

## CHECKING 1<sup>ST</sup> TERM GRADE 8 2025 – 2026

### I/ PRONUNCIATION

A/ Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?

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| 1. A. potatoes  | B. increases | C. houses | D. coaches |
| 2. A. Christmas | B. choose    | C. school | D. stomach |
| 3. A. pollution | B. plant     | C. import | D. forest  |
| 4. A. coaches   | B. increases | C. houses | D. pets    |

B/ Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?

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| 5. A. knitting      | B. handball       | C. feather    | D. machine      |
| 6. A. entertainment | B. transportation | C. facility   | D. conversation |
| 7. A. recycle       | B. reduce         | C. organize   | D. important    |
| 8. A. descriptive   | B. supporting     | C. concluding | D. competition  |

### II/ Choose the word / phrase/ sentence (A, B, C or D) that best fits the space

9. You should wear a helmet if you're going \_\_\_\_\_.

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| A. out for a walk | B. swimming | C. fishing | D. skateboarding |
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10. Do not \_\_\_\_\_! They are doing a very important project.

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| A. disturb | B. annoy | C. play | D. laugh |
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11. I seldom visit my relatives, so I \_\_\_\_\_ see my uncle John.

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| A. usually | B. almost never | C. almost always | D. always |
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12. She won't pass the exam if she \_\_\_\_\_ hard.

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| A. studies | B. won't study | C. will study | D. doesn't study |
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13. You drank \_\_\_\_\_ coffee. That's why you feel sick.

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| A. too much | B. many | C. enough | D. too many |
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14. Air \_\_\_\_\_ is often seen as a major environmental result of modern living.

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| A. pollution | B. smoke | C. fume | D. sewage |
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15. **Jane's mom:** People in the countryside often have a healthy lifestyle - **Jane:** \_\_\_\_\_.

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| A. Really? I love the countryside, too.       | B. I agree. They don't have good doctors.    |
| C. I agree. They do more physical activities. | D. I'm sure that cities are more convenient. |

16. **Jane:** What about putting more trash cans on the streets?- **Mary:** \_\_\_\_\_.

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| A. I dislike trash cans. | B. Oh, that's for recycling. |
| C. Let's recycle!        | D. That's a good idea.       |

17. **Jane's mom:** Stay inside in case of earthquakes- **Jane:** \_\_\_\_\_.

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| A. OK. It's empty outside.        | B. Earthquakes cause trees, and buildings to collapse |
| C. I disagree. We cannot run away | D. I agree. We can get under a desk or table.         |

18. **Jack:** What shouldn't we do when there is a typhoon?- **Sue:** We shouldn't \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. have an escape plan
- B. have emergency items ready to go
- C. stay near windows
- D. keep enough supplies for at least five days

19. **Lan:** What do you usually do in your free time when you stay in the countryside?

**Nam:** \_\_\_\_\_

- A. The countryside is very quiet and peaceful.
- B. I usually ride my bike along the rice fields.
- C. I don't like living in a big city.
- D. There are many high buildings and cars.

20. **Hoa:** Look at the lake. \_\_\_\_\_

**Minh:** Yeah. If people keep throwing rubbish like this, the fish won't survive.

- A. This is a perfect place for swimming.
- B. The lake looks really clean and beautiful.
- C. It's so dirty with plastic bottles and bags.
- D. The fish here are very big and healthy.

21. What will happen if we keep \_\_\_\_\_ trash?

- A. will burn
- B. burning
- C. burned
- D. burn

22. Come and take part \_\_\_\_\_ the 2026 Mid-Autumn Festival.

- A. at
- B. to
- C. in
- D. on

III/ Look at the sign or the notice. Choose the best answer



23. What does the sign say? – It says that \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Drivers can park their cars here.
- B. Workers are repairing the road ahead.
- C. There is a zebra crossing on this street.
- D. The road is closed because of heavy snow.



24. What does the sign say? – It says that \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. All the garbage has to be put here.
- B. This is just for recycled cans.
- C. This garbage bin is just for cans.
- D. Cans can't be recycled.



25. What does the sign say? – The sign says \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Flash photography is allowed.
- B. Flash photography is encouraged here.
- C. Flash use is not allowed at certain times.

D. Taking pictures with a flash is not allowed.



26. What does the sign say?

- A. The paint is dry and safe to touch.
- B. The paint is still wet, so please do not touch it.
- C. You are encouraged to touch the paint.
- D. The paint is not for public use.

**IV/ Choose the word (A, B, C or D) that best fits each space in the following passage.**

**TEXT A**

Many teenagers today are quite busy, but they still try to keep some free time for their own (27) \_\_\_\_\_. After a long day at school, they usually do homework, help (28) \_\_\_\_\_ housework and then choose an activity they enjoy. Some students like playing team sports at the stadium or in the school yard. These games not only help them stay healthy and strong (29) \_\_\_\_\_ also make new friends. Other teenagers prefer quiet hobbies, such as reading adventure stories or drawing pictures in their bedroom. In the evening, many of them go online in the evening to watch short videos, listen to music or chat with classmates. However, parents often remind them to limit screen time and talk more with family members. Free time is important because it helps teenagers learn new (30) \_\_\_\_\_, for example cooking, playing the guitar or taking photos. When they plan their free time well, they feel more (31) \_\_\_\_\_ and confident before the next school day, so they can (32) \_\_\_\_\_ learning with a positive mind and sleep better at night.

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| 27. A. activities | B. problems | C. lessons  | D. subjects |
| 28. A. at         | B. on       | C. with     | D. for      |
| 29. A. and        | B. but      | C. or       | D. so       |
| 30. A. choices    | B. subjects | C. problems | D. skills   |
| 31. A. bored      | B. nervous  | C. relaxed  | D. lonely   |
| 32. A. miss       | B. forget   | C. stop     | D. continue |

**TEXT D**

My cousin lives in a small (33) \_\_\_\_\_ in the countryside, about fifty kilometres from our city. Every summer, my brother and I visit him for two weeks. The village is very quiet, and there are fields and trees everywhere. People know each other and often talk together in front of their houses. In the morning, we get up early to watch the sunrise (34) \_\_\_\_\_ the river. After breakfast, we help our uncle on the farm. He grows vegetables and raises chickens, so there is always fresh food. Working on the farm is sometimes hard, but it is also very (35) \_\_\_\_\_. In the afternoon, we ride our bikes along the small roads and wave to the neighbours. There is no cinema or shopping centre, but there is a market where we can buy fruit and simple toys. Life in the country is calm and quite different from life in the city, but I think it is a great (36) \_\_\_\_\_ for children. It teaches us to (37) \_\_\_\_\_ nature and to feel (38) \_\_\_\_\_ for what we have.

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| 33. A. village   | B. country  | C. city      | D. street    |
| 34. A. between   | B. by       | C. under     | D. inside    |
| 35. A. dangerous | B. boring   | C. difficult | D. enjoyable |
| 36. A. place     | B. job      | C. problem   | D. rule      |
| 37. A. regret    | B. ask      | C. respect   | D. say       |
| 38. A. careful   | B. thankful | C. famous    | D. hungry    |

**V/ Use the correct form of the word given in each sentence.**



39. Big cities offer many \_\_\_\_\_ options such as museums, theaters, sports events and concerts. (entertain)
40. Fish and plants cannot grow well here because factories release toxic \_\_\_\_\_ into the air and water. (pollution)
41. Smoke from vehicles is responsible for the air \_\_\_\_\_ in our city. (pollute)
42. If we turn off lights when we leave a room, we can save \_\_\_\_\_. (electric)
43. Eating \_\_\_\_\_ fish can lead to serious health issues. (poison)
44. We should \_\_\_\_\_ furniture so we can give old furniture a new life. (use)
45. Those products are not \_\_\_\_\_, so don't put them in the recycling bin. (recycle)
46. She looks so \_\_\_\_\_ about the test tomorrow. (worry)
47. She has to \_\_\_\_\_ her dog every day. (food)
48. It is enjoyable to watch my friends singing and dancing \_\_\_\_\_ in the backyard. (beautiful)
49. I was born in a \_\_\_\_\_ village which is surrounded by rice fields. (peace)
50. "Trống cơm" is \_\_\_\_\_ sung by Vietnamese people. (tradition)

## VI/ Look at the entry of the word '.....' in a dictionary

### A/ INFORMATION

**information** *noun*



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(also informal **info**)

★ [uncountable] facts or details about somebody/something

- What was your main **source of information** for your article?
- More **detailed information** is not yet available.
- We will need a little more background information.
- to **collect/receive information**
- to **give/share/pass on information**
- **according to somebody's information** According to my information work was due to start last week.

51. Before our eco-club cleans the beach, the teacher sends us \_\_\_\_\_ about the time, place and safety rules.

52. Scientists use modern drones to fly over the forest and \_\_\_\_\_ about the number of trees cut down illegally.

### B/ NECESSARY

## necessary adjective

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Idioms

1 ★ **A2** that is needed for a purpose or a reason

SYNONYM **essential**

- **necessary to do something** *It may be necessary to buy a new one.*
- **necessary for somebody to do something** *It doesn't seem necessary for us to meet.*
- **necessary for something** *Food is necessary for survival.*
- *I'll make the necessary arrangements.*
- *Radical change was a **necessary step** for reform.*
- **if necessary** *if necessary, you can contact me at home.*
- **when necessary** *Only use your car when **absolutely necessary**.*
- **where necessary** *Changes can easily be made where necessary.*
- *He has the expertise necessary to make it work.*
- *I was determined not to stay in hospital for any longer than was **strictly necessary**.*

53. \_\_\_\_\_, we can arrange an additional meeting to discuss any remaining questions and clarify any doubts.

54. Understanding the basics of first aid is \_\_\_\_\_ everyone, as it can make a significant difference in emergencies.

### VI/ Rewrite each of the following sentences in another

55. To have a healthy lifestyle, we should exercise a lot.

→ We \_\_\_\_\_.

56. Take action now or we won't be able to protect the environment.

→ Unless \_\_\_\_\_.

57. Mr. Dat prefers going by motorbike to driving a car.

→ Mr. Dat prefers \_\_\_\_\_.

58. You can join the lantern parade at the festival.

→ You can \_\_\_\_\_.

59. John loves collecting old stamps and coins.

⇒ John is keen \_\_\_\_\_.

60. Exercise regularly and you will be fit and healthy.

⇒ If you \_\_\_\_\_.

61. It takes them 45 minutes to play table tennis every Saturday morning.

⇒ They spend \_\_\_\_\_.

62. My sister likes watching basketball better than playing it.

⇒ My sister prefers \_\_\_\_\_.