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**A. POINTS IN FOCUS**

**I. VOCABULARY**

UNIT	MAIN CONTENTS
Unit 1: Family Chores	do the laundry, do the shopping, feed the dog, fix things in the house, set the table, sweep/ mop the floor, take the rubbish out, vacuum the floor, wash the dishes, water the plants, make a mess, make the bed, do the cooking, do the washing up, do the cleaning up, do the vacuuming, do the ironing, dust (v) broom, surface cleaner, laundry detergent, ironing board, upset, share chores with, flat, furniture, stove, help out, prefer to V, dirt – dirty, good/ great/ terrible at, put something away, sink, dry (v) do household chores/ housework rural, crowded, generation, elderly, mind doing sth, stand doing sth
Unit 2: Science and Inventions	<b>Collocations</b> Go online, follow sb on social networking sites, visit a website, download music, post on social media, update social media profile <b>Digital inventions</b> Web browser, search engine, laser printer, desktop computer, keyboard mouse, smartphone, laptop, password, text message, broadband, username, electric light/ light bulb, patent, long lasting filament <b>Science subjects</b> Astronomy, biology, chemistry, computer science, mathematics, physics, linguistics, geology, marine biology, archaeology, psychology, conservation <b>Jobs</b> Linguist, geologist, marine biologist, psychologist, archaeologist, conservationist, activist

Unit 3: The Arts	<p><b>Types of TV programs</b> comedy, reality show, documentary, cooking program, travel show, soap opera, talent show, weather forecast, chat shows, fantasy, science fiction, animation film, biography, fairy tale, historical drama</p> <p><b>Types of personality</b> binge watcher, bookworm</p> <p><b>Adjectives to describe TV programs/films</b> complex, disappointing, entertaining, fascinating, imaginative, inspiring, moving, superb, wonderful, brilliant, unexpected, thrilling, convincing, a bit boring, slow-moving, predictable, addictive</p> <p><b>Films</b> genre, box office, trailer, A-list, blockbuster, computer-generated images, costumes, soundtrack, escapism</p> <p><b>Others</b> artist, musical, painting, landscape, portrait, sculpture, sculptor</p>
Unit 4: Home Sweet Home	<p>accommodation, basement flat, block of flats, breathtaking, bungalow, camper van, charming, cottage, couch-surfing, dense, detached house, floating market, landscape, mining town, scorching temperature, semi-detached house, spacious, stilt house, studio apartment, terraced house, tourist attraction, tribe</p> <p>astonished, be famous for chimney, completely, couch surfer, extremely, global community, homesick, houseboat, housewarming party, impressed, interior design, lifeline, live underground, located, network, opal mine, pretty (adv), rainforest, recommendation, restore, surroundings, treehouse</p>

## II. GRAMMAR AND STRUCTURES

UNIT	MAIN CONTENTS
1	<p><b>1. Present Simple</b> (Positive, Negative, Interrogative)</p> <p><b>2. Present Continuous</b> (Positive, Negative, Interrogative)</p> <p><b>3. So &amp; Such</b></p>
2	<p><b>1. Past continuous</b></p> <p><b>2. Past simple</b> - Use: + <b>Past continuous:</b> talk about longer actions in progress at a time in the past + <b>Past simple &amp; Past continuous:</b> When a short action (Past Simple) interrupted a longer action (Past Continuous)</p> <p><b>3. Used to</b> Use: + Past states that are no longer true + Regular past actions that don't happen anymore <u>Note:</u> Don't use <b>used to</b> for past actions that only happened once. Use <b>Past simple</b>.</p> <p><b>4. Linkers and time expressions:</b> <i>When, while, after, during, until, by, as soon as</i></p>
3	<p><b>1. Comparative and Superlative Adjectives</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Short adjectives (e.g. longer)</li> <li>- Long adjectives (e.g. more expensive)</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Irregular adjectives (e.g. better)</li> <li>- (just) as + adj + as</li> <li>- not as + adj + as</li> <li>- a bit / much / far: to modify comparisons</li> </ul> <p><b>2. Present Perfect</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To talk about finished actions in time ‘up to now’</li> <li>- Time expressions: <i>ever, never, since then, just, already, (not) yet,</i></li> </ul> <p><b>3. Past Simple</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To talk about finished actions in past time</li> </ul> <p><b>4. Too and not enough</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To show there is a problem with something</li> <li>- too + adj / adv</li> <li>- not + adj / adv + enough</li> <li>- too much / many + noun</li> <li>- not enough + noun</li> <li>- not too + adj + enough (to say something is possible)</li> </ul>
4	<p><b>1. Present Perfect with <i>for</i> and <i>since</i></b></p> <p><b>2. Future forms: Present Continuous, <i>be going to</i> vs. <i>will</i></b></p> <p><b>3. Adverbs:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adjectives to adverbs</li> <li>- Adverbs of degree (<i>a little, a bit, slightly, quite, rather, pretty, really, extremely, completely</i>)</li> <li>- Position of adverbs</li> <li>- Comparative adverbs</li> <li>- Irregular comparative adverbs</li> <li>-</li> </ul>

### III. STRUCTURE OF THE TEST

#### 1. PHONETICS

- Word stress
- Pronunciation

#### 2. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR STRUCTURES

- Vocabulary related to the themes
- Grammar structures
- Synonym
- Antonym

#### 3. LANGUAGE FUNCTION

#### 4. CLOZE TEXT

#### 5. READING COMPREHENSION

#### 6. WORD FORMATION

#### 7. VERB TENSES

#### 8. SENTENCE TRANSFORMATION

**B. PRACTICE FOR THE 1<sup>st</sup> MID-TERM TEST**  
**PHẦN TRẮC NGHIỆM**

**I. PHONETICS**

**Exercise 1: Find the word with a stress pattern that is different from the others.**

- |                 |               |               |              |
|-----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| 1. A. routine   | B. laundry    | C. household  | D. finance   |
| 2. A. biography | B. incredible | C. necessary  | D. community |
| 3. A. contest   | B. format     | C. housework  | D. remote    |
| 4. A. enormous  | B. extended   | C. ungrateful | D. elderly   |
| 5. A. rubbish   | B. divide     | C. lifting    | D. service   |

**Exercise 2: Find the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the others.**

- |                         |                                |                               |                              |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. A. <u>t</u> ake      | B. <u>f</u> amily              | C. <u>g</u> rateful           | D. <u>t</u> able             |
| 2. A. <u>s</u> uperstar | B. <u>b</u> asic               | C. <u>s</u> ea <u>s</u> on    | D. <u>s</u> econd            |
| 3. A. <u>s</u> ociety   | B. <u>s</u> ociable            | C. <u>g</u> ro <u>c</u> eries | D. <u>f</u> in <u>a</u> nce  |
| 4. A. <u>b</u> est      | B. <u>s</u> ugg <u>e</u> stion | C. <u>r</u> e <u>q</u> uest   | D. <u>i</u> nter <u>e</u> st |
| 5. A. <u>a</u> rea      | B. <u>a</u> vailable           | C. <u>f</u> acility           | D. <u>a</u> pproach          |

**II. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR STRUCTURES**

**Exercise 3. VOCABULARY**

**Exercise 3.1. Choose the best answer to complete these sentences**

- Do you have to do \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
A. the mess                      B. your bed                      C. the washing-up              D. the cook
- Do you have to \_\_\_\_\_ the rubbish out?  
A. take                              B. make                              C. empty                              D. do
- My mother \_\_\_\_\_ the responsibility for running the household.  
A. holds                              B. takes                              C. runs                              D. bears
- We share the house with our grandparents and our uncle's family. It is a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ family.  
A. nuclear                              B. extended                              C. crowded                              D. multi-generation
- Are you free on Sunday evening? I'd like to \_\_\_\_\_ to the cinema?  
A. ask you                              B. ask out you                              C. ask you out                              D. ask you away
- My mother is very good at \_\_\_\_\_ her time between work and family.  
A. leaving                              B. splitting                              C. sharing                              D. taking
- When a couple can \_\_\_\_\_ chores in a way that both spouses feel satisfied with the outcome, they are showing mutual respect for one another.  
A. cut                                      B. run                                      C. take                                      D. divide
- The children, all three, have done \_\_\_\_\_, mopped, dusted, helped on the house and in the yard.  
A. laundry                              B. clothes                              C. groceries                              D. rubbish
- My mother is \_\_\_\_\_ for taking care of the home and the family.  
A. responsible                              B. takes the responsibility                              C. take the duty                              D. Both B & C are correct
- Women usually manage \_\_\_\_\_ better than men do.  
A. household finances                              B. household machines                              C. housewives                              D. houseplants
- My parents \_\_\_\_\_. My mother usually does more housework than my father.  
A. divide chores equally                              B. split chores unequally  
C. don't share housework equally                              D. Both B & C are correct
- Equal share of household duties helps increase \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. job satisfaction                              B. couple satisfaction                              C. wedding satisfaction                              D. marital satisfaction
- He decided that he wanted to be a \_\_\_\_\_ while his wife worked full-time.  
A. homemaker                              B. house husband                              C. housewife                              D. Both A & B are correct

**Exercise 3.2. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.**

- Young people are now getting more and more concerned about environmental problems.  
A. worried                      B. nervous                      C. hopeless                      D. uneasy

2. After consideration, teaching is still a career worth pursuing as I prefer to become a teacher like my mother and my father.

- A. work                      B. unemployment                      C. occupation                      D. professor

3. The government needs to seek a solution to prevent domestic violence as soon as possible.

- A. recreation                      B. remedy                      C. keyword                      D. technique

4. It is advisable that everyone in family shares the household duties.

- A. views                      B. ideas                      C. jobs                      D. chores

5. A digital camera is more economical than a film camera since you don't have to buy rolls of films.

- A. better                      B. cheaper                      C. safer                      D. stronger

6. You can use earbuds to listen to music or your listening everywhere, even in public places, as nobody is disturbed.

- A. annoyed                      B. connected                      C. imitated                      D. interacted

7. You can use a USB stick to transport files from one computer to another.

- A. delete                      B. display                      C. transfer                      D. store

**Exercise 3.3. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.**

1. From my point of view, parental divorce can cause lasting negative consequences for children.

- A. beginning of a marriage                      B. the situation of not marrying  
C. single person                      D. ending of a marriage

2. Ms. Lan taught her children to keep their rooms neat and tidy when they were four.

- A. ordered an untidy                      B. messy and arranged  
C. messy and dirty                      D. clean and undusted

3. Setting and clearing the table, making bed and taking out the trash are suitable chores for 8- to 10-year-old children.

- A. inappropriate                      B. proper                      C. acceptable                      D. reasonable

4. A smartphone is too costly for him to even have a normal one.

- A. economical                      B. expensive                      C. priceless                      D. valuable

5. Many people are afraid that computers with superhuman intelligence will destroy humanity.

- A. awareness                      B. perception                      C. stupidity                      D. wisdom

6. A digital camera is convenient as it is quick to view and deletes as well as easy to transfer photos to a computer.

- A. harmful                      B. inexpensive                      C. uninteresting                      D. useless

7. Even the best invention may have drawbacks. A laptop, for example, is expensive so many people cannot afford it.

- A. advantages                      B. disadvantages                      C. shortcomings                      D. weaknesses

#### **Exercise 4. GRAMMAR**

**Exercise 4.1. Choose the best answer to complete these sentences**

1. My brother and I \_\_\_\_\_ to clean the toilets and take out the rubbish.

- A. takes turn                      B. take turn                      C. takes turns                      D. take turns

2. Our parents \_\_\_\_\_ hands to provide for the family and make it happy.

- A. were joining                      B. are always joining                      C. join                      D. joins

3. My grandparents \_\_\_\_\_ with my family at present and my grandmother \_\_\_\_\_ me how to cook several traditional Vietnamese dishes.

- A. stay - instructs                      B. stay - is instructing  
C. are staying - instructs                      D. are staying - is instructing

4. I am afraid he can't go out with you now. He \_\_\_\_\_ his car.

- A. repair                      B. repairs                      C. repairing                      D. is repairing

5. My Mum usually \_\_\_\_\_ the washing-up.

- A. do                      B. doing                      C. is doing                      D. does

6. My younger sister is \_\_\_\_\_ lazy that she never does any housework.

- A. so                      B. such                      C. enough                      D. too

7. Thanks for your help. You are \_\_\_\_\_ a nice kid.

- A. so                      B. such                      C. very                      D. too

8. Last Sunday, our volunteer team \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of food packages to the homeless in the flood-hit region.

- A. were bringing                      B. brought                      C. have brought                      D. had brought
9. I \_\_\_\_\_ my report when my boss \_\_\_\_\_ the hall.  
 A. made – was entering                      B. made – entered  
 C. was making – was entering                      D. was making – entered
10. While I \_\_\_\_\_ for him to call up, he \_\_\_\_\_ a good time in the bar.  
 A. waited – was having                      B. was waiting – was having  
 C. was waiting – had                      D. was waited – was waiting
11. I used \_\_\_\_\_ in a flat when I was a child.  
 A. to live                      B. living                      C. to living                      D. to lived
12. He will call me \_\_\_\_\_ he arrives in Hue.  
 A. while                      B. during                      C. as soon as                      D. by

**Exercise 4.2. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.**

1. When he was still working for Oxfam, he was coming up with different ideas to help needy people.  
 A                      B                      C                      D
2. While he and his wife Ali first went to Africa, they worked in a refugee camp for a month.  
 A                      B                      C                      D
3. What are you search for, Lan ? You looks so nervous.  
 A                      B                      C                      D
4. We can't play golf. It rains outside.  
 A                      B                      C                      D
5. Quiet, my baby sleeps. Don't wake her up.  
 A                      B                      C                      D
6. Life without computers has seemed simply impossible now.  
 A                      B                      C                      D
7. He didn't used to get up early when he lived here.  
 A                      B                      C                      D

**III. LANGUAGE FUNCTION**

**Exercise 7. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct response to each of the following exchanges.**

1. "Good luck with the exam, Minh!" – " \_\_\_\_\_ . Dad"  
 A. By no means                      B. I wish so                      C. Never mind                      D. Thank you
2. "Dad. I've passed the English test." – " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
 A. Good job!                      B. Good test!                      C. Good luck!                      D. Good way!
3. "I think I will choose a new laptop rather than a smartphone." – " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
 A. Congratulation                      B. I hope so  
 C. What a pity                      D. What a wise choice
4. "Do you know that many inventions were inspired by the natural world?" – " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
 A. Of course. You're right.                      B. There is no hope about it.  
 C. Well, that sounds interesting.                      D. Yes, I couldn't agree more.
5. "Do you think new inventions always make people rich?" – " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
 A. I agree                      B. I don't think so                      C. It sounds great                      D. No, not much.
6. "I have never been to America" – " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
 A. Me either                      B. Me neither                      C. I so                      D. Me too.
7. "Can I take away your dish?" – "Wait a minute. \_\_\_\_\_ "  
 A. I can't finish.                      B. I don't finish                      C. I have to finish                      D. I haven't finished

**IV. CLOZE TEXT**

**Exercise 8. Choose the one option - A, B, C or D - that best completes the passage**

Today computers come \_\_\_\_ (1) all shapes and sizes. There were still big computers for companies or universities. There are other special computers for factories. These large computers tell the factory machines \_\_\_\_ (2) to do. But there are also small \_\_\_\_ (3) computers to use at home or in an office. There are even computers in

telephones, television \_\_\_\_ (4), and cars. These computers have to be small. They are so small that you cannot \_\_\_\_ (5) see all their parts.

Computers are very useful, but they also can \_\_\_\_ (6) problems. One kind of problems is with the computer's memory. It is not perfect so sometimes computers \_\_\_\_ (7) important information. Another problem is with the machinery. Computers are machines, and machines can break down. When the computers break down, they may \_\_\_\_ (8) information, \_\_\_\_ (9) chalk on a blackboard. Or they may stop doing anything at all. And there is \_\_\_\_ (10) different kind of problem with computers. Some doctors say they may be bad for your health. They say you should not work with computers all day.

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|------------------|--------------|---------------|------------------|
| 1. A. at         | B. in        | C. under      | D. with          |
| 2. A. everything | B. something | C. what       | D. thing         |
| 3. A. personal   | B. private   | C. individual | D. owner's       |
| 4. A. pictures   | B. outfits   | C. boxes      | D. sets          |
| 5. A. even       | B. still     | C. at all     | D. almost        |
| 6. A. get        | B. cause     | C. suffer     | D. gain          |
| 7. A. lose       | B. miss      | C. misplace   | D. misunderstand |
| 8. A. clean      | B. erase     | C. wipe       | D. scrape        |
| 9. A. as         | B. like      | C. such as    | D. for instance  |
| 10. A. yet       | B. other     | C. more       | D. another       |

## V. READING COMPREHENSION

**Exercise 9. Read the text carefully, then choose the correct answers.**

### THE VANISHING INVENTION

In 1998, a Valencian professor made an amazing claim. Professor Antonio Cervilla discovered how to use water as a **substitute** for petrol. The scientist said that you could drive from Bilbao to Valencian on just half a litre of water. His invention uses a molybdenum compound to break down water into hydrogen and oxygen. Unlike other methods, no electricity is required and the reaction happens at atmospheric temperature. This impressive technology is based on the way plant enzymes break down water. The use of molybdenum is the perfect choice because, although rare, **it** is cheap and found all around the planet.

Since the claims were made, nothing more has been heard about this fabulous technology. There is no explanation for the disappearance anywhere on the Internet, apart from a list of similar inventions which have also **vanished**. An inventor from the Philippines called Daniel Dingel developed a water-fuelled car but was arrested and sentenced to 20 years in person. If this technology were to become widely available, it would prove disastrous for petrol station owners and would also save the planet from the impending environmental catastrophes being caused by pollution.

(Source: <http://www.autoenglish.org>)

1. The word "**substitute**" in the passage is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_.  
A. addition      B. alternative      C. imitation      D. solution
2. Which of the following is **NOT** true about Cervilla's invention?  
A. It happens at atmospheric temperature.      B. It imitates something in nature.  
C. It requires no electricity.      D. It uses enzymes to break down water.
3. The word "**it**" in the passage refers to \_\_\_\_.  
A. enzyme      B. molybdenum      C. petrol      D. water
4. The word "**vanished**" in the passage is opposite in the meaning to \_\_\_\_.  
A. appeared      B. produced      C. introduced      D. invented
5. It is stated in the passage that water-fuelled cars may contribute to \_\_\_\_.  
A. save energy      B. save environment      C. save money      D. save time

**VI. WORD FORMATION**

**Exercise 10. Give the correct form of the given words to complete each sentence.**

- Children who share the housework with their parents become more \_\_\_\_\_. (**social**)
- If you're \_\_\_\_\_ (**will**) to fly at night, you can get a much cheaper ticket.
- This invention made a major \_\_\_\_\_ (**contribute**) to road safety.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ (**extend**) family is still very popular in Vietnam.
- Gideon is very \_\_\_\_\_ (**rely**) - if he says he'll do something, he'll do it.
- The magazine is aimed at \_\_\_\_\_ (**teen**) and young adults.
- There are many people living in \_\_\_\_\_ now in the world. (**poor**)

**VII. VERB TENSES**

**Exercise 11. Put the verb into the correct tenses (Present Simple, Present Continuous, Past simple, Past Continuous)**

- My daughter \_\_\_\_\_ (**study**) English at the foreign language center these days.
- "How is your English?" "Not bad. It \_\_\_\_\_ (**improve**) slowly."
- Jim is very untidy. He \_\_\_\_\_ (**always/ leave**) his things all over the place.
- Jill is interested in politics but she \_\_\_\_\_ (**not/belong**) to a political party.
- I used to drink a lot of coffee but these days I \_\_\_\_\_ (**prefer**) tea.
- When Don \_\_\_\_\_ (**arrive**), we \_\_\_\_\_ (**have**) coffee.
- He \_\_\_\_\_ (**sit down**) on a chair while I \_\_\_\_\_ (**paint**) it.
- The students \_\_\_\_\_ (**play**) a game when the professor \_\_\_\_\_ (**arrive**)
- Felix \_\_\_\_\_ (**phone**) the fire brigade when the cooker \_\_\_\_\_ (**catch**) fire.
- While he \_\_\_\_\_ (**walk**) in the mountains, Henry \_\_\_\_\_ (**see**) a bear.
- When the starter \_\_\_\_\_ (**fire**) his pistol, the race \_\_\_\_\_ (**begin**).
- I \_\_\_\_\_ (**walk**) home when it \_\_\_\_\_ (**start**) to rain
- When Margaret \_\_\_\_\_ (**open**) the door, the phone \_\_\_\_\_ (**ring**).
- He \_\_\_\_\_ (**sit**) in the garden when a wasp \_\_\_\_\_ (**sting**) him on the nose.
- While he \_\_\_\_\_ (**run**) for a bus, he \_\_\_\_\_ (**collide**) with a lamp post.

**VIII. SENTENCE TRANSFORMATION**

**Exercise 12. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first one**

- The girl is so independent that she does everything herself. (**SUCH**)  
→ She .....
- He arrived in the middle of our lunch time. (**WHILE**)  
→ He arrived .....
- It was such a difficult lesson that we didn't understand it. (**SO**)  
→ The lesson .....
- Jane drove to Manchester and listened to the CD in the car. (**WHEN**)  
→ Jane listened to the CD .....
- It was such an interesting movie that we couldn't miss it. (**SO**)  
→ It was .....
- I was watching the film and began to feel cold. (**DURING**)  
→ I began to .....
- The car is so beautiful that everybody wants to buy it.  
→ So .....
- She is such an excellent student that many people admire her.  
→ Such .....
- Such a large number of people have applied for the job.  
→ So .....
- Find out more about working conditions before you contact the manager.  
→ Until .....



## ĐỀ TỰ LUYỆN SỐ 1

### I. PRONUNCIATION

A. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently.

1. A. dust                      B. up                      C. ut                      D. rural  
2. A. og                      B. ocrowded                      C. oshop                      D. omop

B. Choose the word that has a different stressed syllable from the rest.

3. A. geology                      B. biology                      C. conservationist                      D. economy  
4. A. psychologist                      B. linguist                      C. analyst                      D. activist  
5. A. filament                      B. keyboard                      C. desktop                      D. computer

### II. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

A. Choose the best option (A, B, C or D) to complete each of the following sentences.

6. Please \_\_\_\_\_ the floor. It's dirty!  
A. wash                      B. mop                      C. iron                      D. fix
7. High quality documents for customers would be printed using a color \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. laser printer                      B. search engine                      C. smartphone                      D. browser
8. Celebrities \_\_\_\_\_ their social media profiles on a regular basis to attract more fans.  
A. post                      B. update                      C. send                      D. revise
9. My father \_\_\_\_\_ the fence once every year to brighten up the garden.  
A. makes                      B. does                      C. paints                      D. vacuums
10. Our friends moved to Spain a few years ago. They \_\_\_\_\_ in Hanoi.  
A. used to living                      B. used to live                      C. use to live                      D. use to living
11. My father is \_\_\_\_\_ cook that everyone in my family loves his dishes.  
A. such a good                      B. so good                      C. such good                      D. so a good
12. My mother \_\_\_\_\_ the dog for a walk almost every morning.  
A. takes                      B. makes                      C. gets                      D. walks
13. My parents \_\_\_\_\_ the garden now.  
A. waters                      B. is watering                      C. watering                      D. are watering
14. When I got to the cafe, my friends \_\_\_\_\_ for me.  
A. are waiting                      B. were waiting                      C. wait                      D. waited
15. When I \_\_\_\_\_ Jessica, she \_\_\_\_\_ as a psychologist.  
A. first meet – was working                      B. was first meeting – worked  
C. was first meeting – was working                      D. first met – was working

B. Write the correct forms of the words in brackets.

16. I often do the \_\_\_\_\_ whenever I have free time. (HOUSE)  
17. The old temple was discovered by a group of \_\_\_\_\_. (ARCHAEOLOGY)  
18. The \_\_\_\_\_ policy saved the animals that were at risk. (CONSERVE)  
19. We need to buy some surface \_\_\_\_\_ to clean the bathroom. (CLEAN)  
20. This page is best viewed in an up-to-date web \_\_\_\_\_. (BROWSE)

C. Write the correct forms of the verbs in brackets.

21. My younger brother usually takes the rubbish out but I \_\_\_\_\_ (do) it today because he's ill.  
22. My sister often complains that she can't stand \_\_\_\_\_ (clean) the sink.  
23. I saw Sue in town yesterday, but she \_\_\_\_\_ (not/see) me. She \_\_\_\_\_ (look) the other way.  
24. What \_\_\_\_\_ (you / do) at this time yesterday?' 'I was asleep.'  
25. I don't really mind \_\_\_\_\_ (wake) up early in the morning because I'm used to it, so don't worry.

### III. READING

A. Read the text and choose the correct answer.

A robotic vacuum cleaner can make your housework much easier. First, a robotic vacuum cleaner is fully automatic and all you need is a remote control. (27)\_\_\_\_\_time is set in, it goes to different areas and cleans dirt which is otherwise hard to access by a typical vacuum cleaner. Second, unlike the traditional models of vacuum cleaners, robotic vacuum cleaners require little maintenance and are thus (28)\_\_\_\_\_. This device is usually made using high-quality materials. Third, a robotic vacuum cleaner can be (29)\_\_\_\_\_that you do not need to move any of your furnishings.

The only work you need (30)\_\_\_\_\_is to empty the container and replace the vacuum bag regularly. Finally, it saves you a lot of time. Now you can come home when everything is cleaned while in the past, you (31)\_\_\_\_\_ spend a certain amount of time vacuuming the house.

[The Top 9 Uses & Benefits of Robot Vacuum Cleaners in 2022 \(thehardwarehub.co.uk\)](http://thehardwarehub.co.uk)

26. A. When                      B. During                      C. Until                      D. While  
27. A. quiet                      B. long-lasting                      C. economical                      D. convenient  
28. A. such small                      B. such a small                      C. so a small                      D. so small  
29. A. do                      B. to do                      C. doing                      D. to doing  
30. A. had to                      B. have to                      C. has to                      D. use to

**B. Read the text again and choose the correct answer.**

We can now record and play music in new ways thanks to changing technology. Twenty years ago, we used to listen to music on CDs only. A few years later, more musicians went online with their laptops and we could download music and use MP3 players to listen. Now, almost everyone can use computers and search engines to look for their favourite songs. So, how will technology change the music industry in the future?

In the future, we'll regularly watch live virtual reality concerts from home. We'll put on our headset just before the concert starts and be ready to go. There might not be many virtual reality concerts at the moment. But, these concerts are likely to become very popular.

Musicians are always looking for new ways to connect with listeners of their music. New technology, known as a 'block chain', will allow musicians to share new songs directly with fans. This'll put an end to money loss through file sharing. Some artists are going to try out this technology soon.

Finally, we won't only listen to music made by humans. A machine can also learn how to write songs. Humans and machines will work together to make, hopefully, great music.

Of course, the great thing about the future is that none of us really knows what will happen. What we do know about the future is that, with all these incredible developments in technology, music's going to be exciting!

31. *We can record and play music in new ways because \_\_\_\_\_.*

- A. technology has been changing                      C. music has become cheaper than it was in the past  
B. musicians are now smarter than before                      D. there are more ways to share files

32. *According to the text, live virtual reality concerts will be very \_\_\_\_\_.*

- A. expensive                      B. exciting  
C. popular                      D. boring

33. *What is true about "block chain"?*

- A. It'll make file sharing more convenient.                      C. It'll make musicians lose money.  
B. It'll help musicians connect with their fans.                      D. It is widely used now.

34. *How does the author feel about the future of music?*

- A. He is excited about the future of the industry.                      C. He is curious about new songs in the future  
B. He is worried about the influence of technology on music.                      D. He prefers the traditional ways of playing music.

35. *What is the best title for the text?*

- A. The Future of Music                      C. New Ways of Listening to Music  
B. Machines in the Music Industry                      D. How to Make Good Music

**IV. WRITING: Use the word in capitals to rewrite the sentences. Do not change the given word.**

37. I think doing the washing up is awful. (HATE)

→ I \_\_\_\_\_ washing up.

38. When my brother was younger, it was normal for him to spend a few hours a day online. (USED)

→ When my brother was younger, he \_\_\_\_\_ a few hours a day online.

39. My younger sister likes walking the dog more than vacuuming the floor. (PREFER)

→ My younger sister thinks vacuuming the floor is fine, but she \_\_\_\_\_ the dog.

40. We studied the oceans during our geology lesson. (LEARNING)

→ We studied the oceans while \_\_\_\_\_.

45. Social media wasn't my favourite thing but I like it now. (LIKE)

→ I \_\_\_\_\_ social media but I like it now.

ĐỀ TỰ LUYỆN SỐ 2: ĐỀ KIỂM TRA GIỮA HỌC KỲ I (2022 – 2023)

Thời gian làm bài: 45 phút

A. TRẮC NGHIỆM KHÁCH QUAN

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. cream                      B. clock                      C. crack                      D. cry

Question 2: A. online                      B. ollow                      C. oshopping                      D. oiron

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. enjoy                      B. iron                      C. desktop                      D. password

Question 4: A. geologist                      B. biology                      C. conservation                      D. electrical

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: There's so much dust in this room, so we need to do the \_\_\_\_\_.

A. washing                      B. laundry                      C. vacuuming                      D. shopping

Question 6: Thomas Edison conducted many \_\_\_\_\_ to develop the electric light bulb.

A. fields                      B. experiments                      C. exams                      D. results

Question 7: We can't deny the vital role of \_\_\_\_\_ devices in our modern life.

A. electricity                      B. electrician                      C. electronics                      D. electronic

Question 8: Some \_\_\_\_\_ are trying to raise people's awareness of protecting the environment.

A. conserves                      B. conservation                      C. conservationists                      D. conservators

Question 9: That children are taught to help their parents with the household chores has \_\_\_\_\_ their growing process.

A. an influence on                      B. an attraction to  
C. an affection for                      D. a problem with

Question 10: Mary \_\_\_\_\_ her mother do the table setting every day.

A. helps                      B. is helping                      C. helped                      D. was helping

Question 11: The internet connection suddenly disrupted when I \_\_\_\_\_ the assignments.

A. downloading                      B. was downloading  
C. was downloaded                      D. was being downloaded

Question 12: We used to \_\_\_\_\_ letters to each other. Now we make video calls instead.

A. be written                      B. writing                      C. write                      D. be writing

Question 13: Jane is \_\_\_\_\_ a careful person that she leaves notes to remind herself of the housework.

A. so                      B. such                      C. too                      D. enough

Question 14: \_\_\_\_\_ that she can't help scrolling down all day.

A. Such Ann's addiction to social media                      B. Such addicted to social media Ann is  
C. So addicted to social media Ann is                      D. So addicted to social media is Ann

Question 15: My husband bought me an iPhone 14 Pro \_\_\_\_\_ it was released.

A. during                      B. as long as                      C. as soon as                      D. till

Question 16: \_\_\_\_\_ the 1980s and 1990s, the Internet started gaining its popularity.

A. From                      B. Since                      C. For                      D. During

Question 17: NASA didn't launch the Lunar Prospector spacecraft into orbit around the Moon \_\_\_\_\_ the end of the 20th century.

A. within                      B. until                      C. during                      D. once

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 18: Katherine Johnson is one of the most accomplished research mathematicians in the US.

A. excellent                      B. unskilled                      C. amateur                      D. infamous

Question 19: It's important that we weigh up the pros and cons of making our children do the household chores too early.

A. reasons and results                      B. causes and effects  
C. ups and downs                      D. upside and downside

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 20:** The students must download and print learning materials before class.

- A. upload                      B. update                      C. exchange                      D. convert

**Question 21:** It is expected that the new generation robots will be more cost-efficient so that they will become more and more prevalent.

- A. reasonable                      B. impractical                      C. cost-effective                      D. uneconomical

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 22:** My sister found her old diary while we tidied the basement.

- A. old                      B. while                      C. tidied                      D. the

**Question 23:** The Internet and smartphone have provided humans by fantastic convenience.

- A. have                      B. provided                      C. by                      D. convenience

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 24:** Minh is helping his mom clean the house.

Minh: "Can you show me how to use the vacuum cleaner, Mom?"

Mom: " \_\_\_\_\_ "

- A. No way! Are you kidding?                      B. Just press the "Start" button.  
C. Look it up in a dictionary.                      D. Our house isn't dirty!

**Question 25:** Harry is inviting Peter for dinner.

Harry: "Would you like to come over for dinner tonight?"

Peter: " \_\_\_\_\_ "

- A. I beg your pardon.                      B. I'm afraid I can't make it.  
C. Sorry, I overslept.                      D. Thanks, I will need it.

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 26 to 30.

Christine Gross-Loh, author of Parenting Without Borders, shares how her family learned to use chores as a bonding activity in Japanese culture.

"My husband and I come from the USA. We first met in Japan when we were college students. After getting married, we lived in Japan and (26) \_\_\_\_\_ our kids there for 5 years. Talking about Japanese culture, one aspect that impressed us was how close families are. One way they stay close is by having their kids do chores.

Chores? As a bonding activity? My husband and I, (27) \_\_\_\_\_ American-style parenting, could hardly understand the idea. Taka, a 10-year-old friend of my son Daniel, has been cleaning the bathroom every week since second grade. "In Japan we have a (28) \_\_\_\_\_ belief that you shouldn't be a burden on others in society," Taka's mom explained to me.

Japanese parents and teachers believe that it is possible for any boy or girl (29) \_\_\_\_\_ a deep sense of responsibility from an early age. My son's teacher regularly gave this assignment: Write down five things you did to help your family today. Japanese kids serve each other school lunch and get out brooms to clean up afterward every day.

So we no longer felt bad about expecting the boys to help their sisters or (30) \_\_\_\_\_ a meal. We started expecting all the kids to fold clothes and clear dishes."

(Adapted from <https://www.parenting.com/>)

- Question 26:** A. grew up                      B. set up                      C. brought up                      D. got up  
**Question 27:** A. based in                      B. surrounded by                      C. moved on                      D. taken out  
**Question 28:** A. strengthen                      B. strongly                      C. strength                      D. strong  
**Question 29:** A. to develop                      B. developing                      C. develops                      D. to be developed  
**Question 30:** A. do                      B. make                      C. get                      D. take

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 following questions.

The dishwasher, a popular appliance in kitchens around the world, has gone through a long way throughout its 170-year history. The person we have to thank for the modern-day dishwasher is Josephine Cochran. Her machine was the first to use water pressure instead of brushes to clean dishes.

Cochran's husband was the wealthy merchant William Cochran. This family often held dinner parties. When being hand-washed, the delicate plates and cups often got cracked. Cochran decided to build a machine that could handle the task - faster and more carefully.

Although she had no technical background, she came from a family of engineers and inventors. Her father, John Garis, was a civil engineer and her great-grandfather was the famous steamboat inventor, John Fitch.

Cochran designed her first model in her house in Shelbyville, Illinois. Mechanic George Butters agreed to assist her in building the **prototype**. To make the machine wash dishes efficiently, she measured the width, height, and length of plates, cups, and saucers and constructed wire compartments for the dishes to sit in. At the bottom of the machine was a container that held soap. The compartments were placed inside a wheel that laid flat within a copper boiler. A **motor** powered the wheel, which turned as soapy water was sprayed on the dishes to clean them.

Cochran was granted a U.S. patent in 1886 for her machine, which she named the Cochran dishwasher. She advertised her invention in local newspapers and built the machines for friends and family.

(Adapted from <https://spectrum.ieee.org/>)

**Question 31:** Cochran decided to build a dishwasher because \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. she wanted the dishes to be cleaned faster and more carefully
- B. her husband didn't like her to wash the dishes all day
- C. her husband was going to hold more parties in the next month
- D. she wanted to be an inventor like her great-grandfather

**Question 32:** The word "**prototype**" in paragraph 4 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. final edition
- B. copied version
- C. first model
- D. limited version

**Question 33:** The word "**motor**" in paragraph 4 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. engine
- B. pipe
- C. device
- D. tool

**Question 34:** According to the passage, which of the following is TRUE?

- A. Josephine inherited the love for engineering from her grandfather.
- B. Cochran was the pioneer to use water pressure in dishwashing machine.
- C. The Cochran dishwasher could clean cookware like pots and pans.
- D. Josephine only produced dishwashers to order for relatives and friends.

**Question 35:** What is the topic of the passage?

- A. Josephine Cochran's life after getting married
- B. Josephine Cochran's family of inventors and engineers
- C. Josephine Cochran and her achievements
- D. Josephine Cochran and her invention

## B. TỰ LUẬN

**WORD FORMATION:** Put the words in brackets into their correct forms.

**Question 36:** With the help of an air fryer, cooking is no longer a \_\_\_\_\_ (LABOR) task.

**Question 37:** When you \_\_\_\_\_ (INVENTION) something, it means you design or create something that has not existed before.

**Question 38:** The scientists from University of Science have been nominated as one of the most effective \_\_\_\_\_ (ACT) in the charity program.

**Question 39:** There is no charge for vehicles that are \_\_\_\_\_ (ENVIRONMENT) friendly.

**Question 40:** My grandma is very \_\_\_\_\_ (DEPEND) and does all the shopping and cooking.

**VERB TENSE:** Use the correct tense of the verbs in brackets.

**Question 41:** My uncle used to \_\_\_\_\_ (BE) a chef when he was young.

**Question 42:** I \_\_\_\_\_ (WASH) the dishes when you called yesterday.

**Question 43:** The idea of tea came while Shen Nong \_\_\_\_\_ (WATCH) his servant boiling water.

**Question 44:** Tom often has a coffee before going to work, but today he \_\_\_\_\_ (DRINK) orange juice.

**Question 45:** That the water tap \_\_\_\_\_ (ALWAYS/ DRIP) during the night annoys me.

**SENTENCE TRANSFORMATION**

*Complete each second sentence using the word given, so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.*

**Question 46:** I was walking on the street when I met David. (**WHILE**)

→ I met \_\_\_\_\_.

**Question 47:** The light suddenly went out while I was doing my homework. (**WHEN**)

→ I \_\_\_\_\_.

**Question 48:** Audiences are not allowed to use cameras or cellphones when the movie is playing. (**DURING**)

→ Audiences \_\_\_\_\_.

**Question 49:** The washing machine is extremely heavy for me to lift it. (**SO**)

→ The washing machine \_\_\_\_\_.

**Question 50:** The Internet is such an important invention that everybody is dependent on it. (**SUCH**)

→ Such \_\_\_\_\_.

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**C. PRACTICE FOR THE 1<sup>ST</sup> TERM TEST**  
**PHẦN TRẮC NGHIỆM**

**I. PHONETICS**

**Exercise 1: Find the word with a stress pattern that is different from the others.**

- |                     |                  |                 |                |
|---------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 1. A. contestant    | B. attachment    | C. volunteer    | D. solution    |
| 2. A. advertisement | B. entertainment | C. professional | D. necessity   |
| 3. A. borrow        | B. urban         | C. adult        | D. hopeless    |
| 4. A. opportunity   | B. inspirational | C. organization | D. competition |
| 5. A. ordinary      | B. advantage     | C. ignorant     | D. obvious     |

**Exercise 2: Find the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the others.**

- |                          |                      |                      |                     |
|--------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1. A. <u>s</u> inger     | B. <u>f</u> inger    | C. <u>b</u> ingo     | D. <u>m</u> ingle   |
| 2. A. <u>m</u> edicine   | B. <u>r</u> eference | C. <u>d</u> edicated | D. <u>p</u> ersonal |
| 3. A. <u>a</u> udition   | B. <u>a</u> udience  | C. <u>a</u> unt      | D. <u>A</u> ugust   |
| 4. A. <u>s</u> uccessful | B. <u>p</u> assion   | C. <u>p</u> rocess   | D. <u>c</u> areless |
| 5. A. <u>r</u> emote     | B. <u>b</u> oth      | C. <u>c</u> ost      | D. <u>g</u> host    |

**II. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR STRUCTURES**

**Exercise 3: VOCABULARY**

**Exercise 3.1: Choose the best answer to complete these sentences**

- It is convenient for you to read \_\_\_\_\_ when you travel.  
A. e-books                      B. laptops                      C. online game                      D. smartphone
- Many young people carry a pair of earbuds as they are small, light, and \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. chargeable                      B. economical                      C. portable                      D. transferable
- Washing machine or vacuum cleaner can help you to \_\_\_\_\_ time while doing housework.  
A. kill                      B. save                      C. spend                      D. waste
- We can surf the \_\_\_\_\_ to search for news, watch films, or download music.  
A. e-book                      B. internet                      C. laptop                      D. smartphone
- You can send and receive e-mails form a \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. charger                      B. printer                      C. smartphone                      D. USB
- Thomas Edison, Benjamin Franklin, James Watt are among of the greatest \_\_\_\_\_ of all time.  
A. inventions                      B. inventiveness                      C. inventors                      D. invents
- Smartphones are used not only for communication but also for information and \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. entertain                      B. entertainer                      C. entertaining                      D. entertainment
- I watched a movie last night. It was so \_\_\_\_\_ that I cried a lot.  
A. moving                      B. disappointing                      C. entertaining                      D. fascinating

**Exercise 3.2. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.**

- We're seeking for the talented musician to join our entertainment company.  
A. good                      B. famous                      C. great                      D. gifted
- In the last quarter of this year, our entertainment company had a big success in singing a lot of contracts with celebrities.  
A. bargains                      B. agreements                      C. arrangements                      D. profits
- 'Cindy', which originated in North California, is a popular American folk song.  
A. came from                      B. finished                      C. made                      D. recognised
- Becoming a super star performing on stage was my burning desire when I was a teenager.  
A. well-known painter                      B. famous singer                      C. good writer                      D. famous composer
- But for your support, our band couldn't have won the Grand Music competition.  
A. show                      B. quiz                      C. contest                      D. tour

**Exercise 3.3. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.**

- After a very short time, this kind of music becomes wildly popular among the youth.  
A. appealing                      B. attractive                      C. unknown                      D. common
- We absolutely adore his music because of sweet melodies and meaningful lyrics.  
A. favour                      B. hate                      C. love                      D. prefer
- She finds herself more confident after standing on stage many times.  
A. independent                      B. assured                      C. brave                      D. fearful
- It's incredible that his new song leads the Billboard hot 100 chart only in 3 days.  
A. beyond belief                      B. believable                      C. implausible                      D. unbelievable
- She was given a prize for her achievement in classical and traditional music.  
A. success                      B. feat                      C. failure                      D. accomplishment
- Many people who do volunteer work think they are more fortunate than others.  
A. lucky                      B. blessed                      C. unlucky                      D. uncomfortable
- Public service announcement is a special advertisement for the community, normally about health or safety matters.  
A. Open                      B. Private                      C. Secret                      D. Popular

#### Exercise 4. GRAMMAR

##### Exercise 4.1. Choose the best answer to complete these sentences

- We \_\_\_\_\_ a contract two years ago and it is still valid.  
A. have sign                      B. have signed                      C. haven't signed                      D. signed
- A: What are you doing this weekend, Tom?  
B: I \_\_\_\_\_ a new play tomorrow at the Royal Court theatre.  
A. will see                      B. see                      C. am going to see                      D. saw
- Jenny often \_\_\_\_\_ jeans and T-shirt at school but she \_\_\_\_\_ a nice dress today.  
A. wears – is wearing                      B. is wearing – wears                      C. wear – is wearing                      D. wears - wears
- A: Why don't we go to eat something in the restaurant?  
B: Great! I \_\_\_\_\_ the others and see if they want to come too.  
A. phone                      B. will phone                      C. am phoning                      D. am going to phone
- Look! David \_\_\_\_\_ against that tree!  
A. is going to crash                      B. will crash                      C. will be crashing                      D. crashes
- A: Coffee or tea?    B: I \_\_\_\_\_ coffee, please.  
A. have                      B. am having                      C. will have                      D. am going to have
- Up to the present, Jane, a friend of mine \_\_\_\_\_ fourteen books.  
A. has written                      B. writes                      C. wrote                      D. will write
- Listen! There's someone at the door. I \_\_\_\_\_ the door for you.  
A. am going to open                      B. am opening                      C. open                      D. will open
- I \_\_\_\_\_ my parents at the weekend. I already bought a train ticket.  
A. visit                      B. am going to visit                      C. visited                      D. will visit
- I have lost my mobile phone. Someone \_\_\_\_\_ it.  
A. has steal                      B. has stole                      C. has stolen                      D. have stole
- YouTube \_\_\_\_\_ to become the world's most popular video-sharing website since 2005.  
A. has grown                      B. have grown                      C. grew                      D. grows
- I used \_\_\_\_\_ a lot when I was younger.  
A. to swimming                      B. to swim                      C. swim                      D. swimming
- Wedding ceremonies are \_\_\_\_\_ now than they used to be in the past.  
A. less complicated                      B. the most complicated                      C. as complicated                      D. the least complicated
- The more polite you appear to be, \_\_\_\_\_ your partner will be.  
A. the happiest                      B. the happier                      C. the most happily                      D. the more happily
- Of the two bridesmaids, Lisa turned out to be \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. the most charming                      B. the least charming                      C. more charming                      D. the more charming
- 'Professor Allen's class is the best I have ever been to.' – 'I think it's \_\_\_\_\_'  
A. the most boring                      B. the most boringly                      C. the most bored                      D. most bored



17. Alice speaks \_\_\_\_\_ than John.  
 A. clearer                      B. more clear                      C. the more clearly                      D. more clearly
18. My cousin really hates meeting people. He is \_\_\_\_\_ shy.  
 A. extremely                      B. a little                      C. slightly                      D. pretty
19. Jake isn't \_\_\_\_\_ to carry his suitcase.  
 A. enough strong                      B. strong enough                      C. too strong                      D. very strong
20. I \_\_\_\_\_ the drum since I \_\_\_\_\_ 7 years old.  
 A. played/ was                      B. has played/ was                      C. have played/ was                      D. have played/ were
21. The tea is \_\_\_\_\_ hot for me to drink.  
 A. too                      B. so                      C. such                      D. very
22. Richard \_\_\_\_\_ TV when the phone \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. watched – rang                      B. watched – was ringing  
 C. was watching – rang                      D. was watching – was ringing

**Exercise 4.2. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.**

1. Look at the dark clouds. I'm sure it will rain soon.  
 A                      B                      C                      D
2. Many young people now use computers for playing games rather than study.  
 A                      B                      C                      D
3. Since the Internet was first created in the 1960s, it changed people's lives a lot.  
 A                      B                      C                      D
4. Scientists have researched since years into ways of curing cancer patients.  
 A                      B                      C                      D
5. We will hold a party tomorrow. Let's decorate the room.  
 A                      B                      C                      D

**III. LANGUAGE FUNCTION**

**Exercise 7. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct response to each of the following exchanges.**

1. "It's very generous of you to offer to pay!" – " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
 A. I'm glad you like it.                      B. No, thanks. I can manage.  
 C. That was the least I could do.                      D. You can say that again
2. "Has an announcement been made about the eight o'clock flight to Paris?" – " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
 A. I don't think that.                      B. Not yet.                      C. Sorry I don't.                      D. Yes, it was.
3. "I love studying science as it allows me to answer questions about natural world." – " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
 A. No, I won't.                      B. Neither do I.                      C. Yes, I like it.                      D. So do I.
4. "I have taken part in the science club for 3 months" – " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
 A. So have I.                      B. So have me.                      C. I have so.                      D. So I have.
5. "What do you think of your new laptop?" – " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
 A. I always keep it. B. I'd love to.                      C. It's fantastic.                      D. Sounds great.
6. "Can I try your new camera?" – " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
 A. I'm sorry, I can't. Let's go now.                      B. I'm sorry. I'm home late.  
 C. Sure. I'd love to.                      D. But please be careful with it.
7. "Ted's broken his leg, so he won't be able to come to class today." – " \_\_\_\_\_ "  
 A. How terrific!                      B. Poor Ted!                      C. What is it now?                      D. What's wrong?

**IV. CLOZE TEXT**

**Exercise 8. Choose the one option - A, B, C or D - that best completes the passage**

Everyone loves music, it seems. And there's little reason to wonder why. There is so much music (1) \_\_\_ from which to choose, and there is a category of music to appeal to every (2) \_\_\_. The major groups of music are divided broadly (3) \_\_\_ classical, popular, and jazz. Within these broad groups are many other subcategories. For example, (4) \_\_\_ disparate types of music as movie soundtracks, rhythm and blue, rock, and rap all fit within the category of popular music.

Another reason that music is so (5) \_\_\_ is the variety of settings in which one can enjoy his or her (6) \_\_\_ kind of music. You can go to the church to hear great religious music, or to the concert hall to hear a well-known classical (7) \_\_\_. On another night, you might go to the small club to listen to an up-and-coming jazz group (8) \_\_\_ you enjoy a drink. A few nights later, you might go with some friends to join thousands of other people in a (9) \_\_\_ to hear your favorite rock band play in your city on a world tour. And, back at your house or apartment, you can (10) \_\_\_ while you put in a tape or CD and listen to your favorite artists again and again in your own home.

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|------------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1. A. convenient | B. available | C. accessible | D. required    |
| 2. A. want       | B. desire    | C. interest   | D. taste       |
| 3. A. on         | B. in        | C. into       | D. up          |
| 4. A. so         | B. some      | C. any        | D. such        |
| 5. A. familiar   | B. popular   | C. famous     | D. cheerful    |
| 6. A. favorite   | B. best      | C. ideal      | D. selected    |
| 7. A. music      | B. symphony  | C. ballad     | D. category    |
| 8. A. during     | B. where     | C. while      | D. which       |
| 9. A. stadium    | B. theater   | C. stage      | D. discotheque |
| 10. A. prefer    | B. appeal    | C. relax      | D. interest    |

## V. READING COMPREHENSION

**Exercise 9. Read the text carefully, then choose the correct answers.**

Except for a few unfortunate individuals, no law in this world can go against the fact that for most of us our family is an essential part of our lives. The moment you enter this cruel world, where each man is for himself, there are some near and dear ones out there who will do anything to ensure your happiness.

We are nothing more than a vulnerable and fragile object, without someone taking care of us on our arrival in this world. Despite all the odds, your family will take care of your well-being, and try their best to provide you the greatest comforts in the world. No one out there, except your family must forgive the endless number of mistakes you may make in your life. Apart from teaching you forgive and forget lessons, they are always there for you, when you need them the most. Family is the only place where children study a lot after school. In school, teachers teach children about the subjects which will help them to find a good job in future. But at home, parents teach children about good habits. **They** are not only the elements which help the children to shape their personalities but they also prepare them a sustainable and bright future.

A good family makes a greater society. Father, mother, children have to work in order to build a strong family. If any one of them fail, the whole family may collapse. The good name of the whole family can be **ruined** by a single member of the family. In order to avoid that unhappy scenario, every family member has to work hard and try their best. As a result, they will set good examples for the whole society. Families impact very much on society and societies create countries.

(Source: [www.healthguidance.org](http://www.healthguidance.org))

1. According to the passage, which of the following is NOT true?

- A. Family is a vital part of life.
- B. Not everyone has a family.
- C. We will effortlessly be damaged without our family.
- D. Some laws in the world may oppose the functions of family.

2. In the writer's opinion, \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. it is not the function of the family to make sure we are happy.
- B. your family will be with you regardless of difficulties.
- C. family creates some easily-spoilt creatures.
- D. people can be easily forgiven by people around.

3. To children, family plays a role in \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. teaching them academic subjects.
- B. developing their personal traits.
- C. helping them to find a good job.
- D. encouraging them to study a lot at school.

4. The word "**They**" in the passage refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. children                      B. teachers      C. good habits                      D. parents
5. The word ‘**ruined**’ in the passage is closet in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. destroyed                      B. saved                      C. built                      D. constructed
6. According to the passage, which of the following is true about the relation between family and society?
- A. When a family fails, the whole society falls down.  
 B. A family member will be unhappy to try his best.  
 C. Family members have responsibilities to set good examples.  
 D. Strong families build a wealthy society.
7. Which of the following is the best title for the passage?
- A. Educational role of family                      B. The importance of family  
 C. Family and society                      D. The birth of fragile object.

## PHẦN TỰ LUẬN

### VI. WORD FORMATION

**Exercise 10. Give the correct form of the given words to complete each sentence.**

1. The young pop star look \_\_\_\_\_ (**passion**) on stage.
2. Pelé was a \_\_\_\_\_ (**talent**) football player.
3. Britney Spear is one of my favorite \_\_\_\_\_ (**art**).
4. We'll have to walk \_\_\_\_\_ (**quick**) to get there on time.
5. In tonight's quiz, our \_\_\_\_\_ (**contest**) have come from all over the country.
6. There's a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ (**compete**) between computer companies.
7. Tien Quan Ca became the \_\_\_\_\_ (**nation**) anthem of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

### VII. VERB TENSES

**Exercise 11. Put the verb into the correct tenses (Future simple, Be going to, Present perfect, Past simple)**

1. I don't know where Amy is. \_\_\_\_\_ (**you/see**) her?
2. When I \_\_\_\_\_ (**get**) home last night, I \_\_\_\_\_ (be) very tired and I \_\_\_\_\_ (**go**) straight to bed.
3. Your car looks very clean. \_\_\_\_\_ (**you/wash**) it?
4. George \_\_\_\_\_ (**not/be**) very well last week.
5. Mr. Clark \_\_\_\_\_ (**work**) in a bank for 15 years. Then he gave it up.
6. Molly lives in Dublin. She \_\_\_\_\_ (**live**) there all her life.
7. “ \_\_\_\_\_ (**you/ go**) to the cinema last night?” “Yes, but it \_\_\_\_\_ (**be**) a mistake. The film \_\_\_\_\_ (**be**) awful.
8. My grandfather \_\_\_\_\_ (**die**) 30 years ago. I \_\_\_\_\_ (**never/meet**) him.
9. I don't know Carol's husband. I \_\_\_\_\_ (**never/meet**) him.
10. A: Is your father at home? B. No, I'm afraid he \_\_\_\_\_ (**go**) out.  
 A: When exactly \_\_\_\_\_ (**he/ go**) out? B: About ten minutes ago.
11. Look out! You \_\_\_\_\_ (**hit**) that tree.
12. It's cold. I \_\_\_\_\_ (**shut**) the window.
13. I \_\_\_\_\_ (**have**) the salad, please!
14. I promise you \_\_\_\_\_ (**not/lose**) your job.
15. A: What's that man doing up there?  
 B: Oh, no! He \_\_\_\_\_ (**jump**).

### VIII. SENTENCE TRANSFORMATION

**Exercise 12. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first one**

1. The room is so small that we can't live in it. (TOO)  
 → The room .....
2. He is too short to reach the ceiling. (ENOUGH)  
 → He is .....

3. The actor is not as short as he looks in the film. (BIT)  
→ The actor is .....
4. I don't know any student more intelligent than Peter. (THE)  
→ Peter is .....
5. She began working here 10 years ago. (FOR)  
→ She .....
6. We intend to visit her this weekend. (GOING)  
→ We .....
7. I predict a victory for our team.  
→ I think .....
8. The family is so poor that they can't buy a new bike.  
→ So .....
9. I'm still writing my letters. (YET)  
→ I .....
10. Betsy has been working as an interior decorator for the last nine years. (SINCE)  
→ It.....

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## ĐỀ TỰ LUYỆN SỐ 1

### I. PRONUNCIATION

A. Choose the word that has a different stressed syllable from the rest.

1. A. sculpture                      B. portrait                      C. artwork                      D. museum
2. A. geologist                      B. biologist                      C. activist                      D. psychologist

B. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently.

3. A. room                      B. poor (UK)                      C. door                      D. floor
4. A. cottage                      B. block                      C. town                      D. accommodation
5. A. blanket                      B. man                      C. charity                      D. donate

### II. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

A. Choose the best option (A, B, C or D) to complete each of the following sentences.

6. These days, I eat more than before. I \_\_\_\_\_ use to eat as much.  
A. didn't                      B. don't                      C. am not                      D. do not
7. Users can \_\_\_\_\_ music conveniently with an online music store from their personal computers.  
A. like                      B. receive                      C. make                      D. download
8. After lunch, my brother \_\_\_\_\_ the dishes and sometimes he does the ironing.  
A. mops                      B. washes                      C. waters                      D. does
9. He drives an old \_\_\_\_\_ in mountainous areas around the country.  
A. camper van                      B. boat                      C. cottage                      D. studio
10. A serious fire in a high-rise \_\_\_\_\_ of flats has left many people homeless.  
A. network                      B. piece                      C. block                      D. part
11. Social media has made it easier to \_\_\_\_\_ money with a system of fundraising websites to help the needy.  
A. donate                      B. receive                      C. rise                      D. spend
12. I was having dinner \_\_\_\_\_ my friends arrived.  
A. after                      B. during                      C. while                      D. when
13. It was a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ easy victory for her. She achieved it with no difficulty at all.  
A. a bit                      B. extremely                      C. slightly                      D. a little
14. It was \_\_\_\_\_ a beautiful painting that she decided to hang \_\_\_\_\_ in the hallway.  
A. such                      B. so                      C. such a                      D. so much
15. I haven't updated my Twitter with a new profile picture \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. already                      B. just                      C. yet                      D. since

B. Write the correct forms of the words in brackets.

16. China is one of the world's biggest producers of a wide range of \_\_\_\_\_ supplies. (MEDICINE)
17. A great number of social services are provided by the government and \_\_\_\_\_ organisations. (VOLUNTEER)
18. From white sand beaches to mountains that hug the clouds, the \_\_\_\_\_ of Vietnam are some of the most breathtaking landscapes. (LAND)
19. *17th Parallel: Vietnam in War* is a famous \_\_\_\_\_ that shows the effects of the American bombing campaign on Vietnamese people. (DOCUMENT)
20. This laser \_\_\_\_\_ is purely mechanical, and its speed is very high. (PRINT)

C. Write the correct forms of the verbs in brackets.

21. He \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a shower when someone knocked at the door.
22. Mai \_\_\_\_\_ (get) ready for school, so she can't come to the phone right now.
23. I \_\_\_\_\_ (fly) to Korea for a holiday soon. I've got the plane tickets!
24. This new computer \_\_\_\_\_ (make) my life a lot easier.
25. I \_\_\_\_\_ (take) you to the bus station if you like.

### III. READING

Read the text and choose the correct answer.

The city of Beijing has such a big problem with its air quality that there are days when you can't see the buildings on the other side of the street. More and more people suffer from chest pain and have difficulty breathing. Children and the elderly are most at risk.

Last week, a Smog Free Tower was built in the arts district of Beijing. It is part of an air purifying project by Daan Roosegaarde from Holland and is designed to take in smog and release clean air. The seven-metre-high tower resembles the kind of air purifier you may have in your house. Roosegaarde describes it as the largest smog vacuum cleaner in the world.

The Smog Free Tower was created by Roosegaarde and a green tech company in the Netherlands. It runs on renewable power. Smog particles that are dangerous to health are collected and stored inside the tower. The tower then blows out cleaner air. Roosegaarde uses the collected smog particles to make jewellery. When you buy a Smog Free Ring or a pair of cufflinks, you buy 1,000 cubic metres of clean air.

Roosegaarde got the idea for the Smog Free Project when he visited Beijing in 2013. One day, he looked out of his hotel window and he simply couldn't see anything. The city had disappeared under a thick layer of smog.

Roosegaarde and the Chinese Ministry of Environmental Protection are planning to set up 800 of his giant air purifiers in parks all over China to raise awareness of the huge problem of pollution. He believes that both citizens and the government need to work together to fight pollution. His dream is that in ten to fifteen years from now, we won't need his towers anymore.

26. According to the text, who suffers most from air pollution?

- A. Adults                      B. Children                      C. The elderly                      D. Both B & C

27. What does the Smog Free Tower look like?

- A. Smog                      B. A home air purifier                      C. A vacuum cleaner                      D. Particles

28. What sort of things can you make with smog particles?

- A. Jewellery                      B. Cufflink                      C. Renewable power                      D. Clean air

29. What made Roosegaarde want to design the Smog Free Tower?

- A. The support of the Netherlands' government  
B. Air pollution in Beijing  
C. The help of the Chinese Ministry of Environmental Protection  
D. Beijing's citizens

30. What is the best title for the text?

- A. Air Quality in the District of Beijing  
B. Roosegaarde and His New Inventions  
C. The Tower That Sucks in Smog and Spits out Clean Air  
D. Roosegaarde's Wildest Dreams

#### V. WRITING

Use the words in capitals to rewrite the sentences. Do not change the given word.

31. I stopped travelling abroad two years ago. (FOR)

→ \_\_\_\_\_.

32. Three people can't sit on that sofa. It isn't big enough. (ENOUGH)

→ \_\_\_\_\_.

33. The weather was so hot that he couldn't sleep. (SUCH)

→ \_\_\_\_\_.

34. I'll help you with your homework. (MIND)

→ \_\_\_\_\_.

35. My friend sang better than I did. (AS)

→ \_\_\_\_\_.

## ĐỀ TỰ LUYỆN SỐ 2

### I. PRONUNCIATION

A. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently.

1. A. desktop                      B. geology                      C. iron                      D. documentary  
2. A. fantasy                      B. landscape                      C. charity                      D. laser

B. Choose the word that has a different stressed syllable from the rest.

3. A. treasure                      B. marine                      C. support                      D. superb  
4. A. filament                      B. linguistics                      C. bungalow                      D. benefit  
5. A. apartment                      B. breathtaking                      C. senior                      D. comedy

### II. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

A. Choose the best option (A, B, C or D) to complete each of the following sentences.

6. My father is \_\_\_\_\_ the garage at the moment. It's so messy.  
A. tidying                      B. washing                      C. painting                      D. vacuuming
7. \_\_\_\_\_ is the science of minds and brains.  
A. Linguistics                      B. Psychology                      C. Archaeology                      D. Geology
8. I must say that J. K. Rowling is such a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ novelist with her seven-volume children's fantasy series, Harry Potter.  
A. predictable                      B. fascinated                      C. imaginative                      D. fascinating
9. The hotel offers \_\_\_\_\_ and cozy rooms with a terrific view of the Hạ Long Bay.  
A. floating                      B. underground                      C. breathtaking                      D. spacious
10. \_\_\_\_\_ are where the elderly can benefit from social services and be cared for when necessary.  
A. Senior centres                      B. Orphanages                      C. Medical supplies                      D. Homeless shelters
11. My father often \_\_\_\_\_ home early in the afternoon to do the vacuuming before we can have dinner.  
A. come                      B. comes                      C. coming                      D. is coming
12. There \_\_\_\_\_ something wrong with the search engine when I \_\_\_\_\_ to post my photos on Facebook.  
A. is – tried                      B. was – used to try                      C. was – was trying                      D. is – was trying
13. "Stranger Things" is \_\_\_\_\_ series I've seen this summer.  
A. fascinating                      B. less fascinating  
C. more fascinating                      D. the most fascinating
14. My grandfather \_\_\_\_\_ in this mining town since he \_\_\_\_\_ here in 1989.  
A. has worked – moved                      B. is working – moved  
C. used to work – moves                      D. works – moves
15. My friend Suzy chose \_\_\_\_\_ the elderly because she thought this \_\_\_\_\_ a big difference to their lives.  
A. to help – shall make                      B. helping – must make  
C. to help – would make                      D. helping – might make

B. Write the correct forms of the words in brackets.

16. Opportunities for conversation may arise if parents and children do the \_\_\_\_\_ chores together. (HOUSE)
17. A robotic vacuum cleaner can make cleaning the floor a less boring and \_\_\_\_\_ task. (LABOUR)
18. That is a \_\_\_\_\_ which is based on a novel which was released 5 years ago. (DOCUMENT)
19. Hội An is one of the most popular tourist \_\_\_\_\_ in Việt Nam with its antique markets and beautiful landscape. (ATTRACT)
20. You are encouraged to donate \_\_\_\_\_ supplies, blankets, and food to the needy ones. (MEDICINE)

C. Write the correct forms of the verbs in brackets.

21. My sister \_\_\_\_\_ (dust) the furniture now.
22. Actually, Thomas Edison \_\_\_\_\_ (not / invent) the first light bulbs, but his version was better than earlier ones.
23. Harvard University \_\_\_\_\_ (produce) many excellent students since its opening in 1636.
24. I \_\_\_\_\_ (tell) my mother about the trip with my friends later.
25. Participating in community projects let children \_\_\_\_\_ (have) the opportunity to help the needy ones.

#### D. WRITING

*Use the words in capitals to rewrite the sentences. Do not change the given word.*

26. People once burned candles to light their houses in the past. (USED)  
→ People \_\_\_\_\_ to light their houses in the past.
27. My friend thinks this movie is more fascinating than any other ones. (MOST)  
→ My friend thinks this \_\_\_\_\_ movie.
28. I'm not old enough to drive a motorbike. (TOO)  
→ I'm \_\_\_\_\_ drive a motorbike.
29. Anna is a more fluent French speaker than I am. (SPEAK)  
→ Anna can \_\_\_\_\_ than I can.
30. Teenagers are encouraged to take part in charity work. (SHOULD)  
→ Teenagers \_\_\_\_\_ charity work.

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ĐỀ TỰ LUYỆN SỐ 3: ĐỀ KIỂM TRA CUỐI HỌC KỲ I (2022 – 2023)

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**PART A: MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS**

*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.*

1. A. detergent                      B. genius                      C. binge                      D. linguistics  
2. A. promote                      B. dominate                      C. evolution                      D. contrasting

*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.*

3. A. resident                      B. addictive                      C. muscular                      D. furniture  
4. A. native                      B. require                      C. affect                      D. complain

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

5. There was \_\_\_\_\_ that we were unable to find our way.  
A. too much smog                      B. such a lot smog                      C. so many smog                      D. so much smog
6. \_\_\_\_\_ I get your letter, I will reply to you.  
A. By the time                      B. Until                      C. As soon as                      D. While
7. This movie is much better than others of the horror \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. genre                      B. trailer                      C. theme                      D. escapism
8. That's strange. She \_\_\_\_\_ so friendly. Is she trying to trick us, perhaps?  
A. isn't used to being                      B. didn't use to be  
C. didn't get used to be                      D. never got used to be
9. She lives in a two-room \_\_\_\_\_ flat.  
A. terraced                      B. detached                      C. basement                      D. cottage
10. When Carol called last night, I \_\_\_\_\_ my favorite show on television.  
A. watched                      B. was going to                      C. was watching                      D. had been watching
11. The manufacturers say the device will be \_\_\_\_\_ the market by May.  
A. in                      B. at                      C. on                      D. for
12. This small town developed \_\_\_\_\_ I had expected.  
A. not as fast as                      B. faster than                      C. not just as fast as                      D. slower than
13. \_\_\_\_\_ is the scientific study of the mind and how it influences behaviour.  
A. Geology                      B. Archaeology                      C. Astronomy                      D. Psychology
14. Unemployment \_\_\_\_\_ by 4% since January and now stands at just under three million.  
A. rose                      B. rises                      C. has risen                      D. is rising
15. Her new album will be \_\_\_\_\_ at the end of the month.  
A. released                      B. set                      C. come out                      D. shown up
16. Our relatives \_\_\_\_\_ us at the station today.  
A. are going to meet                      B. will meet                      C. meet                      D. have met
17. Her eyes suddenly filled \_\_\_\_\_ tears.  
A. in                      B. of                      C. with                      D. by

*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.*

18. The jungle is so dense you cannot walk through it.  
A. spacious                      B. thick                      C. packed                      D. humid
19. There is a complex network of roads connecting the two cities.  
A. complicated                      B. involved                      C. experimental                      D. local

*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.*

20. I'm a little nervous about leaving the kids at home all alone.  
A. irritated                      B. selfish                      C. confident                      D. upset

21. He prefers to see his teenage daughter as an innocent young child.

- A. special                      B. accomplished                      C. well-behaved                      D. experienced

**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.**

22. Tom was too surprised by the boss's offer that he could hardly speak.

- A B                      C                      D

23. Some underground water is enough safe to drink, but all surface water must be treated.

- A                      B                      C                      D

**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.**

24. - Janet: "What a lovely house you have!" - Jane: " \_\_\_\_\_ "

- A. No problem.                      B. Thank you. Hope you will drop in.  
C. It's not costly and worth living in.                      D. I can't help thinking the same.

25. - Mubarak: "Did you enjoy the movie yesterday?" - Mark: " \_\_\_\_\_ "

- A. Certainly, I'd be glad to.                      B. That's what I am going to ask you.  
C. Not really. I couldn't follow the story.                      D. No, I dislike movies.

**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 26 to 30.**

A blog is your own website. It is short for 'web log' and it's a place where you can write whatever you want. It can be a chat site, a news page, a diary, a collection of articles or links to other sites: all on a single page.

But it's not just a website for people to read: it's interactive! People can read what you write and make comments, chat, send you news, and so on. There are (26) \_\_\_\_\_ many possibilities! There are millions of blogs by millions of people on millions of subjects. Your blog (27) \_\_\_\_\_ be anything you want it to be. You could set up a blog about your (28) \_\_\_\_\_ actor or singer. (29) \_\_\_\_\_ you are a part of a team or some kind of group, why not start a blog to share the group's news and ideas?

Not sure how to get started? Try (30) \_\_\_\_\_ out other people's blogs for interesting ideas.

26. A. such                      B. not                      C. so                      D. too  
27. A. must                      B. can                      C. would                      D. will  
28. A. favourite                      B. popular                      C. best                      D. leading  
29. A. Whether                      B. When                      C. If                      D. Because  
30. A. looking                      B. checking                      C. giving                      D. finding

**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 31 to 35.**

Mickey Mouse was not Walt Disney's first successful cartoon creation, but he is certainly his most famous one. It is on a cross-country train trip from New York to California in 1927 that Disney first drew the mouse with the big ears. Supposedly, he took his inspiration from the tame field mice that used to scamper into his old studio in Kansas City. No one is quite sure why he dressed the mouse in the now-familiar shorts with two buttons and gave him the yellow shoes. But we do know that Disney had intended to call him Mortimer until his wife Lillian intervened and christened him Mickey Mouse.

Capitalizing on the interest in Charles Lindbergh, Disney planned Mickey's debut in the short cartoon Plane Crazy, with Minnie as a co-star. In the third short cartoon, *Steamboat Willie*, Mickey was whistling and singing through the miracle of the modern soundtrack. By the 1930s Mickey's image had circled the globe. He was a superstar at the height of his career.

Although he has received a few minor changes throughout his lifetime, most notably the addition of white gloves and the alterations to achieve the rounder forms of a more childish body, he has remained true to his nature since **those** first cartoons. Mickey is appealing because he is nice. He may get into trouble, but he takes it on the chin with a grin. He is both good-natured and resourceful. Perhaps that was Disney's own image of himself. Why else would he have insisted on doing Mickey's voice in all the cartoons for twenty years? When interviewed, he would say: "**There is a lot of the mouse in me.**" And that mouse has remained one of the most **pervasive** images in American popular culture.

31. Which of the following is the main topic of the passage?

- A. The image of Mickey Mouse  
B. The life of Walt Disney  
C. The history of cartoons  
D. The definition of American culture

32. The word "**pervasive**" in the passage could best be replaced by \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. well-loved  
B. widespread  
C. often copied  
D. expensive to buy

33. The word "**those**" in the passage refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. cartoons  
B. forms  
C. gloves  
D. changes

34. What did Disney mean when he said: "**There is a lot of the mouse in me**"?

- A. He was proud of the mouse that he created.  
B. He knew that the mouse would be a famous creation.  
C. He created the mouse with many of his own qualities.  
D. He had worked very hard to create the mouse.

35. The first image of Mickey Mouse is described as all of the following **EXCEPT** \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. he was dressed in shorts with two buttons  
B. he had big ears  
C. he wore yellow shoes  
D. he was wearing white gloves

### **PART B: WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

**Put the words in brackets into their correct forms.**

36. She decided to \_\_\_\_\_ (DUSTY) the dining room furniture again.  
37. Their daughter became the \_\_\_\_\_ (OWN) of the farm in 1892.  
38. There is wide \_\_\_\_\_ (VARIOUS) in shape and colour.  
39. You'll need to be a little more \_\_\_\_\_ (IMAGINE) if you want to hold their attention.  
40. Her books are always \_\_\_\_\_ (ENTERTAIN) and this one is no exception.

**Use the correct tense of the verb in brackets.**

41. Surfing, an extreme sport that originated in Hawaii, \_\_\_\_\_ (BECOME) more popular recently.  
42. The children were frightened because it \_\_\_\_\_ (GET) dark.  
43. He was very polite. Whenever his wife entered the room, he \_\_\_\_\_ (STAND) up.  
44. Do you think that he \_\_\_\_\_ (RECOGNIZE) me?  
45. According to the schedule, the last train \_\_\_\_\_ (LEAVE) the station at 11.30.

**Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first one.**

**(From questions 46 - 50, THE ANSWERS MUST BE WRITTEN IN FULL SENTENCES.)**

46. We started to write to each other three years ago.

=> We have \_\_\_\_\_

47. My father couldn't go to my sister's wedding party. He was so ill.

=> My father was too \_\_\_\_\_

48. While I was taking a driving lesson, it was rainy.

=> During \_\_\_\_\_

49. He can play chess better than anyone else in the class.

=> No one else in the class \_\_\_\_\_

50. I have no intention of sleeping in this room.

=> I am not \_\_\_\_\_

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