Đề 11

(trích đề Sở Yên Bái - 2 đọc hiểu + 1 đọc điền)

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 questions.

Choosing a career is a pivotal moment in life, a decision that can profoundly influence one's overall well-being and life satisfaction. It's a multifaceted undertaking that demands careful introspection and a comprehensive understanding of oneself. While passion and motivation are undoubtedly crucial driving forces, a discerning individual must also meticulously consider their unique set of skills, values, and aspirations.

Aptitude, often overlooked in the initial excitement of pursuing a passion, plays a **pivotal** role in determining long-term career success. **It** signifies an inherent inclination or talent for a particular domain - a natural knack for certain tasks or activities. This encompasses a broad spectrum of abilities, ranging from cognitive faculties such as critical thinking, problem-solving, and creativity, to psychomotor skills like manual dexterity, coordination, and spatial awareness. By accurately assessing their individual strengths and weaknesses, individuals can make informed decisions about career paths that are not only fulfilling but also sustainable in the long run.

[I] Personalityests, such as the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI), can shed light on individual preferences, work styles, and interpersonal interactions. **[II]** Aptitude tests, on the other hand, evaluate specific skills and abilities relevant to various professions, such as numerical reasoning, verbal comprehension, and spatial visualization. **[III]** Career counseling sessions with qualified professionals can provide valuable guidance, offering personalized insights and helping individuals navigate the complexities of career exploration. **[IV]**

It's crucial to remember that aptitude is not an immutable destiny. While it provides a valuable foundation, it does not **dictate** the limits of one's potential. With consistent effort, dedication, and a commitment to lifelong learning, individuals can cultivate new skills, acquire new knowledge, and successfully pursue careers that may not have initially seemed within their grasp. Moreover, the modern workplace increasingly values adaptability, creativity, and the ability to learn new things quickly.

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These skills are highly transferable across different career paths, allowing individuals to navigate career transitions with greater ease and confidence.

Ultimately, the most fulfilling career path is one that harmonizes with one's passions, values, and aptitudes. By conducting a thorough self-assessment, exploring various career options, and seeking guidance when necessary, individuals can make informed decisions that lead to rewarding and enriching professional journeys. This extended version provides more in-depth explanations, adds specific examples (like the MBTI), emphasizes the importance of lifelong learning and adaptability, and highlights the evolving nature of the modern workplace.

Question 1. Where in paragraph 3 does the following sentence best fit?

A variety of tools and assessments can assist in this self-discovery process.

A. [III] B. [IV] C. [II] D. [I]

Question 2. The word **pivotal** in paragraph 2 is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.

A. major B. insignificant C. important D. necessary

Question 3. The word **It** in paragraph 2 refers to _____.

A. role B. success C. aptitude D. passion

Question 4. The word **dictate** in paragraph 4 could be best replaced by _____.

A. ignore B. include C. determine D. assess

Question 5. Which of the following is NOT a part of a spectrum of abilities according to the author?

A. spatial awareness B. problem-solving

C. critical thinking D. creating relationships

Question 6. Which of the following best summarizes paragraph 4?

A. Individuals are capable of overcoming their personal limitations with sufficient hard work and ongoing dedication, regardless of their initial aptitudes or natural talents.

B. Even though lifelong learning plays a vital role in achieving success in today's dynamic job market, the foundational importance of one's initial aptitudes still cannot be overlooked.

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C. The modern workplace values adaptability, creativity and the ability to learn new things, making it easier for individuals to succeed regardless of their initial career choices.

D. Despite their aptitudes, individuals can achieve their full potential through consistent effort, continuous learning, and adaptability, which are highly valued in today's job market.

Question 7. Which of the following is TRUE according to the passage?

A. By quickly choosing a career path, individuals can achieve fulfilling professional journeys.

B. The modern workplace increasingly values specialization, routine tasks, and resistance to change.

C. Individuals can make informed decisions about career paths by focusing on only their strengths.

D. Aptitude tests measure specific skills and abilities that are relevant to various professions.

Question 8. Which of the following best-paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 5?

A. The pursuit of a fulfilling career deters individuals from personal passions, values, and aptitudes.

B. The most fulfilling careers are founded on financial stability, well-being and life satisfaction

C. True career satisfaction comes from work that matches your passions, values, and strengths.

D. The rewarding careers are established on financial security, career progression, and incentives.

Question 9. Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?

A. Aptitude tests, which are essential for making wise career decisions, can accurately predict an individual's future career success and determine their entire career trajectory.

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B. Passion, which ensures long-term success and satisfaction in career paths, should always be the sole determinant of career choice, regardless of aptitude or practical considerations.

C. Self-awareness, including understanding one's aptitudes and personality, is crucial for making informed career choices that lead to long-term fulfillment and success.

D. Once a career path is chosen, it is crucial to stick to it and avoid any career changes, as this demonstrates true commitment and professional dedication.

Question 10. Which of the following best summarizes the passage?

A. Choosing a fulfilling career requires self-awareness, including understanding your aptitudes and passions. Continuous learning is key to success.

B. Continuous learning is crucial for navigating the evolving job market and achieving long-term success. Success depends on continuous learning.

C. Choosing a career requires a consistent effort careful and a consideration of personal factors, not including passions, values, and aptitudes.

D. Self-assessment tools, such as personality tests and aptitude tests can help individuals understand their strengths and weaknesses to different career paths.

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 questions.

Vietnamese cultural identity is a rich and intricate tapestry that reflects the nation's long and storied history. Rooted in over a thousand years of civilization, Vietnam's cultural identity is a fusion of **indigenous** traditions and external influences, shaped by its geographical location and historical interactions.

First and foremost, at the heart of Vietnamese culture is a deep **reverence** for family and community. Confucian values emphasizing respect for elders, filial piety, and social harmony have played a pivotal role in shaping Vietnamese society. These values are reflected in the close-knit family structures, hierarchical relationships, and communal rituals that are integral to daily life.

Secondly, Vietnamese cuisine is celebrated worldwide for its exquisite flavors and diversity. With its emphasis on fresh ingredients, fragrant herbs, and balanced flavors,

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Vietnamese food tells a story of the country's agricultural heritage and regional variations. Iconic dishes like pho, banh mi, and spring rolls have become global favorites, representing the culinary artistry deeply ingrained in Vietnamese culture. Also, Vietnam's artistic expressions are equally captivating. Traditional art forms like water puppetry, silk painting, and folk music continue to thrive alongside contemporary artistic movements. **Áo dài, a graceful traditional dress, exemplifies the fusion of elegance and modesty in Vietnamese fashion. symbolizing cultural pride and identity.**

Today, in the face of modernization and globalization, Vietnamese cultural identity remains resilient. While adapting to the challenges of the 21st century, the Vietnamese people continue to honor their traditions, celebrate **their** unique cultural expressions, and pass on their heritage to future generations, ensuring that their cultural identity remains vibrant and enduring.

(Adapted from Saigoneer)

Question 11. The word **indigenous** in paragraph 1 is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.

A. native B. foreign C. traditional D. local

Question 12. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as Confucian values emphasizing respect for?

A. individualism B. filial piety C. social harmony D. elders

Question 13. The word **reverence** in paragraph 2 could be best replaced by _____.

A. indifference B. disrespect C. criticism D. admiration

Question 14. Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 3?

A. As a traditional dress, the áo dài reflects the combination of sophistication and simplicity in Vietnamese fashion, representing the nation's cultural values.

B. Known as a traditional dress, the áo dài beautifully combines elegance with modesty, serving as a symbol of Vietnam's cultural identity and pride.

C. The áo dài, known for its elegance and modesty, represents a blend of Vietnamese fashion that embodies cultural identity and pride.

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D. The graceful áo dài, a traditional Vietnamese attire, signifies the blend of elegance and restraint, illustrating the pride and identity of Vietnamese culture.

Question 15. The word **their** in paragraph 4 refers to _____.

A. Agricultural heritage B. Vietnamese cuisine

C. Vietnamese people D. Traditional art form

Question 16. Which of the following is TRUE according to the passage?

A. Water puppetry is no longer practiced in Vietnam.

B. Vietnamese cultural identity is static and unchanging.

C. Modernization has completely erased Vietnamese traditions.

D. Vietnamese cuisine has gained international recognition.

Question 17. In which paragraph does the writer mention a present concession relationship?

A. Paragraph 2 B. Paragraph 4 C. Paragraph 3 D. Paragraph 1

Question 18. In which paragraph does the writer state that Vietnamese cultural identity is influenced by both internal and external factors?

A. Paragraph 2 B. Paragraph 1 C. Paragraph 4 D. Paragraph 3

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.

TAKING ACTION TO PROTECT OUR PLANET

Let's discover how we can contribute to protect our planet in our everyday activities.

Facts and figures:

In recent years, some individuals and communities **(19)** _____ to rethink their habits in order to protect the environment. However, people around the world still throw away millions of plastic bags and bottles every day. These items take hundreds of years to **(20)** _____ harming wildlife and the planet.

Positive action!

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◆ Choose **(21)** _____ fruits and vegetables to reduce the use of harmful chemicals.

◆ Avoid buying food in unnecessary plastic packaging. **(22)** _____ eating pre-packaged meals, cook your own food from scratch!

◆ Limit the number of products you use and always try to reuse or recycle. Separate paper, glass, and plastic items **(23)** _____ general waste and ensure they are properly recycled.

◆ Encourage **(24)** _____ to follow sustainable practices to help protect the environment.

Let's work together to create a cleaner, greener future!

Question 19. A. have begun B. begins C. has begun D. began

Question 20. A. decompose B. discard C. enhance D. repair

Question 21. A. flavorful B. rotten C. organic D. juicy

Question 22. A. Irrespective of B. In view of

C. Instead of D. On account of

Question 23. A. on B. for C. from D. of

Question 24. A. another B. the other C. other D. others

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