

UNIT 2: GENERATION GAP – PRACTICE TEST 1

Read the following advertisement and mark the letter A, B, C and D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 1 to 6

Bridging the Generation Gap

Facing the generation gap can be challenging, but it also offers opportunities to build deeper understanding. (1) _____ by rapid technological and cultural shifts, misunderstandings between young people and the elderly often arise. Families (2) _____ to bridge the gap and promote empathy. One common mistake is that opinions their ignore elders young – a clear issue of respect and communication. It's essential to (3) _____ strong family bonds and open discussions to reduce conflict. With patience and mutual respect, generations can learn from each other and thrive together. (4) _____ is often the result of a lack (5) _____ awareness, not bad intentions. Programs promoting intergenerational dialogue must be effectively designed (6) _____ trust and unity. Let's break down barriers – not build them – between generations.

Question 1:	A. Which caused	B. Being caused	C. Causing	D. Caused
Question 2:	A. must care actively		B. can understand actively	
	C. should listen actively		D. will support actively	
Question 3:	A. maintain		B. develop	
	C. balance		D. control	
Question 4:	A. Miscommunication		B. Communication	
	C. Communicate		D. Communicative	
Question 5:	A. from	B. on	C. of	D. in
Question 6:	A. to fostering	B. to foster	C. foster	D. to be fostered

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.

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- The generation gap remains a common issue in modern families, often resulting from different lifestyles and values. (7) _____ recent research, misunderstandings between generations stem mostly from communication breakdowns.
- The (8) _____ of disagreements about technology, career choices, and traditions is steadily increasing. A solution lies in improving mutual (9) _____ — a key quality that fosters stronger bonds. Children and parents should listen to (10) _____ and try to understand the reasons behind one another's views.
- While young people often seek freedom, the elderly tend to value stability and routine. Irrespective of these contrasting (11) _____, both sides can (12) _____ open-minded conversations. Another essential aspect is the willingness to compromise.

Question 7:	A. In the light of	B. According to	C. Because of	D. Irrespective of
Question 8:	A. quality	B. percentage	C. number	D. amount
Question 9:	A. respect	B. campaign	C. accuracy	D. complexity
Question 10:	A. others	B. each other	C. the others	D. other
Question 11:	A. lifestyles	B. funds	C. methods	D. perspectives
Question 12:	A. go out	B. result in	C. benefit from	D. stem from

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 from 13 to 17.

Question 13

a. Anna: I wish she knew it's how I stay connected with friends.

b. Anna: My grandma doesn't understand why I spend so much time on my phone.

c. Jake: Yeah, older people often see phones as distractions.

A. a-c-b

B. b-c-a

C. c-b-a

D. b-a-c

Question 14

a. Mom: I guess times have changed.

b. Lan: Mom, I want to take a gap year before university.

c. Lan: Yes, and I hope you'll support my decision.

d. Mom: In my time, we went straight to college after high school.

e. Lan: I know, but now many students travel or work to gain experience.

A. b-d-e-a-c

B. c-e-d-b-a

C. d-b-a-e-c

D. c-d-e-a-b

Question 15

Hi Dad,

a. Maybe we can talk more about these topics again soon? What's your schedule like this weekend?

b. It's fascinating to hear how different life was back then, but I still think some of your ideas about discipline are a bit strict for today's world.

c. Thanks so much for sharing those stories about your childhood last night.

d. Thanks also for the advice about saving money — it's something I'm trying to be more serious about.

e. But I did enjoy our conversation — it helped me understand you better.

Love, Lisa

A. d-b-a-c-e

B. c-b-e-d-a

C. a-d-b-c-e

D. a-c-d-b-e

Question 16

a. Our honest conversations about goals and expectations have really helped us respect each other more.

b. While I truly appreciate my parents' experiences, I sometimes find their views on career choices a bit outdated.

c. Indeed, my parents often suggest more traditional routes, but they've started to understand my perspective.

d. In conclusion, the generation gap still exists, but mutual understanding is making a real difference in our family.

e. Being part of a generation that values passion over stability, I prefer to explore creative paths like freelance design.

A. b-e-c-a-d

B. a-b-c-d-e

C. b-c-d-a-e

D. c-a-d-b-e

Question 17

a. However, despite these differences, they still value family bonds above all, which has made our conversations more meaningful.

b. The way my grandparents view relationships has changed significantly over the years.

c. Back in their time, marriages were often arranged, and dating was strictly formal.

d. In the end, I think we've found a balance, respecting each other's views on love and relationships.

e. This old-fashioned view on relationships has caused some tension between us, especially since I value more freedom in choosing a partner.

A. c-a-e-d-b

B. d-c-a-b-e

C. b-c-e-a-d

D. d-e-b-c-a

Read the following passage about family relationship 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.

The relationship within a family plays a vital role in shaping each member's personality and emotional well-being. A strong and supportive bond between parents and children encourages open communication and trust. (18) _____ is mutual respect. When family members value each other's opinions and feelings, they can minimize conflicts and maintain harmony.

Parents not only provide physical care but also offer emotional support for their children. They should also act as good listeners and role models. Children, in return, (19) _____.

The love that family members share can create a safe and warm environment, (20) _____. Families living in harmony often raise confident and kind individuals. We should admire families that solve their problems together, not necessarily those without any issues. Sometimes, forgiveness and understanding matter more than being right.

The strongest relationships usually grow from daily efforts instead of grand gestures. In fact, small things—(21) _____—often bring people closer. Imagine coming home after a stressful day, feeling exhausted and overwhelmed—your family is the place to find comfort and belonging, (22) _____, no matter how busy life becomes, providing you with the peace and support needed to face another challenging day ahead.

Question 18:

- A. One important rule that should be followed in every family
- B. Thanks to mutual respect, one important rule that must be followed in every family, members can live in peace and harmony.
- C. As one important rule that parents and children will be able to be built strong bonds.
- D. One important rule might in every family be followed to show respect.

Question 19:

- A. can express themselves and understand everything at home without learning.
- B. must learn how to express themselves appropriately and understand their responsibilities at home
- C. may learn to express themselves but don't need to understand any responsibilities.
- D. should not express themselves too much or take any home duties.

Question 20:

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| A. which makes people lazy and dependent. | B. that are not helping with development. |
| C. which is essential for personal development | D. who should not be essential in family growth. |

Question 21:

- A. like sharing a meal or asking about someone's day
- B. such as sharing meal or asking someone's day.
- C. for example, share a meal or asking how about someone's day.
- D. things like to have meal or ask about their days.

Question 22:

- A. making a convenient place to relax and recharge.
- B. balancing a comfortable to relaxed and recharged.
- C. bringing a good haven to relaxing and recharges.
- D. offering a safe haven to relax and recharge

Read the following passage about the Generation Gap in Vietnam 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.

Vietnam, like many countries, is facing a growing generation gap. As the country develops rapidly, the differences between older and younger generations are becoming more **pronounced**. The older generation, often born during the war and early years of socialism, values hard work, stability, and the importance of family traditions. In contrast, the younger generation is more focused on individual success, personal freedom, and **embracing** global culture.

One example of this divide is the role of technology. While many older people in Vietnam still prefer face-to-face communication and traditional ways of learning, younger people are increasingly turning to the internet for **their** education, work, and social interactions. This shift has led to misunderstandings and conflicts between the two groups.

Despite these differences, efforts are being made to bridge the gap. Many older people are now learning how to use smartphones and social media, while younger people are becoming more interested in traditional practices like cooking and family values. **These efforts are helping to build mutual respect between the generations.**

In the future, the success of Vietnam's modernization will depend on how well these generational differences are addressed. Finding a balance between tradition and progress will be key to maintaining social harmony and ensuring that all generations can live together harmoniously.

Question 23: Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a value of the older generation in Vietnam?

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| A. Hard work | B. Stability | C. Family traditions | D. Individual success |
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Question 24: The word "**pronounced**" in paragraph 1 is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.

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| A. subtle | B. clear | C. loud | D. deep |
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Question 25: The word "**their**" in paragraph 2 refers to _____.

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| A. The generation gap | B. Face-to-face communication |
| C. Misunderstandings and conflicts | D. younger people |

Question 26: The word "**embracing**" in paragraph 1 could be best replaced by

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| A. ignoring | B. accepting | C. rejecting | D. understanding |
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Question 27: Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 3, "**These efforts are helping to build mutual respect between the generations**"?

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| A. These efforts are causing tension between generations. |
| B. These efforts are helping to create understanding between generations. |
| C. These efforts are diminishing the gap between generations. |
| D. These efforts are improving the relationship between different generations. |

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

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| A. The older generation values individual success. |
| B. The younger generation is focused on family traditions. |
| C. The older generation prefers the internet for learning. |
| D. Both generations are working together to bridge the gap. |

Question 29: In which paragraph does the writer mention efforts to address the generation gap?

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| A. Paragraph 1 | B. Paragraph 2 | C. Paragraph 3 | D. Paragraph 4 |
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Question 30: In which paragraph does the writer discuss the impact of modern technology on communication?

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| A. Paragraph 1 | B. Paragraph 2 | C. Paragraph 3 | D. Paragraph 4 |
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Read the following passage about The Relationship Between Parents and Children in Family Life 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.

[I] The relationship between parents and children is one of the most fundamental aspects of family life. This relationship is shaped by love, communication, and mutual respect. Over time, it evolves as children grow older and their needs change. **Parents must adapt their roles to support their children's development and well-being.**

[II] In early childhood, parents are the primary caregivers and play a crucial role in shaping a child's sense of security and trust. Children rely on their parents for basic needs such as food, shelter, and emotional support. A strong bond during these formative years **lays the foundation** for a positive parent-child relationship as the child grows.

[III] As children reach adolescence, their relationship with parents often becomes more complex. Teenagers begin to **assert** their independence and may challenge their parents' authority. While this phase can be difficult, it is also a crucial time for parents to guide their children, teaching them responsibility and decision-making skills. Parents need to balance their role as authority figures while fostering open communication and understanding.

[IV] Ultimately, the parent-child relationship is a lifelong journey. As adults, children may move away from their parents, but the emotional connection remains. Good communication and support continue to play an important role in maintaining a strong relationship. Parents, too, **benefit** from this ongoing connection, as they provide guidance and wisdom to their children throughout their adult lives.

Question 31. Where does the following sentence best fit?

"Parenting styles change as children grow, reflecting their evolving needs."

A. [I]

B. [II]

C. [III]

D. [IV]

Question 32. The phrase **"lays the foundation"** in paragraph II could be best replaced by ____.

A. creates a barrier

C. challenges the structure

B. forms the base

D. weakens the bond

Question 33. The word **"assert"** in paragraph III is closest in meaning to ____.

A. question

B. demand

C. challenge

D. support

Question 34. According to paragraph III, which of the following is NOT an issue during adolescence?

A. Challenging parental authority

C. Developing responsibility

B. Gaining independence

D. Strengthening emotional bonds

Question 35. Which of the following best summarises paragraph IV?

A. The parent-child relationship is marked by occasional distance but remains emotionally close as children become adults.

B. The parent-child relationship weakens as children grow older, leading to reduced emotional connections.

C. Parent-child relationships are strongest when children are young and tend to fade as they grow.

D. Emotional bonds are maintained by children supporting their parents through life stages.

Question 36. The word **"benefit"** in paragraph IV is OPPOSITE in meaning to ____.

A. hinder

B. assist

C. support

D. guide

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

- A. As children grow older, parents must maintain authority without adjusting their approach.
- B. The parent-child relationship requires adaptation and understanding as children mature.
- C. Teenagers tend to avoid independence and prefer to stay dependent on their parents.
- D. Parents should give up guiding their children once they become adults.

Question 38. Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence “**Parents must adapt their roles to support their children's development and well-being**” in paragraph 1?

- A. Parents need to remain consistent in their approach to their children’s needs.
- B. Parents should adjust their behaviours according to the developmental changes in their children.
- C. Parents must act as authorities in all aspects of their children's lives.
- D. Parents are responsible for determining their children's future success.

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

- A. Adolescence is the most important period for children to establish their relationship with their parents.
- B. Parental involvement and guidance are critical in every stage of a child’s life.
- C. Children and parents grow emotionally distant as children reach adulthood.
- D. The parent-child bond is strongest in childhood and weakens as children mature.

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

- A. The parent-child relationship is dynamic, evolving through stages of dependency, independence, and mutual respect.
- B. The relationship between parents and children improves as children grow, leading to fewer conflicts in adolescence.
- C. As children mature, they seek independence, often weakening their relationship with their parents.
- D. Parental guidance is vital for childhood, but children gradually become less dependent as they enter adulthood