

## GCSE PRACTICE TEST 2024

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.

Question 1: A. decorate      B. computer      C. oceanic      D. disconnect

Question 2: A. habitat      B. campfire      C. survive      D. wildlife

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 primary stress in each of the following questions.

Question 3 A. document      B. holiday      C. location      D. journalist

Question 4 A. listen      B. agree      C. escape      D. deny

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

Question 5: University students \_\_\_\_\_ in linguistics may take courses including phonetics, semantics, and pragmatics.

A. which major      B. to major      C. majored      D. majoring

Question 6: Going to the seaside is \_\_\_\_\_ choice for families in the summer.

A. popular      B. most popular      C. the most popular      D. more popular

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: Michael returned to his hometown last summer, \_\_\_\_\_?

A. won't he      B. doesn't he      C. didn't he      D. hasn't he

Question 9: Sarah said she would like \_\_\_\_\_ Paris someday to see the Eiffel Tower.

A. visit      B. to visit      C. visiting      D. visited

Question 10: He \_\_\_\_\_ into the house to steal things, he was bitten by a dog.

A. broke      B. breaking      C. was breaking      D. has broken

Question 11: My close friend \_\_\_\_\_ a new tablet on her birthday last week

A. was given      B. was giving      C. gives      D. has given

Question 12: He was amazed \_\_\_\_\_ the beauty of the sunset.

A. in      B. by      C. with      D. of

Question 13: I bought \_\_\_\_\_ new shirt yesterday. It was very nice.

A. Ø (no article)      B. an      C. the      D. a

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

Question 14: Minh is talking to Thomas after his test.

- Minh: "My first English test was not as good as I expected." - Thomas: " \_\_\_\_\_ "

A. Good Heavens!      B. Never mind, better job next time!  
C. That's brilliant enough!      D. It's okay. Don't worry.

Question 15: Ann and John is talking about social network.

- Ann: "Today social network plays an important role in communication."

- John: " \_\_\_\_\_ "

A. It's rubbish      B. I'm afraid I don't know  
C. I don't agree with you      D. I agree with you

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

Question 16: She started driving to work one month ago.

A. She has driven to work since one month.  
B. It is one month when she started driving to work.  
C. She has driven to work for one month.  
D. It was one month after she started driving to work.

Question 17: It's important that you pay attention to the lecture.

A. You must pay attention to the lecture.      B. You shouldn't pay attention to the lecture.

C. You can pay attention to the lecture.

D. You needn't pay attention to the lecture.

**Question 18:** "I had lunch with my friends last month," Jean said.

A. Jean said that she had had lunch with her friends the previous month.

B. Jean said that I had had lunch with my friends the previous month.

C. Jean said that I had lunch with her friends last month.

D. Jean said that she would have lunch with her friends last month.

**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.**

**Question 19:** The main cause of the strike was the management's refusal to give further consideration to the question of pay differences.

A. Was

B. refusal

C. to

D. differences

**Question 20:** A turtle differs from all other reptiles in that its body is encased in a protective shell of their own.

A. From

B. other

C. its

D. their

**Question 21:** Last Sunday is so beautiful a day that we took a drive in the country.

A. Last

B. is

C. a day

D. took

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

**Question 22.** At last the bus came. We had been waiting for half an hour.

A. Only after we had been waiting for half an hour, did the bus come.

B. Only when we had waited for half an hour, did the bus come.

C. No sooner had we waited for half an hour than the bus come.

D. Hardly had we waited for half an hour than the bus came.

**Question 23.** I didn't know that you were at home. I didn't visit you.

A. If I knew that you were at home, I would visit you.

B. If I had known that you were at home, I would have visited you.

C. If I knew that you had been at home, I would have visited you.

D. If I would know that you were at home, I visited you.

**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 .**

Part of what makes summers so hot is also what causes thunderstorms. As heat from the sun beats down on Earth, the heat evaporates some of the water in lakes and oceans. The evaporated water stays in the air. This evaporated water makes the air feel heavy and humid. Humid air is what makes you feel hot and sticky (34) \_\_\_\_\_ the summer.

Warm humid air usually does not stay in one place. The wind can move it higher in the sky (24) \_\_\_\_\_ it will cool off. When warm humid air cools, it forms clouds. As more water is moved from lakes and oceans to the airs, the clouds get bigger and bigger.

Since summer, the air near the ground is hotter than it is during other seasons of the year. When this hot air mixes with cool air from (25) \_\_\_\_\_ area, there will be changes in the weather. Greater differences between the (37) \_\_\_\_\_ of the hot and cold air will cause greater changes in the weather. Imagine putting an ice (38) \_\_\_\_\_ in a warm drink. As soon as the ice hits the warm drink, it will crack and pop. But if you put the ice cube in a cool drink, it will not crack or pop as much. When warmer and cooler clouds get close to one another, there may be some popping and cracking as the weather changes. There may be more clouds or storms. A thunderstorm may be on its way.

(Adapted from *Elfrieda H. Hiebert 2010*)

**Question 24:**A. where

B. who

C. which

D. that

**Question 25:**A. another

B. much

C. others

D. other

**THE END**