

## SECTION 1: LISTENING (20 points)

- Phần nghe có 02 bài, mỗi bài được nghe 02 lần (giám thị chỉ mở 01 lần đĩa tự động phát 02 lần)  
- Đầu mỗi đoạn có phần nhạc dạo 1 phút để thí sinh đọc yêu cầu của bài tập. Giữa 2 lần nghe có thời gian trống là 10 giây. Thời gian trống giữa 2 đoạn là 2 phút để thí sinh làm bài. Hết phần thi nghe có nhạc kết thúc.

***I. Listen to the conversation twice. Choose the correct answer from A, B or C for each of the following questions. (10 points)***

1. When did Abbie go to summer school in Germany?  
A. two years ago                      B. three weeks ago                      C. three years ago
2. Why don't the teachers want people to mess about?  
A. They don't want the students to have fun.  
B. The students need to pass tests.  
C. They work hard to prepare their lessons.
3. Why do the students have to pay to go to the summer school?  
A. so the teachers can be paid  
B. to buy things the school needs  
C. to pay for trips
4. What kind of teachers is Abbie looking for?  
A. People who are creative and enjoy a challenge.  
B. People who are serious and hardworking.  
C. Calm people who can work under pressure.
5. What are the lessons like?  
A. There are competitions to motivate students.  
B. There are lots of tests.  
C. The students watch a lot of DVDs.

**II. You will hear two teachers, Andrew and Katie, discussing the coming excursion of their language class. Fill in each blank with no more than two words or numbers. (10 points)**

School Excursion	
<b>Day:</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
Destination:	(1) the
Weather:	(2)
Arrival time:	(3) _____ am
Activities Planned	
See:	(4) _____
Eat:	Catered lunch
Attend:	(5) the

## SECTION 2: PHONETICS (10 points)

**III. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the rest. (6 points)**

1. A. architect                      B. parachute                      C. choir                      D. psychology  
2. A. fossil                      B. missile                      C. aisle                      D. nursery  
3. A. naked                      B. sacred                      C. hatred                      D. picked

**IV. Choose the word whose stress pattern is different from that of the others. (4 points)**

1. A. vehicle                      B. disposal                      C. emission                      D. volcanic  
2. A. successfully                      B. economy                      C. presentation                      D. accompany

### SECTION 3: LEXICO - GRAMMAR (60 points)

*V. Choose the best answer to complete each of the sentences. Mark your answer on the answer sheet. (40 points)*

1. As the two teams left the football ground, the 100,000 \_\_\_\_\_ gave them a standing ovation.  
A. bystanders                      B. spectators                      C. viewers                      D. audiences
2. Jack made me \_\_\_\_\_ him next week.  
A. promise calling                      B. to promise calling                      C. to promise to call                      D. promise to call
3. Some vegetables are grown without soil and under \_\_\_\_\_ light.  
A. artificial                      B. false                      C. fake                      D. unreal
4. Mary attempted to \_\_\_\_\_ herself with her new boss by volunteering to take on extra work.  
A. gratify                      B. please                      C. ingratiate                      D. commend
5. The co-pilot had to \_\_\_\_\_ when the pilot suffered chest pains.  
A. hand over                      B. take on                      C. hand on                      D. take over
6. Evidence came up \_\_\_\_\_ specific speech sounds are recognized by babies as young as 6 months old.  
A. what                      B. when                      C. which                      D. that
7. She \_\_\_\_\_ in order to send her children to school.  
A. cut corners                      B. worked her fingers to the bone  
C. made a meal of it                      D. called it a day
8. She \_\_\_\_\_ be ill. I have just seen her playing basket ball in the school yard.  
A. needn't                      B. mustn't                      C. shouldn't                      D. can't
9. - Peter: "I'll do the washing-up, shall I?"  
- Susan: " \_\_\_\_\_ !"  
A. Kid's stuff                      B. Ah, music to my ears  
C. Not at all                      D. It's a great pleasure
10. - "How lovely your pets are!" - " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
A. I love them, too.                      B. Thank you, it is nice of you to say so.  
C. Can you say that again.                      D. Really? They are.
11. I read the contract again and again \_\_\_\_\_ avoiding making spelling mistakes.  
A. with a view to                      B. on account of                      C. by means of                      D. in terms of
12. \_\_\_\_\_ will lead to the extinction of rare animals due to the loss of their habitats, and extreme floods and land erosion.  
A. Deforestation                      B. Conservation                      C. Depletion                      D. Protection
13. The fog was so thick that it was \_\_\_\_\_ impossible to see your hand in front of your face.  
A. highly                      B. fully                      C. perfectly                      D. completely
14. The bank is reported in the local newspaper \_\_\_\_\_ in the broad daylight.  
A. to be robbed                      B. robbed                      C. to have been robbed                      D. having been robbed
15. I'm looking for a \_\_\_\_\_ for my father's birthday.  
A. cheap white Japanese clock radio                      B. white cheap Japanese clock radio  
C. Japanese cheap white clock radio                      D. Japanese white cheap clock radio
16. \_\_\_\_\_, I would give a party.  
A. Were she to come to visit us                      B. She were to come to visit us  
C. If she comes to visit us                      D. Were she come to visit us
17. \_\_\_\_\_ the invention of the steam engine, most forms of transport were horse-drawn.  
A. With reference                      B. Akin                      C. Prior to                      D. In addition to
18. \_\_\_\_\_ life would be difficult without \_\_\_\_\_ useful machines and gadgets we have today.  
A. X/ the                      B. The/ the                      C. X/ a                      D. The/ x

*Choose the phrase CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined phrase in the following sentence.*

19. I knew he was only flattering me because he wanted to borrow some money from me.  
A. making me impatient                      B. praising me too much  
C. making me feel worse                      D. elevating me

*Choose the word OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word in the following sentence.*

20. Medical experts are predicting a massive rise in obesity-related illnesses.  
A. professors                      B. specialists                      C. acquaintances                      D. novices

#### SECTION 4: READING (60 points)

**VI. Write the correct form of each bracketed word in the following passage in the corresponding numbered boxes. (10 points)**

One of the major (1. **ENVIRONMENT**) \_\_\_\_\_ concerns in today's world is growing list of (2. **DANGER**) \_\_\_\_\_ plants, animals and birds. The biggest threat of all wildlife is, of course, man, who must take action now to prevent the (3. **APPEAR**) \_\_\_\_\_ of these species. Whales, tigers and elephants all require greater protection as hunters threaten to drive them to extinction. Similarly, more effective measures are suggested to stop global warming, which has led to the loss of important natural habitats. Fish too, are (4. **INCREASE**) \_\_\_\_\_ at risk from high level of the river and sea pollution, cause by oil spill and toxic effluent. Stricter government controls will help in the fight to save our wildlife and a greater public (5. **AWARE**) \_\_\_\_\_ of the issues should be involved.

**VII. The passage below contains 05 mistakes, underline the mistakes and write their correct forms in the space provided in the column on the right. (10 points)**

Less than 40 years ago, tourism has been encouraged as an unquestionable good. With the arrival of package holidays and charter flights, tourism could at last be enjoyed by the masses. Yet one day, it seemed feasible that there will be no more tourists. There will be 'adventurers', 'fieldwork assistants', 'volunteers' and, of course, 'travelers'. But the term 'tourist' will extinct. There might be those which quietly slip away to foreign lands for nothing other than pure pleasure, but it will be a secretive and frowned upon activity. No one will want to own up to being one of those. In fact, there are already a few countries prohibiting tourists from entering certain areas where the adversity effects of tourism have already struck. Tourists have been charged with bringing nothing with them but their money and wreaking havoc with the local environment.

**VIII. Choose the best option (A, B, C, or D) that fits the blank in the following passage. (20 points)**

#### NEW HUNT FOR LIFE IN SPACE

British space scientists are planning to join the American in the race to find evidence of life on (1) \_\_\_\_\_ planets. Alan Penny and his team at the Rutherford Appleton Laboratory have designed a telescope that is 40 times more powerful than Hubble. Known as 'Darwin', his telescope could tell if planets 50 (2) \_\_\_\_\_ years away have any kind of life on them. Two days (3) \_\_\_\_\_, NASA scientists had shown a proof that one of Jupiter's moons could support life, Penny announced that his telescope may be included in a European Space Agency mission. The Darwin project, with a (4) \_\_\_\_\_ of 500 million, is on a short list of two proposals. If approved it will probably be (5) \_\_\_\_\_ around 2015, its destination somewhere between Mars and Jupiter. The blueprint is actually for five telescopes positioned 50 meters apart in space, slowly circling a (6) \_\_\_\_\_ processing station. The combined data from these telescopes would build up a full picture of a planet, picking out faint images that have never been seen before. Darwin would not be able to take detailed photographs of the planets it (7) \_\_\_\_\_, but Penny believes a second- generation telescope could be sent up to do this. He claims it is worthwhile mapping the universe around our (8) \_\_\_\_\_ galaxy, even though these planets lie (9) \_\_\_\_\_ our reach for the moment. The European Space Agency will make its decision (10) \_\_\_\_\_ Darwin within three years.

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| 1. A. another   | B. other    | C. others     | D. the other |
| 2. A. light     | B. lighten  | C. lightening | D. lighting  |
| 3. A. following | B. after    | C. next       | D. later     |
| 4. A. price     | B. schedule | C. charge     | D. budget    |
| 5. A. driven    | B. fetched  | C. launched   | D. taken     |
| 6. A. central   | B. centre   | C. middle     | D. heart     |
| 7. A. invents   | B. searches | C. discovers  | D. looks     |
| 8. A. alone     | B. same     | C. one        | D. own       |
| 9. A. out       | B. toward   | C. beyond     | D. over      |
| 10. A. of       | B. on       | C. about      | D. with      |

**IX. Fill in each numbered blank with ONE suitable word. (20 points)**

For a long time in the past photography was not regarded (1) \_\_\_\_\_ an art. It was simply a skill and it was criticized for being too mechanical and not creative enough. At last, however, photography is now accepted as a unique (2) \_\_\_\_\_ very important form of art.

The photograph's claim to be (3) \_\_\_\_\_ objective record of reality is now seriously challenged, and the important function of photography in modern-day society is consequently (4) \_\_\_\_\_ threat. The threat has suddenly become all the more serious as more and more photographers are turning to the new technology offer (5) \_\_\_\_\_ computers offer. Moreover, an increasing (6) \_\_\_\_\_ of colleges have now begun to courses in computer imaging. All these developments raise a disturbing question. Is photography, as we know it dead?

In (7) \_\_\_\_\_ of its complete transformation by new technological developments, however, photography will continue to play a key (8) \_\_\_\_\_ in our culture. Although it may (9) \_\_\_\_\_ longer claim to be realistic, modern photography can continue to provide us (10) \_\_\_\_\_ fresh visual information about ourselves and the world in which we live.

**X. Read the following passage and choose the best answer (A, B, C, or D). (20 points)**

Telecommuting is some form of computer communication between employees' homes and offices. For employees whose job involve sitting at a terminal or word processor entering data or typing reports, the location of the computer is **of no consequence**. If the machine can communicate over telephone lines, when the work is completed, employees can dial the office computer and transmit the material to their employers. A recent survey in *USA Today* estimates that there are approximately 8,7 million telecommuters. But although the numbers are rising annually, the trend does not appear to be as significant as predicted when *Business Week* published "*The Portable Executive*" as its cover story a few years ago. Why hasn't telecommuting become more popular?

Clearly, change simply takes time. But in addition, there has been active resistance on the part of many managers. These **executives** claim that supervising the telecommuters in a large work force scattered across the country would be too difficult, or, at least, systems for managing **them** are not yet developed, thereby complicating the manager's responsibilities.

It is also true that employees who are given the option of telecommuting are **reluctant** to accept the opportunity. Most people feel that they need regular interaction with a group, and many are concerned that they will not have the same consideration for advancement if they are not more visible in the office setting. Some people feel that even when a space in their homes is set aside as a work area, they never really get away from the office.

1. With which of the following topics is the passage primarily concerned?
 

A. The advantages of telecommuting	B. A definition of telecommuting
C. An overview of telecommuting	D. The failure of telecommuting
2. How many Americans are involved in telecommuting?
 

A. More than predicted in <i>Business Week</i> .	B. More than 8 million,
C. Fewer than estimated in <i>USA Today</i> .	D. Fewer than last year.
3. The phrase "**of no consequence**" means \_\_\_\_\_.
 

A. of no use	B. of no good	C. unimportant	D. irrelevant
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4. The author mentions all of the following as concerns of telecommuting EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_.
 

A. the opportunities for advancement	B. the different system of supervision
C. the lack of interaction with a group	D. the work place is in the home
5. The word "**executives**" in line 10 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.
 

A. telecommuters	B. managers	C. employees	D. most people
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6. The word "**them**" in line 11 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.
 

A. systems	B. telecommuters	C. executives	D. responsibilities
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7. The reason why telecommuting has not become popular is that the employees \_\_\_\_\_.
 

A. need regular interaction with their families	B. are worried about the promotion if they are not seen at the office	C. feel that a work area in their home is away from the office	D. are ignorant of telecommuting
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8. It can be inferred from the passage that the author is \_\_\_\_\_.
 

A. a telecommuter	B. the manager	C. a statistician	D. a reporter
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9. The word "**reluctant**" in line 13 can best be replaced by \_\_\_\_\_.
 

A. opposite	B. willing	C. hesitate	D. typical
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10. When *Business Week* published "*The Portable Executive*", it implied that \_\_\_\_\_.
 

A. systems for managing telecommuters were not effective	B. there was resistance on the part of many managers about telecommuting
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- C. the trend for telecommuting was optimistic
- D. most telecommuters were satisfied with their work

## SECTION 5: WRITING (50 points)

**XI. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph/ letter in each of the following questions. (10 points)**

1.

- a. Also, volunteering helps students connect with the community, making them aware of the needs around them.
- b. Additionally, students develop such important skills as teamwork and communication ones while they volunteer.
- c. Firstly, students who do voluntary work gain valuable real-world experience which can help in their future careers.
- d. Finally, doing volunteer work can be a rewarding experience, as students feel good about helping others.
- e. High school students benefit from doing voluntary work in many ways.

A. e – c – a – b – d

B. e – a – c – b – d

C. c – a – b – d – e

D. c – e – a – b – d

2.

- a. Besides, doing chores together can actually be fun and it makes the work go faster.
- b. Dear Mike, I hope you are well! I've been thinking about why it's important for children to help with housework.
- c. It's a good may for families to spend time together and learn new skills.
- d. Firstly, it teaches us responsibility and how to take care of our own things.
- e. Also, when we help our parents, it shows them respect and gratitude for all they do for us.
- f. Best wishes.

A. b – c – a – e – d – f

B. b – d – e – a – c – f

C. b – a – d – e – c – f

D. b – e – d – a – c – f

3.

- a. All these things together make the Earth get hotter, which causes problems like melting ice, changing weather, and higher sea levels.
- b. Another reason is cutting down trees. Trees help soak up a gas called carbon dioxide, but when we cut them down, there aren't as many trees to do this important job.
- c. Global warming happens because people do things that make the Earth's air get warmer.
- d. Finally, farming, especially raising lots of cows and other animals, makes a gas called methane. Industries also make gases that trap heat.
- e. In short, we need to stop doing these things and find better ways to get energy to keep the Earth from getting too warm.
- f. The first thing people do is burning fossil fuels like coal, oil, and gas for energy. When these fuels burn, they let out gases that trap heat in the air, like a blanket.

A. c – f – d – b – a – e

B. f – b – d – c – e – a

C. c – f – b – d – a – e

D. f – e – c – d – b – a

4.

- a. When I first got there, I was really excited. The wall is super long and really old. It's over 13,000 miles long! Walking on it made me feel like I was a part of history. I imagined all the people who built it a long time ago. Each brick has its own story to tell, about kings and wars and all sorts of things.
- b. Let's catch up soon. Take care,
- c. From up on the wall, I could see the beautiful countryside. It made me realize how big and diverse our world is.
- d. Dear Ann,
- e. Visiting the Great Wall was something I'll never forget. I recommend you go if you ever get the chance.
- f. I hope you're doing well. It's been a while since we last talked, and I wanted to tell you about something amazing I did recently – I visited the Great Wall of China!

A. d – a – f – e – c – b

B. f – d – e – c – b – a

C. b – a – f – e – c – d

D. d – f – a – c – e – b

5.

- a. Teenagers may want to work part-time while still in school. Let's look at the pros and cons of teens having part-time jobs.
- b. So, if teenagers fail to balance work and study, they may not be able to get good grades or may even drop out of school.
- c. Secondly, they can learn to manage their time better.
- d. First, a part-time job provides extra pocket money.
- e. In conclusion, teenagers should be aware of both the pros and cons of working part-time.
- f. On the other hand, working teens may become tired and stressed as they will have less time to rest and study.

A. a – d – c – f – b – e

B. a – d – f – c – b – e

C. a – b – f – c – d – e

D. a – b – d – c – f – e

**XII. Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the sentence printed before it. (10 points)**

1. Although he was exhausted, he agreed to join the team to do the task.

→ Exhausted \_\_\_\_\_

2. The value of these goods has fallen considerably in the past week.

→ There \_\_\_\_\_

3. The outcome of the election was never in doubt.

→ At no time \_\_\_\_\_

4. Martin may not be very well, but he still manages to enjoy life.

→ Martin's poor \_\_\_\_\_

5. When the Minister was asked about the strike, he declined to comment.

→ On \_\_\_\_\_

**XIII. Complete the second sentence so that it has the same meaning as the first one, using the given word in bold given without changing the given word. (10 points)**

1. Do you mind if I come over to see you later? **OBJECTION**

→ Do you have \_\_\_\_\_ over to see you later?

2. The police now think he invented the story to protect his girlfriend. **MADE**

→ He is now \_\_\_\_\_ the story to protect his girlfriend.

3. She has always had a good relationships with her children. **GOT**

→ She has \_\_\_\_\_ her children.

4. I find driving on the left in England very strange. **ACCUSTOMED**

→ I \_\_\_\_\_ on the left in England.

5. "It was my fault to break your vase yesterday" said Jane to her brother. **ADMITTED**

→ Jane \_\_\_\_\_ brother's vase yesterday.

**XIV. Paragraph writing: (20 points)**

Write a paragraph of about 120 -150 words to express your opinions on the following topic

**"Participating actively in volunteer work makes you become a responsible person to the community."**

*Note: You are not allowed to include any personal information such as your name, your school's name, your address... in your writing.*

----- **THE END** -----