

PRACTICE TEST No. 3

I. MULTIPLE CHOICE (8.0 points)

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

1. A. doubt B. suburb C. plumber D. climb
2. A. monthly B. sunbathing C. southern D. weather

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

3. A. efficiency B. profitable C. considerate D. mysterious
4. A. occur B. pollute C. typhoon D. access

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined part that needs correcting in each of the following questions.

5. Youngsters nowadays (A) often (B) pay much attention (C) to physical attractive (D).
6. Although (A) her severe (B) pain, she tried to walk to (C) the auditorium to attend (D) the lecturer.
7. Those students are trying their (A) best (B) in order that (C) get (D) the scholarship.
Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

8. His doctor _____ him to eat less and do more exercise.
A. said B. suggested C. advised D. insisted
9. The curriculum at the public school is as good _____ of any private school.
A. or better than C. as or better than that
B. as or better than D. as or better than those
10. It's _____ a box for me to lift by myself so I think I need some help with this.
A. big B. too big C. very big D. such big
11. He is _____ from a cut in his finger.
A. bleeding B. bleeding C. blood D. bloody
12. The boss doesn't criticize other people like that. Why does he have to run her _____ all the time?
A. down B. over C. up D. in
13. Have you been to the new shopping centre on the _____ of town?
A. centre B. middle C. outskirts D. suburbs
14. We'll let you buy a motorbike _____ you ride it carefully.
A. as if B. whenever C. although D. as long as
15. There are some parts of the world _____ even now people cannot live.
A. to whom B. which C. that D. where
16. He enjoys _____ tennis and keeps on _____ sensibly; that's why he is fat.
A. playing - eating B. playing - to eat C. to play - to eat D. to play - eating

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the most suitable response to complete each of the following exchanges.

17. - "What an attractive hair style you have got, Mary!" - "_____."
A. Thank you very much. I am afraid. C. Thank you for your compliment.
B. You are telling a lie. D. I don't like your sayings.
18. - "_____". - "Oh, it's great!"
A. How is the journey like? C. What do you like about the journey?
B. Would you like the journey? D. What do you think of the journey?

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

19. In 1989, a ban was given on all international trade in ivory.

- A. a destruction B. an allowance C. an exploitation D. a prohibition

20. The factory is fined for **discharging** dangerous chemicals into the river.

- A. releasing B. decreasing C. increasing D. keeping

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

21. **Punctuality** is imperative in your new job.

- A. Being efficient B. Being courteous C. Being late D. Being cheerful

22. **Pure** water is often a fairly rare commodity that requires significant energy to produce.

- A. clean B. contaminated C. fresh D. flawless

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.

Most birds build nests in which they lay their eggs, but the emperor penguin has no need of them. This bird lives in Antarctica and must endure (23)_____ weather than anywhere else in the world. In order to (24)_____ that its eggs are not harmed and that its chicks may hatch from them, the emperor penguin takes care of its eggs on a unique manner. An emperor penguin female lays a single egg. Once she lays the egg, the male penguin takes it and puts it (25)_____. There, the egg (26)_____ by a layer of stomach fat that the penguin rests above the egg. Since emperor penguins lay their eggs right as winter begins in Antarctica, it is vital that the eggs remain protected from the elements. Therefore, for the next two months, the males incubate the eggs until the chicks finally hatch. During this entire (27)_____, the males look after the eggs while hardly even moving.

23. A. harsher C. as harsh as
B. the harshest D. much of the harshest
24. A. ensure B. promise C. recall D. trust
25. A. on top of its feet C. by the top foot
B. with its feet at the top D. at the foot of the top
26. A. protects B. is protecting C. is protected D. will protect
27. A. period B. periods C. periodical D. periodically

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.

I'm 18 years old and have never played on a sports team before, so I never received lessons or training of any kind. I wish my parents had signed me up for soccer when I was younger because I discovered that I wanted to play sports. I just have no skills. There is a soccer team at my high school, but I definitely won't make it. Most people on the team have probably been playing for years. I feel like I missed my chance and that I'll never be as good as them. Is it too late for me to learn to play from scratch? I just **figure** that by the time I become "good", I'll be too old anyway. I tried teaching myself in the past, but **it** seemed too unorganized and I didn't know what I was doing. Is there some places that teaches people of any age how to play soccer?

28. Why does the writer write this passage?

- A. He wants to study how people play soccer
B. He is trying to apply for a soccer team
C. He needs advice on whether he should start learning soccer.
D. He has received a sport award for playing in a soccer game.

29. What can be inferred from the passage about the writer?

- A. His parents forgot to sign up the writer for a soccer team.
B. He has never played on a soccer team before.
C. His friends have all participated in some sports teams.

D. He envies those who can play soccer well.

30. The word '**figure**' closest in meaning to _____.

A. think

B. want

C. trust

D. choose

31. The word '**it**' refers to _____.

A. being too old to learn

B. teaching himself how to play soccer

C. playing for many years

D. looking for a good coach

32. What will the writer probably do?

A. Teach himself again to play soccer

B. Find a job instead of play soccer

C. Ask his friends to teach him soccer

D. Look for a place that teaches adults soccer

PRACTICE TEST No. 4

I. MULTIPLE CHOICE (8.0 points)

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

1. A. finisheded

B. abandoned

C. arrived

D. rained

2. A. knees

B. papers

C. trees

D. bats

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

3. A. wonderful

B. consuming

C. advantage

D. opinion

4. A. important

B. community

C. organize

D. disease

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined part that needs correcting in each of the following questions.

5. No matter who (A) rich he is (B), he never gives (C) anything to the poor (D).

6. More school (A) have been built (B) recently to make (C) it convenient for children to go (D) to school.

7. It is (A) believed that some dinosaurs were intelligent, ability (B) to perform complex activities, and perhaps even (C) capable of social (D) behavior.

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

8. After _____ peeled and chopped the vegetables, place them in boiling water for fifteen minutes.

A. being

B. having

C. having been

D. doing

9. She was very upset _____ that all the places in the restaurant _____.

A. to hear – had been booked

C. to have heard – have booked

B. hear – are booked

D. hearing – to be booked

10. Did you know that learning to ski is _____ than learning to skate?

A. far more easier

B. much easier

C. so much easier

D. as easy

11. A fire in the _____ building could be a problem for firefighters.

A. ninety-story-tall

B. ninety-tall-story

C. ninety-stories-tall

D. ninety stories

12. Could you please refrain _____ smoking in the lecture hall?

A. of

B. up

C. down

D. from

13. Proving the existence of beings from outer is a(n) _____ at the moment.

A. impossibility

B. possible

C. impossible

D. possibly

14. There used to be a huge stadium_____is now a modern leisure centre.
 A. there B. what C. which D. where
15. If you can't give up smoking entirely, at least try to cut_____.
 A. off B. down C. out D. on
16. You should be concentrating on your project_____listening to music all night long.
 A. so that B. even if C. rather than D. such as

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the most suitable response to complete each of the following exchanges.

17. – "Your parents must be proud of your result at school." – "_____".
 A. I am glad you like it. C. Thanks. It's certainly encouraging.
 B. Sorry to hear that. D. Of course.
18. – "Thanks for your help, Linda." – "_____"
 A. With all my heart. C. Never remind me.
 B. It's my pleasure. D. Wish you.

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

19. I'm becoming increasingly absent-minded. Last week, I locked myself out of my house twice.
 A. considerate C. warm-hearted D. forgetful
 B. sensitive
20. Sports and festivals form an integral part of every human society.
 A. informative B. delighted D. essential
 C. exciting

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

21. I can't stand people who treat animals cruelly.
 A. gently B. cleverly C. reasonably D. brutally
22. The bomb caused a gigantic explosion.
 A. enormous B. minor C. huge D. amazing

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.

These days, there are many students who do not attend physical schools but instead, stay home, where they are homeschooled. While these students (23)_____study at their homes, they sometimes visit their local schools. One reason for this concerns athletics. In many American states, homeschooled students are permitted to play on their local school's athletic teams. This is good news for the schools because a lot of homeschoolers are (24)_____athletes. The students who attend actual schools are mostly accepting of the homeschoolers. They usually have no problems with them and are often simply (25)_____about what it is like not to go to school. So they tend to bombard the homeschoolers with numerous questions. The homeschoolers (26)_____by mingling with the students at school. Some of them rarely spend time (27)_____, so it helps them develop their social skills if they can hang out and play sports with other kids.

23. A. primarily B. solely C. relatively D. cautiously
 24. A. exception B. exceptions C. exceptional D. exceptionally
 25. A. upset B. curious C. worried D. hostile
 26. A. benefit B. benefited C. benefiting D. will have benefited
 27. A. for individuals of their age C. with other individual's at their age
 B. of the individuals who have aged D. by individuals that age

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.

Today, in many parts of the world, it is customary for people to shake hands upon meeting as gesture of good will. Originally, however, the practice of shaking hands had a more practical purpose.

Shaking hands originated in medieval times. In those days, when a man **came on** a stranger, he would often automatically reach for his sword with his right hand, in case he had to use the weapon to defend himself. Sometimes, both parties found themselves circling around each other, weapons in hand, until it was mutually agreed that the weapons could be laid aside. Then, the two parties extended their right hands to show they had no weapons, and clasped **them**. This was the beginning of the handshake.

The custom of shaking hands is not a universal one. In the Orient, people have, for centuries, clasped their own hands in front of them upon meeting to show that they held no weapons. In France, a custom developed in which people who met would kiss each other on both cheeks. The natives of some South-sea islands greet by rubbing noses.

28. At first, the purpose of shaking hands was _____.

- A. to show a good relationship with each other
- B. to show that there were no weapons in hands.
- C. to show that both parties were ready for a fight.
- D. a gesture of good will

29. The word 'them' refers to _____.

- A. the two parties' weapons
- B. the two parties.
- C. the two parties' left hands.
- D. the two parties' right hands.

30. According to the passage, the practice of shaking hands _____.

- A. was used to extend greetings
- B. used to be popular, but now it is out of date.
- C. is replaced by other customs in some countries.
- D. is considered not to be very polite.

31. The word "came on" in the second paragraph can best be replaced by _____.

- A. waited for
- B. visited
- C. attacked
- D. happened to meet

32. Which of the following is NOT true about the handshake ?

- A. It happened for the first time very long times ago
- B. It is a gesture of good will.
- C. It is very popular all over the world.
- D. It is one of the social customs.