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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. b**ear** B. d**ear** C. n**ear** D. f**ear**

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

A. **a**bandon B. **a**pplication C. c**a**ndidate D. m**a**nagement

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

A. teacher B. lesson C. action D. police

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

A. terrific B. chemical C. general D. maintenance

5. **ames:** What do you think about that item sitting on the top shelf?

Sarah: In my opinion, it is a/an _____ vase.

A. old beautiful wooden B. beautiful old wooden

C. wooden beautiful old D. beautiful wooden old

6. **Manager:** I've been looking for the financial reports, but I can't find the accounting office.

Assistant: The main accounting department is located _____ the third floor.

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

7. **Lily:** I am sorry that I spilled some coffee over your marketing report _____ accident.

Mark: Don't worry about it; I have saved the digital version on my office computer.

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

8. **Kevin:** Do you think that your younger sister will _____ your mother in terms of musical talent?

Rachel: I believe so, as she has already shown a great passion for playing the piano.

A. look for B. go with C. get off D. take after

9. **Receptionist:** Is there a student _____ laptop was left in the library yesterday?

Teacher: Yes, it belongs to Peter; he has been searching for it all morning.

A. which B. whose C. when D. why

10. **Sophie**: You have broken three plates this week! Why have you become so _____ in the kitchen lately?

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Daniel: I must apologize; I have been feeling exhausted and find it difficult to focus on anything.

A. selfish B. clumsy C. careful D. reliable

11. **Tour guide:** This hotel offers a stunning view of the valley. _____, guests can enjoy a free spa.

Tourist: That sounds like a wonderful deal; we should book a room.

A. Thus B. Despite C. In addition D. However

12. **Reporter:** What do you consider to be the most urgent social challenge in our community this year?

Mayor: Our primary focus is _____, as more people are struggling to find affordable places to live.

A. pollution B. homelessness C. global warming D. overpopulation

13. **Ann:** Do you think music can heal sick people?

Ben: _____

A. I can't agree with you more. B. The sooner, the better.

C. At least they can feel better. D. Doctors cannot do so.

14. **Customer:** _____?

Receptionist: It usually takes about forty minutes if you go by taxi, depending on the current traffic.

A. Could you tell me the most convenient way to get to the international airport

B. How long does it take to reach the airport from the hotel by taxi

C. Is it very expensive to take a taxi to the airport during the rush hour

D. Does the hotel provide a free shuttle bus service to the airport every hour

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 sign imply?

A. You are allowed to remove your lab coat inside this area.

B. It is obligatory to wear a lab coat while you are in this zone.

C. You can buy protective lab coats at the entrance of this room.

D. Lab coats must be washed before they are used in this laboratory.



16. What does the sign imply?

A. Only people with official permission may enter.

B. You should be careful because the floor is electric.

C. Anyone can enter as long as they wear safety gear.

D. This area is currently closed for electrical repairs.

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

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Dear Andrew,

I hope you're doing well. I wanted to share the excitement of my first day at university! Honestly, I was quite (17) _____ this morning, but it turned out to be an incredible experience.

The campus is massive, and I nearly got lost trying to find the lecture hall for my first class. (18) _____, I met a girl named Sarah who is also studying Biology, and we ended up sitting together. Our professor seems very (19) _____, although the reading list he gave us is a bit intimidating!

The (20) _____ here is so vibrant and diverse. I spent my lunch break at the student union, where I discovered dozens of interesting clubs. I'm seriously considering (21) _____ the hiking society to (22) _____ the nearby trails.

In addition to the busy schedule, my dorm room is surprisingly cozy, and my roommate is very friendly. I miss our hometown friends, but I feel like I'm exactly where I'm supposed to be.

I can't wait to hear about your week! Let's catch up properly over the weekend.

Warmly,

Bella

17. A. bored	B. nervous	C. amazed	D. cheerful
18. A. Sadly	B. Fortunately	C. Disappointedly	D. Unsurprisingly
19. A. passionate	B. romantic	C. respectful	D. sensitive
20. A. climate	B. pressure	C. landscape	D. atmosphere
21. A. to join	B. joining	C. join	D. to joining
22. A. invent	B. explore	C. convert	D. expect

IV. Read the following leaflet about bullying. 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)

SAY NO TO BULLYING: BUILDING A HARMONIOUS SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

Bullying is far more than just a minor conflict between students; it is a repeated, intentional pattern of behavior designed to show power and cause harm to others. Whether it occurs in person or through digital platforms - commonly known as cyberbullying - the consequences for a victim's mental health can be severe and long-lasting.

Identifying the Different Forms of Bullying

- Physical Bullying: This involves harmful actions such as hitting, kicking, or damaging a student's personal belongings.
- Verbal Aggression: This includes name-calling, spreading malicious rumors, or using insulting language to belittle someone.

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- Social Exclusion: A subtle but painful form where individuals are intentionally left out of groups or social activities.

Practical Steps for a Safer Campus

- If you are a victim: Do not suffer in silence; reaching out to a trusted teacher, counselor, or parent is a sign of strength, not weakness.
- If you are a witness: Transition from being a passive observer to an "upstander" by supporting the victim and reporting incidents to the staff.
- If you are the aggressor: Reflect on the impact of your actions and recognize that it is never too late to adopt empathy and choose kindness.

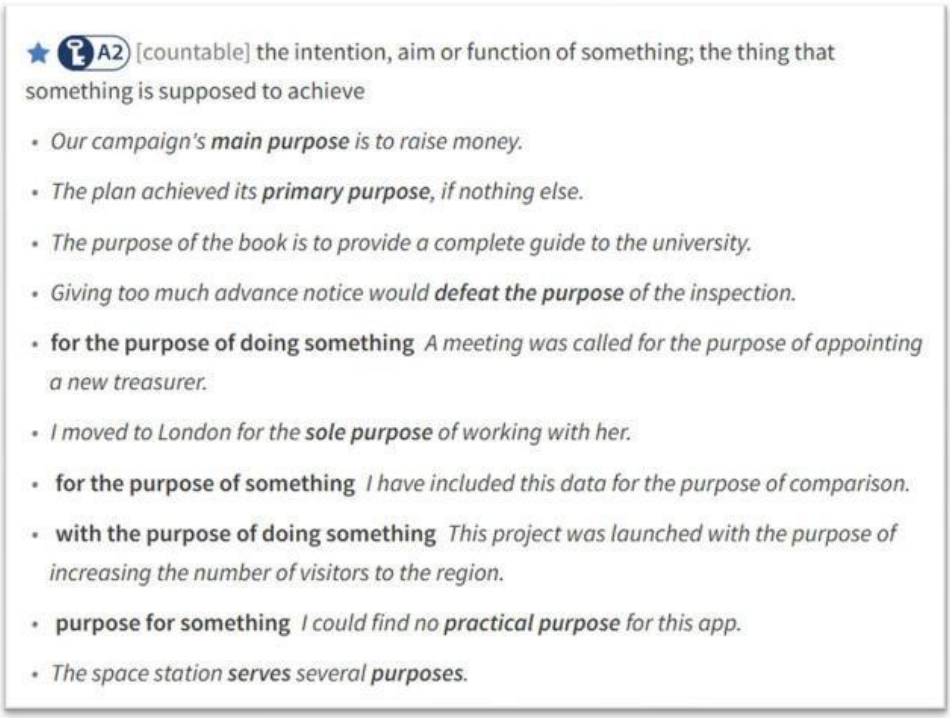
23. Bullying is defined as a one-time accidental disagreement between two students.
24. Cyberbullying refers to harmful actions that take place specifically through digital platforms.
25. Social exclusion is considered a less painful form of bullying because it does not involve physical contact.
26. The witness should remain passive observers to avoid getting into trouble with the staff.
27. According to the text, what is the main difference between a regular conflict and bullying?
    A. Bullying only happens through digital platforms like social media.
    B. Bullying is a repeated and intentional pattern of behavior to cause harm.
    C. A regular conflict involves damaging a student's personal belongings.
    D. Bullying only occurs when physical violence like hitting or kicking is involved.
28. According to the "Practical Steps" section, how should a victim view the act of asking for help?
    A. As a sign of weakness and inability to handle problems.
    B. As a sign of strength and a way to stop suffering in silence.
    C. As a way to become a passive observer of their own situation.
    D. As an intentional pattern of behavior to show power.

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

29. Government funding is essential for _____ research to develop new medical treatments. **(SCIENCE)**
30. The _____ of the factory helped increase production levels and improve safety. **(MODERN)**
31. Being _____ is a great personality when you are trying to make friends at university. **(SOCIETY)**
32. The apartment is very spacious; _____, it is located near the city center. **(ADD)**
33. Her heavy workload was _____ after the company hired two new assistants. **(LIGHT)**
34. The firm is working on a new product in _____ with several overseas partners. **(COMBINE)**

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



★ A2 [countable] the intention, aim or function of something; the thing that something is supposed to achieve

- *Our campaign's **main purpose** is to raise money.*
- *The plan achieved its **primary purpose**, if nothing else.*
- *The purpose of the book is to provide a complete guide to the university.*
- *Giving too much advance notice would **defeat the purpose** of the inspection.*
- **for the purpose of doing something** *A meeting was called for the purpose of appointing a new treasurer.*
- *I moved to London for the **sole purpose** of working with her.*
- **for the purpose of something** *I have included this data for the purpose of comparison.*
- **with the purpose of doing something** *This project was launched with the purpose of increasing the number of visitors to the region.*
- **purpose for something** *I could find no **practical purpose** for this app.*
- *The space station **serves** several **purposes**.*

35. Using a plastic straw with a reusable cup would _____ of trying to reduce plastic waste.

36. This specific area of the laboratory was designed solely _____ of conducting high-voltage experiments.

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. I am sorry, Mr. Trung can't come with us.

→ I wish .....

38. It is such a heavy bike that I can't lift it up.

→ The bike .....

39. You really should dress yourself like an adult for once.

→ It's high time you .....

40. You should continue practicing the piano if you want to win the competition.

→ You should carry .....

THE END OF THE TEST

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