problem.

Question 15: Write a short passage of argument (about 100- 120 words) to persuade your friends to go to school by bicycle. (while some students like going to school by motor-cycle)

Question 16: Your classmates are having a discussion on " What should we do to protect the environment?". Rewrite the conversation in about 15- 20 conversational exchanges.

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MÔN: TIẾNG ANH - BẢNG A

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ĐIỂM	HỌ TÊN, CHỮ KÍ GIÁM KHẢO	SỐ PHÁCH
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SECTION A: PHONETICS

I. Pick out the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the other words.

1. A. legal	B. legend	C. energetic	D. manager
2. A. whisper	B. waste	C. husband	D. inspiration
3. A. discuss	B. butcher	C. hungry	D. butter
4. A. technique	B. <u>chemical</u>	C. characteristic	D. attach

5. A. <u>onion</u>	B. <u>author</u>	C. <u>walk</u>	D. <u>taught</u>
1.	2.	3.	4.

II. Identify the word whose stress pattern is different from that of the other words.

1. A. include	B. improve	C. prepare	D. answer
2. A. independent	B. inexpensive	C. informative	D. interactive
3. A. decorate	B. remember	C. consider	D. encourage
4. A. purpose	B. machine	C. surface	D. greenhouse
5. A. majority	B. development	C. experiment	D. literature
1.	2.	3.	4.

SECTION B: VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR.

I. Choose the best answer from A, B, C or D.

- Nam: Please _____ Ba to lock the door carefully if he goes out tomorrow. - Lan: OK.

A. say	B. talk	C. remember	D. remind
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- You can borrow my books _____ you bring them back by Monday.

A. unless	B. as long as	C. so	D. while
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- The harder you try, _____.

A. the most success you achieve	B. you achieve the more success
C. the more success you achieve	D. the better you achieve success
- I am sure he didn't break your vase _____ purpose.

A. in	B. with	C. for	D. on
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- Put on this scream to _____ yourself from the sun.

A. protect	B. prevent	C. avoid	D. divert
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- She didn't find anything _____ for a vegetarian, so she left the restaurant.

A. suits	B. suitable	C. suitability	D. suitably
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- Hung: Would you mind if I smoked in here? - Hoa: _____

A. Yes, I'd love to	B. Thanks, I don't smoke
C. I'd rather you didn't	D. I'm sorry
- Lan: Let's go to Cua Lo beach after the exam, _____? - Hai: Yes, that sounds good.

A. should we	B. shall we	C. shan't we	D. shouldn't we
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- Some people _____ sports in order to keep fit, not because they like them.

A. train	B. practice	C. make	D. do
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- It is usually impossible to tell the difference between _____ twins.

A. same	B. similar	C. identical	D. alike
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II. Supply the correct verb forms to complete the sentences.

- In the history of Nobel Prizes, she was the first woman (award) _____ the Economics.
- A: It's time we (do) _____ something to protect our environment.
B: Yes, OK. I think it (destroy) _____ seriously in the last ten years.
- Miss White: Peter! You (always talk) _____ in class.
Peter: I'm sorry, I won't talk more.
- John: I really regret (buy) _____ this second-hand motorbike.
Tom: I had told you before!

5. He (not visit) _____ his grandparents since he (leave) _____ his hometown.

6. Hoa: Do you know the man (sit) _____ next to Miss Le? - Ha: No, I don't.

1.	4.
2.	5.
3.	6.

III. Supply the correct word forms to complete the passage.

NOISE POLLUTION

The families in our streets are slowly being driven mad by the (1) _____ of the inhabitants of N° 13 to have any form of (2) _____ with them. The trouble started over what is known as noise pollution. Every evening, the (3) _____ neighbors used to turn up the volume on the TV so loud that no one in the (4) _____ was able to hear anything else. Not (5) _____ what action to take, local residents held a meeting to see if anyone had any suggestions as to how to deal with the problem. A (6) _____ was made to send a number of people to talk to the family in N° 13 and ask them (7) _____ to turn their music down after six in the evening. (8) _____, the visit did not turn out to be (9) _____, as the inhabitants of N° 13 refused to talk to them. So on the (10) _____ of the local police, the matter is now in the hands of the court.

1- REFUSE

2- COMMUNICATE

3- THINK

4- NEIGHBOR

5- KNOW

6- DECIDE

7- POLITE

8- FORTUNE

9- SUCCEED

10- ADVISE

1.	6.
2.	7.
3.	8.
4.	9.
5.	10.

IV. IDENTIFY and CORRECT 8 mistakes in the following passage.

SAVING ENERGY

1 Many people still believe that natural resources will never be used up. Actual.
2 the world's energy resources are limited. Nobody know exactly how much
3 fuel is left. However, we also should use them economically and try finding
4 out alternative sources of power.

5 According for Professor Marvin Burnham of the New England Institute of
6 Technology, we have to start conserving coal, oil and gas before it is very late;
7 and nuclear power is the only alternative. However, many people do not
8 approve of using nuclear power because of it's very dangerous. What would
happen whether there were a serious nuclear accident? Radioactivity causes
cancer and may bad affect the future generations. The most effective thing is
that we should use natural resources as economically as possible.

Line	Mistake	Correction	Line	Mistake	Correction
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2			6		

3			7		
4			8		

SECTION C: READING

I. Read the passage and choose the best answer from A, B, C or D.

A RICH TEENAGER

Computer programmer David Jones earns £35,000 a year designing new computer games, yet he cannot find a bank prepared to let him have a cheque card. Instead he has been told to wait another two years, until he is 18. The 16-year-old works for a small company in Liverpool, where the problem of most people of his age is finding a job. David's company releases two new games for the expanding home computer market each month.

But David's biggest headache is what to do with his money. Despite his salary, earned by inventing new programs within tight schedules with bonus payment and profit-sharing, he cannot drive a car, take out a mortgage, or obtain credit cards. He lives with his parents in their council house in Liverpool, where his father is a bus driver. His company has to pay £150 a month in taxi fares to get him five miles to work and back everyday because David cannot drive.

David got his job with the Liverpool-based company four months ago, a year after leaving school with six O-levels and working for a time in a computer shop. "I got the job because the people who run the company knew I had already written some programmes," he said. I suppose £35,000 sounds a lot but in fact that is being pessimistic.

I hope it will come to records and clothes and he gives his mother \$20 a week. But most of his free time is spent working. "Unluckily, computing was not a part of our studies at school," he said. "But I had been studying it in books and magazines for four years in my free time. I knew what I wanted to do and never considered staying on at school. Most people in this business are fairly young anyway."

David added, "I would like to earn a million and I suppose early retirement is a possibility. You never knew when the market might disappear."

- What is David different from other young people of his age? - He
 - earns an extremely high salary
 - is unemployed
 - doesn't go out much
 - lives at home with his parents
- David's greatest problem is
 - making the banks treat him as an adult
 - inventing computer games
 - spending his salary
 - learning to drive
- He was employed by the company because he_
 - had worked in a computer shop
 - had written some computer programmes
 - works very hard
 - had learned how to use computers at school
- He left school after taking O-levels because he_
 - did not enjoy school
 - was afraid of getting too old to start computing
 - wanted to work with computers and staying at school did not help him
 - wanted to earn a lot of money