

PART 3: READING

I. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

Two of (1) _____ important holidays in the US are Independence Day and Thanksgiving Day. The fourth of July marks the American declaration of independence from Britain. Most towns, big or small, celebrate the fourth of July with parade and fireworks. Families (2) _____ with barbecues or picnics. Thanksgiving Day is celebrated in Fall, on the fourth Thursday in November. It is a day (3) _____ people give thanks to the harvest. Most families (4) _____ a large dinner with roast turkey. (5) _____ Independence Day and Thanksgiving are national (6) _____

Question 1. A. the more B. the most C. most D. more

Question 2. A. celebrating B. celebration C. celebrate D. celebrated

Question 3. A. where B. when C. which D. what **Question**

4. A. have B. buy C. help D. take **Question**

5. A. Besides B. Both C. Either D. Nor **Question**

6. A. chances B. months C. holidays D. times

II. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

Sometimes it is necessary to (1) _____ our habits. Saving energy is one illustration. If we can (2) _____ more energy, such as water and electricity, we can help keep the natural environment safe. Saving water, for example, helps preserve our rivers and reservoirs. If we usually take 10-minute showers, in this case we should try to take shorter showers. When we go out, we (3) _____ remember to shut off electronic devices such as televisions and computers. Turning (4) _____ the lights is another example of saving electricity. In short, remembering to help the environment, such as by saving energy, is one of our most (5) _____ responsibilities.

1. A. exchange B. turn C. change D. make

2. A. help B. cut C. waste D. save

3. A. should B. may C. had D. must

4. A. on B. in C. without D. off

5. A. important B. basic C. necessary D. main

III. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

A hoverboard can bring (1) _____ a lot of benefits. It is self-balancing so it is safe for (2) _____. It is also fun because it connects to a music speaker with a phone, so riders can enjoy music while hovering on the road. It can also give riders a smooth (3) _____. It runs on electric battery. Its run time is 30 minutes but you may have to wait 2-3 hours for the battery to (4) _____. Because hoverboards are safe, easy to use, and inexpensive, they will (5) _____ around for long for the children to enjoy.

1. A. owners B. riders C. players D. driver

2. A. beginners B. professionals C. adults D. child

3. A. drive B. travel C. fly D. ride

4. A. change B. replace C. charge D. install

5. A. be B. am C. is D. are

IV. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

Charlie Chaplin was an English actor, director, producer, and composer. He is known as the most creative person of the silent-film era. Charlie Chaplin's **portrayal** of the tramp won the hearts of people all over the world.

Chaplin was born in London on the 16th of April, 1889. He spent his childhood in **poverty** and hardship. In 1910 he began to perform pantomime in the United States. He first appeared on screen in 1914. He created his world-famous character, the Tramp, and he played this classic role in more than 70 films during his career. He also composed background music for most of his films. In 1972 Chaplin received an Honorary Academy Award for "the incalculable effect he has had in making motion pictures the art form of this century." Chaplin died on the 25th of December, 1977, at his home in Switzerland.

Question 31. What is the main idea of the passage?

- A. Charlie Chaplin's early life in London.
- B. Charlie Chaplin's contribution to silent films and his achievements.
- C. The hardships faced by Charlie Chaplin in his career.
- D. The awards Charlie Chaplin won in his lifetime.

Question 32. Which word is CLOSEST in meaning to "portrayal" in the passage?

- A. Creation
- B. Performance
- C. Direction
- D. Composition

Question 33. Which word is the OPPOSITE of "poverty" in the passage?

- A. Wealth
- B. Hardship
- C. Success
- D. Honor

Question 34. Which of the following is NOT TRUE according to the passage?

- A. Charlie Chaplin started performing pantomime in the United States in 1910.
- B. Chaplin's most famous role was the Tramp.
- C. Chaplin acted in fewer than 50 films during his career.
- D. Chaplin composed music for most of his films.

Question 35. When did Charlie Chaplin first appear on screen?

- A. 1889
- B. 1910
- C. 1914
- D. 1972

Question 36. What special award did Charlie Chaplin receive in 1972?

- A. Best Actor Award
- B. Honorary Academy Award
- C. Best Director Award
- D. Lifetime Achievement Award

V. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

Wind is a form of solar energy. Winds are caused by the uneven heating of the atmosphere by the sun. Wind flow patterns are changed by the earth's terrain, bodies of water, and vegetative cover. This wind flow, or motion energy, when "harvested" by modern wind turbines, can be used to generate electricity. Wind turbines are available in a **variety** of sizes, and therefore power ratings. The largest machine has blades that span more than the length of a football field, stands 20 building stories high, and produces enough electricity to power 1,400 homes. A small home-sized wind machine has rotors between 8 and 25 feet in diameter and stands upwards of 30 feet, and can supply the power needs of an all-electric home or small business, utility scale turbines range in size from 50 to 750 kilowatts. Single small turbines, below 50 kilowatts, are used for homes, telecommunications dishes, or water pumping.

Question 1. What is the reason for the existence of wind?

- A. atmosphere heated unevenly
- B. wind flow
- C. motion energy
- D. wind turbines

Question 2. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a factor affecting the wind direction?

- A. earth's terrain
- B. bodies of water
- C. vegetative cover
- D. the Sun

Question 3. The word "variety" is CLOSEST in meaning with _____.

- A. Capacity
- B. popularity
- C. diversity
- D. minority

Question 4. What is the main idea of the passage?

- A. Wind power and the use of it.
- B. Telecommunications and water pumping are beneficial by wind power.
- C. A variety of sizes of wind turbines
- D. The structure of wind turbines

VI. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

Twenty years ago, you needed to bring along air tickets, vouchers, travel cheques, and a heavy carry-on bag with Walkman, CDs, travel journal and etc. The load is so much lighter now since most **stuff** can be stored in our tablets or smartphones. Technology is amazing, isn't it?

Airport security was a brief back then. They used metal cutleries and gave all passengers bags of toiletries to keep them comfortable during the flight. Now, there are many limitations on things that we can and cannot bring on board. Thanks to "Everyone can fly" tagline, airlines had to reduce their services to stay afloat. So, more people can fly and travel now.

Two decades ago, if you wish to call home, you can only do it at an International Telecommunications Exchange and dial you home number with no guarantee that it will get through. These days, all we need to stop by upon arrival is a local SIM card **available** as you walk out of the departure hall. The Internet makes it easy for you to Skype, Facetime, your family just to inform them that you have arrived safely.

Question 31. What is the main idea of the passage?

- A. Travelling in the past
- B. Travelling now
- C. Travelling in the past and now
- D. Travelling tomorrow.

Question 32. What is one important thing to bring along in your trip now?

- A. Travel cheques
- B. your smartphone
- C. Travel journal
- D. Travel car

Question 33. The number of travellers is _____.

- A. The same as in the past
- B. lower now than in the past
- C. Higher now than in the past
- D. high now than in the past

Question 34. Which of the following statement is NOT TRUE according to the passage?

- A. The load that need bringing is now lighter than in the past.
- B. Metal cutleries are used to keep comfortable.
- C. In these days, you still only make a call to home at International Telecommunications Exchange.
- D. Skype and Facetime are useful for keeping contact with your family.

Question 35. The word "stuff" is CLOSEST in meaning to _____.

- A. Object
- B. airlines
- C. service
- D. store

Question 36. The word "available" is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.

- A. Rare
- B. abundant
- C. existing
- D. easy

VII. Read the following announcement and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 1 to 4.

MOVIE SCREENING ANNOUNCEMENT

The city's Community Center is excited to announce (1) _____ a special movie screening this weekend. Details include:

- The screening will take place at (2) _____ the main auditorium.
- The film to be shown is (3) _____ a critically acclaimed family-friendly movie.
- Tickets are free but must be reserved (4) _____ in advance.

Question 1. A. holding B. about C. of D.

for

Question 2. A. at B. on C. in D.
near

Question 3. A. known as B. considered as C. reviewed as D.
described as

Question 4. A. online B. later C. after D.
through

SPRING FESTIVAL INVITATION

The town's Cultural Department is (1) _____ to host a wonderful Spring Festival next weekend. Details include:

- The festival will (2) _____ at the central park.
- Activities include music, games, and (3) _____ performances by local artists.
- Entrance is free, (4) _____ all visitors must their attendance beforehand.

Question 1. A. glad B. gladness C. gladly D. gladden

Question 2. A. take part B. take place C. take after D. take off

Question 3. A. live B. lively C. living D. lives

Question 4. A. so B. but C. in D. however

HOW TO USE SOLAR ENERGY EFFECTIVELY

The Environmental Club is hosting a workshop to guide everyone on how to use solar energy efficiently. Details include:

- The workshop is (1) _____ to take place next Saturday morning.
- Participants will learn how solar panels (2) _____ energy from sunlight.
- You will also discover (3) _____ ways to reduce energy waste in your daily life.
- Registration is free, but spots must be booked (4) _____ advance.

Question 1. A. exciting B. excited C. excite D. excitement

Question 2. A. turn B. make C. convert D. produce

Question 3. A. useful B. usefully C. useless D. use

Question 4. A. in B. on C. at D. by

VIII. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions from 1 to 4.

Question 1. Put the sentences (a-c) in the correct order, then fill in the blank to make a logical text.

Last month, my family attended a traditional festival in our hometown...

- After the performances, we tried some delicious food sold at the festival.
- We arrived early to watch the opening ceremony and see the beautiful decorations.
- There were also many exciting cultural performances, such as folk dancing and music.

A. b - a - c B. c - a - b C. b - c - a D. a - b - c

Question 2. Choose the sentence that can end the conversation (in Question 1) most appropriately.

- We had a great time and looked forward to joining again next year.
- The festival was not as interesting as I had expected.
- It rained heavily, so we had to leave early.
- We had a great time and looked forward to joining again next year.

Question 3. Our family planned to watch a movie together last night. We were looking forward to it, but _____.

- a. We decided to tell stories instead.
- b. The power went out just before the movie started
- c. Everyone was disappointed because we couldn't watch the movie.

A. a – c – b B. c – a – b C. b – a – c D. a – b – c

Question 4. Choose the sentence that can end the text in question 3.

- A. Finally, the power came back and we watched the movie
- B. We spent the evening telling stories and had a great time
- C. The power never came back, so we all went to bed early.
- D. The movie was postponed to another day.

XIX. Four phrases/sentences have been removed from the text below. For each question, mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 1 to 4.

TASK 1

Traffic is one of the most serious problems in big cities around the world. During rush hour, the roads are full of cars, motorbikes, and buses. That causes long delays and stress. (1) _____. There are several reasons for traffic jams. First, many families own more than one vehicle. Second, public transport in some cities is not convenient or comfortable, (2) _____. To reduce traffic, many cities are trying different solutions. Some cities build sky trains or subways to help people move quickly (3) _____. Others ask people to walk or ride bicycles for short distances to reduce air pollution and noise. Each person can help, too. (4) _____. Safe and clean streets are important for a healthy life.

- A. That's why traffic jams happen almost every day.
- B. Everyone has a part to play in building better traffic habits.
- C. this makes people choose to drive their own cars or motorbikes
- D. these systems are fast and carry a lot of people

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____

TASK 2

Films are one of the most popular forms of entertainment today. People enjoy watching movies at the cinema or at home. (1) _____. They can make us laugh, cry, or feel scared depending on the type of film we watch. There are many different film genres such as action, comedy, science fiction, and horror. Each kind has its own style and story. Some people love action films because they are exciting and full of energy, (2) _____. Animated films are also very popular, especially with children. These movies often have colorful images and funny characters, (3) _____. They can also teach lessons about friendship and family. Watching films is not only fun. (4) _____. We can learn about history, cultures, or even science through different kinds of movies.

- A. they help kids to use their imagination and creativity
- B. some prefer romantic movies because they enjoy emotional stories
- C. They bring us many emotions and interesting experiences
- D. They are also a great way to learn new things

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____