Đề 10

(Đề minh họa sở Hải Phòng)

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

Language plays a crucial role in shaping identities and cultures around the world. **The term "minority language" enjoys a natural, but problematic, definition.**

In the most straightforward sense, a minority language is simply one spoken by less than 50 percent of a population in a given region, state or country. The key criterion here is the size of the speaker population within a **specific** geographic context: an individual language may be a minority language in one region or state but a majority language in another. Such is the case with many immigrant languages, whose speakers may continue to be a majority in the homeland but have smaller speaker bases elsewhere.

Furthermore, a single language may have different degrees of minority status within a given country. To cite one of the most obvious examples, Spanish is a majority language in a number of countries but a minority language in the United States overall. At the same time, in US states, counties, or regions with large Latino populations it is much more prevalent and even valued, and is indeed spoken by a majority of the population in some counties in Texas and New Mexico. This example highlights the most problematic part of the definition given above; namely, that it makes no claim about the economic, social, or political prestige of a minority language. In many of France's former colonies, French is a minority language, as is Ainu in Japan, but the former is frequently associated with education and economic advancement, whereas the latter is stigmatized and subject to discrimination.

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Given such differences, it may make good sense to distinguish between indigenous, immigrant, and ethnic linguistic minorities, and to characterize minority languages in terms of their social and economic functions.

Question 1. Which best paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 1?

A. The definition of a minority language is universally agreed upon and simple.

B. The term "minority language" is always defined based on the size of the population.

C. Defining minority languages is straightforward and has few complications.

D. The term "minority language" is widely accepted but has limitations in its definition.

Question 2. Why is the definition of "minority language" considered problematic in the passage?

A. It places too much focus on the number of speakers in urban areas.

B. It ignores the role of indigenous languages in cultural identity.

C. It overlooks the social, political, or economic prestige of the language.

D. It assumes that all languages spoken by small populations are inferior.

Question 3. The word **"specific"** in paragraph 2 is CLOSEST in meaning to _____.

A. special B. general C. particular D. circular

Question 4. What distinction does the passage suggest for better understanding minority languages?

A. Between formal and informal language usage in societies

B. Between indigenous, immigrant, and ethnic linguistic minorities

C. Between languages spoken in urban versus rural areas

D. Between the languages of large countries and small states

Question 5. The phrase **"subject to"** in paragraph 3 could be best replaced by _____.

A. exempt from B. indifferent to C. independent of D. vulnerable to

Question 6. The word **"their"** in paragraph 4 refers to _____.

A. functions B. minority languages C. differences D. linguistic minorities

Question 7. In which paragraph does the writer mention the example of Spanish being a minority language in the United States?

A. Paragraph 3 B. Paragraph 4 C. Paragraph 2 D. Paragraph 1

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Question 8. What is the best title for the passage?

A. The History of Immigrant Languages in the United States

B. The Positive Impact of Economic Prestige on Language and Political Status

C. The Struggle for Minority Language Preservation in Spain

D. Rethinking Minority Languages: Social, Economic, and Political Dimensions

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.

Question 9.

a. These can help them shape their personal and professional growth.

b. When taking on a part-time job, teenagers acquire valuable skills and experiences.

c. The experience allows them to make decisions about their future career paths.

d. Engaging in part-time employment can bring forth several benefits for teenagers.

e. Part-time jobs also provide opportunities for teenagers to explore their passions.

A. d-e -b-a - c B. e - a - c - d - b C. d-b-a-e-c D. b -d-e-a - c

Question 10.

a. Emma: It truly is. Every time I start reading it, I just can't put it down.

b. Emma: Thank you so much for the lovely book, James.

c. James: That's great to hear. Enjoy the book!

d. Emma: Thanks again, James.

e. James: I'm glad you like it, Emma. I thought it would be perfect for you.

A. e - a - c - b - d B. b -e-a - c-d C. d -e -b - c-a D. a - c - d-e-b

Question 11.

a. Sue: Good ideas! I'll keep that in mind. Thanks!

b. Ben: I think we should avoid taking souvenirs like stones, and wear flat shoes with soft soles to prevent damage.

c. Sue: I visited the castle yesterday. It's nice, but no one looks after it. What can we do to protect it?

A. b-a - c B. c-b- a C. b - c- a D. a -b - c

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Question 12.

a. While urbanization brings economic growth and improved infrastructure, it also presents challenges such as traffic congestion and pollution.

b. The rapid development of cities attracts people from rural areas seeking better job opportunities and higher living standards.

c. Indeed, over the past few decades, urban expansion has transformed many small towns into bustling metropolitan areas.

d. My interest in urban planning and sustainable development has led me to explore ways to create more livable cities.

e. In conclusion, although urbanization offers many benefits, it is crucial to balance growth with sustainability to ensure a better quality of life for future generations.

A. c - b-a -e - d B. b - c-a-d-e C. d - c-b-a - e D. d -b-a - c-e

Question 13.

Hi Jack,

How are you? I'm doing well.

a. Have to go now. We're having a barbecue in the garden.

b. I make my bed every day and clean my room twice a week. Dusting the furniture at weekends is also my duty.

e. Thanks for the email. I'm sorry to hear that you're so busy with your studies and have too many chores to do.

d. I am very busy with school and other activities, but I help my parents with the housework sometimes.

e. These simple actions make my parents so happy and I am so proud of that.

Talk to you soon!

Best, Ryan

A. e -b-d -a - c B. c - e-a -b-d C.e-a - c - d - b D. c-d -b-e- a

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

How AI is Assisting Scientists in Protecting Birds

As bird populations continue to deteriorate globally, scientists and birders are using algorithm-powered apps to gather valuable data about avian species. **These** capture millions of hours of audio. **[I]**. Yet, it's a lot of recordings for a human to sift through.

To process this **deluge** of data, scientists just need a little help from BirdNET, an AI-powered system launched in 2018 that can identify more than 6,000 species of birds across the globe just by their calls. The technology functions by converting bird calls into spectrograms, soundwave images that the app's algorithm analyzes. **[II]**. Since its launch, BirdNET has amassed over 150 million bird sounds, contributing to large-scale conservation projects. BirdNET is not alone-other applications, such as Merlin, also leverage AI to assist scientists and birders in identifying bird calls. These systems enable scientists to process vast quantities of acoustic data, which is crucial for bird conservation.

However, like most AI-based technology, these apps are not without pitfalls. In his 2023 study in the International Journal of Avian Science, ecologist Cristian Pérez-Granados reviewed a range of scientific literature on BirdNET. His research found that BirdNET didn't always register a bird's song, and sometimes misidentified it as another species, which results in **"false positives,"** says Pérez-Granados, who works at the University of AIicante in Spain. **[III]**. Merlin users have also reported cases of misidentification, which could have negative implications for research projects that **incorporate** citizen science data.

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In spite of these challenges, AI-powered tools have made birdwatching more accessible, even to those with hearing impairments, encouraging broader participation in conservation efforts. **[IV]**. In fact, it's a case of "killing two birds with one stone" —AI is not only assisting in tracking bird populations, but it is also making bird watching more inclusive for everyone.

Question 14. Where in the passage does the following sentence fit?

The system detects unique patterns, such as frequency changes, timing, and amplitude, which are far more precise than what humans could discern.

A. [I] B. [III] C. [II] D. [IV]

Question 15. The word **"These"** in paragraph 1 refers to _____.

A. algorithm-powered apps B. avian species

C. scientists and birders D. bird populations

Question 16. What can be inferred about the importance of spectrograms in BirdNET's identification process?

A. Spectrograms help filter background noise so that users can hear birds more clearly.

B. Spectrograms serve as visual maps that match bird sounds to specific geographic locations.

C. Spectrograms are stored in a public database to help birdwatchers.

D. Spectrograms allow AI to analyze sound features that are difficult for humans to detect.

Question 17. Why might the passage mention hearing impairments in the context of birdwatching?

A. To emphasize that AI tools have eliminated the need for auditory skill in bird identification and conservation

B. To criticize the inaccessibility of traditional birding tools for those with disabilities

C. To illustrate how AI can detect bird calls even when humans cannot physically hear them

D. To highlight how AI has expanded participation in conservation by making birdwatching more inclusive

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Question 18. What does the word **"deluge"** in paragraph 2 most likely mean?

A. A flood of data too overwhelming for manual processing

B. A slow and steady accumulation of information over time

C. A summary of bird calls compiled from many different species

D. A storage system used to archive bird recordings for future study

Question 19. In the passage, what does the term **"false positives"** most likely refer to?

A. Instances where the system identifies a bird call incorrectly

B. Successful identifications that occur despite deafening background noise

C. Recordings of bird calls that are ignored because they come from different species

D. Cases in which two similar bird calls are detected simultaneously

Question 20. The word **"incorporate"** in paragraph 3 is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.

A. exclude B. specialize obler C. collaborate D. imply

Question 21. Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence in the last paragraph?

A. AI tools aim to improve both bird population monitoring and public engagement, but their dual impact is often understated, especially in illegal bird hunting.

B. AI technology simultaneously advances avian population monitoring and promotes greater inclusivity in birdwatching by broadening public access to participation.

C. The only role of AI in birdwatching is to improve data accuracy, with little attention given to increasing the accessibility of the activity to the public.

D. AI applications are enhancing conservation by tracking bird populations, but they have no effect on making bird watching more accessible to the general public.

Question 22. In which paragraph does the writer mention the working mechanism of BirdNet?

A. Paragraph 2 B. Paragraph 4 C. Paragraph 3 D. Paragraph 1

Question 23. Which of the following best summarizes the passage?

A. While AI apps have made bird identification more accessible to hobbyists and those with impairments, their current inability to consistently detect species limits their application in conservation science.

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B. Tools like BirdNET and Merlin assist citizen scientists in identifying bird calls and broadening participation, though their effectiveness in rigorous data analysis is still being questioned by researchers.

C. AI-powered systems are transforming avian research by enabling large-scale, precise analysis of bioacoustic data critical to global bird conservation, despite limitations in species identification accuracy.

D. AI technologies are reshaping birdwatching by enhancing species recognition for the general public, although they offer limited value for scientific research and large-scale conservation efforts.

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.

Jackie Chan, a world-renowned actor, martial artist, and director, grew up in Hong Kong, **(24)**_____. Born into a poor family, Jackie's early life was difficult, and he had to work hard from a young age to support his family. His parents could not afford to send him to school, so he attended a Chinese opera school, where he trained in martial arts and acrobatics. **(25)** _____.

At the age of 17, Jackie moved to the United States to pursue a career in Hollywood. **(26)** _____, Jackie kept working hard and refused to return to Hong Kong. **(27)** _____. Jackie learned from his colleagues and continued improving his skills, determined to succeed. His big break came with the movie *Drunken Master* in 1978, which made him a superstar in Asia.

Having gained recognition in Asia, Jackie eventually became a global star, starring in many successful Hollywood films such as Rush Hour and Shanghai Noon. His hard work, perseverance, and unique blend of martial arts and comedy made him one of the most beloved action stars in the world. Today, Jackie Chan is admired not only for his success in film **(28)** _____.

Question 24.

A. a country with several difficulties following him

B. Where he faced many challenges before achieving fame

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C. being faced with some scandals in the early stage of his career

D. that brought him numerous obstacles in his way to success

Question 25.

A. Spending hours every day learning any new skills, in spite of often being injured in his intense training, he gave up

B. Spending hours everyday learning new skills, often being injured during his intense training, but never giving up

C. Spending hours every day learning new skills, he was often injured during his intense training. but he never gave up

D. Spending hours everyday to learn new skills, while he was often injured in his intense training, he couldn't give up

Question 26.

A. In case he had a serious language barrier in getting roles in films

B. Consequently, he struggled with a language barrier to play a role in a movie

C. Due to the struggle in getting roles in film, together with a language barrier

D. Despite facing a language barrier and struggling to get roles in films

Question 27.

A. His own stunts are the result of his taking small roles in movies

B. He took small roles in movies, often performing his own stunts

C. Small roles in movies that he took had prevented him from performing his own stunts

D. Taking small roles in movies, he has been performing his own stunts

Question 28.

A. and he has been so dedicated to help the less fortunate by doing charity work

B. but also for his dedication to charity and his efforts to help the less fortunate

C. and the efforts and dedication that he has when he assists the less fortunate

D. but he also is highly appreciated due to his dedication to charity

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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.

Gender Mainstreaming Platform: Empowering Equality Across Europe

Gender gaps and inequalities between women and men **(29)** _____ to exist in many areas of society, including education, employment, and health. To address these challenges, the EIGE Gender Mainstreaming Platform offers **(30)** _____ way for policymakers and individuals to take action towards gender equality.

What is Gender Mainstreaming?

Gender mainstreaming involves the **(31)** _____ of a gender-sensitive approach into every phase of the policy-making process.

What can you find on the platform?

Information on many different policy areas, highlighting **(32)** _____ and ongoing efforts in various countries.

How does it work?

Gender mainstreaming can be described as a cycle that begins with the defining and **(33)** _____ phases and continues through implementation and evaluation. At each phase of the cycle, it is essential to make sure that gender equality is taken **(34)** _____ account.

Question 29. A. has continued B. had continued C. continue D. continued

Question 30. A. another B. the other C. other D. others

Question 31. A. integration B. integrated C. integrating D. integrate

Question 32. A. gender current inequalities B. current gender inequalities

C. gender inequalities current D. current inequalities gender

Question 33. A. planning B. naming C. assessing D. reviewing

Question 34. A. into B. above C. on D. for

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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.

ESCAPE TO PARADISE AT THE OASIS RESORT

"Are you looking for a peaceful retreat where you can relax and recharge? The Oasis Resort offers you **(35)** _____ unique experience, combining luxury, comfort, and adventure. Situated in a picturesque location, the resort provides a range of activities designed **(36)** _____ everyone's needs.

Whether you are enjoying the beach, participating in an exciting water sport, **(37)** _____ simply lounging by the pool, you will find something for everyone here. By doing yoga in the tranquil gardens or having a spa treatment, you can unwind and rejuvenate **(38)** _____ body and mind. After a day of **(39)** _____, the gourmet restaurant offers delicious meals, prepared with fresh, locally-sourced ingredients.

At the Oasis Resort, every detail **(40)** _____ care of. From the moment you arrive, our staff ensures you have everything you need for an unforgettable stay. It is said that guests leave feeling renewed and ready to take on the world. Book a stay today and experience paradise like never before at the Oasis Resort, where comfort meets adventure!"

Question 35. A. a	B. the	C. Ø (no article)	D. an
Question 36. A. suited	B. to suiting	C. to suit	D. suiting
Question 37. A. and	B. or	C. yet	D. nor
Question 38. A. his	B. their	C. your	D. my
Question 39. A. entertainment	B. travel	C. relaxation	D. effort
Question 40. A. are taken	B. is taken	C. take	D. takes

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