

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. blamed B. misused C. dissolved D. increased
Question 2: A. blouses B. amuses C. purses D. pleases

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. particular B. circumstances C. environment D. advertisement
Question 4: A. pleasure B. capture C. picture D. ensure

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 5: Ancient people used pot for cooking, storing food, and carrying things from place to place.
A B C D

- Question 6: Chemical engineering is based on the principles of physics, chemists, and mathematics.
A B C D

- Question 7: David is particularly fond of cooking, and he often cooks really delicious meals.
A B C D

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

- Question 8: All his plans for starting his own business fell _____.
A. in B. through C. down D. away

- Question 9: The _____ dressed woman in the advertisement has a pose smile on her face.
A. stylistic B. stylishly C. stylish D. stylistical

- Question 10: "Never say that again,?"
A. won't you B. do you C. don't you D. will you

- Question 11: If he is in trouble, it is his own fault, I personally wouldn't _____ a finger to help him.
A. give B. turn C. rise D. bend

- Question 12: _____ to the national park before, Sue was amazed to see the geyser.
A. Being not B. Not having been C. Not being D. Having not been

- Question 13: It was very _____ of you to pay for all the drinks last night.
A. sensitive B. thoughtful C. grateful D. nice

- Question 14: He was _____ speaker!
A. how a good B. what a good C. so a good D. so good a

- Question 15: By the end of last March, I _____ English for five years.

- A. will have been studying B. had been studying
C. had been studied D. will have studied

Question 16: It was announced that neither the passengers nor the driver _____ in the crash.

- A. was injured B. injured C. were injured D. had injured

Question 17: I am sorry. I want _____ to you, but I have been busy.

- A. to write B. writing C. to have written D. to have been writing

Question 18: You _____ to your teacher like that. It was very rude.

- A. shouldn't have talked B. mustn't talk
C. shouldn't talk D. mustn't have talked

Question 19: _____, he felt so unhappy and lonely.

- A. In spite of his being wealth B. Rich as was he
C. Despite his wealthy D. Rich as he was

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the most suitable response to complete each of the following exchanges.

Question 20: "Wow! What a nice coat you are wearing!" - "_____"

- A. Certainly. Do you like it, too? B. Thanks. My mother bought it for me.
C. I like you to say that. D. Yes, of course. It's expensive.

Question 21: "Our team has just won the last football match." - "_____"

- A. Good idea. Thanks for the news. B. Yes. I guess it's very good.
C. Well, that's very surprising! D. Yes, it's our pleasure.

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 22: We spent the entire day looking for a new house

- A. all long day B. day after day C. all day long D. the long day

Question 23: I used to meet him occasionally on Avenue.

- A. one time B. sometimes C. in one occasion D. none is correct

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 24: The bank announced that it was to merge with another of the high street banks.

- A. associate B. cooperate C. assemble D. separate

Question 25: He had never experienced such rudeness towards the president as it occurred at the annual meeting in May.

- A. impoliteness B. encouragement C. politeness D. measurement

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 26: Impressed as we were by the new cinema, we found it rather expensive.

- A. The new cinema was more expensive than we expected.
B. The new cinema impressed us because it was rather expensive.
C. We were very impressed by the new cinema, but we found it rather expensive.
D. We were not impressed by the new cinema at all because it looked rather expensive.

Question 27: "You should have finished the report by now," John told his secretary.

- A. John reproached his secretary for not having finished the report.
B. John said that his secretary had not finished the report.
C. John reminded his secretary of finishing the report on time.
D. John scolded to his secretary for not having finished the report.

Question 28: When I picked up my book I found that the cover had been torn.

- A. Picking up my book, the cover had been torn.

- B. On picking up the book, I saw that the cover had been torn.
- C. Picked up, I saw that the cover of the book was torn.
- D. The cover had been torn when my book picked up.

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 29: "Make good use of your time. You won't get such an opportunity again" said he to me.

- A. He let me make use of my time because I wouldn't get an opportunity again.
- B. He advised me to make use of my time as I wouldn't get an opportunity again.
- C. He ordered me to make use of my time saying that I wouldn't get an opportunity again.
- D. He offered me such an opportunity so that I could make good use of my time.

Question 30: Her living conditions were difficult. However, she studied very well.

- A. Although she lived in difficult conditions, but she studied very well.
- B. She studied very well thanks to the fact that she lived in difficult conditions.
- C. Difficult as her living conditions, she studied very well.
- D. She studied very well in spite of her difficult living conditions.

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.

Engineers have been dreaming of an underwater link between Britain and France since 1802. Finally, in 1994 the Channel Tunnel (nickname "the Chunnel" by the English) was officially opened. This fifteen million dollar project took seven years to complete. It is 50km long and built 45 metres under the seabed. The trains which go through the Chunnel can travel at up to 300km/h due to the (31)..... electrical system.

The journey from London to Paris via the Chunnel takes just three hours. It is also handy for drivers since they can load their cars onto the trains. They don't need to book in (32)....., as trains depart every few minutes. However, while on the train, there isn't much to do and many criticise the Chunnel for this. Unlike the ferries, there is no duty-free shopping, no video game parlour or refreshment stand (33)..... can you look outside and enjoy the view. As a result, many would find the Chunnel (34)..... and would take the ferry (35).....

- Question 31:** A. forward B. advanced C. progressive D. improved
- Question 32:** A. advance B. time C. ahead D. future
- Question 33:** A. Nor B. Either C. Neither D. Not
- Question 34:** A. unlikely B. unwanted C. unappealing D. unpopular
- Question 35:** A. instead B. however C. rather D. otherwise

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.

Animals have an intuitive awareness of quantities. They know without analysis the difference between a number of objects and a smaller number. In his book "The natural History of Selboure" (1786), the naturalist Gilbert White tells how he **surreptitiously** removed one egg a day from a plover's nest, and how the mother laid another egg each day to make up for the missing one. He noted that other species of birds ignore the absence of a single egg but abandon their nests if more than one egg has been removed. It has also been noted by naturalists that a certain type of wasp always provides five – never four, never six – caterpillars for each of their eggs so that their young have something to eat when the eggs hatch. Research has also shown that both mice and pigeons can be taught to distinguish between **odd** and even numbers of food pieces.

These and similar **accounts** have led some **people** to infer that creatures other than humans can actually count. They also point to dogs that have been taught to respond to numerical questions with the correct number of barks, or to horses that seem to solve arithmetic problems by stomping their hooves the proper number of times.

Animals respond to quantities only when they are connected to survival as a species – as in the case of the eggs – or survival as individuals - as in the case of food. There is no transfer to other situations or from concrete reality to the abstract notion of numbers. Animals can “count” only when the objects are present and only when the numbers involved are small – not more than seven or eight. In lab experiments, animals trained to “count” one kind of object were unable to count any other type. The objects, not the numbers, are what interest them. Animals admittedly remarkable achievements simply do not amount to evidence of counting, nor do they reveal more than innate instincts, refined by the genes of successive generations, or the results of clever, careful conditioning by trainers .

Question 36: What is the main idea of this passage?

- A. Although animals may be aware of quantities, they cannot actually count.
- B. Of all animals, dogs and horses can count best.
- C. Careful training is required to teach animals to perform tricks involving numbers
- D. Animals cannot “count” more than one kind of object.

Question 37: Why does the author refer to Gilbert White’s book in line 2?

- A. To indicate that more research is needed in this field.
- B. To show how attitudes have changed since 1786.
- C. To provide evidence that some birds are aware of quantities.
- D. To contradict the idea that animals can count.

Question 38: The word “surreptitiously” is closest in meaning to

- A. quickly
- B. occasionally
- C. stubbornly
- D. secretly

Question 39: The word “odd” refers to which of the following?

- A. numbers such as 1, 3, 5 and so on
- B. lucky numbers
- C. numbers such as 2, 4, 6 and so on
- D. unusual numbers

Question 40: The author mentions that all of the following are aware of quantities in some ways EXCEPT

- A. wasps
- B. Plovers
- C. caterpillars
- D. mice

Question 41: The word “accounts” is closest in meaning to

- A. reasons
- B. reports
- C. deceptions
- D. invoices

Question 42: How would the author probably characterize **the people** who are mentioned in the first line of the second paragraph

- A. As foolish
- B. As demanding
- C. As clever
- D. As mistaken

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.

Until recently, most American entrepreneurs were men. Discrimination against women in business, the demands of caring for families, and lack of business training had kept the number of women entrepreneurs small. Now, however, businesses owned by women account for more than \$40 billion in annual revenues, and this figure is likely to continue rising throughout the 1990s. As Carolyn Doppelt Gray, an official of the Small Business Administration, has noted, "The 1970s was the decade of women entering management, and the 1980s turned out to be the decade of the woman entrepreneur". What are some of the factors behind this trend? For one thing, as more women earn advanced degrees in business and enter the corporate world, they are finding obstacles. Women are still **excluded** from most executive suites. Charlotte Taylor, a management consultant, had noted, "In the 1970s women believed if they got an MBA and worked hard they could become chairman of the board. Now they've found out **that** isn't going to happen, so they go out on their own".

In the past, most women entrepreneurs worked in "women's" fields: cosmetics and clothing, for example. But this is changing. Consider ASK Computer Systems, a \$22-million-a-year computer software business. It was founded in 1973 by Sandra Kurtzig, who was then a housewife with degrees in math and engineering. When Kurtzig founded the business, her first product was software that let weekly newspapers **keep tabs on** their newspaper carriers and her office was a bedroom at home, with a **shoebox under the bed** to hold the company's cash. After she succeeded with the newspaper software system, she hired several bright computer-science graduates to develop additional programs.

When these were marketed and sold, ASK began to grow. It now has 200 employees, and Sandra Kurtzig owns \$66.9 million of stock.

Of course, many women who start their own businesses fail, just as men often do. They still face **hurdles** in the business world, especially problems in raising money; the banking and finance world is still dominated by men, and old attitudes die hard. Most businesses owned by women are still quite small. But the situation is changing; there are likely to be many more Sandra Kurtzigs in the years ahead.

Question 43: What is the main idea of this passage?

- A. The computer is especially lucrative for women today.
- B. Women today are better educated than in the past, making them more attractive to the business world.
- C. Women are better at small business than men are.
- D. Women today are opening more business of their own.

Question 44: The word “**excluded**” is closest meaning to _____ .

- A. often invited to
- B. decorators of
- C. not permitted in
- D. charged admission to

Question 45: All of the following were mentioned in the passage as detriments to women in the business world **EXCEPT** _____ .

- A. Women were required to stay at home with their families.
- B. Women faced discrimination in business.
- C. Women lacked ability to work in business.
- D. Women were not trained in business.

Question 46: According to the passage, Charlotte Taylor believes that women in 1970s _____

- A. were unrealistic about their opportunities in business management.
- B. had fewer obstacles in business than they do today.
- C. were unable to work hard enough to succeed in business.
- D. were still more interested in education than business opportunities

Question 47: The author mentions the “**shoesbox under the bed**” in order to _____ .

- A. show the resourcefulness of Sandra Kurtzig
- B. Show the frugality of women in business
- C. Point out that initially the financial resources of Sandra Kurtzig’s business were limited
- D. suggest that the company needed to expand

Question 48: The expression “**keep tabs on**” is closest meaning to _____ .

- A. pay the salaries of
- B. keep records of
- C. provide transportation for
- D. recognize the appearance of

Question 49: The word “**hurdles**” can be best replaced by _____ .

- A. fences
- B. obstacles
- C. questions
- D. small groups

Question 50: It can be inferred from the passage that the author believes that business operated by women are small because _____ .

- A. many women fail at large businesses.
- B. Women are not able to borrow money easily.
- C. Women prefer a small intimate setting.
- D. Women can’t deal with money.

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