

Họ, tên thí sinh:

Mã đề thi 413

Số báo danh:

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best completes each of the following exchanges.

Question 1: John is having dinner at Linda's house.

- John: "This roast beef is so delicious."

- Linda: "_____"

- A. Sure. I'd love to. B. I don't, either. C. No, don't worry. D. I'm glad you like it.

Question 2: Joana and David, two lecturers, are talking about library skills.

- Joana: "I think we should teach our students how to use the library."

- David: "_____. Library skills will help them use resources effectively."

- A. That's not a good idea B. I couldn't agree with you more
C. You must be kidding D. You're absolutely wrong

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

Question 3: With their undeveloped immune systems, young infants are _____ to a wide range of minor ailments.

- A. receptive B. favourable C. susceptible D. conducive

Question 4: _____, playing music is an effective way for them to open their heart to the outside world.

- A. Such were their visual impairments B. Being visually impaired people
C. Having been visually impaired D. For those with visual impairments

Question 5: Young people are ambitious by nature, so they tend to set their _____ high on whatever they do.

- A. visions B. sights C. views D. eyes

Question 6: When _____ as captain of the national football team, he knew he had to try harder.

- A. appoint B. appointing C. appointed D. have appointed

Question 7: The candidate took a _____ breath before he walked into the interview room.

- A. deepen B. deep C. deeply D. depth

Question 8: If the weather _____ fine tomorrow, we will have our biology lesson outdoors.

- A. is B. will have been C. will be D. would be

Question 9: Mr Brown, a self-made businessman, attributed his success to hard _____ and a bit of luck.

- A. career B. mission C. task D. work

Question 10: Many students work to earn money _____ their parents are rich.

- A. because of B. although C. however D. despite

Question 11: The children _____ their kites in the field when it started to rain heavily.

- A. were flying B. would fly C. will fly D. are flying

Question 12: Laura is _____ most intelligent girl I've ever known.

- A. Ø B. an C. the D. a

Question 13: You shouldn't use that ladder as it doesn't look _____ enough.

- A. stable B. certain C. constant D. correct

Question 14: My aunt used to sell vegetables at the local market to _____ a living.

- A. do B. earn C. take D. have

Question 15: The manager is directly responsible _____ the efficient running of the office.

- A. for B. at C. in D. about

Question 16: He would never forget _____ a medal for bravery after saving three boys from drowning.

- A. to award B. being awarded C. awarding D. to be awarded

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) **OPPOSITE** in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

Question 17: As an advocate of women's rights, James strongly rejects the view that women should stay at home to take care of their families.

- A. regards B. supports C. denies D. dismisses

Question 18: Judy was not so worried about having left her bag on the bus as there was nothing expensive but a few odds and ends in it.

- A. familiar objects B. personal belongings C. trivial things D. valuable items

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) **CLOSEST** in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

Question 19: A new road has just been built to connect my hometown with the city centre.

- A. link B. transport C. locate D. move

Question 20: Much to their disappointment, their start-up project fell through, though it had been carefully planned.

- A. succeeded B. failed C. expanded D. moved

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following questions.

Question 21: A. study B. delete C. reward D. survive

Question 22: A. summary B. holiday C. selection D. festival

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

Question 23: A. peak B. heat C. bread D. steal

Question 24: A. promised B. threatened C. injured D. agreed

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 25 to 29.

The cyberspace learning initiative

Advances in technology have generated revolutionary applications that could change the face of education as we know it today. Online learning, also known as electronic learning, may (25) _____ the future of education thanks to recent developments in the Internet and multimedia technologies.

It is anticipated that cyberspace institutions or online universities will replace traditional educational (26) _____. Virtual classrooms will be multi-functional, acting simultaneously as learning platforms, forums and (27) _____ networks. They will be geared towards promoting the acquisition of knowledge as a life-long endeavour, (28) _____ occurs through global collaboration. Cyberspace institutions can go a long way towards achieving this as they are able to liberate us from the limitations of time and space. Flexibility of time and location makes e-learning a highly accessible, international resource. (29) _____, prospective students will, regardless of age, background or origin, have unlimited access to both formal and informal learning opportunities. The pursuit of knowledge will consequently become an end in itself and not a means to an end.

(Adapted from "Traveller Advanced" by H. Q. Mitchell)

- Question 25:** A. shape B. plan C. view D. see
Question 26: A. establishments B. specifications C. backgrounds D. provisions
Question 27: A. socially B. socialise C. society D. social
Question 28: A. who B. when C. which D. where
Question 29: A. Therefore B. However C. Although D. Because

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 30 to 34.

Dubai is the second largest of the emirates which make up the United Arab Emirates. In the 1950s, it was a tiny coastal village. Now it is a huge modern city with a population of over 700,000. It offers an excellent modern lifestyle and is known around the world as a top tourist destination.

Dubai has something for everyone. Holidaymakers can enjoy a relaxing break, and people looking for adventure can find something new and exciting. The excellent hotels and facilities make it a popular place for business conferences and exhibitions.

Dubai offers many unusual holiday experiences. Visitors can go on a desert safari or drive in the sand dunes in a four-wheel drive, watch camel racing or learn how to hunt with falcons. They can also

try sand skiing. More relaxing is a cruise in a wooden dhow in the Gulf or a visit to the old city markets.

There are many opportunities to take photographs. The traditional architecture is amazing, and there are many magnificent palaces and mosques. Visitors can visit a Bedouin village and see camels and herds of goats. There are beautiful desert oases and the best sunsets in the world.

It is said that Dubai is the shopper's paradise. Many people come to Dubai for the shopping. Visitors enjoy everything from modern malls to traditional markets. Low customs duties mean that many products are less expensive than products bought in other countries. While Dubai's official language is Arabic, many shopkeepers speak English. *Bur Juman Centre* and *Al Ghurair Centre* are places that every shopper should try.

(Adapted from "IELTS Target 5.0" by Chris Gough)

Question 30: Which best serves as the title for the passage?

- A. Dubai: An Ancient City in the Desert B. Dubai: Things to Do for Everyone
C. Dubai: Things to Avoid D. Dubai: Present and Future

Question 31: The word "**offers**" in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. exchanges B. attends C. receives D. provides

Question 32: According to paragraph 2, why is Dubai a popular place for business conferences and exhibitions?

- A. Because it has world-famous artists. B. Because it offers new and exciting holidays.
C. Because it has excellent hotels and facilities. D. Because it provides new business opportunities.

Question 33: The word "**They**" in paragraph 3 refers to _____.

- A. falcons B. visitors C. sand dunes D. holiday experiences

Question 34: According to paragraph 5, what is NOT true about shopping in Dubai?

- A. *Bur Juman* and *Al Ghurair* are popular shopping centres.
B. Many products are cheaper than in other countries.
C. Most shopkeepers can't speak English.
D. Visitors can shop in both modern malls and traditional markets.

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 35 to 42.

For over 300 years since its appearance in Britain in 1621, newspapers were written and read by only a tiny minority. In 1896, a new newspaper was produced in large numbers and at such low prices that ordinary people could buy it on every street corner, and it was an instant success. *The Daily Mail*, which is still running today, was the mother of the modern tabloid, and the beginning of a whole new subculture in the British press. Today more than twice as many tabloids are sold than the so-called 'quality press' titles such as *The Times* or *The Guardian*.

Originally, the word tabloid referred to the size and format. But today, for most people, the word tabloid has nothing to do with shape and size. What makes a tabloid a tabloid is content, and above all, style. Tabloids follow a special **formula**: they report the news, but only certain kinds. Tabloids dedicate most of their pages to stories about celebrities. This involves photographing them in embarrassing situations, gossiping about their private lives and generally making them look a bit silly. However, the tabloids are not simply an irritation for celebrities; they are also **a vehicle** for self-promotion.

Though they have millions of devoted readers, tabloids are also widely criticised in Britain. They are accused of being sensationalist, in bad taste, and of having no ethical standards in their reporting and 'researching' methods. **They** may tap celebrities' phones or even break into their houses just to get a story. When criticised, the tabloids state that the public has a right to know about everything, but celebrities have no rights to privacy at all.

So why does Britain, which has access to the best press agencies and the highest journalistic standards, consume tabloids like chocolate? Maybe the reason is that we have enough news on the television, the radio and in the quality newspapers. Tabloids are not actually about news at all; tabloids are just about gossip. And when it comes to gossip, what matters is not what is true or what is kind, but what is entertaining and what is funny. The more in bad taste a story is, the funnier it seems. And bad taste is what the British tabloids have made into an art.

(Adapted from "Oxford Exam Excellence" by Danuta Gryca et al.)

Question 35: Which best serves as the title for the passage?

- A. Tabloids: Too Kind to Be True
- B. *The Guardian*: Feeding Bad Taste for Gossip
- C. The Art of Bad Taste: The British Tabloid
- D. Tabloids versus Broadsheets: An Ongoing War

Question 36: The word "formula" in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. readership
- B. method
- C. sequence
- D. design

Question 37: The phrase "a vehicle" in paragraph 2 mostly means _____.

- A. a method of researching something
- B. a means of transporting something
- C. a way of achieving something
- D. a set of instructions on how to do something

Question 38: The word "They" in paragraph 3 refers to _____.

- A. houses
- B. readers
- C. people
- D. tabloids

Question 39: Which is NOT mentioned in paragraph 3 as an accusation against tabloids?

- A. They feature sensational news stories.
- B. They violate the public's rights to privacy.
- C. They bug celebrities' phone conversations.
- D. They gain entry into celebrities' houses illegally.

Question 40: According to paragraph 4, what explains the popularity of tabloids in Britain?

- A. They provide thorough accounts of current issues.
- B. They are governed by the highest journalistic standards.
- C. They are deemed to be more aesthetic than 'quality press'.
- D. They contain light-hearted stories that entertain readers.

Question 41: According to the passage, tabloids in Britain _____.

- A. have the same sales figures as chocolate
- B. vary in shape, size, and format
- C. are outsold by such 'quality press' titles as *The Times*
- D. are considered a mixed blessing for celebrities

Question 42: Which of the following is LEAST likely to be found in a modern tabloid?

- A. An Oscar winner accused of tax evasion
- B. Miss Universe lying about her A level results
- C. A Premier League footballer failing his dope test
- D. Future changes in European economies

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.

Question 43: "Why didn't you attend the meeting, Mary?" Tom asked.

- A. Tom asked Mary why she wasn't attending the meeting.
- B. Tom asked Mary why she hadn't attended the meeting.
- C. Tom asked Mary why didn't she attend the meeting.
- D. Tom asked Mary why hadn't she attended the meeting.

Question 44: I'm sure that they had practised hard for the games as they won a lot of medals.

- A. They shouldn't have practised hard for the games as they won a lot of medals.
- B. They must have practised hard for the games as they won a lot of medals.
- C. They couldn't have practised hard for the games as they won a lot of medals.
- D. They might have practised hard for the games as they won a lot of medals.

Question 45: I like reading books more than surfing the Internet.

- A. I like reading books less than surfing the Internet.
- B. I don't like reading books as much as surfing the Internet.
- C. I like surfing the Internet more than reading books.
- D. I don't like surfing the Internet as much as reading books.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.

Question 46: The school year starts usually in late August in most parts of the country.

- A
- B
- C
- D

Question 47: Plastic bags are harmful to the environment so they should replace by paper bags.

A B C D

Question 48: Thanks to advances in medical science, life expectation for both men and women

A B

has improved greatly over the past decades.

C D

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best combines each pair of sentences in the following questions.

Question 49: The green campaign was strongly supported by the local people. The neighbourhood looks fresh and clean now.

A. But for the strong support of the local people for the green campaign, the neighbourhood would look fresh and clean now.

B. Scarcely had the green campaign been strongly supported by the local people when the neighbourhood looked fresh and clean.

C. Only if the local people had strongly supported the green campaign would the neighbourhood look fresh and clean now.

D. Had the local people not strongly supported the green campaign, the neighbourhood wouldn't look fresh and clean now.

Question 50: Jack dropped out of school at the age of 15. He now regrets it.

A. If Jack dropped out of school when he was 15, he would regret it.

B. If only Jack had dropped out of school when he was 15.

C. Jack regrets not having dropped out of school when he was 15.

D. Jack wishes he hadn't dropped out of school when he was 15.

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Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

Question 1: A. happened B. survived C. reduced D. bothered

Question 2: A. doubt B. sound C. group D. count

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following questions.

Question 3: A. connect B. travel C. deny D. return

Question 4: A. addition B. exercise C. article D. energy

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

Question 5: My sister really enjoys acting as a hobby, but she doesn't want to do it for a(n) _____.

A. survival B. existence C. living D. occupation

Question 6: If _____ with pictures and diagrams, a lesson will be more interesting and comprehensible.

A. illustrated B. have illustrated C. was illustrated D. illustrating

Question 7: It was so noisy outside that she couldn't concentrate _____ her work.

A. at B. in C. with D. on

Question 8: In spite of their disabilities, the children at Spring School manage to _____ an active social life.

A. lead B. save C. take D. gather

Question 9: The students were worried that they wouldn't be able to _____ the deadline for the assignment.

A. match B. meet C. beat D. answer

Question 10: Nicholas had never chaired a meeting before, but he rose to the _____ yesterday when he presided over a forum.

A. incident B. difficulty C. occasion D. issue

Question 11: I will never forget _____ to the Royal Garden Party, where superb cuisines were served amid luxurious surroundings.

A. to be invited B. being invited C. inviting D. to invite

Question 12: If we are not busy this weekend, we _____ the new fruit farm in the countryside.

A. would visit B. visited C. will visit D. would have visited

Question 13: She hurt herself while she _____ hide-and-peek with her friends.

A. played B. is playing C. was playing D. had played

Question 14: We all wish to create a friendly and supportive environment _____ to learning.

A. conducive B. detrimental C. accommodating D. liable

Question 15: I think mobile phones are _____ for people of all ages.

A. useful B. usage C. usefully D. use

Question 16: _____, they get on well with each other.

A. To quarrel a lot like most siblings at their age B. For most siblings to quarrel a lot at their age

C. But most siblings at their age quarrel a lot D. While most siblings at their age quarrel a lot

Question 17: Children are encouraged to read books _____ they are a wonderful source of knowledge.

A. because of B. although C. because D. in spite of

Question 18: This is _____ most interesting book I've ever read.

A. Ø B. a C. an D. the

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

Question 19: Such terrible acts of child abuse were not ignored thanks to the continuing protests of the online community.

A. witnessed B. unsolved C. noticed D. disregarded

Question 20: Despite sharing viewpoints on many issues, Nina and her husband are at odds when it comes to child rearing.

- A. in agreement B. at liberty C. under pressure D. in conflict

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

Question 21: Though considered the king sport in many parts of the world, soccer has never really caught on in the United States.

- A. been active B. remained silent C. been consolidated D. become popular

Question 22: I have tried hard, but it is difficult to find the solution to this maths problem.

- A. relation B. link C. answer D. reply

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best completes each of the following exchanges.

Question 23: David is apologising to his teacher for being late.

- David: "Sorry I'm late! The traffic is so heavy."

- Teacher: "_____. Come in and sit down."

- A. Me neither B. Thank you C. You're so kind D. It's alright

Question 24: Peter and Mary are talking about social networks.

- Peter: "Using social networks may have negative effects on students."

- Mary: "_____. It distracts them from their studies."

- A. You're wrong B. I'm not sure about that
C. I don't quite agree D. That's quite true

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 25 to 29.

The importance of fairy tales for children

Fairy tales are the stories that adults, especially parents, tell young children. In view of their name, it is surprising that hardly any of them are actually about fairies. (25) _____ most fairy tales have happy endings, the stories usually deal with very (26) _____ situations – children abandoned in the forest, terrifying giants, cruel stepmothers. However, despite being scared when they are told the stories, children will often ask to hear them over and over again.

Many psychologists believe that what fairy tales do, in addition to (27) _____ children's imagination, is to show that there are problems in the world and that they can be overcome. Just like adults, children have fears and worries; theirs are of things such as abandonment, loss, injuries, witches. Fairy tales present real problems in a fantasy form (28) _____ children are able to understand. This, it is claimed, allows them to (29) _____ their fears and to realise, if ever in their unconscious mind, that no matter how difficult the circumstances, there are always ways of coping.

(Adapted from "Richmond Practice Tests for Cambridge English: Advanced")

- Question 25:** A. Although B. Because C. Despite D. Therefore
Question 26: A. fright B. frighteningly C. frightening D. frighten
Question 27: A. speculating B. motivating C. stimulating D. inciting
Question 28: A. that B. who C. why D. where
Question 29: A. confront B. nurture C. alter D. suffer

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 30 to 34.

Norwich is the capital of East Anglia, an area on the east coast of England which is famous for its natural beauty and impressive architecture. Norwich is a wonderful city to explore and is popular with tourists all year round.

Norwich is not a city of luxurious hotels, but it has a good selection of reasonably priced places to stay in, both in the city centre and further out. The Beeches Hotel, for example, next to the cathedral, has a beautiful Victorian garden. Comfortable accommodation costs £65 for two nights' bed and breakfast per person. Norwich is famous for its magnificent cathedral. The cathedral has a summer programme of music and events which is open to the general public. One event, "Fire from Heaven", is a drama and musical performance with fireworks, a laser light show and a carnival with local people dressed in colourful costumes.

Norwich is also home to the Sainsbury Centre for Visual Arts, a world-class collection of international art in a building at the University of East Anglia. This is well worth a visit and there is a lovely canteen with an excellent selection of hot and cold snacks. It also specializes in vegetarian food. In addition, the city has a new professional theatre, the Playhouse, on the River Wensum. The city's annual international arts festival is from 10 to 20 October.

Finally, if you fancy a complete break from the stresses of everyday life, you could hire a boat and spend a few days **cruising** along the rivers of the famous Norfolk Broads National Park. In our environmentally friendly age, the emphasis has moved towards the quiet enjoyment of nature and wildlife. You can hire a boat, big or small, for an hour or two or even up to a week or two. This makes a perfect day out or holiday for people of all ages.

(Adapted from "Succeed in Cambridge English Preliminary" by Andrew Betsis and Lawrence Mamas)

Question 30: Which best serves as the title for the passage?

- A. Holidays in Norwich B. England's Famous Cities
C. A Destination Guide to England D. Daily Life in Norwich

Question 31: The word "**it**" in paragraph 2 refers to _____.

- A. the Beeches Hotel B. the city centre C. selection D. Norwich

Question 32: According to paragraph 2, which is NOT part of "*Fire from Heaven*"?

- A. A carnival B. A laser light show C. A fireworks display D. A campfire

Question 33: The word "**cruising**" in paragraph 4 mostly means _____.

- A. moving on land B. surfing C. travelling by boat D. swimming

Question 34: According to the passage, where is the Sainsbury Centre for Visual Arts located?

- A. In a building at the University of East Anglia
B. In the Norfolk Broads National Park
C. In a new professional theatre on the River Wensum
D. In an international art museum

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 35 to 42.

The United Nations recently outlined the extent of the global water crisis, saying that 2.7 billion people would face severe water shortages by 2025 if consumption continues at current rates. Today, an estimated 1.2 billion people drink unclean water, and about 2.5 billion lack proper toilets or waste disposal systems. More than five million people die each year from diseases related to unclean water. Humans are pumping water out of the ground faster than it can be replenished. In this difficult situation, a water conservationist, Neil MacLeod in South Africa, has found innovative ways to improve his local water situation.

Neil MacLeod took over as head of Durban Metro Water Services in 1992. The situation he found was a **catastrophe**. Durban had one million people living in the city and another 1.5 million people who lived in poverty just outside it. The entire city was rife with broken water pipes, leaky toilets, and faulty plumbing whereby 42 percent of the region's water was simply being wasted.

MacLeod's crews began repairing and replacing water pipes. They put water meters on residences, replaced eight-liter toilets with four-liter models, and changed wasteful showers and water taps. To ensure that the poor would receive a basic supply of water, MacLeod installed tanks in homes and apartments to provide 190 liters of water a day free to each household. Water consumption in Durban is now less than **it** was in 1996, even as 800,000 more people have received service. Through sensible water use, Durban's conservation measures paid for themselves within a year. No new reservoirs will be needed in the coming decades, despite the expected addition of about 300,000 inhabitants.

MacLeod has also turned to water recycling. At the water recycling plant, wastewater is turned into clean water in just 12 hours. Most people are unable to **discern** a difference between the usual city drinking water and the treated wastewater, although it is actually intended for industrial purposes.

Some people still hope that new technology, such as the desalination of seawater, will solve the world's water problems. "But the fact is, water conservation is where the big gains are to be made," says Sandra Postel of the Global Water Policy Project. The dedication and resourcefulness of people like Neil MacLeod offer inspiration for implementing timely and lasting solutions to the world's water concerns.

(Adapted from "Reading Explorer 4" by Paul MacIntyre and Nancy Hubley)

Question 35: Which best serves as the title for the passage?

- A. Tackling Water Problems: A Story from South Africa
- B. Drinkable Seawater – A Dream Turning Sour?
- C. The United Nations to Address Local Water Situations
- D. South Africa to Successfully Desalinate Seawater

Question 36: According to the passage, how many people have to drink unclean water worldwide?

- A. 2.5 billion
- B. 2.7 billion
- C. Around 1.2 billion
- D. About 5 million

Question 37: The word “catastrophe” in paragraph 2 is mostly a situation which is _____.

- A. disastrous
- B. familiar
- C. unlikely
- D. local

Question 38: The word “it” in paragraph 3 refers to _____.

- A. water consumption
- B. Durban
- C. service
- D. household

Question 39: The word “discern” in paragraph 4 could be best replaced by _____.

- A. emphasize
- B. appreciate
- C. examine
- D. recognize

Question 40: What is the essence of Neil MacLeod’s solutions to the water problems in Durban?

- A. Construction of new reservoirs
- B. Exploitation of ground water
- C. Reliance on foreign aid
- D. Conservation of water

Question 41: Which of the following is TRUE, according to the passage?

- A. Money saved from sensible water use helped cover the cost of reservoir construction in Durban.
- B. Provision of desalinated seawater is the ultimate solution to the world’s water problems.
- C. Over forty percent of Durban’s water was wasted through faulty plumbing, leaks and bursts.
- D. In Durban, treated wastewater is provided free of charge to meet the residents’ daily needs.

Question 42: What can be inferred from the passage?

- A. Water shortages are the most severe in areas with substandard toilet facilities.
- B. Each Durban household is not allowed to use more than 190 liters of water per day.
- C. It used to take about half a day to convert wastewater into drinkable water.
- D. A growth in population normally necessitates a rise in the number of reservoirs.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best combines each pair of sentences in the following questions.

Question 43: The coach changed his tactics in the second half. His football team won the match.

- A. But for the coach’s change of tactics in the second half, his football team could have won the match.
- B. Only if the coach had changed his tactics in the second half could his football team have won the match.
- C. Not until his football team had won the match did the coach change his tactics in the second half.
- D. Had it not been for the coach’s change of tactics in the second half, his football team wouldn’t have won the match.

Question 44: Her parents didn’t attend her graduation ceremony. They regret it now.

- A. If her parents attended her graduation ceremony, they would regret it.
- B. Her parents regret having attended her graduation ceremony.
- C. Her parents wish they had attended her graduation ceremony.
- D. If only her parents could attend her graduation ceremony.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.

Question 45: Household chores should share among members of the family.

- A
- B
- C
- D

Question 46: The villagers are highly appreciable of the volunteers’ efforts in reconstructing their

- A
- B
- C

houses after the devastating storm.

D

Question 47: Reading books has been always my hobby since I was very young.

- A
- B
- C
- D

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.

Question 48: "When did you start practising yoga?" asked Tom.

- A. Tom wanted to know when had I started practising yoga.
- B. Tom wanted to know when I was starting to practise yoga.
- C. Tom wanted to know when I had started practising yoga.
- D. Tom wanted to know when did I start practising yoga.

Question 49: I thought it was not necessary to book tickets for the film in advance, but I was wrong.

- A. I must have booked tickets for the film in advance.
- B. I needn't have booked tickets for the film in advance.
- C. I couldn't have booked tickets for the film in advance.
- D. I should have booked tickets for the film in advance.

Question 50: Paul likes reading comic books more than watching cartoons.

- A. Paul doesn't like reading comic books as much as watching cartoons.
- B. Paul likes watching cartoons more than reading comic books.
- C. Paul likes watching cartoons as much as reading comic books.
- D. Paul doesn't like watching cartoons as much as reading comic books.

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Họ, tên thí sinh:

Mã đề thi 415

Số báo danh:

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best completes each of the following exchanges.

Question 1: Ann and Peter are talking about housework.

- Ann: "I think children should be paid for doing the housework."

- Peter: "_____. It's their duty in the family."

A. I don't think so

B. That's what I think

C. You're exactly right

D. There's no doubt about it

Question 2: A shop assistant is talking to a customer.

- Shop assistant: "Do you need anything else?"

- Customer: "_____"

A. With pleasure.

B. You're welcome.

C. Good job!

D. That's all. Thanks.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

Question 3: This is _____ most beautiful song I've ever listened to.

A. Ø

B. a

C. the

D. an

Question 4: We _____ on a field trip if the weather is fine this weekend.

A. will go

B. went

C. would go

D. could have gone

Question 5: Action films with big stars tend to _____ great public attention.

A. show

B. attract

C. achieve

D. reach

Question 6: The scientists are working on a drug capable of _____ the spread of cancerous cells.

A. arresting

B. seizing

C. catching

D. grasping

Question 7: As they remembered _____ about the danger of getting lost in the forest, the tourists closely followed the tour guide.

A. warning

B. to warn

C. to be warned

D. being warned

Question 8: His choice of future career is quite similar _____ mine.

A. for

B. to

C. with

D. at

Question 9: With his good sense of humour, Martin is quite _____ with the students.

A. popularly

B. popularity

C. popular

D. popularise

Question 10: It's time he acted like a _____ adult and stopped blaming others for his wrongdoings.

A. believable

B. suitable

C. responsible

D. sociable

Question 11: It's not my _____ to tell you how to run your life, but I think you should settle down and have a family.

A. career

B. chore

C. job

D. work

Question 12: The little boy took an instant liking to his babysitter _____.

A. as soon as he meets her

B. before he first met her

C. upon their first meeting

D. prior to their first meeting

Question 13: The teacher entered the room while the students _____ their plan for the excursion.

A. were discussing

B. discuss

C. are discussing

D. discussed

Question 14: One recipe for success is to stay focused and _____ yourself to whatever you do.

A. apply

B. attach

C. adhere

D. assign

Question 15: The residents of the village are living a happy life _____ they lack modern facilities.

A. because of

B. although

C. therefore

D. despite

Question 16: Once _____ for viruses, the software can be installed in the school computer system for use.

A. testing

B. tested

C. is tested

D. has tested

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) **CLOSEST** in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

Question 17: These photos brought back many sweet memories of our trip to Hanoi last year.

- A. revised B. released C. caught D. recalled

Question 18: At first, John said he hadn't broken the vase, but later he accepted it.

- A. denied B. admitted C. protected D. discussed

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) **OPPOSITE** in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

Question 19: It's quite disappointing that some people still turn a blind eye to acts of injustice they witness in the street.

- A. show respect for B. take no notice of
C. pay attention to D. have no feeling for

Question 20: Children brought up in a caring environment tend to grow more sympathetic towards others.

- A. hateful B. loving C. dishonest D. healthy

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following questions.

Question 21: A. principal B. solution C. continent D. passenger

Question 22: A. protect B. carry C. remove D. consist

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

Question 23: A. shout B. round C. touch D. ground

Question 24: A. practised B. combined C. behaved D. travelled

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 25 to 29.

Becoming an independent language learner

In an educational context, the term 'learner independence' has gained increasing importance in recent years. It is of particular (25) _____ to language learning and commonly refers to the way students confidently control and organise their own language learning process. While some people seem to have an almost (26) _____ flair for languages, others have to rely on strategies to maximise their skills and learn a foreign language more effectively.

The main thing to remember is that becoming a truly independent learner ultimately depends above all on taking responsibility for your own learning and being prepared to take every opportunity available to you to learn. You also increase your chances of (27) _____ by learning according to your own needs and interests, using all available resources. Research shows that learners (28) _____ adopt this approach will undoubtedly manage to broaden their language abilities considerably and, (29) _____, are more likely to achieve their objectives in the longer term.

(Adapted from "Complete Advanced" by Laura Matthews and Barbara Thomas)

Question 25: A. resemblance B. acceptance C. relevance D. acquaintance

Question 26: A. instinctive B. spiritual C. habitual D. perceptive

Question 27: A. succeed B. successful C. successfully D. success

Question 28: A. who B. why C. which D. where

Question 29: A. though B. as a result C. because D. in contrast

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 30 to 34.

Tribal tourism is a relatively new type of tourism. It involves travellers going to remote destinations, staying with local people and learning about their culture and way of life. They stay in local accommodation, share facilities with local people, and join in with meals and celebrations. At the moment, less than one percent of holidays are tribal tourism holidays, but this is set to change.

Tribal tourism is often compared with foreign exchange visits. However, a foreign exchange involves staying with people who often share the same values. Tribal tourism takes visitors to places

where the lifestyle is very different from that in their home location. Those who have been on a tribal holiday explain that experiencing this lifestyle is the main attraction. They say that it offers them the chance to live in a way they never have before.

Not everyone is convinced that tribal tourism is a good thing, and opinions are **divided**. The argument is about whether or not it helps the local population, or whether it exploits them. The main problem is that, because tribal tourism is relatively new, the long-term influences on local populations have not been studied in much detail. Where studies have been carried out, the effects have been found to be negative.

So, is it possible to experience an exotic culture without harming it in some way? "With a bit of thought, we can maximise the positive influences and minimise the negative," says travel company director Hilary Waterhouse. "The most important thing for a tribal tourist is to show respect for, learn about, and be aware of, local customs and traditions. Always remember you're a guest."

(Adapted from "Complete IELTS" by Rawdon Wyatt)

Question 30: Which best serves as the title for the passage?

- A. Different Customs of a Tribe B. Peak Holiday Seasons
C. Holidays with a Difference D. An Old Tourist Destination

Question 31: The word "**They**" in paragraph 1 refers to _____.

- A. travellers B. remote destinations C. local people D. facilities

Question 32: According to paragraph 2, what is the main attraction of tribal tourism?

- A. Tourists can interact with other foreign visitors.
B. Tourists can explore beauty spots in remote areas.
C. Tourists can experience a different lifestyle.
D. Tourists can stay with people of the same values.

Question 33: The word "**divided**" in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. important B. similar C. interesting D. different

Question 34: According to Hilary Waterhouse, the most important thing for a tribal tourist is to _____.

- A. respect local customs and traditions B. be accompanied by other travellers
C. learn about other guests D. forget about negative experiences

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 35 to 42.

E-waste is being produced on a scale never seen before. Computers and other electronic equipment become **obsolete** in just a few years, leaving customers with little choice but to buy newer ones to keep up. Millions of tons of computers, TVs, smartphones, and other equipment are discarded each year. In most countries, all this waste ends up in landfills, where it poisons the environment – e-waste contains many toxic substances such as lead, mercury, and arsenic that leak into the ground.

Recycling is the ideal solution to the problem. E-waste contains significant amounts of valuable metals like gold and silver that make it attractive to recycle. In theory, recycling gold from old computers is more efficient – and less environmentally destructive – than digging it from the earth. The problem is that a large percentage of e-waste dropped off for recycling in wealthy countries is sold and diverted to the developing world, posing an increasing threat to the health of the people there.

To address the problem of the international trade in e-waste, 170 nations signed the 1989 Basel Convention, an agreement requiring that developed nations **notify** developing nations of hazardous waste shipments coming into their countries. Then, in 1995 the Basel Convention was modified to ban hazardous waste shipments to poor countries completely. Although the ban hasn't taken effect, the European Union, where recycling infrastructure is well developed, has already written **it** into their laws. One law holds manufacturers responsible for the safe disposal of electronics they produce.

Companies like Creative Recycling Systems in Florida, the USA, are hoping to profit from clean e-waste recycling. The key to their business is a huge, building-size machine able to separate electronic products into their component materials. As the machine's steel teeth break up e-waste, all the toxic dust is removed from the process. This machine can handle some 70,000 tons of electronics a year. Although this is only a fraction of the total, it wouldn't take many more machines like this to process the entire USA's output of high-tech trash.

Unfortunately, under current policies, domestic processing of e-waste is not compulsory, and while shipping waste abroad is ethically questionable, it is still more profitable than processing it safely in the USA. Creative Recycling Systems is hoping that the US government will soon create laws deterring people from sending e-waste overseas.

(Adapted from "Reading Explorer 4" by Paul MacIntyre and Nancy Hubley)

Question 35: Which best serves as the title for the passage?

- A. Domestic Recycling: Pros and Cons B. Waste Recycling: A Storm in a Teacup
C. E-waste – An Export Commodity of the Future D. E-waste – A Mess to Clear up

Question 36: The word "obsolete" in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. broken B. outdated C. inaccurate D. incomplete

Question 37: As stated in paragraph 2, a large percentage of e-waste meant for recycling in the developed countries _____.

- A. is later recycled in local factories B. is buried deep in the soil at landfills
C. contains all valuable metals except gold D. is eventually sent to developing nations

Question 38: The word "notify" in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. assure B. notice C. excuse D. inform

Question 39: The word "it" in paragraph 3 refers to _____.

- A. the European Union B. the Basel Convention
C. recycling infrastructure D. the ban

Question 40: According to the European Union's laws, electronics manufacturers are required to _____.

- A. sell their e-waste to developed nations only
B. upgrade their recycling infrastructure regularly
C. take responsibility for disposing of their products safely
D. sign the Basel Convention

Question 41: Which of the following statements is TRUE, according to the passage?

- A. The USA's total e-waste output amounts to 70,000 tons per year.
B. Creative Recycling Systems has made a fortune from their recycling machine.
C. The Basel Convention originally banned the import of high-tech trash into European countries.
D. Shipping e-waste abroad yields greater profit than recycling it safely in the USA.

Question 42: Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?

- A. Developing nations benefit more from the trade in e-waste than their developed counterparts.
B. Legislative action is fundamental to solving the problem of e-waste effectively.
C. Strict laws against sending e-waste abroad have recently been upheld in Florida.
D. Most countries have made enormous efforts to manage their e-waste exports.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.

Question 43: My father likes reading newspapers more than watching TV.

- A. My father doesn't like watching TV as much as reading newspapers.
B. My father likes watching TV as much as reading newspapers.
C. My father doesn't like reading newspapers as much as watching TV.
D. My father likes watching TV more than reading newspapers.

Question 44: It was wrong of you to criticise your son in front of his friends.

- A. You must have criticised your son in front of his friends.
B. You could have criticised your son in front of his friends.
C. You mightn't have criticised your son in front of his friends.
D. You shouldn't have criticised your son in front of his friends.

Question 45: "How long have you lived here, Lucy?" asked Jack.

- A. Jack asked Lucy how long did she live here. B. Jack asked Lucy how long had she lived there.
C. Jack asked Lucy how long she lived here. D. Jack asked Lucy how long she had lived there.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.

Question 46: At the beginning of the ceremony, there was a respectable one-minute silence

A

B

in remembrance of the victims of the earthquake.

C

D

Question 47: The money raised in the appeal will use to help those in need in remote areas.

A B C D

Question 48: My mother gets up usually early to prepare breakfast for the whole family.

A B C D

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best combines each pair of sentences in the following questions.

Question 49: Peter moved abroad for a fresh start. He regrets it now.

- A. Peter regrets not having moved abroad for a fresh start.
- B. If Peter moved abroad for a fresh start, he would regret it.
- C. Peter wishes he hadn't moved abroad for a fresh start.
- D. If only Peter had moved abroad for a fresh start.

Question 50: Smartphones are becoming reasonably priced. New applications make them more appealing.

- A. Whatever new applications smartphones have, they are becoming more appealing with reasonable prices.
- B. Appealing though smartphones are with new applications, they are becoming less affordably priced.
- C. Not only are smartphones becoming more affordable but, with new applications, they are also more appealing.
- D. No matter how reasonable the prices of smartphones are, they are not so appealing with new applications.

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