Step-by-Step Practice Test

Step A Choose the word or phrase that best completes the sentence.

1. _____ a holiday is approaching, seasonal products are usually on display at the front of the store.
   (A) When
   (B) Even though
   (C) Whether
   (D) In spite of

2. Enclosed is a coupon for Helen's Cafe that is valid for either breakfast _____ lunch.
   (A) if
   (B) or
   (C) yet
   (D) nor

3. Tandy Whitegoods has a good reputation, _____ its two stores are often empty of customers.
   (A) yet
   (B) since
   (C) because
   (D) as

4. It is almost impossible to book a table at the Shanghai Dumpling House _____ it has become so popular.
   (A) unless
   (B) whether
   (C) although
   (D) because

5. Beach towels _____ swimming caps can be borrowed from the reception desk.
   (A) as soon as
   (B) as well as
   (C) since
   (D) nor

6. Please wash _____ dry your coffee mug, or ants might enter the kitchen area again.
   (A) for
   (B) and
   (C) but
   (D) as

7. Children under 13 can't go into the area _____ they are accompanied by adults.
   (A) since
   (B) in case
   (C) unless
   (D) though

8. During the renovations, _____ visitors nor staff are allowed in the building after 5 p.m.
   (A) either
   (B) neither
   (C) both
   (D) only

Step B Choose the word or phrase that best completes the text.

Questions 1–4 refer to the following notice.

Volunteers Wanted for Scientific Study

Both male ——— female participants are needed for a scientific study about how coffee affects
__1.__
sleeping habits. Be part of a major research program about what happens while we sleep!

You should be healthy, between the ages of 20 and 30, and available over a two-week period in June
or July. You will not be asked to do anything painful or uncomfortable. ———, it will be necessary to
__2.__
stay overnight at the clinic on one occasion. The study needs a large number of participants, so you
will be invited to join ——— you meet the requirements. Unfortunately, people with serious illnesses
__3.__
cannot apply.

Participants will be paid $50 a day as well as transportation costs.

To get more information ——— to volunteer, please call 342-8109.
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1. (A) if
   (B) but
   (C) nor
   (D) and

2. (A) For example
   (B) Therefore
   (C) However
   (D) Otherwise

3. (A) provided that
   (B) in case
   (C) that
   (D) including

4. (A) so
   (B) or
   (C) as
   (D) when