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

1. a. consequently b. responsive c. astronaut d. ongoing
2. a. technical b. receptionist c. flexitime d. descend
3. a. telescope b. Sweden c. hands-on d. universe
4. a. achieve b. mechanic c. architect d. chemical
5. a. certificate b. delicious c. percentage d. decisive

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

1. a. external b. breadwinner c. mechanic d. provider
2. a. harmonious b. biologist c. academic d. certificate
3. a. habitable b. maintenance c. consequently d. engineer
4. a. curriculum b. microgravity c. individual d. empathetic
5. a. facilitator b. creative c. alternatively d. administration

III. Mark the replies (B) in the conversation with the correct tones, using falling, rising, or flat arrows.

1. A: His presentation skill is good.
B: Good? It's amazing!
2. A: What kind of cakes do you like?
B: A lot, such as tiramisu, cupcake, mousse and cheesecake.
3. A: How was your trip to Thailand?
B: It was quite pleasant.
4. A: I believe that women can do more if they are given more freedom.
B: Well, it's true.
5. A: Vietnamese people will easily get accepted to live in the U.S.
B: That's impossible!
6. A: I just quit a good position after the first day.
B: Fantastic!
7. A: I got a scholarship to study at University of Harvard.
B: Well done!
8. A: I want to get married and have kids as soon as possible.
B: You want to get married?
9. A: What do you think about this new computer?
B: It's quite nice.
10. A: If you were stranded on a desert island, what 3 things would you take with you?
B: I'd bring a knife, a blanket and a book.

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IV. Complete the sentences with the words or phrases from the box.

microgravity	profession	male-dominated	career path	content
bundle	breadwinner	habitable	astronomers	altitude

1. We couldn't afford that car because it cost a _____.
2. If you don't know what you want to do, choosing a _____ can be a big deal.
3. Women must go to work to survive without a male _____ or to help him make both ends meet.
4. A lot of teachers left the teaching _____ due to poor working conditions.
5. After the Earth, Mars is the most _____ planet in our solar system.
6. The effects of _____ can be seen when astronauts and objects float in space.
7. _____ have found a planet like Earth orbiting a star like the sun.
8. Kris was _____ with her grades, but her mother was convinced that she could score higher.
9. The aircraft maintained a(n) _____ of 28,000 feet above the sea.
10. Engineering is hugely _____ and there are very little women in the industry.

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

1. Elon Musk's SpaceX sent NASA astronauts _____ orbit on May 30, 2020.
a. in b. to c. into d. around
2. A new approach needs to be more responsive _____ ongoing changes in school.
a. with b. by c. to d. of
3. Have you been to Antelope Canyon? That place is _____!
a. over the moon b. out of this world
c. the sky's the limit d. written in the stars
4. _____ the cities do not provide better and cheaper mass transport, the traffic problem will get worse.
a. Since b. Even though c. Before d. If
5. He've just bought an apartment from _____ lofty heights he could see across the city.
a. whose b. which c. that d. whom
6. As a hotel _____, your job isn't only to greet guests but also to make them feel welcome.
a. housekeeper b. secretary c. chef d. receptionist
7. Many employers consider _____ experience to be as useful as academic qualifications.
a. relevant b. extensive c. professional d. hands-on
8. Many people are successful in their jobs _____ the fact that they have no degree.
a. due to b. in spite of c. although d. so that
9. They've increased the number of customer service staff and _____ the service is better.
a. consequently b. as a result of c. nevertheless d. moreover

10. "I'm afraid it's too late for me to do a vocational training and start over."

"_____ It's never too late to change your career."

- a. No worries! b. Yes, of course. c. Not exactly. d. Never you mind!

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

1. Before his retirement, my father _____ (work) as a project coordinator for a consulting firm for almost twenty years.
2. In career terms, having a good degree _____ (appear) to make little difference.
3. While Jim _____ (paint) the outside of the house, his children _____ (decorate) the bedrooms.
4. NASA told the press that Armstrong _____ (step) onto the lunar surface at 10:56:20 p.m.
5. Employment of workers over 50 _____ (grow) significantly over the past decades.
6. Over a third of jobs _____ (take) over by robots in the next 15 years.
7. If I _____ (be) you, I _____ (send) an email to the recruiter to ask for more information about the job.
8. I _____ (hold) this ladder for ages. When are you going to come down?
9. A Russian dog named Laika became the first animal _____ (orbit) Earth in 1957.
10. I can't help _____ (wonder) if what I'm learning to do will have any bearing on the world outside.

VII. Supply the correct form of the words in brackets.

1. Parabolic flights allow passengers to experience _____ without actually going to space, (weigh)
2. International groups place the greatest demands on your flexibility as a _____. (facilitate)
3. Megan is _____ with her job, and she's thinking about finding another one. (satisfy)
4. I love teaching because it gives me a sense of _____. (responsible)
5. Student roles shift from a more _____ -oriented approach to a more team-oriented approach, (individual)
6. Many women work outside the home to share the _____ burden with their spouses, (finance)
7. Massachusetts ranked fourth in the U.S. in terms of international student _____. (enrol)
8. The system enables teachers to _____ flexibly to the needs of their students. (responsive)
9. The research _____ were all undergraduate students in their final year. (participate)
10. The Internet is very _____ for students in all aspects. (benefit)

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

1. By 2025 more than half of all current workplace tasks will be performed by machines
A B C
opposed to 29% today.
D
2. There was no sign of a taxi although I have ordered it half an hour ago.
A B C D

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- IX. Complete the conversation with the phrases or sentences (A-H).**

- Mark: (1) _____

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Karen: No worries! Tell me, what would you like to become? (2) _____

Mark: Hmmmm....let me see. Yes, I really like law. I love watching legal dramas.

Karen: (3) _____

Mark: I'll think about it seriously. What about you? May I know your choice of career?

Karen: (4) _____

Mark: A veterinary doctor? Why?

Karen: (5) _____

Mark: It's a good profession. (6) _____

Karen: (7) _____

Mark: What qualifications do you need to become a vet?

Karen: (8) _____

Mark: I think we must work hard to fulfill our career plan.

Karen: Of course.

X. Choose the correct answers to complete the passage.

SpaceX's Crew Dragon Demo-2 is off to a roaring start. After a delayed launch earlier in the week, the spacecraft (1) _____ at 3:22 pm EDT on Saturday. It left the planet and entered Earth's orbit, (2) _____ it will later dock with the International Space Station (ISS), beginning a new (3) _____ of commercial space tourism and exploration.

If all (4) _____ as planned, the Crew Dragon capsule, which rides on the top of SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket, will make (5) _____ to the ISS. The capsule is designed to fly mostly autonomously, but astronauts Robert Behnken and Douglas Hurley will take the controls while in Earth's orbit to test out its (6) _____ capabilities. Docking with the ISS, however, is (7) _____ to be completely autonomous, which is a new feature of the upgraded capsule. A second version of the (8) _____, the Cargo Dragon, is designed to use this automated docking for seamless deliveries (9) _____ the ISS. After docking, the astronauts will live on the space station for a few months - the exact (10) _____ is not yet decided - before getting back in the Crew Dragon and returning to Earth.

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| 1. a. took up | b. got on | c. lifted off | d. flew around |
| 2. a. which | b. when | c. where | d. that |
| 3. a. stage | b. era | c. area | d. field |
| 4. a. makes | b. goes | c. carries out | d. does |
| 5. a. 19 trip hours | b. 19-hour trip | c. a 19-hours trip | d. a 19-hour trip |
| 6. a. manual | b. autonomous | c. automated | d. hands-on |
| 7. a. considered | b. believed | c. supposed | d. said |
| 8. a. capsule | b. station | c. section | d. module |
| 9. a. on | b. of | c. toward | d. to |
| 10. a. period | b. timing | c. duration | d. length |

XI. Read the passage carefully. Decide if the statements are true (T) or false (F) and choose the correct answers.

ROBOT TEACHERS

If you think of the jobs that robots could never do, you probably put doctors and teachers at the top of the list. However, in some cases robots already perform better than doctors at diagnosing illness. Also, some patients might feel more comfortable sharing personal information with a machine than with a person. Could there be a place for robots in education after all?

British education expert Anthony Seldon thinks so. He predicts by 2027 robots will do the main job of transferring information and teachers will be like assistants. Intelligent robots will read students' faces, movements and maybe even brain signals. Then they will adapt the information to each student. It's not a popular opinion and it's unlikely robots will ever have empathy and the ability to really connect with humans like another human can.

Teachers all over the world are leaving because it is a difficult job and they feel overworked. Perhaps the question is not 'Will robots replace teachers?' but 'How can robots help teachers?' Office workers can use software to do things like organise and answer emails, arrange meetings and update calendars. Teachers waste a lot of time doing non-teaching work, including more than 11 hours a week marking homework. If robots could cut the time teachers spend marking homework and writing reports, teachers would have more time and energy for the parts of the job humans do best.

1. Robots are always better at diagnosing illness than doctors.
2. Education experts agree robots will fully replace teachers by 2027.
3. Anthony Seldon thinks teachers in the future will help robots in class.
4. Robot teachers will be able to read the brains and facial expressions of students and change the information so that it fits each student.
5. One advantage of robot teachers is that they could empathise with students.
6. Robot assistants could help teachers by marking homework.
7. Teachers can use robots to reduce their time writing reports and preparing lessons.
8. The passage mainly discusses _____.
 - a. the development of artificial intelligence
 - b. the replacement of a teacher by computers
 - c. robotics in the classroom
 - d. the work of the teacher in the future
9. Anthony Seldon, a British education expert, claims that by 2027 _____.
 - a. robots will mainly help teachers transfer information
 - b. the school curriculum will be adapted to individual learning styles
 - c. robots will have the ability to really connect with humans
 - d. robots will begin replacing teachers in the classroom
10. According to the last paragraph, teachers _____.
 - a. work harder than office workers

- b. have less help than office workers
- c. waste a lot of time marking homework
- d. will only teach knowledge to students

11. All of the following statements are true EXCEPT _____ .
- a. doctors and teachers seem as if they can be replaced by robots or computers
 - b. machines sometimes can outperform doctors in disease diagnoses
 - c. robots will probably never have human understanding of emotions
 - d. overwork is one of the reasons teachers are leaving the profession

XII. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

1. This famous director will produce ten short comedy films in four years.
→ Ten short comedy films _____
2. Although she was unwell, she was playing with her son for an hour.
→ Despite _____
3. "Let's light a fire and cook our sausages over it," said the children.
→ The children suggested _____
4. A well-known architect designed their building.
→ They had their building _____
5. "How did you hear about this position?" the interviewer asked Susan.
→ The interviewer asked _____
6. He doesn't earn enough money to buy his favorite car.
→ If _____
7. The World Trade has been collapsed. It is the landmark of America.
→ The World Trade _____
8. We found this cat in the playground opposite our school.
→ This is _____
9. He was capable of doing all the tasks by himself.
→ He managed _____
10. The recruiter said he didn't receive my application for the job.
→ The recruiter denied _____