

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 1: A. submitssubmits B. consultssubmits C. returnssubmits D. reactssubmits

Question 2: A. youngoung B. ploughoung C. coupleoung D. cousinoung

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 3: A. offer B. reduce C. persuade D. apply

Question 4: A. endanger B. departure C. determine D. furniture

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: Many Vietnamese people _____ their lives for the revolutionary cause of the nation.

A. sacrifice B. sacrificed C. sacrificial D. sacrificially

Question 6: He said he had not discussed the matter with her. _____, he had not even contacted her.

A. Furthermore B. Nevertheless C. However D. Whether

Question 7: You have a ticket to the match tomorrow, _____?

A. haven't you B. have you C. don't you D. do you

Question 8: My father has worked as a journalist _____.

A. because he has graduated from the university B. since he graduated from the university
C. as he had graduated from the university D. for he graduated from the university

Question 9: The International Red Cross helps to ensure respect for the human being, and to prevent and relieve human _____.

A. protection B. enjoyment C. wealth D. sufferings

Question 10: If I _____ to bed early, I could have got up in time and caught the train the next day.

A. went B. would go C. was going D. had gone

Question 11: I _____ my former teacher for over 10 years.

A. didn't see B. don't see C. won't see D. haven't seen

Question 12: Some researchers have just _____ a survey of young people's points of view on contractual marriage.

A. sent B. directed C. managed D. conducted

Question 13: Bob has a bad lung cancer and his doctor has advised him to _____ smoking.

A. get on B. give up C. get in D. give away

Question 14: It is worthwhile _____ those old bits of string because they could be of some use later.

A. to keep B. kept C. keeping D. to have kept

Question 15: The director retired early _____ ill-health.

A. on behalf of B. in front of C. on account of D. ahead of

Question 16: He has not been offered the job because he cannot _____ the requirements of the company.

A. get B. meet C. have D. gain

Question 17: The little girl _____ with my son in the living room is my brother's daughter.

A. was played B. playing C. was playing D. to play

Question 18: The best way to learn a musical instrument is to find _____ enthusiastic teacher.

A. a B. an C. the D. Ø (no article)

Question 19: You have to take any job you can get—you can't _____ and choose.

A. hold B. touch C. pick D. take

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: Her style of dress accentuated her extreme slenderness.

A. betrayed B. emphasized C. revealed D. disfigured

Question 21: Shopping on the internet can be safe if you follow a few simple rules.

A. uncomplicated B. unimportant C. unlucky D. unsociable

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: She decided to remain celibate and devote her life to helping the homeless and orphans.

A. divorced B. separated C. single D. married

Question 23: Drivers are advised to get enough petrol because filling stations are few and far between on the highway.

A. unlikely to happen B. difficult to access
C. easy to find D. impossible to reach

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

Question 24: - "Would you like some more chicken?" - "_____ I'm full".

A. Yes, please. B. No, thanks. C. Yes, I would. D. No, I wouldn't.

Question 25: - "Do you think they will fail in the examination?" - "No, _____"

A. I hope they will. B. I don't think so. C. I don't hope. D. I don't think.

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 from 26 to 30.

The knock-on effect of volunteering on the lives of individuals can be profound. Voluntary work helps foster independence and imparts the ability to (26) _____ with different situations, often simultaneously, thus teaching people how to work their way through different systems. It (27) _____ brings people into touch with the real world; and, hence, equips them for the future.

Initially, young adults in their late teens might not seem to have the expertise or knowledge to impart to others that say a teacher or agriculturalist or nurse would have, but they do have many skills that can help others. And in the absence of (28) _____ particular talent, their energy and enthusiasm can be harnessed for the benefit of their fellow human beings, and ultimately themselves. From all this, the gain to any community no matter how many volunteers are involved is immeasurable.

Employers will generally look favorably on people who have shown an ability to work as part of a team. It demonstrates a willingness to learn and an independent spirit, (29) _____ would be desirable qualities in any employee. So, to satisfy employers' demands for experience when applying for work, volunteering can act as a (30) _____ of gaining experience that might otherwise elude would-be workers and can ultimately lead to paid employment and the desired field.

Question 26: A. deal B. face C. solve D. fight

Question 27: A although B. therefore C. however D. moreover

Question 28: A. other B. another C. every D. any

Question 29: A. who B. whose C. which D. that

Question 30: A. uses B. bases C. means D. ways

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 from 31 to 35.

Whales are the largest animals in the world, and the gentlest creatures we know. Although the whale is very huge, it is not hindered at all by its size when it is in the water. Whales have tails that end like flippers. With just a gentle flick, it can propel itself forward. The skin of a whale is so smooth that it does not create any friction that can slow the whale down. A whale's breathing hole is located on the top of its head, so it can breathe without having to completely push its head out of the water. Whales are protected from the cold seawater by body fat that is called blubber.

Whales live in the ocean but, in terms of behaviours, they are more similar to humans than fish. They live in family groups and they even travel in groups when they have to migrate from cooler to warmer waters. The young stay with their parents for as long as fifteen years. Whales are known not to desert the ill or injured members; instead, they cradle them.

When whales are in danger, there are people who go to great lengths to help them. One such case occurred in 1988, when three young whales were trapped in the sea. It was close to winter and the sea had begun to freeze over. Whales are mammals that require oxygen from the air, so the frozen ice was a great danger to them. All they had then was a tiny hole in the ice for them to breathe through. Volunteers from all over soon turned up to help these creatures. They cut holes in the ice to provide more breathing holes for the whales. These holes would also serve as guides for the whales so that they could swim to warmer waters.

Question 31: Which is the main idea of the passage?

- A. Successful attempts rescue whales all over the world.
- B. Some remarkable similarity of whales to human.
- C. Whales are the largest, gentlest but vulnerable creatures.
- D. Whales are the only animal to live in warm water.

Question 32: Which of the following is NOT true about whales' being similar to humans?

- A. They live in family groups and travel in groups.
- B. They do not migrate from cooler to warmer waters.
- C. The young stay with their parents for almost fifteen years.
- D. They do not desert the ill or injured members.

Question 33: The word “tiny” in paragraph 3 mostly means _____.

A. very small B. very fast C. very deep D. very ugly

Question 34: According to the passage, the frozen ice on the sea surface was dangerous to whales because _____.

A. they couldn’t swim in tiny cold water.
B. they couldn’t eat when the weather was too cold.
C. whales couldn’t breathe without sufficient oxygen.
D. the water was too cold for them as they were warm-blooded.

Question 35: The word “they” in paragraph 3 refers to _____.

A. guides B. holes C. the whales D. warmer waters

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 from 36 to 42.

The most desert animals will drink water if confronted with it, for many of them the opportunity never comes. Yet all living things must have water, or they will expire. The herbivores find it in desert plants. The carnivores slake their thirst with the flesh and blood of living prey. One of the most remarkable adjustments, however, has been made by the tiny kangaroo rat, who not only lives without drinking but subsists on a diet of dry seeds containing about 5% free water. Like other animals, he has the ability to manufacture water in his body by a metabolic conversion of carbohydrates. He is notable for the parsimony with which he conserves his small supply by every possible means, expending only minuscule amounts in his excreta and through evaporation from his respiratory tract.

Investigation into how the kangaroo rat can live without drinking water has involved various experiments with these small animals. Could kangaroo rats somehow store water in their bodies and slowly utilize these resources in the long periods when no free water is available from dew or rain? The simplest way to settle this question was to determine the total water content in the animals to see if it decreases as they are kept for long periods on a dry diet. If they slowly use up their water, the body should become increasingly dehydrated, and if they begin with a store of water, this should be evident from an initial high-water content. Results of such experiments with kangaroo rats on dry diets for more than 7 weeks showed that the rats maintained their body weight. There was no trend toward a decrease in water content during the long period of water deprivation. When the kangaroo rats were given free access to water, they did not drink water. They did nibble on small pieces of watermelon, but this did not change appreciably the water content in their bodies, which remained at 66.3 to 67.2 during this period. This is very close to the water content of dry-fed animals (66.5), and the availability of free water, therefore, did not lead to any “storage” that could be meaningful as a water reserve. This makes it reasonable to conclude that physiological storage of water is not a factor in the kangaroo rat’s ability to live on dry food.

Question 36: What is the main idea of this article?

A. Kangaroo rats and its life on dry food B. Water in the desert for animals
C. Desert life of kangaroo rat D. Physiological experiments on animals

Question 37: The word “**expire**” in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to _____.

A. weaken B. die C. shrink D. dehydrate

Question 38: The word “**it**” in paragraph 1 refer to _____.

A. a living thing B. the desert C. the opportunity D. water

Question 39: Which of the following is NOT true about the kangaroo rat, according to the passage?

A. It uses available water in the body effectively. B. It lives without drinking water.
C. It breathes slowly and infrequently. D. It manufactures water internally.

Question 40: According to paragraph 2, what is the result of the experiments with kangaroo rats?

A. Kangaroo rats store water for use during dry periods.
B. Kangaroo rats took advantage of free access to water.
C. Its body weight doesn’t change significantly due to the lack of water or accessibility to water.
D. A dry diet seems detrimental to the kangaroo rat’s health.

Question 41: The word “**deprivation**” in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.

A. shortage B. advantage C. coverage D. shrinkage

Question 42: According to the passage, what allows desert animals to exist with little or no water?

A. Their less need for water than other animals
B. Many opportunities for them to find water
C. Their ability to eat plants
D. Their ability to adjust to the desert environment

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 43: Jack usually cycle to work to avoid traffic jams at rush hour.

A. cycle B. avoid C. jams D. rush hour

Question 44: I would like you to clean your room, wash your clothes and preparing the dinner.

A. would like B. wash C. preparing D. the

Question 45: Species become extinct or endangerment for a number of reasons, but the primary cause is the destruction of habitat by human activities.

A. endangerment B. reasons C. destruction D. by human activities

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 46: Her mother cooks much better than her.

A. She was much better at cooking than her mother.
B. She can’t cook as good as her mother.
C. Her mother is a better cook than her.
D. Her mother is a better cooker than her.

Question 47: “I will learn to use this software soon,” Tom said.

A. Tom said that he would learn to use that software soon.
B. Tom said that he will learn to use this software soon.
C. Tom said that I would learn to use that software soon.
D. Tom said that I will learn to use this software soon.

Question 48: Perhaps some of the students will be absent today.

- A. Some of the students can't be absent today.
- B. Some of the students may be absent today.
- C. Some of the students must be absent today.
- D. Some of the students shouldn't be absent today.

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 49: You can drink some beer. Make sure you don't get drunk.

- A. You can drink some beer if you get drunk.
- B. You can't drink any beer in case you don't get drunk.
- C. You can't drink any beer unless you get drunk.
- D. You can drink some beer provided you don't get drunk.

Question 50: They arrived at the market. The announcement then started.

- A. No sooner had they arrived at the market than the announcement started.
- B. Having arrived at the market, the announcement then started.
- C. Hardly had they arrived at the market than the announcement started.
- D. Only after the announcement started did they arrive at the market.

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