

A. LISTENING

I. You will hear an interview, in which a businesswoman called Carla Smith is talking about her life and work. Choose the correct answer for each of the following questions.

1. Why did Carla change the way she worked?
 - A. She didn't enjoy the work she did.
 - B. She spent very little time at home.
 - C. She had health problems.
2. What does Carla say about running her own business?
 - A. She continues to work a lot of hours.
 - B. It allows her to take more holidays.
 - C. She earns more than she used to.
3. What changes did Carla make to her exercise routine?
 - A. She does more exercise than she used to.
 - B. She does a new kind of exercise now.
 - C. She exercises at a different time of day.
4. How does Carla feel about her health and eating habits?
 - A. guilty about having too many snacks
 - B. delighted that she has discovered new foods
 - C. surprised that she now feels so much better
5. Where does Carla spend time with her sisters?
 - A. in her own home
 - B. at the cinema
 - C. at the local pool

II. Listen to the conversation between Linda and Matt. Complete the notes below. Write one word or a number for each answer.

Moving to Banford City

Accommodation

- Average rent: (6) £ _____ a month

Transport

- Linda travels to work by (7) _____

- Limited (8) _____ in city centre
- Trains to London every (9) _____ minutes
- Poor train service at (10) _____

Advantages of living in Banford

- New (11) _____ opened recently
- (12) _____ has excellent reputation
- Good (13) _____ on Bridge Street

Meet Linda

- Meet Linda on (14) _____ after 5.30 pm
- In the (15) _____ opposite the station

B. PHONETICS

I. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the rest in each of the following questions.

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| 16. A. <u>col</u> lection | B. <u>com</u> ics | C. <u>vol</u> unteer | D. <u>con</u> cert |
| 17. A. <u>h</u> our | B. <u>h</u> onest | C. <u>veh</u> icle | D. <u>h</u> ealth |
| 18. A. <u>ways</u> | B. <u>days</u> | C. <u>plays</u> | D. <u>says</u> |
| 19. A. <u>ch</u> aracter | B. <u>ch</u> ildren | C. <u>teach</u> er | D. <u>ch</u> ange |
| 20. A. <u>buses</u> | B. <u>washes</u> | C. <u>oranges</u> | D. <u>plates</u> |

II. Choose the word whose stress is different from that of the rest in each of the following questions.

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| 21. A. perform | B. finish | C. receive | D. machine |
| 22. A. important | B. confident | C. terrific | D. exciting |
| 23. A. invite | B. finish | C. collect | D. arrive |
| 24. A. photography | B. ingredient | C. lemonade | D. equipment |
| 25. A. Japanese | B. engineer | C. celebration | D. participate |

C. LEXICO & GRAMMAR

I. Choose the best answer to complete the sentences.

26. The bigger the supermarket is, _____.
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| A. the choice is wide | B. the wider the choice is |
| C. the more the choice is | D. the wider the choice it is |
27. _____ the rise in unemployment, people still seem to be spending more.
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| A. While | B. Despite | C. Meanwhile | D. Although |
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28. Could you show me _____ the photocopier?
 A. to operate B. operate C. how to operate D. operating
29. We must hurry. There's _____ time left.
 A. a little B. a few C. little D. few
30. Life in the country is _____ than that in the city.
 A. much cheaper B. more cheaper C. more cheap D. less cheaper
31. - **Minh**: "It's nearly Tet holiday already." - **Hoa**: " _____"
 A. How time flies! B. Thanks a million.
 C. Don't make me laugh. D. No such luck!
32. Look at the trees over there. I think they need _____.
 A. watered B. be watered C. to water D. watering
33. If we _____ wasting water, there will be a shortage of fresh water in a few decades.
 A. go on B. turn on C. make up D. put off
34. I don't really like reading novels. _____, I enjoy his latest novel.
 A. But B. So C. However D. Although
35. - **Mai**: "Of all the seasons, autumn is the most beautiful." - **Linh**: " _____."
 A. You're welcome. B. You can say that again.
 C. It's my pleasure. D. I hope so.
36. Her parents were _____ pleased that she passed the exam with flying colors.
 A. extremely B. kindly C. bitterly D. warmly
37. I don't think he can do it, _____?
 A. don't I B. can he C. can't he D. do I
38. We started our journey _____ a warm sunny morning.
 A. on B. in C. from D. with
39. It is said that _____ English are famous for being friendly and helpful.
 A. the B. a C. an D. Ø (no article)
40. When he _____ here tomorrow, he will tell us about the meeting.
 A. comes B. will come C. come D. came
41. We _____ open the lion's cage. It is contrary to Zoo regulations.
 A. must B. mustn't C. needn't D. should
42. _____ delicious food you've cooked! Can I have the recipe?
 A. What a B. How C. How a D. What
43. My cousin is very good at languages. She often watches TV programs _____ English.
 A. on B. in C. by D. with

- A. The B. cooked C. for me D. it
58. Everyone should arrive early so that we can start the meeting at time.
- A. should B. so that C. can D. at time
59. They still work hardly in spite of their old age.
- A. work B. hardly C. in spite of D. their old age

VI. Give the correct form of the words in brackets.

60. She covered the cake with a _____ of sugar and whites of eggs. (MIX)
61. Her instructions were so _____ that we didn't know what to do. (CONFUSE)
62. Meat and fish are _____ used in Vietnamese cuisine. (COMMON)
63. The film was _____ though they spent millions of dollars making it. (SUCCEED)
64. You should be careful, _____ when you cross the road. (SPECIAL)
65. For _____ information, please contact our head office in Hanoi. (FAR)

D. READING

I. Read the following passage and choose the correct option for each blank.

Few people now question the reality of global warming and its effects on the world's climate. Many scientists (66) _____ the blame for recent natural disasters on the increase (67) _____ the world's temperatures and are convinced that, more than ever before, the Earth is at (68) _____ from the force of the wind, rain and sun. (69) _____ to them, global warming is making extreme weather events, such as hurricanes and droughts, even more (70) _____ and causing sea levels all around the world to (71) _____. Environmental groups are putting (72) _____ on governments to take action to reduce the amount of carbon dioxide which is given (73) _____ by factories and power plants, thus attacking the problem at its source. They are in (74) _____ of more money being spent on research into solar, wind and wave energy devices, which could then replace existing power stations. Some scientists, (75) _____, believe that even if we stopped releasing carbon dioxide and other gases into the atmosphere tomorrow, we would have to wait several hundred years to notice the results. Global warming, it seems, is here to stay.

66. A. give B. put C. take D. have
67. A. in B. at C. by D. to
68. A. threat B. danger C. risk D. harm
69. A. Concerning B. Regarding C. Depending D. According
70. A. strike B. strong C. severe D. heavy
71. A. raise B. arise C. lift D. rise

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| 72. A. force | B. pressure | C. persuasion | D. encouragement |
| 73. A. off | B. away | C. up | D. over |
| 74. A. belief | B. request | C. favor | D. suggestion |
| 75. A. because | B. however | C. despite | D. although |

II. Read the following passage and fill in each blank with ONE suitable word.

It's important for people to eat as much as they need to give them energy. If they eat (76) _____ little food, they won't have enough energy. If they eat too (77) _____, they will need to do more exercise; otherwise they will (78) _____ on weight. When we eat adequate food for the exercise (79) _____ take, we call this the energy balance. Fat is very high (80) _____ calories, so it doesn't help us keep energy balance. Fat has also been linked with heart disease and many experts believe that eating less would help to reduce it. Sugar isn't good for the energy balance, either. (81) _____ only value of sugar is to provide energy, and you can get that from other foods. There's no doubt that too much sugar (82) _____ you become fat and it doesn't do your teeth much good, either. Fibre, on the other hand, is something (83) _____ we often eat too little of. One of the simplest ways of eating more fibre (84) _____ to eat more bread, particularly whole meal, granary or high fibre bread. It's a good, cheap source (85) _____ fibre and nutrients without too many calories. Potatoes are good, too. Like bread, they are underrated, but they're excellent for filling you up without making you fat, especially if you don't cover them with butter or fry them in fat.

E. WRITING

I. Complete the sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first one, using the word given. Do not change the word given.

86. Mary visited Van Mieu last Sunday, didn't she? (**VISIT**)
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87. You shouldn't stay up late to watch TV. (**HAD BETTER**)
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88. When will they widen the road to our village? (**BE**)
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89. He became a successful pianist despite his disability. (**ALTHOUGH**)
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90. The firefighters spent two hours putting out the fire. (**IT**)
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II. Finish the second sentence so that it has similar meaning to the first one, beginning with the given words.

91. She has taught English in our school for 5 years.

→ She started

92. Their parents are making them study hard.

→ They

93. They can't afford to buy that villa.

→ That villa is

94. Don't waste your time trying to persuade him to change his mind.

→ It's no use

95. You are very kind when you help me with my project.

→ It's

III. Complete the sentences using suggested words or phrases.

96. We/ know/ each other/ since/ we/ children.

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97. Children/ spend/ only/ small part/ free time/ play/ computer games.

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98. Travel/ train/ slower/ but/ interest/ traveling/ plane.

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99. We/ couldn't help/ laugh/ whenever/ he/ appear/ on the stage.

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100. The old castle/ believe/ build/ three hundred years ago.

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THE END