

A9 – Midterm 1

I. Multiple choice (5)

1. Nam didn't know _____ to find more information about the course.
A. what B. why C. where D. while
2. He asked _____ it was too early to apply for the course.
A. if B. for C. when D. that
3. I couldn't sleep last night _____ the bar nearby played music so loudly.
A. although B. so that C. while D. because
4. _____ they moved to the city five years ago, they still remember living in a small town.
A. Although B. Whereas C. While D. In order that
5. The students didn't know _____ to do to deal with the problem.
A. where B. when C. why D. what
6. Lots of people choose to buy houses in the suburbs _____ they can avoid the noise and pollution in the city.
A. although B. when C. so that D. so as
7. Minh is _____ the most successful student in my class.
A. so long B. by how C. by far D. so now
8. My grandfather is the _____ oldest artisan in the village; Ngoc's grandfather is the oldest.
A. first B. second C. most D. one
9. _____ I was talking to my teacher, my friends were waiting outside the classroom.
A. In order that B. While C. Although D. So that
10. Lan couldn't decide _____ to work with on the project.
A. who B. what C. how D. when

11. Find the mistake:

Despite they said construction was completed, there were builders working on the hotel when arrived.

12. Find the mistake:

Do you think the Harry Potter films are by far better than the books?

13. Studies show that having good conflict _____ skills is associated with various positive outcomes.
a. resolucional b. resolving c. resolve d. resolution
14. For most of us, however, positive thinking and _____ can be learned.
a. self-awareness b. self-abuse c. self-access d. self-analysis
15. He asked her to marry him but she _____.
a. carry him out b. turned him down c. took him out d. let him in
16. The weather was _____ in England than in Spain last week.
a. most warmer b. by far warmer c. more warmer d. much warmer
17. _____ all our efforts to save the school, the authorities decided to close it.
a. Since b. Despite c. Although d. Because
18. He still doesn't know _____ his budget when living alone in the city.
a. when to manage b. how to manage c. where to manage d. what to manage
19. Choose the word whose underlined is stressed differently from the others.
a. urban b. craft c. organize d. Canada
20. Choose the word whose stress is placed differently from the others.
a. recognition b. affordable c. independent d. adolescence

II. Word form and verb from (1)

1. One of the _____ in my hometown is the traditional market, which is open every Sunday. (attract)
2. This is a very beautiful piece of _____. (embroider)
3. Photography is strictly _____ in this museum. (forbid)

4. Do you know what is the most _____ town in this region? (population)
5. Remember to visit the Ancient Tower as it's the only _____ building in our area. (history)
6. I feel so _____ because I can't run as fast as my friends. (embarrass)
7. Find out more about the job so that you can make an _____ choice. (inform)
8. When I woke up this morning, it was raining and my father _____ (sing) in the kitchen.
9. I wondered where _____ (get) my pre-paid train ticket.
10. She said she _____ (write) three books and she was working on another one.

III. Reading (2)

Living in a city has a (1) _____ of drawbacks. Firstly, there is the problem of traffic (2) _____ and traffic accidents. The increase (3) _____ population and the increasing number of vehicles have (4) _____ many accidents to happen every day. Secondly, air pollution (5) _____ affects people's health, and it also has a bad (6) _____ on the environment. More and more city dwellers suffer from coughing or breathing problems. Thirdly, the city is noisy, even at night. (7) _____ pollution comes from the traffic and from construction sites. Buildings are always being knocked down and rebuilt. These factors contribute to making city life (8) _____ difficult for its residents.

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| 1. a. amount | b. large | c. number | d. quantity |
| 2. a. calm | b. jams | c. light | d. legacy |
| 3. a. with | b. on | c. for | d. in |
| 4. a. caused | b. made | c. done | d. got |
| 5. a. actively | b. negatively | c. positively | d. weakly |
| 6. a. pressure | b. consequence | c. influence | d. result |
| 7. a. Noise | b. Air | c. Water | d. Soil |
| 8. a. mostly | b. very | c. much | d. more |

IV. Write (2)

1. I have no idea when I should take that English test. (to)
→ I _____.
2. The prospect of moving to a new flat on the outskirts of Ha Noi made me much happier. (cheered)
→ The _____.
3. Why did you put on smart clothes yesterday? (dress)
→ Why _____?
4. Despite the bad weather, we went out for a picnic. (although)
→ We _____.