

TEST 2

I. PHONETICS

(1-3). Choose the word whose underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others.

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| 1. a. <u>f</u> amous | b. <u>s</u> pace | c. <u>p</u> ace | d. att <u>a</u> ck |
| 2. a. book <u>s</u> | b. cat <u>s</u> | c. dog <u>s</u> | d. map <u>s</u> |
| 3. a. <u>h</u> ouse | b. <u>h</u> our | c. <u>h</u> ole | d. <u>h</u> umor |

(4-5). Choose the word whose main stress pattern is not the same as that of the others.

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| 4. a. linguistics | b. ordinary | c. teenagers | d. graduating |
| 5. a. relax | b. recognize | c. realize | d. relatively |

II. GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY

(6-20). Choose the word or phrase (a, b, c or d) that best fits the blank space in each sentence.

6. Mike is always proud _____ his success at school.
a. on b. of c. at d. in
7. Many companies participated _____ the trade fair.
a. on b. at c. in d. to
8. Never _____ till tomorrow what you can do today.
a. put off b. come over c. turn back d. set away
9. The best way to learn a _____ language is to live abroad.
a. foreign b. first c. native d. modern
10. In the 18th century, workers loved wearing jeans because it did not _____ easily.
a. break off c. wear out
b. tear off d. come out
11. We've got _____ of time, so there's no need to rush.
a. very much b. a number c. great deal d. plenty
12. Shut the window, _____ it'll get too cold in here.
a. unless b. if not c. otherwise d. though
13. If she _____ rich, she would travel around the world.
a. would be b. is c. has been d. were
14. The polluted river is smelly and filthy.
a. dangerous b. shallow c. dirty d. swollen
15. I wish you _____ making that noise. It's bothering me.

- a. would stop b. will stop c. stop d. can stop

16. I expect _____ a postcard from my pen friend in England today.

- a. to receive b. receiving c. to be received d. being received

17. Cell phones should be banned in schools _____ they distract students from learning.

- a. although b. because c. so that d. whereas

18. She is _____ to lift such a heavy bag.

- a. not enough strong c. not strong enough
b. enough strong d. strong not enough

19. The equipment in our office needs _____.

- a. to modernize b. modernizing c. modernized d. modernization

20. Computers _____ to do a lot of jobs these days.

- a. are used b. used to c. are using d. use

(21 -25). Choose the underlined word or phrase (A, B, C or D) that needs correcting.

21. If only I would play the guitar as well as you.

- A B C D

22. Don't forget turning oft all the lights before you go to bed.

- A B C D

23. My father wants to go back to the places where he used to visit.

- A B C D

24. My family lived in Ha Noi since 1990 to 1998, but now we are living in Ho Chi Minh City.

- A B C D

25. Mary asked me if I go to school on foot or by bike.

- A B C D

(26-30). Use the correct form of the word given in each sentence.

26. Energy-saving bulbs make _____ use of electricity. (*efficiency*)

27. The most _____ earthquake in Japanese history occurred in 1923. (*disaster*)

28. For many employees, job _____ is more important than making money. (*satisfy*)

29. People fled from the earthquake area in _____. (*terrify*)

30. Pompeii was completely destroyed in A.D.79 by an _____ of Mount Vesuvius. (*erupt*)

III. READING

(31 -38). Choose the word or phrase (a, b, c or d) that best fits the blank space in the following passage.

After a series of mission failures, July 1965, the US Mariner 4 became the first spacecraft (31) _____ close up pictures of Mars. Since then, more than 20 successful missions have (32) _____ the red planet's atmosphere and surface.

(33) _____ the images and data collected - and by telescopes, both on earth and in space - we now know that billions of years ago, Mars had the three (34) _____ ingredients for life. It had an abundance of the chemical building blocks, liquid water on its surface and an energy source (35) _____ make life possible. Today, the inhospitable surface of Mars is thought to be unsuitable for life, but the possibility of life existing deep (36) _____ its frozen surface hasn't been ruled out. To date though, no evidence of life has been found.

The search for Martian life is ongoing, with a (37) _____ three missions to Mars planned to launch over the next few years. And the search for (38) _____ of extraterrestrial life is stretching to the depths of our solar system and beyond.

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| 31. a. to take | b. taking | c. taken | d. took |
| 32. a. traveled | b. experienced | c. explored | d. discovered |
| 33. a. Despite | b. Due to | c. Thanks to | d. As a result |
| 34. a. active | b. essential | c. natural | d. qualified |
| 35. a. it | b. they | c. this | d. that |
| 36. a. above | b. across | c. beneath | d. along |
| 37. a. far | b. further | c. farther | d. farthest |
| 38. a. signs | b. signals | c. sights | d. senses |

(39-43). Read the passage. Decide if the statements that follow are True or False and choose the correct answer.

In *The Wizard of oz*, Dorothy and her dog Toto hide in a farmhouse to avoid a tornado. But the twister picks up the entire house and then gently lowers it to the ground in a distant land. Regrettably, tornadoes are not like that. They are powerful enough to move an entire house. But there is nothing gentle about them. Instead, they are among the most violent and destructive forces in nature.

Most tornadoes form during thunderstorms. The conditions for their formation are ideal then. Basically, warm air from one region and cold air from another area encounter each other. Then, the air begins to spin rapidly. A tornado can form from this spinning air. Tornadoes spin at very fast rates. Some of the most powerful ones have winds that move more than 500 kilometers per hour. Most tornadoes are fairly thin columns of air. Yet some can extend for two or three kilometers. These tornadoes **utterly** destroy anything in their paths.

One country that has a lot of tornadoes is the United States. A region of the country in the Midwest and Southeast gets many tornadoes. In fact, so many tornadoes happen there that it is called Tornado Alley. The states of Kansas and Oklahoma have the most tornadoes. Every spring, residents of the states in Tornado Alley always watch the sky when there are storm clouds in it.

39. What is the main topic of the passage?
- a. Tornadoes and their effects
 - b. The tornado in *The Wizard of oz*
 - c. Tornadoes and how they form
 - d. Why some tornadoes kill people
40. According to the first paragraph, tornadoes.
- a. are the same as those in *The Wizard of oz*
 - b. are one of the most damaging natural disasters
 - c. are not strong enough to move a house
 - d. can pick up a house but not destroy it
41. The word 'utterly' in the second paragraph is closest in meaning to.
- a. largely
 - b. almost
 - c. partly
 - d. totally
42. Tornado Alley is a region in that gets many tornadoes.
- a. the United States
 - b. the Midwest and Southeast
 - c. states such as Kansas and Oklahoma
 - d. some countries in the world
43. Which of the following statements about tornadoes is NOT true?
- a. They usually form during thunderstorms.
 - b. The majority of them are thin columns of air.
 - c. Their winds always blow more than 500 kilometers per hour.
 - d. They most occur in the spring.

IV. WRITING

(44-46). Choose the sentence (a, b, c or d) that is almost the same in meaning as the sentence given.

44. He used to write home once a week.
- a. He enjoys writing home every week.
 - b. He never fails to write a weekly letter home.
 - c. He doesn't now write home once a week.
 - d. He was forced to write home every week.
45. Mr. Bridges is by far the richest man I know.

- a. He is the richest man in my country.
- b. He is one of many very rich men I know.
- c. He is richer than all his friends.
- d. He is much richer than anyone else I know.

46. Because of hard working, she fell ill.

- a. She was too ill to work hard.
- b. She did not work, so she fell ill.
- c. She was not ill although she worked hard.
- d. She worked so hard that she fell ill.

(47-50). Rewrite the sentences so that they are nearest in meaning to the sentence printed before them.

47. People use money for buying and selling goods.

Money _____.

48. "I'm sorry I broke the glass," Peter said to Jane.

Peter apologized _____.

49. He is intelligent, but he doesn't do well at school.

He doesn't do well at school _____.

50. If you run a lot, you will get fitter.

The more _____.