PRACTICE TEST 2

Allotted time: 90 minutes

I **Choose the word, phrase or sentence that best fits the space in each sentence or best answers the given question. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet. (3.5 pts).**

1. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?

A. updates B. dislikes C. employs D. interests

2. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?

A. remote B. control C. sunblock D. console

3. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?

A. harmless B. scenic C. summit D. disturb

4. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?

A. summarise B. effective C. nutrition D. enjoyment

5. ***Woman A:*** Cooking for my family is fun, _____ preparing a big feast can be challenging.
Woman B: I agree. Timing everything perfectly isn't easy.

A. and B. or C. but D. so

6. ***Student A:*** I can't leave the office _____ 5 p.m.
Student B: That's fine. I'll wait for you at the café nearby.

A. by B. at C. on D. until

7. ***Student A:*** Did you know swans have one partner _____ life?
Student B: Yes, I've heard about that. It's so romantic.

A. for B. on C. of D. about

8. ***Student A:*** I _____ an interesting article about renewable energy today.
Student B: Really? Can you send it to me?

A. took off B. went over C. picked up D. came across

9. ***Student A:*** Simon tried a career test _____ recommended engineering as a potential choice.
Student B: Well, that fits his love for solving complex problems.

A. who B. whose C. which D. where

10. ***Man A:*** Do you want to have lunch together at the new café nearby?
Man B: Thanks for asking, but I already _____ an hour ago.

A. have eaten B. ate C. was eating D. will eat

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11. ***Student A:*** That song _____ me of summer evenings by the campfire. Those were the best nights, singing and roasting marshmallows.

Student B: Wow, I can imagine it! Did you go camping often?

A. admired **B.** prepared **C.** remembered **D.** reminded

12. ***Student A:*** The _____ *at the school play laughed the most during our teacher's* cameo scene.

Student B: I bet that was the highlight of the play.

A. viewers **B.** spectators **C.** audience **D.** observers

13. ***Student A:*** What did you share in your presentation?

Student B:

A. Great! I prefer to learn English for my future career.

B. I think so. They seemed excited about learning English for travel.

C. The topic was easy for everyone to understand.

D. I showed how English helps people connect with others worldwide.

14. ***Student A:*** _____

Student B: We took a train from Hà Nội to Lào Cai, then took a taxi to Sa Pa.

A. How did you get to Sa Pa?

B. How far is it from Hà Nội to Sa Pa?

C. Why did you take a taxi to Sa Pa?

D. When did you take a train from Hà Nội?

II Look at the sign or the notice. Choose the best answer for questions 15 and 16. Write A, B, C or D in the boxes on the answer sheet. (0.5 pt)

15. What does the sign say?

A. All smartphones, camcorders and cameras are currently out of stock.

B. People can get permission to take photos and videos.

C. Photography is restricted to phones, but cameras are allowed.

D. Filming and photography are prohibited at this place.

Active Construction Area
Work in progress
from 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.,
Monday to Saturday.
Please keep out of this restricted area. Use the designated detour route for safe passage.
Thank you for your cooperation!

16. What does the notice tell us?

A. People are allowed to enter the construction site.

B. Construction happens daily during these hours, except Sunday.

C. A different, safer path won't be available for everyone to use.

D. The construction site is still active in the evening.

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III Choose the word (A, B, C or D) that best fits each space in the following email about learning English between two friends. (1.5 pts)

New message

To: David

Subject: **How to improve English speaking skills**

Hi David,

I hope you're doing well! I wanted to share an effective method to improve English speaking skills that I've come (17) _____. It's essential to note down new words or phrases you hear in conversations, movies, or podcasts. Later, you can go over them to (18) _____ their meanings and usage.

Since speaking fluently is important for our future career (19) _____, we should look for chances to practise. Joining a speaking club or finding a language partner is a great way to improve. As making (20) _____ mistakes is normal when learning, it's helpful to (21) _____ grammar and vocabulary.

I've found that using a fixed period of time every day to practise speaking can make a lot of differences. Let me know if you have any other ideas to figure out (22) _____ ways to learn!

Best,

An

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17.	**A.** into	**B.** across	**C.** about	**D.** by
18.	**A.** understand	**B.** introduce	**C.** entertain	**D.** navigate
19.	**A.** difficulties	**B.** discoveries	**C.** activities	**D.** opportunities
20.	**A.** some	**B.** much	**C.** few	**D.** a little
21.	**A.** hand-pick	**B.** mass-produce	**C.** double-check	**D.** test-drive
22.	**A.** farther	**B.** better	**C.** worse	**D.** larger

IV Read the following passage. Decide whether the statements from 23 to 26 are True or False, and choose the correct answers (A, B, C or D) for questions 27 and 28. (1.5 pts)

Malta is a small island country in the Mediterranean Sea. It is very famous for its beautiful places, history and culture. Many people from around the world visit Malta every year. In this article, we will take a closer look at three must-see destinations in Malta: Valletta, the Blue Lagoon and Mdina.

Valletta

Valletta is the capital city of Malta. It is a very old city, built in the 1500s. Valletta is full

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of beautiful buildings, narrow streets and interesting museums. You can walk around the city and see the lovely churches, gardens and the big Grand Harbour. Valletta is also a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

The Blue Lagoon

The Blue Lagoon is a very popular place for swimming and relaxing. It is on a small island called Comino, near Malta. The water in the Blue Lagoon is very clear and blue. Many people go there to swim, snorkel or take a boat trip. It is a great place to enjoy the sun and the sea.

Mdina

Mdina is a quiet, old city in the middle of Malta. It is called the "Silent City" because there are not many cars. Mdina has narrow streets and high walls. You can see wonderful views of the island from here. It is a perfect place for people who like history and peaceful walks.

Together, these destinations highlight Malta's unique blend of natural beauty and rich history. If you visit Malta, be sure to see Valletta, the Blue Lagoon and Mdina.

23. Malta is a popular tourist destination in the Mediterranean Sea.

24. Valletta, which was built in the 15th century, is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

25. The Blue Lagoon is famous for its aquatic activities.

26. If you enjoy travelling on foot, you should visit Mdina in Malta.

27. What is the main idea of the passage?

- **A.** The historical places to visit in Malta
- **B.** The entertaining activities to do in Malta
- **C.** The destinations to spend holidays in Malta
- **D.** The three famous islands to reach in Malta

28. Which of the following is NOT mentioned in the text?

- **A.** Valletta is filled with impressive buildings, narrow lanes, and fascinating museums.
- **B.** The Blue Lagoon is an ideal place to soak up the sun and enjoy the sea.
- **C.** Mdina is nicknamed the "Silent City" because only a few cars are allowed.
- **D.** Maltese people are known for being friendly and welcoming.

V Use the correct form of the word given in each sentence. (1.5 pts)

29. He _____ admitted that he had never read the book. (truth)

30. The teacher _____ the main points of the lesson before the bell rang. (summary)

31. Construction work nearby created a lot of noise and _____ for the residents. (disturb)

32. Fixing cars has always been my brother's dream job, so he decided to train as a _____. (machine)

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33. The train ride to Machu Picchu offers incredibly _____ views of the Andes mountains. (scenery)

34. After recovering from the flu, I focused on eating _____ meals like porridge with chicken and vegetables. (nutrition)

VI Look at the entry of the word 'opportunity' in a dictionary. Use what you can get from the entry to complete the sentences with two or three words. (0.5 pt)

opportunity /ˌɒpəˈtjuːnəti/ *noun*

A situation or chance that allows you to do something you want or need to do

*I wanted to join the chess club, but I **missed the opportunity to** sign up.*

*Driven by his goal of practising English, Minh **seized the opportunity to** speak to the foreign man.*

*There are some deep discounts at the hardware store, but the **window of opportunity** is closing.*

*She accepted the scholarship without hesitation as it's a **once-in-a-lifetime opportunity**.*

35. The programme was highly competitive because it provided _____ to study overseas.

36. When the job offer came, she _____ to work abroad. She never regretted it.

VII Rewrite each of the following sentences in another way so that it means almost the same as the sentence printed before it. (1.0 pt)

37. "You had better not forget to lock the door tonight," I said to Tom.

→ I suggested _____.

38. "Do you think I can get a better job with my current skills?" Olivia asked us.

→ Olivia asked _____.

39. Ben doesn't swim as well as John.

→ Ben is a _____.

40. Mai got a high score because she didn't make many mistakes.

→ Because of _____.

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