

English for University Students

Quiz 2

A: Match the following words with their synonyms.

A	B	C
1. Determined	A. Compassionate	1.....
2. Energetic	B. Giving	2.....
3. Gentle	C. Jubilant	3.....
4. Generous	D. Modest	4.....
5. Honest	E. Noisy	5.....
6. Humble	F. Resolute	6.....
7. Independent	G. Self-sufficient	7.....
8. Joyful	H. Sincere	8.....
9. Kind	I. Soft	9.....
10. Loud	J. Vigorous	10.....

A	B	C
1. Firm	A. Animated	1.....
2. Lively	B. Autonomous	2.....
3. Mild	C. Benevolent	3.....
4. Charitable	D. Candid	4.....
5. Truthful	E. Clamorous	5.....
6. Unassuming	F. Considerate	6.....
7. Self-reliant	G. Meek	7.....
8. Delighted	H. Merry	8.....
9. Caring	I. Persistent	9.....
10. Boisterous	J. Tender	10.....

B: Fill in the following blank with the correct option A, B, C or D.

Greenhouse gases are being released into the atmosphere 30 times faster than the time when the Earth experienced a (11)..... episode of global warming. A study comparing the rate at which carbon dioxide and methane are being (12).....now, compared to 55 million years ago when global warming also occurred, has found dramatic differences in the speed of release.

James Zachos, professor of earth sciences at the University of California, Santa Cruz, said the speed of the present buildup of greenhouse gases is far greater than during the global warming after the (13)..... of the dinosaurs. "The emissions that caused this past episode of global warming probably lasted 10,000 years," Professor Zachos told the American Association for the Advancement of Science at a meeting in St. Louis. "By burning fossil fuels, we are likely to emit the same amount over the next three centuries." He warned that studies of global warming events in the geological past (14)..... the Earth's climate passes a (15)....., beyond which climate change accelerates with the help of positive feedbacks - vicious circles of warming. Professor Zachos is a leading (16)..... on the episode of global warming known as the palaeocene-eocene thermal maximum, when average global temperatures increased by up to 5°C due to a massive release of carbon dioxide and methane.

His research into the deep ocean (17)..... suggests at this time that about 4.5 billion tons of carbon entered the atmosphere over 10,000 years. "This will be the same amount of carbon released into the atmosphere from cars and industrial emissions over the next 300 years if present (18)..... continue", he said. Although carbon can be released suddenly and naturally into the atmosphere from volcanic activity, it takes many thousands of years for it to be removed permanently by natural processes. The ocean is capable of removing carbon, and quickly, but this natural (19)..... can be easily (20)....., which is probably what happened 55 million years ago. "It will take tens of thousands of years before atmospheric carbon dioxide comes down to preindustrial levels," the professor said. "Even after humans stop burning fossil fuels, the effects will be long-lasting."

11. A. prearranged	B. premier	C. previous	D. fundamental
12. A. emitted	B. exhaled	C. incorporated	D. digested
13. A. dementia	B. demolition	C. detachment	D. demise
14. A. comment	B. mark	C. compliment	D. indicate
15. A. barricade	B. verge	C. threshold	D. perimeter
16. A. autocrat	B. authority	C. administrator	D. proprietor
17. A. dusts	B. sediments	C. dirt	D. powder
18. A. trends	B. gadgets	C. fads	D. crazes
19. A. capacity	B. competence	C. intelligence	D. bulk
20. A. overcharged	B. overstated	C. overshadowed	D. overwhelmed

C: Fill in the following blank with the correct option A, B, C or D.

21 is a real health hazard.
a Stupidity b Sturdiness c Animosity d Obesity

22 The old lady was becoming increasingly affected by
a senility b masculinity c virility d chivalry

23 His excuses invariably exasperated the manager.
a feeble b frail c robust d wealthy

24 I don't to be a genius but I am not stupid either.
a permit b agree c compare d claim

25 Smoking can be to your health.
a delightful b harmless c detrimental d indifferent

26 People their spending power when prices rise.
a increase b curtail c prolong d think

27 He became an outlaw by the law.
a defying b observing c sticking to d abiding by

28 is a punishable offense.
a Hunting b Poaching c Jogging d Boxing

29 Marian was a beautiful, young lady.
a corpulent b gaunt c slender d bony

30 Don't trust him; he's cruel, and unscrupulous.
a loving b slack c treacherous d trustworthy