ĐỀ THAM KHẢO SỐ 1

SECTION 1: PHONETICS

I. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the rest by circling the corresponding letter A, B, C or D. (0.5 points)

1.	A. r<u>e</u>sult	B. s<u>ea</u>son	C. r<u>ea</u>son	D. adj<u>u</u>st
2.	A. n<u>ec</u>essary	B. str<u>e</u>ngth	C. <u>ex</u>cept	D. d<u>e</u>pend
3.	A. h<u>ea</u>vy	B. tr<u>ea</u>d	C. def<u>ea</u>t	D. f<u>ea</u>ther
4.	A. tr<u>u</u>th	B. br<u>ea</u>th	C. str<u>ength</u>en	D. br<u>ea</u>the
5.	A. debr<u>is</u>	B. skill<u>s</u>	C. chor<u>es</u>	D. play<u>s</u>

II. Choose the word that has the stress pattern different from that of the other words. Identify your answer by circling the corresponding letter A, B, C, or D. (0.5 points)

1.	A. academic	B. appreciate	C. opportunity	D. preparation
2.	A. depend	B. except	C. express	D. distance
3.	A. connection	B. create	C. family	D. important
4.	A. gratitude	B. inclusion	C. instruct	D. concern
5.	A. necessary	B. essential	C. office	D. recipe

SECTION 2: VOCABULARY & GRAMMAR

III. Choose the best answer to complete each sentence, and identify your answer by circling the corresponding letter A, B, C, or D. (1.0 points)

1. She found the documentary about space exploration _____ and watched it twice.
   A. interest B. interested C. interesting D. interestedly
2. The school provided the students _____ new laptops for their online classes.
   A. for B. of C. about D. with
3. He had to _____ his mistakes and apologize to his friends.
   A. face up with B. face up to C. face down D. face up
4. Throughout my travels across various countries, I _____ a place as breathtakingly beautiful as the Grand Canyon at sunrise.
   A. have never seen B. would never see C. had never seen D. never see
5. The audience was captivated by the pianist's performance, and they gave her a standing _____ at the end of the concert.
   A. fiction B. scenery C. ovation D. facility

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6. Despite his best efforts, John _____ solve the complex mathematical problem, so he decided to ask his teacher for help.
   A. couldn't B. needn't C. oughtn't D. haven't
7. In an effort to modernize the workplace, the company decided to _____ outdated equipment and invest in the latest technology.
   A. do away with B. look down on C. count on D. account for
8. She looked at me _____ she had just seen a ghost, her face pale and eyes wide with shock.
   A. though B. as though C. as long as D. last but not least
9. The missing jewelry is thought to _____ away accidentally.
   A. to throw B. to have been thrown
   C. to have thrown D. threw
10. _____ in the marathon, he felt a great sense of achievement.
    A. Having participated B. To participated
    C. Have participated D. Participating
11. She often has her sister _____ the meals when she is busy.
    A. cook B. to cook C. cooking D. cooked
12. Hardly had she left the house _____ it started to rain.
    A. as B. than C. while D. when
13. During the international conference, the keynote speaker will speak about the latest _____ in renewable energy technologies.
    A. advancements B. handbags C. economics D. tunnels
14. _____ the foresight to invest in technology stocks a decade ago, he would be a millionaire by now.
    A. Had he had B. Were he to have C. Should she have D. Were he have
15. A number of researchers _____ contributed to the study, providing a diverse range of perspectives and findings that enriched the final report.
    A. have B. has C. had D. to have
16. Many tourists visit _____ Gulf of Mexico each year to enjoy its beautiful beaches and warm waters.
    A. a B. an C. the D. X
17. He will never forget _____ Paris for the first time and seeing the Eiffel Tower.
    A. visit B. to visit C. visiting D. visited
18. She wishes she had had more time to prepare for the presentation, as she felt she _____ a better job.
    A. could have done B. must have done C. can't have done D. couldn't have done

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19. Alexander has a _____ mat on the floor in her bathroom.
A. lovely white Vietnamese wool B. Vietnamese lovely wool white
C. white Vietnamese lovely wool D. wool lovely white Vietnamese

20. Would you mind if I _____ your computer?
A. use B. using C. to use D. used

IV. Supply the correct tense or form of the verbs in brackets. (1.0 points)

1. When the teacher **(enter)** _____ the classroom, the students sat down and opened their books.
2. When he comes home, I **(have)** _____ finished cooking dinner.
3. As soon as he **(hear)** _____ the news, he called his family.
4. By the time I got home, they **(already/ eat)** _____ dinner.
5. At 7 p.m. tomorrow, we **(have)** _____ dinner with our friends.
6. Before they **(arrive)** _____, I had already prepared dinner.
7. Mary phoned while you were out. – OK. I **(phone)** _____ her back.
8. This is the most delicious dish I **(ever try)** _____.
9. It's high time we **(start)** _____ implementing more sustainable practices in our daily lives to protect the environment.
10. She suggests that he **(consider)** _____ studying abroad to broaden his horizons and gain new experiences.

V. Give the correct form of the words in capital to complete the sentences. (1.0 point)

1. She loves to use bright colors and bold patterns for _____ in her home. **(decorate)**
2. The city is known for its beautiful _____ landmarks, such as the historic cathedral and grand government buildings. **(architect)**
3. The teacher checked _____ at the beginning of class to make sure that all the students were present and accounted for. **(attend)**
4. Vietnam is a country with a rich _____ heritage, celebrated through festivals, music, and dance. **(culture)**
5. The company is working to _____ its product line to appeal to a wider range of customers. **(diverse)**
6. Two brothers are equally good at playing football, but the older one is always _____ and tends to take the lead on the field. **(dominate)**
7. The company's decision to switch to LED lighting was not only more _____ but also more environmentally friendly. **(economy)**
8. The _____ of Vietnam has led to significant economic development and modernization in recent years. **(industry)**

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9. The hotel offers excellent _____ to its guests, including a 24-hour front desk and daily housekeeping. **(serve)**
10. The _____ dress of Vietnam is the Ao Dai, a long, flowing garment worn by both men and women. **(tradition)**

VI. Circle the letter A, B, C or D before the mistake(s) in each sentence. (1.0 point)

1. In order to pass <u>the</u> exam, she dedicated <u>countless</u> hours to <u>study</u> and practicing past <u>papers</u>.
   A. the B. countless C. study D. papers
2. The coach used <u>various</u> motivational <u>techniques</u> to get his team <u>perform</u> at their <u>best</u> during the match.
   A. perform B. various C. best D. techniques
3. The package <u>was</u> not <u>light enough</u> to carry comfortably <u>for</u> long distances, so she asked for <u>assistant</u>.
   A. was B. assistant C. light enough D. for
4. She didn't want <u>to go</u> to the party, and he didn't, <u>too</u>, <u>as</u> they both preferred <u>a</u> quiet night in.
   A. to go B. too C. as D. a
5. Pick <u>up</u> <u>some</u> groceries <u>on</u> your way home, <u>don't</u> you?
   A. up B. some C. on D. don't

SECTION 3: READING

VII. Read the passage. Then, choose one suitable word to fill in the gaps. (1.0 point)

If you are like many people, you enjoy sports in your leisure time. Many of us watch sports on TV, go to games and meets, and play tennis or golf in the time (1) _____ after school or work. We may even chat about sports on the Internet. Many observers note that sports reinforce norms and (2) _____ important to society, like competition and teamwork. Sports metaphors, such as "There is no I in TEAM," teach us that success (3) _____ by putting the group above individual glory. Slogans like "Winners never quit and quitters never win" reinforce values of competition and working hard to get ahead. (4) _____, organized sports have been criticized for several things. One is that they encourage potentially harmful male aggression. Another is that they direct minority students, particularly African American males, toward athletics _ instead of academics _ as a road to success. However, only a very small minority of high school athletes are able to support themselves through athletics. In fact, according to one estimate, only one of 12,000 high school athletes will earn money as a professional athlete; among those who make it, the average professional career lasts only three years. Nevertheless, the importance of sports in teaching and reinforcing norms and values, along with the role of sports (5) _____ symbolizing and integrating communities, are important reasons why nearly every nation has encouraged athletics.

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1.	A. left	B. continued	C. went	D. passed
2.	A. ingredients	B. values	C. citizens	D. winners
3.	A. achieve	B. to achieve	C. achieving	D. is achieved
4.	A. Therefore	B. Furthermore	C. Nevertheless	D. Hence
5.	A. in	B. on	C. at	D. of

VIII. Read the following passage, then answer the questions by circling A, B, C or D. (1.0 point)

When I was young, my parents moved from California to Illinois with me and my two sisters. We all helped my mother pack everything from our old house into boxes. Inside three of the boxes were my grandmother's special cups, bowls and plates. They were special because my grandmother, a clever artist, painted them herself with a lovely pattern of blue flowers.

Sadly, one of those three boxes was lost. We never got the cups, but the plates and bowls arrived safely. We used them on special days in the year, like birthdays. We remembered those cups and were sad that we did not have them anymore.

Ten years later, I decided to go to university in California. In my first summer there, a friend asked me to spend the day at an antique market with her. At first, I didn't want to go, but I finally agreed and we had a great day there looking around. There were many old and interesting things for sale. We were just leaving when I saw a woman selling twelve beautiful cups with a pattern of blue flowers. I looked closely and saw they were my grandmother's cups!

1. What motivated the family to use the grandmother's plates and bowls only on special occasions?

   A. They were too fragile for everyday use.

   B. They had sentimental value due to the grandmother's artistic work.

   C. They wanted to keep them in perfect condition for future generations.

   D. They matched their special occasion decor perfectly.

2. How did the author feel about going to the antique market initially, and what changed her mind?

   A. She felt excited but then realized she had other plans.

   B. She felt reluctant but was persuaded by her friend.

   C. She felt indifferent but decided to go out of curiosity.

   D. She felt anxious but went to support her friend's interest.

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3. What can be inferred about the author's relationship with her grandmother based on the passage?
   A. The author admired her grandmother's artistic talent.
   B. The author had little interest in her grandmother's work until finding the cups.
   C. The author spent a lot of time learning to paint from her grandmother.
   D. The author's grandmother frequently visited California.
4. What significance did the rediscovery of the cups have for the author?
   A. It provided closure for the loss experienced years earlier.
   B. It sparked a new interest in collecting antiques.
   C. It made her regret not looking for them sooner.
   D. It encouraged her to contact other family members about the discovery.
5. What does the passage suggest about the impact of the lost box on the family?
   A. The family often talked about the missing cups and felt a deep sense of loss.
   B. The family quickly forgot about the cups and moved on.
   C. The family blamed the moving company for the loss and sought compensation.
   D. The family replaced the cups with new ones that had a similar pattern.

SECTION 4: WRITING

IX. Rewrite each of the following sentences in such a way that they mean the same as the first one. (1.0 points)

1. She will always remember visiting the Eiffel Tower for the first time.
   → She will never _____
2. I think playing video games all day is a waste of time.
   → There is no point _____
3. She continued to study despite the noise.
   → She carried _____
4. He really ought to apologize for his mistake.
   → It's high time that _____
5. She regrets not having traveled more when she was younger.
   → She wishes she _____
6. Although he was injured, he finished the race.
   → Despite _____
7. They want to start learning Spanish.
   → They want to take _____

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8. It's the most beautiful sunset I've ever seen.
   → I have _____

9. You should consider your budget before buying a new car.
   → You should take into _____

10. When you decide to travel, make sure to plan ahead.
    → When you make up _____

X. Rearrange these words or phrases to make complete sentences. (1.0 point)

1. The / is / park / beautiful /, / so / today / decided / I / to / weather / take / walk / a / in / the/.
   _____

2. reading / romantic / books / , / She / especially / loves / novels/.
   _____

3. birthday / This / my / will / weekend /, / have / party to / family / celebrate / small / my / a / grandmother's /.
   _____

4. He / English / the / studies very / to / for / prepare / upcoming / diligently / exam/.
   _____

5. The / was / last / concert / night / ; / the / amazing / band / all / played / my / songs / favourite/.
   _____

XI. Complete sentences using the words or phrases below, adding more words if necessary. (1.0 point)

1. I / recently / started / learn / how / cook / and / discovered/ it / quite /enjoyable.
   _____

2. My friend / invited / me / join / her / a / hiking / trip / next month.
   _____

3. movie / we / watch / yesterday / had / unexpected plot / twist / left / everyone / surprised.
   _____

4. I / been / trying / wake / up / earlier / establish / better / morning / routine.
   _____

5. He / plans / travel / Japan / next / year / experience / cherry / blossom /season.
   _____

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