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KỲ THI TUYỂN SINH VÀO LỚP 10 THPT
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Môn thi: **TIẾNG ANH**
Thời gian làm bài: 90 phút (không kể thời gian phát đề)
(Đề thi có 05 trang)

I. Choose the word / phrase / sentence (A, B, C or D) that best fits the space or best answers the question given in each sentence. (3.5 pts)

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

A. d**u**mb B. sh**u**t C. s**u**nny D. t**u**be

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

A. exterminate B. considerate C. contemplate D. exaggerate

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

A. organic B. prosperous C. efficient D. addicted

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

A. clutter B. asthma C. pathway D. effect

5. **Anna**: Look at those dark clouds!

Ben: Oh no, I didn't bring an umbrella. It _____ quite a heavy storm.

A. would be B. will be C. is going to be D. was

6. **Thomas**: When do you usually finish your shift at the bookstore, so we can meet for a coffee?

Sarah: I clock out exactly _____ 21:00, so any time after that would be perfect for me.

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

7. **Marcus**: Is your brother available to chat about the travel plans for our trip to the mountains?

Jessica: Not right now, I'm afraid. He's still _____ duty and can't use his phone until his break.

A. from B. in C. of D. on

8. **Eleanor**: Why is the whole office smelling so strongly of burning plastic and rubber this morning?

Daniel: The old printer machine seems to be _____ a terrible, noxious smell when it runs.

A. give off B. make up for C. bring on D. play down

9. **Anton**: You mentioned you have a lot of close supporters in your English club. Who are they exactly?

Beta: I have around twenty students, most of _____ have been with me since the very beginning.

A. which B. who C. whom D. they

10. **Charlie**: Olivia is such a wonderful colleague; she always makes sure everyone in the team is happy.

Denise: Absolutely. She's incredibly _____ of other people's feelings, which is a rare quality.

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A. demanding B. ambitious C. considerate D. cautious

11. **Philip**: We need to find a way to let the students know that the exam schedule has been postponed.

Rebecca: Yes, _____ the extreme weather conditions expected this week, the university decided to delay everything.

A. In spite of B. In view of C. Much as D. Regardless of

12. **Brenda**: What is the most severe form of legal punishment in that country for murder and treason?

Andrew: For the worst offences, the state still enforces _____ punishment, which involves execution.

A. correctional B. judicial C. critical D. capital

13. **Mark**: We've passed the first round of the English presentation competition.

Alex: _____.

A. Congratulations! C. You're welcome!

B. That's a good idea! D. It's nice of you to say so!

14. **Stella**: _____.

Ryan: The main reason I decided to pursue a career in medicine was my desire to help people in need.

A. Why do you find the medical field so challenging and demanding?

B. What was the driving force behind your decision to enter medicine?

C. Do you ever regret the long hours you have to work as a doctor?

D. When did you first realize that medicine was the right career path?

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

15. What does the notice imply?

A. Children must be continuously watched by a parent or guardian.

B. A pool staff member must first verify the child's swimming skills.

C. The child is allowed in the water if an adult is on the pool property.

D. The supervision rule applies to children under a specified age limit.

16. What does the sign tell you to do?

A. This door should only be used by building managers or staff.

B. The door must be held open to let air through the building.

C. Keep the area right in front of the door completely empty.

D. Children should not play near this door during an emergency.

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III. Choose the word (A, B, C or D) that best fits each space in the following passage. (1.5 pts)

Dear Bino,

Happy 10th Birthday! I hope you have an absolutely (17) _____ day and eat lots of cake.

I know how much you love spending time outside at night, looking up at the sky. You always tell me about the constellations you find and how much you want to know what the Moon looks like close-up. That's why I got you something really (18) _____ this year. Your big gift is a brand-new telescope!

I thought it was the perfect present because now you can see the Moon's craters, the (19) _____ planets like Jupiter and Saturn, and maybe even some bright galaxies much clearer than you ever could before. It is the perfect (20) _____ for starting your journey into the amazing hobby of astronomy.

I already looked up a few simple (21) _____ on how to set up the tripod and aim the lens. I think we can easily (22) _____ it together this weekend. The weather forecast looks clear for Saturday night, which will give us a perfect window to test it out and view the cosmos for the first time! I can't wait to see what we discover.

Let me know what you think when you get a chance to open it.

See you soon, and happy stargazing!

Best, Vinh

17. A. major	B. ordinary	C. exhausting	D. fantastic
18. A. special	B. minor	C. predictable	D. worthless
19. A. effective	B. equal	C. distant	D. fragile
20. A. decoration	B. tool	C. memory	D. obstacle
21. A. guides	B. rumors	C. limitations	D. responses
22. A. interrupt	B. repeat	C. abandon	D. assemble

IV. Read the following leaflet promoting Recycling. Decide whether the statements from 23 to 26 are True or False and choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D) to complete the statements in the questions 27 and 28. (1.5 pts)

♻ RECYCLING: A SMART WAY TO PROTECT OUR PLANET

A Global Responsibility That Needs Our Action

Recycling is one of the simplest yet most powerful ways to protect the environment. It is more than just separating trash; it is a smart system that turns waste into useful materials again. For decades, recycling has played a major role in saving natural resources, reducing pollution, and cutting energy use. Today, it has become an essential part of modern life and our shared responsibility to the Earth.

THE THREE KEY STEPS OF RECYCLING

Discover the important teamwork behind the recycling process:

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1. Sorting (You – the First Protector):

You are the heart of the recycling chain. By separating paper, plastic, metal, and glass correctly, you help ensure each item can be reused safely and efficiently.

2. Collecting (The Recycling Team):

Workers and collection services gather recyclable items and transport them to recycling centers. Their role is crucial in keeping materials clean, organized, and ready for processing.

3. Processing (The Recycling Plant):

This is where the magic happens. Machines break down recyclables and transform them into new materials. These materials are then used to create new bottles, paper, packaging, and even furniture

WHY YOU MUST START RECYCLING

• Environmental protection: Reduce landfill waste and help keep oceans, rivers, and forests clean.

• Energy saving: Producing recycled materials requires far less energy than making new ones.

• Resource conservation: Every bottle and can recycled helps save trees, minerals, and fossil fuels.

• Direct impact: Your small daily choices like sorting waste or reusing a bottle make a real and immediate difference to the planet.

23. Recycling is described as a smart system that turns old waste into useful materials again.

24. The collecting step in recycling involves machines breaking down materials at the recycling plant.

25. Sorting your waste correctly helps ensure that each recyclable item can be reused safely and efficiently.

26. One benefit of recycling is that it reduces the amount of energy needed to produce new materials.

27. According to the passage, what important role do collection workers play in the recycling process?

A. They gather recyclable items and keep them clean, organized, and ready for processing.

B. They decide which materials should be burned instead of being recycled at plants.

C. They separate materials into new products without needing any machines at all.

D. They create new packaging and furniture directly from recycled waste at home.

28. What can be inferred about the role of individuals in recycling?

A. They decide which items factories should turn into new products.

B. Their actions are not important because machines do everything automatically.

C. They only help after materials are processed at recycling plants.

D. Their correct sorting is necessary for the whole recycling system to work.

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

29. Her parents were very _____, allowing her to stay out late without asking many questions. **(PERMIT)**

30. The storm left behind massive _____ that shocked the entire region. **(DESTROY)**

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31. He solved the complex equation _____, earning praise from his teacher. **(IMPRESS)**

32. Migratory birds often _____ the wetlands during the cooler months. **(POPULATION)**

33. The red ribbon pinned on his chest came to _____ his leadership role. **(SIGN)**

34. She _____ stayed after class to help organize the event. **(VOLUNTEER)**

VI. Look at the entry of the word 'protection' in a dictionary. Use what you can get from the entry to complete the sentences with no more than three words. (0.5 pt)

B2 [uncountable] the act of protecting somebody/something; the state of being protected

- **protection against something** *Wear clothes that **provide** adequate **protection** against the wind and rain.*
- **protection from something** *His straw hat **offered** some **protection** from the sun.*
- **protection of somebody/something (against/from something)** *We seek to ensure the protection of human rights.*
- *the conservation and protection of the environment*
- **protection for somebody/something (against/from something)** *They are campaigning for better protection for workers.*
- **for protection** *She carries a gun in her bag for personal protection.*
- **under protection** *He asked to be put under police protection.*

35. Wearing a helmet offers crucial _____ head injuries during a bicycle accident.

36. The rare species of bird was placed _____ by the government to prevent it from becoming extinct.

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. "Would you like to come to my birthday party, Saron?" asked Fred.

→ Fred asked .....

38. The problem was so complex that he did not know what to do.

→ So .....

39. If you practise harder you will have better results.

→ The .....

40. The airplane is scheduled to depart at 7:00 AM.

→ The airplane is scheduled to take .....

THE END OF THE TEST

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