

## A. PHONETICS

**I. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the others in each group.**

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|---------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1. A. <u>few</u>          | B. <u>new</u>        | C. <u>threw</u>     | D. <u>knew</u>     |
| 2. A. <u>weight</u>       | B. <u>height</u>     | C. <u>eight</u>     | D. <u>vein</u>     |
| 3. A. <u>wanted</u>       | B. <u>helped</u>     | C. <u>decided</u>   | D. <u>attended</u> |
| 4. A. <u>intermediate</u> | B. <u>immediate</u>  | C. <u>medium</u>    | D. <u>medicine</u> |
| 5. A. <u>uncertain</u>    | B. <u>unbeatable</u> | C. <u>unanimous</u> | D. <u>undone</u>   |

**II. Choose the word which is different from the other in the position of primary stress.**

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|-----------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1. A. beautiful | B. edition   | C. advantage  | D. enrichment |
| 2. A. commit    | B. open      | C. index      | D. preview    |
| 3. A. candidate | B. habitat   | C. wilderness | D. attendance |
| 4. A. recipe    | B. candidate | C. instrument | D. commitment |
| 5. A. conceal   | B. contain   | C. converse   | D. conquer    |

## B. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

**V. Choose the best answer to complete each sentence.**

- It is necessary \_\_\_\_ for that book.  
A. to look                      B. looking                      C. look
- It is very simple to \_\_\_\_ this machine.  
A. to use                      B. used                      C. use
- She was excited \_\_\_\_ a letter from her mother last week.  
A. to receive                      B. receive                      C. receiving
- We are very surprised to \_\_\_\_ Peter at the party.  
A. seeing                      B. see                      C. seen
- Your handwriting is \_\_\_\_.  
A. hard to read                      B. hard for reading                      C. hardly to read
- She has the \_\_\_\_ well with work pressure.  
A. able to cope                      B. ability for coping                      C. ability to cope
- Susan made a great effort \_\_\_\_ all homework before the deadline but it was in vain.  
A. for accomplishment                      B. to accomplish                      C. accomplish
- Jack harbors an ambition \_\_\_\_ an inspiring teacher  
A. being                      B. be                      C. to be
- It is important \_\_\_\_ us to hand in the report on time.  
A. to                      B. for                      C. of
- It is \_\_\_\_ of him to help the poor.  
A. generous                      B. generously                      C. generosity

**VI. Complete the letter by choosing the appropriate adjectives or nouns.**

|                    |                  |                |                  |
|--------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| <i>willingness</i> | <i>difficult</i> | <i>nice</i>    | <i>glad</i>      |
| <i>way</i>         | <i>dream</i>     | <i>believe</i> | <i>surprised</i> |

Dear Mary,

My parents and I are (1) \_\_\_\_\_ to know that you passed the end-of-term examination. Congratulations! I think that with your excellence, your (2) \_\_\_\_\_ to become a good doctor will come true.

My younger sister was really (3) \_\_\_\_\_ to receive a hair curling machine from you on her birthday and she asked me to say "thank you to you. However, she doesn't know the (4) \_\_\_\_\_ to use that machine. It seems (5) \_\_\_\_\_ for her to use it.

I was relieved that your mother had recovered after a serious surgery. It was hard to (6) \_\_\_\_\_ that she had to suffer from a severe disease for a long period of time. Please give her my love.

I am excited that you're going to visit my beautiful city. I want to show you my (7) \_\_\_\_\_ to take you to famous places.

We're looking forward to seeing you. It will be (8) \_\_\_\_\_ for me to welcome you to my house. Write me soon and confirm your arrival date and time.

Love, Sam.

**PART II. VOCABULARY**

**Exercise 4. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.**

21. I'm totally exhausted after having finished successive assignments in only a week.

- A. Jobs                      B. works                      C. exercises                      D. problems

22. He is truly a reliable friend. He will always be with me and never let me down.

- A. mean                      B. independent                      C. decisive                      D. dependable

23. At last, Huong made a determined effort to get a scholarship so that he could have chance to study overseas.

- A. tenacious                      B. serious                      C. unresolved                      D. necessary

24. In spite of poverty and dreadful conditions, they still manage to keep their self-respect.

- A. self-reliant                      B. self-restraint                      C. self-esteem                      D. self-assured

25. All students are revising carefully, for the final test is approaching soon.

- A. going fast                      B. reaching fast                      C. coming near                      D. getting near

26. John is an admirable person as he isn't influenced by other people's opinions when making decision to do something.

- A. relied                      B. impacted                      C. decided                      D. assigned

27. The prom is permitted providing that everyone behaves responsibly.

- A. honestly                      B. imperfectly                      C. sensitively                      D. sensibly

28. Don't worry! The answer to this quiz is on the back page.

- A. treatment                      B. method                      C. solution                      D. way

29. It is lazy of him for not doing his homework every day.

- A. idle                      B. hard                      C. busy                      D. diligent

30. The government found it very difficult to **cope with** the rising unemployment.

- A. try                      B. manage                      C. reduce                      D. increase

**Exercise 5. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.**

31. Nam is considered to be the best student in our class because he's not only good at learning but also **well-informed** about everything around the world.

- A. perfectly-informed                      B. badly-informed  
C. bad-informed                      D. ill-informed

32. Tommy was fired owing to his **arrogant** manner.

- A. humble                      B. overconfident                      C. superior                      D. haughty

33. The maintenance of this company is **dependent on** international investment.

- A. affective                      B. self-reliant                      C. self-restricted                      D. reliant

34. With his remarkable ability, Lam can deal with this problem **effectively**.

- A. uneffectively                      B. inefficiently  
C. ineffectively                      D. unefficiently

35. The physical therapy helped Jim **overcome** his fear of height.

- A. overwhelm                      B. control                      C. neglect                      D. conquer

36. At first, he was **reluctant** to help us. However, after persuading for a long time, he agreed to play the guitar at our tea-shop.

- A. hesitate                      B. willing                      C. eager                      D. keen

37. Stop being **mean** to everyone or you'll have no friends.

- A. unkind                      B. cruel                      C. miserable                      D. kind

38. My parents seemed fully **satisfied** with the result of my entrance exam.

- A. pleased                      B. contented                      C. disappointed                      D. joyful

39. After a long time working incessantly, all my efforts ended in **failure**.

- A. success                      B. collapse                      C. breakdown                      D. loser

40. This reference book is **essential** material for us to prepare for the next assignment.

- A. necessary                      B. dispensable                      C. vital                      D. fundamental

#### **PART IV. SPEAKING**

**Exercise 8. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct response to each of the following exchanges.**

61. "What does your younger sister look like?" – "\_\_\_\_"

- A. She likes a secondary student.                      B. My sister is a university student.  
C. She's very kind and hard working.                      D. She's tall and thin with long hair.

62. "Could I leave a message for your manager?" – "\_\_\_\_"

- A. Sure.                      B. Of course not.                      C. He's busy now.                      D. He's off work today.

63. "How often do you have your teeth checked?" – "\_\_\_\_"

- A. Two months.                      B. Not much.  
C. Rarely.                      D. They're checked carefully.

64. "Many happy returns!" – "\_\_\_\_\_"
- A. Wish you all the best.      B. Thanks.      C. Same to you.      D. Not at all.
65. "How long have you learnt Japanese?" – "\_\_\_\_\_"
- A. For 2005.      B. I learnt it at my university.  
C. Since I was 10.      D. It lasted 3 months.
66. "Is it going to rain tomorrow?" – "\_\_\_\_\_"
- A. I hope not.      B. I bet.  
C. Just a moment.      D. No, it will rain.
67. "You look very pretty in this dress." – "\_\_\_\_\_"
- A. It's so nice of you to say that.      B. Yes, it is fairly expensive.  
C. I see what you mean.      D. Thanks for your wish.
68. "Huy hasn't finished his assignment, has he?" – "\_\_\_\_\_"
- A. Yes, he has. He hasn't finished it yet.      B. Yes, he hasn't. He's too lazy.  
C. No, he has in spite of being a good student.      D. No, he hasn't because of his illness.
69. "When will our factory be expanded?" – "\_\_\_\_\_"
- A. It was expanded in 1996.      B. It depends on our director's decision.  
C. I didn't hear about it.      D. That's good news.
70. "You're late again, Peter." – "\_\_\_\_\_"
- A. It's none of your business.      B. Only 5 minutes left.  
C. I'm sorry. My car was broken this morning.      D. I expect not to be fired.

### C. Writing

*1. Choose the sentence that has the closest meaning to the original sentence.*

**1. You will always turn to others for help.**

- A. You will always go to others for help.  
B. You will always take your turn to help others.  
C. You will always wait for your turn to help others.

**2. Your decisions may go against someone else's.**

- A: Your decisions may make someone unhappy.  
B. Your decisions may be the same as someone else's.  
C. Your decisions may be the opposite of someone else's.

**3. You should always try to get both sides of every story.**

- A. You should always try to get the right and the left sides of every story.  
B. You should always try to understand the different points of views expressed in every story.  
C. You should always try to read every story from the beginning to the end.

**4. Being well-informed will keep you from being a follower.**

- A. Being well-informed, you won't follow other people in doing things.  
B. Being well-informed, you will keep people from following you.  
C. Being well-informed, you will always follow people.

**5. Your independence is reinforced with good friends.**

- A. Having good friends maintains your independence.  
B. Having good friends makes your independence weaker.  
C. Having good friends makes your independence stronger.