

SECTION I. LISTENING

Part 1: Listen to the conversation between Thomas and Yen about Quan Ho singing and decide whether the statement is TRUE or FALSE. Tick (✓) the correct boxes. You will listen to the recording TWICE.

	True	False
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Question 3. Tourists can damage the environment directly or indirectly.	☐	☐
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Part 2: Listen to a news report about global warming in the Philippines and circle the correct answer A, B, or C. You will listen to the recording TWICE.

Question 6. Jenny didn't tell people about her videos because she _____.

- A. thinks her friends won't like them
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- C. only wants her friend to follow

Question 7. Which equipment did Jenny borrow?

- A. the microphone
- B. the ring light
- C. the editing software

Question 8. Jenny's videos show her _____.

- A. singing
- B. miming
- C. acting

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- A. negative
- B. hurtful
- C. positive

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5. Why do you think it is useful for your study?

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0.2 point for each correct answer from Question 1 – Question 35.

1 point for the essay in Writing – part 2

2 points for speaking (1 point for part 1 and 1 point for part 2 in Speaking section)

I. LISTENING

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Audio script 1

The number of tourists has increased over the years. In 1950, there were only 25 million international tourist arrivals. In 2020, it was estimated that 1.4 billion tourists travelled every year. While tourism is very important to the economy, there is also a price to pay especially in terms of the environment. In fact, the negative impact of tourism on the local environment is huge. Sometimes, the impact is direct, such as when tourists litter the streets or use up natural resources of the local areas such as clean water or energy. Other times, the impact is less direct but still large. When tourists travel for instance, they often travel by planes or vehicles that use a lot of fuel. This damages the environment as well. In either way, tourists are knowingly or not knowingly damaging the environment as they travel. However, it is possible to reduce such negative impact on the environment by traveling more responsibly and in a more eco-friendly way.

Audio script 2

Cameron: Hi, Jenny! I saw your TikTok videos online – I love them! Why didn't you tell me about them?

Jenny: Well, I wasn't sure you'd be interested. Also, I want to know all my comments and likes are real, and my followers are true. My friends may leave positive comments even if they don't like my content.

Cameron: I see. How do you make TikToks? Did you have to buy any expensive equipment?

Jenny: I use my mobile phone. I bought a ring light but that didn't cost much. I'm using my sister's microphone at the moment, but I'll buy my own soon and I edit all my videos using the free software on the app.

Cameron: Well, congrats! Your videos are great.

Jenny: Thanks. I love drama. It was weird at first - acting on camera! But I'm used to it now. My next video

is going to be me miming to different soundbites.

Cameron: That's a good idea. Do you ever get any negative comments?

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Nội dung	Thể hiện rõ quan điểm và có các luận điểm hợp lý, thuyết phục.	0.5
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