

PRACTICE TEST 2/35-THPTQG

Time allowed: 45 minutes

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.

Câu 1. A. arranged B. aged C. changed D. managed

Câu 2. A. elongated B. integrate C. economy D. reliable

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.

Câu 3. A. volunteer B. theory C. physical D. principle

Câu 4. A. burden B. childcare C. wisely D. esteem

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

Câu 5. Thanks to lifelong learning, people's level of awareness _____ significantly.

A. has improved B. have improved C. has been improved D. have been improved

Câu 6. A generation gap or generational gap, is a difference ____ opinions between one generation and another regarding beliefs, politics, or values.

A. in B. between C. of D. among

Câu 7. A new TV show has sparked _____ by showing the positive side of dropping out of college.

A. controversy B. argument C. contention D. debate

Câu 8. Singapore is a ____ example of a smart city, and is constantly evolving its "city brain," a backbone of technologies is used to help control pollution, monitor traffic, allocate parking, communicate with citizens.

A. lead B. leading C. led D. leader

Câu 9. Despite the tough _____ in the sector, our little store managed to break _____ its first year in operation.

A. contest/level B. competition/equal C. competition/even D. opposition/equal

Câu 10. Under this high-pressure and competitive environment, it is ____ a balanced lifestyle.

A. difficult for people to achieve B. difficult to achieve for people
C. for people to achieve difficult D. for difficult people to achieve

Câu 11. This ticket ____ you to a free meal in our new restaurant.

A. allows B. grants C. entitles D. credits

Câu 12. ____ as it was at such a time, his work attracted much attention.

A. Being published B. Published C. Publishing D. To be published

Câu 13. It can be argued that the future of human life on the planet rests on ____ smooth transition to cities that are more efficient and less wasteful.

A. a B. an C. the D. no article

Câu 14. I wish you ____ throw rubbish out of the car window.

A. won't B. wouldn't C. didn't D. couldn't

Câu 15. Sarah's friends all had brothers and sisters but she was a (n) ____ child.

A. singular B. individual C. single D. only

Câu 16. The greatest happiness of life is the conviction that we are loved; loved for ourselves, or rather, loved ____ of ourselves.

- A. regardless B. in spite C. in case D. instead

Câu 17. Being independent is a mixture of many things from teaching yourself new things to ____ on an adventure all on your own.

- A. to embark B. embark C. embarking D. embarked

Câu 18. Ian has no difficulty in ____ into use the perfect plans his friends have prepared for him.

- A. lending B. taking C. putting D. heading

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.

Câu 19. That was so serious a matter that I had no choice but to call in the police

- A. ask the police to come and help B. phone to say where we are
C. ask the police to come to a particular place D. order the police by phone

Câu 20. An indecisive commander is unlikely to win the confidence of his men.

- A. slow B. determined C. hesitant D. reliant

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.

Câu 21. My father was as poor as a church mouse growing up, so his sole focus was to give his kids every opportunity in life that he missed out on.

- A. looked like a million dollars B. was born with a silver spoon in his mouth
C. was short of cash D. was very poor

Câu 22. Social media which prove to be an efficient means of communication have helped narrow the gap between faraway people.

- A. inadequate B. ineffective C. incapable D. impotent

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

The first thing that is included in the "living together" (23) _____ is the expected good relations with your family. This also involves sharing equally the housework. Lots of people think that everyone should share the housework (24) _____, but in many homes parents do most of it. To certain minds, many families can't share the housework whereas they should try it. In fact, sharing the housework equally is not very possible because of the families' timetable. So, it is somehow believed that children and parents must do things together. For this they can establish a housework planning.

(25) _____, housework's contributions of the teenager make him more responsible. He will think that he has an important role in his family. According to researchers, teenagers should share the housework because (26) _____ will help them when they have to establish their own family in the future. Too many teenagers and young adults leave home without knowing how to cook or clean, but if parents delegate basic housework to teens as they are old enough to do it, they won't be destabilized by doing the housework in their new grown-up life.

It can be (27) _____ concluded that many parents don't really prepare their children for future, because they don't stimulate them to learn how to run a house. If parents get them responsible, teens will be more responsible and that will improve family's life.

(Source: <https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2013>)

- Câu 23.** A. custom B. tradition C. notion D. trend
Câu 24. A. equal B. equalize C. equality D. equally
Câu 25. A. In addition B. However C. In contrast D. In case

- Câu 26. A. which B. what C. that D. who
Câu 27. A. likely B. probably C. auspiciously D. possibly

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

Câu 28. Everything that parents do will be very likely to transfer to their children through the learning process.

- A. that B. do will C. to transfer D. through

Câu 29. It was the shop near my school that I bought these shirts and accessories.

- A. was the shop B. my C. bought D. accessories

Câu 30. It is said that these good life skills will make young people become more confidential.

- A. is said B. these C. become D. confidential

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 questions.

Exactly 50 years ago, humanity stepped foot on the surface of the Moon for the first time. It was a miracle, and one made so powerful because it was so very unlikely. It was hailed as an incredible success. But the chance of failure was such that authorities had to prepare for the possibility of losing the astronauts. Those preparations offer a humbling insight into how risky that mission was, and how high the stakes were. Probably the most potent document from those preparations is the speech that would have been used to hail the bravery of the astronauts as they were left to their death on the Moon.

It was written to announce to the world that the astronauts had been lost, and that the Moon mission was a failure. After it was read, the two astronauts would be given a ceremony something like the burial at sea, but one entirely without precedent. The document was hidden for many years – unused, it was "quietly **tucked away** into the record" after the astronauts returned home, as the National Archive that now holds it notes. But over time it became public, after being revealed by the man who wrote it, and is now available for the public to read.

It was prepared in the case that the astronauts and their moon lander failed to get back to the main craft that was floating around in the Moon's orbit ready to bring them home, and contained Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin's colleague Michael Collins. In that case, it was most likely that those pioneering explorers would not lose their lives in a single spectacular moment. Instead, **they** would most likely be stranded, stuck 250,000 miles from Earth with no way of getting back home. "If they couldn't get back safely, they'd have to be abandoned on the moon, left to die there," speechwriter William Safire said in 1999. "The men would either have to starve to death or commit suicide."

In the end, and despite some very anxious moments, the crew would explore the lunar surface and come back down safely. That meant that, instead of announcing their loss, Nixon could instead share in the astronaut's success. In one of the most famous moments of the mission, he spoke to them in a phone call that was beamed around the world. He recognised the triumph of their achievement, and wished them safety for their return.

(Adapted from <https://www.independent.co.uk/>)

Câu 31. Which of the following could be the main topic of the passage?

- A. The successful landing on the Moon surface.
B. The anxiety for losing the astronauts on the flight to the Moon.
C. The preparations for an incredible success of the astronauts.
D. The speech prepared for the Moon landing failure.

Câu 32. The phrase "**tucked away**" in paragraph 2 mostly means _____.

- A. stored B. discarded C. removed D. opened

Câu 33. What does the word “**they**” in paragraph 3 refer to?

- A. Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins
- B. Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins
- C. Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin
- D. Neil Armstrong and Michael Collins

Câu 34. According to the passage, which of the following is **NOT** true?

- A. The writer of the speech made it possible for the public.
- B. There was an astronaut on the main craft when the others landed on the Moon.
- C. If the astronauts had failed to get back to the main craft, they would have died of hunger or suicide.
- D. The burial ceremony intended to give the astronauts has ever been celebrated some times before.

Câu 35. What did Nixon do after the crew landed safely?

- A. He expressed his anxiety and wished them to return safely.
- B. He made a call and appreciated their success.
- C. He made a speech to share the achievement with other countries in the world.
- D. He congratulated them and hailed their bravery.

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 questions.

More than 200 reindeer have died of starvation on the Norwegian archipelago of Svalbard, with scientists blaming their deaths on climate change. The wild deer carcasses were found on the Arctic islands this summer by researchers from the Norwegian Polar Institute (NPI), which said it had never **logged** so many deaths at once in 40 years of monitoring the animals’ population level. “It’s scary to find so many dead animals,” project leader Ashild Onvik Pedersen told state broadcaster NRK. “This is an example of how climate change affects nature. It is just sad.”

Svalbard’s capital Longyearbyen, the northernmost town on earth, is thought to be warming quicker than any other settlement on the planet, climate scientists warned earlier this year. The milder temperatures in the region led to unusually heavy rainfall in December, leaving a thick layer of ice when the precipitation froze. This meant the reindeer could not dig through the hardened tundra to reach the vegetation they graze on in their usual pastures, the NPI said. Svalbard’s reindeer have been observed eating seaweed and kelp when food is **scarce**, but **these** are less nutritious and cause them stomach problems.

A relatively high number of calves born last year increased the death toll, as the youngest and weakest are often the first to die in harsh conditions. “Some of the mortality is natural because there were so many calves last year. But the large number we see now is due to heavy rain, which is due to global warming,” said Ms Onvik Pedersen.

A team of three scientists spent 10 weeks investigating population of the Svalbard reindeer earlier this year. Researchers warned the decline of reindeer would cause unwanted plant species, currently kept in check by the animals’ grazing, to spread across Arctic ecosystems in Europe, Asia and North America.

Arctic reindeer and caribou populations have declined 56 per cent in the last two decades, a report by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration said last year. The report said food security was partly to blame for falling herd numbers, while warmer summers could also put the animals at greater risk of diseases spread by flies and parasites. The average temperature in Longyearbyen has risen by 3.7C since 1900, more than three times the global average increase of about 1C. In 2016, the entrance to the town’s “Doomsday” seed vault – which stores specimens of almost all the world’s seeds – was flooded following heavy rainfall.

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Câu 36. Which could best serve as the title of the passage?

- A. Climate change – The main cause for the death of hundreds of reindeer.
- B. Global warming – What are the effects on nature?
- C. Reindeer – The most vulnerable animals on the Arctic islands.
- D. Climate change – What are the reasons?

Câu 37. The word “**logged**” in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. cut down B. damaged C. recorded D. discovered

Câu 38. The following are true about capital Longyearbyen, **EXCEPT** _____.

- A. It is believed to be the most quickly warming settlement on earth.
- B. People in Longyearbyen suffered unusually heavy rain at the end of the year.
- C. It is the northernmost town on our planet.
- D. The reindeer here couldn’t stand the low temperature when the precipitation froze.

Câu 39. The word “**scarce**” in paragraph 2 could be best replaced by _____.

- A. inappropriate B. insufficient C. abundant D. unlimited

Câu 40. What does the word “**these**” in paragraph 2 refer to?

- A. seaweed and kelp B. Svalbard’s reindeer C. their usual pastures D. milder temperatures

Câu 41. According to Ms. Onvik Pedersen, why is the death rate of reindeer so high this year?

- A. Because of the high number of calves born. B. Because of heavy rain.
- C. Because of natural selection. D. Because of the shortage of vegetation.

Câu 42. Which statement is **TRUE** according to the last paragraphs?

- A. After over 2 months investigated, reindeer populations were reported to decrease because of the increase of unwanted plant species.
- B. Nearly a half of reindeer populations have reduced in the last two decades.
- C. Beside the scarcity of food, diseases are also the cause of reindeer’s mortality.
- D. The average temperature of the Earth has increased by 3.7C since 1990.

Câu 43. It can be inferred from the passage that _____.

- A. Arctic reindeer play the most important role in the Arctic ecosystems.
- B. the Arctic ecosystems are altering worse because of the global warming.
- C. the clearest effect of climate change is the limit of food chain in the nature.
- D. the harsh weather in Arctic islands only damages the new-born calves.

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

Câu 44. I’m sure that they had practiced hard for the games as they won a lot of medals.

- A. They couldn’t have practiced hard for the games as they won a lot of medals
- B. They must have practiced hard for the games as they won a lot of medals
- C. They shouldn’t have practiced hard for the games as they won a lot of medals
- D. They might have practiced hard for the games as they won a lot of medals.

Câu 45. “Sometimes, I think I’m overly independent. I hate asking for help.” She said.

- A. She said sometimes she thought she was overly independent as she hated asking for help.
- B. Sometimes, she said she hated asking for help to be thought of as being overly independent.

- C. She said sometimes, she was thought to be overly independent as she hated asking for help.
D. Sometimes, as she said, she hated being asked for help and thought she was overly independent.

Câu 46. Elephants have the same importance now as they did in the past.

- A. Elephants now are the most important. B. Elephants have never been so important.
C. Elephants are as important as ever. D. Elephants are as important as they will.

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

Câu 47. Two parents are talking with each other about their teenage daughter:

- The husband: "_____."

- The wife: "Though she was told not to, she spent all the money."

- A. Are you going out with her? B. Have you read her school report?
C. Why are you so angry? D. Thanks god, she's doing very well at school.

Câu 48. Claudia is being interviewed by the manager of the company she's applied for

- Manager: "_____."

- Claudia: "I work hard and I enjoy working with other people."

- A. Can you do jobs on your own? B. Would you describe yourself as ambitious?
C. What are some of your main strengths? D. Why have you applied for this position?

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

Câu 49. Could you reply this e-mail? Please confirm your attendance at the meeting!

- A. I wonder whether you have the ability to confirm your attendance at the meeting.
B. If I were you I would reply this e-mail to confirm my attendance at the meeting.
C. Do you mind replying this e-mail to confirm your attendance at the meeting?
D. You'd better reply this e-mail to confirm your attendance at the meeting soon.

Câu 50. Sunbathing is still a popular activity. People do it even though they know it can cause cancer,

- A. No matter what people know that sunbathing can cause cancer, it is still a popular activity.
B. Because sunbathing is still a popular activity, it can cause cancer.
C. Sunbathing is still a popular activity as long as it can cause cancer.
D. Unless it can cause cancer, sunbathing is still a popular activity.