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**I. LISTENING. (3pts.)**

**Part 1: You will hear an interview with a psychologist about friendships. CIRCLE the answer (A, B, C or D) which fits best according to what you hear.**

- According to the presenter \_\_\_\_\_.
  - we have to adjust our friendships as our lives change
  - new books are being written to teach people how to manage friendships
  - it's almost impossible to keep childhood friends for life
  - the most important friends are childhood friends
- Barbara warns that foul-weather friends \_\_\_\_\_.
  - never want you to be happy
  - engineer bad situations so that they can feel superior
  - have their life perfectly organized
  - can spoil the times when you are feeling good about life
- The danger of a trophy friend is that \_\_\_\_\_.
  - he or she will inhibit your social life
  - you may develop unrealistic expectations
  - he or she will push you to be a higher achiever
  - he or she will expect you to become more popular
- According to Barbara, a sisterly friend \_\_\_\_\_.
  - can be relied on but may be too involved in your life
  - will resent other close friendships in your life
  - will be as close to your family as she is to you
  - will want to go out on dates with you and your new partner
- Barbara states that a good friend \_\_\_\_\_.
  - probably needs to be someone that you see very often
  - tends to ask for your help slightly more than you would like
  - doesn't expend too much of your time or energy
  - never puts you in a serious mood
- When making new friends \_\_\_\_\_.
 

A. try to be as funny as you can	B. don't mention previous serious issues
C. be sensitive to their need for space	D. spend as much time with them as you can

(CAE Practice Tests)

**Part 2: You will hear a radio report about panic attacks. Complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.**

- People tend to have a panic attack when their brain tells them they are in a (7)\_\_\_\_\_.
- The initial (8)\_\_\_\_\_ of a panic attack is often an abnormal beating of the heart.
- It may be useful to keep a diary of any (9)\_\_\_\_\_ you have so that you can analyse them.

- If you tense and relax all your (10) \_\_\_\_\_ your whole body will actively relax.  
 -Holding your breath for 10 or 15 seconds will (11) \_\_\_\_\_ hyperventilation.  
 -(12) \_\_\_\_\_ such as herbs, camomile tea and aconite can relieve panic attacks.  
 (Cambridge English Practice Tests)

## II. PHONETICS – LEXICO – GRAMMAR. (8pts.)

**Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word whose underline part is pronounced differently from the others.**

1. A. subconscious      B. subnormal      C. subatomic      D. subordinate  
 2. A. celestial      B. essential      C. tangential      D. substantial

**Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word with the stress pattern different from that of the others.**

3. A. solemnity      B. predicament      C. predecessor      D. miscellany  
 4. A. phenology      B. agriculture      C. taxidermy      D. epicenter

**Circle the letter A, B, C or D to show the underlined part that needs correction.**

5. Mary's flat was broken into while she was looking after her niece in her sister's house on another side of the street.

- A. broken into      B. while      C. on      D. another side

6. Architects once thought buildings not as separate architectural entities but as parts of an organic whole that included the land, the community and the society.

- A. thought      B. not as separate      C. entities      D. an organic whole

7. Although there seems to be no universal agreement or even national consensus on which constitutes beauty, there is at least some agreement that facial symmetry is an important factor.

- A. no      B. or      C. on which      D. some agreement

8. The final technical report into the accident caused by the drink-driver reinforces the findings of initiative investigations.

- A. into      B. drink-driver      C. the findings      D. initiative

**Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) that is CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined part in each of the following questions.**

9. Though many scientific breakthroughs have resulted from mishaps, it has made brilliant thinkers realize their potential.

- A. misfortunes      B. accidents      C. incidentals      D. schedules

10. The sales team blamed the engineers for the organization's failure to bag the mega deal, but they were barking up the wrong tree.

- A. were having a mistaken idea      B. were making a right decision  
 C. were making a fortune      D. were getting into trouble

**Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) that is OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined part in each of the following questions.**

11. It was so audacious of him to burgle the shop when its owner was right next to him.

- A. vicious      B. fearful      C. loath      D. bold

12. The company has stirred up a hornets' nest with the announcement that it will introduce margin trading into the UK.

- A. a problematic case      B. a slim chance  
 C. a remarkable achievement      D. a manageable situation

**Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the sentences.**

13. It is desirable that the campaign to raise funds \_\_\_\_\_ at once.

- A. be launched      B. to be launched      C. launched      D. is launched

14. The competition took place yesterday, but the winners \_\_\_\_\_

- A. are yet to be announced      B. haven't been yet announced  
 C. yet are to be announced      D. haven't announced yet

15. I managed to sleep on the plane and arrived feeling \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. a slap on the wrist      B. the whole nine yards  
 C. a hill of beans      D. as fresh as a daisy

16. \_\_\_\_\_, the story about the accident is not to be trusted.

- A. Inasmuch as it sounds convincing      B. In terms of its convincing demonstration  
 C. Convincing as it may sound      D. Far from being convincing

17. She \_\_\_\_\_ upon being given every detail of the case.

- A. blamed      B. convicted      C. accused      D. insisted

18. I'll say this much for him – he never leaves a \_\_\_\_\_ of work unfinished.

- A. bar      B. piece      C. pack      D. tube

19. Most common consumer products are geared to right-handers only, leaving left-handers to struggle to adapt to designs \_\_\_\_\_ with them in mind.  
 A. not made                      B. not to make                      C. not making                      D. not to be made
20. I have brought documents to attest to its truth \_\_\_\_\_ anyone should doubt my story.  
 A. though                      B. lest                      C. hence                      D. whence
21. New Age music is \_\_\_genre of music whose purpose is psychological, as it creates \_\_\_peaceful environment, providing \_\_\_\_\_background for \_\_\_\_\_listener to reflect, contemplate, rest and do light exercises.  
 A. a / a / a / the                      B. the / x / the / a                      C. a / x / the / the                      D. the / a / x / a
- 22.-Tom: "You were at Sally's birthday party, too."  
 - Pike: "\_\_\_\_\_."  
 A. Never fear                      B. Neither did I  
 C. So I was – I'd forgotten                      D. So, that's it for today
23. The enclosed Brief Guide to A Career will tell you more about how to \_\_\_\_\_the job in the right way.  
 A. get over                      B. go about                      C. spring up                      D. look on
24. \_\_\_\_\_the center of the town at this time of the evening as it is always crowded with tourists.  
 A. Steer clear of                      B. Have a pop at                      C. Pull rank on                      D. Put your foot down
25. The residents are \_\_\_\_\_to stop the new business development from damaging the surrounding area.  
 A. painting the town red                      B. kicking a penalty  
 C. standing out a mile                      D. fighting tooth and nail
26. The UN Security Council unanimously \_\_\_\_\_a resolution calling for a halt to hostilities.  
 A. conducted                      B. adopted                      C. agreed                      D. acted
27. We waited \_\_\_\_\_for the winner of the competition to be announced.  
 A. in over our heads                      B. under our feet                      C. with bated breath                      D. at first hand
28. Owning and living in a free-standing house is still a goal of young adults, \_\_\_\_\_earlier generations.  
 A. as did                      B. as it was of                      C. like what of                      D. so have

**Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning or best combines the pair of sentences given in each of the following questions.**

29. Had it not been for the timely intervention of a helpful passer-by, he would have been robbed of all his money.  
 A. A helpful passer-by intervened just when a thief was trying to rob him of all his money, but he failed to stop him.  
 B. Had it not been for someone who got in the way while trying to be helpful, he would have recovered his money.  
 C. All his money was stolen by a passer-by, who pretended to intervene timely to help him.  
 D. He was saved from having all his money stolen when a person who happened to be going by intervened just in time.
30. That film can't have been the one that Mary was telling us about, since its plot was far too simple.  
 A. Mary was talking about a film that sounded far too simplistic; she must have meant this one.  
 B. The film we watched may not have been the one Mary talked about as the story didn't seem very complex.  
 C. Mary told us about a movie with a complicated storyline; the one we went to see must have been a different one.  
 D. That movie's plot couldn't have been very easy to understand, like the one Mary was telling us about.
31. Far more devastating for the author than the loss of his house to fire was the destruction of the sole copy of his latest novel.  
 A. In the copy of his latest novel, the author tells of the pain he suffered when he lost his home in a devastating fire.  
 B. Even the destruction of his home in the fire was not as hard for the author to bear as the burning of the only manuscript of his latest novel.  
 C. Even more difficult for the author than writing his only book was seeing it destroyed when his house burnt down.  
 D. The author was devastated to find his house burnt down with everything in it, among which was the only manuscript of his latest novel.
32. The Green campaign has had a great influence on people around the world. People, therefore, have started to clean up their surrounding polluted areas.  
 A. No sooner has the Green campaign had a great influence on people around the world than they have stopped cleaning up their surrounding polluted areas.

- B. So influential has the Green campaign been that people around the world have started to clean up their surrounding polluted areas.
- C. On no occasion have people around the world started to clean up their surrounding polluted areas thanks to the great influence of the Green campaign.
- D. Not until people around the world have started to clean up their surrounding polluted areas has the Green campaign had a great influence on them.

### III. READING (6 pts.)

#### PART 1: Read the passage MY INTRODUCTION TO THEATRE and CIRCLE the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the spaces.

My only previous exposure to theatre had been lavish productions staged at large West End venues where no (1)\_\_\_\_\_ had been spared on the sumptuous costumes and scenery. So I was quite taken aback when I accompanied a friend to a play at her local community center.

For a start, I hadn't (2)\_\_\_\_\_ for the ugly stark concrete architecture of the center. My realization that the stage was simply one corner of an ordinary classroom adorned with nothing more than a few stacks of empty plastic milk crates (3)\_\_\_\_\_ my expectations still further. I was on the verge of walking out when the small cast of scruffily-attired actors appeared. However, it was immediately obvious that these performers had no need of fine costumes and props; they were clearly in their element. I was whisked away on a (4)\_\_\_\_\_tour of the imagination, with the cast conjuring up a magical fantasy world that left me simply spellbound and more emotionally involved than I could ever have imagined. What an experience!

(Cambridge English: Proficiency)

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| 1. A. charge    | B. outlay    | C. cost      | D. expense   |
| 2. A. expected  | B. bargained | C. assumed   | D. envisaged |
| 3. A. dampened  | B. deadened  | C. softened  | D. shortened |
| 4. A. whirlwind | B. cyclone   | C. hurricane | D. tornado   |

#### PART 2: Read the passage IS WORK BAD FOR YOU? and CIRCLE the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the spaces.

Popular perception is that working conditions are now so over-regulated. The only people likely to be injured at work are bosses, strangled by (5)\_\_\_\_\_tape. But beware a hidden epidemic raging in British workplaces. In this post-industrial age, when most jobs are in light industry, information technology and the service sector, we expect working life to be relatively comfortable and at the very (6) safe. We don't expect to be maimed, laid off for life or to work ourselves into the ground.

Think again. In the UK there are still 1.6 million workplace injuries every year as well as 2.2 million cases of ill health caused by work. Last year 350 people died as a result of building site accidents, a large increase on previous years. But some of the worst dangers are the hidden ones. 400,000 cases of asthma are caused by working conditions, (7)\_\_\_\_\_ to high levels of dust or traffic pollution, and asbestos still kills over 4,000 people a year. There are no (8)\_\_\_\_\_at present requiring owners to record the presence of asbestos, meaning that builders and firefighters have no way of anticipating the problem. However, a non-profit organization has taken up the issues with a new database launched in conjunction with the Trade Union Congress.

(Succeed in Cambridge English)

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| 5. A. red       | B. green        | C. black       | D. white      |
| 6. A. few       | B. least        | C. most        | D. furthest   |
| 7. A. detection | B. expression   | C. expansion   | D. exposure   |
| 8. A. methods   | B. prosecutions | C. regulations | D. principles |

#### PART 3: Read the passage EUTROPHICATION and CIRCLE the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

All plants need nutrients, but an excess of nutrients can be lethal to the ecosystem. Water bodies such as lakes or estuaries naturally have certain amounts of nutrients, and are rich in species. Species-rich ecosystems have a high level of biodiversity. However, when chemical nutrients **infiltrate** water in marine habitats, the plants will begin to grow without restraint and then decay rapidly. This process, known as eutrophication, can disturb the ecological balance and eventually result in severe reductions in water quality. Inspections of lakes and reservoirs around the world demonstrate that 54% of lakes in Asia are eutrophic; 53% in Europe; 48% in North America; and 28% in Africa. Today, eutrophication or what some call nutrient pollution is the number one water quality problem around the world.

In the 1950s, eutrophication was acknowledged as a waste problem in several lakes in Europe and North America although it was not immediately clear what the causes were. It had taken place over a short period of time in these lakes, and this shocked scientists because eutrophication had normally been known as a natural process that develops over thousands of years as a lake or river becomes

older. Scientists, who observed the excessive growth of plants and algae, often called an algal bloom, studied the phenomenon intensely from the 1960s to the 1970s. Their research pointed to the presence of large amounts of plant nutrients, including phosphorous, nitrogen and carbon, which are vital for life in the river and sea. The nutrients were traced to human activities: runoff from livestock waste, the release of domestic sewage and industrial wastewater. Moreover, in some ecosystems, nutrients had been deliberately added for purposes of enrichment. The large amounts of nutrients accumulated and their compounds acted as a stimulant to uncontrolled phytoplankton growth.

The unlimited growth of phytoplankton species provokes profound changes in the lake or river. Marine plants and plant particles breathe out oxygen during photosynthesis. When eutrophication occurs, however, the excessive amount of phytoplankton species spread over the surface of waters and block the sunlight, so the marine plants are not able to photosynthesize, then the amount of oxygen is reduced. When the dead plants and animals are decomposed, oxygen is consumed, therefore the dissolved oxygen is also reduced greatly. The lack of oxygen causes many organisms to suffocate and numbers of dead fish begin to appear in the water, and more animal species die out. The water loses its transparency, sometimes changing into a murky brown, red or orange color, and this phenomenon is called "red tide". If the oxygen becomes completely depleted, bacteria called *Clostridium botulinum* becomes abundant and causes botulism, a disease of the nervous system that is often fatal. The bacteria poisons and kills birds and mammals that eat any existing phytoplankton in the water body. With so much death taking place, scientists call anaerobic waters "dead zones". Ultimately, these effects have an impact on human beings.

The swift eutrophication in Lake Erie, one of the Great Lakes, was the subject of much concern and instigated experimental research. In 1968, the Experimental Lakes Area (ELA) was established as a field station and had been added various nutrients to determine which combination of nutrients was the key to controlling eutrophication. The most interesting experiment was a lake that was divided into two with a plastic curtain. One half was left alone while the other half was divided into three parts and each fed carbon, nitrogen and phosphorous. The lake was monitored for 8 years, and it was observed that the portion receiving phosphorous had eutrophic algal blooms. The parts containing carbon and nitrogen did not have **those**. The American government has since earmarked billions of dollars for a phosphate control program.

(TOEFL iBT Activator- Reading expert)

9. The word "**infiltrate**" in the passage is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. stimulate                      B. penetrate                      C. operate                      D. aggravate
10. Which of the following can be inferred about the process of eutrophication?
- A. It has largely been an intentional process.  
B. It has been accelerated because of humans.  
C. It is exacerbated by the presence of phytoplankton.  
D. It is impossible to stop once it is started.
11. All of the following are mentioned in the passage as contributing to eutrophication EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. wastewater from cleaning activities  
B. excess water from farming regions  
C. garbage that is not properly subjected to treatment  
D. plants growing excessively at human residences
12. The author cites the presence of huge amounts of phytoplankton in a lake as \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. a sign that the lake will sustain a number of negative changes  
B. an indication that the lake has a sufficient amount of nutrients  
C. evidence that birds and mammals are not feeding on marine plants  
D. a warning that the water is not fit for human consumption
13. Which of the following dangers arises when there is no oxygen in a lake?
- A. An increase in carbon dioxide                      B. The production of a toxic germ  
C. Too much of phytoplankton                      D. Accelerating the decomposition of living things
14. The author discusses the work of ELA in the passage in order to \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. describe the ongoing research on what factors may be causing lakes around the world to die  
B. determine the best techniques for conducting research on lakes  
C. illustrate how researchers discovered what caused eutrophication  
D. compare the findings that ELA has made with those of the US government
15. The word "**those**" in the passage refers to \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. three parts of a lake                      B. eutrophic algal blooms  
C. the portions receiving phosphorous                      D. the parts containing carbon and nitrogen
16. According to the passage, what does the author say about the global incidence of eutrophication?

- A. A majority of lakes on earth are eutrophic and cause a big water problem.
- B. The worst incidence of eutrophication is in lakes in Asia and it results in regional disparities.
- C. Africa has fewer eutrophic lakes because there are not many water bodies.
- D. Lakes in Asia are showing the fastest rate of lake eutrophication.

**PART 4: Read the passage MARRIAGE PARTNERS and CIRCLE the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.**

"You'll never change!" I yelled at him one day. He looked at me so coldly. "Constance, if you weren't who you are, I wouldn't have to, would I?"

I ask you though, was it my fault? When I met Oliver I was nineteen. I had been changing for years – up a bit, out a bit, you name it, I changed it. I had been changing practically all the time since I was one day old. How was I supposed to know that the party was over? Now I know **people don't alter, except for a little around the edges, once they are grown**. But I didn't know that then. Neither did he. We got on horribly from the day that we met, but both of us thought that things would change for the better. I thought I'd change him. He thought he'd change me.

Well...Why didn't anyone tell us? I was in full-time education for fifteen years. I learned all sorts of things I've never needed since. But the one thing they could have taught me that might have made a difference to my life is that the only good test of whether a marriage is going to last is whether the two of you get on from the start. Did you know that? Probably not. You are probably still worrying about all those other old things they were forever warning people about: differences in age, race, class, religion. Problems with money. But it turns out that none of these things is important. Honestly. When it comes to the crunch of choosing a partner, nothing is as important as whether in the first months you had one another seriously in mind, the two of you chummed along amiably to granny's party or round the shops, down the allotment or up to the Odeon. Be warned. If you ever fetched up, even only once or twice, **snarling at** one another over the spice racks in the delicatessen, or having a heated discussion behind his mother's garage doors, or even just sulking quietly in between phone calls, you may as well not have bothered. The marriage is doomed.

Why isn't anyone told? Why aren't engagements compulsory? Why don't your family and friends have to submit signed affidavits on your behalf? Everyone frets about the breakdown of family life, with parents drinking themselves silly and children getting bashed up. Most of the loony-bins are bursting at the seams and practically every marriage you know ends up in disaster. Yet here's this one simple fact no school-leaver ever knows because the morons who arrange the syllabus are so busy stuffing your schooldays with things like capillary action in plants and long division that they never even think to mention it. They ought to be going round putting up posters!

I feel quite bitter. I could have got along without long division. In fact, I have. As for capillary action – for heaven's sake! There are instructions on my house-plant labels, and anyway, I'm not an idiot. Left to myself I would have cracked the system in the end. The worst that could have happened in the meantime is that I might have lost a couple of cinerarias or a gloxinia.

But not knowing how to choose the right husband the first time around has almost done for me. And countless others. Because, after all, it is as often as not the very thing that makes two people utterly wretched together that attracts them to one another in the first place. It was Oliver's sheer gloominess that appealed to me. I saw it as a challenge! I didn't know that people couldn't change. I was convinced that I could make him happy. And it's a good job that Oliver's not the altruistic sort, or I might be suspicious on his behalf, wondering why my dizzy personality appealed to him. At least I can be pretty sure the same **diseased notion** wasn't swimming round his head while he was eyeing me. "Oh goody! An opportunity to teach a flighty girl, a) how to be reasonable, and b) – a useful corollary – how to think"

I got the crummier end of the bargain. It might be hard cheese to end up with me, but it's a truly terrible thing to love the very quality in a man that makes him so sombre and inflexible that you can't live with him... I've learned a lot since Olly left. I've learned that, just as there is a curse on those who marry without love, there's hell in store for those who part without hatred. I'm warning you, don't risk it. It doesn't work. All that will happen is that you, like me, will find yourself perched on the airport railings year after year, waiting for someone who is implacable.

(The BALANCE series)

17. What does the writer mean by "**people don't alter, except for a little around the edges, once they are grown**"?
- A. People can never change anything but their appearance.
  - B. People only change in minor ways.
  - C. After the first few years of adulthood, people don't change again.
  - D. People only change in extreme circumstances.

18. In the second paragraph, the reader learns that, before they got married, the writer and Olly\_\_\_\_\_.
- A. were feeling pessimistic
  - B. made the same mistake
  - C. thought they'd get to know each other better
  - D. thought the other would grow up
19. In the third paragraph, the writer suggests that it is a sign that your marriage will be successful if you \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. have each other seriously in mind from the start
  - B. just keep quiet when the other irritates you
  - C. are happy to do things together
  - D. give a positive interpretation to the other's faults
20. What does the writer imply in the fourth paragraph?
- A. that friends and relatives should be more supportive
  - B. that marriage makes you insane
  - C. that there aren't enough posters about marriage
  - D. that school pupils should be given advice on how to choose a partner
21. According to the writer, what attracts people to each other?
- A. The same things that will later irritate them
  - B. Their ability to change
  - C. The challenging side of their character
  - D. The sense that, together, they can overcome all problems
22. What is the **"diseased notion"** mentioned in the sixth paragraph?
- A. the idea that marriage is a challenge
  - B. the idea that marriage changes people
  - C. the idea that partners can change each other
  - D. the idea that two people usually end up "utterly wretched" together
23. The word **"snarling at"** in the passage is closest in meaning to\_\_\_\_\_.
- A. mentioning serious issues to
  - B. having a relaxed manner with
  - C. expressing total confusion about
  - D. speaking in a bad-tempered way with
24. What point is the writer making about choosing marriage partners?
- A. You should take people's warnings seriously.
  - B. Your family and friends should bear some responsibility.
  - C. You should not believe your first impressions of the other person.
  - D. You should judge prospective partners as you find them.

**IV. WRITING (3 pts.)**

In some cultures, children are often told that they can achieve anything if they try hard enough. Do you agree or disagree?

Write an essay (of about 300 words) to state your own opinion.

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ĐÁP ÁN CHÍNH THỨC

HƯỚNG DẪN CHẤM ĐỀ THI CHÍNH THỨC

Môn thi: TIẾNG ANH

(Hướng dẫn chấm có 02 trang)

**I. LISTENING. (0,25 x 12=3pts.)**

**Part 1: You will hear an interview with a psychologist about friendships. CIRCLE the answer (A, B, C or D) which fits best recording to what you hear.**

1. A. we have to adjust our friendships as our lives change
2. D. can spoil the times when you are feeling good about life
3. B. you may develop unrealistic expectations
4. A. can be relied on but may be too involved in your life
5. C. doesn't expend too much of your time or energy
6. C. be sensitive to their need for space

**Part 2: You will hear a journalist talking about the life of a famous country and western singer.**

**Complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.**

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| 7. threatening situation | 8. physical sign | 9. negative thoughts |
| 10. muscles              | 11. calm         | 12. Natural remedies |

**II. PHONETICS – LEXICO – GRAMMAR. (0,25 x 32=8pts)**

1. D. subordinate
2. A. celestial
3. C. predecessor
4. A. phenology
5. D. another side
6. A. thought
7. C. on which
8. D. initiative
9. B. accidents
- 10 A. were having a mistaken idea
11. B. fearful
12. D. a manageable situation
13. A. be launched
14. A. are yet to be announced
15. D. as fresh as a daisy
16. C. Convincing as it may sound
17. D. insisted
18. B. piece
19. A. not made
20. B. lest
21. A. a / a / a / the
22. C. So I was – I'd forgotten
23. B. go about
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29. D. He was saved from having all his money stolen when a person who happened to be going by intervened just in time.
30. C. Mary told us about a movie with a complicated storyline; the one we went to see must have been a different one.
31. B. Even the destruction of his home in the fire was not as hard for the author to bear as the burning of the only manuscript of his latest novel.
32. B. So influential has the Green campaign been that people around the world have started to just in time.

**III. READING (0,25 x 24=6 pts.)**

1. D. expense
2. B. bargained
3. A. dampened
4. A. whirlwind
5. A. red
6. B. least
7. D. exposure
8. C. regulations
9. B. penetrate
10. B. It has been accelerated because of humans.
11. D. plants growing excessively at human residences
12. A. a sign that the lake will sustain a number of negative changes
13. B. The production of a toxic germ
14. C. illustrate how researchers discovered what caused eutrophication
15. B. eutrophic algal blooms
16. A. A majority of lakes on earth are eutrophic and cause a big water problem.
17. B. People only change in minor ways.
18. B. made the same mistake
19. C. are happy to do things together
20. D. that school pupils should be given advice on how to choose a partner.
21. A. The same things that will later irritate them.
22. C. the idea that partners can change each other.
23. D. speaking in a bad-tempered way with
24. D. You should judge prospective partners as you find them.

**IV. WRITING (3 pts.)**

In some cultures, children are often told that they can achieve anything if they try hard enough.

Do you agree or disagree?

Write an essay (of about 300 words) to state your own opinion.

**Notes:**

- Content: 50%: Students should provide all main ideas and details as appropriate.
- Language: 30%: Students should use a variety of vocabulary and structures appropriately.
- Presentation: 20%: Students should write with coherence, cohesion and can use appropriate styles and linking devices.