

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the others in each group.

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| 1. A. sculpture | B. treat <u>m</u> ent | C. pot <u>t</u> ery | D. lan <u>t</u> ern |
| 2. A. f <u>a</u> r | B. st <u>a</u> r | C. M <u>a</u> rs | D. j <u>a</u> zz |

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best arrangement of utterances/sentences to make a meaningful exchange or text in each of the following questions.

- 3.
- a. **Mr Smith:** Hello, everyone. It's nice to meet you all.
 b. **Class:** Good morning, Mr Smith. It's nice to meet you too!
 c. **Ms Hoa:** Good morning, class. I'd like you to meet Mr Paul Smith. He's a culture specialist. Today, he'll talk about cultural diversity in the UK.

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| A. c - a - b | B. b - c - a | C. a - b - c | D. a - c - b |
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- 4.
- a. **Harry:** Would you like me to give you a ride home?
 b. **Jacob:** Oh, my mom is having it repaired.
 c. **Harry:** Hey! I don't see you riding as usual. Where's your bike?
 d. **Jacob:** That's so kind of you. Thank you very much.

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| A. d - b - a - c | B. d - b - c - a | C. b - a - c - d | D. c - b - a - d |
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Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

5. The girls and flowers _____ he painted were vivid.
 A. which B. that C. whom D. who
6. I disagree because we can't practice _____ English with native speakers.
 A. to speak B. speaking C. speak D. to speaking
7. Local volunteers often clean the streets _____ the weekend to help improve the environment.
 A. in B. for C. on D. of
8. Planting trees along the streets can help _____ urban areas and provide shade.

- A. beautifully B. beauty C. beautify D. beautiful
9. She told me I _____ learn hard to pass the entrance exam the following month.
A. must B. have to C. had to D. has to
10. Sarah bought _____ violin to fulfill her lifelong dream of joining an orchestra.
A. Ø (no article) B. the C. an D. a
11. Neither John nor his friends _____ to the beach at the moment.
A. are going B. go C. is going D. goes
12. It's time to say goodbye, but I'm _____ meeting you all again soon.
A. keeping up with B. getting on with C. putting up with D. looking forward to
13. Today's cities are _____ than cities in previous time.
A. lots larger B. much larger C. as large D. the largest
14. He's living _____ if he thinks he's going to get £5000 for his old car.
A. out of this world B. on another planet C. under the sun D. over the moon
15. Modern technology is widening the _____ gap between parents and their children.
A. age B. gender C. generation D. tradition
16. If David _____ playing the guitar every day, he _____ his skills quickly.
A. will practice – improves B. will practice – may improve
C. practices – won't improve D. practices – can improve

Read the following advertisement and write A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

📢 ANNOUNCEMENT: CAREER ORIENTATION WEEK!

Dear students,

Are you still wondering what career path is right for you? Don't worry – we're here to help!

Join us for Career Orientation Week, a special event designed to give you (17) _____ about different jobs and future opportunities.

During this week, you will:

- Meet (18) _____ from many fields
- Join workshops and group discussions
- Take part in fun career quizzes and activities

This is a great chance to build your skills, ask questions, and plan your future.

Make sure to check the full schedule on the school website and (19) _____ the sessions you're interested in!

Don't miss out on this opportunity to explore your future!

17. A. activity B. direction C. reason D. information

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| 18. A. professionally | B. professionalism | C. profession | D. professionals |
| 19. A. sign up for | B. come up against | C. get along with | D. go through with |

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word that best completes each blank.

Technology has become an indispensable part of our daily lives. One of the reasons why technology, no matter what field, has been a focus area for scientists and (20) _____ professionals and stakeholders is that it adds convenience to our day-to-day activities while saving us time and improving our (21) _____ of life.

Right from our smartphones which are useful to us in more ways than we can imagine to various kitchen appliances, computer systems, means of communication, transport system, and online shopping (to name a few) have changed how we live our lives compared to a decade ago.

The sheer benefits that technology bestows on our lives in smaller and bigger senses account for the continuous work in the (22) _____ of making further progress in technological innovations. (23) _____, some roles are a lot more in demand in the current times than others.

Beyond the field of IT, fields like medical, space, robotics, superintelligence, pharmaceuticals, education, business, and automobile technology witness the scope for great advancements, thus creating many opportunities for individuals (24) _____ aim to explore new technological possibilities in the respective fields.

(Adapted from <https://www.simplilearn.com/>)

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| 20. A. the others | B. others | C. other | D. another |
| 21. A. variety | B. status | C. nature | D. quality |
| 22. A. way | B. direction | C. guidance | D. aspect |
| 23. A. However | B. Moreover | C. Although | D. Therefore |
| 24. A. which | B. whom | C. who | D. when |

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 questions.

As cities grew more packed and often expensive, more and more people began to migrate back out of them. But instead of returning to rural small towns (like they'd resided in before moving to the city), these people needed close access to the cities for their jobs. In the 1850s, as the urban population greatly expanded and transportation options improved, suburbs developed. Suburbs are the communities surrounding cities, typically close enough for a daily commute in, but far enough away to allow for more space than city living affords. The peaceful suburban landscape of the early twentieth century has largely disappeared due to **sprawl**. Suburban sprawl contributes to traffic congestion, which in turn contributes to commuting time. Commuting

times and distances have continued to increase as new suburbs have developed farther and farther from city centers. Simultaneously, this dynamic contributed to an exponential increase in natural resource use, like petroleum, which increased pollution in the form of carbon emissions.

As the suburbs became more packed and lost their charm, those who could afford it turned to the exurbs, communities that exist outside the ring of suburbs and are typically populated by even wealthier families who want more space and have the resources to lengthen **their** commute. Together, the suburbs, exurbs, and metropolitan areas all combine to form a metropolis. New York was the first U.S. megalopolis, a huge urban corridor including multiple cities and their surrounding suburbs. These metropolises use vast quantities of natural resources and are a growing part of the U.S. landscape.

(Adapted from <https://courses.lumenlearning.com>)

25. What is the passage mainly about?
- A. The rise of the first U.S. megalopolis.
 - B. The development and impact of suburban areas.
 - C. The benefits of living in rural communities.
 - D. The reasons people move from cities to rural towns.
26. According to paragraph 1, suburbs began to develop because _____.
- A. people wanted to return to live in rural small towns
 - B. city populations grew and transportation methods improved
 - C. people no longer needed to commute to cities for work
 - D. cities became less crowded and more affordable
27. The word "**sprawl**" in paragraph 1 is **CLOSEST** in meaning to _____.
- A. expansion
 - B. connection
 - C. pollution
 - D. construction
28. What does the word "**their**" in paragraph 2 refer to?
- A. the suburbs
 - B. communities
 - C. wealthier families
 - D. the resources
29. Which of the following is **NOT mentioned** as a negative result of suburban sprawl?
- A. It led to a rise in pollution.
 - B. It caused commuting times to increase.
 - C. It contributed to traffic jams.
 - D. It made houses in the city cheaper.
30. What is **TRUE** about exurbs according to the passage?
- A. They are located between the city and the suburbs.
 - B. They are home to families with fewer financial resources.
 - C. They are farther from cities than suburbs and often wealthier.
 - D. They are smaller than suburban communities and more crowded.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is CLOSEST in meaning to the original one.

31. You can improve your English pronunciation by talking to native English speakers.
- A. Unless you improve your English pronunciation, you can talk to native English speakers.
 - B. If you talk to native English speakers, you can't improve your English pronunciation.
 - C. Unless you talk to native English speakers, you can improve your English pronunciation.
 - D. If you talk to native English speakers, you can improve your English pronunciation.
32. By the time the professor arrived, the students had already finished their group presentation.
- A. When the professor arrived, the students already finished their group presentation.
 - B. After the professor had arrived, the students finished their group presentation.
 - C. The students had completed their group presentation before the professor arrived.
 - D. The professor arrived just after the students finished their group presentation.
33. Hung started learning Japanese at this language center three months ago.
- A. Hung has learned Japanese at this language center since three months.
 - B. Hung was learning Japanese at this language center three months ago.
 - C. Hung has started learning Japanese at this language center for three months.
 - D. Hung has learned Japanese at this language center for three months.
34. No one in my physics class can solve problems as fast as I can.
- A. I can solve problems as quickly as no one in my physics class.
 - B. I can solve problems more quickly than no one in my physics class.
 - C. I am the fastest problem-solver in my physics class.
 - D. I solve problems as quickly as people in my physics class.
35. "Don't play music too loud after midnight," said the landlord to us.
- A. The landlord encouraged us to play music too loud after midnight.
 - B. The landlord asked us not to play music too loud after midnight.
 - C. The landlord blamed us for playing music too loud after midnight.
 - D. The landlord advised us to play music too loud after midnight.

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best combines pair of sentences in the following questions.

36. The team lost the championship in the final seconds. This is a huge disappointment.
- A. It's a huge disappointment when the team loses the championship in the final seconds.
 - B. It's a huge disappointment that the team lost the championship in the final seconds.
 - C. It's a huge disappointment whether the team lost the championship in the final seconds.
 - D. It's a huge disappointment if the team lost the championship in the final seconds.

37. The speaker talked very fast. We could not take any notes.
- A. The speaker talked too fast for us to take any notes.
 - B. The speaker talked fast enough for us to take notes.
 - C. The speaker talked so fast that we took some notes.
 - D. It was such a fast talk that we could not take any notes.
38. The traffic got worse and worse. I was late for my appointment.
- A. The traffic got worse and worse, so I was late for my appointment.
 - B. Although the traffic got worse and worse, I was late for my appointment.
 - C. The traffic got worse and worse, but I was late for my appointment.
 - D. Unless the traffic got worse and worse, I would have been late for my appointment.
39. John wants to make a lot of money. However, he doesn't have a high-paying job.
- A. As long as John gets a high-paying job, he could make a lot of money.
 - B. John wishes he had a high-paying job to make a lot of money.
 - C. If John had a high-paying job, he could make a lot of money.
 - D. If only John had had a high-paying job, he could have made a lot of money.
40. That's the café. We hung out there after the music show.
- A. That's the café where we hung out after the music show.
 - B. That's the café which we hung out after the music show.
 - C. That's the café when we hung out after the music show.
 - D. That's the café that we hung out it after the music show.

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