

PRACTICE TEST 42

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

Question 1. A. express

B. competition

C. several

D. detective

Question 2. A. visits

B. cousins

C. services

D. pleasants

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

Question 3. A. performance

B. expensive

C. brilliant

D. perfection

Question 4. A. protect

B. ethnic

C. attend

D. receive

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

Question 5. After playing in the rain for hours, Tom started to _____ a bad cold.

A. come down with

B. put off

C. take over

D. turn into

Question 6. Despite the late hour, the city centre remained _____ with people enjoying the night markets and lively street performers.

A. quiet

B. bustling

C. deserted

D. lifeless

Question 7. If I _____ more money and time, I would take a year off work to travel around the world and explore new cultures.

A. have

B. had

C. will have

D. has

Question 8. In her free time, Maria loves studying _____ architecture from different cultures, as it gives her a better understanding of how societies have evolved over centuries.

A. a

B. an

C. the

D. (no article)

Question 9. When they were planning the trip, Lisa suggested _____ early in the morning to avoid the heavy traffic on the highway.

A. to leave

B. leave

C. leaving

D. left

Question 10. Alex is feeling nervous about his upcoming job interview.

Alex: I'm really anxious about the interview tomorrow. I hope I don't mess up.

Tom:

A. It's no big deal.

B. Maybe you should cancel the interview.

C. Just stay calm and confident. You'll do great!

D. It's just a job, you can always find another one.

Question 11. Sarah _____ in this city since she was a child, and she is planning to move to another place.

A. lives

B. has lived

C. is living

D. lived

Question 12. We _____ bring our umbrellas because the weather report said it might rain later.

A. must

B. should

C. can

D. might

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 13 to 16.

TIPS FOR LIVING A HEALTHIER LIFE

- Regular physical activity is key to (13) _____ your heart healthy and strong.
- Focus on eating (14) _____ foods like fruits, vegetables, and whole grains for better health.
- Taking time to relax and meditate can help you (15) _____ stress and improve your mental well-being.
- Try (16) _____ unhealthy habits such as smoking and drinking alcohol.

Question 13. A. preventing

B. keeping

C. letting

D. giving

Question 14. A. processed

B. artificial

C. healthy

D. junk

Question 15. A. reduce

B. increase

C. ignore

D. create

Question 16. A. to do

B. doing

C. to avoid

D. avoiding

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions from 17 to 18.

Question 17. Put the sentences (a-c) in the correct order, then fill in the blank to make a logical text.

Last weekend, I decided to bake a cake from scratch for my friend's birthday, but it was more challenging than I expected. _____

- a. Halfway through, I realized I didn't have all the ingredients I needed and had to make a quick trip to the store.
- b. I was determined to make it special, so I spent a lot of time looking up recipes and choosing the perfect flavour.
- c. After finally gathering all the ingredients, I accidentally burned the first layer and had to start over.

A. a - c - b

B. c - a - b

C. b - a - c

D. b - c - a

Question 18. Choose the sentence that can end the text (in Question 17) most appropriately.

- A. Next time, I'll double-check everything before starting the baking process.
- B. It was my first time baking a cake, and I found it easy and quick to make.
- C. I was so excited that I woke up early to shop for ingredients.
- D. Baking was a smooth process, and I didn't face any issues.

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 19 to 24.

Vietnam is home to many remarkable natural and cultural landmarks, with several sites recognized as UNESCO World Heritage (19) _____. From the stunning seascapes of Ha Long Bay to the ancient town of Hoi An, these wonders offer visitors (20) _____ and a glimpse into the nation's rich history. Exploring these sites is not only (21) _____ but also an opportunity to learn about the diversity and traditions of the Vietnamese people.

One of the most popular destinations, Ha Long Bay, is known for its towering limestone islands and crystal-clear waters. (22) _____, the ancient temples in the town of My Son reveal the historical significance of the Champa civilization. As tourism in Vietnam continues to grow, these wonders are becoming more accessible to travellers (23) _____ and cultural experiences. In addition to attracting tourists, the government has (24) _____ these sites, ensuring they remain well-preserved for future generations.

Question 19. A. Locations B. Sites

C. Areas D. Regions

Question 20. A. breathtaking views
C. breathtaking appearances

B. breathtaking settings
D. breathtaking surroundings

Question 21. A. a forgettable experience
C. an unforgettable experience

B. an experience unforgettable
D. an experience forgettable

Question 22. A. Meanwhile B. Therefore

C. In contrast D. Otherwise

Question 23. A. looking for adventure
C. requiring for adventure

B. exploring for adventure
D. playing for adventure

Question 24. A. made efforts to encourage
C. made efforts to preserve

B. make efforts on encourage
D. make efforts on preserve

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to the original sentence in each of the following questions.

Question 25. "I don't have enough time to complete the project," he said.

- A. He said that he didn't have enough time to complete the project.
- B. He said that he hadn't had enough time to complete the project.
- C. He said that he wouldn't have enough time to complete the project.
- D. He said that he hasn't had enough time to complete the project.

Question 26. If I listen to English podcasts more, I will understand native speakers better.

- A. The more I listen to English podcasts, the less I understand native speakers.
- B. The more I listen to English podcasts, the more difficult it becomes to understand native speakers.
- C. The more I listen to English podcasts, the better I understand native speakers.
- D. The less I listen to English podcasts, the better I understand native speakers.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is made from the given cues in each of the following questions.

Question 27. I / work hard / every day / I / want / achieve / goals / be successful / future.

- A. I work hard every day because I want to achieve my goals and will be successful in the future.
- B. I worked hard every day so that I wanted to achieve my goals and be successful in the future.
- C. I work hard every day so that I want to achieve my goals and be successful in the future.
- D. I work hard every day because I want to achieve my goals and be successful in the future.

Question 28. The final report / prepare / by the research team / and / present / to the board of directors / last Friday.

- A. The final report was prepared by the research team and presented to the board of directors last Friday.
- B. The final report is prepared by the research team and presented to the board of directors last Friday.
- C. The final report had been prepared by the research team and was presented to the board of directors last Friday.
- D. The final report will be prepared by the research team and will be presented to the board of directors last Friday.

Read the following sign or notice and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

Question 29. What does the sign say?

*Please do not disturb the
guests in their rooms
between 10 PM and 8 AM*

- A. Guests are encouraged to sleep early.
- B. Guests must avoid talking in their rooms.
- C. Employees should not disturb guests during night hours.
- D. It is acceptable to knock on the door at any time.

Question 30. What does the message say?

NOTICE
ALL VISITORS MUST
REPORT TO
RECEPTION UPON

- A. Guests must show their identification to security staff.
- B. Guests are required to check in at the front desk when they arrive.
- C. Guests must proceed directly to their meeting location without stopping.
- D. Guests are instructed to wait outside until called in.

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 following questions from 31 to 36.

Language is an essential part of human communication. It allows people to express their thoughts, ideas, and emotions. Over time, languages have **evolved**, and today there are thousands of different languages spoken around the world. Each language has its unique grammar, vocabulary, and pronunciation rules, making communication both rich and complex.

While some languages are spoken by millions of people, others have only a small number of speakers. Many languages are endangered, with some at risk of disappearing altogether. Linguists and language enthusiasts are working hard to preserve these languages and protect their cultural heritage.

In addition to spoken languages, there are also sign languages, which are used by people who are deaf or hard of hearing. These languages use hand gestures and facial expressions to convey meaning, and they are just as rich and complex as spoken languages.

Learning new languages has many benefits. It improves cognitive abilities, enhances cultural understanding, and opens doors to new opportunities. In today's globalized world, knowing more than one language is an **asset** in both personal and professional life.

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

- A. There are thousands of languages in the world, each with unique rules.
- B. Learning languages is important only for professional development.
- C. Sign languages are easier to learn than spoken languages.
- D. All languages will eventually disappear if not preserved.

Question 32. The word “evolved” in paragraph 1 is CLOSEST in meaning to _____.

- A. disappeared
- B. changed over time
- C. stayed the same
- D. increased in number

Question 33. According to the passage, what is at risk of disappearing?

- A. Spoken languages with many speakers
- B. Only sign languages
- C. Languages used in professional life
- D. Endangered languages with few speakers

Question 34. How do sign languages convey meaning?

- A. Through spoken words
- B. Through writing
- C. Through hand gestures and facial expressions
- D. Through body movements

Question 35. Why is learning a new language beneficial?

- A. It helps you communicate better in one language.
- B. It improves cognitive abilities and provides more opportunities.
- C. It makes you a better speaker in your native language.
- D. It is only useful for travelling.

Question 36. The word “asset” in paragraph 4 is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.

- A. disadvantage
- B. skill
- C. challenge
- D. opportunity

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 37 to 40.

Moving to a big city can be an exciting yet overwhelming experience. At first, everything seems unfamiliar—the hustle and bustle, the tall buildings, and the never-ending noise of traffic. I remember feeling both thrilled and nervous (37) _____. The public transportation system was much more complex than I was used to, and it took a while to figure out the best routes to get around. Despite the challenges, (38) _____. I discovered unique cafes, diverse restaurants, and parks where I could unwind. (39) _____, but joining a few social clubs and attending local events helped me meet people with similar interests.

As I settled in, I began to appreciate the vibrant culture and the chance to grow in a city that never sleeps. Over time, the city started to feel like home, and I embraced the fast-paced lifestyle, (40) _____.

- A. the city offered endless opportunities to explore
- B. as I navigated my new surroundings
- C. enjoying the endless possibilities it offered
- D. Making new friends also took time

Question 37: _____ Question 38: _____ Question 39: _____ Question 40: _____

