

READING – ÔN TẬP CUỐI KỲ 2

Đọc kỹ đoạn văn sau và chọn phương án đúng (A, B, C hoặc D) cho mỗi chỗ trống.

Many people dream of living in a foreign country. It can be an amazing experience for those(1)_____ are willing to settle down in a new place.(2)_____, there's one potential problem you should be aware of: culture shock. Culture shock is the feeling we get from living in a place that is so different to where we grew up that we are not sure how to deal with it. Societies are(3)_____ in many different ways. Customs and traditions can be very different and that can sometimes make it difficult to get on with local people who might not approve (4)_____ things you do and might object to things you say. You might be banned from doing things in (5) _____ country that are perfectly legal in your own. For example, in Singapore people can be forced to pay a large fine just for dropping rubbish. Eventually, though, most people who live abroad fall in love with their adopted country and learn to accept its differences.

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| 1. A. who | B. which | C. what | D. whose |
| 2. A. Therefore | B. However | C. Although | D. Moreover |
| 3. A. made | B. divided | C. set | D. organized |
| 4. A. of | B. with | C. on | D. off |
| 5. A. other | B. another | C. many | D. every |

Đọc kỹ đoạn văn và trả lời các câu hỏi sau.

THINK BEFORE YOU TOSS

Countries around the world have growing mountains of trash because people are throwing out more trash than ever before. How did we become a throwaway society?

First of all, it is now easier to replace an item than to spend time and money to repair it. Thanks to modern manufacturing and technology, companies are able to produce items quickly and inexpensively. Products are plentiful and prices are low, so we would rather buy something new than repair it. Even if we did want to repair something, many items are almost impossible to repair. These products contain many tiny, complicated parts. Some even contain small computer chips. It's easier to throw these items away and buy new ones than to fix **them**.

Another contributing factor is our love of disposable products. As busy people, we are always looking for ways to save time and make our lives easier. Why should we use cloth kitchen towels? It's easier to use paper towel once and toss it out. Companies manufacture thousands of different kinds of **disposable**

items: paper plates, plastic cups, cameras, and razors for shaving, to name a few. The problem is that disposable products also contribute to our trash problem.

Our appetite for new products also contributes to the problem. We are addicted to buying things. As consumers, we want the latest clothes, the best TVs, and cellphones with west features. Companies tell us to buy, buy, and buy. Advertisements persuade us the new is better. The result is that we throw away useful possessions to make room for new ones.

1. Why would we rather buy something new than repair it?
 - A. Because products are good and cheap.
 - B. Because products are plentiful and prices are low.
 - C. Because many items are too easy to repair.
 - D. Because some products contain small computer chips.
2. All of the following are disposable products, EXCEPT _____.
 - A. cloth kitchen towels
 - B. paper plates
 - C. plastic cups
 - D. razors for shaving
3. The word “**disposable**” in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to _____.
 - A. convenient
 - B. inexpensive
 - C. throwaway
 - D. single-use
4. What do the advertisements persuade customers?
 - A. The new products are beautiful.
 - B. The new is easy to use.
 - C. Many things are possible.
 - D. The new is the better.
5. What does the word **them** in the passage refer to?
 - A. companies
 - B. chips
 - C. products
 - D. parts