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Mã đề thi 881

LƯU Ý: - Đề thi gồm 08 trang.

- Phần tự luận (SECTION ONE) làm vào phiếu trả lời tự luận (có kèm phách).

- Phần trắc nghiệm (SECTION TWO) làm vào phiếu trả lời trắc nghiệm.

SECTION ONE: CONSTRUCTED-RESPONSE TEST

PART ONE: LISTENING COMPREHENSION

I. You will hear part of a conversation between Jim - a student and a secretary on campus. For questions 1-5, choose the correct answer A, B, C, or D that best fits the information given in the listening passage.

Write your answers on the answer sheet. You will hear the recording TWICE. (5 pts.)

1. What do the speakers mainly discuss?

- A. A friend's sickness B. A math class C. The school policy D. The student's test

2. What is the student's last name?

- A. Raley B. Purcell C. Raleigh D. Kelly

3. Why can't the secretary give Terry Young's test to Jim?

- A. It is against the law. B. Jim is not a member of Terry's family.
C. The secretary cannot find the test. D. Terry was too sick to take the test.

4. How does the secretary feel about the policy?

- A. She agrees with it. B. She thinks it is odd.
C. She does not enforce it. D. She is angry about it.

5. What will Jim most probably do?

- A. Call his friend B. Go to the office to get his test
C. Send the secretary a letter D. Take the test later

II. You will hear a journalist reporting on a prize for young scientists and engineers.

For questions 6-15, complete each of the sentences with ONE WORD or A NUMBER taken from the recording.

Write your answers on the answer sheet. You will hear the recording TWICE. (10 pts.)

Last year's winners of the National Science & Engineering Competition were both aged (6) _____.

The competition was first held in the year (7) _____.

The bicycle at the Big Bang Fair was used to produce (8) _____.

The main aim of the Fair is to create interest in (9) _____ in certain branches of science and engineering.

About (10) _____ of the people attending the Fair were students.

A total of (11) _____ people took part in the competition.

One project involved using a fuel extracted from (12) _____ to run a motor vehicle.

In the final of the competition, the judges listen to a fairly detailed (13) _____ of each entry.

The judges assess the (14) _____ skills of individuals and teams, as well as their projects.

This year's winners are announced at the next Big Bang Fair in (15) _____.

PART TWO: VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

I. Give the correct form of the word in brackets to complete each of the following sentences.

Write your answers on the answer sheet. (10 pts.)

1. Everyone was surprised to see that Daisy blossomed into quite an **(EYE)** _____.
2. They should be grateful to the thoughtful researchers who have honored them with thorough **(CRITIC)** _____.
3. In newborns, a **(NORMAL)** _____ temperature - rather than a fever - may be a sign of serious illness.
4. We are **(SKILL)** _____ the team to help them be more effective in a competitive market.
5. The non-governmental organisation launched a(n) **(PRECEDE)** _____ relief effort to support communities affected by the natural disaster.
6. Regardless of the grueling race, the man managed to **(DISTANCE)** _____ his rivals with unwavering determination and strategic brilliance.
7. My parents find TV commercials nowadays **(POWER)** _____ annoying, particularly those for motorcars.
8. The landlady felt irritated when the renters turned her kitchen into a greasy and **(ODOR)** _____ place.
9. He was an **(ICON)** _____ who always wanted to establish new ideas.
10. Sir Francis Chichester was the first person to sail round the world **(HAND)** _____ on his one-man boat.

II. Fill each blank with a suitable preposition or adverb particle to complete each of the following sentences.

Write your answers on the answer sheet. (10 pts.)

1. Our group is willing to stand _____ opposition _____ the corporations planning to move in and destroy local business.
2. His friends tried to talk him _____ the problem, but it seemed to be _____ his understanding.
3. Maybe the committee should bring the meeting _____ to this Friday instead of having it _____ two weeks' time.
4. The little boy's unexpected question threw me _____ balance, and I was at a total loss _____ words.
5. Thanks to the leading-edge medical technologies _____ their disposal, doctors could perform life-saving surgeries _____ precision.
6. She is always running _____ her friends _____ their backs. She won't have any friends left, I'm afraid.
7. This sort of information is like a red rag _____ a bull _____ the job market.
8. The delight _____ treasure finding doesn't always hinge _____ acquiring tremendous amounts of jewellery.
9. I'm so tired after work that I often just drop _____ in front of the TV with a paper _____ my face.
10. Let's make a dash _____ the train now as the rain seems to ease _____.

III. The following passage contains 10 mistakes. Identify the mistakes and write the corrections in the corresponding numbered boxes on the answer sheet. (0.) has been done as an example. (10 pts.)

Example: 0. Line 1: constructions → construction

Line	Passage
1	In the 20th century, with the constructions of a national highway system, movement in the US became direct
2	associated with the automobiles. The resulting growth in car ownership brought millions of Americans access to
3	personal transportation and the opportunity to travel. Increased mobilization meant that taking a vacation became
4	an American tradition, yet in doing so, children learned about their heritage by visiting historical sites and
5	landmarks. Also, national parks regarded as a favorite choice – the pristine beauty of nature providing a sharp
6	contrast to urban sprawl. It was this desire to explore their country which led people to take a family road trip,
7	which became part of American culture. One road came to symbolize the iconic American road trip more than
8	any other – Route 66. Stretched from Chicago to California, it was known as the “mother road” as it saw millions
9	of people make their way across America, all bound to the West. By connecting the main streets of small towns,
10	Route 66 helped transform the far West from a rural frontier into a thriving metropolitan region. However, with an
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12	advent of faster highways, Route 66 fell out of use. Having featured in novels, films, and music, Route 66 now still retains its place like a symbol of the open road, freedom, and opportunity.
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PART THREE: READING COMPREHENSION

Read the following passage and fill each of the numbered blanks with ONE suitable word.

Write your answers on the answer sheet. (5 pts.)

THE ROLE OF ANTIBIOTICS IN OUR LIFE

Although many strains of antibiotic bacteria are now (1) _____ in hospital wards, antibiotics have well served (2) _____ original purpose over the past eighty years. They have been able to treat the infections of countless individuals and saved millions of lives.

Antibiotics have changed the way in (3) _____ many common diseases are viewed. (4) _____ infected with bacterial pneumonia, for instance, is no longer considered fatal. (5) _____, it is viewed as a mundane infection which can be cured with a simple course of antibiotics. The number of antibiotics ready for (6) _____ has also enhanced their impact on society. Even if one antibiotic is ineffective at treating a disease, (7) _____ are, for most common infections, plenty of (8) _____ drugs that can be used to cure the disease.

The development of antibiotics over years has changed the relationship between humans and diseases. Antibiotics have (9) _____ humans with the power to fight back effectively (10) _____ microorganisms in a way that would have been considered impossible just a century ago.

PART FOUR: WRITING

I. Finish the second sentence in such a way that its meaning is similar to that of the original one.

Write your answers on the answer sheet. (10 pts.)

- We must do something about the problem even if it costs a lot.
→ However
- People's social background is revealed by what they eat, not their table manners.
→ What gives
- Those plays are so popular that the theatre is full every night.
→ Such is
- When it comes to population, Beijing is much denser than Auckland.
→ Auckland's population density
- We would prefer them not to have stayed up too late.
→ We would sooner
- That rumour about the new construction contracts in the local area is absolutely false.
→ There is
- A waiter spilled some soup over Hazel's new dress last night.
→ Hazel had
- It's quite likely that Jeremy was lying about what Eliot said.
→ Jeremy may
- Complete secrecy was crucial to the success of the mission.
→ Without
- "Nothing will persuade us to invest in your project," they told the young man.
→ They flatly

II. Rewrite each of the sentences below in such a way that its meaning is similar to that of the original one, using the word given in brackets. Do not change this word in any way. You must use NO MORE THAN SIX words.

Write your answers on the answer sheet. (5 pts.)

- The mice appeared to be totally unaffected by the effects of the drug. (TO)
→ The mice appeared to the effects of the drug.
- As the deadline approached, Andrew became anxious and, as a result, less efficient. (DREW)
→ As the deadline anxious caused him to become less efficient.
- Pauline's teachers believe she will get the scholarship if she really wants to. (MIND)
→ According to Pauline's teachers, she will get the scholarship as long to it.

4. They ought to realize it was luck that allowed them to escape serious injuries. **(COUNT)**
→ They should away with only minor injuries.
5. Who do you think is the most suitable candidate for the job? **(CUT)**
→ Which candidate is in your opinion?

SECTION TWO: SELECTED-RESPONSE TEST

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on the answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase to complete each of the numbered blanks. (5 pts.)

A revolutionary new kind of contact lens may one day be on the market. A wearer will be able to **(1)** virtual displays of images or information in front of them, just as robots and superheroes **(2)** in the movies. Looking through these lenses, the wearer would not only be able to see **(3)**, but it would also seem as **(4)** a computer screen in front of them.

Scientists at the University of Washington have made a major **(5)** in the technology required to create such lenses, including a prototype **(6)** consisting of a contact lens with an imprinted electronic circuit. **(7)** the technological challenges, they were able to develop a method to manufacture these components on a microscopic scale. Imprinting an electronic circuit onto a contact lens was also difficult because building such circuits involves the use of toxic **(8)**, However, the research team eventually found a way to do **(9)**, Since the technology for these lenses has yet to be perfected, it will be some time before anyone can try **(10)**, Nevertheless, possible commercial applications are already being considered.

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| 1. A. peer | B. view | C. stare | D. notice |
| 2. A. have | B. do | C. appear | D. like |
| 3. A. normally | B. commonly | C. barely | D. ordinarily |
| 4. A. if there were | B. though had | C. like you had | D. like having |
| 5. A. progress | B. momentum | C. breakthrough | D. boost |
| 6. A. procedure | B. patent | C. software | D. device |
| 7. A. Despite | B. With | C. Though | D. As |
| 8. A. features | B. substances | C. properties | D. emissions |
| 9. A. them | B. so | C. one | D. these |
| 10. A. them out | B. out wearing | C. on these | D. to wear |

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on the answer sheet to indicate the best arrangement of utterances or sentences to make a meaningful exchange or text in each of the following questions from 11 to 15. (5 pts.)

11.

How to Use a Bluetooth Speaker

- a. First, make sure your Bluetooth speaker is fully charged before turning it on.
- b. Once connected, you can play music, podcasts, or any audio content wirelessly. Use the volume buttons on either the speaker or your phone to adjust the sound.
- c. Press and hold the power button until you hear a sound or see a blinking light indicating that it's in pairing mode.
- d. On your phone or other devices, go to the Bluetooth settings and select the speaker from the list of available devices.
- e. To disconnect, simply turn off the speaker or switch off Bluetooth on your device. Remember to charge the speaker regularly to ensure optimal performance.

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| A. a-b-d-c-e | B. a-c-e-d-b | C. a-d-b-e-c | D. a-c-d-b-e |
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12.

- a. **Lily:** I'm leaning towards marketing because it combines creativity with strategy, which really interests me.
- b. **James:** I'm sure you will, especially if you keep building your skills and gaining experience.
- c. **James:** That sounds like a good fit for you – you're great at communication and problem-solving.
- d. **James:** Have you decided what career path you want to follow after graduation?
- e. **Lily:** Thanks! I just hope I can find a job that offers both growth and work-life balance.

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| A. d-a-c-e-b | B. c-e-d-a-b | C. b-e-c-a-d | D. a-c-e-b-d |
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13.

- a. As you travel, you'll see endless stretches of ice and snow that seem untouched by time.
- b. Guided by experts, you'll learn about the unique wildlife and extreme weather conditions that make this region so fascinating.
- c. This isn't just a trip – it's an experience that will change the way you see the world. Join us and discover the awe-inspiring beauty of the South Pole for yourself!
- d. State-of-the-art equipment and experienced guides will ensure your comfort and safety every step of the way.
- e. Imagine embarking on a once-in-a-lifetime adventure to the breathtaking South Pole. Our exclusive tour takes you on a journey through some of the most remote and beautiful landscapes on Earth.

A. e-c-d-b-a

B. e-d-c-a-b

C. e-a-b-d-c

D. e-a-c-d-b

14.

Dear Anne,

- a. There's also a vibrant atmosphere, and I've met people from all walks of life, which has really broadened my perspective.
- b. I hope you're doing well! I want to share my thoughts about city life now that I've been living here for a few months.
- c. On the positive side, I love the convenience – everything from supermarkets to cinemas is just a short walk or bus ride away.
- d. Still, I'm trying to focus on the opportunities and enjoy the experience while it lasts.
- e. However, I do miss the peace and quiet of the countryside. The constant noise and fast pace can be overwhelming at times, and I sometimes find it hard to relax.

Take care,

Tracy

A. b-c-a-e-d

B. c-a-e-b-d

C. a-c-d-e-b

D. b-e-c-a-d

15.

- a. One promising type of sustainable energy is tidal power, which harnesses the energy of ocean tides to generate electricity.
- b. But in the future, these systems could be expanded so that they provide a significant share of our global energy needs. Therefore, investing in tidal power is a crucial step towards a cleaner and more sustainable future for everyone.
- c. One of the greatest advantages of tidal power is its minimal impact on the environment compared to traditional fossil fuels.
- d. Although some countries, like the UK and Canada, have already begun building tidal power stations, there is still a long way to go before this resource is widely used.
- e. Unlike solar and wind energy, tidal power is extremely reliable because it's driven by predictable tidal cycles. This technology uses underwater turbines that capture the natural movement of water and create clean, renewable energy.

A. d-e-a-b-c

B. e-d-c-a-b

C. a-e-c-d-b

D. c-d-b-e-a

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on the answer sheet to indicate the word whose bold and underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the others in each group. (2.5 pts.)

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| 16. A. w <u>a</u> piti | B. w <u>a</u> llop | C. w <u>a</u> nder | D. w <u>a</u> sabi |
| 17. A. m <u>e</u> niscus | B. m <u>e</u> nagerie | C. m <u>e</u> nia <u>l</u> | D. m <u>e</u> ninges |
| 18. A. espion <u>a</u> ge | B. vest <u>i</u> ge | C. sabot <u>a</u> ge | D. rou <u>g</u> e |
| 19. A. monso <u>o</u> n | B. neighbou <u>r</u> h <u>oo</u> d | C. lo <u>o</u> seness | D. up <u>r</u> oot <u>o</u> ing |
| 20. A. <u>c</u> harade | B. <u>c</u> holeric | C. <u>c</u> harisma | D. <u>c</u> horeograph |

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on the answer sheet to indicate the word whose main stress position is placed differently from that of the others in each group. (2.5 pts.)

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| 21. A. ameliorate | B. subsidiary | C. constituency | D. aborigine |
| 22. A. tailor-made | B. heat-seeking | C. self-sufficient | D. self-controlled |
| 23. A. synecdoche | B. encomium | C. investiture | D. legislature |
| 24. A. datum | B. harrumph | C. hindsight | D. martyr |
| 25. A. downside | B. downpour | C. downwind | D. downfall |

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on the answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 26 to 35. (10 pts.)

For hundreds of years, Rome was arguably the greatest civilization in the world. It started as a small town on the Tiber River in the Italian Peninsula. Then, first as a republic and later as an empire, it grew so that it controlled a huge amount of land in Europe, North Africa, and the Middle East. Then, in the fifth century A.D., the Roman Empire collapsed. Rome would never again be a great power in the world.

There were many reasons that the Roman Empire fell. [I] For instance, there were breakdowns in its political, economic, and social organization. [II] In addition, the empire itself had been split into two halves - an eastern and a western empire. This was done with the intention of strengthening Rome, but in reality, the move actually weakened it. The final major reason for the fall of Rome was a series of invasions of its land by Germanic tribes. [III]

For many years before its fall, **Rome had been in turmoil**. Emperors reigned for short periods of time before they were deposed and replaced by someone else. [IV] The empire was in a seemingly constant state of civil war, which disrupted Roman society. The Romans began to depend upon foreigners to man the armies that they kept on the borders of the empire. These foreigners had little or no **allegiance** to the empire, so Rome's defenses were weakened. Rome's economy also went into decline. Most of the free people in the empire were either rich elites or lowly farmers. There was no strong middle class in the empire. Corruption at all levels of the government caused additional economic problems.

In an effort to solve many of these problems, Emperor Diocletian split the Roman Empire into two halves in the late fourth century. The Eastern Roman Empire, which later became known as the Byzantine Empire, started to flourish. Its emperor ruled from the city Constantinople, which was built by Emperor Constantine I. As for the Western Roman Empire, which was ruled from Rome, it declined further. During the fifth century, barbarian invaders conquered much of its territory. Its border lands were overrun. Finally, the last emperor, Romulus Augustus, was overthrown by Germanic invaders led by Odoacer. **He** then assumed the title of king of Rome.

26. Which title best summarizes the main idea of the passage?
- A. Why Empires Go into Decline
 - B. Emperor Diocletian of Rome
 - C. The Eastern and Western Roman Empires
 - D. The Fall of the Roman Empire
27. Which of the following statements does paragraph 2 support?
- A. Several factors led to the eventual defeat of Rome.
 - B. Rome engaged in a long war against Germanic tribes.
 - C. The first defeat suffered by Rome was in 476.
 - D. Rome was invaded from both the east and the west.
28. What does the author point out by writing that "**Rome had been in turmoil**" in paragraph 3?
- A. Rome's economy declined.
 - B. Conditions in Rome were steady.
 - C. There was disorder in Rome.
 - D. Rome was mostly at peace.
29. The word "**allegiance**" in paragraph 3 is CLOSEST in meaning to _____.
- A. loyalty
 - B. reference
 - C. agreement
 - D. conversion
30. Which of the following is true regarding Rome's armies?
- A. None of them was allowed to enter Rome.
 - B. They were effective at protecting the empire.
 - C. They were led into battle by the emperor.
 - D. The ones on the borders had many foreigners.
31. Why does the author talk about the Eastern Roman Empire?
- A. To describe some actions of Emperor Constantine I

- B. To prove that it outlasted the Byzantine Empire
 C. To contrast it with the Western Roman Empire
 D. To note that it was not conquered by Odoacer
32. In paragraph 4, the word "**He**" refers to _____.
 A. Odoacer B. Emperor Diocletian C. Romulus Augustus D. Emperor Constantine I
33. What happened to the Western Roman Empire after Diocletian divided it?
 A. It ruled from Constantinople.
 B. It continued to decline and lose territory.
 C. It became very strong and rich.
 D. It attacked the Eastern Roman Empire.
34. According to the passage, all of the following statements are true EXCEPT:
 A. A very large part of Europe, North Africa, and the Middle East used to be Rome's territories.
 B. The majority of the Western Roman Empire was invaded in the fifth century.
 C. The most obvious reason behind the downfall of the Roman Empire was economic breakdowns.
 D. The separation of the empire ran counter to the original purpose of bolstering Rome.
35. Where would the following sentence be best inserted into the passage?
"In 476, they sacked Rome and overthrew the last Roman emperor in the west."
 A. [IV] B. [I] C. [II] D. [III]

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on the answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase to complete each of the following sentences. (10 pts.)

36. The ratio of applications to sports clubs in our school _____ so far.
 A. drastically increased B. have drastically increased
 C. are drastically increasing D. has been increasing drastically
37. Contrary to everyone's expectations, the tennis player gave a disappointingly _____ performance last Friday.
 A. convincing B. sparkling C. lacklustre D. fruitless
38. We all decreed that _____.
 A. there be an end to their quarrel B. they ended their quarrel then
 C. their quarrel be coming to an end D. their quarrel should put an end to
39. The concrete is _____ by putting metal bars in it; this makes it stronger and more durable.
 A. reconstructed B. refurbished C. reinforced D. renovated
40. The judge threatened to **throw the book at** him if he committed another offense.
 The phrase "**throw the book at**" is CLOSEST in meaning to _____.
 A. commend B. applaud C. compliment D. punish
41. **Charles:** "Do tourists come here?"
Trevor: "Yes, but _____ buy things or contribute to the local economy."
 A. quite a few of them B. not the least of them C. hardly any of them D. a good few of them
42. The new manager is up to her ears in work. _____, her secretary has asked for a few days' leave.
 A. All the same B. By and large C. On top of that D. Even so
43. There _____ between 4,000 and 6,000 languages in the world, depending on how you count them.
 A. said being B. are said that C. say to be D. are said to be
44. The man was staggering from one side of the street to the other. He was _____ drunk.
 A. strong B. blind C. hard D. deep
45. A **mediocre** student who gets low grades will have difficulties getting into a good college.
 The word "**mediocre**" is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.
 A. diligent B. moronic C. average D. advanced

46. Learning a third language will significantly improve your job _____ in the tourist industry.
 A. factors B. prospects C. certainties D. obligations
47. The policeman tried to calm the crowd down when they _____.
 A. made a beeline B. flew off the handle C. followed their nose D. ground to a halt
48. Going off on a long holiday is all _____, but you've got to get back to work soon.
 A. sound and safe B. well and good C. alive and kicking D. loud and proud
49. The professor delivered a lecture on _____.
 A. complex quantum theoretical physics B. complex theoretical quantum physics
 C. theoretical physics quantum complex D. theoretical quantum physics complex
50. They have a _____ of new ideas to make the business more efficient.
 A. tactic B. case C. blurb D. host
51. _____, methane can be used as a fuel.
 A. It's produced from the fermentation of organic matter B. Produced by the fermentation of organic matter
 C. The production by fermentation of organic matter D. Producing the fermentation from organic matter
52. Silently _____.
 A. approaching the ship is a school of colourful fish B. is a school of colourful fish approaching the ship
 C. the ship is a school of colourful fish approaching D. a school of colourful fish approaching the ship is
53. In addition to being a naturalist, Bradley was also a writer _____ the struggle for survival in the wild.
 A. who, describing in his novels B. his novels describe
 C. he describes in his novels D. whose novels describe
54. Going on this diet has really _____ me good. I've lost weight and I feel fantastic!
 A. made B. had C. done D. taken
55. *Graham and Tim are talking about Tim's relationship with his brother.*
Graham: "Do you get along well with your brother, Tim?"
Tim: "_____"
 A. We have never got into fight but sometimes in dispute.
 B. That figures! We're related after all.
 C. Well, he likes swimming, and I like reading when free.
 D. Mom and Dad always help us with our school work.

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(Thí sinh không sử dụng tài liệu, cán bộ coi thi không giải thích gì thêm.)

Cán bộ coi thi số 1:.....

Cán bộ coi thi số 2:.....