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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 1. **A**. thank **B**. throat **C**. thief **D**. though

Question 2. **A**. mistake **B**. heritage **C**. music **D**. hide

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 3. **A**. prefer **B**. repair **C**. borrow **D**. allow

Question 4. **A**. acknowledge **B**. concentrate **C**. contribute **D**. encourage

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

Question 5. UNICEF, _____ on 11 December 1946, provides emergency food and healthcare to children and mothers in countries that had been devastated by World War II.

A. was founding **B**. was founded **C**. founded **D**. founding

Question 6. Reading a book at the free time is _____ than playing a video game.

A. more educational **B**. the most educational **C**. most educational **D**. as educational

Question 7. _____, we will leave for the conference at the City Hall.

A. As soon as it stops raining **B**. Once it stopped raining

C. When it had stopped raining **D**. While it was stopping raining

Question 8. Are you confident _____ what you have said, Trang?

A. with **B**. of **C**. at **D**. in

Question 9. Mr. Smith had to complain to the manager about the poor services he had received, _____?

A. did he **B**. didn't he **C**. wasn't he **D**. was he

Question 10. According to FAO, Vietnam is _____ second largest coffee producer in the world after Brazil.

A. an **B**. a **C**. the **D**. Ø

Question 11. Goodness, economy, and honesty are regarded as some universal _____ a man should have.

A. habits **B**. customs **C**. characters **D**. virtues

Question 12. I don't think he will _____ to your requests if you keep pestering him.

A. give in **B**. stick out **C**. take in **D**. pull out

Question 13. We agreed _____ on Thursday to discuss some problems related to school violence in recent months.

A. meet **B**. to meeting **C**. meeting **D**. to meet

Question 14. He was as sick as a _____ when he learned that he had been passed over for the promotion.

A. parrot **B**. pigeon **C**. chicken **D**. duck

Question 15. When you went into the office, Mr. John _____ at the front desk to wait for you.

A. sat **B**. was sitting **C**. sit **D**. sits

Question 16. The police are reconstructing the crime to try to _____ the memory of possible witnesses.

A. walk **B**. jog **C**. run **D**. jot

Question 17. The company hopes that their new product launch _____ by many potential customers.

A. will be attended **B**. will attend **C**. was attended **D** will be attending

Question 18. Many retail outlets emphasize lifestyle themes, such as the outdoors, to increase the _____ of their products.

A. attract **B**. attractiveness **C**. attractive **D**. attractively

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Question 19. My girlfriend and I first met in a basketball _____ when we both came to support our school team.

A. court **B**. course **C**. pitch **D**. ring

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

Question 20. *Paul and Daisy are discussing life in the future.*

- **Paul**: "I believe space travel will become more affordable for many people in the future."

- **Daisy**: "_____"

A. It doesn't matter at all. **B**. There's no doubt about that.

C. It is very kind of you to say so. **D**. I am sorry to hear that.

Question 21. *The post man is talking to Tom on the phone.*

- **Postman**: "I will come and give you the package a bit late."

- **Tom**: "_____"

A. Thanks anyway. **B**. Why late? **C**. No way. **D**. I don't agree.

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

Question 22. When I was young and **naive**, I believed it was possible to change the world.

A. applicable B. energetic C. practical D. thoughtless

Question 23. You'd think he would have **blown his lid** when he realized the chef was downstairs.

A. become tired B. felt happy C. stayed calm D. been furious

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 24. Cows with newly born calves often show a strong **urge** to protect their helpless young.

A. desire **B**. reaction **C**. thought **D**. decision

Question 25. The chairman's thought-provoking question **ignited** a lively debate among the participants in the workshop.

A. triggered. **B**. defined. **C**. arose. **D**. hosted

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

Question 26. It's mandatory for people to check their temperature before entering the bank.

A. People should check their temperature before entering the bank.
B. People must check their temperature before entering the bank.
C. People can't check their temperature before entering the bank.
D. People wouldn't check their temperature before entering the bank.

Question 27.The last time I ate spaghetti was five months ago.

A. I didn't eat spaghetti five months ago. **B.** I would eat spaghetti in five months.
C. I have eaten spaghetti for five months. **D.** I haven't eaten spaghetti for five months.

Question 28. Our teacher asked us, 'What are you most worried about?"

A. Our teacher asked us what I was most worried about
B. Our teacher asked us what were we most worried about
C. Our teacher asked us what we are most worried about
D. Our teacher asked us what we were most worried about

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

Question 29. She has disappeared three days ago, and they are still looking for her now.

A. has disappeared **B**. and **C**. are still **D**. for her

Question 30. Ozone has his origin in a number of sources, a prime one being the automobile engine.

A. his **B**. prime **C**. being **D**. the

Question 31: After going through a protection period that may last from several months to a year, new recruits will be offered a long-term contract.

A. going through. **B. protection.** **C.** last. **D.** new recruits

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

Question 32.I'd prefer to be out with my friends. I have too much homework now.

A. I wish I had no homework now and can be out with my friends.

B. If only I didn't have too much homework now and could be out with my friends.

C. If I don't have much homework now, I will be out with my friends.

D. Provided I have no homework now, I will be out with my friends.

Question 33. I didn't recognize my uncle. I did after he raised his voice only.

A.Not until I recognized my uncle did he raise his voice.

B. My uncle raised his voice as soon as I recognized him.

C. Only after my uncle raised his voice did I recognize him.

D.No sooner had I recognized my uncle than he raised his voice.

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

Bali, the fabled "Island of the Gods", has been enchanting visitors for centuries with its rich cultural traditions and spectacular panoramas. From lofty, mist enshrouded volcanoes and cool mountain lakes down through terraced rice fields to a golden strand lapped by azure waters, every square inch of Bali offers a fresh and unforgettable image.

No less enchanting are its people, some 2.7 million souls whose artistry and piety are recognized throughout the world Balinese Hinduism, a complex fusion of Indian cosmology. Tantric Buddhism and homegrown mythology, is the primary faith of Bali's inhabitants, and so deeply woven into the fabric of **their** daily lives that the line between the spiritual and the material is blurry at best.

Those of you keen on delving into the island's fascinating culture will have plenty of opportunities, as colorful ceremonies and traditional performances occur with regularity of sunrise. Most hotels offer nightly dance shows of one form or another, tailored to tourist audiences but none the less **exquisite**. The hill town of Ubud, the island's premier arts center, also has a full schedule of performance, and the nearby stone-cutter's village of Batubulan is famed for its Barong lion dances. The shoppers among you will find Bali a treasure house of handicrafts and fine works of art. The Balinese are incredibly gifted artists and craftsmen, and their material creations are imbued with the same sense of wonderment with which they regard their universe. Stone and wood carvings, traditional and modern paintings and intricately designed jewelry in gold and silver are readily in shops and galleries throughout the island.

As for recreation, there is no shortage of option. Nature walks, horseback riding, diving, surfing, even bungy jumping, and white water rafting await the adventurous here.

(Source: https://books.google.com.vn/books)

Question 34. The topic of the given passage is _____.

A. Balinese life **B**. Scenery in Bali **C**. Tourism in Bali **D**. Bali for recreation

Question 35. The second paragraph of the passage mainly discusses _____.

A. Population of Bali

B. artistry and piety of Bali

C. Balinese religion

D. daily lives of Balinese

Question 36. The word "**their**" in the second paragraph refers to _____.

A. 2.7 million souls **B**. Bali's inhabitants

C. daily lives **D**. the spiritual and the material

Question 37. Which of the following might be a synonym of the word "**exquisite**" in the third paragraph?

A. skillful **B**. clever **C**. spiritual **D**. material

Question 38. You can find all these recreational activities in Bali EXCEPT _____.

A. horseback riding **B**. nature walks **C**. water rafting **D**. parachute jumping

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.

ChatGPT: New AI chatbot has everyone talking to it

A new chatbot has passed one million users in less than a week, the project behind it says.ChatGPT was publicly released on Wednesday by OpenAI, an artificial intelligence research firm **(39)**_____ founders included Elon Musk.ChatGPT is the latest in a series of AIs which the firm refers to as GPTs, an acronym

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which **(40)**_____ for Generative Pre-Trained Transformer.To develop the system, an early version was fine-tuned through conversations with human trainers.The system also learned from access to Twitter data according to a tweet from Elon Musk who is no longer part of OpenAI's board. The Twitter boss wrote that he had paused access "for now".The results have impressed **(41)**_____ who've tried out the chatbot. OpenAI chief executive Sam Altman revealed the level of interest in the artificial conversationalist in a tweet.The project says the chat format allows the AI to answer "follow-up questions, admit its mistakes, challenge incorrect premises and reject inappropriate requests"A journalist for technology news site Mashable who tried out ChatGPT reported it is hard to provoke the model into saying offensive things.**(42)**_____, OpenAI warns that "ChatGPT sometimes writes plausible-sounding but incorrect or nonsensical answers".Training the model to be more cautious, says the firm, causes it to decline to answer questions that it can answer correctly.Briefly questioned by the BBC for this article, ChatGPT revealed itself to be a cautious interviewee **(43)**_____ of expressing itself clearly and accurately in English.

https://www.bbc.com/news/technology

Question 39: A. where	**B**. which	**C**. who	**D**. whose
Question 40: A. care	**B.** take	**C.** stand	**D.** look
Question 41: A. little	**B.** few	**C.** much	**D.** many
Question 42: A. As a result	**B.** Therefore	**C.** However	**D.**So
Question 43: A. afraid	**B.** fond	**C.** able	**D.** capable

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions

Advocates of the laws and journalists who cover the issue often neglect to ask what will replace plastic bags and what the environmental impact of that replacement will be. People still need bags to bring home **their** groceries. And the most common substitute, paper bags, may be just as bad or worse, depending on the environmental problem you are most concerned about.

That is leading to a split in the anti-bag movement. Some bills, like in Massachusetts, try to reduce the use of paper bags as well as plastic, but still favour paper. Others, like in New York City, treat all single-use bags equally. Even then, the question remains as to whether single-use bags are necessarily always worse than reusable ones.

Studies of bags' environmental impacts over their life cycle have reached widely varying conclusions. Some are funded by plastic industry groups, like the ironically named American Progressive Bag Alliance. Even studies conducted with the puret of intentions depend on any number of assumptions. How many plastic bags are replaced by one cotton tote bag? If a plastic bag is reused in the home as the garbage bag in a bathroom waste bin, does that reduce its footprint by eliminating the need for another small plastic garbage bag?

If your chief concern is climate change, things get even **muddier**. One of the most comprehensive research papers on the environmental impact of bags, published in 2007 by an Australian state government agency, found that paper bags have a higher carbon footprint than plastic. That is primarily because more energy is required to produce and transport paper bags.

"People look at paper and say it's degradable, therefore it's much better for the environment, but it's not in terms of climate change impact," says David Tyler, a professor of chemistry at the University of Oregon who has examined the research on the environmental impact of bag use. The reasons for paper's higher carbon footprint are complex but can mostly be understood as **stemming** from the fact that paper bags are much thicker than plastic bags. "Very broadly, carbon footprints are proportional to mass of an object," says Tyler. For example, because paper bags take up so much more space, more trucks are needed to ship paper bags to a store than to ship plastic bags.

(Adapted from https://www.wired.com/)

Question 44. Which of the following best serves as the title for the article?

A. Paper bags are a good substitute for plastic ones. **B**. Is plastic really worse than paper?

C. Activities of American Progressive Bag Alliance **D**. What people think about paper bags

Question 45. The word "**their**" in paragraph 1 refers to _____.

A. people **B**. groceries **C**. paper bags **D**. plastic bags

Question 46. American Progressive Bag Alliance is the name of a _____.

A. plastic bag seller **B**. paper bag company **C**. law company **D**. plastic industry group

Question 47. The word "**muddier**" in paragraph 4 most probably means _____.

A. uglier **B**. luckier **C**. rarer **D**. vaguer

Question 48. Which of the following is TRUE, according to the article?

A. Paper bags can be the substitute for plastic bags.

B. New York City prefers single-use bags.

C. Studies reach the same conclusion on bags' environmental impacts.

D. Plastic bags have a higher carbon footprint than paper according to research in 2007.

Question 49. The word "**stemming**" in paragraph 5 is closest in meaning to _____.

A. looking for **B**. asking for **C**. deriving from **D**. keeping from

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Question 50. What can be inferred the reason for paper's higher carbon footprint?

A. Paper bags are difficult to ship.

B. Paper bags are much thicker than plastic bags.

C. Paper bags take less space.

D. Paper bags are easily torn.

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