TRUNG TÂM DẠY - HỌC THÊM PHỔ THÔNG NĂNG KHIẾU

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Part 1. Pronunciation (5 pts)

Write the letter A, B, C, or D in the corresponding numbered box provided to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

1.	A. fount<u>ain</u>	B. compl<u>ain</u>	C. sust<u>ain</u>	D. ascert<u>ain</u>
2.	A. cour<u>age</u>	B. teen<u>age</u>	C. dam<u>age</u>	D. aver<u>age</u>
3.	A. hop<u>es</u>	B. skirt<u>s</u>	C. table<u>s</u>	D. fork<u>s</u>

Write the letter A, B, C, or D in the corresponding numbered box provided to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following questions.

4.	A. volunteer	B. Japanese	C. activate	D. picturesque
5.	A. biography	B. adverbial	C. mysterious	D. diplomatic

Part 2. Reading (30 pts)

Passage 1: *You came across this story on a sports website. Read it and answer the questions which follow.*

Never Too Old to Chase Your Dreams

"Find a way" is the slogan Diana Nyad said she had this year. And that's exactly what she did. Nyad became the first person to swim from Cuba to Florida, 103 miles, without a protective cage, willing her way to a Key West beach just before 2 p.m. – nearly 53 hours after jumping into the ocean in Havana for her fifth try in 35 years. Shortly after conquering the Straits of Florida, the 64-year-old endurance swimmer sat down with CNN Chief Medical Correspondent Dr. Sanjay Gupta. "It's all authentic. It's a great story. You have a dream 35 years ago – doesn't come to **fruition**, but you move on with life. But it's somewhere back there. Then you turn 60, and your mom just dies, and you're looking for something. And the dream comes waking out of your imagination," Nyad said. The swim wasn't easy. "With all the experience I have, especially in this ocean, I never knew I would suffer the way I did," she said. "For 49 hours the wind just blew steadily, and it was rough." At one point, she was vomiting because she had so much salt water in her system and was **shivering**. She sang lullabies to help her relax. "It was really rough that first day, Saturday, after the start and I just said: Get your hands in somehow, and with your left hand, say, push Cuba back, and push Florida towards you," Nyad said. Through it all, she held her **mantra** close: "You don't like it. It's not doing well. Find a way."

Nyad set out from Havana at 8:59 a.m. Saturday with a crew of 35, including divers to watch for sharks. In her first attempt to cross the Straits of Florida in 1978, rough seas left her battered, delirious and less than halfway toward her goal. She tried again twice in 2011, but her efforts ended after an 11-hour asthma attack and jellyfish stings.

Last year, she abandoned an attempt about halfway through after severe jellyfish stings and a lightning storm put her in danger. Nyad was a swimming sensation before these attempts. In the 1970s, she won multiple swimming marathons and was one of the first women to swim around the island of Manhattan. She was 8 years old when she first dreamed about swimming across the Straits of Florida.

Dozens of onlookers – some in kayaks and boats, many others wading in the water or standing on shore – gathered to cheer Nyad on as she finished the more than 100-mile swim. She pumped her fist as she walked onto the beach toward an awaiting medic before being guided to an ambulance. "I got three messages," an exhausted and happy Nyad told reporters. Her face was sunburned and swollen. "One is never, ever give up. Two is you never are too old to chase your dreams. Three is it looks like a solitary sport, but it's a team," she said. The swim was a long-awaited triumph for Nyad.

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Nyad, who was 29 when she first tried the swim, said last week that she wanted to show that "you can dream at any age." "This time, I am 64. So, the years of my life are shorter to the end," she said.

She made it but it wasn't easy going. About 7:30 a.m., she was slurring her speech because of a swollen tongue and lips, her support team reported on its website. As the team called her around dawn for her first feeding since midnight, she took longer than normal to reach the support boat, the report said. Divers swam ahead of her, collecting jellyfish and moving them out of her path. It was tough going but she found a way.

1. What does the article prove about Diane Nyad?
   A. She has won very many swimming marathons. B. She's not a quitter.
   C. She is allergic to jellyfish. D. She can now move on with her life.
2. Which of the following is closest in meaning to **fruition** in line 6?
   A. realization B. sensation C. justification D. fulfilment
3. According to the story
   A. her mother died at the age of 60.
   B. she has a very vivid imagination.
   C. she made her successful attempt right after her mother's death.
   D. her wish was realized on her fifth attempt.
4. Which of her attempts was the most challenging?
   A. her second 2011 attempt B. the last one
   C. her first one D. It isn't clear.
5. Which of the following is closest in meaning to **shivering** in line 11?
   A. sneezing B. exhausted C. shaking D. feverish
6. What does she say about her experience?
   A. Her slogan kept her going.
   B. It was easier that her previous one.
   C. If she hadn't sung lullabies she wouldn't have made it.
   D. She's stronger than she thought she was.
7. According to the passage
   A. Diana made in half way in her first try.
   B. at the age of 64 she made a fifth attempt.
   C. in 2011 a lightning storm stopped her.
   D. Diana was the first woman to swim around Manhattan Island.
8. Which of the following is closest in meaning to **mantra** in line 14?
   A. motto B. target C. ideal D. inspiration
9. What was Diana's most enduring problem during her various attempts?
   A. an asthma attack B. a lightning storm C. jellyfish D. sharks
10. What does she say about dreams?
   A. They don't come true on the first attempt. B. They can't always be realized.
   C. Age shouldn't stop us from living them. D. We need teamwork to realize them.

Passage 2: *You are going to read an article about shopping. For questions 1 - 4, match the headings below (**A - G**) with the appropriate paragraph. The first heading has been done as an example. There are TWO headings which you do not need.*

Example: **0. C**

A. Finding Bargains
B. Reluctant Participants
C. A Common Interest
D. Shopping with Friends
E. The Importance of Appearance
F. Different Approaches
G. A Regular Need

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Shopping

0 Shopping is a shared passion of many people, irrespective of age and culture. Whether on street markets or in chic stores, shopping seems to offer something special. Indeed, walking down almost any European high street at the weekend, it is clear that, for some, a tour of the shops is a weekly treat. There is also a fairly equal mix of genders, although it is uncertain how willing the males are to take part in this often expensive hobby. Couples and families represent a substantial proportion of shoppers, though teenagers appear to have more money to spend, and providing for their particular tastes has become an important goal for many high street stores.

1 It is a well-known fact that teenagers **avidly** follow fashion and trends. They want to have the latest model in mobile phones and i-pods and are quick to discard their old models. They are also very conscious of their image and try to show their personality through their clothes. Frequently updating their wardrobe is essential for many teenagers, as is wearing the 'right' clothes, such as designer trainers, which may help them to feel that they are more accepted by their particular set of friends. They also require a range of more reasonably priced but trendy clothes to go clubbing.

2 According to research, the majority of girls have a clear idea of the things they want to buy. They intend to get value for money, so are willing to look around before making a decision. Boys, however, are less keen. They prefer to go to their favourite shops and buy the first suitable item that they see. Spending-time with their friends in coffee bars or fast food restaurants is generally considered to be more fun by boys, and they see little point in spending hours just to choose a pair of jeans.

3 This view of shopping appears to continue as boys grow up, and find a partner. They perhaps feel obliged to go shopping with their girlfriend or wife, but rarely look like they are enjoying themselves. Men are often seen waiting patiently outside changing rooms, holding **countless** plastic bags containing their partner's purchases in both hands! For a lot of men, the highlight of the day is a break for lunch, or coffee at a pavement café, preferably with a .newspaper to catch up on the latest sports news.

4 Shopping certainly requires a lot of time and energy, yet women especially seem to find buying new items a rewarding occupation. However, the pleasure of spending money often does not have a long-lasting effect and maybe that is why a trip to the shops has become a weekly or monthly obsession for some. This challenges the competitive high street stores to find new ways to attract the most enthusiastic shoppers.

For questions 5 - 10, decide which is the correct answer A, B, C, or D.

5. Shopping is ,
   A. usually considered more likely to be a woman's pastime.
   B. clearly enjoyed by European males.
   C. more affordable for young people.
   D. considered more enjoyable at the weekend.
6. A word closest in meaning to **avidly** [paragraph 2] is
   A. enthusiastically. B. precisely. C. indifferently. D. dynamically.
7. According to the text, teenagers
   A. tend to choose mainly designer clothes. B. like to collect mobile phones and i-pods.
   C. think fashion identifies their social group. D. do not want to wear the same clothes twice.
8. Teenage girls
   A. tend to spend more money when shopping than boys.
   B. are prepared to take their time when buying things.
   C. think that sitting in cafés is a waste of time.
   D. generally do not know exactly what they want.
9. The word closest in meaning to **countless** [paragraph 4] is
   A. numerous. B. few. C. frequent. D. considerable.
10. The pleasure of going shopping
    A. is remembered for a long time after the trip. B. depends on the attractiveness of the shops.
    C. is clearly understood by most men. D. is in the satisfaction of buying new things.

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Passage 3: *Read the following passage and write the letter A, B, C, or D in the corresponding numbered box provided to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 1 to 10.*

PAST MEMORIES

I was raised on a farm in a remote village in the 1950s. The winter months were endless and everything was covered in snow. I was always (1)_____ for the warmer weather to come.

When spring (2)_____, everything came alive – flowers would bloom and the animals would come out of hibernation. I'd follow the bear tracks and search for them. Once, however, I (3)_____ an angry mother bear who saw me (4)_____ a threat. (5)_____ the sight of the bear I did what my father had told me. I stood still until she stopped growling and walked away. The trick was effective, but looking back now, I realise that the situation was (6)_____ more serious than I thought at the time.

By the age of twelve, I had lots of camping (7)_____, as I used to go camping with my dog on my school holidays. We would spend days (8)_____ the forest, catching fish for dinner, looking at the frogs and the (9)_____ of birds and the insects hopping up and down on the surface of the water.

Of course, this was possible only during the warm months. When autumn came, everything went quiet, which was quite (10)_____ in those parts. It wasn't long before the animals disappeared, the birds flew south and the snow took over. The place became deserted once again.

1.	A. keen	B. eager	C. willing	D. enthusiastic
2.	A. approached	B. reached	C. appeared	D. arrived
3.	A. dealt with	B. came across	C. reached	D. found out
4.	A. like	B. as	C. same as	D. such as
5.	A. In	B. By	C. At	D. On
6.	A. very	B. quite	C. so	D. far
7.	A. qualifications	B. skills	C. qualities	D. experience
8.	A. exploring	B. detecting	C. researching	D. investigating
9.	A. swarms	B. bunches	C. flocks	D. sets
10.	A. ordinary	B. usual	C. familiar	D. regular

Part 3. Grammar and Vocabulary (20 pts)

Write the letter A, B, C, or D in the corresponding numbered box provided to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

1. He asked us many questions, and said as we left, 'I wish I _____ be more active in helping you.'
   A. should B. would C. could D. might
2. I've been on 10 or 11 tours in my career and it's time I _____ a little while with my family.
   A. will spend B. spend C. have spent D. spent
3. How much time is wasted _____ down cleaners, porters and even the hotel manager?
   A. tracking B. to track C. track D. to have tracked
4. There were _____ few possessions or comforts in the room that it was clear Mr Sikes had met hard times.
   A. such B. so C. a D. very
5. Three Beluga whales, which are _____ related to dolphins, have made their own bid for freedom.
   A. near B. nearly C. close D. closely
6. The 375 years since it was unearthed seems to be short when compared to the 900 years or more it had _____ buried.
   A. lain B. lied C. laid D. lying
7. The proposals, supported by the lead banks, are reported _____ sent to all 82 financial institutions for detailed consideration.
   A. having B. having been C. to have D. to have been
8. Hardly had he sat down _____ he was sent for again.
   A. when B. than C. after D. that
9. Don't worry about making a noise. The children are wide _____.
   A. waking B. awake C. woken D. awoke

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10. It is Fay's _____ to do well in her exams so that she can study Psychology.
    A. challenge B. intention C. qualification D. skill
11. While on vacation in Finland, John went on a(n) _____ of Lapland, the northern part of the country.
    A. expedition B. tour C. excursion D. voyage
12. Christine has a _____ of running ten kilometres per day.
    B. trend B. custom C. habit D. fashion
13. I wasn't satisfied with the _____ I was getting, so I decided to quit my job.
    A. allowance B. income C. salary D. reward
14. It was difficult to _____ the extent of the damage at first sight.
    A. predict B. suppose C. assume D. estimate
15. We only had a few days _____, so we decided to go somewhere close.
    A. available B. spare C. ready D. handy
16. The student _____ cheating on the test although her teacher caught her in the act.
    A. denied B. refused C. rejected D. resisted
17. The firm I work for has over five hundred _____.
    A. employers B. colleagues C. attendants D. employees
18. There was a _____ of lightning and it suddenly started pouring with rain.
    A. clap B. bunch C. flash D. flock
19. Steve went through a red traffic light, and he was lucky to _____ with only a fine.
    A. get away B. carry out C. come round D. go ahead
20. People who are colour-blind cannot _____ between green and red.
    A. associate B. depart C. differ D. distinguish

Part 4. Error Identification (5 pts)

Write the letter A, B, C, or D in the corresponding numbered box provided *to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.*

1. Every decade, a <u>few popular</u> (A) television shows <u>transcends</u> (B) mere <u>cleverness and</u> (C) high ratings <u>to reflect</u> (D) the social issues of our times.
2. <u>After hours</u> (A) of negotiations, the leaders finally settled <u>their differences</u> (B) and <u>have come</u> (C) <u>to</u> (D) an agreement.
3. Jackson Pollock, <u>a twentieth-century</u> (A) American painter, <u>was famous</u> (B) <u>to create</u> (C) abstract paintings <u>by dripping</u> (D) paint on canvas.
4. The polar icecaps <u>are melting</u> (A) at an alarming rate, <u>so</u> (B) <u>some</u> (C) people still do not believe <u>in</u> (D) global warming.
5. Tennis is a challenging sport; players have <u>to be</u> (A) <u>in top</u> (B) physical shape and <u>be practicing</u> (C) everyday <u>to maintain</u> (D) their game.

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Part 5. Word Formation (20 pts)

Use the words on the right of the text, listed 1-10, to form ONE word that fits in the same numbered space in the text. ***Write your answers in the corresponding numbered boxes provided****. Spelling mistakes will be penalised.*

A HOLIDAY OFFER

It's summer and everybody is looking forward to (0) _getting_ away to a holiday place where they can enjoy their favourite (1)_____. But are you one of those people whose anxiety levels reach new (2)_____ every time you think about organising your holidays? If you are (3)_____ with what is available, don't feel frustrated and (4)_____. We are here to find the right place for you and make your life easier and more (5)_____. Whether you dream of a holiday in the mountains to enjoy the (6)_____ of nature, or you like the busy resorts that offer people a (7)_____ of things to do, come and see us!	GET ACTIVE HIGH SATISFY HELP RELAX QUIET VARIOUS
We (8)_____ in making your dreams come true. No one can deny the (9)_____ of being able to get away from your daily routine and going to a place that is to your (10)_____. So why don't you take the time to consider our offer?	SPECIAL IMPORTANT SATISFY

Part 6. Key Word Transformation (20 pts)

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first, using the word given. Do not make any changes to the word given and write no more than FIVE words in total. ***Write your answers in the spaces provided.***

1. My parents think I should start working now. TIME
   My parents think _____ working.
2. The car is being fixed in the garage. HAVING
   I _____ in the garage.
3. I didn't realise how many problems buying a dog would create and now I regret it. HAD
   I wish _____ problems buying a dog would create.
4. When the weather becomes hotter, we should drink more water. THE
   The _____ more water we should drink.
5. You drink too much coffee; that's why you stay up all night. LESS
   If you _____ not stay up all night.
6. Stan prefers ordering a pizza to cooking something healthy. RATHER
   Stan _____ than cook something healthy.
7. It is impossible that Jane stole the money from your wallet. STOLEN
   Jane _____ the money from your wallet.
8. The dessert was delicious and everyone wanted the recipe. SO
   The dessert was _____ everyone wanted the recipe.
9. 'I will never accept this unfair arrangement!' said Thomas. TO
   Thomas _____ unfair arrangement.
10. 'Will my father like my future wife?' Dennis asked himself. IF
    Dennis _____ like his future wife.

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