650+ Lesson 25 – Reading parts 5 & 6

Part 5

I.

Select the best answer to complete the sentence.

1. _____ our experts all applied the latest technologies to examine the samples, they could not reach an agreement.

(A) Despite
(B) Regarding
(C) Provided
(D) Although

2. It is highly unlikely that the joint venture will go ahead _____ the two parties couldn't reach an agreement on several key issues.

(A) because
(B) with
(C) to
(D) unless

3. _____ Friday's unpromising weather forecast, the manager is determined to take the team for an outing to Ridley Park.

(A) Although
(B) Despite
(C) Whether
(D) For

4. According to the flier, a subscription to one of Coastal TC's cell phone plans costs as little ------- $25 a month.

(A) than
(B) as
(C) for
(D) of

II.

1. Each of the proposals _____ carefully reviewed by the committee before the final meeting.
(A) were
(B) are
(C) has been
(D) have been

2. Not only the sales team but also the marketing director _____ to attend the regional conference next week.
(A) plans
(B) plan
(C) planning
(D) are planning

3. The manager agreed to extend the deadline _____ the new software update could be completed without errors.
(A) so that
(B) unless
(C) although
(D) whereas

4. A number of employees _____ reported higher satisfaction after the company introduced flexible hours.
(A) was
(B) has

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(C) have
(D) having

5. The number of applicants this year _____ significantly lower than expected due to the economic slowdown.
(A) were
(B) are
(C) is
(D) have been

6. _____ he had extensive experience, the board decided not to hire him because of his poor references.
(A) Despite
(B) Although
(C) Unless
(D) Because

7. The document that _____ by the finance department contains confidential projections for next quarter.
(A) prepares
(B) prepared
(C) has prepared
(D) was prepared

8. Neither the suppliers nor the distributors _____ willing to accept the new contract terms.
(A) is
(B) are
(C) have
(D) be

9. It is unclear _____ the company will proceed with the merger, given the recent market instability.
(A) that
(B) whether
(C) which
(D) how

10. Both the CEO and the investors _____ optimistic about the company's international expansion.
(A) being
(B) are
(C) is
(D) has been

11. The research results will not be published _____ the data have been verified by an external auditor.
(A) although
(B) because
(C) unless
(D) since

12. The project, as well as its financial report, _____ delayed due to unforeseen technical issues.
(A) have been
(B) were
(C) has been
(D) being

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13. If the report _____ submitted on time, the management would have approved the funding for the next phase.
(A) is
(B) was
(C) had been
(D) has been

14. The CEO insisted that all financial statements _____ reviewed again before being released to the public.
(A) were
(B) are
(C) be
(D) have been

Part 6

III.

Select the best answer to complete the text.

Vietnam Airlines

Noi Bai International Airport

March 17, 2022

Dear Mr. Wang,

We have found a suitcase which we believe belongs to you. **(1)**_____ you have lost such an item, please provide us with a detailed description of your property, including the color and the contents of the suitcase. **(2)** _____, please inform us whether you want to get it back in person at our lost property office or via post to your current address.

(3) _____ we receive the requested information, we will verify your case and send you a confirmation within two working days. Please note that we will dispose of the property **(4)** _____ we hear from you within 10 days from the date of this email.

Sincerely,

Baggage Service

Vietnam Airlines

1.
(A) While
(B) If
(C) When
(D) After

2.
(A) As a result
(B) However
(C) Yet
(D) Also

3.
(A) Once
(B) On
(C) Because
(D) Since

4.
(A) unless
(B) provided
(C) if
(D) as long as

IV.

To: All Staff
From: Facilities Department
Subject: Temporary Office Relocation

Our main office will undergo renovation from **May 10 to July 30**. (1) _____, employees from the second and third floors will be relocated to the temporary workspace on the fifth floor. The renovation will improve lighting, ventilation, and overall workspace efficiency.

(2) _____ this transition may cause some inconvenience, the Facilities Department has arranged additional Wi-Fi routers and power outlets to support daily operations.

(3) _____ your department requires special equipment or storage space, please submit a request form no later than **May 5**.

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We appreciate everyone's cooperation and patience. Please note that access to the renovated floors will be restricted (4) _____ construction work is fully completed and inspected for safety.

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
(A) However	(A) Because	(A) Unless	(A) after
(B) As a result	(B) Although	(B) Because	(B) before
(C) Therefore	(C) Unless	(C) If	(C) since
(D) Although	(D) Due to	(D) While	(D) until

V.

Global Markets Ltd. (1) _____ among the leading financial consulting firms in Asia, providing strategic advice to over 300 international clients. The company's reputation for accuracy and transparency (2) _____ the reason many corporations rely on its market analyses when making investment decisions.

Each of the regional directors, along with their teams, (3) _____ required to submit a performance report to headquarters by the end of every quarter. Although the number of employees in each branch (4) _____ significantly over the past year, productivity levels have remained consistent across all departments.

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
(A) are	(A) are	(A) are	(A) have increased
(B) were	(B) have been	(B) is	(B) has increased
(C) is	(C) is	(C) have	(C) increase
(D) have been	(D) were	(D) were	(D) increases

Answer key

I.

1 D	2 A	3 B	4 B

II.

1 C	2 A	3 A	4 C	5 C
6 B	7 D	8 B	9 B	10 B
11 C	12 C	13 C	14 C	

III.

1 B	2 D	3 A	4 A

IV.

1 C	2 D	3 C	4 D

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V.

1 C	2 C	3 B	4 B

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