

### PRACTICE TEST 3

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 1:** A. carriage                      B. sacrifice                      C. dangerous                      D. family  
**Question 2:** A. suggestion                      B. question                      C. digestion                      D. mediation

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.

- Question 3:** A. machine                      B. rapid                      C. follow                      D. beauty  
**Question 4:** A. media                      B. achievement                      C. generous                      D. interview

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

**Question 5:** This is the most breathtaking sunset I \_\_\_\_\_, the sky with a mesmerizing array of vibrant colors.

- A. have witnessed                      B. will witness                      C. am witnessing                      D. was witnessing

**Question 6:** Her performance in the play was even \_\_\_\_\_ than I had anticipated, showcasing her exceptional acting skills.

- A. less impressive                      B. as impressive                      C. the most impressive                      D. more impressive

**Question 7:** You wouldn't mind giving this challenging task a try, \_\_\_\_\_?

- A. will you                      B. do you                      C. would you                      D. did you

**Question 8:** They have decided to postpone \_\_\_\_\_ a final decision until they have gathered more information.

- A. making                      B. to make                      C. to making                      D. to be made

**Question 9:** I will \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ to our customer service department so they can assist you with your inquiry.

- A. put-up                      B. put-through                      C. put-out                      D. put - away

Read the following advertisement/school announcement and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 10 to 15.

#### We're hiring ENGLISH TEACHERS

Are you energetic and passionate (10) \_\_\_\_\_ teaching?

English for Asia is currently recruiting freelance English teachers to join their (11) \_\_\_\_\_ diverse team to deliver lively and engaging English lessons to their learners.

Teachers in possession of a degree, TESOL qualification (an advantage), teaching experience (an advantage) and the right to work in Singapore are eligible to apply.

We have positions available for (12) \_\_\_\_\_ teachers of:

- Very Young Learners (2-5 years)
- Young Learners (6-18 years)

Weekends and/ or Weekdays positions

\*\* Only suitable candidates will be contacted \*\*

- Question 10:** A. in                      B. for                      C. of                      D. about  
**Question 11:** A. culture                      B. culturally                      C. cultural                      D. cultured  
**Question 12:** A. a                      B. the                      C. Ø (no article)                      D. an

#### School Announcement: Sports Day

Tuesday, 19th of March, 8-10 a.m.

Drop off at Sports City Athletic Stadium at 7:30 a.m.

Children will (13) \_\_\_\_\_ with the class teacher on field before getting into groups. Parents are welcome to stay. However, please remain in the stadium while registration occurs.

School buses will be back from 10 a.m.

Water bottles, hats and sunscreen (14) \_\_\_\_\_. Snacks are available on-site.

Lunchboxes are not strictly prohibited.

(15) \_\_\_\_\_ you have any questions, please contact your class teacher.

**Question 13:**

- A. register                      B. require                      C. request                      D. remember

**Question 14:**

- A. are needed                      B. needs                      C. is needed                      D. needing

**Question 15:**

- A. Do                      B. Should                      C. Will                      D. Were

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph/letter in each of the following questions.**

**Question 16:**

- a. Third, engaging in meaningful discussions with individuals possessing different backgrounds and viewpoints fosters critical thinking and exposes us to alternative perspectives.
- b. First, engaging in varied reading materials which encompass different genres and subjects, helps us gain new perspectives and insights.
- c. Lastly, actively seeking out new experiences and challenges, whether through volunteering, attending cultural events, or participating in educational programs, helps expand our knowledge and enrich our lives.
- d. Broadening our knowledge can be achieved through diverse means.
- e. Second, embracing lifelong learning by pursuing online courses, workshops, and attending lectures or conferences allows us to continuously acquire new skills.

- A. b-e-a-c-d                      B. b-d-a-e-c  
C. d-b-c-e-a                      D. d-b-e-a-c

**Question 17:**

- a. Best wishes.
- b. Moreover, it's addictive and can distract us from more important things.
- c. Firstly, it can harm mental health by making people feel lonely and anxious.
- d. Finally, let's be mindful of how we use it to protect our well-being.
- e. Dear Tam, I hope you're doing well. I'm writing to answer your question on the drawbacks of social media.
- f. Secondly, it promotes shallow interactions over real connections. Social media can spread misleading information and create divides in society.

- A. e-b-d-a-c-f                      B. e-a-d-c-b-f  
C. e-c-f-b-d-a                      D. e-d-b-f-c-a

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 18 to 23.**

Social media addiction can have several negative effects on teenagers. Firstly, excessive use of social media can negatively impact their mental health. It can make teenagers worry and (18) \_\_\_\_\_ when they compare themselves to others based on how many likes and comments they get.

Secondly, social media addiction can lead to social isolation and (19) \_\_\_\_\_. Teenagers spend excessive time on social media. This can impact (20) \_\_\_\_\_ and ability to develop meaningful connections.

Thirdly, excessive social media use can lead to a sedentary lifestyle and decreased physical activity. Spending long hours scrolling through feeds and sitting in front of screens can contribute to a lack of exercise, (21) \_\_\_\_\_.

Lastly, social media addiction can impact academic performance. Excessive time spent on social media can distract teenagers from their studies, leading to decreased focus, poor time management, and reduced productivity. (22)\_\_\_\_\_.

It is important for teenagers to be aware of these potential negative effects and (23) \_\_\_\_\_. Setting boundaries, practicing self-regulation, and prioritizing real world connections and activities are essential in mitigating the negative impacts of social media addiction.

**Question 18:**

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| A. feel stressed    | B. to feel stressed   |
| C. feeling stressed | D. will feel stressed |

**Question 19:**

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| A. decrease face-to-face interactions      | B. interacting face-to-face decrease  |
| C. a decrease in face-to-face interactions | D. face-to-face interactions decrease |

**Question 20:**

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| A. his social skills       | B. its social skills   |
| C. our their social skills | D. their social skills |

**Question 21:**

- A. to have detrimental effects on physical health
- B. which can have detrimental effects on physical health
- C. it can have detrimental effects on physical health
- D. that can have detrimental effects on physical health

**Question 22:**

- A. This can result in lower grades and compromised educational outcomes.
- B. What can result in lower grades and compromised educational outcomes.
- C. How can result in lower grades and compromised educational outcomes.
- D. Lower grades and compromised educational outcomes can result in.

**Question 23:**

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| A. establishing healthy digital habits | B. to establish healthy digital habits     |
| C. healthy digital habits establish    | D. are establishing healthy digital habits |

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 24 to 28.**

An ecosystem is a group of animals and plants living in a specific region and interacting with one another and with their physical environment. Ecosystems (24) \_\_\_\_\_ physical and chemical components, such as soils, water, and nutrients. These components support the organisms living in the ecosystem.

Ecosystems can also be thought of as the interactions among (25) \_\_\_\_\_ organisms in a given habitat. These organisms may range from large animals to microscopic bacteria and work together in various ways. (26) \_\_\_\_\_, one species may serve as food for another.

People are part of the ecosystems (27) \_\_\_\_\_ they live and work. Human activities, such as housing developments and trash disposal, can greatly harm or even destroy local ecosystems. Proper ecosystem (28) \_\_\_\_\_ is crucial for the overall health and diversity of our planet. We must find ways to protect local ecosystems without stifling economic development.

*(Adapted from www.embibe.com)*

**Question 24:**

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| A. include | B. consist | C. comprise of | D. account for |
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**Question 25:**

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| A. all | B. every | C. each | D. both |
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**Question 26:**

- A. Therefore      B. However      C. Although      D. For example

**Question 27:**

- A. what      B. where      C. which      D. who

**Question 28:**

- A. destruction      B. introduction      C. management      D. installment

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 29 to 33.**

A balanced diet is essential for maintaining overall health and well-being. It involves consuming a variety of foods from all food groups in appropriate proportions. This ensures that your body receives the necessary nutrients, vitamins, and minerals it needs to function optimally.

Fruits and vegetables are a **cornerstone** of a balanced diet, providing essential vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants. They help reduce the risk of chronic diseases such as heart disease, diabetes, and certain cancers. Including a variety of colorful produce in your diet ensures you get a range of nutrients.

Whole grains are another important component, rich in fiber, **which** aids digestion and helps regulate blood sugar levels. They also provide B vitamins, iron, and magnesium. Incorporating whole grains like brown rice, quinoa, oats, and whole wheat bread into meals can provide these benefits.

Protein is necessary for building and repairing tissues, supporting immune function, and hormone production. Lean sources of protein like poultry, fish, beans, and nuts should be included in a balanced diet to reduce intake of saturated fats and cholesterol.

Healthy fats, found in avocados, olive oil, nuts, and fatty fish, are crucial for brain function, hormone production, and maintaining healthy skin and hair. They should be consumed in moderation due to their calorie density.

Hydration is also vital for a balanced diet, as water is essential for digestion, nutrient absorption, and regulating body temperature. Aim for at least eight glasses of water per day, adjusting based on individual needs.

By prioritizing whole, nutrient-rich foods and staying mindful of portion sizes, you can support your health with a balanced diet.

**Question 29:** What is the main topic of the passage?

- A. The importance of food groups in keeping fit  
B. Strategies for organizing a balanced diet  
C. Challenges facing people in maintaining a balanced diet  
D. The significance of a balanced diet for overall health

**Question 30:** What does the word "**cornerstone**" in paragraph 2 mostly mean?

- A. essential factor      B. dietary supplement  
C. nutritional value      D. common necessities

**Question 31:** What does the word "**which**" in paragraph 3 refer to?

- A. whole grains      B. fiber  
C. nutrients      D. component

**Question 32:** Which of the following is a role of protein in a balanced diet?

- A. Building and repairing tissues  
B. Providing essential vitamins and minerals  
C. Supporting hydration  
D. Promoting healthy fats

**Question 33:** Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a benefit of hydration to our body?

- A. Without a sufficient intake of water, the digestive system may struggle to effectively break down food.
- B. Adequate hydration facilitates the transport and absorption of nutrients throughout the body.
- C. Proper hydration promotes efficient waste removal and detoxification processes.
- D. Hydration contributes to regulating body temperature, ensuring optimal physiological function.

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 34 to 40.**

Social media has revolutionized how we communicate, connect, and consume information. Platforms like Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram have become central to our daily lives, shaping our interactions and influencing societal trends.

One of the most significant impacts of social media is its ability to connect people across the globe. Through these platforms, individuals can maintain relationships, forge new connections, and find communities that share their interests and values.

This interconnectedness has transformed the way we form relationships, **blurring** the lines between physical and virtual interactions.

Moreover, social media has opened up information sharing, allowing anyone with internet access to become a content creator and distributor. This has empowered individuals to voice their opinions, share their experiences, and participate in public discourse on a global scale. Social media has played a pivotal role in driving social movements, raising awareness about important issues, and holding institutions accountable.

However, social media also presents challenges and concerns. The commodification of personal data, privacy breaches, and the spread of misinformation are prevalent issues that have sparked debates about online ethics and regulation. Furthermore, the addictive nature of social media, fueled by algorithms designed to maximize user engagement, has raised concerns about its impact on mental health and well-being, particularly among younger generations.

Despite these challenges, social media remains an **indispensable** tool for communication, expression, and connection in the digital age. It influences every aspect of society, from politics and activism to business and entertainment. Therefore, it is crucial to recognize both the opportunities and pitfalls of social media and work towards harnessing **its** power for positive change.

**Question 34:** Which of the following could be the best title for the passage?

- A. Social Media's Effects on Society
- B. Understanding the Pros and Cons of Social Media
- C. The Power of Social Media in Today's World
- D. The Changing Face of Communication: Social Media's Impact

**Question 35:** The word "**blurring**" in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. obscuring
- B. sharpening
- C. enhancing
- D. postponing

**Question 36:** Which of the following is NOT stated in paragraph 3?

- A. Social media platforms help the dissemination of information to a wide audience.
- B. Individuals can express their opinions and share personal experiences on social media platforms.
- C. Social media platforms actively discourage engagement in public discourse on a global scale.
- D. Social media helps raise people's awareness about important matters.

**Question 37:** According to the passage, social media \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. helps connect people having different perspectives
- B. has little potential to put users' privacy at risk
- C. is programmed to get people interested in their well-being
- D. has a significant impact on societal trends

**Question 38:** The word "**indispensable**" in the last paragraph is opposite in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. mandatory      B. replaceable      C. redundant      D. necessary

**Question 39:** The word "**its**" in the last paragraph refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. opportunity      B. social media      C. pitfall      D. work

**Question 40:** It can be inferred from the passage that \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. individuals use Facebook primarily for entertainment rather than meaningful communication  
B. social media encourages people to focus on personal growth in the digital age  
C. older generations use social media more frequently than youngsters  
D. social media platforms enable users to stay updated with current world events