TEST FOR UNIT 9

I. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the others.

1.	a. continent	b. openness	c. operate	d. dominant
2.	a. fluency	b. punctual	c. rusty	d. multinational
3.	a. creation	b. decision	c. immersion	d. translation
4.	a. Chinese	b. speech	c. technical	d. touchdown
5.	a. simplified	b. varied	c. mastered	d. immersed
6.	a. bilingual	b. dialect	c. derivative	d. profile

II. Choose the word that has the stress different from the rest.

1.	a. official	b. punctual	c. fluency	d. imitate
2.	a. creation	b. settlement	c. dialect	d. dominant
3.	a. bilingual	b. establishment	c. derivative	d. immigration
4.	a. stupidity	b. flexibility	c. simplicity	d. variety
5.	a. popularity	b. pronunciation	c. university	d. multinational

III. Does the voice go up or down on the underlined words? Draw a rising or falling arrow on them.

A: Which smartphone brands should we choose?

B: Let's get the Apple.

A: I think we should take a look at the Samsung. It's really user-friendly.

B: But the Apple is more user-friendly.

A: The Samsung has a high-resolution selfie camera.

B: They both have a high-resolution selfie camera.

A: How much is the Samsung?

B: It's around $1,000.

A: It's too expensive.

B: I know it's expensive, but it has a lot of valuable functions.

A: What about the Apple? What's its price?

B: The iPhone X is $1,149.

A: Hmm, it's a little more expensive, but it looks more charming.

B: The Samsung Galaxy is also charming.

IV. Choose the best answer a, b, c or d to complete the sentence.

1. The article was about the different varieties _____ English spoken throughout the world,

a. in b. of c. from d. among

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2. Susan _____ a bit of Spanish when she was living in Mexico.

a. looked up b. got by in c. picked up d. took in

3. English grammar is said to be difficult to learn _____ its countless rules and numerous exceptions to them.

a. thanks to b. in spite of c. because of d. provided that

4. You don't need to interrupt your reading to look up every unfamiliar word right away - it's better to _____ first.

a. master b. imitate c. translate d. guess

5. _____ education is the use of two different languages in classroom instruction.

a. Vocational b. Bilingual c. Monolingual d. Cooperated

6. New York, _____ population reached 10 million by 1930, was the world's first megacity.

a. whose b. which c. where d. of which

7. Even though I spoke English, sometimes I didn't understand the _____ of some areas because some words meant something else.

a. accent b. pronunciation c. dialect d. derivative

8. The man with _____ I dined last night will be the next President of Bigfoot.

a. whom b. who c. which d. that

9. _____, it was also adapting and absorbing vocabulary from elsewhere.

a. Although English was spreading

b. As English was spreading

c. As long as English spread

d. Because of the spread of English

10. "What is the longest English word that doesn't contain a vowel? I'd say *tsktsks.*"

"_____"

a. How come? b. Sound exciting! c. Spot on. d. Of course, it is.

V. Write the correct form or tense of the verbs in brackets.

1. The number of people learning English _____ (rise) rapidly in recent years.
2. Sarah _____ (apply) for this teaching position if she got an IELTS certificate.
3. English _____ (use) as a lingua franca among many airline pilots.
4. Alfred _____ (teach) English at the University of Wales for five years before he was sent to Rome.
5. By 2025, we forecast that more than two billion people _____ (use) English or learning to use it.
6. Since then, *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* _____ (translate) into 78 languages, including Ancient Greek.
7. Mathew told me he _____ (do) a course in business English at that moment.

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8. The English language _____ (develope) after the Anglo-Saxon invasion c. 449AD.
9. Worldwide, people often desire _____ (learn) to speak English.
10. If you want to speak like a native, you should practice _____ (speak) English with a native speaker.

VI. Write the correct form of the words in brackets.

1. The English language is characterized by its grammatical _____ . (simple)
2. These jobs are often part-time and can be scheduled _____ . (flexibility)
3. She took an advanced course to build up a _____ in written and spoken English. (fluent)
4. I can't read sheet music, because I only learned to play the violin through _____ .(imitate)
5. Canada is an officially _____ country, with two official languages: French and English. (lingual)
6. The word 'politics' is _____ from a Greek word meaning 'city'. (derivative)
7. Because of its global spread, English has several different _____ around the world. (vary)
8. English is the _____ international language of the 21st century. (dominate)
9. He decided to master Spanish and took an _____ course in Mexico, (immerse)
10. He spoke heavily _____ English because he lived in New Jersey throughout his later life. (accent)

VII. Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate that underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.

1. About 500 years ago, English began to undergo a major change of the way its vowels
   A B C
   were pronounced.
   D
2. People often ask how many words are there in the English language.
   A B C D
3. The first BBC English language teaching broadcast was in 4th July 1943.
   A B C D
4. British linguists distinguish dialect from accent, that refers only to pronunciation.
   A B C D
5. In order to mastering English, you should communicate with foreigners more regularly.
   A B C D
6. If you don't know what that word means, try to look it on in the dictionary.
   A B C D
7. The name "England" is derived from the Angles, whom hailed from Englaland.
   A B C D
8. Travelling through a foreign country becomes much more easier if you can speak the
   A B C D
   language of that country.
9. The people to who the funds were supposedly directed benefited little from them.

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A B C D

10. The small town where I was born in has changed greatly over the last fifty years.
A B C D

VIII. Match a sentence in column A to a response in column B.

A	B
1. How long have you been studying English?	a. Absolutely not. You should learn it in certain context instead.
2. I want to study oversea, but my English is not so good.	b. I picked it up from movies and songs.
3. Why is English so hard to learn?	c. I try to guess their meanings from the context first. If I still don't understand, I'll look them up in the dictionary.
4. What skill do you find most difficult when learning English?	d. So I can communicate when I travel anywhere in the world.
5. Why are you studying English?	e. Since I was eight.
6. How did you learn English?	f. One of the reasons is because it's full of contradictions.
7. What do you do when you encounter new words while reading?	g. I think it should be writing skill.
8. Is learning by heart the best way to memorise English vocabulary?	h. Don't worry. You still have time to improve it. Why don't you attend an English course?

IX. Choose the correct answers to complete the passage.

English is a Germanic language that originated (1) _____ England. It is also a (2) _____ language in the other home countries of the United Kingdom, in the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Republic of Ireland, South Africa, and (3) _____ other countries. 380 million people speak English as their first language.

English has "lingua franca" status in many parts of the world (4) _____ the military, economic, scientific, political and cultural influence of the "British Empire" in the 18th and 19th centuries and (5) _____ of the "United States" from the mid 20th century to the present. The global influence of English comes from cinema, music, airlines, broadcasting, science, and the Internet in recent decades. English is now the most widely learned (6) _____ language in the world.

Many students worldwide need to learn some English and business English is (7) _____ in many fields and occupations. Because people speak and learn English everywhere, the language is considered a "(8) _____ language." It is also, by international (9) _____ , the official language for aircraft/airport communication. Its acceptance as a first or second language is the main indication of its global (10) _____ .

1.	a. in	b. to	c. from	d. for
2.	a. fundamental	b. essential	c. native	d. natural
3.	a. numerical	b. numeric	c. numeral	d. numerous

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4.	a. although	b. because of	c. because	d. despite
5.	a. what	b. which	c. this	d. that
6.	a. primary	b. official	c. first	d. second
7.	a. required	b. confirmed	c. commanded	d. offered
8.	a. global	b. modern	c. national	d. regional
9.	a. policy	b. treaty	c. terms	d. treatment
10.	a. scale	b. strategy	c. status	d. situation

X. Read the passage, then do the tasks.

Learning a new language is always an excellent idea. It provides you incredible benefits that come with the backing of science! One of the most useful languages to learn is English.

Learning a second language is one of the best ways to keep your brain active and challenged. Studies have shown that the brain undergoes changes in electrical activity and even structure and size while learning a foreign language that do not occur when learning any other type of task or skill. Learning another language offers important **cognitive** benefits at any age, helping to keep the mind active and even reducing the risk of mental disease and slowing mental decline later in life.

When learning English as a second language, you approach new ways to think and express yourself through written and spoken words. Learning multiple languages can help you communicate more clearly in any language as you learn more about how language itself works and how to use it to promote ideas and reach out to others in a variety of social and work situations.

The world may not have a global language, but English is the default option for countless forms of communication across the globe. That's why one of the benefits of learning English is that it significantly boosts your hiring potential. In addition, it can offer you educational opportunities. If you desire access to some of the best schools like Harvard, Stanford, Oxford, Cambridge or MIT, then knowing English provides you an incredible **edge.** It's expected that around 2 billion people around the world will learn English over the next decade.

A. Decide whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F).

1. Leaning English can help to keep your brain sharp.
2. Your brain changes electrical activity, structure and size when you learn a new language as well as any other type of task or skill.
3. No matter what age you are, there are brain benefits of learning a foreign language.
4. When you learn a second language, you become better at communicating.
5. Knowing English can increase your chance of getting a high-paying job.
6. English gives you a great advantage when applying to some of the best schools.
7. More than two billion people will be learning English in ten years' time.

B. Choose the correct answer.

1. The passage mainly discusses _____.

   a. ways to improve your English level

   b. how to keep your mind active

   c. the advantages and disadvantages of language learning

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d. the benefits of learning English

2. According to the text, learning English as a second language can _____.

a. have a negative effect on the brain b. slow the mental decline due to aging

c. reduce brain function d. lower the risk of heart disease

3. Learning multiple languages makes you a better communicator because_____.

a. you can improve your writing and speaking skills

b. you know how to get the attention of someone

c. you learn more about how to promote your ideas and make contact with others

d. you can communicate more effectively in your mother tongue

4. The word "cognitive" in the second paragraph is closest in meaning to _____.

a. mental b. intellectual c. emotional d. subjective

5. What does the word "edge" used in the third paragraph mean?

a. point b. border c. limit d. advantage

6. All the following sentences are the benefits of learning English except:

a. it helps prevent dementia and Alzheimer's.

b. it provides better employment opportunities.

c. it's easy to use in communication.

d. it gives you access to the world's best universities.

XI. Complete the second sentence so that it has the same meaning as the first.

1. You can easily form a relationship with some people.

→ There are some people _____

2. I hate Nancy because she always plays trick on me in front of my classmates.

→ If _____

3. This is the most useful English lesson we've ever had.

→ We've never had a _____

4. If you don't practice speaking English regularly, you can't improve your speaking skills.

→ Unless _____

5. The singer is staying in a penthouse suite that is situated on the top 2 floors, 45th and 46th.

→ The penthouse suite_____

6. "How has the English language changed over the decades, Jim?" Mary asked.

→ Mary asked _____

7. We have decided that your contract will not be renewed.

→ It _____

8. Revising for exams takes up all my time at the moment.

→ I'm busy _____

9. When they arrived at the police station, they were taken to an interview room.

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→ On _____

10. We could look for the information about the history of English on the Internet.

→ How _____

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