

## PRACTICE TEST 16

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. pool B. good C. cool D. tool  
Question 2. A. cinema B. community C. comedy D. concert

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. design B. picnic C. farming D. tennis  
Question 4. A. development B. population C. entertainment D. energetic

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. The craft village \_\_\_\_\_ making pottery for over 100 years now.  
A. is continuing B. has been C. was D. continues
- Question 6. They asked me \_\_\_\_\_ to the pottery village by bus or taxi.  
A. whether going B. whether going C. how to go D. where to going
- Question 7. The local villagers are known for making beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ from bamboo.  
A. baskets B. cars C. computers D. paintings
- Question 8. One of the biggest problems in big cities is \_\_\_\_\_ pollution caused by factories and cars.  
A. noise B. water C. air D. land
- Question 9. Someone is struggling to carry groceries in the market.  
You: Can I help you carry those bags?  
Person: \_\_\_\_\_. I would really appreciate it!  
A. No thanks! B. Oh, no. C. No problem. D. Yes, please.
- Question 10. Someone is lost in the city and asking for directions.  
You: Excuse me, can you tell me how to get to the museum?  
Person: \_\_\_\_\_. It's two blocks from here.  
A. Sorry, I don't know B. I'm not sure where it is.  
C. Sure, go straight and turn left. D. No, I can't help you.
- Question 11. The old lady asked her neighbours to \_\_\_\_\_ when she needed help cleaning her house.  
A. take off B. give in C. hang out D. step in
- Question 12. The main attraction in \_\_\_\_\_ traditional neighbourhood is the old temple.  
A. the B. an C. a D. no article

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.

### TRADITIONAL FESTIVAL GUIDELINES

- Volunteers will assist elderly guests and provide information about the festival's history.
- Please remember to (13) \_\_\_\_\_ your trash in the trash bin to keep the festival clean.
- Visitors should join the traditional dance, so be ready (14) \_\_\_\_\_ with everyone.
- Water and refreshments will be available throughout the festival, so feel free to stay hydrated.
- Organizers will tell you (15) \_\_\_\_\_ to do during the festival.
- During the festival, participants should dress (16) \_\_\_\_\_ to show respect for the customs.

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- Question 13. A. throw B. leave C. place D. scatter  
Question 14. A. dances B. to dance C. dancing D. danced  
Question 15. A. what B. when C. why D. how  
Question 16. A. casually B. appropriately C. noisily D. comfortably

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 paragraph.**

I recently started my first job as a marketing assistant, and things didn't go as expected. \_\_\_\_\_

- a. I realized I had a lot to learn about marketing strategies and working in a team.
- b. On the first day, I was really nervous and made a few mistakes with my tasks.
- c. Thankfully, my supervisor was very supportive and helped me improve.

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

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

- A. Now I feel much more confident in my job and am ready for new challenges.
- B. I decided to quit after the first week because the pressure was too high.
- C. I still don't know if this career is the right one for me, but I'm giving it a try.
- D. After that experience, I realized that marketing wasn't for me.

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.

### FAMOUS PAINTINGS

Paintings are not just works of art but also reflections of the time they were created. One of the most famous paintings in history, the "Mona Lisa," has (19) \_\_\_\_\_ millions with her mysterious smile. Created by Leonardo da Vinci, this painting is housed in the Louvre Museum in Paris, where it attracts thousands of visitors every day. Another famous work is "The Starry Night," by Vincent van Gogh, which depicts a swirling night sky filled with vibrant (20) \_\_\_\_\_ and sights. Both paintings (21) \_\_\_\_\_ timeless classics and have been studied by art historians and admired by art lovers around the world. Paintings such as these can evoke deep emotions and (22) \_\_\_\_\_ their viewers to reflect on their own experiences and surroundings.

(23) \_\_\_\_\_ the artist's vision, a painting can leave a lasting impression for generations to come. These works of art have become cultural treasures and (24) \_\_\_\_\_ continue to inspire people for many years.

**Question 19.** A. confined

B. fascinated

C. questioned

D. wondered

**Question 20.** A. colors

B. colorful

C. color

D. colored

**Question 21.** A. become

B. became

C. will become

D. have become

**Question 22.** A. ask

B. encourage

C. get

D. permit

**Question 23.** A. Although

B. Even though

C. Thanks to

D. Despite

**Question 24.** A. certainly

B. highly

C. seemingly

D. doubtfully

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.** The English exam was so simple that all the students could pass.

- A. The exam was too simple for students to fail.
- B. It was such a simple exam that all the students could pass.
- C. The exam was too difficult for the students to pass.
- D. It's difficult enough for the students to pass the exam.

**Question 26.** Despite the heavy rain, the match continued as scheduled.

- A. The rain was too heavy, so the match didn't happen.
- B. The match was canceled because of the heavy rain.
- C. Although it rained a lot, the match still went on as planned.
- D. The match was postponed because of the rain.

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.** He / start / working / company / five years ago

- A. He starts working at the company five years ago.
- B. He started working at the company five years ago.
- C. He has started working at the company for five years.
- D. He will start working at the company in five years.

**Question 28.** If / you / not / hurry / you / miss / train

- A. If you didn't hurry, you would miss the train.
- B. If you don't hurry, you will miss the train.
- C. If you don't hurry, you missed the train.
- D. If you hurry, you will miss the train..

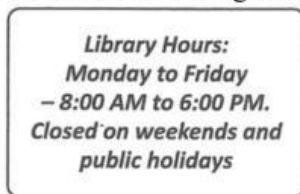
Read the following sign or notice and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

Question 29. What does the sign say?



- A. You can park at 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. from Monday to Friday.
- B. You can park at 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. on Saturday.
- C. You can park on Sunday.
- D. You must not park here.

Question 30. According to the notice, when is the library open?



- A. Every day from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM.
- B. On weekends but not on public holidays.
- C. From Monday to Friday, except on holidays.
- D. Only on weekends and holidays.

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.

Effective communication skills are vital for success in personal and professional relationships. Good communication begins with active listening. Active listening involves giving your full attention to the speaker, making eye contact, and avoiding distractions. By doing so, you show respect and understanding, which encourages open dialogue. Secondly, being clear and **concise** in your communication helps to prevent misunderstandings. It is essential to organize your thoughts and express them in simple language.

Avoid using jargon or complex words that may confuse the listener. Non-verbal cues, such as body language and facial expressions, also play an important role in communication. They can convey emotions and reinforce the message being communicated. Additionally, asking questions for clarification helps ensure that both parties are on the same page. Questions allow the speaker to **elaborate** on key points and demonstrate that the listener is engaged. Finally, empathy is a key component of effective communication. Understanding the other person's perspective and responding with compassion can strengthen your connection and build trust.

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

- A. The benefits of empathy in communication
- B. Key strategies for effective communication
- C. The role of body language in communication
- D. Common barriers to communication

Question 32. The word "**concise**" is CLOSEST in meaning to

- A. clear and brief
- B. lengthy
- C. detailed
- D. complex

Question 33. The word "**elaborate**" is OPPOSITE in meaning to

- A. simplify
- B. explain further
- C. discuss deeply
- D. clarify

Question 34. Which of the following is FALSE about effective communication?

- A. Active listening
- B. Being clear and concise
- C. Using jargon to express ideas
- D. Showing empathy

Question 35. According to the passage, which is TRUE about why asking questions is important?

- A. It allows the speaker to clarify their points.
- B. It helps avoid eye contact.
- C. It helps the listener stay distracted.
- D. It complicates the message.

Question 36. What is one benefit of active listening?

- A. Encourages using complex language
- B. Helps focus on one's own perspective
- C. Promotes non-verbal communication
- D. Builds trust and understanding

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.

### CITY PROBLEMS AND SOLUTIONS

#### The Sustainable City: Green Living Team

This team focused on reducing pollution in large cities by encouraging the use of public transportation and electric vehicles. They believe that if more people use public transport, (37) \_\_\_\_\_. This would help reduce traffic jams and improve air quality. Additionally, they propose planting more trees in urban areas, which could further improve the environment.

#### The Safe City: Street Safety Project

Street safety is a major concern in many cities around the world. (38) \_\_\_\_\_ installing more streetlights and pedestrian crossings, it will make it safer for people to walk at night.

They also suggest creating more bike lanes to protect cyclists and reduce accidents, which can encourage more people to walk or cycle, leading to healthier lifestyles.

#### The Digital City: Tech for Change Team

Technology has the power to solve many city issues. This team focuses on using mobile apps to improve daily life. (39) \_\_\_\_\_, an app could be used to report broken infrastructure like potholes or faulty traffic lights. (40) \_\_\_\_\_ With faster reporting, cities can respond more efficiently and make life easier for their residents.

A. people would use their cars less, reducing emissions

B. If cities invest in

C. For example

D. These changes could make cities safer and healthier

Question 37: \_\_\_\_\_

Question 38: \_\_\_\_\_

Question 39: \_\_\_\_\_

Question 40: \_\_\_\_\_