SHORT TEST UNIT 9

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

1. A. verbal B. poverty C. performance D. cyberbullying
2. A. admit B. ashamed C. awareness D. contrast
3. A. pressure B. depression C. confidence D. offensive

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following questions.

4. A. issue B. campaign C. social D. problem
5. A. physical B. poverty C. violent D. awareness

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

6. Recent campaigns have led to a dramatic increase in _____ of social issues.
   A. knowledge B. awareness C. sympathy D. experience
7. I used to advise them not to drink too much _____while driving or riding and they kept telling me that they only drank a very small quantity.
   A. water B. soft drink C. alcohol D. vinegar
8. A range of social _____ and their bad effects were debated at the meeting.
   A. issues B. progress C. values D. expectations
9. The government have just launched their annual Christmas _____ to stop drunken driving.
   A. action B. activity C. plan D. campaign
10. In Britain, half of all violent _____ is committed by people who have been drinking alcohol.
    A. crime B. criminal C. punishment D. resistance
11. Some people really enjoy swimming. _____, others are afraid of water.
    A. By contrast B. Although C. Despite D. Moreover
12. The ancient Aztec of Mexico had no technology for making tools from metal. _____, they had sharp knives and spears made from a stone called obsidian.
    A. Whereas B. Although C. However D. Despite
13. _____ there was no electricity, I was able to read because I had a candle.
    A. Unless B. Even though C. Because D. Only if
14. Even though a duck may live on water, it stays dry _____ the oil on its feathers. The oil prevents the water from soaking through the feathers and reaching its skin.
    A. due to B. besides C. in spite of D. in the event of
15. It is still a good idea to know how to type. _____ the many technological advances in typewriters and word processors, a skilled operator remains indispensable.
    A. Because of B. In spite of C. In case of D. In addition to

Fill in each blank in the passage with the correct word below. There are three extra words.

leading	*buying*	*showing*	*skipping*
engaging	*asking*	*thinking*	*taking*

Cons of Peer Pressure

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Friends may encourage (16) _____ in risky things, such as fighting, reckless riding or cheating in class. Students could get distracted because of peer pressure of playing truant or (17) _____ study.

A person makes reckless decisions without (18) _____ just only because others also do this. The most relevant example of this is (19) _____ items that are unnecessary. People start (20) _____ fake lives to impress others, and it can lead them to harmful results. Sometimes a person may want things due to peer pressure, but he or she isn't able to get them because of some issues, which could then make them upset or depressed.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

21. Don't feel **ashamed** to admit that you do not know something.

A. proud B. embarrassed C. excited D. upset

22. He found her comments very **offensive**, so he wanted her to apologise to him.

A. nice B. supportive C. sensible D. rude

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

23. He seemed a bit **depressed** about his work situation. He didn't contact anyone.

A. optimistic B. unhappy C. miserable D. disappointed

24. My mother is always **anxious** if we don't get home in time.

A. concerned B. worried C. relaxed D. surprised

Circle A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct response to each of the following exchanges.

25. Jack is calling Jane.

Jack: I'm afraid I can't go to the cinema with you, Jane.

Jane: _____

A. I'm sorry I can't. B. What a pity! C. That's good. D. I know that.

26. Jack is talking to Jane.

Jack: Jane, I have to do my homework this evening. I can't hang out with you.

Peter: _____

A. No worries. Just go with me. B. Why not?

C. Are you going out tonight? D. How disappointing.

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to choose the word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 27 to 31.

Online Dating

Dating people online has become an extremely popular custom that has developed as more and more people have figured out the (27) _____ of using the Internet as a way of finding love. People of all ages submit to dating online, teens and adults alike searching for that special person by setting up accounts on online dating sites and browsing through other people's profiles. On dating websites, singles are provided the (28) _____ of learning a few things about various potential partners, making their decision of contacting them based (29) _____ dating profile descriptions and photos.

Out of the many countries where people practise online dating, the United Kingdom is perhaps the keenest on online dating (30) _____ most English people prefer to browse on the Internet in order to find dates instead of trying to meet other persons in bars, clubs, parks or at parties.

Dating may vary across the globe, yet as time passes, people develop new dating customs, such as dating with the help of the Internet. Although this form of dating is mostly practised in the Western civilization,

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no one can tell for sure what other customs will emerge as the world changes, and whether strict dating will come against some people's right of choosing whatever partner they see (31) _____ for themselves.

27. A. success	B. qualities	C. advantages	D. drawbacks
28. A. situation	B. time	C. development	D. opportunity
29. A. in	B. on	C at	D. from
30. A. although	B. so	C. since	D. but
31. A. fit	B. ready	C. excited	D. interesting

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 32 to 36.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson have two children, Lara 10 and Peter is 16. Mrs. Nelson first discovered that Peter was getting into trouble when school rang her to say that he hadn't turned up that day, or the day before. She realized right away that he had been truanting.

Peter's behaviour was causing conflict in the house and Mr. and Mrs. Nelson were both concerned. They had different views of how they should deal with Peter's behaviour and this led to rows that upset the whole family. They decided to prevent Peter from going out with his friends, but this just made him more stubborn, and he would continue to miss school and stay outside his curfew.

Over the coming weeks, family life became more and more difficult. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson felt that they could no longer do this on their own and asked the school to help. The school arranged for Peter to talk to someone he trusted, and they made an agreement for him to start gradually attending school again. He was also given some time to catch up with the work he had missed.

As he started to talk it through, Peter realized that he had been unhappy at school for a while. He admitted that he had felt lonely since his best friend moved away and another group of friends had persuaded him to skip school. As he missed more and more school, it became harder to go back.

Peter was encouraged to tell his parents how much he missed his friend and that he wanted to spend time with his dad playing football or fishing. Mr. Nelson thought he had grown out of that a long time ago but was pleased to spend time with Peter again.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson tried to notice every day when Peter achieved his goal of attending school, being on time and remembering to do his homework. It took a little longer for Peter's friendships to return to normal and Peter has had to learn to prove himself trustworthy to his parents, but gradually Mr. and Mrs. Nelson are learning to trust Peter again.

32. The conflict in the Nelsons was due to the fact that _____.
    A. Peter had been truanting at school
    B. Peter was getting into trouble at school
    C. they paid too much attention to Lara
    D. they didn't agree on the solution to Peter's problem
33. When Mr. and Mrs. Nelson applied severe punishment to Peter, _____.
    A. Peter stopped going out with his friends
    B. it had no effect and made the situation worse
    C. he missed his friends and stayed outside his curfew
    D. the family didn't know how to deal with his behaviour
34. The school applied all the following things to help Peter EXCEPT that _____.
    A. they helped the Nelsons solve the problem on their own
    B. they agreed to allow him to come back to school
    C. they helped him to catch up with his study

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D. they tried to make his communication with his friends better

35. The reason why Peter got into trouble was that _____.

A. it became harder for him to miss school

B. he couldn't talk about his problem at home and at school

C. some of his friends had negative impact on him

D. he wanted to move away with his best friend

36. The best solution to Peter's problem was that _____.

A. he went fishing with his dad again

B. the school and family have helped and trusted him

C. he could do his homework and go to school on time

D. it took him a long time to have normal friendship again

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

37. In many countries around the world, it is not easy growing because teens are dealing with many social

A B C D

issues.

38. We started a campaign against bullying in our school. However, we organised classes for teens

A B

to try new things and become more confident.

C D

39. The main source of teenagers' anxious and depression was social pressure, such as the pressure to look

A B C

good or to fit in social groups.

D

40. I wish you'd spend more time at home instead for going out drinking with your friends every night.

A B C D

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