

PRACTICE TEST 7

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. serveded B. graduated C. rescued D. organised

Question 2: A. easy B. advisor C. basic D. hands-on

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

Question 3:

A. computer B. heritage C. instruction D. imagine

Question 4:

A. preserve B. damage C. restore D. promote

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

Question 5: They wished they _____ the emergency exit, as it led them to a more complicated situation.

A. weren't taking B. didn't take
C. hadn't had to take D. didn't have to take

Question 6: My mother decided to _____ her wedding dress to me, hoping I would wear it on my special day.

A. get down B. take down C. pass down D. set down

Question 7: _____ to join the prestigious research team, he felt both excited and nervous about the opportunities ahead.

A. Invite B. To invite
C. Having been invited D. Was invited

Question 8: During the heated discussion, it was so hard to get a word in _____ that I eventually gave up trying to share my opinion.

A. sideways B. halfway C. edgeways D. anyway

Question 9: The proposal was rejected on the _____ that it lacked a detailed budget plan and a clear timeline.

A. reasons B. excuses C. grounds D. foundation

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.

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING FUN TO DO THIS SUMMER?

If you are looking for something fun to do this summer, why don't you visit the community center? The community center, (10) _____ at 49 Maple Street, is going to be sponsoring numerous activities. For instance, there will be art, music, and language classes at the center throughout the summer. (11) _____ the center is going to sponsor a soccer league and a baseball league for students in middle school and high school. We invite all young people to participate. We know that the events this year are going to be (12) _____ those in any past years.

Question 10:

- A. what is locating
- C. where the location

- B. which is located
- D. how it was located

Question 11:

- A. As well as they,
- C. Apparently with those

- B. So with those,
- D. In addition to those,

Question 12:

- A. the best
- C. much better than

- B. as well as
- D. just as good that

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLASS CANCELLATION

This is the announcement from the principal:

Tomorrow after lunch, all classes are going to be cancelled. Instead of going to your classrooms, students should report to the school auditorium no later than one fifteen. The school is proud (13) _____ that Mayor Randolph Jefferson has accepted our offer to come and speak with the student body. Mayor Jefferson will chat about his experience (14) _____, and then he will take a few questions.

Please wear appropriate clothing tomorrow and be sure to (15) _____ as well.

We expect you to be good representatives of our school and to treat the mayor with the respect he deserves.

Question 13:

- A. to announce
- C. will announce

- B. announcing
- D. announce

Question 14:

- A. running the city,
- C. to run the city,

- B. run to the city,
- D. of running in the city

Question 15:

- A. being the best behaved
- C. be on your best behaviour

- B. behave like the best
- D. behaviour of the best

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. It is probably the nation's most important resource besides its people.
- b. Apparently, heritage empowers the people.
- c. Unfortunately, however, most of heritage lacks official protection or sufficient preservation funding.
- d. It supports social and economic welfare in lots of ways.
- e. Thailand's vast architectural and cultural heritage is more than just a source of enjoyment and public pride.
- f. Last year, the agency in charge, the Ministry of Culture's Fine Arts Department, got only 2.2 billion baht in annual budget, for many tasks besides conservation.

A. e-a-b-d-c-f

B. a-b-d-f-c-e

C. b-a-e-f-d-c

D. e-c-b-a-d-f

Question 17:

- a. As you will be aware if you check my records, I have held my insurance with your company for nearly seven years now.
- b. I would therefore like you to write back to me and explain why such an increase has been proposed. If you are unable to justify it to my satisfaction, then I am afraid that I will have no other option but to move my insurance to another company.
- c. During this time, I have never had an accident and never had any reason to make a claim on my insurance.
- d. I understand that at times prices need to be increased. However, this increase you are suggesting will result in a 20% increase in the amount I pay each month, a rate I feel is too much.
- e. I am writing to you as I recently received a letter from you informing me that the insurance premium for my car is going to increase from next month.

A. e-a-c-d-b

B. e-c-a-d-b

C. c-e-a-d-b

D. e-a-c-b-d

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.

British further education qualifications are respected by employers and academics worldwide. There are two main types: academic courses, and vocational and professional courses. Academic courses help you prepare for (18) _____. They aim to develop your analytical skills, critical thinking and knowledge. Vocational and professional courses give you (19) _____ to enter and succeed in your chosen career. They offer technical training and skills for the workplace.

British qualifications are a great boost to your CV and to your earnings. Employers are increasingly (20) _____. Moreover, British colleges and universities have strong links with industry as many courses are designed in partnership with, and taught by, industry professionals. (21) _____ giving you real professional experience.

English is widely regarded as (22) _____. Studying in the UK helps you learn language quickly, through your studies, friends and everyday life. (23) _____ there are lots of English language classes across the UK.

Question 18:

- A. higher education at a university or college
- B. farther learning at a university or college
- C. learning career at a university or college
- D. tertiary and vocational education at a university or college

Question 19:

- A. the degrees and qualifications needed
- B. the skills and qualifications you need
- C. the skills and qualifications, that you need
- D. the degrees and qualifications needing

Question 20:

- A. looking up for graduates with diverse backgrounds
- B. looking forwards to graduates with multicultural background
- C. looking around for candidates with multicultural experience
- D. looking for graduates with multicultural experience

Question 21:

- A. Many include the option of a year in industry or a work placement,
- B. The school offers the option of one-year training in industry or a work placement,
- C. They offers a variety of opportunities for a year in industry work,
- D. The schools include the grants for training in industry work,

Question 22:

- A. the language business
- B. the language of everyone
- C. the language of business
- D. the mother tongue language

Question 23:

- A. For further education,
- B. Should you need any additional support,
- C. Do you need any further support,
- D. Any additional support you need,

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.

In Germany, one effective method to prepare for your career is through (24) _____ dual vocational program. These programs are a mix of practical work and learning, (25) _____ gives you real experience in your future job field. They typically last from two to three and a half years, combining both hands-on and classroom learning. Part of your week, either one (26) _____ two days or even a block of weeks, will be spent at a vocational school. Here, you'll pick up the essential theory behind your job. The remainder of your time will be with a company, putting what you've learned into (27) _____, like using machinery for the first time. This part of the program lets you dive into your company's daily operations, understand its workflow, and decide if it's the right fit for you post- training. This blend of learning methods (28) _____ you're not just ready in theory but also in practice for your chosen career path.

Question 24:

- A. a
- B. an
- C. the
- D. Ø (zero article)

Question 25:

- A. what
- B. when
- C. which
- D. that

Question 26:

- A. also
- B. or
- C. nor
- D. and

Question 27:

- A. action
- B. theory
- C. discussion
- D. speculation

Question 28:

- A. instructs
- B. discusses
- C. ensures
- D. measures

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions from 29 to 33.

Ha Long Bay in Viet Nam's Quang Ninh Province is a UNESCO World Heritage Site known for its spectacular landscapes. Since its recognition in 1994, **it** has become a magnet for travelers eager to witness its stunning vistas and engage in diverse activities.

The allure of Ha Long Bay lies in its picturesque scenery, characterized by countless limestone formations and mysterious caves rising from the emerald waters. This unique natural wonder has gained international **acclaim**, offering visitors a plethora of unexpected discoveries with each visit.

Cruising is a favored activity in Ha Long Bay, providing various itineraries that allow tourists to explore numerous caves, soak in the local culture, and experience life on the water. Tours can range from a few hours to overnight stays, offering a remarkable way to experience the bay's beauty.

The culinary offerings of Ha Long Bay are another highlight, renowned for delectable seafood like crabs, prawns, and clams. Sampling the authentic local cuisine at area restaurants is an essential part of the Ha Long Bay experience.

Affordability is a key advantage for visitors to Ha Long Bay, with a wide selection of budget-friendly accommodations and cruise options. Meanwhile, those willing to indulge can find luxury in five-star hotels and opulent cruise ships.

Each visitor's encounter with Ha Long Bay is unique, from serene sunrises amidst the geological formations to memorable dinners in caves or awe-inspiring views from mountaintops. Regardless of the individual experiences, the lasting memories of Ha Long Bay remain indelible in the hearts of all who visit.

Question 29: What would be the best title for the passage?

- A. The Culinary Journey of Viet Nam
- B. Exploring the Caves of Southeast Asia
- C. Ha Long Bay: A UNESCO World Heritage Wonder
- D. The Economic Impact of Tourism in Quang Ninh Province

Question 30: In paragraph 1, what does the word "**it**" refer to?

- A. UNESCO
- B. Quang Ninh Province
- C. Ha Long Bay
- D. The recognition as a World Heritage Site

Question 31: What specific feature of Ha Long Bay is highlighted in paragraph 2?

- A. Its vibrant nightlife and entertainment
- B. The unique limestone formations and caves
- C. The traditional fishing techniques used by locals
- D. The bay's role in ancient trade routes

Question 32: In the passage, what does the word "**acclaim**" most likely mean?

- A. Criticism or negative feedback
- B. Official certification or endorsement
- C. High praise and approval from others
- D. A formal declaration of war

Question 33: Which of the following is NOT mentioned as an aspect of Ha Long Bay in the passage?

- A. The variety of cruise tour itineraries available
- B. The presence of endangered animal species
- C. The local cuisine, particularly fresh seafood
- D. Budget-friendly and luxury accommodation options

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

Singapore's education system is designed with a key goal: to nurture students' innate talents and **ignite** a lifelong enthusiasm for learning. This journey begins in earnest during the secondary education phase, which spans four to five years, offering a rich tapestry of courses that cater to both academic and extracurricular interests. Following their success in standardized exams, students have the unique opportunity to specialize early by joining prestigious institutions like NUS High School of Mathematics and Science, Singapore Sports School, School of the Arts, or School of Science and Technology. **This specialization** continues into post-secondary education, with students gaining direct entry into junior colleges and polytechnics, emphasizing the system's flexibility and focus on individual educational pathways.

Post-secondary options in Singapore are divided into two distinct paths: pre- university education and vocational training. Pre-university courses aim to equip students with a broad foundation in critical areas such as the Humanities, Arts, Languages, Mathematics, and Sciences, preparing them for the rigors of higher education. On the other hand, vocational training emphasizes practical skills and workplace readiness, offering courses in engineering, business, and service sectors, often in partnership with industry leaders.

For those inclined towards academic pursuits, Singapore houses four publicly funded universities known for their high-quality degree programs and international collaborations with top-tier institutions. These universities not only promise a comprehensive education but also ensure that graduates are well-prepared to **thrive** in the global landscape. Through this multifaceted education system, Singapore not only fosters academic excellence but also prepares its youth for the diverse challenges and opportunities of the future.

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

- A. The Global Influence of Singaporean Universities
- B. The Pathways of Education in Singapore
- C. Specialized Schools and Their Impact in Singapore
- D. Vocational Training vs. Pre-University Education in Singapore

Question 35: The word "**ignite**" in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. extinguish
- B. spark
- C. cool
- D. freeze

Question 36: The phrase "**This specialization**" in paragraph 1 refers to _____.

- A. the general education curriculum in Singapore
- B. the choice between technical and business skills
- C. the early focus on specific areas of interest in schools like NUS High School
- D. the division into pre-university and vocational training paths

Question 37: Which of the following is NOT stated in paragraph 2?

- A. Students can specialize in areas like mathematics and the arts.
- B. Specialized schools offer direct admission to post-secondary institutions.
- C. All students are required to attend a junior college.
- D. The education system allows for flexible educational pathways.

Question 38: It can be inferred from the passage that _____.

A. Singapore's education system highly values academic achievement over vocational skills

B. students in Singapore have limited choices in their educational pathways

C. the Singaporean education system is designed to cater to individual student's talents and interests

D. vocational training is considered less prestigious than pre-university education in Singapore

Question 39: According to the passage, _____.

A. vocational training does not prepare students for the workforce

B. pre-university courses are only available to students who pass standardized exams

C. students have opportunities to pursue higher education in globally connected universities

D. technical education is not aligned with industry needs

Question 40: The word "**thrive**" in the last paragraph is opposite in meaning to _____.

A. flourish

B. fail

C. succeed

D. prosper