

Họ và tên thí sinh:.....

NĂNG CAO

Số báo danh:.....

Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

**Question 1.** We are not only individuals, but also products of our family life, \_\_\_\_\_ environment and culture.

- A. society                      B. sociable                      C. social                      D. socially

**Question 2.** Nobody arrived at the meeting late, \_\_\_\_\_?

- A. did they                      B. didn't they                      C. did he                      D. didn't he

**Question 3.** Going on this diet has really \_\_\_\_\_ me good. I've lost weight and I feel fantastic.

- A. made                      B. done                      C. taken                      D. had

**Question 4.** She is supposed to be studying for her exam but whenever I go to her room she is \_\_\_\_\_ the phone chatting to her friends

- A. with                      B. on                      C. in                      D. along

**Question 5** Though we'd all been close on the school trip, we \_\_\_\_\_ ways with one another once we were back home.

- A. shared                      B. parted                      C. divided                      D. split

**Question 6.** A video that has been viewed millions of times on social media has been removed this morning \_\_\_\_\_ concern that it could be influence children's behaviour.

- A. because                      B. although                      C. despite                      D. Because of

**Question 7.** She has her \_\_\_\_\_ hair cut by her mother, who is very meticulous.

- A. long black beautiful                      B. black long beautiful  
C. long beautiful black                      D. beautiful long black

**Question 8.** She read through the notes on the first page as she returned, unable to \_\_\_\_\_ Wynn's medical jargon and short hand.

- A. catch up                      B. bright over                      C. look for                      D. make out

**Question 9.** My son got a letter of acceptance from Hanoi University while we \_\_\_\_\_ dinner .

- A. had                      B. were having                      C. had had                      D. have

**Question 10.** \_\_\_\_\_, I expect that you will have finished your report on Vietnam educational reforms.

- A. By the time I see you next time                      B. Before I will see you next time  
C. When I am going to see you next time                      D. As soon as I will have seen you next time

**Question 11.** I'm starting to have a soft \_\_\_\_\_ for the new presidential candidate who comes out publicly in strong support of women's rights.

- A. dot                      B. point                      C. place                      D. spot

**Question 12.** The brisket was so lovely. Would you mind letting me have the \_\_\_\_\_ or this is a family secret.

- A. ingredient                      B. course                      C. recipe                      D. prescription

**Question 13.** The fork \_\_\_\_\_ as an eating utensil since at least the twelfth century.

- A. has been used                      B. is used                      C. has used                      D. has been using

**Question 14.** \_\_\_\_\_ six months for the washing machine to be delivered, I decided to cancel the order.

- A. Having waited                      B. To have been waiting  
C. Waited                      D. Having been waiting

**Question 15.** My mother always says that \_\_\_\_\_ I look, the more beautiful I am.

- A. the more confidently                      B. the most confident  
C. more confident                      D. the more confident

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the sentence that best completes each of the following exchanges.**

**Question 16.** The student is talking to the teacher after class.

**Student:** "Sir, do you approve of celebrating Mother's Day annually at our school?"

**Teacher:** "Oh great \_\_\_\_\_"

- A. absolutely amazing
- B. how terrific
- C. I'm really displeased.
- D. I'm very much in favour of that.

**Question 17.** Jose and Jane are talking about science-fiction films.

- Jose: "Watching science-fiction films is so exciting"

- Jane: "\_\_\_\_\_. They are irrelevant to our real life"

- A. I don't think so
- B. I couldn't agree more
- C. Sorry, I have no idea
- D. Oh, I don't know

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of the primary stress in each of the following questions.**

**Question 18.** A. responsible      B. entertainment      C. additional      D. authority

**Question 19.** A. remind      B. renew      C. threaten      D. prefer

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.**

**Question 20.** A. cooked      B. hoped      C. listened      D. coughed

**Question 21.** A. campus      B. accident      C. salmon      D. disapprove

**Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.**

**Question 22.** Ultimately, people rely on science to gain an understanding of biological phenomena.

- A. In the final analysis
- B. In a predictable way
- C. Unthinkingly
- D. Religiously

**Question 23.** Charles Johnson, the owner of an electrical company becoming bankrupt, is hoping the angel investors to help him resurrect his career at age of 29.

- A. revitalize
- B. recycle
- C. reduce
- D. resign

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.**

**Question 24.** They look very intimidating at first but they are perfectly nice people when you get to know them.

- A. generous
- B. approachable
- C. inspiring
- D. timid

**Question 25.** His demeanor at Cameron's party yesterday was quite uncalled-for.

- A. unsurprising
- B. disappointing
- C. appropriate
- D. dazzling

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the sentence that best combines each pair of sentences in the following questions.**

**Question 26.** John certainly can't be held responsible for the accident. Whatever happened.

- A. Certainly can't John be held responsible for the accident .
- B. In no way can John be held responsible for the accident.
- C. For any reason can John not be held responsible for the accident.
- D. On no account can John not be held responsible for the accident.

**Question 27.** I needn't have watered the garden because it came down in torrents after that.

- A. If only I hadn't watered the garden before it came down in torrents.
- B. It's a pity I had watered the garden before it came down in torrents.
- C. I regret not having watered the garden before it came down in torrents.
- D. If it had came down in torrents, I wouldn't have watered the garden.

**Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.**



**Question 28.** He hoped for a rise for the last four months, but his boss is reluctant to give him one.

- A. hoped                      B. last                      C. to give                      D. one

**Question 29.** Research has proved that a baby can distinguish their mother's voice from the womb.

- A. their                      B. from                      C. Research                      D. that

**Question 30.** Low income tax on overtime earnings might act as a stimulant to industry.

- A. income                      B. stimulant                      C. act as                      D. overtime earnings

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.**

**Question 31.** The workers at the factory are required to wear protective clothing.

- A. The workers at the factory shouldn't wear protective clothing.  
B. The workers at the factory must wear protective clothing.  
C. The workers at the factory needn't wear protective clothing.  
D. The workers at the factory may wear protective clothing.

**Question 32.** "Wear this bulletproof vest before going out!", said the policeman.

- A. The policeman threatened me to wear that bulletproof vest before going out.  
B. The policeman warned me to wear that bulletproof vest before going out.  
C. The policeman begged me to wear that bulletproof vest before going out.  
D. The policeman warned me against wearing that bulletproof vest before going out.

**Question 33.** The last time I used the public transportation in Vietnam was 5 years ago.

- A. I haven't used the public transportation in Vietnam for 5 years.  
B. I have used the public transportation in Vietnam 5 years ago.  
C. I used the public transportation in Vietnam for 5 years.  
D. I have used the public transportation in Vietnam for 5 years.

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each the numbered blanks.**

Although many students are sick and tired of putting on their school uniform day after day, a uniform does have its advantages. For a start, students have no need to worry about what to put on when they get up in the morning. (34) \_\_\_\_\_, it seems that children wearing the same colours and styles of clothing gain a sense of belonging, something (35) \_\_\_\_\_ improves morale at school and reduces levels of violence.

This theory has been supported by a study at a school in Long Beach, California. Staff members there have noticed that since school uniform became compulsory, the number of arguments amongst pupils has dropped by as much as 91%. This suggests that students who are all dressed in the same simple school shirts and trousers are less likely to disagree with one (36) \_\_\_\_\_. On the other hand, Cozette Buckley, an Education Officer from Chicago, holds a rather different view, based on experience in her schools. In her opinion, school uniforms are not a permanent solution but only a (37) \_\_\_\_\_ aid to playground problems because they do not address the real source of conflict between children. It seems, therefore, (38) \_\_\_\_\_ by these conflicting findings, that the school uniform debate isn't closed yet!

**Question 34.** A. Consequently                      B. Therefore                      C. Moreover                      D. However

**Question 35.** A. that                      B. who                      C. whom                      D. where

**Question 36.** A. other                      B. another                      C. every                      D. each

**Question 37.** A. current                      B. present                      C. contemporary                      D. temporary

**Question 38.** A. judging                      B. measuring                      C. deciding                      D. working

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the answer to each of the question.**

Deep brain stimulation (DBS), an experimental technology that involves implanting a pacemaker-like device in a patient's brain to send electrical impulses, is a hotly debated subject in the field of medicine. It is an inherently risky procedure and the exact effects on the human brain aren't yet fully understood.

But some practitioners believe it could be a way to alleviate the symptoms of depression or even help treat Alzheimer's — and now they suspect it could help with drug addiction as well. In a world's first, according to the Associated Press, a patient in Shanghai's Ruijin Hospital had a DBS device implanted in his brain to treat his addiction to methamphetamine. And the device has had an astonishingly positive effect, the patient says. "This machine is pretty magical. He adjusts it to make you happy and you're



happy, to make you nervous and you're nervous," he told the Associated Press. "It controls your happiness, anger, grief and joy."

Other studies in China have yielded mixed results trying to treat opioid addictions using DBS, according to the AP. In the United States, at least two studies that tried to treat alcoholism with DBS were dropped for not being able to justify the risks. The idea of using DBS to treat drug addiction has raised concerns in medical communities across the globe about brain hemorrhage, seizures, or personality changes.

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**Question 39.** What is the passage mainly about?

- A. Symptoms of depression
- B. Curing addiction
- C. Deep brain stimulation
- D. Brain diseases

**Question 40.** The word "**alleviate**" in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. demolish
- B. ease
- C. destroy
- D. devalue

**Question 41.** According to the passage, the use of DBS \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. has been thoroughly studied by scientists.
- B. has been approved by all Chinese practitioners.
- C. has achieved both positive and negative results.
- D. has successfully cured opioid addictions in China.

**Question 42.** All of the following are mentioned in the passage as concerns about the use of DBS to treat drug addiction in medical communities worldwide EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Seizures
- B. Personality changes
- C. Brain hemorrhage
- D. Alcoholism

**Question 43.** The word "**It**" in paragraph 3 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Deep brain stimulation
- B. a pacemaker-like device
- C. the field of medicine
- D. a patient's brain

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the answer to each of the question.**

For many years, scientists have speculated that the cataclysmic impact of an asteroid with the earth was responsible for the demise of the dinosaurs approximately 65 million years ago. Previous discoveries and results have **hinted** that an asteroid two kilometers in diameter struck the Yucatan peninsula in Eastern Mexico. This impact, stronger than one thousand nuclear explosions, is speculated to have cast a cloud of dust and debris into the atmosphere, covering the entire surface of the earth and blocking out the sun and consequently lowering the surface temperature of the earth. With such a radical change in the earth's environment, scientists believe that over 99% of all animal and plant species were eradicated. Only after millions of years did plants and animals even begin to recover and develop into forms that were better adapted to survive changes in their environment. But, the **reign** of the dinosaurs had ended and the age of mammals had begun.

The crucial link that has held this theory together has been the element iridium. Iridium is not commonly found on either the surface of the earth or inside the crust. **It** is more commonly found in asteroids or meteorites throughout the solar system. Scientists have hypothesized that after the asteroid impacted the earth, an even layer of iridium sediment settled over the globe and eventually became part of its surface. The theory, of course, has depended on the discovery of such an existing layer of iridium.

Unfortunately, scientists have never been able to offer absolute proof that this asteroid impact ever occurred. Recently, however, a discovery may go a long way toward validating these scientists' theories. In 1996, a team of marine biologists excavated samples of rock from the Atlantic Ocean just off the coast of Bermuda. Found thousands of meters below the sea, these samples contain iridium similar to those found in the Yucatan peninsula thousands of kilometers away. At first, scientists were skeptical whether the samples were from the same time period. But since carbon dating placed them to 65 million years ago, their doubts were quickly alleviated. Since then many of the other theories for the demise of the dinosaur have been finally laid to rest.

**Question 44.** According to the passage, approximately how large was the asteroid that scientists believe struck the Earth?

- A. 2 kilometers in diameter
- B. 65 kilometers in diameter
- C. 1000 kilometers in diameter
- D. 99 kilometers in diameter

**Question 45.** The word "**hinted**" is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. disproved
- B. flirted
- C. denied
- D. implied

**Question 46.** What can be inferred from the passage about asteroid impact mentioned in lines 6 – 8?

- A. New plants and animals evolved with the changed environment.
- B. The gravitational force from the earth's core is altered.
- C. A planetary defense system formed.
- D. The climate remained fairly constant.

**Question 47.** The word “**reign**” is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. understanding
- B. dominance
- C. denial
- D. extremity

**Question 48.** The word “**It**” in line 10 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. crust
- B. asteroid
- C. earth
- D. iridium

**Question 49.** According to the passage, which of the following is TRUE about the iridium found beneath the ocean floor near Bermuda \_\_\_\_\_

- A. can be refined into fossil fuels.
- B. is similar to the iridium found on the Yucatan peninsula.
- C. originated from dinosaur remains.
- D. was chemically manufactured by miners

**Question 50.** This passage mainly discusses a theory about \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. which type of dinosaur roamed freely
- B. archeological evidence from Mexico and the Atlantic Ocean
- C. why the dinosaurs turned into birds and reptiles
- D. the extinction of the dinosaurs

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