

ĐỀ THAM KHẢO THI GIỮA KỲ 2- TIẾNG ANH LỚP 9

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SECTION A (8,0 POINTS)

Listen to Kiko giving advice on how to learn vocabulary effectively twice and circle the best answer (A,B,C, or D) for each of the following questions.

Question 1: What should learners base on to guess the meaning of new words?

- A. language B. culture C. people D. context

Question 2: How many times of repetitions is required to memorize a new word, according to the research?

- A. from 10 to 15 B. from 10 to 30 C. from 10 to 20 D. from 5 to 10

Question 3: On what should new words be written down for later review?

- A. index card B. notebook C. board D. diary

Question 4: What is the recommended webpage to check the usage of a word?

- A. dejavews.com B. dejanews.com C. sejanews.com D. mejanews.com

Listen to the conversation between a travel agent and a woman. Decide if the following statements are True (T) or False (F).

Question 5: The tours won't take tourists to all the most famous places in the city.

- A. True B. False

Question 6: You can't get off the bus during the whole tour.

- A. True B. False

Question 7: Tourists must buy the tickets before the tours.

- A. True B. False

Question 8: The tour buses don't leave from the outside of the office.

- A. True B. False

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

Question 9: A. family B. natural C. travel D. destination

Question 10: A. eccosystem B. holidaymaker C. online app D. model

Circle the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following questions.

Question 11: A. authentic B. amazing C. consistent D. generous

Question 12: A. photographic B. majority C. economic D. affirmation

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

Question 13: The major _____ of the Galapagos Islands is its unique and fearless animals, such as sea lions, huge tortoises, and different bird species.

- A. attract B. attractive C. attraction D. attractively

Question 14: He asked me _____ my mum worked from home those days.

- A. where B. when C. whether D. what

Question 15: Most countries in Southeast Asia have floating markets _____ attract western visitors.

- A. they B. who C. whose D. which

Question 16: That's the writer _____ historical fiction I recommended.

- A. who B. which C. where D. whose

Question 17: Whenever I visit a new place, I use _____ to get directions.

- A. trip itinerary B. guided tour C. package holiday D. Google Maps

Question 18: Woods and fields are typical features of the English _____.

- A. landscape B. attraction C. development D. exploration

Question 19: When I started learning English, my mother taught me how to _____ up new words in the dictionary.

- A. look B. pick C. go D. copy

Question 20: Tan: Can borrow your English-English dictionary for a while, Hoa? - **Hoa:** _____

- A. Yes, you can. B. No, you can't. C. Sure. Here you are. D. Sure. It's useful.

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

Question 21: That is a famous place because it has many majestic destinations.

- A. amazing B. magnificent C. modern D. domestic

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

Question 22: They didn't permit the children to enter that cave without their parents.

- A. translate B. forbid C. allow D. support

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 23: The English-English dictionary who I bought at this store a few days ago is expensive.

- A. is B. English C. bought D. who

Question 24: She asked the children if they are listening to her then.

- A. then B. are listening C. She D. children

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.

Tourism in Viet Nam has seen a lot of changes in recent years. For backpackers, culture and nature lovers, military veterans, Viet Nam has become a new tourist destination (25) Southeast Asia.

International tourist arrivals to Viet Nam have continuously risen. In 2008, Viet Nam (26) 4.218 million tourists. In 2012, the number rose to 6.84 million. Four years later, the country welcomed 10 million international visitors, and in 2019, it was 18 million. This increase made Viet Nam the fifth most visited country in the Asia-Pacific region.

By March 2023, the four countries with the largest numbers of visitors to Viet Nam are South Korea, the USA, Thailand, and China. The most (27) destinations in Viet Nam are national parks like Cuc Phuong, Phong Nha Ke Bang, Cape Ca Mau, and World Heritage Sites like Ha Long Bay, Hue, and Hoi An.

Tourism is important to the country's economy. For example, in 2016, tourism contributed 6.6 percent to gross domestic product (GDP) equal to VND 279,287 billion. It has also helped to promote the development of related sectors, such as hotels, transportation, entertainment, (28) food.

Question 25: A. to B. in C. at D. for

Question 26: A. received B. receive C. receives D. will receive

Question 27: A. attract B. attraction C. attractive D. attractively

Question 28: A. or B. but C. so D. and

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.

At 2,315 miles (3,726 kilometres), the Missouri River is nearly as long as the Mississippi River, into which it flows. Together the Missouri and the Mississippi form one of the world's longest river systems.

There are seven major dams and dozens of smaller dams on the Missouri. The dams use water from the river to produce electricity. They also create reservoirs, or artificial lakes, behind them. The reservoirs store water that is needed for cities and for irrigation of crops. Irrigation is important because most of the regions around the river have fairly dry climate.

In addition to producing electricity, the dams on the Missouri are also used to control the water level of the river. Sometimes water is held back to prevent floods. At other times, water is released to keep the water level high enough for barges to float downstream.

By changing the natural flow of water in the Missouri, dams and reservoirs have altered the river's ecosystem. **They** have affected the depth and temperature of the water in different parts of the river. Such changes have made it difficult for some species, or types, of plants, animals, and fish to survive. A few wildlife species in the region are now endangered..

Question 29: On the Missouri River, there are dozens of _____.

- A. major dams
- B. small dams
- C. reservoirs
- D. crops

Question 30: Why is it necessary sometimes to keep the water level high?

- A. To produce electricity.
- B. To prevent floods.
- C. To let barges float downstream.
- D. To change the flow of water.

Question 31: The word "**They**" in the last paragraph refers to _____.

- A. dams and reservoirs
- B. parts of the river
- C. such changes
- D. some species

Question 32: Which of the following is **TRUE**, according to the passage?

- A. The Missouri River is longer than the Mississippi River.
- B. The Missouri River flows into the Mississippi River.
- C. The Mississippi River flows into the Missouri River.
- D. Wildlife species in the Missouri region are dangerous.

SECTION B (2,0 POINTS)

I. Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the sentence printed before it. Write your answers on your answer sheet. (0.5 point)

Question 1: "Do you like this park, Tom?" Mary asked.

→ Mary asked Tom _____

Mary asked Tom if/whether he liked that park.

Question 2: My son often helps a little boy. The boy lives behind the park.

→ My son _____

My son often helps a little boy who lives behind the park.

II. Write a paragraph of 100- 120 words about the natural wonder or beautiful landscape that you know (1.5 point)

These cues may help you:

- + Name of the natural wonder or beautiful landscape.
- + Location
- + Natural features
- + Activities
- + Ways to protect it

Answer:

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Listening transcript 1:

Woman: Hello. I'd like some information about the city tours please.

Man: Certainly. The tours will take you by bus to all the most famous places in the city. You can get off the bus if you like, and you can get on the next tour bus that passes.

Woman: How often are the tours?

Man: They leave every fifteen minutes.

Woman: And what time is the last tour of the day?

Man: Half past five. So, if you go on that tour, you won't be able to get off the bus and get on a later one.

Woman: How much are the tickets?

Man: They're ten pounds for adults and five pounds for children under 16.

Woman: Fine. Can I buy tickets on the bus?

Man: No, you can't. You need to get tickets from the Tour Bus office. Do you know where that is?

Woman: No, I don't.

Man: It's on Wrexham Street.

Woman: Wrexham Street?

Man: Yes, that's W-R-E-X-H-A-M. The office is open from nine in the morning until five in the afternoon.

Woman: Great. And do the buses leave from outside the office?

Man: No, the buses leave from the City Hall.

Woman: Okay. Thanks for your help.

Listening transcript 2:

Hi everybody. I'm Kiko, from Japan. I am studying English for 5 years. I love it. And I have some suggestions for those who want to improve vocabulary.

First, most vocabulary words are learned from context. The more words you're exposed to, the better vocabulary you will have. While you read, pay close attention to words you don't know. First, try to figure out their meanings from context. Then look the words up. Read and listen to challenging materials so that you'll be exposed to many new words.

Learning a word won't help very much if you promptly forget it. Research shows that it takes from 10 to 20 repetitions to really make a word part of your vocabulary. It helps to write the word - both the definition and a sentence you make up using the word - perhaps on an index card that can later be reviewed. As soon as you learn a new word, start using it. Review your index cards periodically to see if you have forgotten any of your new words. Also, do a search on a word using webpage dejanews.com (for searching newsgroups) to get many examples of how the word is actually used. That's D-E-J-A-N-E-W-S.COM.

Finally, you really should make up as many associations and connections as possible. Say the word aloud to activate your auditory memory. Relate the word to words you already know.