

**SỞ GIÁO DỤC VÀ ĐÀO TẠO
THÁI NGUYÊN**

ĐỀ CHÍNH THỨC
(Đề thi có 13 trang)

**KỶ THI CHỌN HỌC SINH GIỎI CẤP TỈNH
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MÔN THI: TIẾNG ANH LỚP 12

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Đề thi này gồm 13 trang được đánh số từ 1-10. Thí sinh kiểm tra số trang trước khi làm bài.

SECTION ONE: LISTENING (20 POINTS)

Part 1: Listen to the recording and complete the notes below with ONE WORD AND/OR A NUMBER for each answer.

1. mountains
2. horse
3. garden(s)
4. lunch
5. map
6. experience
7. Ratchesons
8. helmet
9. shops
10. 267

Part 2: Listen to the recording and choose the best answer.

- 11-12. A, D
13. C
14. B
15. B
16. A
17. A
- 18-20. C, D, E

SECTION TWO: LEXICO-GRAMMAR. (25 POINTS)

I. Choose the correct letter A, B, C, or D to complete the following sentences. Write your answers in the corresponding numbered boxes provided.

21. A
22. A
23. B
24. A
25. A
26. D
27. A
28. C
29. B
30. C
31. B
32. B
33. C
34. D
35. A

II. Write the correct FORM for each bracketed word in the numbered space provided.

36. standing
37. authorized
38. alternatives
39. indistinguishable
40. incomparable
41. deadened
42. disgrace

- 43. drawbacks
- 44. celebrations
- 45. refusal

SECTION THREE: READING. (35 POINTS)

I. Fill each of the following numbered blanks with ONE suitable word and write your answers in the corresponding boxes provided below the passage.

- 46. stress
- 47. in
- 48. Even
- 49. instead
- 50. who/ that
- 51. themselves
- 52. at
- 53. how
- 54. suffer
- 55. the

II. Read the following passage. For question 56-60, choose the best answer (A, B, C, or D). Write your answers in the corresponding numbered boxes.

- 56. D
- 57. A
- 58. D
- 59. D
- 60. A
- 61. NOT GIVEN
- 62. NO
- 63. YES
- 64. NOT GIVEN
- 65. YES

III. Read the following passage and decide which answer (A, B, C, or D) best fits each gap. Write your answers in the boxes provided.

- 66. D
- 67. B
- 68. A
- 69. D
- 70. A
- 71. C
- 72. D
- 73. A
- 74. B
- 75. C

IV. There are five extracts which have been removed from the following passage. Put an extract from A-G in the correct gap 76-80 to complete the passage. There are two extracts you're not going to need. Write your answers in the space provided.

- 76. D
- 77. A
- 78. B
- 79. G
- 80. F

SECTION FOUR: WRITING. (20 POINTS)

I. Finish each of the sentences in such a way that it is as similar as possible in meaning to the sentence printed before it. (81-85 points)

- 81. It was only when they arrived at the venue that the journalists heard about the changes to the wedding plans.
- 82. It was at your insistence that we came to this restaurant.

83. It won't do **you any good to argue with her.**
 84. The thief almost **certainly came in through the window.**
 85. The sheer **expense of it was what put me off the idea.**

II. The bar chart below shows the passenger kilometers traveled by different means of transport in the UK in 1990 and 2000.

Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features and make comparisons where relevant. Write at least 150 words. (86-90 points)

III. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

“Games are as important for children as they are for adults.”

Write an essay (about 200 to 250 words) to express your personal point of view. (91-100 points)

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AUDIOSCRIPTS

Part 1.

TC EMPLOYEE: Hi. Can I help you?

VISITOR: I'd like to find out if you have any excursions suitable for families.

TC EMPLOYEE: Sure. How about taking your family for a cruise? We have a steamship that takes passengers out several times a day – it's over 100 years old.

VISITOR: That sounds interesting. How long is the trip?

TC EMPLOYEE: About an hour and a half. And don't forget to take pictures of the mountains. They're all around you when you're on the boat and they look fantastic.

VISITOR: OK. And I assume there's a café or something on board?

TC EMPLOYEE: Sure. How old are your children?

VISITOR: Er, my daughter's fifteen and my son's seven.

TC EMPLOYEE: Right. Well there are various things you can do once you've crossed the lake, to make a day of it. One thing that's very popular is a visit to the Country Farm. You're met off the boat by the farmer and he'll take you to the holding pens, where the sheep are kept. Children love feeding them!

VISITOR: My son would love that. He really likes animals.

TC EMPLOYEE: Well, there's also a 40-minute trek round the farm on a horse, if he wants.

VISITOR: Do you think he'd manage it? He hasn't done that before.

TC EMPLOYEE: Sure. It's suitable for complete beginners.

VISITOR: Ah, good.

TC EMPLOYEE: And again, visitors are welcome to explore the farm on their own, as long as they take care to close gates and so on. There are some very beautiful gardens along the side of the lake which also belong to the farm – they'll be just at their best now. You could easily spend an hour or two there.

VISITOR: OK. Well that all sounds good. And can we get lunch there?

TC EMPLOYEE: You can, and it's very good, though it's not included in the basic cost. You pay when you get there.

VISITOR: Right.

VISITOR: So is there anything else to do over on that side of the lake?

TC EMPLOYEE: Well, what you can do is take a bike over on the ship and then go on a cycling trip. There's a trail there called the Back Road – you could easily spend three or four hours exploring it, and the scenery's wonderful. They'll give you a map when you get your ticket for the cruise – there's no extra charge.

VISITOR: What's the trail like in terms of difficulty?

TC EMPLOYEE: Quite challenging in places. It wouldn't be suitable for your seven-year-old. It needs someone who's got a bit more experience.

VISITOR: Hmm. Well, my daughter loves cycling and so do I, so maybe the two of us could go, and my wife and son could stay on the farm. That might work out quite well. But we don't have bikes here... is there somewhere we could rent them?

TC EMPLOYEE: Yes, there's a place here in the city. It's called Ratchesons.

VISITOR: I'll just make a note of that – er, how do you spell it?

TC EMPLOYEE: R-A-T-C-H-E-S-O-N-S. It's just be the cruise ship terminal.

VISITOR: OK.

TC EMPLOYEE: You'd also need to pick up a repair kit for the bike from there to take along with you, and you'd need to take along a snack and some water – it'd be best to get those in the city.

VISITOR: Fine. That shouldn't be a problem. And I assume I can rent a helmet from the bike place?

TC EMPLOYEE: Sure, you should definitely get that. It's a great ride, but you want to be well prepared because it's very remote – you won't see any shops round there, or anywhere to stay, so you need to get back in time for the last boat.

VISITOR: Yeah. So what sort of prices are we looking at here?

TC EMPLOYEE: Let's see, that'd be one adult and one child for the cruise with farm tour, that's \$117, and an adult and a child for the cruise only so that's \$214 dollars altogether. Oh, wait a minute, how old did you say your daughter was?

VISITOR: Fifteen.

TC EMPLOYEE: Then I'm afraid it's \$267 because she has to pay the adult fare, which is \$75 instead of the child fare which is \$22 – sorry about that.

VISITOR: That's OK. Er, so how do ...

Part 2.

Hello to you all.

Thank you for coming to Mitchford University's Open Day. My name is Jackie Alford, and I'm the Director of Student Administration.

I must begin by passing on some late-breaking news. For the second year running, Mitchford University has been the winner of the prestigious Distance Education Award. As an online university, we are thrilled with this and thank our excellent staff for their dedicated work. We now add this trophy to our Research Excellence Award. The only one remaining is the best overall university, which we are expecting to be announced in the near future.

Now, I want to cover a few aspects of what we offer our students from the Student Administration point of view. I would like to cover a few of the core things we deal with here at the university. Our office is always busy.

Firstly, we handle all requests for on and off-campus housing. For first-year bachelor's degree students, we offer any and all assistance. If you're considering a postgraduate degree with us, and some of you are coming to the area with families (I've met some of you already, I think), please be aware that due to staff constraints, we are only able to help international students.

My department is also responsible for the collection of all student fees and, aside from exam week, we often assist with timetabling. Our department is in close contact with enrollment, so we know all your examination results. Student fees are used to help with the extracurricular activities here on campus.

Each semester, we put on a movie night, and last year, we tried a music appreciation night, which was well received. We often invite a number of local charities in the area to participate in our movie nights. This has been a good way for us to give back to some of the local people.

Now, when you apply for a place at Mitchford University, your application package goes first to the registrar's office, where it is either accepted or rejected based upon your past academic record and test results. If you are accepted, it comes to the Student Administration department, where we examine any special requests you may have included in your application. After that, a letter is sent to you informing you of your acceptance.

The whole process takes about three to four weeks. Generally, if we receive applications by April or early May, students are notified of their acceptance in late June unless you make mistakes with your application, which is all too common.

Yes, there are things we ask you not to do.

Some people forget important information, believe it or not, and we encounter this most often. Some applicants forget to include a forwarding address, so we can't send anything back to them.

Another big one is forgetting to include past academic records. Hey, please don't forget them. We've had minor problems with people forgetting to include the processing fee, which stands at \$45.

Still, others leave off the compulsory picture of themselves. Oh, yes, and perhaps the most common mistake people make is sending the application to the incorrect address. Please send the application to our post office box address.

Okay, that's enough from me. Any questions?