

## PART 3. READING

### I. Read the following text and decide which answer best fits each numbered blank.

Today cities are bigger and noisier than cities from the past. They are also more crowded and much polluted because more (46) \_\_\_\_\_ lives in them. Cities are less relaxing and less friendly than before. Everything (47) \_\_\_\_\_, not only in cities. In the past, people wrote hand-writing letters to their friends.

Today we use computers or laptops for writing or sending e-mails. In fact, computers are much more used than some years ago. They are also less (48) \_\_\_\_\_ to buy and easier to use.

One of the games children used to play was (49) \_\_\_\_\_. Today, they play much more (50) \_\_\_\_\_ and complex games such as Play Station 3. So, games are funnier and more expensive (51) \_\_\_\_\_ yesterday games (52) \_\_\_\_\_ most children.

The way we cook has changed, too. In the past, we (53) \_\_\_\_\_ cook on a stove. Today, food is cooked in (54) \_\_\_\_\_ microwave oven. Food is also cheaper and more (55) \_\_\_\_\_. So, some things are better than before and some things are worse than before.

46. A. population    B. human    C. citizens    D. people
47. A. had changed    B. changed    C. changing    D. has changed
48. A. expenditure    B. expensive    C. inexpensive    D. expense
49. A. horse riding    B. horsing    C. horseshoes    D. fighting horse
50. A. sophisticate    C. sophisticated  
B. sophisticating    D. sophistication
51. A. as    B. so    C. than    D. like
52. A. according to    B. due to    C. apart from    D. except for
53. A. used    B. is used    C. used to    D. was used
54. A. the    B. X    C. some    D. a
55. A. charming    B. fresh    C. tasteful    D. delicious

**II. Read the text below and write one word in each blank to complete it.**

In many modern countries, people think (56) \_\_\_\_\_ a family as a mother, a father and their children. But this is not the (57) \_\_\_\_\_ kind of the family group. In some parts of the world, a family group has many (58) \_\_\_\_\_ members. This kind of large family is called an "extended family" (59) \_\_\_\_\_ a "joint family".

The joint family (60) \_\_\_\_\_ all living relatives on either the mother's or the father's side of the family. It (61) \_\_\_\_\_ made up of grandparents, parents, brothers, sisters, uncles, aunts, and cousins. They live together in a large house or in huts (62) \_\_\_\_\_ close together.

Early people probably lived in joint families. They (63) \_\_\_\_\_ to be part of a large group in order to survive. The members of the group helped (64) \_\_\_\_\_ other hunt. They worked together to protect themselves (65) \_\_\_\_\_ dangerous animals and other enemies.

**PART 4. WRITING**

**I. Rewrite each of the following sentences so that its meaning stays the same, using structure "It be + adjective + (for/of sbd) + to -infinitive".**

- 66. Supporting the victims after the disaster was kind of them.  
→ \_\_\_\_\_
- 67. Valuing the improved living conditions, we have today is necessary.  
→ \_\_\_\_\_
- 68. Crossing the road without looking left and right was stupid of you.  
→ \_\_\_\_\_
- 69. Going into the lift alone is dangerous.  
→ \_\_\_\_\_
- 70. Following the instructions carefully is important for all of us.  
→ \_\_\_\_\_
- 71. Being able to build the country into a powerful one is possible.  
→ \_\_\_\_\_
- 72. Speaking English with the foreigners is confident.  
→ \_\_\_\_\_

73. Showing us the way to train station was kind of them.

→ \_\_\_\_\_

74. Using a long stick to get some fruits was very clever of him.

→ \_\_\_\_\_

75. Finding a parking space in the city centre is not easy for you.

→ \_\_\_\_\_

**II. Finish each of the following sentences so that its meaning stays the same.**

76. Lan went to school after saying goodbye to her parents.

→ After Lan \_\_\_\_\_

77. The family becomes a source of encouragement in times of personal success or defeat. We are conscious of that.

→ We are conscious \_\_\_\_\_

78. He was so brave that he ran after the thief to get the bag back.

→ It was \_\_\_\_\_

79. Each family needs its own special set of rules and guidelines. It is sure about that.

→ It is sure \_\_\_\_\_

80. The number of Vietnamese students studying overseas has increased considerably.

→ There has \_\_\_\_\_