

PRACTICE TEST 1 - 2021

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

1. A. takesu B. develops C. burns D. laughs
2. A. chamberer B. ancient C. danger D. ancestor

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

3. A. schedule B. reserve C. wildlife D. beauty
4. A. employment B. atmosphere C. company D. customer

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

5. Neither of the boys came to school yesterday, _____?
A. didn't they B. do they C. did they D. don't they
6. _____ massage relieves pain and anxiety, eases depression and speeds up recovery from medical problems.
A. a B. the C. 0 D. an
7. I believe that he was concerned _____ all those matters which his wife mentioned.
A. upon B. over C. above D. with
8. It's time for us _____ in efficiency and renewable energy, rebuild our cities, towns, municipalities and states.
A. to invest B. invest C. investing D. invested
9. If I _____, I would express my feelings.
A. were asked B. would ask C. had been asked D. asked
10. We _____ close friends for many years since we were in grade 7.
A. are B. are being C. have been D. had been
11. _____ the ability to delay normal cognitive decline as we age, there are significant social benefits to lifelong learning.
A. Aside from B. In addition C. Moreover D. Furthermore
12. I will send you some postcards, _____.
A. until I will arrive at the destination B. as soon as I arrive at the destination
C. when I arrived at the destination D. after I had arrived at the destination
13. The Perfect Pet Parlor is a chain of stores _____ a large selection of pet food and pet accessories at a reasonable price with excellent sales support.
A. sell B. sells C. sold D. selling
14. Nobody wears clothes like that any more – they're _____.
A. fashion B. unfashionable C. fashionable D. fashionably

15. There are other problems of city life which I don't propose to _____ at the moment.
 A. go into B. go around C. go for D. go up
16. I hope you _____ the point of everything your mother and I do for you.
 A. annoy B. have C. see D. take
17. At first, I was eager to do yoga in the morning, but later I got cold _____.
 A. mind B. head C. hands D. feet
18. He decided to withdraw from the powerboat race as he had a (n) _____ of danger.
 A. omen B. premonition C. foreboding D. prediction
19. Though she lost her job last month, she still wanted to save _____ so she said that she had left it willingly.
 A. mouth B. face C. reputation D. fame

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.

20. After a long lunch hour, business resumes as usual.
 A. continues B. resurfaces C. delays D. responds
21. While Tom Spinkler was travelling along Wagon Wheel Road in Big Cypress Swamp in South Florida, he came across a young snake.
 A. run up B. run down C. run into D. run out

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.

22. He was once a benevolent man who gave a lot of his money to local charities
 A. generous B. selfish C. innocent D. bossy
23. It's not beyond the realm of possibility that some schools may have to cut sport altogether.
 A. possible B. impossible C. unlikely D. certain

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the sentence that best completes each of the following exchanges.

24. *Thomas asked Jane about the flight announcement.*
 - Thomas: "Has an announcement been made about the nine o'clock flight to Paris?"
 - Jane: "_____."
 A. Not yet B. Yes, it is nine o'clock
 C. I don't think so D. Sorry, I don't
25. *Alice asks Mary's opinion about driving to the countryside at weekend.*
 - Alice: "How about having a drive to the countryside this weekend?"
 - Mary: "_____."
 A. That's a good idea B. Not at all C. No, thanks D. Never mind

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each the numbered blanks.

The Covid-19 coronavirus outbreak is a new illness and scientists are still (26) _____ how it spreads from person to person, but similar viruses tend to spread via cough and sneeze droplets. When an infected person coughs or sneezes, they release droplets of saliva or mucus. These droplets can fall on people in the vicinity and can be either directly inhaled or picked up on the hands then (27) _____ when someone touches their face, causing infection. For flu, some hospital guidelines define exposure as being within six feet of an infected person (28) _____ sneezes or coughs for 10 minutes or longer. Viruses can also be spread through droplets landing on surfaces such as seats on buses or trains or desks in school. (29) _____, whether this is a main transmission route depends on how long viruses survive on surfaces – this can vary from hours to months. There is anecdotal evidence that the virus can be spread by people before they have symptoms. Some (30) _____ illnesses such as flu can be passed from one person to another before symptoms occur – but the extent to which this is happening with the new coronavirus is not well understood yet.

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| 26. | A. admitting | B. Presuming | C. assessing | D. accounting |
| 27. | A. transferred | B. exchanged | C. transformed | D. emerged |
| 28. | A. which | B. where | C. who | D. when |
| 29. | A. Moreover | B. However | C. Therefore | D. In fact |
| 30. | A. every | B. one | C. another | D. other |

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the answer to each of the question.

PLASTIC AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Plastic is a material we use every day. The first plastics were made more than 100 years ago from parts of plants. Plastics are now made from oil, coal and natural gas. We are using up these things so fast that the Earth's supplies may run out. Because of this, scientists are investigating new ideas for making plastics from plants such as sweet potato, bamboo and flax.

Things made from plastic can be useful for people but bad for the planet. Some plastics can last for a long time without wearing out, and can be difficult to **get rid of** when they are not needed. **They** can remain in rubbish dumps called landfill sites for hundreds of years. Landfills can be smelly, ugly, and harmful to our planet.

Recycling is a good way to get rid of unwanted plastics. Recycled waste materials can be used again to make new products. This can be difficult as different types of plastic need to be recycled in different ways. Some kinds of plastics can be melted down and used to make new things such as bags and bottles. Others can be made into fibres (strands of material) for clothing.

Another way to protect the environment is to use canvas bags for shopping rather than plastic ones. A lot of plastic objects can also be reused. Plastic bottles can be refilled many times, rather than throwing them away once they are empty. Unwanted plastic goods such as CDs and toys can be sold or given away to charity shops.

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31. What is the passage mainly about?
- A. The history of plastic and its usefulness
 - B. Materials that plastic is made of
 - C. Plastic: effects and solutions to the problem
 - D. The ways to reduce the harm of plastics on the environment
32. The phrase “get rid of” in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.
A. remove B. create C. make D. keep
33. According to the passage, things made from plastic are bad for our environment because _____.
A. they are a danger to marine life such as whales, turtles and so on.
B. they are very convenient for people to use in different purposes.
C. people reuse plastic objects before recycling them.
D. plastics can exist for a long time without decomposing.
34. According to the passage, which of the following is TRUE?
A. Plastic objects are useful for people without negative impacts.
B. Plastics and plastic objects can be thrown away to tidy the room.
C. Plastics and plastic objects can be recycled or reused.
D. Some kinds of plastics can be melted down, then released into the river.
35. The word “They” in paragraph 2 refers to _____.
A. Plastics B. Things C. Rubbish dumps D. People

Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.

36. The number of homeless people in Nepal have increased sharply due to the recent severe earthquake.
A. of B. have C. due to D. severe
37. Barbara likes to spend time with her son by participating in his activities, like flying kites, playing video games and she watches his favorite movies.
A. likes to B. by participating C. like flying D. she watches
38. The next step is deforestation, which involves growing forests in areas where there were none before.

- A. deforestation B. growing C. where D. were

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

39. This is the most delicious cake I've ever tasted.

- A. This is the least delicious cake I've never tasted.
- B. I have never tasted any other cakes as delicious as this one.
- C. I have never tasted any other delicious cake.
- D. This is the first time I have tasted the delicious cake.

40. "I'm sorry. I didn't do the homework," said the boy.

- A. The boy admitted not doing the homework.
- B. The boy said that he was sorry and he wouldn't do the homework.
- C. The boy denied not doing the homework.
- D. The boy refused to do the homework.

41. It is possible that one of the men died on the mountain.

- A. One of the men must have died on the mountain.
- B. One of the men could have died on the mountain.
- C. One of the men should have died on the mountain.
- D. One of the men may have died on the mountain.

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

42. He was driving very fast because he didn't know the road was icy.

- A. If he knew the road was icy, he wouldn't drive so fast.
- B. He hadn't been driving very fast if he would have known the road was icy.
- C. If he had known the road was icy, he wouldn't have been driving so fast.
- D. He wasn't driving very fast if he would know the road was icy.

43. He spent all his money. He even borrowed some from me.

- A. As soon as he borrowed some money from me, he spent it all.
- B. Hardly had he borrowed some money from me when he spent it all.
- C. Not only did he spent all his money but also he borrowed some from me.
- D. Not only did he spend all his money but he borrowed some from me as well.