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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 from 1 to 6.

HTC INNOVATIVE IDEA

Large-scale research projects require enormous amounts of processing power in order to (1) _____ all their available data. Many worthwhile projects cannot perform at an optimum level because they don't (2) _____ access to 'super computers' and therefore don't have enough processing power (3) _____ out effective research. HTC is a Taiwanese company (4) _____ mobile phones and tablets. The company's response to the problem of access to processing power was 'HTC Power To Give', an app that allows any (5) _____ on people's smartphones to be collected. This power is then sent to a grid which is made available (6) _____ a variety of worldwide research projects.

(Adapted from C21 Smart 12 Student's book)

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| Question 1: A. analyse | B. analysis | C. analytic | D. analytically |
| Question 2: A. take | B. have | C. give | D. do |
| Question 3: A. to carrying | B. carry | C. carrying | D. to carry |
| Question 4: A. is manufacturing | B. manufactured | C. manufacturing | D. which manufacture |
| Question 5: A. spare processing power | | B. power processing spare | |
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| Question 6: A. on | B. at | C. to | D. with |

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 from 7 to 12.

🔊 UNDERSTANDING THE GENERATION GAP 🔊

In most cultures, there is a generation gap between parents and their children. A great (7) _____ of reasons contribute to this gap. Below are three of them.

Lack of understanding

As each generation is strongly influenced by changes in society, parents and children may see the world differently. In addition, different lifestyles make it difficult for parents and their children to fully understand each other's way of thinking. Many adult children even cut all (8) _____ with their parents.

Lack of interaction

Busy work and school (9) _____ often prevent parents and children from spending time together. After a long and stressful day at work, parents come home, often feeling exhausted, and have little time to spend with their children. This (10) _____ a lack of communication and widens the generation gap.

Comparing to others

Many parents keep comparing their children to (11) _____ children, or even to how they behaved as children. They think it is good for their children to see these good examples and try to improve. However, this only makes the gap wider and causes their children to lose (12) _____ in themselves. Some children may even start hating those people that they are compared to.

(Adapted from Global Success 11 Student's book)

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| Question 7: | A. amount | B. level | C. number | D. quality |
| Question 8: | A. ties | B. ropes | C. lines | D. gaps |
| Question 9: | A. habits | B. schedules | C. routines | D. hobbies |
| Question 10: | A. makes out | B. comes up | C. turns out | D. leads to |
| Question 11: | A. other | B. another | C. the others | D. others |
| Question 12: | A. agreement | B. interest | C. confidence | D. reliance |

Question 13:

- a. Gloria: Hey Phil. I'm calling to ask you about the content of our lesson yesterday. I was so sick that I couldn't come to class.
- b. Gloria: Oh, I know a bit about it. It has been in the news for years.
- c. Phil: Oh, hey Gloria. I hope that you're feeling better. Yesterday we learnt about climate change.

(Adapted from Think 11 Student's book)

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

Question 14:

- a. Jennifer: Hi Peter. I can't decide which university to study at. I really like both Weston and Eastdale.
- b. Peter: Both universities teach marketing. Only Eastdale has economics.
- c. Peter: OK. Let's have a look. What do you want to study?
- d. Peter: Hi Jennifer. How can I help?
- e. Jennifer: I want to study marketing or economics.

(Adapted from Discovery 12 Student's book)

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

Question 15:

Hi there!

- a. All of our subjects are challenging but interesting, especially Science, and I really enjoy the projects.
- b. There's also a new student named Long from Huế city, and we have a lot of fun together.
- c. I hope you're doing well and enjoying your new school. I'm having a great time being in the same class with all my friends again.

- d. I'd love to hear how things are going for you when you have a bit of time.
 e. However, we have a lot of work to do this year with important exams and more homework.
 Write soon!

Khanh

(Adapted from Move on)

A. c – b – e – a – d **B.** d – e – a – b – c **C.** a – d – b – c – e **D.** b – a – e – c – d

Question 16:

- a. All in all, careful planning is essential for cities to manage urbanisation effectively, ensuring that growth benefits everyone while minimizing environmental impacts and providing a high quality of life.
 b. Urbanisation is happening rapidly all over the world, and cities are growing as populations increase.
 c. Housing is a major challenge, as demand increases, making affordable homes harder to find.
 d. Cities can invest in social housing, encourage developers to build affordable homes, and provide financial support to property owners.
 e. To manage this growth, cities need a clear urbanisation plan that includes knowing how many people they need to accommodate and what infrastructure is necessary.

(Adapted from Bright 12 Student's book)

A. e – b – d – c – a **B.** b – e – c – d – a **C.** d – b – c – e – a **D.** c – e – b – d – a

Question 17:

- a. In the future, self-driving cars will make driving safer because they won't go over the speed limit.
 b. Many people live on the outskirts and travel downtown to their offices in the city center.
 c. The city should improve its public transportation system by increasing the number of buses and reducing the fares, as it's still a bit expensive to travel by bus.
 d. However, the traffic might become even worse. Driving will become safer and more pleasant, but there will be more cars on the street.
 e. These commuters often spend a lot of time in traffic due to congestion, and if their vehicles aren't fuel-efficient, they waste a lot of fuel and money, too.

(Adapted from i-Learn Smart World 12 Student's book)

A. b – c – a – e – d **B.** b – a – e – d – c **C.** b – e – c – a – d **D.** b – d – c – a – e

Read the following passage 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 from 18 to 22.

Some holidays are celebrated in honor of family members like mothers or fathers. In Vietnam, June 28th is a day for the whole family. (18) _____. Its aim is to honour and spread traditional family values, and provide an opportunity for family members to get together, and also connect with their cultural roots.

Viet Nam, as a nation, (19) _____, with a profound emphasis on the enduring values of family loyalty and harmony. In Vietnamese culture, the family is viewed as a unit, and children are expected to demonstrate the utmost respect for their parents. (20) _____.

Various cultural activities are organised in cities all across Viet Nam. This year's celebrations are themed 'Peaceful Family, Happy Society', and include sports, cooking and singing contests. Featuring educational seminars on family values and parenting skills, as well as workshops on financial planning and career development, (21) _____. Families can participate in fun games and activities such as scavenger hunts, obstacle courses, and relay races that promote teamwork and bonding. The highlight of the day will be a concert featuring popular local artists, (22) _____. The Family Day celebration is truly an opportunity for families to connect with each other in a meaningful way.

(Adapted from Friends Global 12 Student's book)

Question 18:

- A. Celebrating throughout the country, Family Day is not an official national holiday but it is very popular and widely celebrated
- B. Although Family Day is not an official national holiday, it is very popular and widely celebrated throughout the country
- C. Because Family Day is very popular and widely celebrated throughout the country, it is not an official national holiday
- D. Family Day is not an official national holiday so that it is very popular and widely celebrated throughout the country

Question 19:

- A. prides itself on preserving its core cultural ideals
- B. which prides itself on preserving its core cultural ideals
- C. that prides itself on preserving its core cultural ideals
- D. having prided itself on preserving its core cultural ideals

Question 20:

- A. Family Day is created by Deputy Prime Minister on June 28, 2001 to remind of those values
- B. People established Family Day on June 28th, 2001, as a reminder of these values.
- C. Established on June 28th, 2001, Deputy Prime Minister considers Family Day as a reminder of these values
- D. Family Day was established on June 28th, 2001, by the Deputy Prime Minister as a reminder of these values

Question 21:

- A. valuable learning opportunities will also be provided by the event
- B. participants will also have the chance to learn valuable lessons
- C. the event will also provide valuable learning opportunities
- D. there will also be valuable learning opportunities provided by the event

Question 22:

- A. when families can enjoy live music performances and spend quality time together
- B. where families can enjoy live music performances and spend quality time together
- C. allows families to enjoy live music performances and spend quality time together
- D. encourages families to enjoy live music performances and spend quality time together

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 following questions from 23 to 30.

Some people love working so much that it doesn't feel like work. But most people are not so lucky. They need money to live, so they need a job. However, they don't love their work, and they feel unhappy. And because they are unhappy, they may not work hard. Luckily, some people and companies are trying to improve things.

Dan Price is the CEO of a company based in Seattle. In 2015, he raised the salaries of all his workers to \$70,000 a year, much higher than the average income in the United States. To pay for this, he cut his own salary to the same amount. Interestingly, according to a study by Princeton University in 2010 about salaries, people who make around \$75,000 each year are happier and feel more satisfaction than those who make less or more money. Since Price made his decision, his workers have been happier and his company has been more successful.

Money is one reason why some workers are unhappy with their jobs. Another reason is working too many hours. Perpetual Guardian, a company based in New Zealand, wanted staff to have a better work-life balance. The company came up with a plan. Its staff were paid for five days, but they only had to work four days each week. Not surprisingly, workers were happier and more satisfied.

Many studies show that people who do things are happier than people who buy things. For example, going on a road trip or learning to play the guitar is better than buying a car or guitar. The famous company

Airbnb wants its staff to have great experiences. Workers get \$2,000 each year to stay at Airbnb properties anywhere in the world. As a result, many people who work at Airbnb love their jobs.

(Adapted from *Explore New Worlds 12 Student's Book*)

Question 23: The word **Luckily** in paragraph 1 is OPPOSITE in meaning to ____.

- A. Hopefully B. Happily C. Unfortunately D. Unexpectedly

Question 24: Which of the following is NOT mentioned in paragraph 2?

- A. Dan Price increased the salaries of all his workers
B. The salaries were much higher than the average income
C. Dan Price reduced his own salary to match the same amount
D. Workers at other companies felt jealous about the salary increase

Question 25: The word **satisfaction** in paragraph 2 could be best replaced by ____.

- A. disappointment B. depression C. fulfillment D. confusion

Question 26: The word **Its** in paragraph 3 refers to ____.

- A. Company's B. Plan's C. Balance's D. Staff's

Question 27: Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 4?

"Many studies show that people who do things are happier than people who buy things."

- A. Many studies indicate that people who buy things are much happier than those who do things.
B. Many studies indicate that people who buy things are not as happy as those who do things.
C. Many studies indicate that people who buy things are as happy as people who do things.
D. Many studies indicate that people who do things are less happy than people who buy things.

Question 28: Which of the following is TRUE according to the passage?

- A. Since Price's decision, his workers have become unhappy and less productive.
B. Excessively long working hours can also make workers unhappy with their jobs.
C. Perpetual Guardian aimed to increase working hours to boost their staff's productivity.
D. Buying a car or guitar provides greater happiness than going on a road trip.

Question 29: In which paragraph does the writer mention a contrasting relationship?

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

Question 30: In which paragraph does the writer give an example of a well-known firm?

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

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 following questions from 31 to 40.

THE POWER OF LIFELONG LEARNING

Lifelong learning is the ongoing process of acquiring new knowledge and skills throughout a person's life. Lifelong learners **carry on** their learning and personal development long after they have completed their formal education. In today's world, lifelong learning is more important than ever.

[I] The importance of lifelong learning in the modern world is enormous. [II] Today's job market is dynamic and fast-paced, so skills become outdated quickly. [III] It is considered that lifelong learning enhances the development of important skills and can help individuals to improve hard skills like language and soft skills, such as empathy. This makes **them** significantly adaptable to the needs of modern workplaces. [IV]

In addition, lifelong learning has significant benefits outside of the workplace. It can enable individuals to achieve personal fulfilment and satisfaction by allowing them to pursue their passions. It can also improve brain function and broaden their horizons by making them more open-minded. By continually learning and growing, they can develop their critical thinking skills and gain new insights into the world.

Thanks to the Internet and digital media, engaging in lifelong learning has never been easier with online courses, webinars, and workshops available on all kinds of topics. Many of the world's best educational

institutions, such as Harvard, MIT, and Stanford, also offer a variety of online courses, providing access to **high-quality** education to people around the world. Online resources allow learners to acquire knowledge at their own pace, at a time and at a place that suits them.

In an ever-changing modern world, continuous personal development has become a crucial part of life. For lifelong learners, learning is not only a process but also a lifestyle choice. By committing to this approach, we can stay relevant in the workforce, follow our passions, and improve the overall quality of our lives.

(Adapted from Bright 12 Student's book)

Question 31: The phrase **carry on** in paragraph 1 could be best replaced by _____.

- A. abandon B. distract C. continue D. postpone

Question 32: Where in paragraph 2 does the following sentence best fit?

To compete for the best career opportunities, individuals must continuously develop themselves

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

Question 33: The word **them** in paragraph 2 refers to _____.

- A. hard skills B. soft skills C. workplaces D. individuals

Question 34: According to paragraph 3, which of the following is NOT a benefit of lifelong learning?

- A. ensuring higher salaries in jobs B. broadening people's horizons
C. enhancing critical thinking skills D. improving brain function

Question 35: Which of the following best summarises paragraph 4?

- A. Online courses from Harvard, MIT, and Stanford are accessible to learners worldwide at their own pace.
B. Lifelong learners can easily join webinars, online workshops, and courses on many different subjects.
C. Digital media helps learners gain new skills anytime and anywhere through resources provided by famous educational institutions.
D. Thanks to technology, lifelong learning has become easier and more convenient, allowing people worldwide to study flexibly.

Question 36: The word **high-quality** in paragraph 4 is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.

- A. excellent B. inferior C. valuable D. outstanding

Question 37: Which of the following is TRUE according to the passage?

- A. Skills always remain relevant in the modern job market.
B. Lifelong learning can make us willing to accept new ideas.
C. Due to digital media, lifelong learning is more complicated for people.
D. Online resources give learners a way to keep up with their classmates.

Question 38: Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 5?

- A. Personal development remains optional in the quickly changing conditions of modern life.
B. The modern world changes slowly, making continuous personal development unnecessary.
C. People rarely need to pursue continuous personal improvement in the dynamic world of today.
D. In today's constantly evolving world, ongoing personal growth has become an essential aspect of life.

Question 39: Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?

- A. Lifelong learning benefits people working in modern environments rather than those working traditional jobs.
B. Lifelong learning is mainly suitable for young individuals who have recently completed their formal education.
C. People who continuously learn throughout their lives will have more opportunities in today's job market.
D. Traditional education is still more effective than lifelong learning in meeting the demands of modern jobs.

Question 40: Which of the following best summarises the passage?

- A. Lifelong learning is key to adapting to today's stable job markets, with online courses providing convenient access to knowledge, helping individuals improve their careers and personal fulfillment.
B. Lifelong learning is essential for improving professional skills, but its role in personal growth and its support

through online platforms is overrated and unnecessary for success today.

C. Lifelong learning is crucial in the modern world as it enhances skills, supports personal development, and helps individuals adapt to fast-paced job markets, with online resources making learning more accessible.

D. Lifelong learning is essential in today's dynamic world, as it helps individuals improve both professional and personal skills, allowing them to adapt to fast-changing job markets and enhance their overall well-being.