

Part 1

USE OF ENGLISH

Choose the option (A, B, C, or D) that best completes each of the following sentences. (15 points)

1. This is the parade I have ever seen.
A. less colorful B. more colorful C. colorfulest D. most colorful
2. If we keep using too much light, light pollution.
A. there will affect B. it will affect C. there'll be D. it will be
3. Which underlined part needs correcting in the following sentence?
We should recycled things we have used before, such as plastic bags.
A. recycled things B. have used C. before D. such as
4. Vietnamese people celebrate their Independence Day September 2nd.
A. in B. at C. on D. over
5. There are harmful effects of the rising water the sarus cranes' habitat.
A. with B. on C. into D. up
6. Reuse glass bottles we can reduce trash.
A. if B. and C. but D. because
7. Farmers don't have enough water to use after years of
A. flood B. drought C. polar ice D. bonfires
8. Big storms often make the sea rise.
A. deltas B. levels C. damages D. boats
9. Many animals are being affected by climate
A. disease B. waste C. pollution D. change
10. Ho Chi Minh City's industry has developed plans to attract more visitors.
A. tour B. tourist C. tourism D. tourists'
11. The Mid-Autumn festival takes place every lunar August.
A. annual B. another C. open D. giant
12. The Lunar New Year festival takes place in different all around the world.
A. camps B. woods C. locations D. competitions
13. If the Earth becomes hotter, more ice will
A. decrease B. reduce C. increase D. melt
14. Choose the word whose main stress is NOT placed on the second syllable.
A. construction B. photography C. habitat D. graffiti
15. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the others.
A. think B. they C. that D. there



Part 2 SPEAKING

Complete the dialogue with the correct sentences. There are TWO EXTRA sentences. (10 points)

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- a. There must be a lot of fun.
 - b. Ah, I've seen a picture of that.
 - c. Amazing, really!
 - d. Why do you celebrate Songkran?
 - e. Wow, interesting? When are the celebrations?
 - f. April? Is there a big water festival in April too?
 - g. How do you celebrate the new year in Thailand?
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Kenji: (1)

Somchai: Oh, actually we celebrate the new year twice in Thailand!

Kenji: (2)

Somchai: Well, we celebrate the new year on January the first, just like in most Western countries. Then we have another celebration in April.

Kenji: (3)

Somchai: Yes, they are the same thing. We call the celebration Songkran. On that day, we throw water at each other as a way to wish others good luck.

Kenji: (4)

Somchai: The celebration is bigger than the one on January first. Everybody will return to their hometowns and enjoy the holiday with their families and friends.

Kenji: (5)

Somchai: It definitely is.

Part 3 WORD FORMS

Supply the correct forms of the given words. (10 points)


1. Bonfires are often big fires built _____. (DOOR)
2. I will share with you some tips to save energy _____. (EFFECT)
3. I spent a(n) _____ weekend with my family and friends. (RELAX)
4. Some air _____ are poisonous and can cause fatal health problems. (POLLUTE)
5. Every year, people in this province _____ in a dragon boat race. (COMPETITION)

Part 4 READING COMPREHENSION

1. Read the passage and choose the best answer to each of the following questions. (5 points)

The popular two-week Boryeong Mud Festival in Korea brings in millions of dollars but has a very humble beginning. Starting in 1999, the festival aimed at promoting the local cosmetics that were made from the local mud, which was believed to bring a lot of benefits for the skin. But soon, the excitement of the beach mud party took over. Now, every July, thousands of tourists flock to the small town of Boryeong on the west coast of the country to join in a wide range of mud activities. Mud wrestling, mud sliding, mud swimming and so on make up the most famous Korean festival. Generally, the festivities begin early in the morning. Buses will pick up tourists at the designated places and drop them off at the beach, which has already been filled with mud. There are also fireworks displays and live performances at the festival's opening and closing ceremonies. Admission fees for adults are 10,000 won for weekdays and 12,000 won on the weekend.

1. Where is this passage likely to be taken from?

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- A. a travel guidebook
 - B. a journal
 - C. a work of fiction
 - D. a novel

2. The word "flock" is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. fly
- B. move in large numbers
- C. drive
- D. hurry

3. How long does the Mud Festival last?

- A. one week
- B. two weeks
- C. three weeks
- D. the entire July

4. Why was the festival first started?

- A. to develop tourism
- B. to make the town more famous
- C. to attract tourists to the beach party
- D. to advertise for the local cosmetics



TESTS 5 & 6 EXPANSION

5. What can be inferred from the passage?
- There are other activities besides mud-based ones at the Mud Festival.
 - Tourists help fill the beach with mud.
 - To get to the Festival, there are many transportation options.
 - The admission fee on the weekends is double that on weekdays.

2. Choose the option (A, B, C or D) that best completes each numbered blank in the passage. (10-points)

For long, the word "graffiti" has created negative images and connotations. If the drawings are (6) on walls of buildings without the owners' permission, it is considered vandalism and in some cases, a crime. (7), historically, graffiti was important to the Romans because it was a way for them to (8)..... their knowledge or their appreciation of beauty. They often carved graffiti on walls and monuments. From the mid 1960s to the late 1980s, graffiti was (9) as an art form. In urban areas, graffiti (10) on walls of buildings or walls of subway stations. It was used as a way to communicate political messages because it was an inexpensive way to do so.

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| 6. A. done | B. developed | C. produced | D. formed |
| 7. A. But | B. However | C. Therefore | D. Despite |
| 8. A. show | B. demonstrate | C. display | D. express |
| 9. A. considered | B. thought | C. looked | D. seen |
| 10. A. saw | B. is seen | C. was seen | D. has been seen |



3. Fill in each blank with ONE suitable word. (10 points)

The greenhouse effect (11) when the gases in the Earth's atmosphere trap and prevent the Sun's heat (12) escaping into space. (13) increasing heat in the atmosphere has caused the global (14) to rise over the time, (15) as global warming. Global warming has caused another issue called climate change. Climate change refers to the changes in weather patterns and seasons around the world. Global warming and climate change together pose a threat to all forms of life on earth.



Part 5 WRITING

1. Rearrange the given phrases to make a complete sentence. (10 points)

1. aged/all/is/for/singers/to/45./The competition/18

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2. sky lanterns/At/people/and/them/the sky./some festivals,/release/into/decorate

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3. are/a/There/range/of/all year round./festivals/in this city/wide/held

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4. are/more/If/lose/forest/many/will/their habitats./there/fires,/animals

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5. reduce/To/avoid/things/don't/that/trash,/you/need./buying

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2. Rewrite the following sentences with the given words and/or beginnings in such a way that the meanings stay unchanged. (10 points)

6. We should use public transport to reduce air pollution. (SO)

→ We should _____.

7. I think the flower festival is less interesting than others.

→ I think the flower festival is the _____.

8. Stop littering or we will be living in garbage!

→ If we go _____!

9. This festival is held once a year. (Make a question for the underlined part)

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10. This celebration often lasts the entire week! (Make a question for the underlined part)

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Part 6 LISTENING You will hear a talk about single-use plastics.

Task 1: Listen and match the figures with the correct explanations. There is ONE EXTRA explanation. (10 points)

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B

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| 1. 300 million tons | • | • a. the number of microplastics produced |
| 2. 23 billion | • | • b. the years when plastics started to be used more |
| 3. 500 to 700 | • | • c. the number of years it takes for a plastic bottle to break down |
| 4. 5 millimetres | • | • d. the amount of plastic produced every year |
| 5. 1970s | • | • e. the length of microplastics |
| | | • f. the number of plastic bags used in New York in one year |

Task 2: Listen again and complete the notes. Use ONLY ONE WORD for each blank. (10 points)

- Accumulating (6) _____ at an alarming rate.
- The sun and (7) _____ can turn plastics into microplastics.
- Microplastics can be (8) _____ by animals and can get inside our bodies.
- Microplastics can cause (9) _____ health problems such as hormone imbalances or (10) _____

