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C. READING



IX Read the passage below, and fill in each blank with a suitable word from the box.

base

history

beauty

destination

archaeological

Ly Son Island

Although it isn't well-known to most people planning their Viet Nam trips, Ly Son Island is a terrific beach (1) in the centre of the Vietnamese East Sea. Beside its natural beauty, Ly Son has its own rich (2) Researchers have found a lot of (3) evidence there of the presence of people from the ancient Sa Huynh culture dating back thousands of years. The Cham empire also once used Ly Son as a transhipment (4) Being a former volcanic field, Ly Son has a pristine (5) that not many other islands in Viet Nam can match.

X Read the following passage and choose the best option for each blank to complete the passage.

Over the last century, there have been many significant changes in the way we live. Obviously, it is difficult to (1) the life of ancient people and the life of the people living in the twenty-first century because so many changes have occurred. Even the changes that have (2) over the last ten years are amazing.

People in the past were not (3) to travel such long distances within such a short period of time. Nowadays, we have become very mobile. We have fast and (4) cars. In addition, more and more people travel by plane.

Moreover, in the past people had to work harder as they did not have (5) and machines to make their work easier. Today, most of the difficult and dangerous work is (6) by computers and other powerful machines. In the past, the (7) of living were not as comfortable as they are now. Besides, many people could not afford (8) appliances like a fridge or a vacuum cleaner because those used to be luxurious goods. Another difference (9) living now and in the past is the fact that nowadays education is accessible

to everyone. In the past men were mainly the only ones educated and women were not (10) into public or private schools.

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| 1. A. predict | B. discuss | C. compare | D. suppose |
| 2. A. occurred | B. considered | C. expressed | D. arranged |
| 3. A. used | B. able | C. might | D. capable |
| 4. A. skillful | B. difficult | C. historical | D. comfortable |
| 5. A. rules | B. tools | C. teams | D. ideas |
| 6. A. thought | B. played | C. done | D. seen |
| 7. A. conditions | B. performances | C. stories | D. conflicts |
| 8. A. mobile | B. physical | C. bare-footed | D. household |
| 9. A. within | B. among | C. between | D. behind |
| 10. A. allowed | B. attended | C. agreed | D. appeared |

E. LISTENING

XIII Listen to the introduction to Thien Mu Pagoda, one of the most famous places in Vietnam.

Decide if the following statements are true (T) or false (F).

- The pagoda was originally constructed in the 16th century.
- The pagoda has never suffered from any damages.
- The stele in the pavilion to the right of the tower dated from 1750.
- The main features of the temple are the Buddhist statues.
- Visitors can visit the Pagoda by different vehicles.

XIV Listen again. Answer the following questions.

- What did the pagoda use to be the flashpoint of?
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- What does the massive marble turtle symbolize?
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- What is there in the six-sided pavilion to the left of the tower?
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- Where is the temple?
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- What are there at the triple-gated entrance?
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F. WRITING



XV Rewrite the following sentences based on the given words.

1. I am not very good at tennis. Actually, I began to learn it 3 days ago.
→ (take)
2. People buy different types of silk products such as cloths, scarves, ties and dresses in Van Phuc village in Hanoi.
→ Different types of
3. The neighbors are playing music too loud. It is such an annoyance!
→ It
4. He often asks me some personal questions. I don't like it at all.
→ I wish
5. I went to university in early 2010. My elder brother went to study abroad in 2006.
→ By

XVI Make complete sentences based on the given words.

1. Some old buildings/ city center/ knock down/ recently/ make room/ new shopping mall.
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2. past/ students/ not/ use/ have computers/ projectors/ or/ technological devices/ classrooms.
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3. City people/ hardy/ talk/ visit/ neighbors/ they/ have/ work/ from dawn to dusk.
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4. It/ suggest/ traditional crafts/ preserve/ promote.
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5. Before/ take/ entrance exam/ he/ use/ suffer/ sleep difficulties.
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