D. PRACTICE

PART 1. PHONETICS

Exercise 1. Circle the words with /ə/.

sent	**letter**	**tour**	**famous**	**handsome**
open	**suggest**	**banana**	**luggage**	**decide**

Exercise 2. Circle the words with /ɪ/.

fish	**village**	**massage**	**guitar**	**freedom**
rent	**message**	**return**	**silent**	**hill**

Exercise 3. Find the word which has a different sound in the underlined part.

1.	A. apartment	B. afraid	C. nation	D. banana
2.	A. answer	B. mother	C. generous	D. term
3.	A. continue	B. project	C. compare	D. control
4.	A. uncle	B. picture	C. suggest	D. surprise
5.	A. famous	B. dangerous	C. journey	D. anxious
6.	A. six	B. mix	C. miss	D. mind
7.	A. village	B. damage	C. cottage	D. teenage
8.	A. become	B. sentence	C. behave	D. remind
9.	A. suit	B. guitar	C. build	D. guilt
10.	A. find	B. like	C. win	D. site

Exercise 4. Find the word which has different stress from the others.

1.	A. cattle	B. ferry	C. harvest	D. explore
2.	A. atmosphere	B. convenient	C. cultivate	D. furniture
3.	A. collect	B. pasture	C. canal	D. donate
4.	A. discover	B. equipment	C. mountainous	D. experience
5.	A. remote	B. orchard	C. household	D. lighthouse

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PART 2. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

I. VOCABULARY

Exercise 1. Look at the pictures and fill in the blanks.

orchard	mountainous area	pasture	crop	load
feed	paddy field	cattle	lighthouse	canal



1. _____



2. _____



3. _____



4. _____



5. _____



6. _____ _____



7. _____



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9. _____



10. _____

Exercise 2. Reorder the letters to make correct words, then match them with their meanings.

A	B
1. O-P-R-C → _____	A. cows and bulls that are kept as farm animals for their milk or meat
2. E-A-L-T-C-T → _____	B. a piece of land, normally separated from the surrounding area, in which fruit trees are grown
3. K-O-F-L → _____	C. a boat or ship that carries people, vehicles and goods across a river or across a narrow part of the sea
4. R-Y-R-E-F → _____	D. pretty, especially in a way that looks old-fashioned
5. S-T-G-E-I-O-H-U-H-L → _____	E. a type of food or product that a restaurant or place is famous for because it is so good
6. O-R-R-H-A-C-D → _____	F. the amount of grain, fruit, etc. that is grown in one season
7. P-E-R-U-T-A-S → _____	G. land covered with grass that is suitable for feeding animals on
8. I-C-R-P-U-U-E-T-Q-E-S → _____	H. people from a particular country or region, or who have a particular way of life
9. A-L-C-P-E-T-I-S-Y-I → _____	I. to spread over an area of land
10. H-S-C-T-E-T-R → _____	J. a tower or other building that contains a strong light to warn and guide ships near the coast

Your answer:

1. ___ 2. ___ 3. ___ 4. ___ 5. ___ 6. ___ 7. ___ 8. ___ 9. ___ 10. ___

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Exercise 3. Circle the odd one out.

1.	A. collect	B. cultivate	C. noise	D. dry
2.	A. convenient	B. feed	C. catch	D. load
3.	A. vast	B. hospitable	C. friendly	D. skillful
4.	A. mountainous	B. folk	C. peaceful	D. rural
5.	A. picturesque	B. ride	C. plough	D. transport

Exercise 4. Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

harvest	**cattle**	**load**	**inconvenient**	**atmosphere**
well-trained	**pasture**	**collect**	**vast**	**donate**

1. My uncle raises a herd of _____ on his farm.
2. There was a long drought which produced a very poor _____.
3. Many millionaires _____ a great deal of money to the poor in this remote area yearly.
4. All people in this small village have to _____ water from remote rivers to their homes every day.
5. It is very _____ to live in the mountainous areas because of the lack of transportation.
6. On the way to my hometown, I can see the _____ fields stretching to the horizon.
7. _____ workers in this factory can produce quality performance.
8. When I go to the countryside, I enjoy the peaceful _____ and the clear blue sky there.
9. I usually help my grandfather _____ the rice onto the ox-drawn cart during harvest time.
10. Look! A little boy is driving the herd of buffaloes to the _____.

II. GRAMMAR

Exercise 1. Write the comparative form of these adjectives and adverbs.

	Adjectives / Adverbs	Comparative form
1.	hot	
2.	beautiful	

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3.	crazy	
4.	slowly	
5.	early	
6.	much	
7.	badly	
8.	well	
9.	big	
10.	wonderful	
11.	happy	
12.	clever	
13.	far	
14.	convenient	
15.	dangerously	

Exercise 2. Complete the sentences with the correct comparison.

1. She can't stay (long) _____ than 30 minutes.
2. The red shirt is better but it's (expensive) _____ than the white one.
3. Being a firefighter is (dangerous) _____ than being a builder.
4. Lan sings (sweet) _____ than Hoa.
5. The weather this summer is even (hot) _____ than last summer.
6. Your accent is (bad) _____ than mine.
7. Hot dogs are (good) _____ than hamburgers.
8. French is considered to be (difficult) _____ than English.
9. This flower is (beautiful) _____ than that one.
10. My house is (big) _____ than yours.

Exercise 3. Complete the sentences with the comparative form of the adjectives in brackets.

1. I think living in the city is _____ than living in the country. (convenient)
2. That boy is only 18 years old. He is _____ than me. It's incredible! (young)
3. My performance is _____ than Sam's. (bad)

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4. No one in my class is _____ than Jack. (clever)
5. This high-tech mobile phone is much _____ than my old one. (expensive)
6. I have _____ patience than my friends, so I can't wait for even five minutes. (little)
7. The house we lived in was _____ than my flat now. (modern)
8. In my opinion, country folks are _____ than city dwellers. (friendly)
9. My tutor always helps me to be _____ when I speak in public. (confident)
10. All the farmers in the village have to work hard to have a _____ life. (good)

Exercise 4. Complete the sentences with a suitable comparative form of the words provided.

1. Traffic in the city is always _____ than that in the countryside. (busy)
2. A sofa is _____ than a bench. (comfortable)
3. Does a tiger run _____ than a horse? (slow)
4. Anna sings _____ than her classmates. (good)
5. My house is _____ from the city centre than Lucy's house. (far)
6. John plays the flutes _____ than Henry. (bad)
7. Cities are _____ than villages. (big)
8. This year, the farmers in my village work _____ than they did last year. (hard)
9. Villages are _____ than cities. (quiet)
10. I think people in rural areas live _____ than those in urban areas. (happy)

Exercise 5. Complete the sentences with the comparative form of the adverbs in brackets.

1. Julia can speak English _____ than I do. (fluently)
2. The visitors are expected to arrive _____ than the scheduled time. (early)
3. Tony submitted his assignment _____ than me yesterday (late).
4. Mary won the competition because she danced _____ than anyone else. (beautifully)
5. I asked Anna to speak _____ because it was too noisy in the room. (loud)
6. I quite believe that our team can do this project _____ than the other one. (well)

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7. Dan won the medal because he could jump _____ than other students in the sport event. (high)
8. If you use this latest model car, you can go _____ than when you use your old car. (far)
9. I'm afraid that I can't let James drive because he drives _____ than I do. (carelessly)
10. My sister is very clumsy. She cooks _____ than my brother. (badly)

Exercise 6. Use the word in brackets in their correct comparative forms to complete the sentences.

1. Cattle usually cross over the road here, so you should drive more _____. (careful)
2. Life in cities is _____ and _____ than that in the countryside. (fast, convenient)
3. Farmers often have to start a day _____ than city dwellers. (early)
4. I think people in the countryside are _____ than those in the city. (friendly)
5. Living in this small town is _____ than I expected. (peaceful)
6. Houses in cities are much _____ than those in the countryside. (tall)
7. Air pollution in our city is much _____ than it used to be. (bad)
8. The modern harvest machine is _____ than the old one. (effective)
9. The road in this small town is crowded and narrow, so you had better drive a bit _____. (slow)
10. The food in a floating market is _____ than that in a supermarket. (cheap)

Exercise 7. Read the information about France and Spain. Complete the sentences about the countries, using a comparative form of the words in brackets.

FRANCE		SPAIN	
Size:	550,000 sq km	***Size:***	500,000 sq km
Population:	64 million	***Population:***	40 million
Summer temperature:	18°C	***Summer temperature:***	24°C
Winter temperature:	5°C	***Winter temperature:***	11°C
Rainfall:	650mm	***Rainfall:***	300mm

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1. France _____ Spain. (big)
2. Spain _____ France. (small)
3. France's population _____ Spain's population. (large)
4. Spain's population _____ France's population. (small)
5. Spain _____ France in summer. (hot)
6. France _____ Spain in winter. (cold)
7. France _____ Spain. (rainy)

Exercise 8. Circle the correct answers.

1. I like living in this village because it is (*more peaceful / peacefuller*) than living in the city.
2. City dwellers are (*more anxious / anxiouser*) about noise pollution than those in small towns.
3. More and more people move to a (*bigger / biggest*) city to get more job opportunities every year.
4. This board game is (*more exciting / the more exciting*) than the one I played yesterday.
5. Sam is (*more intelligent / most intelligent*) than Jack.
6. My new car is (*costlier / more costly*) than the old one.
7. When we have enough money, we will move to a (*more comfortable / more comfortable than*) apartment next year.
8. I hope you will get (*gooder / better*) results in the next exam.
9. My sister loves to live in Da Lat because it is (*more quiet / quieter*) than her area.
10. The more my daughter grows up, the (*more independent / independenter*) she is.

Exercise 9. Circle the correct answers.

1. It's incredible, your house is much (bigger / more big / biger) than mine.
2. Bill has a good mood today, he looks (more happy / happier / more happily) than he was yesterday.
3. Pat's car is (faster / fastest / more fast) than Peter's.
4. This picture is (colourfuler / more colourful / more colourfully) than the one in the hall.
5. Most people like working with Tom because he always does his work (more responsibly / responsibler / more responsible) than others.
6. This vegetable soup tastes (well / best / better) if you add more salt.

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7. My new job is (hardly / harder / hardlier) than my old one.
8. Lucy is the (prettier / prettiest / more pretty) of the two students.
9. Does Fred feel (weller / better / gooder) today than he did yesterday?
10. We must come (early / more early / earlier) than other people to get the best seats.

Exercise 10. Choose the best answer for each of the following sentences.

1. Quang helps his parents _____ the rice onto the ox-drawn cart.
   A. load B. collect C. dry D. ride
2. In my opinion, city life is more _____ than country life.
   A. friendly B. exciting C. natural D. peaceful
3. I love this view because the sky is _____ here in the countryside because there are no buildings to block the view.
   A. tidy B. close C. dense D. vast
4. Look! Some boys are _____ the buffaloes.
   A. picking B. playing C. driving D. herding
5. Julia plays the guitar _____ than Anna does.
   A. more goodly B. more well C. better D. gooder
6. Medical help is _____ easily obtained in big cities than in remote areas.
   A. more B. fewer C. less D. higher
7. Today I got up _____ than I did yesterday.
   A. earlier B. more early C. more earlily D. more earlier
8. This student seems to be _____ than we thought.
   A. more quick B. more quickly C. quicklier D. quicker
9. The wind is blowing _____ than it did last night.
   A. stronger B. more strongly C. stronglier D. more stronger
10. Is living in the city _____ than living in the country?
    A. more convenient B. more convenienter
    C. as convenient D. convenienter

Exercise 11. Choose the best answers.

1. It is _____ in the city than it is in the country.
   A. noisily B. more noisier C. noisier D. noisy
2. The Maths test was _____ than I thought.
   A. the easier B. more easy C. easiest D. easier

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3. Japanese is thought to be _____ than English.
   A. harder B. the more hard C. hardest D. the hardest
4. My apartment is _____ hers.
   A. cheap than B. cheaper
   C. more cheap than D. cheaper than
5. Her school is _____ from home than mine.
   A. father B. more far C. farther D. farer
6. Tom is _____ than any students in his class.
   A. handsome B. the more handsome
   C. more handsome D. the most handsome
7. He did the exam _____ I did.
   A. as bad as B. badder than
   C. more badly than D. worse than
8. Travelling by car is _____ than travelling by plane.
   A. slower B. slowest C. more slow D. more slower
9. My new bed is _____ than the old one.
   A. more comfortable B. comfortably
   C. more comfortabler D. comfortable
10. My sister plays the piano _____ than me.
    A. gooder B. weller C. better D. more good
11. This road is _____ than that road, so we can't drive here.
    A. narrower B. narrow
    C. the most narrow D. more narrower
12. Antony drives _____ his brother.
    A. more careful than B. more carefully
    C. more carefully than D. as careful as
13. It is _____ in January than in November.
    A. the colder B. the coldest C. coldest D. colder
14. She is _____ than other students in my class.
    A. most hard-working B. more hard-working
    C. the most hard-working D. as hard-working
15. No other planet in the solar system is _____ than Jupiter.
    A. the biggest B. the bigger C. bigger D. biger

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Exercise 12. Circle and correct the mistake in each of the following sentences.

1. Thanks to the development of technology, ploughing machine can plough very
   A B
   much more fastly than a buffalo.
   C D
2. Harvest time is often more busy and harder for farmers.
   A B C D
3. The streets in the city are much crowded than those in the countryside.
   A B C D
4. Last summer holiday, I had a very forgettable time in my hometown when I spent
   A B C
   a lot of time flying kites on the field with my old friends.
   D
5. Although Jane lives in a small village, her house is comfortably furniture.
   A B C D
6. In my view, villagers think more optimistic than city-dwellers.
   A B C D
7. My family has lived happilier in the country than in the big city since last year.
   A B C D
8. A tractor can plough welly than a buffalo or a horse.
   A B C D
9. I find living in a town more boringer than living in a city because it lacks many
   A B C D
   forms of entertainment.
10. Many years ago, our grandparents used to live in an earth house with deficient
    A B C D
    facilities.

1.	6.
2.	7.
3.	8.
4.	9.
5.	10.

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