

I. LISTENING

*** Listen to the recording and fill in the blank with a suitable word.**

- There are _____ guests including Mr Pham Hoang, an artist Mr Nguyen Nam, a teacher, and Ms Mai Lan, a doctor.
- The topic of Happy Family Programme is _____ in the family.
- According to Mr Hoang, the role of men in a family is a _____.
- Women can share _____ problems with their husbands when they work outside.
- Husbands and wives _____ hands to provide for the family and to make it happy.

*** Listen to the recording and choose the best answer for the following sentences.**

- According to the talk , the environment is the natural world _____
 A. which is the habitat of animals B. where people, animals and plants live
 C. in which there is the air ,water and land D. what surrounds us
- What has led to air pollution?
 A. acid rains, greenhouse effect and health problems.
 B. dumping harmful rubbish and chemicals
 C. the burning of fossil fuel by factories and motor vehicles.
 D. the use of harmful chemicals in agriculture.
- _____ is a threat to human health and a danger to aquatic animals.
 A. Deforestation B. the burning of fossil fuel
 C. Water pollution D. Acid rains
- What should we do to reduce water pollution?
 A. burning fossil fuels
 B. encourage forestation
 C. dump harmful rubbish and chemicals at appropriate places
 D. collecting the rubbish on the beaches
- People should _____ to preserve the environment for the next generation.
 A. raise awareness of threats of the environment B. make every effort
 C. minimize the rate of environmental degradation D. to use mass media

II. LANGUAGE

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

- A. financial B. appliance C. environment D. electricity
- A. culture B. routine C. effectt D. tickett

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

- A. routine B. laundry C. household D. picnic

14. A. calculate B. chemical C. awareness D. natural

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

15. Kindness and _____ are two family values that many parents want to teach their children.

- A. responsible B. responsibility C. responsible D. responsibly

16. The police _____ the cause of the fire now.

- A. investigates B. investigate C. is investigating D. are investigating

17. A: Why are you filling that bucket with water?

B: I _____ the car.

- A. will wash B. am going to wash C. washed D. wash

Read the following advertisement / announcement and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 18 to 20

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FAMILY LIFE TALK SHOW

The School Events Committee is excited to announce:

- All students (18) _____ to attend the Family Life Talk Show at 14:00 on November 15 in the school auditorium.
- The talk show will feature (19) _____ special guest sharing insights on balancing family life and career.
- Each class is encouraged (20) _____ one representative to ask questions during the Q&A session.

If you have any questions, please contact the event coordinator.

18. A. invite B. inviting C. are invited D. have invited
19. A. a B. an C. the D. Ø (no article)
20. A. nominate B. to nominate C. nominating D. to nominating

III. WRITING

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph / letter in each of the following questions.

21.

- a. Additionally, spending quality time together helps to build strong family bonds and mutual respect.
- b. Furthermore, participating in family activities can improve communication and understanding among family members.
- c. Firstly, sharing household chores teaches responsibility and teamwork.
- d. Finally, families that engage in regular activities together tend to have a more supportive environment.
- e. Family life benefits greatly from shared responsibilities and activities.

- A. e – a – c – b – d B. e – c – a – b – d
- C. c – a – b – d – e D. c – e – a – b – d

22.

- a. Furthermore , we took part in a clean –up event at a local park , which showed us the importance of keeping nature clean.
- b. Dear Binh , I wanted to share my experience from a recent field trip focused on eco-friendliness .
- c. In conclusion , this trip was very educational and inspired me to be more mindful of my environmental impact .
- d. Best regards ,
- e. Next , we explored a community garden and discovered how growing our own food helps the environment.
- f. First , we visited a recycling center , where we learned how to sort and recycle waste properly.

A. b-f-e-a-c-d B. b-e-a-c-f-d C. b-c-a-f-e-d D. b-e-d-f-c-a

23.

- a. Next , we can go to concerts or listen to music with friends and family , making it a social activity
- b. Listening to music is very important because it can make our lives better and the world more beautiful.
- c. First , we should try different kinds of music to enjoy and learn more .
- d. Additionally , we can learn to play instruments and make our own music to express ourselves and share joy.
- e. Together , these actions help us appreciate music more and enrich our lives.

A.b-d-c-a-e B.b-d-a-c-e C.e-c-a-d-b D. b-c-a-d-e

24.

- a. Besides, clear and open communication prevents misunderstandings and conflicts.
- b. Dear Sarah, I hope this letter finds you well! I’ve been thinking about why effective communication is crucial in families.
- c. It helps family members express their needs and feelings, fostering empathy and trust.
- d. Firstly, good communication is the foundation of a healthy family relationship.
- e. Also, discussing problems openly allows families to find solutions together.
- f. Best wishes.

A. b – c – a – e – d – f B. b – d – e – c – a – f
C. b – a – d – e – c – f D. b – e – d – a – c – f

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 25 to 30.

Family life (25) _____ over the past few decades. In the past, families often consisted of large households with multiple generations living under the same roof. Parents, children, and even

grandparents shared a close-knit community, with each member playing a specific role. Today, however, many families have become smaller and more independent, with each member focusing (26) _____

One of the main changes in family life is the shift in traditional roles. In the past, fathers were typically the breadwinners (27) _____. Nowadays, both parents often work full-time jobs, sharing responsibilities such as childcare and housework. This shift has created more equality within families, but it has also led to challenges like balancing work and family life.

(28) _____ While it has made communication easier, allowing family members to stay connected even when they are far apart, it has also created a sense of isolation. Many families spend more time on their phones or computers than interacting with each other face-to-face. This change has raised concerns about the quality of family relationships in modern times.

(29) _____ family life remains an essential part of society. Families continue to provide love, support, and guidance, helping individuals grow and develop. Even though the structure of the family may have evolved, (30) _____ in shaping our lives has remained constant.

25. A. has changed significantly B. changed significantly
C. change significantly D. had changed significantly
26. A. on our own personal goals and careers B. on their own personal goals and careers
C. in their own personal goals and careers D. in our own personal goals and careers
27. A. while mothers stayed at home to care for the children and manage the household
B. when mothers stayed at home to care for the children and manage the household
C. after mothers stayed at home to care for the children and manage the household
D. before mothers stayed at home to care for the children and manage the household
28. A. Technology has also had a impact in significant family dynamics
B. Technology has also had a impact on significant family dynamics
C. Technology has also had a significant impact in family dynamics
D. Technology has also had a significant impact on family dynamics
29. A. Despite of these changes B. Despite these changes
C. Because of these changes D. In term of these changes
30. A. its role B. their roles C. our roles D. your roles

IV. READING

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 31 to 35.

Protect Our Environment Every Day!

Discover what simple changes we can make in our daily routines to benefit the environment.

Current challenges:

Industrial activities and widespread urban development have destroyed forests and (31) _____ habitats. Additionally, we (32) _____ 500 million plastic bottles every week, contributing to land and ocean pollution. This waste leads to the deaths of countless marine animals each year.

Steps we can take!

Choose eco-friendly products and reduce water consumption at home. This helps decrease the (33) _____ of resources needed for production.

- Avoid products packaged in excess materials. (34) _____ buying single-use plastic water bottles, use a refillable water bottle! This helps lower the (35) _____ of waste you generate.
- Compost biodegradable waste and reuse organic materials whenever possible. Separate food scraps from recyclable items for better waste management.

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|------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| 31. A. each other | B. other | C. the others | D. another |
| 32. A. throw away | B. give up | C. turn down | D. hand out |
| 33. A. consumption | B. delivery | C. storage | D. generation |
| 34. A. With respect to | B. In terms of | C. Instead of | D. In view of |
| 35. A. quality | B. level | C. number | D. volume |

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 36-40.

Grandparents are becoming the forgotten generation, with youngsters now too busy to listen to their stories from the olden days.

A study of 1,000 five- to 18-year-olds reveals just 21 per cent will visit their older relatives to hear about how their lives were different in the past; such as where they worked, how it was living in the war, and how they met the love of their life. More than half of youths have no idea what job their grandparent did before retirement. Sadly, one in ten admit they are simply not interested in their grandmother's or grandad's talents and interests, and a quarter only turn up to see them for pocket money. But 23 percent claim the reason they don't know anything about their older relatives is that they don't really get the chance to talk properly.

Researchers found that although 65 per cent of youngsters do see their grandparents every single week, 37 per cent claim this is only because their parents want them to. And while 39 per cent talk to their grandparents on the phone, Facebook or Skype at least once a week - 16 per cent once a day - conversation is rarely focused on what they are doing or have done in the past. Four in 10 kids have no idea what their grandparent's proudest achievements are, while 30 per cent don't know if they have any special skills or talents. And 42 per cent don't spend any time talking about their grandparent's history - and are therefore clueless about what their grandmother or grandad was like when they were younger. Perhaps due to this lack of communication and respect, just six per cent of children say they look up to their grandparents as a role model and inspiration.

36. Which of the following could be the main idea of the passage?

- A. Young people's tendency to neglect their grandparents
- B. Grandparents' loneliness in their old age
- C. Grandparents' attitudes towards youngsters
- D. Young people's disinterest in their grandparents' stories

37. According to the study in paragraph 2, which information is NOT true?
- A. Nearly a quarter of young people don't have suitable opportunities to talk to older relatives.
 - B. Over 50% of the young don't know about their older relatives' past professions.
 - C. Most of youths visit their grandparents to ask for pocket money.
 - D. Merely one fifth of people in the survey keep asking about the bygone time of their grandparents.
38. According to the last paragraph, the proportion of the young voluntarily visiting their older family members every week is _____.
- A. 39%
 - B. 27%
 - C. 28%
 - D. 65%
39. The word 'them' in paragraph 2 refers to _____.
- A. relatives
 - B. youngsters
 - C. talents
 - D. grandparents
40. Which of the following can be inferred from the last paragraph?
- A. Youngsters nowadays are too indifferent to their grandparents' lives in the past.
 - B. Most young people use modern technology to keep in touch with their older generation.
 - C. Children's lack of communication with grandparents leads to mutual misunderstanding.
 - D. Grandchildren never care for their elderly relatives' special skills and talents.

PRACTICE TEST 2 (UNIT 3)

I. LISTENING

*** Listen to an interview about preparations for an International Youth Music Festival and fill in the blank with a suitable word.**

1. As you can hear in the _____ it's very busy here.
2. We're still _____ up the main stage.
3. Last year the festival was on the beach and it was free of _____.
4. We had problems with _____.
5. This year we have _____ the tickets in advance so that we know how many people are coming

*** Listen to the passage and choose the best answer for the following sentences.**

6. Where was Beethoven born?
 - A. Vienna, Austria
 - B. Born, Germany
 - C. Berlin, Germany
 - D. Salzburg, Austria
7. What major challenge did Beethoven face during his life?
 - A. He was unable to compose music.
 - B. He became deaf.
 - C. He moved to Vienna too late in his career.
 - D. He lost his eyesight.
8. What is unique about Beethoven's compositions?
 - A. They strictly followed traditional music rules.

- B. They were influenced only by folk music.
 C. They broke traditional rules and expressed emotions and ideals.
 D. They were mainly created for opera performances.
9. Which of these works by Beethoven includes the "Ode to Joy"?
- A. The Moonlight Sonata B. The Fifth Symphony
 C. The Ninth Symphony D. The Eroica Symphony
10. What ideals did Beethoven want his music to express?
- A. Freedom and equality B. Wealth and power
 C. Romantic love D. Religious devotion

II. LANGUAGE

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

11. A. amazing B. award C. talented D. festival
 12. A. single B. music C. contest D. release

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

13. A. melody B. festival C. positive D. contestant
 14. A. enjoy B. perform C. suffer D. agree

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

15. The stage _____ was carefully planned to create a lively atmosphere for the audience .
 A. decoration B. decorative C. decorate D. decoratively
16. I admire Celine Dion _____ she has a nice voice.
 A. so B. and C. but D. for
17. Everybody would like _____ to a higher position.
 A. to be promoted B. being promoted C. promoting D. to promote

Read the following advertisement / announcement and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 18 to 20

Announcement of Sports Event

The School Youth Union would like (18)_____:

Our school is organizing an annual sports day on June 27th at 8a.m in school ground. The students who are interested in participating can give their names. Various sport events will be held like badminton, basketball, races... (19)_____ students who perform the most excellently will be chosen to (20)_____ in the interschool sports event in our town.

Should you have any question, please contact me via email: sportseventND@gmail.com

18. A. announce B. to announce C. announcing D. announced

19. A. a B. an C. The D. no article
20. A. compete B. contest C. test D. take

III. WRITING

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph / letter in each of the following questions.

21 :

- a. What's more, we can reduce stress and feel better when reading books.
- b. First of all, it provides us much information that we need to know about the things around us.
- c. Everyone can receive a lot of advantages from reading books.
- d. Besides, reading books also help us concentrate on things.
- e. The last but not least is that reading can improve our writing skills.

- A. c-b-a-d-e B. c-d-a-b-e
C. a-d-b-c-e D. a-c-b-e-d

22:

- a. Secondly, we should promote local artists by organizing concerts and events. This helps in encouraging local talent and keeps the community engaged.
- b. In conclusion, promoting and appreciating music can enhance our cultural heritage and bring people together.
- c. Firstly, music can play a significant role in enhancing our cultural identity. For instance, we can introduce music classes in schools to educate students about traditional and modern music.
- d. There are several ways we can promote the importance of music in our community.
- e. Finally, we can create platforms for music enthusiasts to share their knowledge and experiences, such as through online forums or community music groups.

- A. d – c – a – e – b B. c– a– e– b– d
C. d– c– a– b– e D. c– d– a– e– b

23:

- a. Dear Music Academy Team,
- b. Yours sincerely,
- c. Next, I would be grateful if you could provide details about the application process and any prerequisites for enrollment. This will help me prepare all the necessary documents in advance.
- d. Finally, I would like to know more about the course syllabus, particularly how it covers different music genres and performance techniques.
- e. I am writing to express my interest in the advanced music production course offered by your academy. I am keen to develop my skills in music composition and sound engineering.
- f. I look forward to receiving your detailed response at your earliest convenience.
- g. First, I would appreciate it if you could provide an overview of the course structure and the learning outcomes. I want to ensure that the program aligns with my professional goals.

A. a – g – c – e – d – f – b

B. e – a – c – g – d – f – b

C. a – d – g – c – e – f – b

D. a – e – g – c – d – f – b

24.

- a. Besides, playing sports can actually be exciting.
- b. Dear John, How are you? I've been thinking about why it's important for people to play sports.
- c. Finally, it's a good way for us to stay in shape and unwind.
- d. First of all. It helps us enhance our health.
- e. Also. when we play sports, it helps us promote our friendship.
- f. Best wishes.

A. b – d – e – a – c – f

B. b – c – a – e – d – f

C. b – e – d – a – c – f

D. b – a – d – e – c – f

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 25 to 30.

Playing sports brings a lot of advantages. First, it helps you(25)_____. When you are physically active, your mind gets a chance to unplug from daily stresses and strains of life. Physical exercise reduces the stress hormones in your body and stimulates the release of endorphins, (26)_____you more energy and focus for whatever life has. Next, sports enables you to build better relationships with people. Through frequent sport you can get to know a lot about people's personalities,(27)_____strengths and weaknesses. Sport with colleagues is a good opportunity (28)_____and networks that may help you in your job.(29)_____, it strengthens immune system. When playing sports, the body (30)_____from different types of harmful bacteria and virus. To sum up, people should play sports regularly because it brings lots of advantages..

25.

A. reduce stress

B. reducing stress

C. to reduce stress

D. Both A and C are correct

26.

A. it may give

B. that may give

C. which may give

D. this may give

27.

A. his

B. him

C. them

D. their

28.

A. built better relationships

B. to build better relationships

C. building better relationships

D. for building better relationships

29.

A. Last but the least

B. Finally but not least

C. Last and not least

D. Last but not least

30.

- A. is protected B. are protected C. was protected D. protected

IV. READING

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 31 to 35.

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart is one of (31)_____greatest and most influential composers in the history of Western music. He composed over 600 works for all the musical genres of his day including operas, concertos, symphonies, chamber music and sonatas. Mozart was born in Salzburg on 27 January 1756 and was the son of Leopold Mozart (32)_____was a successful composer, violinist and assistant concert master at the Salzburg court. He was a child and composed his first piece of music when he was only five years old. Leopold recognised his son's extraordinary talents and took him on several performing tours throughout Europe. At 17, Mozart worked as a (33) _____at the Salzburg court (34)_____ he grew restless and travelled in search of a better position. While visiting Vienna in 1781, he was dismissed from his Salzburg position and chose (35)_____in Vienna where he composed many of his best-known symphonies, concertos and operas during his final years. He died on 5 December 1791, while working on his famous Requiem, at the age of 35.

31. A. the B. a C. any D. one
 32. A. which B. when C. who D. whose
 33. A. musically B. musician C. music D. musical
 34. A. or B. because C. so D. but
 35. A. to staying B. to stay C. staying D. stay

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 36-40.

Based on the original *The Voice of Holland*, *The Voice of America*, or sooner *The Voice*, officially aired on NBC on April 26, 2011 aiming to find new singing talent and soon became a big hit.

The Voice process includes Blinds Audition, Battles Rounds, Knockout Rounds, and the final live performance phase. Only those fifteen and over are eligible for the competition. There are four coaches, themselves well-known performing artists, who critique contestants' performances and form their own teams of contestants and give them guidance through the rest of the season. Coaches also have the power to decide on which contestants to advance in the next rounds. One celebrity key advisor gives assistance to the coaches and their teams during the preparation process.

The coaches and the television audience have equal power to decide who moves on to the final four phase. However, the winner is determined by votes from the television audience by online voting on the official website, SMS text and iTunes stores purchases of the contestants' performances. The declared winner receives US\$ 100, 000 and a record contract with Universal Music Group.

As an incredible success in both Holland and the U.S., The Voice has been franchised out to many other countries in the world, and has been a big rival to the *Idol* franchise.

36 What is TRUE about The Voice program?

- A. It originated in Holland.
- B. The Voice of Holland first aired on NBC.
- C. It was a failure in Holland.
- D. The Voice of Holland first aired on BBC.

37. What is a requirement for contestants?

- A. Contestants must be over 10 old.
- B. Contestants must be at least 15 years old.
- C. Contestants must be at least 13 years old.
- D. Contestants must be over 30 years old.

38. Who decide on the winner of each season?

- A. Coaches and television audience
- B. Coaches and the celebrity key advisor
- C. Television audience
- D. The contestants' parents.

39. By what means can people vote for their favourite contestant?

- A. Text messages, internet, and post letters
- B. Youtube views and online voting on the official website
- C. Facebook's sharing and voting from the audiences.
- D. Text messages and online buying of the contestants' performances

40. What is the prize for winning a The Voice season?

- A. A music company and US\$ 100,000
- B. A large amount of money and becoming a The Voice coach
- C. A record contract worth US\$ 100,000
- D. A large amount of money and chance to work with a music company

PRACTICE TEST 3 (REVIEW 2 SKILLS)

I. LISTENING

*** Listen to the recording and fill in the blank with a suitable word.**

Nam: Hi Lan! You look very (1) _____ today! I heard you went on a volunteer trip to the mountains. How was it?

Lan: Great! I'm so happy and relaxed now though at first I was (2) _____. I didn't understand the purpose of the trip. I knew nothing about the place, so I also felt a little bit (3) _____.

Nam: Oh, did you go there with other (4) _____ of the volunteer club? Was everything OK?

Lan: Yes, we went as a team. The local people were so friendly and helpful. Now we are preparing (5) _____ our next volunteer trip in the summer. I'm so excited about it.

*** Listen to the recording and choose the best answer for the following sentences.**

6. What can Sophia, the robot, do that makes it unique compared to Asimo?

- A. Walk up stairs faster than humans.
- B. Communicate using human language and express emotions.
- C. Cook meals for people.
- D. Recognise faces in a crowd.

7. Which area of life is AI NOT mentioned as being applied to?

- A. Healthcare.
- B. Home cleaning.
- C. Transport.
- D. Customer service.

8. What is one benefit of using AI in smartphones for transport?

- A. It can track vehicle speed.
- B. It collects traffic information to suggest suitable routes.
- C. It monitors air pollution levels.
- D. It books tickets for public transport.

9. Why is AI considered one of the most important inventions of the 21st century?

- A. It has completely changed daily work and life.
- B. It has made robots smarter than humans.
- C. It replaces all manual labor jobs.
- D. It reduces electricity usage in homes.

10. What role do chatbots play in customer service?

- A. They repair damaged devices.
- B. They manage bank transactions.

C. They assist in planning holidays and answering questions.

D. They teach new languages to users.

II. LANGUAGE

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

11. A. possible B. leave C. read D. seat

12. A. result B. resume C. research D. resort

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

13. A. history B. favorite C. celebrate D. emotion

14. A. interact B. important C. delicious D. convenient

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

15. He hopes the Olympic record.

A. to break B. breaking C. be broken D. break

16. To become a novelist, you need to be

A. imaginarily B. imagine C. imagination D. imaginative

17. I for a job for two months now.

A. are looking B. had looked C. have been looked D. have been looking

Read the following advertisement / announcement and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 18 to 20

REINVENT YOUR KITCHEN AND TRANSFORM YOUR DIET!

Created by a chef, a housewife, and a lifestyle coach, *simplydelicious.com* contains everything you need to add variety and (18) _____ to your daily diet. Full of ideas, recipes, tips, and how-to videos, this revolutionary site promises to turn your kitchen into a place for creativity and exploration. Your health (19)_____ improved.

From the comfort of your home, you can learn how best to shop at your neighborhood store, find ways to reorganize your kitchen to maximize space and to encourage healthy decisions, explore international cuisines, refine your skills, and even try new cooking techniques!

Can't wait to change your life? *Simplydelicious.com* is ready (20)_____ you!

18. A. contribution B. nutrition C. promotion D. ingredients

19. A. is B. was C. will be D. has been

20. A. into B. on C. for D. at

III. WRITING

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph / letter in each of the following questions.

21. a. For example, here in Viet Nam, we can enjoy Italian pizza or Japanese sushi, in addition to our traditional food.
- b. On the other hand, Vietnamese specialties, such as pho and banh mi, are also gaining popularity worldwide.
- c. Fast food chains and international restaurants have become popular, offering a wide range of dishes and more food choices to local people.
- d. Moreover, some international dishes use local ingredients, which make them unique and more suitable to local tastes.
- e. In short, you can explore the flavorful world of traditional Vietnamese food or enjoy dishes from other countries around the world in Viet Nam.

A. d-c-a-b-e

B. c-a-d-b-e

C. d-b-c-e-a

D. e-b-a-c-d

22. a. Last year, I gained valuable experience working part-time at a local computer repair centre, and I also spent six months as a tech support trainee at a major IT firm.
- b. I am writing to apply for the IT support technician position advertised in the local newspaper on Tuesday 5th July.
- c. I am very adaptable, reliable and excellent at multitasking, and I have strong communication skills and natural problem-solving abilities.
- d. I have a bachelor's degree in IT from the University of Leeds, and I have recently completed a master's in IT management.
- e. I have attached a copy of my CV to this letter for your review.
- f. If you have any questions about me, please let me know. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

A. b-d-f-a-c-e

B. e-b-d-a-c-f

C. b-d-a-c-e-f

D. f-b-e-c-d-a

23. a. There are also many music festivals around the globe that bring artists and music fans together.
- b. People nowadays enjoy listening to music from different countries and cultures, and in different languages.
- c. Thanks to globalisation, people can quickly discover new music from all over the world.

d.To sum up, in today's connected world, it is very common for musicians across the world to work on music projects and share ideas together.

e. For example, American teens are captivated by K-pop music and dance.

A. c-a-b-e-d

B. d-a-b- e-c

C. d-b-c-e-a

D. c-b-e-a-d

24. a. In my opinion, you could definitely be a great interior designer.

b. It's nice to hear from you. How is it going?

c. Let me know what you decide to do. I think we should meet up over the holidays.

d. I'm so happy that you're doing well and enjoying your new home in Canada.

e. I'd be happy to give you some advice on your career.

f. However, as an interior designer, you could have some really difficult clients who don't know what they want or find it hard to keep up with the newest trends and popular styles.

A. b-d-f-a-c-e

B. b-d-e-a-f-c

C. c-e-a-f-b-d

D. b-f-e-d-a-c

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 25 to 30.

Self-study, the act of learning independently without direct supervision, offers numerous benefits for individuals seeking to expand (25).....

Firstly, self-study promotes autonomy and self-discipline, as learners take responsibility for their own learning journey. This cultivates essential skills such as time management and perseverance, (26) but also in various aspects of life.

Secondly, self-study allows learners (27)..... to their unique needs and preferences. They can choose the materials, resources, and pace that best suit their learning style, maximizing understanding and retention of information.

Additionally, self-study encourages critical thinking and (28)....., as learners actively engage with the material, seeking solutions independently.

Moreover, self-study fosters a sense of empowerment and confidence, as individuals witness their own progress and achievements firsthand. Furthermore, self-study can be more flexible and cost effective compared to formal education, as it eliminates the constraints of schedules and tuition fees.

Overall, self-study offers a wealth of benefits. (29), you don't have to pay for extra classes, empowering individuals with autonomy, customization, critical thinking, confidence, flexibility, and cost-effectiveness. It facilitates lifelong learning and (30).....

25. A. its knowledge and skills.

B. her knowledge and skills.

C. their knowledge and skills.

D. our knowledge and skills.

26. A. which are valuable not only in education

B. that are valuable not only in education

- C. It is valuable not only in education
 27. A. to tailor their learning experience
 C. tailor their learning experience
 28. A. problem-solution skills
 C. problem-solve skills
 29. A. When you learn by yourself
 C. Having learned by yourself
 30. A. personal grow B. person growth C. personal growing D. personal growth
 D. which are valuable only in education
 B. tailoring their learning experience
 D. to tailoring their learning experience
 B. problem-solving skills
 D. to problem-solving skills
 B. To learn by yourself
 D. Learn by yourself

IV. READING

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 31 to 35.

Zhang Guimei, 63, is the founder and principal of Huaping High School for Girls in Huaping county of Lijiang, Yunnan Province. She is legendary not only because she started such a free school for girls who dropped out for economic reasons, but also her huge (31) _____ for decades to persuade girls to study hard and change their destinies.

(32) _____ its disadvantaged location and resources, Zhang's school ranked top on the rate of graduates entering universities in Lijiang. Since 2008, nearly 2,000 girls from Zhang's school have entered universities and change their lives via education. Zhang dedicated her youth, health and enthusiasm to the great cause of education.

When she worked as the chief of a care center for homeless children, she noticed that (33) _____ poor families sent their sons to school but not their daughters. Start-up money for the school was raised by Zhang, (34) _____ asked for donations on the streets from 2002-07. The situation became better when her story was (35) _____ by a reporter in 2007 and donations from across the nation arrived.

Zhang was recognized as one of the "10 people who moved China in 2020." She was also a recipient of China's July 1 medal.

(Adapted from <https://www.globaltimes.cn/>)

31. A. disappointment B. allowance C. commitment D. interruption
 32. A. Despite B. Although C. Moreover D. Since
 33. A. much B. a little C. many D. any
 34. A. where B. that C. which D. who
 35. A. published B. designed C. hidden D. refused

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 36-40.

Los Angeles dancer, Brian Perez, was eating out with his friends one evening when suddenly everyone went quiet. To his horror, he saw that the reason for this was that people were checking their phones. Realising he had to do something to stop this, Brian made a rather daring suggestion. What if they all put their gadgets in a pile in the middle of the table until they had finished the meal? If anyone picked up their

phone, that person would have to pay the whole bill. And so, it is said, the game of 'phone stacking' was born.

The necessity for action like this **highlights** a major problem in today's society: our inability to disconnect from technology. But while Brian's idea deals with the obsession in a social context, measures also need to be taken at home. Some people drop their smartphones into a box the moment they arrive home, which gives them the chance to interact with the people they live with. The fact that the phone cannot be heard - it is on silent - nor seen - the flashing lights are hidden by the box - means that they are no longer tempted to use it.

A less drastic solution is to ban electronic devices at certain times of day when the whole family is likely to be together, for example at meal times. This can be hard for everyone, from teenagers desperate to text friends to parents unable to switch off from work. On a normal day, however, dinner takes less than an hour, and the benefits of exchanging opinions and anecdotes with the rest of the family certainly makes up for the time spent offline.

Taking a break from technology is one thing, but knowing when to turn off a device is another.

Time seems to stand still in the virtual world, and before you know it, you find that it is three o'clock in the morning. This is where a digital curfew comes in handy, a set time when all devices must be put away. Evenings without technology are usually nice and peaceful and make a more agreeable end to the day. And then it's time for bed. One of the best ways of ensuring you can sleep at night is to ban electronic devices altogether from the bedroom. Lying next to a machine bursting with information is far from relaxing, and the sounds it emits during the night can easily wake you up. With technology out of the room, a line has been drawn between daytime and sleep time, which enables us to switch off ourselves and drift off to sleep.

36. Which best serves as the title for the passage?

- A. Dependence on Technology: Time for Change!
- B. Getting Rid of Your Mobiles: For Better or Worse?
- C. Shocking News: Technology Shapes Our Mind!
- D. Addiction to Technology: Storm in a Teacup

37. According to paragraph 1, Brian Perez was shocked to find that _____.

- A. people were willing to remove all their gadgets
- B. the prices for food were too expensive
- C. people were glued to their phones
- D. everyone seemed quiet by nature

38. The word "highlights" in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. tackles
- B. expects
- C. proposes
- D. emphasizes

39. Which of the following statements is true, according to the passage?

- A. People choose not to use their phones at home so that they can talk to other members.
- B. Meal times are the most suitable for the whole family to use phones together.

- C. Teenagers can find it easier to turn off their phones compared to their parents.
 D. Brian's idea is not new in terms of making people less dependent on technology.
40. Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?
- A. Having a conversation at dinner definitely strengthens the bonds among family members.
 B. Using electronic gadgets at bedtime is likely to deprive yourself of having a good sleep.
 C. People are more pleasant to talk with when they use technology in the evenings.
 D. The line between daytime and sleep time has become increasingly blurred.

SPEAKING TOPICS FOR THE FIRST SEMESTER GRADE 10

*** Topic 1: Talk about your daily activities/ family routines**

Questions:

1. What do you usually do in the morning/afternoon/evening?
2. What kind of household chores do you usually do?
3. What benefit do you have when sharing household chores?

*** Topic 2: Talk about the ways to protect the environment.**

Questions:

1. What activities should you do to protect the environment?
2. Why should you do these activities?
3. As a student at Luu Van Liet high school, what should you do to make your school more beautiful?

*** Topic 3: Talk about your favourite kind of music.**

Questions:

1. What is your favourite kind of music?
2. Why do you like listening to music?
3. Who is your favourite singer?

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PRACTICE TEST 1 (UNIT 1,2)

I. LISTENING

*** Listen to the recording and fill in the blank with a suitable word.**

TV Host: Good evening, welcome to our Happy Family Programme. Our topic today is Roles in the Family', and our guests are Mr Pham Hoang, an artist, Mr Nguyen Nam, a teacher, and Ms Mai Lan, a doctor. Now, we'll hear what they think the roles of the wife and husband are in the family nowadays. What do you think about this, Mr Pham Hoang?

Mr Pham Hoang: Well, in my opinion, in the family, the husband is the provider while the wife is the homemaker. Her job is to look after everybody in the family and take care of the house to make sure that it's clean and neat, and that the family has good meals every day.

TV Host: So you mean the wife has to do most of the housework? What do you think, Ms Mai Lan?

Ms Mai Lan: Well, I don't think so. Women's roles have changed. They also work to share the financial burden with their husbands, so their husbands should share household duties with them.

TV Host: I see. What do you think, Mr Nguyen Nam?

Mr Nguyen Nam: I agree with Ms Mai Lan. Homemaking can't only be the job of the wife or the husband. Both should join hands to provide for the family and to make it happy.

1. There are _____ guests including Mr Pham Hoang, an artist Mr Nguyen Nam, a teacher, and Ms Mai Lan, a doctor.
2. The topic of Happy Family Programme is _____ in the family.
3. According to Mr Hoang, the role of men in a family is a _____.
4. Women can share _____ problems with their husbands when they work outside.
5. Husbands and wives _____ hands to provide for the family and to make it happy.

Keys:

1. 3
2. Roles
3. Provider
4. Financial
5. join

*** Listen to the recording and choose the best answer for the following sentences.**

The environment is the natural world in which people, animals and plants live. The natural environment has been seriously affected and degraded by human activities through many decades. For instance, the burning of fossil fuels by factories and motor vehicles has led to air pollution and resulted in acid rains, greenhouse effect and health problems.

Deforestation for land use has affected the ecosystem and led to the extinction of rare animals, and extreme floods and land erosion. Harmful rubbish and sewage dumped in rivers and oceans has polluted the water and harmed aquatic animals. There are many human activities having serious impacts on the natural environment. They have changed and degraded the natural environment and led to various health problems.

We should do something immediately to protect our environment. For instance, we should control the burning of fossil fuels and encourage forestation to replace deforestation. In addition, there should be appropriate places to dump harmful rubbish and chemicals to reduce the rate of water pollution, a threat to human health and a danger to aquatic animals.

To minimize the rate of environmental degradation and to raise awareness of its threats, the preservation of the environment should be included in education and mass media. People should make every effort to preserve the environment for the next generation.

6. According to the talk, the environment is the natural world _____

- | | |
|--|---|
| A. which is the habitat of animals | B. where people, animals and plants live |
| C. in which there is the air, water and land | D. what surrounds us |

7. What has led to air pollution?

- A. acid rains, greenhouse effect and health problems.
- B. dumping harmful rubbish and chemicals
- C. the burning of fossil fuel by factories and motor vehicles.**
- D. the use of harmful chemicals in agriculture.

8. _____ is a threat to human health and a danger to aquatic animals.

- | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| A. Deforestation | B. the burning of fossil fuel |
| C. Water pollution | D. Acid rains |

9. What should we do to reduce water pollution?

- A. burning fossil fuels

B. encourage forestation

C. dump harmful rubbish and chemicals at appropriate places

D. collecting the rubbish on the beaches

10. People should _____ to preserve the environment for the next generation.

A. raise awareness of threats of the environment **B. make every effort**

C. minimize the rate of environmental degradation D. to use mass media

II. LANGUAGE

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

11. A. financial B. appliance C. environment **D. electricity**

12. **A. culture** B. routine C. effect D. ticket

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

13. **A. routine** B. laundry C. household D. picnic

14. A. calculate B. chemical **C. awareness** D. natural

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

15. Kindness and _____ are two family values that many parents want to teach their children.

A. responsible **B. responsibility** C. responsible D. responsibly

16. The police _____ the cause of the fire now.

A. investigates B. investigate C. is investigating **D. are investigating**

17. A: Why are you filling that bucket with water?

B: I _____ the car.

A. will wash **B. am going to wash** C. washed D. wash

Read the following advertisement / announcement and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 18 to 20

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FAMILY LIFE TALK SHOW

The School Events Committee is excited to announce:

- All students (18) _____ to attend the Family Life Talk Show at 14:00 on November 15 in the school auditorium.
- The talk show will feature (19) _____ special guest sharing insights on balancing family life and career.
- Each class is encouraged (20) _____ one representative to ask questions during the Q&A session.

If you have any questions, please contact the event coordinator.

18. A. invite B. inviting **C. are invited** D. have invited
19. **A. a** B. an C. the D. Ø (no article)
20. A. nominate **B. to nominate** C. nominating D. to nominating

III. WRITING

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph / letter in each of the following questions.

21.

- Additionally, spending quality time together helps to build strong family bonds and mutual respect.
- Furthermore, participating in family activities can improve communication and understanding among family members.
- Firstly, sharing household chores teaches responsibility and teamwork.
- Finally, families that engage in regular activities together tend to have a more supportive environment.
- Family life benefits greatly from shared responsibilities and activities.

- A. e – a – c – b – d **B. e – c – a – b – d**
C. c – a – b – d – e D. c – e – a – b – d

22.

- a. Furthermore , we took part in a clean –up event at a local park , which showed us the importance of keeping nature clean.
b. Dear Binh , I wanted to share my experience from a recent field trip focused on eco-friendliness .
c. In conclusion , this trip was very educational and inspired me to be more mindful of my environmental impact .
d. Best regards ,
e. Next , we explored a community garden and discovered how growing our own food helps the environment.
f. First , we visited a recycling center , where we learned how to sort and recycle waste properly.
- A. b-f-e-a-c-d** B. b-e-a-c-f-d C. b-c-a-f-e-d D. b-e-d-f-c-a

23.

- a. Next , we can go to concerts or listen to music with friends and family , making it a social activity
b. Listening to music is very important because it can make our lives better and the world more beautiful.
c. First , we should try different kinds of music to enjoy and learn more .
d. Additionally , we can learn to play instruments and make our own music to express ourselves and share joy.
e. Together , these actions help us appreciate music more and enrich our lives.
- A.b-d-c-a-e B.b-d-a-c-e C.e-c-a-d-b **D. b-c-a-d-e**

24.

- a. Besides, clear and open communication prevents misunderstandings and conflicts.
b. Dear Sarah, I hope this letter finds you well! I’ve been thinking about why effective communication is crucial in families.
c. It helps family members express their needs and feelings, fostering empathy and trust.
d. Firstly, good communication is the foundation of a healthy family relationship.
e. Also, discussing problems openly allows families to find solutions together.
f. Best wishes.
- A. b – c – a – e – d – f **B. b – d – e – c – a – f**
C. b – a – d – e – c – f D. b – e – d – a – c – f

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 25 to 30.

Family life (25) _____ over the past few decades. In the past, families often consisted of large households with multiple generations living under the same roof. Parents, children, and even grandparents shared a close-knit community, with each member playing a specific role. Today, however, many families have become smaller and more independent, with each member focusing (26) _____

One of the main changes in family life is the shift in traditional roles. In the past, fathers were typically the breadwinners (27) _____. Nowadays, both parents often work full-time jobs, sharing responsibilities such as childcare and housework. This shift has created more equality within families, but it has also led to challenges like balancing work and family life.

(28) _____ While it has made communication easier, allowing family members to stay connected even when they are far apart, it has also created a sense of isolation. Many families spend more time on their phones or computers than interacting with each other face-to-face. This change has raised concerns about the quality of family relationships in modern times.

(29) _____ family life remains an essential part of society. Families continue to provide love, support, and guidance, helping individuals grow and develop. Even though the structure of the family may have evolved, (30) _____ in shaping our lives has remained constant.

25. **A. has changed significantly** B. changed significantly
C. change significantly D. had changed significantly
26. **A. on our own personal goals and careers** B. **on their own personal goals and careers**
C. in their own personal goals and careers D. in our own personal goals and careers

27. **A. while mothers stayed at home to care for the children and manage the household**

B. when mothers stayed at home to care for the children and manage the household

C. after mothers stayed at home to care for the children and manage the household

D. before mothers stayed at home to care for the children and manage the household

28. **A. Technology has also had a impact in significant family dynamics**

B. Technology has also had a impact on significant family dynamics

C. Technology has also had a significant impact in family dynamics

D. Technology has also had a significant impact on family dynamics

29. **A. Despite of these changes**

B. Despite these changes

C. Because of these changes

D. In term of these changes

30. **A. its role**

B. their roles

C. our roles

D. your roles

IV. READING

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 31 to 35.

Protect Our Environment Every Day!

Discover what simple changes we can make in our daily routines to benefit the environment.

Current challenges:

Industrial activities and widespread urban development have destroyed forests and (31) _____ habitats. Additionally, we (32) _____ 500 million plastic bottles every week, contributing to land and ocean pollution. This waste leads to the deaths of countless marine animals each year.

Steps we can take!

Choose eco-friendly products and reduce water consumption at home. This helps decrease the (33) _____ of resources needed for production.

- Avoid products packaged in excess materials. (34) _____ buying single-use plastic water bottles, use a refillable water bottle! This helps lower the (35) _____ of waste you generate.

- Compost biodegradable waste and reuse organic materials whenever possible. Separate food scraps from recyclable items for better waste management.

31. **A. each other**

B. other

C. the others

D. another

32. **A. throw away**

B. give up

C. turn down

D. hand out

33. **A. consumption**

B. delivery

C. storage

D. generation

34. **A. With respect to**

B. In terms of

C. Instead of

D. In view of

35. **A. quality**

B. level

C. number

D. volume

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 36-40.

Grandparents are becoming the forgotten generation, with youngsters now too busy to listen to their stories from the olden days.

A study of 1,000 five- to 18-year-olds reveals just 21 per cent will visit their older relatives to hear about how their lives were different in the past; such as where they worked, how it was living in the war, and how they met the love of their life. More than half of youths have no idea what job their grandparent did before retirement. Sadly, one in ten admit they are simply not interested in their grandmother's or grandad's talents and interests, and a quarter only turn up to see them for pocket money. But 23 percent claim the reason they don't know anything about their older relatives is that they don't really get the chance to talk properly.

Researchers found that although 65 per cent of youngsters do see their grandparents every single week, 37 per cent claim this is only because their parents want them to. And while 39 per cent talk to their grandparents on the phone, Facebook or Skype at least once a week - 16 per cent once a day - conversation is rarely focused on what they are doing or have done in the past. Four in 10 kids have no idea what their grandparent's proudest achievements are, while 30 per cent don't know if they have any special skills or talents. And 42 per cent don't spend any time talking about their grandparent's history - and are therefore clueless about what their grandmother or grandad was like when they were younger. Perhaps due to this lack of communication and respect, just six per cent of children say they look up to their grandparents as a role model and inspiration.

36. Which of the following could be the main idea of the passage?

A. Young people's tendency to neglect their grandparents

B. Grandparents' loneliness in their old age

C. Grandparents' attitudes towards youngsters

D. Young people's disinterest in their grandparents' stories

37. According to the study in paragraph 2, which information is NOT true?

A. Nearly a quarter of young people don't have suitable opportunities to talk to older relatives.

B. Over 50% of the young don't know about their older relatives' past professions.

C. Most of youths visit their grandparents to ask for pocket money.

D. Merely one fifth of people in the survey keep asking about the bygone time of their grandparents.

38. According to the last paragraph, the proportion of the young voluntarily visiting their older family members every week is _____.

A. 39%

B. 27%

C. 28%

D. 65%

39. The word 'them' in paragraph 2 refers to _____.

A. relatives

B. youngsters

C. talents

D. grandparents

40. Which of the following can be inferred from the last paragraph?

A. Youngsters nowadays are too indifferent to their grandparents' lives in the past.

B. Most young people use modern technology to keep in touch with their older generation.

C. Children's lack of communication with grandparents leads to mutual misunderstanding.

D. Grandchildren never care for their elderly relatives' special skills and talents.

PRACTICE TEST 2 (UNIT 3)

I. LISTENING

* Listen to an interview about preparations for an International Youth Music Festival and fill in the blank with a suitable word.

1. As you can hear in the _____ it's very busy here.

2. We're still _____ up the main stage.

3. Last year the festival was on the beach and it was free of _____.

4. We had problems with _____.

5. This year we have _____ the tickets in advance so that we know how many people are coming

Keys:

1.background	2. setting	3. charge	4. overcrowding	5. sold
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* Listen to the passage and choose the best answer for the following sentences.

6. Where was Beethoven born?

A. Vienna, Austria

B. Born, Germany

C. Berlin, Germany

D. Salzburg, Austria

7. What major challenge did Beethoven face during his life?

A. He was unable to compose music.

B. He became deaf.

C. He moved to Vienna too late in his career.

D. He lost his eyesight.

8. What is unique about Beethoven's compositions?

A. They strictly followed traditional music rules.

B. They were influenced only by folk music.

C. They broke traditional rules and expressed emotions and ideals.

D. They were mainly created for opera performances.

9. Which of these works by Beethoven includes the "Ode to Joy"?

A. The Moonlight Sonata

B. The Fifth Symphony

C. The Ninth Symphony

D. The Eroica Symphony

10. What ideals did Beethoven want his music to express?

A. Freedom and equality

B. Wealth and power

C. Romantic love

D. Religious devotion

Tapescripts:

Paragraph 1 :

Tam: Hi, this is Tam at the site of the second International Youth Music Festival. There are just two days to go before the festival opens on Sunday. As you can hear in the background it's very busy here. I'm with Jack, one of the festival organisers. So, Jack, how's it all going?

Jack: Hi, we're very busy. We're still setting up the main stage and there's still a lot to do, but we want to get it ready by tomorrow so that the bands can start to practise.

Tam: I heard that there are some changes to the festival this year. Can you tell us about them?

Jack: Well, last year the festival was on the beach and it was free of charge. We didn't know it would be so popular and we had problems with overcrowding. This year we have sold the tickets in advance so that we know how many people are coming. What's more important, we've decided to move the festival to this country park.

Tam: Why the country park? Isn't it a bit too far from the town centre?

Jack: Yeah, that's why we've chosen it. This location is better for everybody because ...

Paragraph 2 :

Ludwig van Beethoven, born in 1770 in Bonn, Germany, faced a troubled childhood with an alcoholic father. Despite this, his musical talent emerged early, making him a skilled pianist. In 1792, he moved to Vienna to study under Joseph Haydn and soon gained recognition for his powerful, dramatic compositions. Though Beethoven faced illnesses, depression, and eventual deafness, he continued composing masterpieces that expressed profound emotions and high ideals like freedom and equality.

Beethoven's work, influenced by Haydn, Bach, and Mozart, broke traditional rules to create unique, emotional, and challenging music. His notable compositions include the Moonlight Sonata, the Fifth Symphony with its iconic four-note opening, and the Ninth Symphony, featuring the triumphant "Ode to Joy." He also wrote chamber music, string quartets, masses, an opera, and symphonies that set new standards for composers.

Despite his fame and adoration, Beethoven struggled with personal happiness. He died of pneumonia in Vienna in 1827, leaving behind a legacy of groundbreaking music that continues to inspire.

II. LANGUAGE

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

11. A. amazing B. award C. talented D. festival
 12. A. single B. music C. contest D. release

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

13. A. melody B. festival C. positive D. contestant
 14. A. enjoy B. perform C. suffer D. agree

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

15. The stage _____ was carefully planned to create a lively atmosphere for the audience .
 A. **decoration** B. decorative C. decorate D. decoratively
 16. I admire Celine Dion _____ she has a nice voice.
 A. so B. and C. but D. **for**
 17. Everybody would like _____ to a higher position.
 A. **to be promoted** B. being promoted C. promoting D. to promote

Read the following **advertisement / announcement** and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 18 to 20

Announcement of Sports Event

The School Youth Union would like (18) _____ :
 Our school is organizing an annual sports day on June 27th at 8a.m in school ground. The students who are interested in participating can give their names. Various sport events will be held like badminton, basketball, races... (19) _____ students who perform the most excellently will be chosen to (20) _____ in the interschool sports event in our town.
 Should you have any question, please contact me via email: sportseventND@gmail.com

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|-----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| 18. A. announce | B. to announce | C. announcing | D. announced |
| 19. A. a | B. an | C. The | D. no article |
| 20. A. compete | B. contest | C. test | D. take |

III. WRITING

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the **correct arrangement** of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph / letter in each of the following questions.

Question 21 :

- a. What's more, we can reduce stress and feel better when reading books.
- b. First of all, it provides us much information that we need to know about the things around us.
- c. Everyone can receive a lot of advantages from reading books.
- d. Besides, reading books also help us concentrate on things.
- e. The last but not least is that reading can improve our writing skills.

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| A. c-b-a-d-e | B. c-d-a-b-e |
| C. a-d-b-c-e | D. a-c-b-e-d |

Question 22:

- a. Secondly, we should promote local artists by organizing concerts and events. This helps in encouraging local talent and keeps the community engaged.
- b. In conclusion, promoting and appreciating music can enhance our cultural heritage and bring people together.
- c. Firstly, music can play a significant role in enhancing our cultural identity. For instance, we can introduce music classes in schools to educate students about traditional and modern music.
- d. There are several ways we can promote the importance of music in our community.
- e. Finally, we can create platforms for music enthusiasts to share their knowledge and experiences, such as through online forums or community music groups.

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|----------------------|----------------------|
| A. d - c - a - e - b | B. c - a - e - b - d |
| C. d - c - a - b - e | D. c - d - a - e - b |

Question 23:

- a. Dear Music Academy Team,
- b. Yours sincerely,
- c. Next, I would be grateful if you could provide details about the application process and any prerequisites for enrollment. This will help me prepare all the necessary documents in advance.
- d. Finally, I would like to know more about the course syllabus, particularly how it covers different music genres and performance techniques.
- e. I am writing to express my interest in the advanced music production course offered by your academy. I am keen to develop my skills in music composition and sound engineering.
- f. I look forward to receiving your detailed response at your earliest convenience.
- g. First, I would appreciate it if you could provide an overview of the course structure and the learning outcomes. I want to ensure that the program aligns with my professional goals.

- | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| A. a - g - c - e - d - f - b | B. e - a - c - g - d - f - b |
| C. a - d - g - c - e - f - b | D. a - e - g - c - d - f - b |

Question 24.

- a. Besides, playing sports can actually be exciting.

- b. Dear John, How are you? I've been thinking about why it's important for people to play sports.
c. Finally, it's a good way for us to stay in shape and unwind.
d. First of all. It helps us enhance our health.
e. Also. when we play sports, it helps us promote our friendship.
f. Best wishes.

A. b — d — e — a — c — f

B. b — c — a — e — d — f

C. b — e — d — a — c — f

D. b — a — d — e — c — f

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 25 to 30.

Playing sports brings a lot of advantages. First, it helps you(25)_____. When you are physically active, your mind gets a chance to unplug from daily stresses and strains of life. Physical exercise reduces the stress hormones in your body and stimulates the release of endorphins, (26)_____ you more energy and focus for whatever life has. Next, sports enables you to build better relationships with people. Through frequent sport you can get to know a lot about people's personalities,(27)_____ strengths and weaknesses. Sport with colleagues is a good opportunity (28)_____ and networks that may help you in your job.(29)_____, it strengthens immune system. When playing sports, the body (30)_____ from different types of harmful bacteria and virus. To sum up, people should play sports regularly because it brings lots of advantages..

Question 25.

A. reduce stress

B. reducing stress

C. to reduce stress

D. Both A and C are correct

Question 26.

A. it may give

B. that may give

C. which may give

D. this may give

Question 27.

A. his

B. him

C. them

D. their

Question 28.

A. built better relationships

B. to build better relationships

C. building better relationships

D. for building better relationships

Question 29.

A. Last but the least

B. Finally but not least

C. Last and not least

D. Last but not

least

Question 30.

A. is protected

B. are protected

C. was protected

D. protected

IV. READING

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 31 to 35.

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart is one of (31)_____ greatest and most influential composers in the history of Western music. He composed over 600 works for all the musical genres of his day including operas, concertos, symphonies, chamber music and sonatas. Mozart was born in Salzburg on 27 January 1756 and was the son of Leopold Mozart (32)_____ was a successful composer, violinist and assistant concert master at the Salzburg court. He was a child and composed his first piece of music when he was only five years old. Leopold recognised his son's extraordinary talents and took him on several performing tours throughout Europe. At 17, Mozart worked as a (33)_____ at the Salzburg court (34)_____ he grew restless and travelled in search of a better position. While visiting Vienna in 1781, he was dismissed from his Salzburg position and chose (35)_____ in Vienna where he composed many of his best-known symphonies, concertos and operas during his final years. He died on 5 December 1791, while working on his famous Requiem, at the age of 35.

31. **A. the**

B. a

C. any

D. one

32. **A. which**

B. when

C. who

D. whose

33. **A. musically**

B. musician

C. music

D. musical

34. **A. or**

B. because

C. so

D. but

35. **A. to staying**

B. to stay

C. staying

D. stay

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from **36-40**.

Based on the original *The Voice of Holland*, *The Voice of America*, or sooner *The Voice*, officially aired on NBC on April 26, 2011 aiming to find new singing talent and soon became a big hit.

The Voice process includes Blinds Audition, Battles Rounds, Knockout Rounds, and the final live performance phase. Only those fifteen and over are eligible for the competition. There are four coaches, themselves well-known performing artists, who critique contestants' performances and form their own teams of contestants and give them guidance through the rest of the season. Coaches also have the power to decide on which contestants to advance in the next rounds. One celebrity key advisor gives assistance to the coaches and their teams during the preparation process.

The coaches and the television audience have equal power to decide who moves on to the final four phase. However, the winner is determined by votes from the television audience by online voting on the official website, SMS text and iTunes stores purchases of the contestants' performances. The declared winner receives US\$ 100, 000 and a record contract with Universal Music Group.

As an incredible success in both Holland and the U.S., The Voice has been franchised out to many other countries in the world, and has been a big rival to the *Idol* franchise.

36 What is TRUE about The Voice program?

A. It originated in Holland.

B. The Voice of Holland first aired on NBC.

C. It was a failure in Holland.

D. The Voice of Holland first aired on BBC.

37.What is a requirement for contestants?

A. Contestants must be over 10 old.

B. Contestants must be at least 15 years old.

C. Contestants must be at least 13 years old.

D. Contestants must be over 30 years old.

38. Who decide on the winner of each season?

A. Coaches and television audience

B. Coaches and the celebrity key advisor

C. Television audience

D. The contestants' parents.

39. By what means can people vote for their favourite contestant?

A. Text messages, internet, and post letters

B. Youtube views and online voting on the official website

C. Facebook's sharing and voting from the audiences.

D. Text messages and online buying of the contestants' performances

40. What is the prize for winning a The Voice season?

A. A music company and US\$ 100,000

B. A large amount of money and becoming a The Voice coach

C. A record contract worth US\$ 100,000

D. A large amount of money and chance to work with a music company

PRACTICE TEST 3 (REVIEW 2 SKILLS)

I. LISTENING

* Listen to the recording and fill in the blank with a suitable word.

Nam: Hi Lan! You look very (1) _____ today! I heard you went on a volunteer trip to the mountains. How was it?

Lan: Great! I'm so happy and relaxed now though at first I was (2) _____. I didn't understand the purpose of the trip. I knew nothing about the place, so I also felt a little bit (3) _____.

Nam: Oh, did you go there with other (4) _____ of the volunteer club? Was everything OK?

Lan: Yes, we went as a team. The local people were so friendly and helpful. Now we are preparing (5) _____ our next volunteer trip in the summer. I'm so excited about it.

1	2	3	4	5
cheerful	confused	worried	members	for

* Listen to the recording and choose the best answer for the following sentences.

In 2000, Asimo, a robot created by Honda, amazed everyone by just walking down the stairs. Twenty years later, a robot named Sophia can even communicate with people by using human language and expressing emotions.

However, robots are just one example of Artificial Intelligence (AI) – the study and development of machines that can copy human intelligence. Nowadays, AI has been applied to various areas of life.

At home, devices such as vacuum cleaners can now use AI to measure the room size and recognise any furniture. They can then decide on the most effective way to clean the house.

In transport, AI can be used on many smartphones to collect information about traffic. This can then help drivers find the most suitable route. Travelling has become much more convenient thanks to AI.

At work, the uses of AI are even more useful and exciting. Computer programmes, such as AI software or chatbots, can help customers plan their holidays, book flights and hotels, and answer questions.

AI is one of the most important inventions of the 21st century. It has completely changed our daily work and life.

6. What can Sophia, the robot, do that makes it unique compared to Asimo?

A. Walk up stairs faster than humans.

B. Communicate using human language and express emotions.

C. Cook meals for people.

D. Recognise faces in a crowd.

7. Which area of life is AI NOT mentioned as being applied to?

A. Healthcare.

B. Home cleaning.

C. Transport.

D. Customer service.

8. What is one benefit of using AI in smartphones for transport?

A. It can track vehicle speed.

B. It collects traffic information to suggest suitable routes.

C. It monitors air pollution levels.

D. It books tickets for public transport.

9. Why is AI considered one of the most important inventions of the 21st century?

A. It has completely changed daily work and life.

B. It has made robots smarter than humans.

C. It replaces all manual labor jobs.

D. It reduces electricity usage in homes.

10. What role do chatbots play in customer service?

A. They repair damaged devices.

B. They manage bank transactions.

C. They assist in planning holidays and answering questions.

D. They teach new languages to users.

II. LANGUAGE

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

11. A. **possible**

B. leave

C. read

D. seat

12. A. result

B. resume

C. research

D. resort

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

13. A. history

B. favorite

C. celebrate

D. emotion

14. **A. interact**

B. important

C. delicious

D. convenient

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

15. He hopes the Olympic record.

A. to break

B. breaking

C. be broken

D. break

16. To become a novelist, you need to be

A. imaginarily

B. imagine

C. imagination

D. imaginative

17. I for a job for two months now.

A. are looking

B. had looked

C. have been looked

D. have been looking

Read the following **advertisement / announcement** and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 18 to 20

REINVENT YOUR KITCHEN AND TRANSFORM YOUR DIET!

Created by a chef, a housewife, and a lifestyle coach, *simplydelicious.com* contains everything you need to add variety and (18) _____ to your daily diet. Full of ideas, recipes, tips, and how-to videos, this revolutionary site promises to turn your kitchen into a place for creativity and exploration. Your health (19) _____ improved.

From the comfort of your home, you can learn how best to shop at your neighborhood store, find ways to reorganize your kitchen to maximize space and to encourage healthy decisions, explore international cuisines, refine your skills, and even try new cooking techniques!

Can't wait to change your life? *Simplydelicious.com* is ready (20) _____ you!

18. A. contribution

B. nutrition

C. promotion

D. ingredients

19. A. is

B. was

C. will be

D. has been

20. A. into

B. on

C. for

D. at

III. WRITING

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the **correct arrangement** of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph / letter in each of the following questions.

21. a. For example, here in Viet Nam, we can enjoy Italian pizza or Japanese sushi, in addition to our traditional food.

b. On the other hand, Vietnamese specialties, such as pho and banh mi, are also gaining popularity worldwide.

c. Fast food chains and international restaurants have become popular, offering a wide range of dishes and more food choices to local people.

d. Moreover, some international dishes use local ingredients, which make them unique and more suitable to local tastes.

e. In short, you can explore the flavorful world of traditional Vietnamese food or enjoy dishes from other countries around the world in Viet Nam.

A. d-c-a-b-e

B. c-a-d-b-e

C. d-b-c-e-a

D. e-b-a-c-d

22. a. Last year, I gained valuable experience working part-time at a local computer repair centre, and I also spent six months as a tech support trainee at a major IT firm.

b. I am writing to apply for the IT support technician position advertised in the local newspaper on Tuesday 5th July.

c. I am very adaptable, reliable and excellent at multitasking, and I have strong communication skills and natural problem-solving abilities.

d. I have a bachelor's degree in IT from the University of Leeds, and I have recently completed a master's in IT management.

e. I have attached a copy of my CV to this letter for your review.

f. If you have any questions about me, please let me know. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

A. b-d-f-a-c-e

B. e-b-d-a-c-f

C. b-d-a-c-e-f

D. f-b-e-c-d-a

23. a. There are also many music festivals around the globe that bring artists and music fans together.

b. People nowadays enjoy listening to music from different countries and cultures, and in different languages.

c. Thanks to globalisation, people can quickly discover new music from all over the world.

d. To sum up, in today's connected world, it is very common for musicians across the world to work on music projects and share ideas together.

e. For example, American teens are captivated by K-pop music and dance.

A. c-a-b-e-d

B. d-a-b-e-c

C. d-b-c-e-a

D. c-b-e-a-d

24. a. In my opinion, you could definitely be a great interior designer.

b. It's nice to hear from you. How is it going?

c. Let me know what you decide to do. I think we should meet up over the holidays.

d. I'm so happy that you're doing well and enjoying your new home in Canada.

e. I'd be happy to give you some advice on your career.

f. However, as an interior designer, you could have some really difficult clients who don't know what they want or find it hard to keep up with the newest trends and popular styles.

A. b-d-f-a-c-e

B. b-d-e-a-f-c

C. c-e-a-f-b-d

D. b-f-e-d-a-c

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 25 to 30.

Self-study, the act of learning independently without direct supervision, offers numerous benefits for individuals seeking to expand (25).....

Firstly, self-study promotes autonomy and self-discipline, as learners take responsibility for their own learning journey. This cultivates essential skills such as time management and perseverance, (26) but also in various aspects of life.

Secondly, self-study allows learners (27)..... to their unique needs and preferences. They can choose the materials, resources, and pace that best suit their learning style, maximizing understanding and retention of information.

Additionally, self-study encourages critical thinking and (28)....., as learners actively engage with the material, seeking solutions independently.

Moreover, self-study fosters a sense of empowerment and confidence, as individuals witness their own progress and achievements firsthand. Furthermore, self-study can be more flexible and cost effective compared to formal education, as it eliminates the constraints of schedules and tuition fees.

Overall, self-study offers a wealth of benefits. (29), you don't have to pay for extra classes, empowering individuals with autonomy, customization, critical thinking, confidence, flexibility, and cost-effectiveness. It facilitates lifelong learning and (30).....

25. A. its knowledge and skills.

B. her knowledge and skills.

C. their knowledge and skills.

D. our knowledge and skills.

26. **A. which are valuable not only in education**

B. that are valuable not only in education

C. It is valuable not only in education

D. which are valuable only in education

27. **A. to tailor their learning experience**

B. tailoring their learning experience

C. tailor their learning experience

D. to tailoring their learning experience

28. A. problem-solution skills

B. problem-solving skills

C. problem-solve skills

D. to problem-solving skills

29. **A. When you learn by yourself**

B. To learn by yourself

C. Having learned by yourself

D. Learn by yourself

30. A. personal grow

B. person growth

C. personal growing

D. personal growth

IV. READING

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 31 to 35.

Zhang Guimei, 63, is the founder and principal of Huaping High School for Girls in Huaping county of Lijiang, Yunnan Province. She is legendary not only because she started such a free school for girls who dropped out for economic reasons, but also her huge (31) _____ for decades to persuade girls to study hard and change their destinies.

(32) _____ its disadvantaged location and resources, Zhang's school ranked top on the rate of graduates entering universities in Lijiang. Since 2008, nearly 2,000 girls from Zhang's school have entered universities and change their lives via education. Zhang dedicated her youth, health and enthusiasm to the great cause of education.

When she worked as the chief of a care center for homeless children, she noticed that (33) _____ poor families sent their sons to school but not their daughters. Start-up money for the school was raised by Zhang, (34) _____ asked for donations on the streets from 2002-07. The situation became better when her story was (35) _____ by a reporter in 2007 and donations from across the nation arrived.

Zhang was recognized as one of the "10 people who moved China in 2020." She was also a recipient of China's July 1 medal.

(Adapted from <https://www.globaltimes.cn/>)

31. A. disappointment

B. allowance

C. commitment

D. interruption

32. **A. Despite**

B. Although

C. Moreover

D. Since

33. A. much

B. a little

C. many

D. any

34. A. where

B. that

C. which

D. who

35. **A. published**

B. designed

C. hidden

D. refused

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 36-40.

Los Angeles dancer, Brian Perez, was eating out with his friends one evening when suddenly everyone went quiet. To his horror, he saw that the reason for this was that people were checking their phones. Realising he had to do something to stop this, Brian made a rather daring suggestion. What if they all put their gadgets in a pile in the middle of the table until they had finished the meal? If anyone picked up their phone, that person would have to pay the whole bill. And so, it is said, the game of 'phone stacking' was born.

The necessity for action like this **highlights** a major problem in today's society: our inability to disconnect from technology. But while Brian's idea deals with the obsession in a social context, measures also need to be taken at home. Some people drop their smartphones into a box the moment they arrive home, which gives them the chance to interact with the people they live with. The fact that the phone cannot be heard - it is on silent - nor seen - the flashing lights are hidden by the box - means that they are no longer tempted to use it.

A less drastic solution is to ban electronic devices at certain times of day when the whole family is likely to be together, for example at meal times. This can be hard for everyone, from teenagers desperate to text friends to parents unable to switch off from work. On a normal day, however, dinner takes less than an hour, and the benefits of exchanging opinions and anecdotes with the rest of the family certainly makes up for the time spent offline.

Taking a break from technology is one thing, but knowing when to turn off a device is another.

Time seems to stand still in the virtual world, and before you know it, you find that it is three o'clock in the morning. This is where a digital curfew comes in handy, a set time when all devices must be put away. Evenings without technology are usually nice and peaceful and make a more agreeable end to the day. And then it's time for bed. One of the best ways of ensuring you can sleep at night is to ban electronic devices altogether from the bedroom. Lying next to a machine bursting with information is far from relaxing, and the sounds it emits during the night can easily wake you up. With technology out of the room, a line has been drawn between daytime and sleep time, which enables us to switch off ourselves and drift off to sleep.

36. Which best serves as the title for the passage?

- A. Dependence on Technology: Time for Change!**
- B. Getting Rid of Your Mobiles: For Better or Worse?
- C. Shocking News: Technology Shapes Our Mind!
- D. Addiction to Technology: Storm in a Teacup

37. According to paragraph 1, Brian Perez was shocked to find that_____.

- A. people were willing to remove all their gadgets
- B. the prices for food were too expensive
- C. people were glued to their phones**
- D. everyone seemed quiet by nature

38. The word "highlights" in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to_____.

- A. tackles
- B. expects
- C. proposes
- D. emphasizes**

39. Which of the following statements is true, according to the passage?

- A. People choose not to use their phones at home so that they can talk to other members.**
- B. Meal times are the most suitable for the whole family to use phones together.
- C. Teenagers can find it easier to turn off their phones compared to their parents.
- D. Brian's idea is not new in terms of making people less dependent on technology.

40. Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?

- A. Having a conversation at dinner definitely strengthens the bonds among family members.
- B. Using electronic gadgets at bedtime is likely to deprive yourself of having a good sleep.**
- C. People are more pleasant to talk with when they use technology in the evenings.
- D. The line between daytime and sleep time has become increasingly blurred.

SPEAKING TOPICS FOR THE FIRST SEMESTER GRADE 10

*** Topic 1: Talk about your daily activities/ family routines**

Questions:

1. What do you usually do in the morning/afternoon/evening?
2. What kind of household chores do you usually do?
3. What benefit do you have when sharing household chores?

*** Topic 2: Talk about the ways to protect the environment.**

Questions:

1. What activities should you do to protect the environment?
2. Why should you do these activities?
3. As a student at Luu Van Liet high school, what should you do to make your school more beautiful?

*** Topic 3: Talk about your favourite kind of music.**

Questions:

1. What is your favourite kind of music?
2. Why do you like listening to music?
3. Who is your favourite singer?