

SECTION ONE: PHONETICS (1.0 pt)

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

1. A. feature B. please C. seaside D. season
2. A. anything B. bathroom C. brother D. earthquake

Choose the word that has a different stress pattern from the others.

3. A. uniform B. tradition C. family D. teenager
4. A. money B. machine C. water D. student

SECTION TWO: LEXICO - GRAMMAR (4.0 pts)

PART I. Choose the best answer A, B, C or D to finish each of the following sentences. (3.0 pts)

5. Peter is talking to Lucy about her painting.

- Peter: "What a beautiful painting!"

- Lucy: "_____"

- A. No problem. B. It's on the wall. C. I'm glad you like it. D. You're welcome.

6. Jack and Linda are at the school gate.

- Jack: "Have a nice weekend!"

- Linda: "_____"

- A. You're welcome. B. Never mind. C. The same to you. D. Here you are.

7. Choose the incorrect part indicated by A, B, C or D in the following sentence.

My grandmother often take me to the park on Sunday afternoons.

- A. take B. to C. park D. afternoons

8. Choose the incorrect part indicated by A, B, C or D in the following sentence.

The children stopped playing games when his mother came home.

- A. The B. playing C. his D. came

9. A lot of milk _____ by our mother last Sunday.

- A. were bought B. was bought C. is bought D. bought

10. As I was walking along the street, I saw a \$10 note on _____ pavement.

- A. a B. the C. an D. x

11. He is interested in listening to "Cooking For You" by Den Vau, _____?

- A. isn't he B. is he C. doesn't he D. does he

12. I think country life is boring and _____ because you are not close to shops' services.

- A. unhealthy B. inconvenient C. comfortable D. peaceful

13. Although the boy is very young, he can speak English _____ than his elder brother.

- A. as fluently B. more fluently C. most fluently D. fluently

14. I don't like going to the opera as it is not really my _____.

- A. piece of cake B. hot potato C. big cheese D. cup of tea

15. The new trainee doesn't know how _____ the machine.

- A. operated B. operating C. operate D. to operate

16. The hospital is _____ tests to find out what's wrong with her.

- A. taking off B. carrying out C. giving up D. making up

PART II. Supply the correct form of the words in brackets to complete each of the following sentences. (1.0 pt)

17. A _____ is a person whose job is writing books. (WRITE)

18. The air in this city is _____ polluted with traffic fumes. (HEAVY)

19. Mike is too young and _____ for this important task. (EXPERIENCE)

20. It is not easy to _____ all the words you come across. (MEMORY)

SECTION THREE: READING (2.5 pts)

PART I: Read the following passage and do the tasks below. (1.0 pt)

In the hundred years up to 1860, the work of a small group of construction engineers carried forward the enormous social and economic change that we associate with the Industrial Revolution in Britain. The most

important of these engineers was Isambard Kingdom Brunel, whose work in shipping, bridge-building and railway construction, to name just three fields, both challenged and motivated his colleagues. He was the driving force behind a number of hugely ambitious projects, some of which resulted in works which are still in use today. The son of an engineer, Brunel apprenticed with his father at an early age on the building of the Thames Tunnel. At the age of just twenty, he became the engineer in charge of the project.

A. Read and decide whether the statements are True (T) or False (F). (0.5 pts)

Statements	T	F
21. Brunel's work was not largely ignored by his workmates.		
22. All projects Brunel contributed to are still in use today.		

B. Read the passage again and answer the questions. (0.5 pts)

23. What kind of change did the work of these construction engineers bring about in Britain?

→ _____.

24. Was Brunel's father an engineer?

→ _____.

PART II: Choose the best answer A, B, C or D to complete the passage. (1.5 pts)

Everyone can speak at least one language (25) _____ they are intelligent, or lack some brain power. This could (26) _____ achieved by being surrounded by that language at all times. You may notice that there are also some people (27) _____ study abroad and learn very little. That is because they go to an English-speaking school, but find friends from their own country and don't practice English. Some others can speak English well because they live (28) _____ an English-speaking environment. (29) _____, why don't you surround yourself with English? Make rules with (30) _____ friends that you will only speak English when meeting up for a coffee, for example. You can also carry around an iPod and listen to English as much as possible.

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| 25. A. neither | B. whether | C. if | D. nor |
| 26. A. be | B. is | C. was | D. were |
| 27. A. whom | B. whose | C. who | D. which |
| 28. A. on | B. about | C. at | D. in |
| 29. A. Therefore | B. Because | C. Although | D. However |
| 30. A. few | B. much | C. any | D. some |

SECTION FOUR: WRITING (2.5 pts)

PART I: Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the sentence printed before it. (0.75 pts)

31. Linda said: "Let's go to the cinema to relax at the weekend."

→ Linda suggested _____.

32. I think there is no better student than Hoa in her class.

→ In my opinion, Hoa is _____.

33. John said: "Are you trying your best to prepare for this exam, Mary?"

→ John asked _____.

PART II: Combine the two sentences into one meaningful sentence. (0.75 pts)

34. The weather was bad. The plane couldn't touch down.

→ Because of _____.

35. Sarah doesn't write in English frequently. Her English writing skill is terrible.

→ If _____.

36. The footballer is likely to move to play for a European club. His contract will expire next week.

→ The footballer _____.

PART III: Use the words provided to make meaningful sentences. (1.0 pt)

37. I / wish / I / can / get / a better job / now.

→ _____.

38. He / spend / 2 hours / learn English / every day.

→ _____.

39. We / be / friends / since / we / graduate / high school.

→ _____.

40. If / we / go / waste water / there / a shortage of fresh water / a few decades.

→ _____.

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7. A. take
8. C. his
9. B. was bought
10. B. the
11. A. isn't he
12. B. inconvenient
13. B. more fluently
14. D. cup of tea
15. D. to operate
16. B. carrying out

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17. writer
18. heavily
19. inexperienced
20. memorize

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22. F

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23. It brought about enormous social and economic change in Britain.
24. Yes, he was.

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