5. I'd love to go to your party, but _____, I have to go somewhere else. (FORTUNATE)

6. I _____ with you on spending so much money on the project. It's a waste of money! (AGREE)

7. The teacher wanted to know the kids' height and _____. (WEIGH)

8. Thomas Edison's most famous _____ was the electronic bulb. (INVENT)

9. This dictionary is very _____ for you to learn English. (USE)

10. I have _____ time to play than my sister. (LITTLE)

Exercise 5. **Read and choose the correct answers.**

Language, the way we express ourselves, is a vital part of (1) _____. A baby learns his native tongue naturally by (2) _____ speech around him. If the speech he hears is rapid, not clear and never directed at him then he hears slowly and speaks badly. A child of two or three years old who can't (3) _____ his desires known or put his thought into words will usually become angry. His relationships with others will get worse. If the speech a baby hears around him is clear, and his family talk (4) _____ him, he will gain a satisfactory command of language directly, by his mother, his language (5) _____ will be greater.

1.	A. to learn	B. learning	C. learn	D. learnt
2.	A. hearing	B. to hear	C. hear	D. to hearing
3.	A. to make	B. to making	C. make	D. making
4.	A. with	B. to	C. on	D. in
5.	A. able	B. ability	C. disability	D. unable

C PRACTICE TEST

Exercise 1. **Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the rest in each of the following questions.**

1.	A. <u>h</u>appy	B. <u>h</u>orrible	C. <u>h</u>ere	D. <u>h</u>onest
2.	A. ma<u>ps</u>	B. cri<u>es</u>	C. ca<u>ts</u>	D. boo<u>ks</u>
3.	A. pollu<u>tion</u>	B. congesti<u>on</u>	C. educa<u>tion</u>	D. ac<u>tion</u>
4.	A. h<u>ea</u>lthy	B. ah<u>ea</u>d	C. br<u>ea</u>d	D. s<u>ea</u>t
5.	A. <u>th</u>ose	B. <u>th</u>ere	C. <u>th</u>at	D. <u>th</u>umb

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Exercise 2. **Choose the word that is stressed differently from that of the other words.**

6. A. traffic B. dancer C. cycling D. historic
7. A. central B. gripping C. tatoo D. boring
8. A. answer B. listen C. enter D. amazing
9. A. station B. healthy C. safety D. bamboo
10. A. travel B. complete C. extend D. mistake

Exercise 3. **Mark the letter A, B or C to show the underlined part that needs correction.**

11. We read to learn about the (A) news, to learn about rules, and to learn (B) about how do (C) things.
12. If you want to (A) learn the (B) English more quickly, lots of reading is (C) important.
13. Pictures are the (A) important aid to comprehension for (B) students who are just beginning to learn (C) English.

Exercise 4. **Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following sentences.**

14. Reading comprehension requires vocabulary knowledge, background knowledge, and thinking skills.
    A. prevents B. demands C. bans D. opposes
15. The context of articles, stories, and conversations helps you figure out and understand the meaning of English words in the text that are new to you.
    A. overvaluation B. elaboration C. enlargement D. setting

Exercise 5. **Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following sentences.**

16. I feel that learning English will help my chances of promotion at work.
    A. improve B. minimize C. widen D. facilitate
17. For many young people, learning multiple languages is critical to exploring the world.
    A. meaningless B. important C. mean D. small

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Exercise 6. **Choose the correct answers to complete the sentences.**

18. Koalas are well-known as the symbol _____ Australia.
    A. of B. in C. on D. for
19. The white cat is Giang's, and the black cat is _____.
    A. my B. I C. mine D. of mine
20. In some English-speaking countries, turkey and pudding are _____ food at Christmas.
    A. national B. traditional
    C. historical D. nation
21. This is Tom's cap, and those shoes are _____.
    A. her B. his C. our D. their
22. It will be _____ to ride a jet pack in bad weather.
    A. enjoyable B. pleasant C. unsafe D. comfortable
23. You should learn the irregular verbs _____ heart.
    A. with B. by C. in D. on
24. Please wait _____ us outside the school gate.
    A. with B. on C. at D. for
25. My son should work harder _____ his English spelling.
    A. with B. at C. in D. on
26. You can use dictionary to look _____ new words.
    A. for B. with C. at D. in
27. Many thanks _____ your letter. I'm very pleased to hear _____ you.
    A. for/ at B. for/ with C. for/ from D. for/ in
28. My sister is not very good _____ Math.
    A. of B. at C. with D. by

Exercise 7. **Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.**

The advantages of going to Britain seem obvious. Firstly, you will be able (29) _____ to the language all the time you are in the country. You will be surrounded completely by the language wherever you go. (30) _____ advantage is that you have to speak the language if you are with other people. In Italy, it is always possible, in the class, to speak Italian if you want to and the learning is slower.

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On the other hand, there are also (31) _____ to staying at home to study. You don't (32) _____ make big changes to your life. As well as this, it is also a lot cheaper than going to Britain but it is never possible to achieve the results of living in the UK. If you have a good teacher (33) _____ Italy, I think you can learn in a more concentrated way than being in Britain without going to a school.

29.	A. listening	B. listen	C. to listen	D. to listening
30.	A. Another	B. Other	C. The other	D. Others
31.	A. disadvantage	B. advantages	C. advantage	D. disadvantages
32.	A. have to	B. has to	C. must	D. must to
33.	A. on	B. at	C. with	D. in

Exercise 8. Read and write True (T) or False (F).

LISTENING TO ENGLISH

This really is a skill that needs to be practised regularly. Like speaking, it's better for you to be in a totally English speaking environment. Full immersion is the best way for you to improve your level. Again, nothing can beat learning at an English language school abroad. Second is having the opportunity to listen during online lessons; interacting with real people in English from the comfort of your own room.

However, you can also practice at home. You can watch TV shows, movies or listen to podcasts in English. To begin with, don't try to listen for too long and choose something that is interesting for you. It's good to have something you can listen to over and over again, and it's great if you can also have subtitles. When listening to something more than once; first, try to catch the general meaning, then, listen a second time for more in-depth information. If there is something you cannot understand, first of all, see if you can work it out from context and finally, check subtitles, write it down and try to use it in your next conversation. Listen to how the speaker runs words together, listen for where the stress falls on words and in sentences/ language chunks and listen to the intonation. All these things will help you improve your listening skills and your speaking.

It's important to remember that in a conversation a person is not going to repeat something 10 times for you to understand, so as a long term goal, you should focus on improving your listening. Having said that, when you are in a conversation and you do not know what the other person is saying, asking them to explain and people are generally happy to do so!

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34. So as to listen well, you should be in a totally English speaking environment. _____

35. Communicating with other people in English is the only way to improve your listening skill. _____

36. Watching TV shows, movies or listening to podcasts in English are good for your listening skill. _____

37. Try to listen as long as possible. _____

38. If you do not understand what the other person is saying, ask them to explain again. _____

Exercise 9. **Rewrite the sentences without changing their meanings.**

39. There were some pens on the desk last night.

    The desk _____

40. It took me 4 hours to drive to Ha Noi City.

    I spent _____

41. Tom bought Mary a new car yesterday.

    Tom bought a _____

42. We went to school on foot.

    We _____

43. They spent two days flying to Germany.

    It took _____

44. I expected my friends to arrive at 5 o'clock, but they arrived at 3:00. (earlier)

    My friends _____

45. No one in the group is younger than Jenny. (youngest)

    Jenny is _____

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