

LISTENING

Task 1: You are going to listen to a conversation between Ms. Henderson and Diana. Listen carefully then choose the correct answer A, B, C, or D.

1. Diana can't come to class because _____.
A. she has a different class B. she has a mid-term exam
C. she has a doctor's appointment D. she has to read her book
2. For homework, she has to read _____.
A. Chapters 17, 18, 19 and 20 B. Chapters 17, 19 and 20
C. Chapters 17 and 20 D. Chapters 16, 19 and 20
3. The articles and video are available _____.
A. online B. via email C. in the library D. at school
4. The deadline for the homework is on _____.
A. Wednesday B. Friday C. Sunday D. Monday
5. The office needs _____.
A. a note from the doctor B. an email from Diana
C. the mid-term exam D. D's test paper

Task 2: Listen to the talk about "Conical hats" then fill in the blank with a suitable word or a number to complete the sentence.

- Conical hats have been an iconic (6) _____ of Vietnamese culture for centuries.
- Hue is the most renowned, with many conical hat-making (7) _____ such as Da Le, Phu Cam, Doc So, Trieu Tay, and Tay Ho.
- Hue's conical hats come in different styles and (8) _____, with many featuring famous Hue (9) _____ such as the Perfume River or Truong Tien Bridge.
- Creating a conical hat requires a meticulous process that can involve up to (10) _____ stages.

LANGUAGE FOCUS

Find the word which has different sound in the underlined part.

11. A. needed B. developed C. wanted D. included
12. A. head B. honest C. handicraft D. house-keeping

Choose a word in each line that has different stress pattern.

13. A. metropolitan B. authenticity C. cooperative D. multicultural

14. A. skyscraper B. affordable C. environment D. variety

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

15. Eating from _____ is a popular habit of people in big cities in Viet Nam.

A. libraries B. canteens C. shops D. street vendors

16. He wasn't able to cope _____ the stresses and strains of the job.

A. with B. on C. to D. about

17. No one could tell me _____ to start the engine.

A. what B. why C. how D. whom

18. It took me a long time to _____ living in the country.

A. get use to B. get used to C. use to D. didn't use to

19. Due to personal, they are not _____ friends anymore.

A. concerns B. skills C. interest D. conflicts

20. _____ they communicate, _____ they get to know each other.

A. The more clear – the better B. More clearly – better

C. The more clearly – the better D. Clearer – better

21. I didn't know _____ to call for help.

A. if B. whether C. who D. which

22. Jane has to come back home now. I wish _____ here with us.

A. she will B. she isn't C. she stayed D. she wouldn't

23. _____ he studies, _____ he understands the subject.

A. The more hard - the better B. More hard – better

C. Hard – better D. The harder - the better

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

24. - "My life has got stuck these days. I am so depressed and unable to think of anything."

- "_____"

A. You will be tired. B. Stay stuck there.

C. Stay calm. Everything will be alright. D. No, thanks.

25. - "Mom, I've got the first rank in class this semester!"

- "_____"

A. Well done! B. Thank you! C. Never mind! D. Let's go!

Which underlined word- group is grammatically incorrect?

26. We wish we can consult an expert on how to solve this problem.

- A. wish B. can C. an D. to solve this problem.

27. When we are on holiday we used to go to the beach every day.

- A. are B. on holiday C. go to D. every day

28. I'm looking forward to hear from you.

- A. I'm B. forward C. hear D. from

29. They asked me don't talk during the discussion.

- A. They asked B. don't talk C. during D. the discussion

READING

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

Nowadays, teenagers have changed considerably in comparison to teens in the past in how they spend their free time.

This is a “technology” generation. For teen in today’s world, mobile phones, the Internet, and TV are essential parts of their everyday life. Teenagers prefer to spend their free time surfing the Internet to reading books. They don’t like reading because watching TV is easier and they don’t have to use their own imagination. Teenagers prefer to spend free time in front of a computer rather than doing physical activities such as playing football, riding bikes, or going swimming. According to a recent study, teenagers growing up in the 1970s and 1980s enjoyed more than two hours of outside play each weekday, and a further nine hours at weekends, whatever the weather. However, today s teens play outside for just over an hour each weekday, and fewer than five hours on Saturday and Sunday.

Teens now often communicate with their friends by instant messages instead of talking face-to-face. When they want to share their feeling or some private thoughts., they will post them on Facebook. This makes it easier to get comments or receive encouragement from friends. Keeping a diary is out of date now.

Teens now spend more time meeting friends in places like fast food restaurants or cafes. They like to eat fast food, greasy food, and sugary drinks more than home-cooked meals. **This** leads to obesity.

In conclusion, the lifestyle of teenagers has changed a lot compared to the past. Parents should encourage their children to play outdoors more. This helps them not only stay active and healthy but also socialize with friends as well as create treasured childhood memories.

30. What is NOT mentioned as the differences among teens now and then?

- A. Entertainment B. Physical health C. Eating habits

31. Why do today's teens prefer watching TV to reading books?
 A. Because they don't have to imagine. B. Because they are lazy.
 C. Because they hate going to the library.
32. The underlined word "**This**" refers to _____.
 A. eating at home B. eating out habit C. going on a diet
33. According to the passage, now often communicate to their friends _____.
 A. by shopping for clothes online
 B. by instant messages
 C. by talking face-to-face
34. This passage is about _____.
 A. the technology teenagers use
 B. the generation gap
 C. the differences between teenagers today and in the past

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

Living in Viet Nam today (35) _____ greatly from the lifestyle of 100 years ago. People in the past mainly worked in agriculture (36) _____ today there are significantly fewer people working in this sector of the economy. These days, (37) _____, people are more likely to be employed in manufacturing and tourism than in the rice fields. Moreover, Viet Nam, which was (38) _____ agrarian, is transforming into an entirely different country. While agriculture is still an important component of the Vietnamese economy, other enterprises are (39) _____ an increasing amount of economic activity.

However, along with the differences, similarities also exist. The people of Viet Nam have retained many of the characteristics of their (40) _____. The Vietnamese people are as friendly today as they were in the past. This is best exemplified in the way they welcome foreigners (41) _____ their unique country. Moreover, the resilience and determination of the people of Viet Nam has not changed. The Vietnamese work (42) _____ and happily towards the development of their country.

35. A. compares	B. differs	C. becomes	D. offers
36. A. however	B. therefore	C. whereas	D. when
37. A. in conclusion	B. on purpose	C. by comparison	D. for once
38. A. traditionally	B. gradually	C. occasionally	D. presently
39. A. grasping for	B. holding for	C. making up for	D. accounting for
40. A. founders	B. forefathers	C. descendants	D. seniors

41. A. on	B. at	C. to	D. for
42. A. collectively	B. separably	C. accordingly	D. similarly

WRITING

Complete the second sentence in each pair so that it has a similar meaning to the first one.

43. Many small children can't swim, so they often suffer from drowning.

→ I wish

44. He was in the habit of smoking. He no longer smokes now.

→ He used

45. He said to me: "Don't go too far."

→ He advised

46. "Where can I go to buy a new iPhone?" he asked me.

→ He wondered

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word in capital.

47. She has taught her children to play piano for 4 years. (STARTED)

48. He works much. He feels tired. (MORE)

49. I'm not good at English, so I can't become a tour guide. (IF)

50. What time will you begin your journey to Nha Trang? (SET OFF)

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1. C 2. B 3. A 4. B 5. A 6. symbol 7. villages 8. decorations 9. landscapes 10. 16
 11. B 12. B 13. C 14. A 15. D 16. A 17. C 18. B 19. D 20. C 21. C 22. C 23. D
 24. C 25. A 26. B 27. A 28. C 29. B 30. B 31. A 32. B 33. B 34. C 35. B 36. C
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 used to smoke/ He used to have the habit of smoking. 45. He advised me not to go too far. 46.
 He wondered where to go to buy a new iPhone. 47. She started teaching her children to play the
 piano 4 years ago. 48. The more he works, the more tired he feels. 49. If I was good at

English, I could become a tour guide. 50. What time will you set off on your journey to Nha Trang?

LISTENING TRANSCRIPT

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Student: Excuse me, Ms Henderson?

Teacher: Yes, Diana. How can I help you?

Student: I'm sorry, but I can't come to class next Wednesday. I have a doctor's appointment.

Teacher: OK. Thanks for letting me know.

Student: Is there anything to do at home?

Teacher: Let me just check my notebook. OK, first of all ... you need to read chapters 17, 19 and 20 in the book. There are also some articles and a video to watch - those are online. I'll post the links online in the usual place.

Student: Chapters 17 to 20.

Teacher: Yes, except chapter 18. Chapters 17, 19 and 20.

Student: Ah, OK. Um ... is there a deadline?

Teacher: Yes, this Friday. But there's something else. I was going to give you all a practice test.

Student: A practice test?

Teacher: Yes, to help people prepare for the mid-term exam.

Student: Ah. All right.

Teacher: Don't worry, I can send you the practice test by email on Wednesday. Can you send it to me before Friday?

Student: Sure, no problem.

Teacher: And don't forget to bring a certificate from the doctor to the office.

Student: Thanks, Ms Henderson! I'll do that.

Teacher: You're welcome, Diana. Take care.

Task 2: Listen to the talk about "Conical hats" then fill in the blank with a suitable word or a number to complete the sentence.

Conical hats, also known as non la, have been an iconic symbol of Vietnamese culture for centuries. These hats are especially associated with the image of graceful Vietnamese women wearing traditional áo dài dresses and conical hats. While there are several places in Vietnam

that produce conical hats, Hue is the most renowned, with many conical hat-making villages such as Da Le, Phu Cam, Doc So, Trieu Tay, and Tay Ho.

Hue's conical hats come in different styles and decorations, with many featuring famous Hue landscapes such as the Perfume River or Truong Tien Bridge. Some hats are even designed with Hue poetry, known as non bai tho, and feature unique characteristics.

The conical hat-making villages in Hue have been developing for hundreds of years, and the craft is still thriving today. Creating a conical hat requires a meticulous process that can involve up to 16 stages, with each step requiring the utmost care and skill from the craftsman's hand. A visit to one of these villages during a Hue day trip is a must-see experience, as visitors can observe the artisans at work and even take home the most beautiful conical hats as souvenirs.