

I. PHONETICS

(1-3). Choose the word whose underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others.

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| 1. a. <u>mean</u> ing | b. <u>re</u> ason | c. <u>fe</u> ature | d. <u>ple</u> asant |
| 2. a. <u>ch</u> ampagne | b. <u>ch</u> oice | c. <u>ex</u> change | d. <u>ch</u> ildren |
| 3. a. <u>de</u> ny | b. <u>st</u> udy | c. <u>typ</u> ical | d. <u>pre</u> tt <u>y</u> |

(4-5). Choose the word whose main stress pattern is not the same as that of the others.

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| 4. a. earthquake | b. energy | c. extensive | d. damage |
| 5. a. sometimes | b. reduction | c. student | d. interesting |

II. GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY

(6-20). Choose the word or phrase (a, b, c or d) that best fits the blank space in each sentence.

6. The final examination will be held _____ July 10th, 2008.
a. in b. on c. at d. to
7. The children are excited _____ their upcoming trip to the zoo.
a. to b. about c. for d. with
8. Sixteen people showed _____ for the volleyball training session.
a. on b. up c. over d. through
9. _____ she was an hour late, she didn't apologize.
a. In spite of b. Even though c. However d. Because
10. They haven't _____ an AIDS vaccine.
a. yet developed b. developed yet c. developed already d. already developed
11. People do exercise _____ fit.
a. to keep b. keeping c. kept d. in keeping
12. A person that you make friends with by writing letter is called a _____.
a. co-operator b. cousin c. close friend d. penpal
13. You look so depressed. You look _____ you didn't have a friend in the world.
a. as if b. if only c. even if d. although
14. Most parents think chatting on the Internet is _____.
a. time-release b. time-wasting c. time-saving d. time-consuming
15. It really annoys me when people forget _____ thank you.
a. to say b. saying c. said d. to saying
16. Don't stay up late, _____.
a. do you b. won't you c. will you d. shouldn't you
17. If I were in charge, I _____ things differently.
a. had done b. will do c. would do d. would have done
18. Would you mind if I _____ a friend to the party?
a. bring b. will bring c. brought d. would bring

19. My father stopped _____ two years ago.

- a. smoke b. to smoke c. smoking d. smoked

20. "You got the first prize. Congratulations!" "_____."

- a. You're welcome b. Never mind c. It's my pleasure d. Thanks a lot

(21-25). Choose the underlined word or phrase (A, B, C or D) that needs correcting.

21. Could you phone me as soon as he'll come back?

- A B C D

22. Would you please stop to make so much noise?

- A B C D

23. Last summer I have stayed on my uncle farm for two weeks.

- A B C D

24. What difficult to master a foreign language!

- A B C D

25. The police said that they had reacted as fastly as they could.

- A B C D

(26-30). Use the correct form of the word given in each sentence.

26. If you need any help, you can ask Tom. He's very _____. (help)

27. I have a _____ to talk a lot whenever I am nervous. (tend)

28. Gas and oil _____ always increases in cold weather. (consume)

29. We find advertising on television very _____. (effect)

30. The students wear their school uniforms with _____. (proud)

III. READING

(31-38). Choose the word or phrase (a, b, c or d) that best fits the blank space in the following passage.

99 Rue Pigalle
Montmartre, Paris
July 7th, 2007

Dear John,

At last I am now in Paris. When I arrived (31)_____ the airport, it was raining heavily. It (32)_____ me about 45 minutes to get the dormitory. Paris is smaller but (33)_____ interesting than London. I think it is the best city (34)_____ I have ever visited. There are many restaurants here but (35)_____ restaurants that sell English food.

I work hard and learn a lot of French. (36)_____, my French is not good enough so I usually have (37)_____ communicating. My French teachers and friends are nice and helpful.

Anyway I stop now. I will write (38)_____ I promise.

Yours truly,

Jenny

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| 31. a. to | b. in | c. at | d. on |
| 32. a. spent | b. took | c. passed | d. lasted |
| 33. a. too | b. much | c. most | d. more |
| 34. a. that | b. where | c. whose | d. in which |
| 35. a. so | b. few | c. a few | d. lots of |

36. a. Therefore b. Though c. However d. Furthermore
37. a. ease b. opportunity c. problem d. difficulty
38. a. so often b. as often c. so often as d. as often as

(39-43). Read the passage below and then decide whether the statements that follow are True or False.

Many people now think that teachers give students too much homework. They say that it is unnecessary for children to work at home in their free time. Moreover, they argue that most teachers do not properly plan the homework tasks they give to students. The result is that students have to repeat tasks which they have already done at school.

Most people agree that homework is unfair. A student who can do his homework in a quiet and comfortable room is in a much better position than a student who does his homework in a small, noisy room with the television on. Some parents help their children with their homework. Other parents take no interest at all in their children's homework.

It is important, however, that teachers talk to parents about homework. A teacher should suggest suitable tasks for parents to do with their children. Parents are often better at teaching their own children!

39. Many parents would like their children to have less homework.
40. Parents think that students should do a lot of work in their leisure time at home.
41. A lot of homework has not been planned properly, according to many parents.
42. Only a small number of people think that homework is fair.
43. Teachers suggest parents should teach their own children at home.

IV. WRITING

(44-46). Choose the sentence (a, b, c or d) that is almost the same in meaning as the sentence given.

44. 'I'm leaving here for Hue tomorrow,' Hoa said.
a. Hoa said that she is leaving there for Hue the day after.
b. Hoa said that she was leaving there for Hue the day after.
c. Hoa said that she would leave there for Hue the day after.
d. Hoa said that she would leave here for Hue the day after.
45. It's no use reading that book.
a. You should read that book. b. That book has not been used.
c. You shouldn't use that book for reading. d. That book is not worth reading.
46. I don't really want to spend my vacations in France.
a. I would rather not spend my vacations in France.
b. I would like to spend my vacations in France.
c. I don't often spend my vacations in France.
d. I prefer spending my vacations in France.

(47-50). Rewrite the sentences so that they are nearest in meaning to the sentence printed before them.

47. He will only phone if he changes his mind.

He won't _____

48. I haven't been to Bristol for three years.

The last time _____

49. 'Please sit down,' the teacher said to his students.

The teacher _____

50. He is too short to play basketball.

He's so _____