

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. ancient B. concern C. associate D. special
2. A. limestone B. geographical C. heritage D. citadel

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. intact B. nightlife C. relic D. complex
4. A. cultural B. heritage C. memory D. represent

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

5. _____ in open fires, rubbish and organic waste produce a great amount of black carbon.
A. Burnt B. Burning C. Be burnt D. To burn
6. Angela should seriously consider _____ an actress. She is a very talented performer.
A. to become B. become C. becoming D. will become
7. We're good friends. We _____ each other for a long time.
A. have known B. knew C. know D. have been knowing
8. Not only profits, but it also had to lay off workers.
A. lost the company B. did the company lose
C. the company lost D. the company had lost
9. We may help to control global warming by _____ carbon footprints in our homes.
A. putting up with B. getting down to

- C. cutting down on D. going back to

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct option that best fits the numbered blanks

Art Magic

This fun course shows you how to design and make (10) _____ fashion jewellery from nature materials, and particularly how to use (11) _____ to help you get ideas for your designs. So if you have your own camera, bring it (12) _____.

10. A. a B. an C. the D. Ø
11. A. photography B. photograph C. photographer D. photogenic
12. A. in B. about C. up D. along

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Art Attack

You'll work on developing creative skills, like printing, photography, cartoons, and movie-making, (13) _____ the latest technology. This course (14) _____ great for anyone wanting to (15) _____ these subjects at college. Good drawing skill are helpful on this course, and students' work will be put into a book, where suitable, for everyone to buy.

13. A. use B. using C. to use D. used
14. A. will be B. is C. has been D. was
15. A. make B. do C. get D. take

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

16.

- a. Besides/ In addition, many people set salary as a measure of their working capacity as well as their level in the company.
- b. The higher income they receive, the more valuable they are in their prospective employment.
- c. There are a variety of reasons / various reasons for considering salary as the most crucial factor.

d. Therefore, not only the amount of money itself but also made-up reputation makes the salary the most concerned matter in job selection.

e. A high income guarantees a high standard quality of life, in which the people can afford their increasing demand on not only human basic needs but also luxurious things such as brand new accessories or overseas holidays.

A. e-d-c-a-b

B. c-e-a-b-d

C. b-e-c-a-d

D. a-c-d-b-e

17.

a. First, I'm allowed to watch TV during my free time, or when I have finished all my homework and exercises. Young children should receive lots of encouragement to follow family rules.

b. I have told you something about my family rules. How about your family rules? I am really excited to hear about it. And I look forward to hearing from you soon.

c. Next my parents don't permit me to go out with my friends without necessary reasons, for example my friends' birthdays.

d. Dear Anna, I have received your letter and I feel so glad when knowing that you have passed your examinations with good marks. You want me to tell you about my family rules.

e. Besides, I have to take a balanced diet to keep fit for my study. The daily routines make children feel safe and secure.

A. b-c-d-e-a

B. e-b-d-a-c

B. c-d-a-e-b

D. d-a-c-e-b

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I'm a big fan of film featuring the spy James Bond. I've got most of them on DVD. We've recently bought *Quantum of Solace*, in which Daniel Craig plays the part of Bond. I don't know (18) _____ – but it's a great movie, anyway.

All the actors who've played James Bond have been great, but Daniel Craig, who's made lots of other films, (19) _____ any of them. (20) _____, I think he's the most perfect actor for the role. He even does a few of the more dangerous things in the film himself, instead of (21) _____. I did wonder sometimes whether he'd be clever enough to defeat the bad people – but I'm not going to tell you the ending! The actress who stars with Craig gives a fantastic performance too – I loved (22) _____!

The director probably had a hard job making this Bond film as full of action as earlier ones. But the excitement starts right at the beginning here, with a car chase along a mountain road, and plenty of (23) _____, too – Bond leaping off tall buildings and so

on. Unfortunately, I found the story difficult to follow in places, and it also seemed to be over very quickly – it lasted under two hours. I also felt there weren't as many jokes as in the old Bond films. And where was all the ridiculous Bond equipment – the underwater car or exploding watch that everyone laughed at? This is a more serious, darker Bond film, but I still really enjoyed it.

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| 18. the film's got that name | B. why the film's got that name |
| C. to get the name of the film | C. how to get the film's name |
| 19. A. played the better part than | B. playing the better part |
| C. plays the better part than | D. that play the better part than |
| 20. When he doesn't talk very much | B. Not talking very much |
| C. He doesn't talk very much | D. Even though he doesn't talk very much |
| 21. A. getting someone else to do them | B. getting someone else do them |
| C. someone else to get to do them | D. someone else getting to do them |
| 22. A. she wore all the glamorous clothes | B. all the glamorous clothes wearing |
| C. all the glamorous clothes she wore | D. all the glamorous clothes to be worn |
| 23. A. other thrilling scenes | B. others thrilling scenes |
| C. the other thrilling scenes | D. other thrilled scenes |

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word or phrase that best fits the number blank in the reading passage.

The "greenhouse effect" is the warming that happens when certain gases in Earth's atmosphere (24) _____ heat. These gases let in light but keep heat from escaping, like the glass walls of a greenhouse. First, sunlight shines onto the Earth's surface, (25) _____ it is absorbed and then radiates back into the atmosphere as heat. In the atmosphere, "greenhouse gases trap some of this heat, and the rest escapes into space. The more greenhouse gases are in the atmosphere, the more heat gets trapped.

Scientists have known about the greenhouse effect since 1824, when Joseph Fourier calculated that the Earth would be much colder if it had no atmosphere. This greenhouse effect is what keeps the Earth's climate (26) _____. Without it, the Earth's surface would be an average of about 60 degrees Fahrenheit cooler. Scientists often use the term "climate change" instead of global warming. This is because as the Earth's average temperature climbs, winds and ocean currents move heat around the globe in ways that can cool some areas, warm (27)

_____, and change the amount of rain and snow falling. (28) _____, the climate changes differently in different areas.

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| 24. A. seize | B. capture | C. trap | D. grasp |
| 25. A. who | B. where | C. that | D. when |
| 26. A. energetic | B. animate | C. livable | D. active |
| 27. A. others | B. another | C. one | D. the other |
| 28. A. However | B. In addition | C. On the contrary | D. As a result |

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the answer to each of the question.

When lifestyle changes aren't enough, the next step may be to take medicine. Your health care provider can tell you about special drugs for overactive bladder (OAB).³

There are several drug types that can relax the bladder muscle. These drugs, like anti-muscarinics and beta-3 agonists, can help stop your bladder from squeezing when it's not full. Some are taken as pills, by mouth. Others are gels or a sticky transdermal **patch** to give you the drug through your skin.

Anti-muscarinics and beta-3 adrenoceptor agonists can relax the bladder muscle and increase the amount of urine your bladder can hold and empty. Combination drugs, like using both anti-muscarinics and - beta-3 adrenoceptor agonists together may help control OAB when one option alone isn't working.

Your health care providers will want to know if the medicine works for you. **They** will check to see if you get relief or if the drug causes problems, known as side effects. Some people get dry mouth and dry eyes, constipation, or blurred vision. If one drug you try doesn't work, your health care provider may ask you to take different amounts, give you a different one to try, or have you try two types together. Lifestyle changes and medicine at the same time help many people.

29. Which of the following can be the best title for the passage?

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| A. Bladder Stops from Squeezing | B. What Option to Control OAB |
| C. Prescription Drugs for OAB | D. Lifestyle Changes and OAB |

30. According to the passage, overactive bladder _____.

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| A. can be treated by using only one drug type |
| B. may get better with combination drugs |

C. could be eliminated without any side effects

D. has nothing related to lifestyle changes

31. The word patch in paragraph 2 mostly means _____.

A. a small piece of material

B. an attempt to do something

C. your feelings

D. a piece of equipment

32. The word They in paragraph 4 refers to _____.

A. medicine works

B. problems

C. side effects

D. health care providers

33. Which of the following is NOT true according to the passage?

A. Drugs cannot stop the bladder from squeezing.

B. Some drugs are gels or a sticky transdermal patch.

C. Some drugs can relax the bladder muscle.

D. Two types of drugs may be taken together if one doesn't work.

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the answer to each of the question.

Like many emergency responders, Nicholas Groom is used to stress at work. On one hand, the stress can be helpful. "I find that when attending a serious incident, it helps me to maintain focus on the situation," Nicholas Groom said. On the other hand, the work can be highly pressurised. "Too much stress can impair your ability to make decisions," he adds. And Groom is not alone in his complicated relationship with stress.

Many people believe that that there should be a balanced amount of stress. In other words, not too much stress so you're not overwhelmed but not too little stress so you don't feel unmotivated. After all, some anxiety is motivating; think of the adrenaline before a deadline or the excitement before a competition. Sports fans sometimes even talk about a "gene" in some athletes who seem to play best in the decisive final moments of a match. Furthermore, many psychologists claim that performance in many situations increases with stress up to a point. Of course, any stress can cause harm when it's prolonged. To take just one example, a long-term high heart rate is linked to cardiovascular diseases. And additional stressors, such as financial pressures or psychiatric issues, clearly affect how beneficially someone can respond to stress.

So is there a way to harness stress to your advantage while being mindful of its **detrimental** long-term effects? One key factor is to avoid, whenever possible, the point when

stress leads to mental and physical collapse. Crystal Wernicke, 30, has always used stress as a motivator. But juggling between parenting, a full-time job, a voluntary role and financial troubles at the same time became too much and eventually led to a two-month period of illness. Another factor is the presence of control. For those who feel powerless over their situation, stress is unlikely to be beneficial. But with some autonomy over stressful tasks, we are better able to convert that pressure into higher performance.

When it comes to stress and how it affects your performance, it's helpful to recognise the variations in personality, type of stress and task that affect the level of pressure you are under, as well as understanding tools you can use to control and harness that stress. Ultimately, it's not helpful to take a one-sided view, either demonising or glorifying stress. As James C Quick, a management professor at the University of Texas, **sums up**: "Stress can be the kiss of death as well as the spice of life."

34. Which of the following best serves as a title for the passage?

- A. Maintaining A Balanced Level Of Stress Can Be Helpful
- B. Getting Rid Of Stress Completely Is The Key To Success
- C. The Different Types Of Stress-Related Diseases
- D. How Prolonged Stress Affects Your Mental Health

35. The word "detrimental" in paragraph 3 is opposite in meaning to _____.

- A. positive
- B. unfortunate
- C. damaging
- D. inconvenient

36. Which of the following is NOT TRUE, according to paragraph 2?

- A. Excitement before a competition can motivate people.
- B. A stressor can have negative impacts if it exists for too long.
- C. Financial pressures can encourage us to work harder in life.
- D. It is widely believed that a moderate level of stress is the best.

37. The phrase "sums up" in the last paragraph is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. assumes
- B. concludes
- C. predicts
- D. proposes

38. The word "it" in the first paragraph refers to _____.

- A. stress
- B. incident
- C. focus
- D. situation

39. Why was Crystal Wernicke sick for two months?

- A. She didn't have the money to take care of her health.
- B. She was stressed out about too many responsibilities.
- C. She worked too hard for a very long period of time.
- D. She spent time and effort on parenting instead of healthcare.

40. What can be inferred from the passage?

- A. People consider emergency responders like Groom to be unusual.
- B. Athletes always perform at their best towards the end of a match.
- C. There is a limit beyond vượt qua which stress is harmful for one's mental health.
- D. The more stressful the situation, the more powerless people feel when facing it.