

## PRACTICE TEST 9 – BDHSG

### PART A – LISTENING

**Part 1: You will hear a lecture about *Crocodylus niloticus* and its living habits. Choose the correct letter A, B or C for question 1 - 5 (10 pts)**

1. The student thought there were no crocodiles in Northern Africa because
  - A. North Africa contains very little wildlife for the crocodile to prey on.
  - B. she found no mention in the literature of their existence there.
  - C. there is very little water in North Africa
2. Crocodiles live in groups of about
  - A. 20.
  - B. 38.
  - C. 46.
3. African crocodiles usually live in areas with
  - A. hot, dry climates
  - B. hot, wet rainforests
  - C. warm, wet climates
4. Crocodiles in dry areas live in caves located
  - A. Underground
  - B. in mountainsides
  - C. underwater
5. What change caused changes in crocodile populations in North Africa?
  - A. They were driven away by a fierce predator
  - B. Crocodiles evolved from desert creatures to wetland creatures
  - C. North Africa used to be wetland but slowly turned to desert over time

**Part 2: You will hear two students talking to their professor about presentations. For question 6-10, choose True (T) or False (F) for each sentence (10 pts)**

6. The population has declined more rapidly than the sales of both oil and cheese in New Zealand
7. The same situation for both products has happened in Colombia
8. “Kostig” is the most expensive brand in Italy
9. Germans love to make jokes and give the nation the name “The land of Chocolate”
10. Bruce will investigate the packaging process of cookies and the effects of the materials on sales.

**Part 3: You will hear a session on how to choose flooring materials. For question 11 – 20, fill in the blanks with a word, a number or a short phrase (write NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS for each answer) (20 pts)**

\*Source:

- There are some man-made materials like (11).....
- Before being used, material undergoes (12).....
- Wood should be cut and (13).....
- Stone should be cut and (14).....

\*Selection:

- Aside from environmental factors, one should take (15).....into account during construction.
- Some properties of materials affect mood, such as (16)....., texture, and color.
- Use a mathematical formula to choose the type of wood, because (17).....are subjective, which are ambiguous in verbal description.

\* Reflectance rate:

- Polished silver = almost 1.0
- White – painted plastic = approximately (18).....
- Quarry tile = approximately (19).....
- (20).....= almost 0.0

## PART B – GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY (5/20 points)

**I. Choose the word or the phrase which best complete each sentence. Circle A, B, C, or D to indicate your option. (3.5 points)**

1. You had your house decorated, ..... ?  
A. hadn't you      B. didn't you      C. weren't you      D. haven't you
2. ..... 1920 that the cinema really became an industry.  
A. It is not until      B. It was not until      C. Not until      D. Until in
3. ..... are a form of carbon has been known since the late eighteenth century.  
A. Diamonds      B. Because diamonds      C. That diamonds      D. Diamonds, which
4. "Sorry, do I know you?"      " ....."  
A. No, you don't      B. I'll be in touch      C. We've met before, haven't we?      D. All the best
5. The Masters, one of the most important golf tournaments, ..... every year in Augusta, Georgia.  
A. are held      B. is held      C. held      D. hold
6. Because bone loss occurs earlier in women....., the effect of osteoporosis are more apparent in women.  
A. than men do      B. than in men      C. as men      D. similar to men
7. Fast food is very popular. ...., a diet of burgers, pizzas and fried chicken is not very healthy.  
A. Consequently      B. Moreover      C. Unfortunately      D. In contrast
8. The type of plant and animal life living in and around a pond depends on the soil of the pond, ..... , and the pond's location.  
A. what the quality of the water is      B. how is the water quality  
C. the quality of water      D. what is the water quality
9. .... the advent of the Industrial Revolution, pollution was virtually unheard of.  
A. Previously      B. Earlier than      C. Formerly      D. Prior to
10. If a food label indicates that a food is.....carbohydrate, it doesn't mean that it is good food to eat.  
A. mostly      B. most      C. almost      D. the most
11. It was so foggy that the drivers couldn't.....the traffic signs.  
A. make out      B. break out      C. keep out      D. take out
12. Psychologists have found that the number of social contacts we have.....only reason for loneliness.  
A. are not the      B. is not the      C. are not an      D. is not an
13. Have I told you about ..... the government is now dealing?  
A. the problem      B. the problem with which  
C. the problem that      D. the problem to which
14. I was born in Scotland but I ..... in Northern Ireland.  
A. grew up.      B. raised      C. brought up      D. rose
15. Some young children suffer from feeling.....when they first start school.  
A. secure      B. security      C. insecurity      D. insecure
16. The company's website was overloaded with an unexpected surge of emails ..... information on its new product line.  
A. request      B. in which requests      C. requesting      D. requested
17. I don't think ..... likes the film. It is so boring.  
A. one      B. someone      C. anyone      D. no one
18. Although they are twins, they don't look.....  
A. similarly      B. likely      C. like      D. alike
19. Julie was upset because her job application was ..... twice.  
A. turned off      B. turned down C. turned out      D. turned over
20. Only by working hard ..... your goal.  
A. you can achieve      B. can you achieve      C. you will achieve      D. will help you achieve
21. "Shall we eat out tonight?" "....."  
A. That's a great idea.      B. That's understandable  
C. It's very kind of you to invite me.      D. You are very welcome.
22. ..... learning a foreign language, John is smarter than Tim.  
A. Comparing      B. As far as      C. Instead of      D. In terms of
23. Thomas is.....because he can speak both French and Spanish.  
A. bilingual      B. bilateral      C. monolingual D. linguistic
24. Some fresh herbs can greatly change the way food.....  
A. smell      B. smelly      C. smells      D. has smell
25. It's essential that he.....the contract which they have given him.

26. It was.....that I couldn't put it down.

A. accept      B. accepts      C. to be accepting      D. accepting

27. I see you have a saw in your hands. .... you ..... the dry tree branches?

A. such interesting book      B. so interesting a book  
C. interesting book      D. so interesting

28. To promote him so quickly, you must have a very high ..... of his ability.

A. view      B. opinion      C. idea      D. feeling

29. Jo was shocked when I disagreed with her. She's so used to getting her own .....

A. mind      B. way      C. opinion      D. views

30. All people said that they would come to the annual meeting. However, nobody ..... at last.

A. came up with      B. turned up      C. took over      D. get off

31. Only three of the students in my class are girls, ..... are all boys .

A. others      B. other students      C. the others      D. the other

32. ....two fingerprints have ever been found to be exactly the same.

A. No      B. Never      C. Not      D. None

33. .... Bill wanted to have dinner in a Mexican restaurant, the rest of his family preferred to eat at a pizzeria.

A. Besides      B. However      C. While      D. In spite of

34. ....at 2 a.m, he was thought to be the suspect.

A. Seeing and leaving      B. Seen and left      C. Seen leaving      D. To be seen leaving

35. If only I ..... about this service before.

A. had known      B. could know      C. knew      D. could have known

**II. Circle the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word or phrase that is CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined part in each of the following questions. (0.5 points)**

36. Helen Keller, blind and deaf from an early age, developed her sense of smell so finely that she could identify friends by their personal odors.

A. classify      B. communicate with      C. describe      D. recognize

37. The life boat rescued the crew of the sinking ship.  
A. classify      B. communicate with      C. describe      D. recognize

37. The life boat **rescued** the crew of the sinking ship.  
A. picked up B. provided food for C. saved the life of D. looked for

38. The two bombs exploded **simultaneously**.

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A. accidentally B. all of the sudden C. violently D. at the same time

39. You must apply yourself to your work more.

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A. improve B. carried out C. did quickly D. concentrates

**III. Circle the letter A, B, C, or D to show the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions. (0.5 points)**

41. The book that you see laying on the table belongs to the teacher.

A B C D

42. Because of refraction, the water in a tank ever looks as deep as it actually is.

A \_\_\_\_\_ B \_\_\_\_\_ C \_\_\_\_\_ D

43. In the early days of jet development, jet engines used great numbers of fuel.

A B C D

44. The principles used in air - conditioning are basically the same as those used by the human body.

Conditioning and therapies used in anorexia nervosa are basically the same as those used in bulimia.

to cool himself.

or missen.  
D

**IV. Circle the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following question (0.5 points)**

46. .... the answer, I would have got full mark.

A. Had I known      B. If I have known      C. If I knew      D. if I would have known

47. .... theoretical information or practical use.

A. Either the two directions are too vague for  
C. The directions are too vague either for  
B. The directions either are too vague for  
D. The directions are too vague for either

48. Weakened by successive storms, .....  
 A. they find the bridge not safe any more.  
 C. the bridge can be no longer safe.  
 B. many people thought the bridge had not been safe.  
 D. it is the bridge that is no longer safe.

49. Such was the demand.....  
 A. the book had to be reprinted immediately.  
 C. when they had to be reprint the book immediately.  
 B. so that they had to reprint the book immediately.  
 D. that they had to reprint the book immediately.

50. ...., driving fast is dangerous.  
 A. You are experienced  
 C. Although it is your experience  
 B. However experienced you may be  
 D. As experienced as you are

### PART C - READING (6/20 points)

#### I. Read the following passage and circle the most suitable answer (A, B, C or D) to fill in each gap. (2.0 points)

##### MONEY IN SPORT

Today, the distinction between the professional and the (1).....is purely a matter of sporting success. Most athletes start their career by winning competitions for non - professionals before deciding to (2).....themselves to their chosen sport. However, for a long time, it used to be believed that getting paid for a sporting (3).....destroyed the ancient Olympic (4).....of people simply trying to do their best for the love of the sport.

In fact, even participants in ancient Olympic (5).....were able to make large amounts of money from winning. At the games themselves, only a laurel wreath was (6).....to the winner, but back in his (7).....town, he could become very rich.

During most of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, professionals were disallowed from entering the Olympics. This gave the wealthy an advantage since they could afford to train and compete without needing to earn money. In 1988, the IOC (which (8) .....for International Olympic Committee) decided to allow professionals to take (9).....in the Olympics. Only boxing and football still restrict the (10).....of professionals allowed to compete. Boxing does not allow professionals at all, while Olympic football teams are allowed up to three professionals on the side.

1. A. champion	B. umpire	C. amateur	D. volunteer
2. A. concentrate	B. focus	C. devote	D. aim
3. A. action	B. performance	C. activity	D. recreation
4. A. suggestion	B. thought	C. belief	D. ideal
5. A. sessions	B. acts	C. plays	D. events
6. A. awarded	B. earned	C. gained	D. rewarded
7. A. birth	B. native	C. original	D. home
8. A. stands	B. takes	C. means	D. goes
9. A. place	B. account	C. part	D. sides
10. A. amount	B. number	C. degree	D. quantity

#### II. Read the following passage and circle the letter (A, B, C or D) to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions. (2.0 points)

American Online is one of the big names on the Internet, and unlike many other digital companies, **it** actually makes a profit. But the company which its rivals call the "Cyber - cockroach" was launched only in 1992. Before that, **it** was a small firm called control Video Corporation, and it made video games. Then Steve Case, a former Pizza Hut marketing executive arrived and took the company online, innovative, fast moving, and user - friendly, American online appeals to people who want to search the Internet, but who do not have a lot of experience. For the same reason "techies", people who think they are more expert with computers, look down on American Online and its users. Recently, American Online (or AOL, as it calls itself) joined with Time Warn – a multi - million dollar movie and magazine company - to create a multi media giant.

Now, AOL has begun to expand abroad. In many European countries, including the United Kingdom, it is hard to buy a computer magazine that does not have a free AOL introductory offer. The company also puts advertisements onto the television, and employs people to hand out its free introductory disks at places like train stations. As the Internet gets faster, AOL is changing. With many homes getting high - speed connection through fiber optic cables, or the new ADSL technology, the "Cyber - cockroach" will have to show that like real cockroaches, it can survive in almost any environment.

1. What is the passage about?  
 A. a computer company  
 C. an Internet company  
 B. a software company  
 D. a video company

2. The word "**it**" in line.....refers to:  
 A. American Online  
 B. Cyber - cockroach

C. Control video corporation  
 3. Who does Steve Case work for?  
 A. Pizza Hut  
 B. AOL  
 C. Control video Corporation  
 D. digital company

4. How do "techies" feel about American Online?  
 A. They think it is a Cyber - cockroach  
 B. They think it is for experts  
 C. They think it is a movie and a magazine company  
 D. They feel superior to its users

5. American Online has the following characteristics EXCEPT:  
 A. innovative  
 B. experienced  
 C. user - friendly  
 D. fast moving

6. People who use American Online are probably:  
 A. video game players  
 B. "techies"  
 C. movie fans  
 D. people new to the Internet

7. American Online is an unusual digital company because:  
 A. it used to make video games  
 B. it is innovative  
 C. it makes money  
 D. it has joined with another company

8. Which marketing idea is NOT mentioned?  
 A. advertisements on the Internet  
 B. advertisements on TV  
 C. free disks in journals  
 D. people giving disks away

9. What does the article say about AOL's future?  
 A. it will do well  
 B. it will do badly  
 C. it will face challenges  
 D. The article doesn't say

10. What is this passage mainly concerned with?  
 A. technology  
 B. a history of the Internet  
 C. computer users  
 D. a successful business

**III. Read the following passage and circle the letter (A, B, C or D) to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions. (2.0 points)**

No one can calculate the quantity of solid waste that has been dumped in the world's oceans, but the total certainly exceeds many millions of tons. For example, from 1880 to 1895, 75 percent of the solid waste from New York City was dumped untreated into the Atlantic Ocean. Although it is now prohibited by law, the dumping of solid waste, including wastewater sludge, industrial waste, and high - level radioactive waste were common in the United States until 1970. Cruise ships and huge floating fishing factories still regularly dispose of their solid waste products directly into the ocean.

The earth naturally recycles water and refreshes the land in what is called the hydrological cycle. The hydrological cycle not only renews the supply of water, but cleans it as well. The process begins as heat from the sun causes sea water, 97 percent of the earth's total water reserve, to evaporate and form clouds. Because water evaporates at lower temperatures than most pollutants, the water vapor that rises from the seas is relatively pure and free of the **contaminants**, which are left behind. Next, water returns to us as rain, **which** drains into streams and rivers and rushes toward the sea.

Chemicals, petroleum products, and other dangerous substances such as radioactive materials remain in the ocean, polluting it permanently. The polluted ocean water kills fish or makes them dangerous to eat, posing health problems for those who consume them. It kills the tiny sea creatures that are the source of food for larger fish, sharks, and whales. It also spoils a source of great beauty and pleasure when some solid waste is thrown onto beaches during storms. Discharged petroleum products are frequently found on beaches and they not only ruin the beach, the petroleum residue kills hundreds of shore birds. Nonpoint pollutants are dumped into lakes, rivers, and streams that may be far away from any ocean. However, these pollutants flow, eventually, into the oceans. They can come from a variety of sources, from road salt to agricultural pesticides. One source of nonpoint pollution is runoff from farming, including fertilizers, manure, and pesticides. Another source is industrial runoff, including heavy metals, phosphorous, and many other chemicals. Urban runoff (oils, salts, various chemicals) and atmospheric fallout of airborne pollution are other sources of nonpoint pollutants that reach the oceans. This includes water and waste from sinks, toilets, washing machines and bathtubs. The problem with this type of waste is that it provides massive amounts of nutrients for water plants such as algae, so that they grow rapidly. This sudden growth causes concentration or algae blooms, which use up the oxygen in the water. As the oxygen level of the water declines, many organisms suffer and die, and the ocean ecosystem is radically altered. This can be prevented by the installation of waste treatment plants that prevent waste from entering the sea, but such facilities do not exist in many poorer countries.

1. What can be inferred about the waste dumped into the world's oceans?  
 A. It's mainly household waste  
 B. Much of it was not treated  
 C. It is billions of tons  
 D. It is primary industrial waste

**PART D - WRITING (5/20 points)**

**I. Rewrite each of the following sentences in such a way that it has the same meaning as the first sentence, using the cues at the beginning of each sentence . (0) has been done as an example.(2.0 points)**

0. She was not used to driving on the left.  
=> She found *it strange to drive on the left.*

1. "You damaged my bicycle, John" Mary said.  
Mary accused.....

2. We'd prefer you not to smoke.  
We'd rather .....

3. His jealousy increases with his love for her.  
The more .....

4. The result of the entrance exam was never in doubt.  
At no time .....

5. He is very strong but he still can't lift that box.  
Although .....

6. Most students ignored what the teacher was saying.  
Few .....

7. They said that the explosion had been caused by mine.  
The explosion .....

8. They tried hard so that they would pass the exam.  
With .....

9. She discovered eight new comets in the course of her work.  
Her work resulted .....

10. She became interested in wildlife conservation, so she joined Greenpeace.  
But .....

**II. Finish the second sentence so that it has similar meaning to the first sentence, using the words given in the brackets. The words must not be altered in any way. (0) has been done as an example.(1.0 point)**

0. I never have enough money. (SHORT)  
=> *I am always short of money.*

1. Their chances of success are small.(UNLIKELY)  
It .....
2. The police ended the fighting between two gangs by arresting the leaders.(CAME)  
The fighting .....
3. The concert wasn't as good as we expected. (MEET)  
The concert .....
4. The boss postponed the meeting for an hour.(PUT)  
The boss .....
5. She thought it was too difficult for her to come to the class on time.(FOUND)  
She .....

### **III. Paragraph writing (2.0 points)**

You should spend about 30 minutes on this task.

Write an essay (around 300 words) about the following topic:

Some people think that older school children should learn a wide range of subjects to acquire more knowledge, while other people believe they should learn a small number of subjects in detail. Discuss both views and give your opinions.