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PART 1. LISTENING

Listen to Tony talking to Bella about using social media and choose the correct answer to each of the following questions.

1. Why does Tony start talking to Bella?

A. to ask if she'll accept his friend request B. to ask if posts stay on social media forever

2. What happened right after Tony posted something?

A. He deleted it. B. Someone shared it.

3. What does Bella never do?

A. accept friend requests from strangers B. use antivirus software

4. What does Bella say teens should spend more time doing?

A. extra schoolwork B. after-school activities

You will hear an interview with an expert on AI named Professor Sanders. For each question, choose the correct answer (A, B, or C).

5. Professor Sanders thinks that AI will _____.

A. worry people B. create jobs C. destroy jobs

6. How will AI help people soon?

A. make them think about data B. make decisions for them C. make their lives easier

7. For personal finance, many people _____.

A. have lots of bills B. aren't good at saving C. could benefit from AI's help

8. What does Professor Sanders think about flying cars?

A. We have the technology to make them.

B. They can do complex tasks.

C. We might have them in 15 years.

PART 2. READING

Read the following advertisement and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

Join the Movement for a Greener Planet!

Are you passionate about (9) _____ the environment? At GreenFuture Initiative, we are dedicated to reducing deforestation and combating (10) _____ extinction. Our programs bring together individuals from around the world to learn about and promote sustainable living, including using (11) _____ energy solutions, such as solar panels and windmills.

Whether you're an eco-warrior or someone (12) _____ about the future of the planet, GreenFuture offers you the chance to make an impact. Together, we can reduce plastic waste and create a brighter future for generations to come.

Join us today (13) _____ a difference in the world and (14) _____ the first step toward reversing irreparable damage.

9. A. protect B. protecting C. protection D. protected

10. A. species endangered B. endangered species
C. species, endangered D. species that are endangered

11. A. which are renewable B. are renewable C. renewable D. being renewable

12. A. concerned B. with concern C. concerning D. concerned with

13. A. to make B. making C. for making D. on making

14. A. take B. to take C. taking D. takes

Read the following leaflet and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

Social Media: Friend or Foe?

Understanding the Media in the Digital Age

Think Before You Click!

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Today, social media platforms are (15) _____ with information, and not all of it is reliable. While some posts come from (16) _____ sources, many stories are created to manipulate or distort the truth.

📰 Be Media-Savvy!

Never (17) _____ fake news or take it at face value. Always check the accuracy of what you see online. Trust your instincts: if something seems ill-advised or questionable, look for confirmation. Avoid being bombarded (18) _____ false headlines on a daily basis.

Fact-checking tools and reputable sources like professional news stations or fact-checkers can help you navigate this flood of content.

📺 **The Role of Media**

Social media can spread eye-catching stories quickly, but it can also mislead people. Whether you're following a news anchor, enjoying a morning show, or catching up on breaking news, make sure the content you consume serves public interest, not just someone's agenda. Be cautious of content created solely for (19) _____.

In short, stay informed, think critically, and trust your (20) _____ to avoid falling victim to misinformation.

15. A. little	B. few	C. much	D. awash
16. A. unforgettable	B. credible	C. some	D. many
17. A. pass on	B. look into	C. tamper with	D. take in
18. A. on	B. of	C. with	D. for
19. A. breaking news	B. commercial gain	C. foreign affairs	D. nostalgic reviews
20. A. overview	B. background	C. instincts	D. agenda

Read the following passage about humanoid robots and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

How The Younger Generation Consumes The News

In recent years, (21) _____ researchers and older generations that younger people are disengaged from the news, leading to a limited understanding of the world. However, a study by the Media Insight Project (American Press Institute & Associated Press) challenges this perception. The research reveals that 85% of young people consider staying informed important, and 69% consume news daily.

The key difference lies not in a lack of interest but in how news is accessed. Younger generations, (22) _____, rely on smartphones, tablets, and laptops rather than traditional newspapers. A study by Ofcom found that 60% of young people in the UK use the internet or apps for news, compared to only 21% of older adults.

(23) _____. Most young people don't actively seek news on social platforms, but encounter it through headlines that pop up while browsing. (24) _____, it is not typically trusted for accuracy. For more serious topics, like economics or local crime, young people still turn to original sources, with television remaining the most trusted medium for reliable news.

Alison Preston, Head of Media Literacy Research at Ofcom, notes that the motivations for consuming news differ between generations. For younger people, news is about convenience and social interaction, while older generations view it as a duty or habit. (25) _____.

(Adapted from Mindset for IELTS 2)

21.

A. there has been growing concern
B. there was grown concern
C. there has been grown concern
D. there was growing concern

22.

A. which are grown up in the digital age
B. when were growing up in the digital age
C. that grew up in the digital age
D. who grew up in the digital age

23.

A. Social media also plays a significant role in news consumption
B. News platforms have stopped focusing on younger audiences
C. Young people trust social media for all their news updates
D. Traditional newspapers are preferred by younger generations

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24.
A. Although social media offers breaking news
B. As long as breaking news offered by social media
C. Not only is breaking news offered social media
D. Despite offering breaking news on social media
25.
A. The methods of accessing news may vary, so it is essential for all generations to make good decisions
B. Since social media has grown in popularity, traditional news platforms have lost their appeal
C. Despite varying access methods, news is crucial in daily life for all generations
D. Although younger people consume news differently, their motivations remain equally valid

Read the following passage about the urban shift and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions.

[I] As the world grapples with the finite nature of fossil fuel reserves and the detrimental impact of climate change, the future of energy undeniably lies in renewable sources. [II] Scientists and engineers are making substantial advancements in the development of technologies that more efficiently harness solar, wind, hydro, and geothermal energy. [III] Although the transition to these renewable sources presents significant challenges, it is also regarded as a pivotal step towards establishing a sustainable and resilient energy system. [IV]

One of the most promising advancements in renewable energy is the enhancement of solar panel efficiency. Progress in photovoltaic technology has led to the creation of panels that convert a higher proportion of sunlight into electricity. Likewise, wind turbines are becoming more and more efficient. They are capable of generating power even under low-wind conditions. The future of geothermal energy is closely tied to technological innovations. Several key advancements are expected to drive growth in the coming decade such as Enhanced Geothermal Systems (EGS), Advanced Drilling Technologies and Closed-Loop Systems. These innovations are essential for making renewable energy more feasible and accessible to a broader population.

However, the transition to renewable energy is fraught with obstacles. The intermittent nature of sources like solar and wind necessitates reliable storage solutions to ensure a consistent power supply. Although battery technology has seen significant improvements, further advancements are imperative to meet growing demand. Moreover, the infrastructure for distributing renewable energy requires expansion and upgrading to accommodate these new power sources.

The economic impact of transitioning to renewable energy is another critical consideration. While the initial investment in renewable energy infrastructure can be substantial, the long-term benefits include reduced energy costs and job creation in the green energy sector. Governments and private enterprises are increasingly acknowledging the necessity of investing in renewable energy projects, which is crucial for fostering innovation and diminishing reliance on fossil fuels.

Ultimately, the future of energy hinges on our capacity to innovate and adapt. By continuing to invest in research and development, improving infrastructure, and addressing economic and technical challenges, we can transition towards a more sustainable and environmentally friendly energy system.

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26. Where in paragraph 1 does the following sentence best fit?:
"The shift towards renewable energy is seen as a necessary response to the global energy crisis."
A. [II] B. [I] C. [IV] D. [III]
27. The phrase "**harness**" in paragraph 1 could be best replaced by _____.
A. create B. release C. control D. capture
28. According to paragraph 2, which of the following is **NOT** mentioned as an advancement in renewable energy technology?
A. wind turbine capability B. hydroelectric power C. geothermal energy D. solar panel efficiency
29. The word "They" in paragraph 2 refers to _____.
A. solar panel B. renewable energy C. photovoltaic technology D. wind turbines
30. Which of the following best summarises paragraph 3?

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A. Infrastructure must be upgraded to accommodate renewable energy sources.
B. Battery technology needs significant improvements to support renewable energy.
C. The intermittent nature of renewable energy sources requires improved storage solutions.
D. Challenges in renewable energy include storage solutions and infrastructure expansion.
31. The word "intermittent" in paragraph 3 is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.
A. broken B. constant C. infrequent D. irregular
32. Which of the following is TRUE according to the passage?
A. The transition to renewable energy is without challenges.
B. Renewable energy technology is not yet viable for widespread use.
C. Fossil fuel resources are abundant and not a concern.
D. Investment in renewable energy can reduce long-term energy costs.
33. Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 4?
"While the initial investment in renewable energy infrastructure can be substantial, the long-term benefits include reduced energy costs and job creation in the green energy sector."
A. The initial cost of renewable energy projects is prohibitive.
B. Investing in renewable energy leads to lower costs and new jobs.
C. Governments are hesitant to invest in renewable energy projects.
D. The economic benefits of renewable energy are difficult to measure.
34. Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?
A. Solar and wind energy are the only viable renewable energy sources.
B. Innovation and investment are key to the future of renewable energy.
C. The economic impact of renewable energy is purely negative.
D. Renewable energy will completely replace fossil fuels in the near future.
35. Which of the following best summarises the passage?
A. Addressing renewable energy challenges requires ongoing innovation and investment.
B. Fossil fuels will remain the primary energy source despite advancements in renewable energy.
C. The transition to renewable energy has no economic benefits and is not sustainable.
D. Renewable energy sources like solar and wind are unreliable and too costly to develop.

PART 3. SPEAKING & WRITING

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best arrangement of utterances or sentences to make a meaningful exchange or text in each of the following questions.

36.
a. No, we are not. But allowing these Al systems to take over the wheel like you suggest is absolutely unthinkable.
b. Hey, look. I don't think we are on the same page about the future of Al-driven cars.
c. OK, let's agree to disagree.
A. c – a – b
B. a – c – b
C. b – a – c
D. b – c – a
37.
a. What's on your mind? You look really upset.
b. Oh, that's really sad! But we can help by supporting organisations that fight climate change and protect wildlife.
c. That's awful! How is it affecting them?
d. It's destroying their habitats and making it harder for them to find food.
e. Well, I just read that ice caps are melting, and it's threatening penguin populations.
A. a - e – c – d – b
B. a – c – b – e – d
C. e – b – a – d – c
D. e – a – b – c – d

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38.

Dear Sir/Madam,

a. I am excited to apply for the Operations Manager position at your company, as advertised on Thanh Nien newspaper.

b. As a recent graduate with a Bachelor's degree in business administration, I am eager to bring my academic background and enthusiasm for operations management to your team.

c. Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the opportunity to discuss how my academic achievements and internship experiences make me a strong candidate for this role. Sincerely, Hanh Nguyen

d. I am particularly drawn to your innovative approach and I am eager to contribute my fresh perspective and drive for efficiency to your organisation.

e. During my studies, I developed a strong foundation in business administration, which I believe will complement the operational needs at your company. I have also gained practical experience through internships where I honed my organisational skills and ability to adapt to dynamic environments.

A. a – b – e – d – c

B. e – b – a – e – c

C. a – d – b – e – c

D. a – c – e – b – d

39.

a. Best of all, it's free, accessible, and requires no special equipment. Start walking today and take a step towards a healthier, happier you.

b. Walking is one of the simplest yet most effective ways to boost your health. Incorporating regular walks into your routine can lead to significant improvements in physical and mental well-being.

c. Physically, walking helps maintain a healthy weight, strengthens muscles, and improves cardiovascular health by lowering blood pressure and cholesterol levels. It also enhances joint mobility, reducing the risk of arthritis and other joint-related issues.

d. Additionally, walking can improve creativity and problem-solving skills, making it an excellent break from sedentary work.

e. Mentally, walking is a powerful stress reliever. It promotes the release of endorphins, the body's natural mood lifters, helping to reduce anxiety and depression. Walking outdoors provides the added benefits of fresh air and a change of scenery, which can further uplift your mood.

A. a – c – d – e – b

B. b – d – a – c – e

C. c – e – d – a – b

D. b – c – e – d – a

40.

Dear Doctor Philip,

a. Please let me know if there are any specific preparations or documents I need to bring for the appointment.

b. Thank you for your time and attention. I look forward to my visit and appreciate your assistance in maintaining my health.

c. Best regards, Susan

d. Subject: Appointment Confirmation for Check-Up

e. I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to confirm my appointment for a check-up next Monday at 9.00 a.m at your clinic.

f. Additionally, if there are any changes to the scheduled time or date, kindly inform me at your earliest convenience.

A. d – a – b – e – f – c

B. e – d – a – f – c – b

C. d – e – a – f – b – c

D. c – d – a – e – f – b

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