

TEST 1 (UNIT 1)

I) Find the word which has a different sound in the part underlined.

1. A. diagnose B. achievement C. talented D. anonymous
2. A. prosthetic B. reputation C. dedication D. respectable
3. A. distinguished B. result C. generosity D. respectable

II) Choose the word which has a different stress pattern from the others.

4. A. perseverance B. experience C. dedication D. influential
5. A. generosity B. hospita^lity C. encyclo^{pe}dia D. creativity

III) Choose the best answer A, B, C or D to complete the sentences.

6. Before passing away, President Ho Chi Minh left the Vietnamese people with the _____ Testament.
A. important B. essential C. historic D. historical
7. Her _____ to medicine was so great that she had little time for anything else.
A. importance B. dedication C. emphasis D. reputation
8. Tran Hung Dao was a great _____ to lure the enemy to enter deeply into his land, then attacked to destroy them.
A. strategy B. strategist C. soldier D. king
9. In spite of having a peasant _____, Nguyen Hue had proved that he was really an excellent general, only gained victories.
A. situation B. experience C. condition D. background
10. In 1921, Phan Boi Chau studied socialism and the Soviet Union in _____ assistance from the Soviet Union or socialist groups.
A. hope to gain B. hope of gaining C. the hope of gaining D. the hope to gain
11. Bill Gates' _____ in donating large sums of money towards welfare activities is remarkable.
A. generosity B. politeness C. wealth D. talent
12. Nguyen Hue invited _____ scholars at that time: Nguyen Thiep, Tran Van Ky, and Ngo Thoi Nham.
A. Ø B. that C. some D. the
13. At first, Microsoft had _____ hyphen in the name "Micro-soft", _____ combination of microcomputer and _____ software.
A. a – the – a B. a – a – Ø C. the – the – Ø D. Ø – a – the
14. Dr. Jane Luu _____ the huge telescope at the University of Hawaii while she _____ for any bodies beyond Neptune.
A. was using – searched B. used – had searched
C. used – was searching D. had used – searched
15. I first met her four years ago when we _____ at a middle school.
A. had been studying B. are studying
C. have been studying D. were studying

IV) Fill in each blank in the passage with the correct word from the box. There are some extra words.

failure achievement work happen
ambition generosity success interview

As a young man, Soichiro Honda didn't have a job at all. He had (16) _____ and lots of ideas for businesses, but they didn't (17) _____. He lost money and his wife had to sell her jewellery so that they had money for food. He tried to get a job with Toyota, but he didn't do very well at the (18) _____. But he always had belief that he could do well. In 1948, he opened a company and now the Honda Motor Company has nearly 180,000 employees throughout the world. Soichiro Honda believed that when you have a

problem or a(n) (19) _____, it can help you to learn and get better. He once said, “(20) _____ is 99 percent failure.”

V) Put the verbs in brackets in the past simple or the past continuous.

21. I (wait) _____ for a taxi when I saw my friend.
22. It (rain) _____ when I left the house.
23. Last night I (lie) _____ in bed when I (hear) _____ a strange noise.
24. When we (arrive) _____ home from Nha Trang, we (still wear) _____ T-shirts and shorts.
25. I (look) _____ at some old photos when I (find) _____ one of my dad's photos when he was seventeen. He (have) _____ really long hair.

VI) Choose the word or phrase among A, B, C or D that best fits the blank space in the following passage.

Alexandre Yersin was born in 1863 in Switzerland, and died on March 1, 1943 in Nha Trang, Viet Nam. He studied medicine in Paris and Berlin.

Yersin left Europe in 1890 to (26) _____ a physician aboard steamships operating (27) _____ the coast of Indochina and soon began his four-year exploration of the central region. He (28) _____ the sources of the Dong Nai River and explored the Lam Vien Plateau, where he (29) _____ that a town, the future Da Lat, should be built. In 1892 he joined the colonial (30) _____ and was sent to Hong Kong in 1894, where he discovered the plague bacillus (31) _____ studying an outbreak of plague in China.

The next year, Yersin (32) _____ a laboratory, later the Pasteur Institute of Nha Trang. There he prepared serums against plague in human beings and cattle and studied cattle diseases, cholera and smallpox. To finance the laboratory, he (33) _____ the cultivation of corn, rice, and coffee and introduced the rubber to Indochina. In 1903, he founded a medical (34) _____ in Ha Noi but returned to Nha Trang, (35) _____ he introduced a source of quinine.

26.
A. serve B. serve as C. work D. work to
27.
A. away B. from C. in D. off
28.
A. came up B. discovered C. invented D. carried out
29.
A. recommended B. offered C. agreed D. required
30.
A. family doctors B. health treatment
C. health service D. public office
31.
A. before B. while C. during D. since
32.
A. set B. found C. established D. came up with
33.
A. made B. prepared C. promised D. undertook
34.
A. history B. profession C. school D. care
35.
A. where B. when C. which D. that

VII) Read the passage, and choose the correct answer A, B, C or D for each question.

Nguyen Binh Khiem was a Vietnamese administrator, educator, poet, and sage. As a poet throughout his life, he composed many poems in Chinese and Nom that have survived to this day. He is referred to by several names: Hanh Phu, Bach Van cu si (White Cloud Hermit) and Trang Trinh.

Born in Co Am village in 1491, he got the teaching from the second-rank doctor Luong Dac Bang and passed the official government examination in 1535, ranking number one in the country. This was a period of great instability in Viet Nam which may explain the reason why he took the exam at such a late age. He served in the Mac Dynasty court for just seven years until 1542 when he resigned after his official complaints about royal court corruptions were ignored. He then returned to his native village and opened a school. Among his students were Phung Khac Khoan (a diplomat), Luong Huu Khanh, Nguyen Du (the author of Truyen ky man luc).

Nguyen Binh Khiem became a person much sought after by many leaders during that time of upheaval, civil war, the Mac collapse, and the rise of the Trinh Lords and Nguyen Lords. Both Trinh Kiem and Nguyen Hoang sought his advice in their pursuit of power. To the former, he gave the advice of being the real power behind the restored Le Dynasty. To the latter, he advised building a base of power in the undeveloped south. Both men followed these suggestions, resulting in a political and military division of Viet Nam that would last for 200 years. As a result of this sage advice, Nguyen Binh Khiem gained a reputation as someone who could foretell the future. Some of his prophecies were of a Delphic nature as they were ambiguous and could be read in several ways.

36. The reason why he took the official government examination at a late age was that:

- A. there was no examination before that
- B. he waited for the Mac Dynasty to rule the country
- C. the country went through many conflicts
- D. he was busy composing poems

37. In 1542, he resigned from the royal court because:

- A. the royal court didn't pay attention to his complaints
- B. the royal court ignored his suggestions developing the country
- C. he was replaced by his talented students
- D. there were corruptions in the royal court

38. All of the following are true about the period after he resigned from the royal court EXCEPT that:

- A. he trained some famous scholars for the country
- B. the kings or lords often came to him for advice
- C. he composed poems and some prophecies
- D. he paid no attention to politics and ignored it

39. We can infer from the passage that:

- A. he asked Trinh Kiem to become the king of the restored Le Dynasty
- B. he foresaw the division of Viet Nam between the Trinh Lords and Nguyen Lords
- C. he advised Nguyen Hoang to live in peace in the undeveloped south
- D. he made the Mac Dynasty collapse with his prophecies and influence

40. His prophecies:

- A. are accurate all the time
- B. can be understood in several ways
- C. can give us good advice about the future
- D. contain reliable information about the future