

A. LISTENING

Part 1: **You will hear people talking in eight different situations. Choose the best answer (A, B or C) and write your answers in the corresponding numbered boxes.**

01. You hear the beginning of a lecture in a university. What is the lecture going to be about?
A. the history of a place B. social problems C. a person's life and work
02. You hear part of a radio programme about an island. Why are there so few trees on the island now?
A. because of urban development
B. because of the expansion of agriculture
C. because of the action of the sea
03. You hear a teenage boy talking on the radio about his family's efforts to earn money. What will the money be used for?
A. computer games B. new clothes C. an expensive car
04. You hear an announcement at a railway station. What should you do if you want to go to London?
A. await further instructions
B. travel from a different platform
C. get on the next train to arrive
05. You hear a man talking about newspapers. What does he say about the newspaper he reads?
A. It is an essential part of life.
B. It is an important source of information.
C. It is useful for passing the time.
06. You hear a conversation on the radio. What is the programme about?
A. solving traffic problems in cities
B. studying nature and wildlife
C. finding part of an ancient town
07. You hear two people talking about a music festival they have been to. What do they agree about?
A. the quality of the performances
B. the fairness of the prices
C. the standard of the accommodation
08. You hear a travel writer speaking on a radio programme. What aspect of his travels is he talking about?
A. what he does to keep healthy
B. how he reduces the risk of accidents
C. illnesses from which he has suffered

Part 2: **For question 09-15, complete the form below. Write NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS AND / OR A NUMBER for each answer**

Moving Company Service Report

Phone number: (09) _____
 USA Address: 509 (10) _____ 1137 (11) _____ in Seattle
 Packing day: (12) _____ Date: 11th March
 Clean-up by: (13) _____ Day: (14) _____
 About the Price: Rather expensive Storage time: (15) _____

B. LEXICO-GRAMMAR

I. **Choose the best option A, B, C, or D to complete each of the following sentences.**

16. In the hotel lobby the detective caught _____ of the man he had been hired to follow.
A. glance B. view C. vision D. sight
17. 'Go on, finish the food. It needs _____ up because it won't stay fresh until tomorrow.
A. eat B. eating C. to eat D. eaten
18. Before he left on his trip to America, the young man promised his parents he _____ them regularly.

- A. is writing B. will write C. should write D. would write
19. Of course I didn't break it _____ purpose- it was an accident!
A. by B. with C. from D. on
20. Andrew couldn't _____ himself laughing at the expression on Maggie's face.
A. help B. stop C. escape D. avoid
21. _____ young, chimpanzees are easily trained.
A. When are B. When C. They are D. When they
22. "What's your proposal?" "I propose that the meeting _____."
A. is postponing B. be postponed C. to be postponed D. postpones
23. Most of the courses at the banquet were completely consumed, but there _____ food still remaining.
A. were few B. was little C. were a few D. was a little
24. The four-storey house _____ on that hill is still new.
A. be built B. building C. built D. being building
25. Nam Cao devoted most of his time _____
A. to having written B. to write C. to writing D. to have written
26. I don't think he will join us, _____?
A. doesn't he B. won't he C. will he D. don't I
27. The young generation must contribute to _____ the country.
A. building of B. the building C. the building of D. build
28. I cannot help feeling anxious _____ the exam results.
A. of B. with C. about D. for
29. In some vocational schools, the training quality is worse than _____ used to be.
A. they B. it C. them D. that
30. When Elvis Presley died, her daughter came _____ a fortune.
A. into B. up with C. by D. across

III. *The following passage contains ten errors. Find and correct them.*

Things started to go wrongly as soon as we got to the hotel. We were all completely exhausting after our long journey and looking forward to a shower and a rest. However, we found that our room was not ready, which was very annoyed, although the manager was extremely apologizing. While we were waiting, we asked about the excursions to places of an interest which we had read about in the brochure. Imagine how we fell when we were told they had all been cancelled! Apparently, the person responsible of organizing them had left suddenly and had not been replaced. Then Sally saw a notice pinning to the front door of the restaurant, said it was closed for redecoration, and Peter discovered that the swimming pool was empty. When we eventually got to our room we were horrified to find that it was at the back of the hotel, and we had a view of a car park, that seemed to be used as a rubbish dump. We seriously began to wonder whether or not to stay.

31. _____ → _____
32. _____ → _____
33. _____ → _____
34. _____ → _____
35. _____ → _____
36. _____ → _____
37. _____ → _____
38. _____ → _____
39. _____ → _____
40. _____ → _____

III. *Read the text below, using the word given in brackets to form a word that fits in the space.*

Congratulations to all involved with the school (41. PRODUCE) _____ of The Woman Next Door. The (42. ADVERTISE) _____ was carried out by the Art Department, and the posters were very (43. IMAGINE) _____. We certainly have some very (44. ART) _____ students in our school! Many people helped with building and painting the (45. SCENE) _____ and the play was written by the English Department, who managed to create an (46. AMUSE) _____ story, with excellent songs. The music was written by Sue Porter, who also (47. COMPANY) _____ the singers on the piano. Everyone enjoyed a thoroughly (48. ENTERTAIN) _____ evening, and there was a long round of (49. APPLAUD) _____ at the end. Jim Barrett gave a brilliant performance as Sergeant Moss, and Liz Aiken was a (50. DELIGHT) _____ Mrs. Jump. Well-done everyone!

IV. For each question, write one word which can be used in all three sentences.

For example: - I was so tired that I couldn't even think _____. Key: STRAIGHT

- I will come _____ to the point – you are fired.

- It's time to set the record _____ about what really happened that night.

51. - I was just _____ to go home, but that's okay.
- It's _____ time you got home – We've been worried sick!
- We're definitely going to have to do something _____ increasing our market share.
52. - I should get a reply from them any_ now.
- It will only take them a _____ to update the website.
- Now is the _____ of truth!
53. - We're definitely living in the _____ of information.
- This particular wine doesn't really mature with _____.
- It's time you started acting your _____, young man!
54. - I do hope we're going to arrive _____ time.
- How anyone could work in that office for years _____ end I just don't know.
- Just bet me that Doug was going to get the sack so I said: "You're _____."
55. - To my _____, the boss said that I could have an extra day off work.
- Martin always takes great _____ in talking to anyone about fishing.
- When Erin finally started to move downhill on the skis for the first time, she laughed in _____.
56. - The local council should start a building program to meet the _____ for leisure activity.
- The Major said he had no _____ of advice from people who didn't know the situation.
- This area is badly in _____ of financial investment.
57. - Oh, tell Carrie that I send my _____ when you see her.
- When my mum and dad met, my mum says it was _____ at first sight.
- My _____ for travelling comes from the fact that we moved around a lot.
58. - We don't go out during the week as a _____, but we'll make an exception tonight.
- People must be made to respect the _____ of law, or we'll have anarchy.
- A good _____ of thumb is that you should allow 15 minutes per exercise in the exam.
59. - Did you hear that the guy who lives in the flat upstairs has been _____ with burglary?
- I couldn't believe they _____ me three euros for a bottle of water!
- The children ran out of the school gate and _____ down the hill.
60. - The head teacher punished Aaron severely in order to make an _____ of him.
- Why can't you follow your brother's _____ and go to university.
- Give me one _____ of a place round here where young people can go in the evenings.

C. READING

I. Read the text below and decide which answer A, B, C, or D, best fits each space.

Everyone wants to reduce pollution. But the pollution problem is (61) _____ complicated as it is serious. It is complicated (62) _____ much pollution is caused by things that benefit people. (63) _____, exhaust from automobiles causes a large percentage of air pollution. But the automobile (64) _____ transportation for millions of people. Factories discharge much (65) _____ the material that pollutes the air and water, but factories give employment to a large number of people.

Thus, to end (66) _____ greatly reduce pollution immediately, people would have to (67) _____ using many things that benefit them. Most of the people do not want to do that, of course. But pollution can be (68) _____ reduced in several ways. Scientists and engineers can work to find ways to lessen the (69) _____ of pollution that such things as automobiles and factories cause. Governments can pass and enforce laws that (70) _____ businesses and traffic to stop, or to cut down on certain polluting activities.

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| 61. A. as | B. more | C. less | D. like |
| 62. A. so | B. while | C. though | D. because |
| 63. A. Specific | B. For example | C. Such as | D. Like |
| 64. A. takes | B. affords | C. carries | D. provides |
| 65. A. about | B. for | C. of | D. with |

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| 66. A. or | B. and | C. as well | D. then |
| 67. A. start | B. continue | C. stop | D. go on |
| 68. A. carefully | B. unexpectedly | C. gradually | D. little |
| 69. A. way | B. figure | C. number | D. amount |
| 70. A. forbid | B. prevent | C. request | D. require |

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

Bill Jarvis took over our village news agency at time of life when most of us only want to relax. He just thought he would like something but not too much to do, and the news agency was ready-made. The business produced little enough for him, but then Bill was a chap who only wanted the simplicity and order and regularity of the job. He had been a long-serving sailor, and all his life had done everything by the clock.

Every day he opened his shop at six a.m. to catch the early trade; the papers arrived on his doorstep before that. Many of Bill's customers were city workers, and the shop was convenient for the station. Business was tailing off by ten o'clock, so at eleven sharp Bill closed for lunch. It was **hard luck** on anybody who wanted a paper or magazine in the afternoon, for most likely Bill would be down on the river bank, fishing, and his nearest competitor was five kilometres away. Sometime in the afternoon, the evening papers landed on the door-mat, and at four o'clock Bill reopened. The evening rush lasted till seven, and it was worthwhile.

He lived in a flat above the shop, alone. Except in very bad weather, you always knew where to find him in the afternoons, as I have said. Once, on a sunny afternoon, I walked home along the river bank from a shopping trip to the village. By my watch it was three minutes past four, so I was astonished to see Bill sitting there on his little chair with a line in the water. He had no luck, I could see, but he was making no effort to move.

"What's wrong, Bill?" I called out from the path. For answer, he put a hand inside his jacket and took out a big, golden object. For a moment I had no idea what it could be, and then it suddenly went off with a noise like a fire engine. Stopping the bell, Bill held the thing up and called back: "Ten to four, you see, and this is dead right." He stood up then and began to wind in his line. I had never known anyone carry a brass alarm clock round with him or her before.

71. Bill Jarvis became a newsagent when _____
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| A. He needed the money. | B. He was quite an old man. |
| C. He decided to take things easy. | D. He gave up clock repairing. |
72. What does the passage tell us about the news agency?
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| A. It was an easy job with fixed hours. |
| B. It was a very profitable business |
| C. It was opened specially for Bill Jarvis |
| D. It belonged to the railway and was part of the station. |
73. Why did Bill open the shop so early in the day?
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| A. He liked to do as much as possible before he went to work. |
| B. Bill was never sure of the time. |
| C. The shop had to be open when the morning papers came. |
| D. It was then that he did a lot of business. |
74. We understand from the passage that the shop closed for lunch _____
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| A. At eleven o'clock more or less. | B. At exactly eleven o'clock. |
| C. Before eleven o'clock. | D. Always after eleven o'clock. |
75. You might say "**hard luck**" to someone who _____
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| A. has just heard some very good news. | B. puts great effort into whatever he or she tries. |
| C. is less fortunate than he or she ought to be. | D. fails through his or her own fault entirely. |
76. Why was the writer on the riverbank that afternoon?
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| A. He was going to do some shopping in the village. | B. He was fishing. |
| C. He was going to get the evening paper. | D. He was on his way home from the village |
77. Why was the writer surprised when he saw Bill Jarvis?
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| A. He thought it was late for Bill to be still fishing. |
| B. Bill had not caught anything, and that seemed strange. |
| C. He thought Bill was ill, because he was not moving at all |

- D. He was surprised because Bill stayed in his flat in the afternoons.
78. From the information given in the passage, who- or what - do you think was wrong?
 A. The bell was; it must have gone off at the wrong time. B. The writer's watch was fast.
 C. Bill was; he had dropped off to sleep. D. Bill's clock was wrong; it was very old.
79. All of the following are true about Bill Jarvis EXCEPT _____
 A. he lived alone. B. he had ever worked as a sailor.
 C. he was a newspaper man. D. fishing was his past time.
80. What did Bill Jarvis often bring with him when he went fishing?
 A. a clock B. a gold C. a newspaper D. a fire engine

D. WRITING

I. **Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Use the word given and other words to complete each sentence.**

81. Mr. Holton only operated because he knew the rumor was malignant.
 → Mr. Holton wouldn't.....
82. All that stood between John and a gold medal was Jim's greater speed.
 → But for
83. Immediately after their arrival, things went wrong.
 → No
 sooner.....
84. He was so tired that he fell asleep before the end of the film.
 → He was too.....
85. Hearing that an earthquake had occurred was a great shock to us.
 → We were
86. The decorators have finished our first floor.
 → We have
87. Her hobby is one thing that she does not intend to give up.
 → She has
88. That is the best meal I have ever eaten.
 → I have never
89. Home computers used to be much more expensive.
 → Home computers aren't.....
90. It was a mistake of mine to park outside the police station.
 → I shouldn't.....

II. **Essay:** There has been said that "*students are unequally occupied by homework, and they learn nothing from the around life*".

What do you think about that saying?

Write an essay of around 250 words to illustrate your ideas.

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A. LISTENING (15 points)

B. LEXICO-GRAMMAR (45 points)

I. (15 points; 1 point/each correct answer)

16. D 17. B 18. D 19. D 20. B 21. B 22. B 23. D 24. C 25. C
 26. C 27. C 28. C 29. B 30. A

II. (10 points; 1 point/each correct finding and correcting)

41. wrongly → wrong 42. exhausting → exhausted 43. annoyed → annoying
 44. apologizing → apologized 45. an interest → interest 46. fell → felt
 47. of → for 48. pinning → pinned 49. said → saying 50. that → which

III. (10 points; 1 point/each correct answer)

41. PRODUCTION 42. ADVERTISING 43. IMAGINATIVE 44. ARTISTIC 45. SCENERY
46. AMUSING 47. ACCOMPANIED 48. ENTERTAINING 49. APPLAUSE 50. DELIGHTFUL

IV: (10 points; *1 point/each correct answer*)

51. about 52. moment 53. age 54. on 55. delight
56. need 57. love 58. rule 59. charged 60. example

C. READING (20 points)

I. (10 points; *1 point/each correct answer*)

61. A 62. D 63. B 64. D 65. C 66. A 67. C 68. C 69. D 70. D

II: (10 points; *1 point/each correct answer*)

71. C 72. A 73. D 74. C 75. B 76. D 77. A 78. C 79. B 80. A

D. WRITING (20 points)

I. (10 points; *1 point/each correct answer*)

81. → Mr. Holton wouldn't have operated if he hadn't known (that) the rumour was malignant.
82. → But for Jim's greater speed, John would have won a gold medal.
83. → No sooner had they arrived than things went wrong.
84. → He was too tired to see/watch the end of the film.
85. → We were (greatly/very) shocked to hear/when we heard that an earthquake had occurred.
86. → We have had our first floor decorated (by the decorators).
87. → She has no intention of giving up her hobby.
88. → I have never eaten such a good meal as that/a better meal than that.
89. → Home computers aren't as expensive as they used to.
90. → I shouldn't have parked outside the police station.

II. Essay: (10 points)

Total: 100 points

THE END