

650+ Lesson 25 – Reading parts 5 & 6

Part 5

I.

Select the best answer to complete the sentence.

1. _____ our experts all applied the latest technologies to examine the samples, they could not reach an agreement.

- (A) Despite
- (B) Regarding
- (C) Provided
- (D) Although

2. It is highly unlikely that the joint venture will go ahead _____ the two parties couldn't reach an agreement on several key issues.

- (A) because
- (B) with
- (C) to
- (D) unless

3. _____ Friday's unpromising weather forecast, the manager is determined to take the team for an outing to Ridley Park.

- (A) Although
- (B) Despite
- (C) Whether
- (D) For

4. According to the flier, a subscription to one of Coastal TC's cell phone plans costs as little _____ \$25 a month.

- (A) than
- (B) as
- (C) for
- (D) of

II.

1. Each of the proposals _____ carefully reviewed by the committee before the final meeting.

- (A) were
- (B) are
- (C) has been
- (D) have been

2. Not only the sales team but also the marketing director _____ to attend the regional conference next week.

- (A) plans
- (B) plan
- (C) planning
- (D) are planning

3. The manager agreed to extend the deadline _____ the new software update could be completed without errors.

- (A) so that
- (B) unless
- (C) although
- (D) whereas

4. A number of employees _____ reported higher satisfaction after the company introduced flexible hours.

- (A) was
- (B) has

- (C) have
- (D) having

5. The number of applicants this year _____ significantly lower than expected due to the economic slowdown.

- (A) were
- (B) are
- (C) is
- (D) have been

6. _____ he had extensive experience, the board decided not to hire him because of his poor references.

- (A) Despite
- (B) Although
- (C) Unless
- (D) Because

7. The document that _____ by the finance department contains confidential projections for next quarter.

- (A) prepares
- (B) prepared
- (C) has prepared
- (D) was prepared

8. Neither the suppliers nor the distributors _____ willing to accept the new contract terms.

- (A) is
- (B) are
- (C) have
- (D) be

9. It is unclear _____ the company will proceed with the merger, given the recent market instability.

- (A) that
- (B) whether
- (C) which
- (D) how

10. Both the CEO and the investors _____ optimistic about the company's international expansion.

- (A) being
- (B) are
- (C) is
- (D) have been

11. The research results will not be published _____ the data have been verified by an external auditor.

- (A) although
- (B) because
- (C) unless
- (D) since

12. The project, as well as its financial report, _____ delayed due to unforeseen technical issues.

- (A) have been
- (B) were
- (C) has been
- (D) being

13. If the report _____ submitted on time, the management would have approved the funding for the next phase.

- (A) is
- (B) was
- (C) had been
- (D) has been

14. The CEO insisted that all financial statements _____ reviewed again before being released to the public.

- (A) were
- (B) are
- (C) be
- (D) have been

Part 6

III.

Select the best answer to complete the text.

Vietnam Airlines

Noi Bai International Airport

March 17, 2022

Dear Mr. Wang,

We have found a suitcase which we believe belongs to you. (1) _____ you have lost such an item, please provide us with a detailed description of your property, including the color and the contents of the suitcase. (2) _____, please inform us whether you want to get it back in person at our lost property office or via post to your current address.

(3) _____ we receive the requested information, we will verify your case and send you a confirmation within two working days. Please note that we will dispose of the property (4) _____ we hear from you within 10 days from the date of this email.

Sincerely,

Baggage Service

Vietnam Airlines

1.

- (A) While
- (B) If
- (C) When
- (D) After

2.

- (A) As a result
- (B) However
- (C) Yet
- (D) Also

3.

- (A) Once
- (B) On
- (C) Because
- (D) Since

4.

- (A) unless
- (B) provided
- (C) if
- (D) as long as

IV.

To: All Staff

From: Facilities Department

Subject: Temporary Office Relocation

Our main office will undergo renovation from **May 10 to July 30**. (1) _____, employees from the second and third floors will be relocated to the temporary workspace on the fifth floor. The renovation will improve lighting, ventilation, and overall workspace efficiency.

(2) _____ this transition may cause some inconvenience, the Facilities Department has arranged additional Wi-Fi routers and power outlets to support daily operations.

(3) _____ your department requires special equipment or storage space, please submit a request form no later than **May 5**.

We appreciate everyone's cooperation and patience. Please note that access to the renovated floors will be restricted (4) _____ construction work is fully completed and inspected for safety.

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| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) |
| (A) However | (A) Because | (A) Unless | (A) after |
| (B) As a result | (B) Although | (B) Because | (B) before |
| (C) Therefore | (C) Unless | (C) If | (C) since |
| (D) Although | (D) Since | (D) While | (D) until |

V.

Global Markets Ltd. (1) _____ among the leading financial consulting firms in Asia, providing strategic advice to over 300 international clients. The company's reputation for accuracy and transparency (2) _____ the reason many corporations rely on its market analyses when making investment decisions.

Each of the regional directors, along with their teams, (3) _____ required to submit a performance report to headquarters by the end of every quarter. Although the number of employees in each branch (4) _____ significantly over the past year, productivity levels have remained consistent across all departments.

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| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) |
| (A) are | (A) are | (A) are | (A) have increased |
| (B) were | (B) have been | (B) is | (B) has increased |
| (C) is | (C) is | (C) have | (C) increase |
| (D) have been | (D) were | (D) were | (D) increases |