

I. Find the word which has a different sound in the part underlined.

1. A. craft B. carve C. aware D. cast
 2. A. surface B. drumhead C. multicultural D. frustrated
 3. A. safari B. variety C. versatile D. operate

II. Choose the word which has a different stress pattern from the others.

4. A. fabulous B. skyscraper C. lacquerware D. determine
 5. A. authenticity B. cooperative C. metropolitan D. multicultural

III. Choose the best answer A, B, C or D to complete the sentences.

6. Skillful hand-weaving techniques of the local _____ make Dinh An sedge mats a wonderful souvenir for visitors.
 A. artisans B. artists C. artisans D. actors
 7. Lacquering is a uniquely-performed _____ in Viet Nam.
 A. culture B. tradition C. production D. craft
 8. Maybe we are worried about something so our _____ keeps wandering over a particular issue.
 A. feeling B. impression C. brain D. mind
 9. The drawing and printing techniques have been _____ and inherited over many generations.
 A. treated B. preserved C. prevented D. stored
 10. The bamboo used to make conical hats must be split into very thin strings and then put into water _____ they can avoid tearing and any breakage.
 A. therefore B. so that C. because D. although
 11. My sister asked me _____ to use the new washing machine
 A. why B. what C. where D. how
 12. The art gallery will be a new visitor _____ for the city.
 A. place B. attraction C. favorite D. appeal
 13. In the central park, there is a statue _____ from a single block of marble.
 A. moulded B. carved C. built D. carven
 14. Peter was invited to the volunteer team _____ his good behavior.
 A. except for B. because of C. in spite of D. regardless of
 15. There is a _____ of employment opportunities in a city.
 A. group B. change C. type D. variety
 16. It's a truth that dogs can hear and see _____ better than humans.

17. Yesterday, a fireman came and explained to us _____ to act and where to get help in emergencies.

- A. any ways B. whether C. where D. how

18. We'd like our students to participate more _____ in the school's social programmes.

- A. actively B. enj C. basically D. dynamically

19. "Do you _____ your new colleagues, or do you two argue?"

- A. get on with B. keep up with C. expect to D. look forward to

20. To consider an idea or a suggestion before deciding to accept it is to _____.

- A. face up to B. take it up C. look it up D. go it over

III. There is one mistake in each sentence. Find and circle it

21. The number of milk tea shops has increased considerable in Ho Chi Minh City during the last two years.

22. I wish I can set foot on every corner of Vietnam when I reach 40.

23. They are used to eat alone as their parents often come home lately.

24. It is expected that there has been more than 5 million international tourists to visit Ha Long Bay this year.

25. I used to having a very bad argument with my Maths teacher when I was at high school.

IV. Choose the word or phrase among A, B, C or D that best fits the blank space in the following passage.

Last month, my English class went on a field trip to one of the most ancient villages in Viet Nam: Bat Trang. That day all of us got (26) _____ very early (27) _____ we could arrive at the village early in the morning. When we got there, we were all astonished by a variety of ceramic products, most of which are for ordinary use such as bowl, cup, plates and pot. (28) _____ there were up to twenty members in our class, we decided not to join the buffalo tour. Instead, we took a walk for sightseeing and shopping around.

After we had visited some of the ceramic stores along the road in the village, our teacher took us to Bat Trang Porcelain and Pottery Market. This was the most interesting part of our trip. The local people instructed us to make pottery products by themselves and introduced the tradition of the village. We were told that pottery-making skills were (29) _____ from generation in the village. Before we left, the locals gave us small ceramic key chains as souvenirs.

MID-TERM TEST 1 - GRADE 9

SUPER STAR CENTER

A. very B. far more C. a lot D. much more 26. A. up B. down C. on D. off 27. A. so B. so that C. since D. though 28. A. so B. so that C. since D. though 29. A. turned down B. went in for C. passed down D. brought out 30. A. up to B. down on C. forward to D. forward on V. Read the passage, and choose the correct answer A, B, C or D for each question With a population of about 2.6 million people, Vancouver is the largest city in Western Canada. Vancouver is in the southwest of Canada, and it is only a few hours of driving away from the American border. Vancouver is popular because it combines so many things. It is a huge, modern city. On the other hand, it is also one of North America's most beautiful areas. The natural beauty around Vancouver is famous all around the world. Vancouver is right next to the Rocky Mountains, so it is a wonderful place for skiing and snowboarding. Those aren't the only winter sports you can do there. If you can name a winter sport, then you probably do that sport in Vancouver. After all, the 2010 Winter Olympics were there. Vancouver is also great for hiking, jogging, and skateboarding. It even has beaches. The beaches aren't the best in the world, but they are clean and pretty. Another place that you have to visit in Vancouver is Stanley Park. This is a public park that is <i>a stone's throw</i> from downtown. However, the park is completely surrounded by the Pacific Ocean. The nature in Stanley Park is beautiful. <i>It is close to downtown, but it feels like it is 100 kilometres away.</i> The park also has playgrounds, gardens, beaches, tennis courts, and even an aquarium. Vancouver is something for everybody. It is no wonder that people think it is one of the world's best cities.	We really looked (30)_____ another trip to Bat Trang. 31. What does the passage say about Vancouver's beaches? A. They are the world's best beaches. B. They are terrible beaches. C. They are pretty good beaches. D. Nobody goes to those beaches. 32. Which of the following is NOT near Vancouver? A. The Rocky Mountains B. The American border C. The Pacific Ocean D. The Atlantic Ocean 33. What does the sentence "It is close to downtown, but it feels like it is 100 kilometres away" in paragraph 4 mean? A. Stanley Park is 100 kilometres long. B. Stanley Park is close to downtown, but it feels like a very different place. C. Stanley Park is far from downtown, but it feels like it is very close. D. Stanley Park is more than 100 years old. 34. Which of the following is NOT popular in Vancouver? A. football B. winter sports C. skateboarding D. jogging 35. What could replace the phrase "a stone's throw" in paragraph 4? A. an act of throwing a stone B. a little bit long distance C. moving very quickly D. a short distance. VI. Rewrite these sentences 36. This is the most difficult lesson i have ever done. => I've never _____ 37. "Please follow my instructions." my teacher said. => My teacher told _____ 38. They took the President to the hospital for an emergency operation => The president _____ 39. They believe that touching the head of a Buddha statue is a sign of disrespect. => It _____ 40. It's a pity I can't get my visa extended. => I wish _____
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