

PRACTICE TEST 48

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

Question 1. A. domestic B. estimate C. biodiversity D. access

Question 2. A. graveyard B. gene C. urgent D. regard

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following questions.

Question 3. A. traffic B. wander C. consist D. structure

Question 4. A. document B. customer C. paradise D. permission

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

Question 5. Like adults, children sometimes want some _____ to have their own thoughts and feelings.

A. opportunity B. knowledge C. value D. privacy

Question 6. She has found _____ sources of information about ancient customs in Vietnam.

A. variety B. vary C. various D. variably

Question 7. Rapid changes in technology have made the generation _____ between parents and teenagers even wider.

A. relation B. gap C. value D. experience

Question 8. Family-oriented people often put the needs of _____ families before their own.

A. them B. they C. theirs D. their

Question 9. Tom wishes his friend good luck before their English exam.

Tom: "Good luck with your English exam!"

Mi: _____

A. Oh, I'm terribly sorry. B. Thanks. I'll try my best.
C. I wish you good health. D. I didn't mean to do that.

Question 10. Family _____ include respect, love, and kindness among family members.

A. chores B. members C. rights D. values

Question 11. If children _____ in an extended family, they receive more support from grandparents and other relatives.

A. live – get B. lived – can get C. lives – will get D. living – will get

Question 12. When my uncle was small, my grandparents _____ him good values.

A. used to teach B. use to taught
C. use to teach D. didn't used to teach

Read the following announcement and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each numbered blank from 13 to 16.

TIPS FOR SAFE TRAVEL

1. Always keep your valuables (13) _____ your sight and avoid crowded places.
2. If you're traveling to a foreign country, make sure you learn a few basic phrases in (14) _____ local language.
3. (15) _____ travel advisories from your government before planning your trip.
4. If you feel unsafe, contact the nearest embassy (16) _____ consulate for assistance.

Question 13. A. at B. within C. over D. outside

Question 14. A. the B. x (no article) C. an D. a

Question 15. A. Ignore B. Listen C. Refer D. Consult

Question 16. A. or B. but C. so D. yet

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

Question 17. Put the sentences (a–c) in the correct order, then fill in the blank to make a logical text.

Living in a city has a number of drawbacks.

- a. In addition, the air pollution caused by such heavy traffic negatively affects both the environment and people's health. More and more city dwellers suffer from coughing or breathing problems.
- b. To begin with, there is an urgent issue of traffic jams and traffic accidents. The increase in population and the increasing number of vehicles have caused many accidents in bigger and bigger cities.
- c. Moreover, the high cost of living makes it difficult for many people to afford housing, healthcare, or other basic necessities.

A. b – c – a B. c – b – a C. b – a – c D. c – a – b

Question 18. Choose the sentence that can end the text (in Question 17) most appropriately.

- A. On the other hand, the country also suffers from noise pollution because there is too much traffic.
- B. Therefore, people who don't live in cities most often can avoid such environmental issues.
- C. In conclusion, people living in a city can be a challenge due to many environmental and social issues.
- D. Besides, living in a city has much more advantages than living in the countryside.

Read the following announcement and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each numbered blank from 19 to 24.

(19) _____ of young people are purchasing blind boxes. What differences have these blind boxes brought to hobbies and social trends today?

Blind boxes bring an element of surprise, making every unboxing a thrilling experience. Before blind boxes became popular, collectors knew exactly what they were purchasing. (20) _____ little room for the excitement of discovery.

In the late 2010s, blind boxes started gaining global recognition, with iconic brands (21) _____ PopMart revolutionizing the industry. Blind boxes offered (22) _____ casual buyers and dedicated collectors unique designs, limited editions, and the possibility of finding rare items. This trend made collecting more exciting and accessible for everyone, especially young people.

The rise of blind boxes has also (23) _____ connections within the collecting community. Buyers often share their finds online or trade items to complete sets. Additionally, the designs and creativity behind blind boxes reflect modern art trends, making them more than just toys — they are collectibles with cultural significance. (24) _____, blind boxes offer an avenue for stress relief and entertainment after a long day.

Question 19.

- A. The increasing number B. An increasing number
- C. A great amount D. A good deal

Question 20. A. doing B. turning C. leaving D. sharing

Question 21. A. as B. so C. such D. like

Question 22. A. neither B. either C. both D. none

Question 23. A. built up B. cut down C. taken off D. run out

Question 24. A. Overall B. Although C. However D. But

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to the original sentence in each of the following questions.

Question 25. The last time I visited my grandparents was a year ago.

- A. I haven't visited my grandparents for a year.
- B. A year ago I last visited my grandparents.
- C. My visit to my grandparents lasted a year.
- D. At last I visited my grandparents after a year.

Question 26. A burglar broke into the building. At that time the guard was sleeping.

- A. Before a burglar broke into the building, the guard was sleeping.
- B. After the guard had slept, a burglar broke into the building.
- C. A burglar broke into the building as soon as the guard had slept.
- D. When a burglar broke into the building, the guard was sleeping.

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is made from the given cues in each of the following questions.

Question 27. We all / wish / people / live / in peace / have / happy life /.

- A. We all wish the people can live in peace and had a happy life.
- B. We all wish people are living in peace and having a happy life.
- C. We all wish people could live in peace and have a happy life.
- D. We all wish people lived in peace and can have a happy life.

Question 28. She / try / avoid / mention / her failure /.

- A. She tries avoiding to mention her failure.
- B. She tried to avoid mentioning her failure.
- C. She tries to avoid to mention her failure.
- D. She try avoiding mentioning her failure.

Read the following sign or notice and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

Question 29. What does the sign say?

- A. You mustn't use the elevator when the building is on fire.
- B. For your safety, do not leave the elevator during a fire.
- C. Three people cannot stand in the elevator during a fire.
- D. If the building is on fire, you must stand in the elevator.



Question 30. What does the notice say?

- A. Parking cars here without tickets always costs £20.
- B. You will be fined £20 when parking without tickets.
- C. You must pay £20 if you lose your car park tickets.
- D. You can park free of charge if you lose your ticket.

All lost car park tickets
will result in a \$20 fee

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions from 31 to 36.

LIGHT POLLUTION: A CITY SEES THE STARS

On 26 September 2019, the streets of Geneva, Switzerland, went completely dark. This was not a power failure. Instead, the authorities had turned off the city's lights to allow people to view the stars. Normally, this is hard to do in cities. Light pollution is caused when streetlights and building lights make the night sky too bright. This makes it hard to see stars. Animals and people can also be affected. Animals use the moon and the stars to guide themselves. But if it is too bright, animals get confused. Birds use the light from the moon to guide them. But bright lights can distract these birds and the birds fly into buildings because they are attracted to city lights.

Light pollution also affects humans. It can cause trouble sleeping, headaches, and stress. Most importantly, it prevents us from seeing the natural beauty of the night sky. Many people have never seen the Milky Way because of city lights.

Fortunately, we can reduce light pollution by turning off unnecessary lights and using curtains to block light. With these simple actions, we can enjoy the stars and the beauty of the night once again.

Question 31. What is the main idea of the passage?

- A. Light pollution has negative effects on animals, humans, and our ability to see the night sky.
- B. Turning off lights is very important for energy conservation.
- C. Light pollution only causes slight impacts on some animals.
- D. Geneva is a city that is now struggling with light pollution.

Question 32. The word **confused** in the passage is CLOSEST in meaning to _____.

- A. uncertain B. relaxed C. calm D. resting

Question 33. What does the underlined pronoun **them** refer to?

- A. humans B. birds C. animals D. insects

Question 34. The word **reduce** in the passage is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.

- A. increase B. decrease C. prevent D. remove

Question 35. What is an effect of light pollution on birds?

- A. They can't see the Milky Way very clearly at night.
B. They can use the moon and stars to guide them.
C. They have trouble finding food during the night.
D. They have difficulty flying to warmer places.

Question 36. What can people do to reduce light pollution?

- A. Leave lights on when they are not needed.
B. Close all windows and doors to block light.
C. Avoid using unnecessary lights at night.
D. Try to raise the use of curtains to diffuse it.

Four phrases/sentences have been removed from the text below. For each question, mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 37 to 40.

A LEGENDARY FILMMAKER

Many people think doing well at school is the most important thing for a successful career. However, that wasn't true for Steven Spielberg, the famous Hollywood director. (37) _____

As a child, Steven loved films and started using his father's camera to record family events. Steven's love of filmmaking grew, and he spent more time making short films than doing homework. He already made his first movie. (38) _____

Steven dreamed of studying filmmaking at university, but his poor grades prevented him from entering the University of Southern California's film program. Instead, he attended California State University but left before completing his degree. (39) _____ he then began working at Universal Studios, where he became one of the most successful directors in Hollywood.

Over 30 years later, Steven decided to return to university and complete his degree. His children often asked why they had to go to school if he hadn't. (40) _____ and show them the importance of education.

- A. So he wanted to set a good example
B. To realize his dream
C. By the age of 12
D. He had trouble with his studies

Question 37: _____

Question 38: _____

Question 39: _____

Question 40: _____