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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 1 to 4.

When the River Speaks

Vietnam is a country of many voices. From the busy streets of Hanoi to the quiet rice fields of the Mekong Delta, each place tells a different story. But today, many of those stories are being lost. (1) _____. As a result, traditional crafts, local festivals, and even minority languages (2) _____.

Climate change is making this problem worse. Floods, droughts, and storms are hitting rural areas harder than ever before. Farmers (3) _____ are now forced to leave. When a community loses its land, it often loses its identity too. The connection between people, nature, and heritage runs deeper than most of us realize.

Yet there is still hope. Some young Vietnamese are choosing a different path. They are returning to their hometowns, learning old skills, and finding ways to share their culture with the world through social media and tourism. (4) _____. In fact, these two things are deeply intertwined. A forest kept healthy is also a story kept alive. A river that still flows clean is a community that can still thrive.

- A. They understand that protecting the environment and preserving traditions are not separate goals
B. Young people are moving to cities to find better jobs and a more comfortable life, leaving their home villages behind
C. who have lived on the same land for generations
D. spoken by ethnic groups are slowly disappearing

Question 1: _____. Question 2: _____. Question 3: _____. Question 4: _____.

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 from 5 to 16.

- Question 5: A. washeded B. exchangeded C. experienceded D. mixeded
Question 6: A. certificateate B. decorateate C. considerateate D. doctorateate

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 from 7 to 10.

- Question 7: A. machine B. mistake C. advice D. parent
Question 8: A. Picturesque B. Vietnamese C. Questionnaire D. Committee

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions from 11 to 16.

Question 9: My neighbor is driving me mad! It seems that _____ it is at night, _____ he plays his music!

- A. the less/the more loud B. the less/less
C. the more late/the more loudly D. the later/the louder

Question 10: The increase in the interest rate has brought _____ changes in consumers' behaviors.

A. about B. up C. to D. down

Question 11: As my town becomes more _____, there are fewer trees, so the air feels hotter in summer.

A. modern B. modernize C. modernly D. modernity

Question 12: Joana and David, two lecturers, are talking about library skills.

Joana: "I think we should teach our students how to use the library."

David: "_____. Library skills help them use resources effectively."

A. You're absolutely wrong B. You must be kidding
C. I couldn't agree with you more D. That's not a good idea

Question 13: Mount Everest is _____ highest mountain in _____ world.

A. Ø/a B. the/the C. a/0 D. the/0

Question 14: In rural areas, children begin primary _____ at six, though some start later due to long travel distances.

A. educate B. educational C. educationally D. education

Question 15: If they _____ less time on social media last night, they would sleep better now.

A. spend B. would spend C. had spent D. have spent

Question 16: I am used to _____ early, but my friend still finds mornings very difficult.

A. get up B. to get up C. got up D. getting up

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions from 17 to 18.

(17) _____ In many international workplaces, English sounds different because each speaker brings a local accent and style. When students choose careers in tourism, tech, or business, they may use English daily with partners worldwide. (18) _____ This is why respect and clarity often matter more than sounding "native."

Question 17: Choose the sentence that can **BEGIN** the text most appropriately.

A. World Englishes can shape career choices, because communication skills are needed in many modern jobs.
B. Career success often depends on networking, and language skills can support connections across cultures.
C. In global careers, grammar matters, so careful practice helps you avoid costly misunderstandings at work.
D. Online trends influence accents, and some young people copy styles to sound confident in groups.

Question 18: Put the sentences (a–c) in the correct order, then fill in the blank to make a logical text.

a. A job interview can feel smoother when you explain ideas simply and check understanding.
b. Some workers practise key phrases, so they can solve problems quickly during calls.
c. Hearing many accents at work teaches you to listen for meaning, not perfect sounds.

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

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 19 to 24.

In today's fast-paced world, many schools are introducing mindfulness to help students manage academic pressure. This practice involves focusing on the present moment to attain a (19) _____. By practicing mindfulness, students (20) _____ cultivate emotional resilience and improve their concentration. However, some educators argue that the school day is too busy to include these sessions without cutting into core subjects.

To see real benefits, schools must (21) _____ advantage of the quiet moments between classes. (22) _____, mindfulness has been shown to reduce bullying by encouraging empathy among peers. For the teachers (23) _____ sessions, the biggest challenge is maintaining student engagement during the

exercises. It is essential for everyone to understand that mental health is just as important as physical health. By working together, we can ensure a (24) _____ environment where every student feels supported.

Question 19: A. inner peace of sense B. sense inner of peace
C. peace of inner sense D. sense of inner peace

Question 20: A. must B. would C. could D. can

Question 21: A. take B. make C. have D. get

Question 22: A. Because B. Therefore C. Moreover D. Although

Question 23: A. who lead these B. these who lead C. whom lead these D. where they lead

Question 24: A. healthy and safe B. health and safe C. safely and healthy D. safe and healthily

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 from 25 to 26.

Question 25. "Why don't you take a day off tomorrow?" she said to me.

- A. She suggested that I taking a day off the following day.
- B. She advised me taking a day off the following day.
- C. She suggested that I take a day off the following day.
- D. She advised that I should takes a day off the following day.

Question 26. I started to work at this restaurant in 2015.

- A. I have worked at this restaurant since 2015.
- B. I worked at this restaurant since 2015.
- C. I have worked at this restaurant for 2015.
- D. I have started to work at this restaurant since 2015.

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 of the numbered blanks from 27 to 30.

SCATTERED MEMORIES: THE PRE-DIGITAL ERA

Before the arrival of smartphones and the Internet, our childhood was filled with simple but unforgettable moments. Looking back, we realize how much our world has changed.

- Many of us still remember the days when we spent (27) _____ time outdoors, playing traditional games like hide-and-seek or skip-rope.
- Instead of sending instant messages, we used to write (28) _____ letters to our pen pals and wait weeks for a reply.
- It was a common family (29) _____ to gather around a small black-and-white television every evening to watch the news or a favorite movie.
- Most children in the neighborhood were very close (30) _____ each other, sharing every piece of candy or handmade toy.

These memories remind us to cherish the present while respecting the values of the past. Life was slower back then, but it was full of real connections.

Question 27: A. many B. a little C. each D. plenty of

Question 28: A. thank-you B. hand-written C. cover D. formal

Question 29: A. routine B. scenery C. conference D. trend

Question 30: A. with B. about C. to D. for

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is best made from the given cues in each of the following questions from 31 to 32.

Question 31: Despite / lack / public amenities / people / fancy / live / this / area.

- A. Despite there is a lack of public amenities, people fancy to live in this area.
- B. Despite the lack of public amenities, but people fancy lives in this area.

- C. Despite the lack of public amenities, people fancy living in this area.
 D. Despite of lacking public amenities, people fancy to living in this area.

Question 32. The film / be / boring / I / fall asleep.

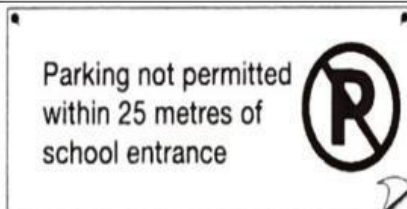
- A. The film was such boring that I fell asleep.
 B. The film was so boring that I fell asleep.
 C. The film was too boring that I fell asleep.
 D. The film was boring enough that I fell asleep.

Read the following notice or message 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 33 to 34.

Question 33: What does the notice mean?

	A. Be careful as there is ice on the street. B. Be careful when driving as the road is bumpy. C. Be careful when driving as the road is slippery. D. Be careful as the road is narrow ahead.
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Question 34. What does the sign say?

	A. You can park very close to the school entrance. B. You must park at least 25 metres away from the school entrance. C. You can park in front of the school entrance. D. You must park inside the school entrance.
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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 35 to 40.

Since the 19th century, companies have looked for better and cleaner ways of creating electricity. One UK company has created a special type of floor made of square tiles. Under each square, there is a system that can create electricity very cheaply when someone steps on it!

The design of the floor works very well when it is used in very busy areas. And the reason is that a lot of energy is created simply because of the large numbers of people walking across the floor. The floor can have other uses too; one of them is to record how many people visit a shopping centre. This kind of information is very useful for shop owners because very often they want to know at which times of a day they have the highest numbers of customers, so the next time you visit a shopping centre, have a careful look at the floor that you are walking across!

Question 35. What is the passage mainly about?

- A. A special floor that creates electricity
 B. A new way to build houses
 C. A shopping centre that sells electricity
 D. A difficulty in creating electricity

Question 36. The word "creating" in paragraph 1 is **CLOSEST** in meaning to _____.

- A. saving
 B. spending
 C. generating
 D. going

Question 37. According to paragraph 1, the special floor creates electricity when ____.

- A. someone covers it
 B. someone steps on it
 C. someone looks at it
 D. someone cleans it

Question 38. The word "useful" in paragraph 3 is in **OPPOSITE** meaning to _____.

- A. useless
 B. kind
 C. helpful
 D. careful

Question 39. The word "they" in paragraph 3 refers to _____.

A. people

B. times

C. days

D. shop owners

Question 40. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a good thing about the floor in the passage?

A. It helps shops attract more customers.

B. It is good for shop owners.

C. It creates electricity very cheaply.

D. It works very well in very busy areas.