

PRACTICE TEST 8

Time allotted: 60 min.

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.

1. A. proof B. groove C. igloo D. blood
2. A. theory B. thereby C. thesis D. thunder

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

3. A. adventure B. heritage C. pyramid D. benefit
4. A. significant B. environment C. conversation D. accommodate

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

5. It's against the law to kill the black rhinoceros. They _____ extinct.
A. became B. are becoming C. become D. have become
6. Because of the light, the city seemed _____ from the way that I had remembered it.
A. different B. differently
C. to different D. to be differently
7. Bogota, _____ is the capital city of Columbia, is a cosmopolitan city.
A. that B. which C. where D. when
8. Henry denied _____ a whole bag of chocolate chip cookies before lunch.
A. having ate B. to have eaten
C. eating D. to eat
9. Don't ask me to decide. I'm not very good _____ making decisions.
A. on B. at C. in D. about
10. When the weather is cold, I usually _____ my jacket.
A. warm up B. put on C. tidy up D. give away
11. You're too trusting. It's one of the hard facts of life that not everyone as _____ as you are.
A. polite B. clever C. obedient D. honest

12. He came here to return the book he had _____ from me last month.

A. sold B. bought C. lent D. borrowed

13. He has applied for several different jobs, but is yet to find full-time _____.

A. employment B. employer

C. employee D. employable

14. I don't understand this sentence. Can you _____?

A. explain to me this word B. explain me this word

C. explain this word to me D. explain to me for this word

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.

15. Because she owes me money, my neighbor tends to keep away from me when she sees me outside.

A. prevent B. avoid C. attack D. surprise

16. The children have seen various kinds of animals and birds at the zoo.

A. plentiful B. similar C. different D. abundant

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.

17. Because of the blizzard weather, my departure to New York will be delayed.

A. release B. transfer C. schedule D. arrival

18. The knife's pointy blade was too blunt to slice into the stubborn package.

A. sharp B. plain C. dull D. rusty

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

19. -" _____ "

"Actually, it's a little too hot for me. I prefer cold weather."

A. What's the weather like today?

B. Is it hot or cold for you?

C. It's a nice day, isn't it?

D. Do you like cold weather?

20. - "Excuse me. _____ "

"You go three blocks to Washington Street, then turn right. It's on the corner, across from the bank."

- A. Could you tell me when the library opens today?
- B. Could you tell me where the library is?
- C. Could you tell me whether the library is opened?
- D. Could you tell me how the library is now?

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 21 to 25.

There are 4400 living species of amphibians. Frogs, toads, newts and salamanders are all amphibians. Many live mainly on land, but most spend at least some of their lives in water. The largest amphibian, the Chinese giant salamander, is 1.8m long.

Frogs and salamanders are able to breathe through their damp skins to a certain extent, both in the water and on the land, but toads rely largely on their lungs and cannot remain underwater for long. Toads and frogs are similar in many ways, although toads usually have rougher, drier skins and may waddle rather than hop as frogs do.

Some toads produce spawn in strings like necklaces, rather than the mass of eggs laid by frogs.

Most amphibians lay their eggs in water. Frogs' eggs are called spawn. The eggs are protected from **predators** by a thick layer of jelly. A tadpole develops inside each egg. When it hatches, it is able to swim using its long tail, and it breathes through gills. As a tadpole grows, first hind legs then forelegs begin to form. Lungs develop, and the young frog is able to begin to breathe with its head above water. Gradually, the tail shortens until the young frog resembles its adult parents.

21. The text describes amphibians as animals that _____.

- A. do not have lungs
- B. can live on land and in water
- C. use their gills to eat and breathe
- D. cannot swim very well

22. According to the text, the world's largest amphibian is a _____.

- A. frog
- B. toad
- C. newt
- D. salamander

23. One of the differences between frogs and toads is that _____.

- A. frogs have drier skins

B. frogs develop tails as adults
C. frogs can stay underwater longer
D. frogs lay eggs in strings

24. Young frogs start to breathe with their heads above water when they _____.
A. develop lungs
B. develop internal gills
C. hatch out of their eggs
D. start eating insects

25. The underlined word "**predators**" in the passage probably means _____.
A. animals that eat other animals B. animals that feed on grass
C. amphibians living in water D. amphibians living on land

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct word that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 26 to 30.

Planning a trip can be as interesting as the holiday itself. However, ensuring a trip is well planned (26) _____ a lot of preparation work beforehand. You have to decide on the destination, the things to bring as well as the itinerary for the trip.

First and foremost, you need to decide on your destination and when to go. You may also want to find out about the events and festivals that are taking (27) _____ at your destination during the period that you are visiting. You may want to include them in your programmes.

Budgeting is another important factor to consider. It would determine your mode of transportation and accommodation. If you have company, you should discuss (28) _____ advance the programmes that you want to do together or alone during the trip. By doing so, you may somehow (29) _____ any unhappiness from occurring at the last moment.

After confirming the place and time to go, and the budget and itinerary, the things that you need to bring will be next on your list. Some questions that you will ask (30) _____ are "Are you going during the warm or cold season?" or "Do you need extra clothing?" You can check out with the travel agent or even surf the Internet to find out about the weather conditions of your destination.

26. A. requires B. expects C. proposes D. purchases
27. A. time B. place C. room D. space
28. A. on B. with C. for D. in
29. A. cancel B. dismiss C. prevent D. delay

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

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

36. Quang had his brother fix the ball yesterday.

- A. Quang had the ball to fix yesterday by his brother.
- B. Quang had the ball to be fixed by his brother yesterday.
- C. Quang got the ball fixed yesterday by his brother.
- D. The ball was fixed by Quang had his brother yesterday.

37. They're twins, but they don't have many interests in common.

- A. Despite they're twins, they don't have many interests in common.
- B. They don't have many interests in common though they're twins.
- C. Although they're twins, but they don't have many interests in common.
- D. They don't have many interests in common because they're twins.

38. That's the most delicious meal I've ever had.

- A. I have ever had some more delicious meal than that.

B. That meal isn't so delicious as the meal I've ever had.

C. That meal was as delicious as the meal I've ever had.

D. I have never had a more delicious meal than that.

39. They wanted to know where I came from.

A. "We want to know where do you come from," they said.

B. "Where did you come from?" they asked.

C. "Where do you come from?" asked they.

D. "We wanted to know where I came from," they said.

40. Unfortunately, we do need to work today, and I don't like it.

A. I wish that we didn't need to work today.

B. If we worked today, I would like it.

C. I hope that we won't need work today.

D. We don't need to work today.