PRACTICE TEST- UNIT 7-8 (ENGLISH 12)

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

1. A. enjoys B. feels C. takes D. gives

2. A. contribute B. future C. influence D. security

3. A. service B. practice C. office D. device

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

4. A. future B. burden C. device D. certain

5. A. influence B. confident C. disappear D. terrorism

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

6. Jane help her mother to do the housework when she has free time.

A. help B. to do C. when D. free time

7. Children learn primarily by directly experiencing the world around it.

A. primarily B. experiencing C. world D. it

8. The cost of living went up considerably for the last few years.

A. cost of B. went up C. considerably D. for the last few years

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that is CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word in each of the following questions.

9. We will also be better looked after by a more modern medical system.

A. taken after B. taken care of C. taken notice of D. cared

10. Telecommunication is bound to have a huge influence on various aspects of our lives.

A. depression B. technique C. expectation D. impact

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best completes each of the following exchanges.

11. Linda is thanking Daniel for his birthday present.

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Linda: "Thanks for the book. I've been looking for it for months."

Daniel: "_____"

A. You can say that again B. Thank you for looking for it

C. I like reading books D. I'm glad you like it

12. Mai is talking to Hoa about Hoa's new dress.

- Mai: "You've got a nice dress, Hoa." - Hoa:"_____"

A. Congratulations! B. Thank you. C. Me too. D. No problem.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that is OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined part.

13. She is optimistic about her chances of winning a gold medal.

A. hopeful B. pessimistic C. terrified D. excited

14. I think you will be home and dry in the interview because you have many years of teaching experience and good academic qualifications.

A. be successful B. be unsuccessful C. be satisfied D. be unsatisfied

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

15. Life is not so easy for _____ unemployed.

A. the B. a C. an D. no article

16. Did you read _____ book I lent you last week?

A. a B. an C. the D. some

17. Our new neighbors are quite nice _____ they are sometimes talkative.

A. despite B. in spite of the fact C. though D. despite of

18. _____ of the difficulty, they managed to climb to the top of the mountain.

A. In spite B. Despite C. But D. Although

19. _____ the end of the book, they get married and live happily ever after.

A. At B. In C. On D. Since

20. I have warned you _____ the difficulties you have to face when applying for the job.

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A. on B. about C. at D. for

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks

Ever since it was first possible to make a real robot, people have been hoping for the invention of a machine that would do all the necessary jobs around the house If boring and repetitive factory work could be (21) _____ by robots, why not boring and repetitive household chores too?

For a long time the only people who really gave the problem their attention were amateur inventors And they came up against a major difficulty. That is, housework is actually very complex. It has never been one job it has always been many. A factor robot (22) _____ one task endlessly until it is reprogrammed to do something else. It doesn't run the whole factory. A housework robot on the other hand, has to do several different (23) _____ of cleaning and carrying jobs and also has to cope (24) _____ all the different shapes and positions of rooms, furniture, ornaments, cats and dogs. (25) _____, there have been some developments recently. Sensors are available to help the robot locate objects and avoid obstacles. We have the technology to produce the hardware. All that is missing the software- the programs that will operate the machine.

21. A. managed	B. succeeded	C. made	D. given
22. A. carries over	B. carries out	C. carries off	D. carries away
23. A. systems	B. types	C. ways	D. methods
24. A. from	B. with	C. by	D. for
25. A. However	B. Therefore	C. Besides	D. Moreover

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.

Telecommuting is some form of computer communication between employees' homes and offices. For employees whose job involve sitting at a terminal or word processor entering data or typing

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reports, the location of the computer is **of no consequence**. If the machine can communicate over telephone lines, when the work is completed, employees can dial the office computer and transmit the material to their employers. A recent survey in USA Today estimates that there are approximately 8.7 million telecommuters. But although the numbers are rising annually, the trend does not appear to be as significant as predicted when Business Week published "The Portable Executive" as its cover story a few years ago. Why hasn't telecommuting become more popular?

Clearly, change simply takes time. But in addition, there has been active resistance on the part of many managers. These executives claim that supervising the telecommuters in a large work force scattered across the country would be too difficult, or, at least, systems for managing them are not yet developed, thereby complicating the manager's responsibilities.

It is also true that employees who are given the option of telecommuting are reluctant to accept the opportunity. Most people feel that they need regular interaction with a group, and many are concerned that they will not have the same consideration for advancement if they are not more visible in the office setting. Some people feel that even when a space in their homes is set aside as a work area, they never really get away from the office.

26. With which of the following topics is the passage primarily concerned?

A. An overview of telecommuting. B. The failure of telecommuting.

C. The advantages of telecommuting. D. A definition of telecommuting.

27. How many Americans are involved in telecommuting?

A. More than predicted in Business Week. B. More than 8 million.

C. Fewer than last year. D. Fewer than estimated in USA Today.

28. The phrase "**of no consequence**" means _____

A. of no use B. irrelevant C. of no good D. unimportant

29. The author mentions all of the following as concerns of telecommuting **EXCEPT** _____

A. the opportunities for advancement. B. the different system of supervision.

C. the lack of interaction with a group. D. The work place is in the home.

30. The reason why telecommuting has not become popular is that the employees _____

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A. need regular interaction with their families.

B. are worried about the promotion if they are not seen at the office.

C. feel that a work area in their home is away from the office.

D. are ignorant of telecommuting.

B. WRITING

I- Supply the correct tense or form of the verb in brackets.

1. Mr. Davy (work) _____ in the same place for thirty- five years and he is not planning to retire yet.

2. Writing letters (make) _____ her happy.

3. We aren't allowed (smoke) _____in the house.

4. We are looking forward to (read) _____ your new book.

II- Fill in EACH blank with ONE suitable word.

1. What will life be like _____ the future?

2. Domestic chores will no longer be a burden thanks _____ the inventions of labour-saving devices.

3. We will be living in a much cleaner environment, _____ fresher air and eating healthier foods.

4. They will also be fitted with computers to tell us _____ efficiently we are driving and if there is anything wrong on the road ahead.

III- Supply the correct form of the word in brackets.

1. For better or worse, it is certain that in the future some things will be very _____ (difference)

2. _____ (Optimistic) believe that life will be far better than it is today.

3. More people will work from home on computers _____ (link) to a head office.

4. We are confident that the future is in our hands, and it is our _____ (responsible) to contribute to bettering our own lives.

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IV- Rewrite each of the these sentences so that its meaning will remain unchanged.

1. In spite of his age Mr. Benson runs seven miles before breakfast.

→Although _____

2. Although it was raining heavily, we decided to go to the cinema.

→In spite of _____

3. The people were nice. We visited their house.

→The people _____

4. A bumpy road led to the hotel.

→The road which _____

5. I haven't been to Bristol for 3 years.

→The last time _____

6. Sebastian's career as a television presenter began five years ago.

→Sebastian has _____

7. Mary didn't wear a raincoat. She got a cold.

→If _____

8. I'm hungry now because I didn't eat dinner.

→If _____

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