

TEST 137- Wednesday

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.

Question 1. A. gorgeous B. suggest C. purchase D. detail

Question 2. A. nobody B. atmosphere C. gigantic D. ignorant

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.

Question 3. A. society B. delegate C. president D. protection

Question 4. A. packed B. pleased C. catched D. finished

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

Question 5. She wasn't feeling very well; otherwise, she _____ the meeting so early.

A. wouldn't leave B. didn't leave C. wouldn't have left D. hadn't left

Question 6. The teacher told the pupils that salt water _____ at a lower temperature than fresh water.

A. froze B. would freeze C. freeze D. freezes

Question 7. There is still a _____ of hope that the rescuers will find survivors.

A. ray B. light C. spray D. spot

Question 8. I wish to pay a visit to the beach this summer, _____?

A. do I B. don't I C. may I D. am I

Question 9. Florida, _____ the sunshine state, attracts many tourists every year.

A. known as B. which known as C. is known as D. that is known as

Question 10. A teacher's _____ to education is worth great respect of the whole society because it brings benefits to the development of society.

A. guidance B. principle C. identity D. devotion

Question 11. Years ago, black children were _____ to discrimination in many schools.

A. subjective B. subject C. subjecting D. subjected

Question 12. Neither my travel's cheques nor the money I had with me _____ sufficient to pay the bill.

A. Have been B. was C. were D. are

Question 13. A new planet has been discovered recently. It's _____ Earth, and hopefully it can support human life.

A. almost three times the size of

B. three times the size than

C. three times almost as large as

D. almost three times as larger as

Question 14. Air pollution poses a _____ to both human health and our environment.

A. jeopardy

B. threat

C. difficulty

D. problem

Question 15. Although Ariel arrived _____, we made her welcome just the same as everybody else.

A.expect

B. expectedly

C. unexpectedly

D. expectation

Question 16. Gender equality and support for women have come _____ in the past few decades.

A.a long way

B.into bloom

C. forward

D.towards light

Question 17: It was not until she arrived in class _____ she had forgotten her book.

A.and she realised

B. when she realised

C. that she realised

D.did she realise

Question 18: I was immensely _____ to hear that noone of my relatives was killed in the bus accident.

A. relieved

B.improved

C. recovered

D. healed

Question 19: Marine reptiles are among the few creatures that are known to have possible life span greater than _____.

A.man

B.the man's

C. that of man

D. the one of man's

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.

Question 20. Not only is summer sea ice shrinking rapidly in the Arctic, but so is the average thickness of sea ice.

A. getting larger

B. getting thinner

C. getting smaller

D. getting thicker

Question 21. What most prevents women from reaching the boardroom, say bosses and headhunters, is lack of hands-on experience of a firm's core business.

A. significant

B. practical

C. available

D. tested

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.

Question 22. Five hundred men were laid off work when the factory closed.

A. Were dismissed

B. were made redundant

C. employed

D. retired

Question 23. The wealthy man stood idly by while the poor people starved.

A. did something to help

B. indulged in medicines

C. worked hard

D. got nervous

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.

Question 24. Peter is telling Kyle about his mother's health condition.

Peter: "My mother's much better now."

Kyle: "_____"

A. Oh, I'm pleased to hear it.

B. Wonderful! Congratulation!

C. Oh, really? The doctor must be very good.

D. Good news for you.

Question 25. The waiter asks Steven to order his food in a restaurant.

Waiter: "May I take your order now, sir?"

Steven: "Yes, _____."

A. let's go Dutch

B. keep the change

C. a soup and a steak

D. the food tastes really good

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 .

Hospitality

Hospitality -looking after visitors – is universal but in different cultures hosts are expected to receive guests in different ways. In much of the ancient (26) _____ it was the custom to provide passing travellers with food and water. Today some old customs have (27) _____. In a traditional Japanese household, if a guest admires a particular object in the house, the host will (28) _____ to give it to the guest straightaway. And in parts of Russia guests are greeted with bread and salt on a special cloth. The guest is (29) _____ to kiss them and hand them back to the host. Sometimes the guest breaks (30)..... a small piece of bread, dips it in the salt and eats it. In some countries, when (31) _____ guests arrive from abroad, they may feel they have been given a particularly (32) _____ meal. But this is probably because the host politely offers more and more food and drink and the guest is too embarrassed to (33) _____ anything down.

Question 26: A.globe

B. earth

C.world

D.planet

Question 27: A.supported

B.survived

C.preserved

D.existed

Question 28: A.provide

B.fancy

C.consider

D.want

Question 29: A.needed

B.demanded

C.required

D. desired

Question 30: A.off

B.down

C.out

D.in

Question 31: A.strange

B.foreign

C.alien

D.unfamiliar

Question 32: A.strong

B.dense

C.wide

D.heavy

Question 33: A.slow

B.turn

C.keep

D.take

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.

A pioneering study by Donald Appleyard made the astounding discovery that a sudden increase in the volume of traffic through an area affects people in the way that a sudden increase in crime does. Appleyard observed this by finding three blocks of houses in San

Francisco that looked much alike and had the same kind of middle-class and working-class residents, with approximately the same ethnic mix. The difference was that only 2,000 cars a day ran down Octavia Street (LIGHT street, in Appleyard's terminology) while Gough Street (MEDIUM street) was used by 8,000 cars daily, and Franklin Street (HEAVY street) had around 16,000 cars a day. Franklin Street often had as many cars in an hour as Octavia had in a day.

Heavy traffic brought with it danger, noise, fumes and soot, directly, and trash secondarily. That is, the cars didn't bring in much trash, but when trash accumulated, residents seldom picked it up. The cars, Appleyard determined, reduced the amount of territory residents felt responsible for. Noise was a constant intrusion into their homes. Many Franklin Street residents covered their doors and windows and spent most of their time in the rear of their houses. Most families with children had already left.

Conditions on Octavia Street were much different. Residents picked up trash. They sat on their front steps and **chatted** with neighbors. They had three times as many friends and twice as many acquaintances as the people on Franklin.

On Gough Street, residents said that the old feeling of community was disappearing as traffic increased. People were becoming more and more preoccupied with their own lives. A number of families had recently moved and more were considering. Those who were staying expressed deep regret at the destruction of their community.

Question 34: The word "**chatted**" is closest in meaning to _____.

- A.joked B.talked C.argued D.walked

Question 35: The three streets mentioned in this passage are different in that _____.

- A. they are in different cities.
B.the residents are of different ethnic backgrounds.
C.they have varying amounts of traffic.
D.the income levels of the residents vary considerably.

Question 36: Approximately how many cars used Franklin Street daily?

- A.2,000 B.8,000 C. 16,000 D. 20,000

Question 37: All of the following are direct results of heavy traffic EXCEPT

- A.increased amount of trash B.greater danger to residents
C.more pollution D.more vibrations

Question 38: The author's main purpose in the second paragraph is to _____.

- A.discuss the problem of trash disposal
B.point out the disadvantage of heavy traffic
C.propose an alternate system of transportation
D. suggest ways to cope with traffic problems

Question 39: Which of the following is NOT a statement you would expect from a resident of

Gough Street?

- A. People on this street are unhappy because the neighborhood is deteriorating.
- B. People on this street think mostly of themselves.
- C. People on this street have more and more space for which they feel responsible.
- D. A number of people are preparing to leave this street.

Question 40: What is the writer's attitude toward heavy traffic when he mentions the Appleyard's study?

- A. neutral B. favorable C. critical D. doubtful

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

Question 41. If there're a funnier person in the world than him, I don't know who it will be.

- A. There're B. funnier C. than D. will

Question 42. If other individuals try to join the group, things start to go wrongly.

- A. Other B. individuals C. join D. wrongly

Question 43. More than people there are, especially in poor countries with limited amounts of land and water, the fewer resources there are to meet basic needs.

- A. More than B. limited C. amounts D. meet

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

Question 44. You are in this mess right now because you didn't listen to me in the first place.

- A. If you listened to my advice in the first place, you wouldn't be in this mess right now.
- B. If you listen to my advice in the first place, you will not be in this mess right now.
- C. If you had listened to my advice in the first place, you wouldn't be in this mess right now.
- D. If you had listened to my advice in the first place, you wouldn't have been in this mess right now.

Question 45. John told his friend, "Let me give Tom a lift to the train station if you can't".

- A. John advised his friend to give Tom a lift to the train station if you couldn't.
- B. John asked his friend to give Tom a lift to the train station if his friend couldn't.
- C. John urged that he should give Tom a lift to the train station if his friend couldn't.
- D. John volunteered to give Tom a lift to the train station if his friend couldn't.

Question 46. In the hope of finding the money, they didn't call the police.

- A. They found the money, so there was no need to call the police.

- B. They thought they might find the money, so the police weren't called.
- C. They knew they would find the money, so they didn't call the police.
- D. If they found the money or not, they wouldn't call the police.

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

Question 47. The Postal Service used the Roman god Mercury as its symbol. This was replaced in 1837 with a running pony.

- A. The Postal Service, which used the Roman god Mercury as its symbol, was replaced in 1837 with a running pony.
- B. The Postal Service used the Roman god Mercury as its symbol, which was replaced in 1837 with a running pony.
- C. The Postal Service which was replaced in 1837 with a running pony used the Roman god Mercury as its symbol.
- D. The Postal Service used a running pony as its symbol, which was replaced in 1837 with the Roman god Mercury.

Question 48. I admire her achievements. However, I don't really like her.

- A. Whatever her achievements, I don't really like her.
- B. I don't really like her for I admire her achievements.
- C. Even though I admire her achievements, I don't really like her.
- D. Although I admire her achievements, I really like her.

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.

Window Cleaning: The New Extreme Sport

It was by chance that I noticed the job advertisement. The Shard, one of the tallest skyscrapers in Europe, was advertising for window cleaners. I had always been impressed by the Shard, over 300 metres tall, 95 floors, and completely covered by glass. Who wouldn't be? Although I could never have dreamt that one day I'd be responsible for cleaning all those glass panels; an unbelievable 11,000 to be exact. At the time, an organisation was advertising for cleaners to do the task. It sounds odd, but unemployment was a requirement on their application form, as was

experience in climbing down mountains or walls using a rope. As an out-of-work, extreme sports fan, I wasted no time completing my application and sending my CV.

However, nothing quite prepares you for the experience of cleaning an almost vertical building of that height, and it is no exaggeration to say I was terrified on my first day. The work is exhausting, and the physical demands on the body intense, but being able to take part in a bit of extreme sport while working can only be a bonus. Plus the fact that not many people have the opportunity to enjoy a spectacular view of London as I do. It's breathtaking. Even now, after so many months at the job, nothing compares to looking across the capital while taking in the famous landmarks scattered across the city. It's possible to see for miles on a clear, sunny day, and watch the commuters, the size of ants, rushing about the bustling city below. Apart from **this**, I also get to enjoy some celebrity spotting throughout the day. The Shard's restaurants and hotel seem to be a favourite with the famous.

It does make quite a good discussion point when meeting new people, and you explain that you rope down the side of the Shard for a living. People often raise their eyebrows, but are always curious and interested to know how I decided on such an adventurous career. I understand this job is not for everyone. It's a little out of the ordinary and most would be reluctant to even consider the idea. I admit at times it does lack variety and can be a little tedious; however, restoring the windows to their sparkling condition makes it all worth the effort.

Window cleaning remains a very dangerous job, not only because of the height, but because the weather is a serious hazard. We are exposed to the severity of the British weather, and winter can be difficult. In case of an accident or an injury, it's essential to be familiar with the safety systems in place. Of course, this doesn't always guarantee an accident-free zone; sometimes the weather can be unpredictable and storms happen when you least expect them to. I remember on one occasion, I was on the 67th floor and a strong wind seemed to come from nowhere. The next thing I knew, I lost my balance and was flung around. Luckily, I'd had a good night's sleep and was alert enough to deal with the situation. This is why, in very windy conditions, we are all given a well-deserved day off.

Question 49. In the first paragraph, what does Peter say about the position?

- A. It was his dream job.
- B. There was huge competition for the position.
- C. He met the requirements specified.
- D. It was not widely advertised.

Question 50: In the second paragraph, Peter describes

- A. his first days at work.
- B. the perks of the job.
- C. the dangers he experiences.
- D. what he is required to do.

Question 51: What does the word '**this**' refer to?

- A. the experience he has gained
- B. the bustling city of London
- C. the building's height
- D. the ability to admire the city

Question 52. How do people usually react when Peter explains how he earns his living?

- A. They find it intriguing.
- B. They often look worried.
- C. They ask too many questions.
- D. They are not particularly interested.

Question 53. What is Peter's main point about safety in the final paragraph?

- A. Acting foolishly in the workplace causes accidents.
- B. Sometimes things go wrong even if safety precautions are followed.
- C. Failure to learn the safety manual threatens safety in the workplace.
- D. Fatigue is the leading cause of accidents at work

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