

Họ, tên thí sinh:.....
Số báo danh:

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

- Question 1:** Jet lag causes problems with our _____ clock.
A. biological B. biology C. biologist D. Biologically
- Question 2:** They invited him to the party, _____?
A. do they B. don't they C. did they D. didn't they
- Question 3:** The political candidate knew the issue was a hot _____, so he deferred to his chief of staff, who directed questions to the committee chairperson.
A. tomato B. potato C. pot D. dog
- Question 4:** I agree _____ one point with Chris: it will be hard for us to walk 80km.
A. in B. of C. on D. For
- Question 5:** Due to lacking _____, they couldn't open a new shop as scheduled.
A. interest rates B. funds C. shares B. expenses
- Question 6:** The bus was late, _____ we missed the last train back to our hometown.
A. so B. therefore C. nor D. nevertheless
- Question 7:** Lara goes to a _____ temple every week.
A. great big ancient Buddhist B. Buddhist great big ancient
C. ancient great big Buddhist D. big great ancient Buddhist
- Question 8:** Because of the heavy rain, we are going to have to _____ the soccer match until next week.
A. turn down B. put off C. set off D. set up
- Question 9:** My cousin broke his leg when he _____ football last week.
A. was playing B. plays C. has played D. played
- Question 10:** _____, my classmates will have bought the ticket for me.
A. By the time I arrive at the cinema B. After I have arrive at the cinema
C. When I arrived at the cinema D. As I had arrived at the cinema
- Question 11:** The campaign against drinking and driving has _____ road accidents by 25%.
A. avoided B. caused C. witnessed D. reduced
- Question 12:** People who take on a second job inevitably _____ themselves to greater stress.
A. offer B. subject C. field D. place
- Question 13:** Millions of bars of chocolate _____ in the world each day.
A. consume B. consumed C. are consuming D. are consumed
- Question 14:** _____ the man in front of the bank had strange actions, I immediately reported it to the police.
A. Seeing that B. Being seen that C. Have seen that D. To see that
- Question 15:** The sooner you apply for the post, _____ you are accepted.
A. the most likely B. the more likely C. more likely D. most likely

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

- Question 16:** Maggie and Peterson are chatting during the break time.
Maggie: "What do you think about the new physics teacher?"
Peterson: "_____"
A. Mind your own business. C. It's in the classroom.
B. He's clever, isn't he? D. Physics is a difficult subject.
- Question 17:** Lan and Bach are visiting an art gallery.
Lan: "Look at this picture of an upright piano!"
Bach: "_____"

- A. You are so irritating.
B. Why can't you?
C. I felt hot.
D. Who drew it?

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.

- Question 18: A. possession B. politics C. revision D. proposal
Question 19: A. receive B. proper C. process D. leader

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.

- Question 20: A. bounced B. closed C. caused D. sneezed
Question 21: A. emit B. highlight C. island D. idol

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.

Question 22: As a sociable student, Pete likes to spend his free time taking part in many of the school's clubs.

- A. mischievous B. outgoing C. caring D. shy

Question 23: For some students, mastering English grammar is difficult.

- A. hard B. easy C. relaxing D. interesting

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.

Question 24: Getting tons of spam emails from different companies trying to sell you something every day is a real pain in the neck.

- A. relaxing B. irritating C. healthy D. painless

Question 25: Tom was really good at producing elaborate sketches of buildings around the city.

- A. ugly-looking B. slight C. mild D. simple

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

Question 26: I drank the liquid. Right after that I realized it was not water.

- A. No sooner I had drunk the liquid than I realized that it was not water.
B. Only after I drink the liquid will I realize it is not water.
C. Only when I drank the liquid did I realize it was water.
D. Hardly had I drunk the liquid than I realized that it was water.

Question 27: Jack dropped out of school at the age of 15. He now regrets it.

- A. If only Jack had dropped out of school when he was 15.
B. If Jack dropped out of school when he was 15, he would regret it.
C. Jack wishes he hadn't dropped out of school when he was 15.
D. Jack regrets not having dropped out of school when he was 15.

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

Question 28: When I got home, Irene was lying in bed thinking about what a wonderful time she has had.

- A. home B. lying C. wonderful time D. has had

Question 29: Elephants are in dangered of extinction because poachers have hunted them for its ivory tusks.

- A. of B. because C. hunted D. its

Question 30: Sometimes it is better not to say the truth if someone is likely to be upset unnecessarily.

- A. say B. truth C. upset D. unnecessarily

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

Question 31: The lights are on, so I'm sure Dan is at home.

- A. Dan must be at home as the lights are on.
- B. Dan can't be at home as the lights are on.
- C. Dan must have been at home as the lights were on.
- D. Dan should have been at home to turn on the lights.

Question 32: "He is playing volleyball with your brother." she said to me.

- A. She told me he was playing volleyball with your brother.
- B. She told me she was playing volleyball with my brother.
- C. She told me he was playing volleyball with my brother.
- D. She told me he was playing volleyball with her brother.

Question 33: Peter started learning to play the piano two months ago.

- A. Peter has learned to play the piano for two months.
- B. Peter is learning to play the piano at the moment.
- C. Peter stopped learning to play the piano two months ago.
- D. Peter has never learned to play the piano.

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

EUROPEAN COMPANIES ACT TO WARD OFF CORONAVIRUS

For weeks, the coronavirus outbreak in China rattled global supply chains, exacting a toll on major businesses around the world, though often in indirect ways. Now, as it spreads across Europe and Asia, the virus is becoming a more immediate threat to (34)_____ types of businesses. From Milan to Berlin to London, companies in practically every industry are (35)_____ their emergency protocols or sending employees home to try to preven an outbreak.

This week, Chevron instructed 300 workers at one of its London offices to work from home (36)_____ an employee returning from Italy developed flu-like (37)_____. The media group OMF has taken the same step in the Fitzrovia district of London, sending home around 1,000 employees after a staff member (38)_____ recently passed through Singapore began showing symptoms.

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| Question 34. A. all | B. much | C. few | D. another |
| Question 35. A. defining | B. refining | C. containing | D. observing |
| Question 36. A. after | B. before | C. while | D. during |
| Question 37. A. cases | B. problems | C. risks | D. symptoms |
| Question 38. A. whom | B. which | C. who | D. whose |

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the answer to each of the question.

As Hurricane Florence zeroes in on the southeastern US, scientists are warning that climate change is exacerbating the effect of tropical storms. The powerful Category 4 Atlantic weather-front is slow moving, an increasingly common phenomenon that poses a different manner of threat to states in its path. In the event that Florence stalls or comes to a halt altogether over land, it has the potential to deposit catastrophic quantities of rainwater, posing a risk of severe flash flooding.

While the high winds and waves generated by faster storms moving inland from the ocean pose a significant danger to human life and property, the effect of heavy rain can be just as devastating, if not more so. When Hurricane Harvey hit in August 2017, it dropped 60 inches of rain over Houston, Texas, flooding the streets, leaving 93 dead and hundreds more having to be rescued by boat, causing millions of dollars-worth of damage.

James Kossin of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration published a study in the journal Nature in June suggesting that slow-moving tropical cyclones, **which** would include those like Florence and Harvey, have become more common over the last 70 years, dropping in speed by 10 per cent in that time. According to Mr Kossin, global warming as a result of man-made air pollution is causing the poles to become warmer, which in turn reduces the difference in temperature between the Arctic and Antarctic and the equator, **altering** atmospheric pressure and slowing down the whipping currents of wind that pass between them and drive hurricanes,

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

Question 39: The best title for this passage could be _____.

- A. danger of hurricane in US
- B. climate change and the threat from tropical storms
- C. climate change and people activities
- D. storms cause millions of dollars-worth of damage

Question 40: Which statement about Hurricane Harvey is probably **TRUE** according to the passage ?

- A. It caused the floods in all the streets in US
- B. It caused a significant danger to people and property.
- C. It made citizens in Texas suffer from floods and damage.
- D. It made residents lose millions of dollars.

Question 41: The word “**which**” in paragraph 3 refers to _____.

- A. tropical cyclones
- B. a study
- C. Florence
- D. Harvey

Question 42: in the 3rd paragraph, James Kossin suggests that _____.

- A. over the last 70 years, human activities have made global warming worse.
- B. over the last 70 years, people cause the poles to become hotter.
- C. over the last 70 years, Florence and Harvey are common in Texas.
- D. over the last 70 years, slow-moving tropical cyclones have become more common.

Question 43: The word “**altering**” in paragraph 3 means _____.

- A. fastening
- B. changing
- C. remaining
- D. keeping

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the answer to each of the question.

How busy is too busy? For some it means having to miss the occasional long lunch; for others, it means missing lunch altogether. For a few, it is not being able to take a "sickie" once a month. Then there is a group of people for whom working every evening and weekend is normal, and frantic is the tempo of their lives. For most senior executives, workloads swing between extremely busy and frenzied. The vice-president of the management consultancy AT Kearney and its head of telecommunications for the Asia-Pacific region, Neil Plumridge, says his work weeks vary from a “manageable” 45 hours to 80 hours, but average 60 hours.

Three warning signs alert Plumridge about his workload: sleep, scheduling and family. He knows he has too much on when he gets less than six hours of sleep for three **consecutive** nights; when he is constantly having to reschedule appointments; "and the third one is on the family side", says Plumridge, the father of a three-year-old daughter, and expecting a second child in October. "If I happen to miss a birthday or anniversary, I know things are out of control." Being "too busy" is highly subjective. But for any individual, the perception of being too busy over a prolonged period can start showing up as stress: disturbed sleep, and declining mental and physical health. National workers' compensation figures show stress causes the most lost time of any workplace injury. Employees suffering stress are off work an average of 16.6 weeks. The effects of stress are also expensive. Comcare, the Federal Government insurer, reports that in 2003-04, claims for psychological injury accounted for 7% of claims but almost 27% of claim costs. Experts say the key to dealing with stress is not to focus on relief - a game of golf or a massage - but to **reassess** workloads. Neil Plumridge says he makes it a priority to work out what has to change; that might mean allocating extra resources to a job, allowing more time or changing expectations. The decision may take several days. **He** also relies on the advice of colleagues, saying his peers coach each other with business problems. "Just a fresh pair of eyes over an issue can help," he says.

Executive stress is not confined to big organizations. Vanessa Stoykov has been running her own advertising and public relations business for seven years, specializing in work for financial and professional services firms, Evolution Media has grown so fast that it debuted on the BRW Fast 100 list of fastest-growing small enterprises last year - just after Stoykov had her first child. Stoykov thrives on the mental stimulation of running her own business. "Like everyone, I have the occasional day when I think my head's going to blow off," she says. Because of the growth phase the business is in, Stoykov has to concentrate on short-term stress relief - weekends in the mountains, the occasional "mental health" day -rather than delegating more work, She says: "We're hiring more people, but **you** need to train them, teach them about the culture and the clients, so it's actually more work rather than less."

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Question 44: Which of the following could be the title of the passage?

- A. The stress of workplace
- B. The average of working hours of senior executives
- C. Some major groups of busy people
- D. The warning signs of workload

Question 45: The word "**consecutive**" in paragraph 2 mostly means _____.

- A. interrupted
- B. solitary
- C. successive
- D. intermittent

Question 46: As mentioned in paragraph 2, the following sentences are true about the work stress, EXCEPT _____.

- A. Disturbed sleep and reducing mental and physical health are the symptom of being too busy.
- B. The lost time caused by stress ranks last in comparison with other workplace injuries.
- C. The cost paid for psychological injury was rather high.
- D. Relief is not the effective way to cope with stress.

Question 47: The word "**reassess**" in the second paragraph is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. re-evaluate
- B. consider
- C. reduce
- D. estimate

Question 48: What does the word "**he**" in paragraph 2 refer to?

- A. Comcare
- B. Expert
- C. Neil Plumridge
- D. Employee

Question 49: According to the last paragraph, what measure does Vanessa Stoykov take to reduce work stress?

- A. delegating more work
- B. taking brief vacations on weekends
- C. hiring more people
- D. allowing more time or changing expectations

Question 50: It can be inferred from the passage that _____.

- A. stress appears in almost every position in workplace.
- B. employees working in big organizations will suffer more stress than others.
- C. the more the business grows, the more stress people get.
- D. good colleagues can help to reduce stress.