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- ## LANGUAGE FOCUS

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

11. A. garden B. artist C. candy D. drama
 12. A. embroider B. preserve C. benefit D. effect

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following questions.

13. A. experience B. populous C. fashionable D. cultural
 14. A. recreation B. cosmopolitan C. determine D. multicultural

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions then correct it.

15. Noisy pollution comes from the traffic and from construction sites.
 A. Noisy B. comes C. traffic D. sites
 16. They offered him a place at the company, but he turned down it.
 A. offered B. place C. but D. turned down it
 17. Conical hat-making in the village has passed down from generation to generation.
 A. making B. the village
 C. has passed down D. to

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

18. He earns a living by _____ a local carpentry workshop.
 A. running B. controlling C. getting D. having
 19. Public transport here is very _____ and reliable.
 A. convince B. convenient C. convenience D. comfort
 20. I think living in the city has a number of _____ such as traffic jams, traffic accidents and pollution.
 A. vehicles B. problems C. comes D. looks
 21. When she turned up, the town hall was already _____ of people.
 A. packed B. full C. crowded D. jammed
 22. Your watch is much more beautiful, but it costs _____ my one.
 A. twice as much as B. as many as
 C. so much as D. twice as many as
 23. He thinks Korea is the _____ developed country in Asia.
 A. two second B. second in most
 C. second most D. most second

24. He has just received _____ from his friend.

- A. a nice Japanese new bicycle B. a nice new Japanese bicycle
C. a Japanese nice new bicycle D. a new nice Japanese bicycle

25. I have been to many traditional craft villages in Viet Nam, and I never cease to be amazed by the talents of local _____.

- A. souvenirs B. products C. handicrafts D. artisans

26. Playing chess is the most _____ activity _____ children.

- A. good – for B. popular – with C. popular – for D. excited – of

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the most suitable response to complete each of the following exchanges.

27. “How was your trip to Australia?” - “ _____ ”

- A. Not really. Maybe just staying in the city
B. Just getting over the jetlag.
C. We didn’t have time to travel much.
D. Oh, it was great.

28. “Thank you for the nice Japanese doll you gave me last week.” - “ _____ ”

- A. It’s a nice doll.
B. That would be great. Thank you.
C. You’re welcome.
D. How nice of you.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

29. They thought over the job carefully and decided to apply for it.

- A. made B. considered C. looked forward D. understood

30. Tom was so interested in his assignment that he forgot about his dinner in the oven.

- A. busy B. obliged C. distracted D. absorbed

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

31. Due to an increase in population and the use of nearby land for farming, there are toxic levels of chemicals in the water.

- A. lowness B. shortage C. drop D. development

32. Why did you stop doing business with your workshop?

- A. give up B. close down C. keep running D. set up

READING

Mark the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

Homelessness is a problem in many big cities in the world. It (33) _____ when a part of the population does not have any regular place to call home. Hundreds of millions of people in the world (34) _____ at least some time of the year homeless. This is an issue that the authorities are trying to deal with. (35) _____, there are more things that each person can do to help those people.

One of the things that you can do to help the homeless is to volunteer your time. If you have a lot of free time, you might go on extended trips to help (36) _____ homes or improve an impoverished area. Even with just a few hours a week, it is possible to make an impact in your own city. You can also sign up to help at a local soup kitchen: most cities have a mission of some kind serving food to the (37) _____ and offering temporary shelter.

33. A. happen	B. occurs	C. appear	D. presents
34. A. spend	B. get	C. have	D. put
35. A. Although	B. Though	C. However	D. Despite
36. A. care for	B. set up	C. show around	D. pull down
37. A. homeless	B. motherless	C. sickness	D. kindness

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, or C to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

One of the world's best cities

With a population of about 2.6 million people, Vancouver is the largest city in Western Canada. Vancouver is in the Southwest of Canada, and it is only a few hours of driving away from the American border.

Vancouver is popular because it combines so many things. It is a huge, modern city. On the other hand, it is also one of North America's most beautiful areas. The natural beauty around Vancouver is famous all around the world.

Vancouver is right next to the Rocky Mountains, so it is a wonderful place for skiing and snowboarding. Those aren't the only winter sports you can do there. If you can name a winter sport, then you probably do that sport in Vancouver. After all, the 2010 Winter Olympics were there. Vancouver is also great for hiking, jogging, and skateboarding. It even has beaches. The beaches aren't the best in the world, but they are clean and pretty.

Another place that you have to visit in Vancouver is Stanley Park. This is a public park that is a stone's throw from downtown. However, the park is completely surrounded by the Pacific Ocean. The nature in Stanley Park is beautiful. It is close to downtown, but it feels like it

is 100 kilometres away. The park also has playgrounds, gardens, beaches, tennis courts, and even an aquarium.

Vancouver is something for everybody. It is no wonder that people think it is one of the world's best cities.

38. What does the passage say about Vancouver's beaches?

- A. They are the world's best beaches.
- B. They are pretty good beaches.
- C. They are terrible beaches
- D. Nobody goes to those beaches.

39. What does the sentence "It is close to downtown, but it feels like it is 100 kilometres away" in paragraph 4 mean?

- A. Stanley Park is far from downtown, but it feels like it is very close.
- B. Stanley Park is more than 100 years old.
- C. Stanley Park is 100 kilometres long.
- D. Stanley Park is close to downtown, but it feels like a very distant place.

40. What does "It is no wonder that people think it is one of the world's best cities mean?

- A. A few people think it is one of the worlds best cities.
- B. Few people think it is one of the worlds best cities.
- C. Some people think it is one of the worlds best cities.
- D. A lot of people think it is one of the worlds best cities.

41. Which of the following is NOT popular in Vancouver?

- A. jogging
- B. winter sports
- C. skateboarding
- D. football

42. What could replace the phrase "a stones throw" in paragraph 4?

- A. an act of throwing a stone
- B. a short distance
- C. moving very quickly
- D. a little bit long distance

WRITING

Finish the second sentence so that it has similar meaning to the first one, using the given words.

43. This novel is much more interesting than that one. **(as)**

44. Ha Noi is the most ancient city in the North. **(more)**

45. This is the best film she has ever watched. **(never)**

46. Her house is the same as it was in 1990. **(changed)**

Combine two sentences into a new one using the given words in bracket. Do not change the given words in any way.

47. John is sad. He doesn't know why she refused his invitation to the party. **(turn down)**

48. What a pity. She can't play table tennis. **(wish)**

49. The comic was so interesting. We read it several times. **(such)**

50. I couldn't reach the shelf. It was very high. **(too)**

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1. A 2. B 3. B 4. B 5. B 6. A 7. B 8. C 9. A 10. A 11. C 12. D 13. A 14. C 15. A
16. D 17. C 18. A 19. B 20. B 21. B 22. A 23. C 24. B 25. D 26. B 27. D 28. C
29. B 30. D 31. C 32. C 33. B 34. A 35. C 36. B 37. A 38. B 39. D 40. D 41. D
42. B

43. That novel was not as interesting as this novel/ one.

44. No other cities are more ancient than Ha Noi in the North.

45. She has never watched such a good film before.

46. Her house hasn't changed since it was in 1990.

47. John is sad because he doesn't know why she turned down his invitation to the party.

48. She wishes she could play table tennis.

49. It was such an interesting comic that we read it several times.

50. This shelf was too high for me to reach.

LISTENING TRANSCRIPT

Task 1: Listen to the talk about "City life" then decide whether these sentences below are true or False. Circle A or B.

City life offers many exciting opportunities, but it also comes with some challenges. One of the most appealing aspects of living in a city is the variety of entertainment options available. Cities are home to theaters, museums, and restaurants, providing residents with endless things to do. Additionally, public transportation systems in cities are often very efficient, making it easy to travel without a car.

However, city life can also be stressful. The pace of life in cities is fast, and people often experience long work hours. Noise and air pollution are common issues, and finding affordable housing can be a challenge. Despite these challenges, many people enjoy the vibrant atmosphere and the diverse cultural experiences that city life offers.

Task 2: Listen to the conversation between Jack and Peter then choose the correct answer A, B, C or D. **Jack:** Hey, are you going to the basketball game this Friday?

Peter: Yeah, I heard it's against Jefferson High. It should be exciting.

Jack: Definitely! I hope our team wins.

Peter: Me too. Have you finished your history project yet?

Jack: Not yet. I still need to research some more.

Peter: Let me know if you need help. I finished mine last night.

Jack: Thanks! By the way, do you know when the school dance is?

Peter: It's next month. I'm so excited about it and can't wait anymore. Are you going?

Jack: I'm not sure yet. I have some projects to finish. What's about your plan?

Peter: Yeah, I'll go with some friends. Hope you can come, Jack!