## PRACTICE TEST 26

***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. tr<u>ou</u>sers B. r<u>ou</u>ndabout C. playgr<u>ou</u>nd D. t<u>ou</u>rist

**Question 2.** A. vec<u>t</u>or B. plane<u>t</u> C. vir<u>t</u>ual D. <u>t</u>utor

***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. medical B. potential C. specialist D. astronaut

**Question 4.** A. organ B. maintain C. volume D. wonder

***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.** Some chemicals in processed food can be _____ to your health if consumed in large amounts.

A. nutrient B. harmless C. harmful D. nutritious

**Question 6.** If you don't know the meaning of this word, you can _____ it _____ in the dictionary.

A. look / down B. look / up C. look / after D. look / into

**Question 7.** This time tomorrow, we _____ on the beach and enjoying the sunshine.

A. are sitting B. will sit C. will be sitting D. sit

**Question 8.** The teacher, _____ lessons are always interesting, is very popular among the students.

A. whom B. whose C. who D. which

**Question 9.** She looked at _____ in the mirror and smiled, feeling proud of her achievements.

A. herself B. themselves C. himself D. ourselves

**Question 10.** Lisa helped Tom with his science project for school.

- Tom: Thanks for your help, Lisa!
- Lisa: _____.

A. No problem, I enjoyed working on it! B. I don't care.

C. That's not my fault. D. I wish I hadn't helped you.

**Question 11.** The storm was so severe _____ the concert was cancelled.

A. because of B. that C. although D. unless

**Question 12.** Maria said that she _____ a book about finances the previous week.

A. read B. has read C. will read D. had read

***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.***

**SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION**

We are excited to announce that registration for our Summer Camp is now open!

Join us for (13) _____ amazing adventure filled with exciting activities and new friendships. Our camp will (14) _____ from July 10 to August 20, and we have programs for children of all ages.

Make sure to sign up early to secure your spot and take (15) _____ of our special discounts for early registration. We guarantee an unforgettable (16) _____ that will increase your summer fun!

**Question 13.** A. a B. an C. much D. many

**Question 14.** A. take place B. take charge C. make place D. make charge

**Question 15.** A. disadvantageous B. disadvantage C. advantage D. advantageous

**Question 16.** A. experienced B. experiencing C. experiences D. experience

***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 year, I participated in a community cleanup event to help protect the environment, and it was an eye-opening experience.

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a. After the cleanup, we sorted the trash into recycling bins to ensure that everything was disposed of properly to minimise our impact on the planet.
b. When we started, I was surprised by how much waste we collected from the park, realising how much litter can accumulate in a short time and the importance of our efforts.
c. Many volunteers gathered to receive their gloves and protective gear, preparing themselves to make a positive impact in our community.

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

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

A. Firstly, I wanted to help protect the environment.
B. I realized that small actions can make a big difference in our community.
C. I decided to organise an event to help protect the environment.
D. At first, I hesitated to join the community cleanup.

***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.***

**URBAN LIFE – CHALLENGES AND FUTURE IMPACTS**

Cities around the world are facing numerous challenges that can significantly affect their future. One major issue is the increase in (19) _____, which leads to overcrowding and strain on resources such as housing, water supply, and sanitation services. (20) _____, city planners must take measures to improve infrastructure and public services, ensuring that transportation systems are efficient and that utilities can meet the growing demands of the population.

Many urban areas also (21) _____, which can negatively impact residents' quality of life by leading to financial instability and increased stress. Addressing these issues requires thoughtful planning and investment in sustainable solutions.

(22) _____, investing in green spaces and public transportation can create a healthier urban environment, promoting physical activity and reducing traffic congestion while also enhancing the aesthetic appeal of the city. It's essential for communities to work together to ensure sustainable development and (23) _____ for future generations.

Finally, governments should encourage collaborative efforts to engage citizens in the decision-making process and strengthen the community, fostering a sense of belonging and shared responsibility for the city's (24) _____ and development.

**Question 19.** A. population density B. population rate
C. population situation D. population impact

**Question 20.** A. To make these problems B. To address these problems
C. By making these problems D. By addressing these problems

**Question 21.** A. struggle unemployment with B. struggles unemployment with
C. struggle with unemployment D. struggles with unemployment

**Question 22.** A. However B. Overall C. For example D. Nevertheless

**Question 23.** A. improve living conditions B. improve conditions living
C. living improve conditions D. conditions improve living

**Question 24.** A. grow B. growing C. grew D. growth

***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 team completed the report yesterday to prepare for the upcoming presentation.

A. To prepare for the upcoming presentation, the report has been completed by the team yesterday.
B. To prepare for the upcoming presentation, the report was completed by the team yesterday.
C. The report had been completed by the team yesterday to prepare for the upcoming presentation.
D. The team was completing the report yesterday to prepare for the upcoming presentation.

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**Question 26.** We will start the meeting as soon as everyone arrives.
A. We will start the meeting once everyone arrives.
B. We will start the meeting before everyone arrives.
C. We will start the meeting while everyone arrives.
D. We have started the meeting when everyone arrives.

***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 / play / the piano / since / I / a child.
A. I have play the piano since I was a child.
B. I have been playing the piano since I was a child.
C. I played the piano since I am a child.
D. I have playing the piano since I was a child.

**Question 28.** I / ask / her / what / do / the problem / yesterday.
A. I asked her what to do about the problem yesterday.
B. I was asking her what to do about the problem yesterday.
C. I ask her what doing about the problem yesterday.
D. I asked her what doing about the problem yesterday.

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

**Question 29.** What does the notice say?
A. Visitors can enter without checking in.
B. Signing in is optional for visitors.
C. Visitors need to register at the front desk.
D. The front desk is closed to visitors.

*All visitors must sign in at the front desk before entering.*

**Question 30.** What does the sign say?
A. Loud talking is allowed in this area.
B. Silence is required in this area.
C. You can talk loudly here.
D. It's okay to make noise in this area.

***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.***

**Sleep and Health**

Sleep is essential for maintaining good health and well-being. During sleep, our bodies repair and **rejuvenate** themselves, which is vital for both physical and mental health. Studies have shown that adequate sleep helps improve memory, boosts mood, and enhances cognitive function. Conversely, insufficient sleep can lead to serious health issues, including obesity, diabetes, cardiovascular problems, and weakened immune systems.

Research indicates that adults should aim for 7–9 hours of quality sleep each night. However, many people struggle to achieve this due to various factors, including stress, work schedules, and lifestyle choices. Poor sleep can also lead to increased stress levels, anxiety, and depression. Therefore, it is crucial to prioritize sleep as a part of a healthy lifestyle.

To improve sleep quality, it is important to establish good sleep hygiene practices. This includes creating a comfortable sleep environment, maintaining a regular sleep schedule, and avoiding stimulants like caffeine and electronic screens before bedtime. Additionally, engaging in relaxing activities, such as reading or meditation, can help signal to the body that it is time to **wind down**.

**Question 31.** What is the main idea of the reading passage?
A. Sleep is not necessary for health.
B. Sleep is crucial for physical and mental health.

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C. Sleep problems are common and unavoidable.
D. Sleep only affects memory and mood.

**Question 32.** The word **rejuvenate** in paragraph 1 is CLOSEST in meaning to

A. refresh B. weaken C. stabilize D. complicate

**Question 33.** According to the passage, what health issues can result from insufficient sleep?

A. Increased energy levels B. Improved cognitive function
C. Obesity and diabetes D. Enhanced mood and well-being

**Question 34.** According to the passage, which of the following is NOT mentioned as a factor that can affect sleep quality?

A. Stress B. Work schedules C. Exercise D. Lifestyle choices

**Question 35.** According to the passage, what is suggested as a way to improve sleep quality?

A. Drinking caffeine before bed B. Keeping a consistent sleep schedule
C. Engaging in vigorous exercise before sleep D. Sleeping in a bright room

**Question 36.** The phrase **wind down** in paragraph 3 is OPPOSITE in meaning to

A. slow down B. ease off C. relax D. tense

***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.***

**Sydney Opera House**

Sydney Opera House is one of Australia's most recognized landmarks and a symbol of the country's cultural and architectural achievements. Located on the Sydney Harbour, (37) _____. The unique design, with its sail-like structures, draws millions of visitors each year.

Visitors can enjoy performances, guided tours, or simply admire the building from the nearby promenade. (38) _____, as it offers a variety of cultural events, including opera, theatre, and music concerts. In addition to its cultural significance, the Opera House is surrounded by beautiful views of the harbour and the Sydney Harbour Bridge.

It serves as the heart of cultural activities, making it a vital part of Sydney's identity and tourism. It also plays a crucial role in Sydney's performing arts scene, (39) _____.

Whether you're a fan of architecture or the arts, (40) _____.

A. this location is a must-see for anyone visiting Sydney
B. it stands as a masterpiece of modern architecture
C. the venue attracts a diverse audience year-round
D. hosting hundreds of events each year

**Question 37.** _____ **Question 38.** _____ **Question 39.** _____ **Question 40.** _____

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