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**FIRST SEMESTER TEST 2**

**Duration: 90 minutes**

| **I. LISTENING (2.5 points)** |  |
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| **TASK 1** | **Listen to the conversation between two students. Circle the best answer A, B, or C. You will listen TWICE.** |
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| **1.**  | Why is Alice talking to Quang? |
|  | **A.** | Because they are both new students. |
|  | **B.** | Because they are old friends. |
|  | **C.** | Because Mr Minh asked her to. |
| **2.**  | Where did Alice live in the past? |
|  | **A.** | In the countryside. |
|  | **B.** | In the highland. |
|  | **C.** | In the city. |
| **3.**  | Where does Quang live now? |
|  | **A.** | In a stilt house. |
|  | **B.** | In an apartment. |
|  | **C.** | In a townhouse. |
| **4.**  | What do the two students think of life in the city? |
|  | **A.** | They are both keen on living in the city. |
|  | **B.** | They both detest living in the city. |
|  | **C.** | They have different opinions. |
| **5.**  | Thanks to the transport system in Alice’s city, what can people do? |
|  | **A.** | Travel abroad easier. |
|  | **B.** | Commute faster. |
|  | **C.** | Avoid traffic jams. |

| **TASK 2** | **Listen to some information about a teenager. Complete a student’s note. Write NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS AND/OR A NUMBER in each blank. You will listen TWICE.** |
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|  | **Student’s note** |  |
|  | **Waya** – A NATIVE AMERICAN  |  |
|  | * A **(1) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** -year-old boy
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|  | * From one of the **(2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** native tribes in America
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|  | * Learning his native tongue, an endangered **(3) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** with very few speakers
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|  | * Wants to **(4) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** with people from the outside world
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|  | * Has plan to go to public school, with the intention of promoting his tribe’s **(5) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** and improve life within his community
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| **II. READING (2.5 points)** |  |
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| **TASK 1** | **Read the passage. Circle the best answer A, B or C to each of the questions.** |
|  | If you want to experience a nomadic life, come and visit Mongolia where there are many nomadic tribes that still maintain their traditional lifestyle. A nomad family lives in a circular tent called *ger*. It’s a convenient and cosy home equipped with necessary furniture and even modern electrical appliances like a TV or a fridge. In winter, Mongolian nomads usually take **it** down and move to a warmer place for shelter. Because they raise free-range herds of cattle in large quantities, they are in the habit of moving at least four times a year to find grasslands for their animals to eat. For daily meals, the main food there is dairy products, so it is their practice to serve a fermented milk drink for breakfast. Having a nomadic life requires people there to have good health to suffer from frigid air or scorching heat in dramatic weather changes. They are good at riding horses and using eagles to hunt for food. There are still many other unique nomadic customs and traditions for you to discover, so don’t hesitate to travel to this marvellous land.  |  |
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| **1.**  | What is the passage mainly about? |
|  | **A.** | Raising cattle in nomadic tribes. |
|  | **B.** | The traditional way of eating food in Mongolia. |
|  | **C.** | The nomadic life in Mongolia. |
| **2.**  | What does the word ***it*** in line 6 mean? |
|  | **A.** | A *ger.* |
|  | **B.** | A fridge. |
|  | **C.** | A TV. |
| **3.**  | How often do nomadic people move to live in another place? |
|  | **A.** | A minimum of four times a year. |
|  | **B.** | Less than four times a year. |
|  | **C.** | Once or twice a year. |
| **4.**  | What do Mongolian nomads usually have for breakfast? |
|  | **A.** | A dish of grilled meat. |
|  | **B.** | A fermented milk drink. |
|  | **C.** | A cup of coffee. |
| **5.**  | Which of the following is NOT true about nomadic people in Mongolia? |
|  | **A.** | They usually move with their animals from place to place in winter. |
|  | **B.** | They hunt eagles for food. |
|  | **C.** | They can enjoy TV shows in a *ger*. |

| **TASK 2** | **Complete the reading passage. Write ONE suitable word in each blank.** |
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|  | There are several exciting customs and traditions to **(1) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** New Years in Asian countries. In Viet Nam, Tet, the biggest holiday, is agreat time to show the good Vietnamese values via traditional activities such as decorating houses with kumquat trees and peach blossoms or putting up tall bamboos poles to chase **(2)** **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** bad luck. In Japan, the annual 108-time bell-ringing ceremonyin temples, based on Buddhist beliefs, is **(3)** **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** indispensable custom on New Year’s Eve. Besides that, eating *kagami mochi* (consisting of two round rice cakes with a *daidai* fruit on top) is a unique ritual to welcome a year **(4) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** of luck and happiness. In Thailand, there is a traditional Thai New Year called Songkran, lasting for five days in mid to late April. The nationwide water fight is the main festivity that marks the **(5)** **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** of a new year.  |  |
| **III. WRITING (2.5 points)** |  |
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| **TASK 1** | **For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use the word in brackets and do not change it. Write NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS.** |
| ***Example:*** |
| **0.**  | The bookshop is opposite the library. |
|  | **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** a bookshop opposite the library. **(THERE)** |
|  | Answer: 0. There is |
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| **1.** | Playing badminton is the most popular leisure activity in this school.  |
|  | Students in this school like \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ than any other leisure activity. **(BADMINTON)** |
| **2.**  | Lan thinks that talking out problems with someone she trusts helps her reduce stress.  |
|  | If Lan feels stressed, she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ her stress with someone she trusts to reduce stress. **(ABOUT)** |
| **3.** | They had to cancel their visit to an ethnic group because of the heavy rain.  |
|  | They had to cancel their visit to an ethnic group because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. **(HEAVILY)** |
| **4.**  | Shopping at the supermarket may take a lot of time, but it can help shoppers relax.  |
|  | It may take a lot of time to shop at the supermarket; \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ make shoppers feel relaxed. **(HOWEVER)** |
| **5.**  | Viet Nam has many different ethnic groups.  |
|  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a variety of ethnic groups in Viet Nam. **(THERE)** |

| **TASK 2** | **Write an email (80 - 100 words) to your friend about your stress and how you have managed it.** |
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| **IV. LANGUAGE FOCUS (2.5 points)** |  |
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| **TASK 1** | **Choose the word with a different way of pronunciation in the underlined part. Circle A, B, C, or D.** |
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| **1.** | A. | t**a**ke | B. | decor**a**te | C. | **a**void | D.  | m**a**ke |
| **2.** | A.  | **a**nswer | B. | m**a**turity | C. | lip b**a**lm | D.  | pl**a**nt |
| **3.** | A. | on**i**on | B.  | d**i**sh | C.  | m**i**neral | D.  | equ**i**pment |
| **4.** | A. | l**e**monade | B. | s**e**t | C. | p**e**pper | D.  | r**e**source |
| **5.** | A. | c**o**medy | B. | c**o**mmunity | C. | ph**o**tography | D.  | lem**o**n |

| **TASK 2** | **Fill each blank with the correct form of the word in brackets.** |
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| **1.** | Anna dislikes **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** (do) puzzles because she has a limited vocabulary range. |
| **2.** | Some students are into **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** (surf) the net to search information for their homework. |
| **3.** | Minh is making progress in his English. He speaks **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** (fluently) than he did last semester. |
| **4.** | Mai decided \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (travel) to the Northern Highlands this summer to learn more about ethnic groups. |
| **5.** | - Why \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Tom \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (feel) unwell at the moment?- Because he has used his smartphone for a long time. |
| **6.** | Some students reduce their stress by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (do) origami. |
| **7.** | During their visit to Ha Noi last summer, they \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (take) some photos of Duong Lam. |
| **8.** | While the truck driver \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (unload) the fruit, the farmers are drying rice. |
| **9.** | When you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (feel) stressed, you should stop surfing the net and go to bed early. |
| **10.** | The student did the chemistry test \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (bad) than the physics test. |
| **11.** | When Tom was in Japan, he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (watch) many *shishi-mai* performances. |
| **12.** | Many teenagers are in the habit of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (have) fast food for their lunch, which is not good for their health.  |
| **13.** | If Alice has enough money, she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a new computer for working part-time at home. |
| **14.** | Talking to teachers about our problems can help us feel much \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (well). |
| **15.** | People in the village detest \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (build) more and more roads as this may harm the environment. |

| **TASK 3** | **Choose the best option to complete each sentence. Circle A, B, C, or D.** |
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| **1.** | Tom’s father is \_\_\_\_\_\_ playing badminton to keep fit. |
|  | A. | into | B. | in | C. | on | D. | about |
| **2.** | Alice has just started to cook and she is trying some easy \_\_\_\_\_\_. |
|  | A. | snacks | B. | ingredients | C. | formulas | D. | recipes |
| **3.** | Look at those students! They always \_\_\_\_\_\_ messages to each other with their smartphones during break time. |
|  | A. | chat | B. | talk | C. | send | D. | type |
| **4.** | - Hi, Tom! You look so happy!- Hi, Mai. I’ve just been to Ha Noi. I had a very \_\_\_\_\_\_ holiday! |
|  | A. | enjoyable | B. | terrible | C. | fashionable | D. | hospitable |
| **5.** | Children in the countryside often spend their free time \_\_\_\_\_\_ the cattle. |
|  | A. | herding | B. |  harvesting | C. | holding | D. | maintaining |
| **6.** | If you want to become a successful farmer, you need to work very \_\_\_\_\_\_. |
|  | A. | heavily | B. | hard | C. | clearly | D. | soundly |
| **7.** | Travellers to this village always feel at home because the villagers are very \_\_\_\_\_\_. |
|  | A. | hard-working | B. | well-trained | C. | active | D. | hospitable |
| **8.** | One of the visitors’ popular activities is \_\_\_\_\_\_ the local chef cooking specialities. |
|  | A. | showing | B. | observing | C. | asking | D. | learning |
| **9.** | - Look at this photo of a stilt house!- It looks so beautiful! It is very popular in most ethnic \_\_\_\_\_\_ groups in Viet Nam. |
|  | A. | minority | B. | massive | C. | majority | D. | major |
| **10.** | - Why are they knocking on wood?- Traditionally, they believe it can help to \_\_\_\_\_\_ away bad spirits. |
|  | A. | run | B. | push | C. | chase | D. | follow |
| **11.** | Chinh is buying a lot of small bells to \_\_\_\_\_\_ his Christmas tree. |
|  | A. | hang | B. | draw | C. | admire | D. | decorate |
| **12.** | When Duong’s grandfather was young, he did not celebrate Christmas; however, celebrating this special occasion is now becoming a \_\_\_\_\_\_ in Viet Nam. |
|  | A. | habit | B. | tradition | C. | custom | D. | holiday |
| **13.** | Minh is learning to weave bamboo baskets as it is his villagers’ \_\_\_\_\_\_ craft. |
|  | A. | tradition | B. | traditional | C. | traditionally | D. | traditions |
| **14.** | - What is the most \_\_\_\_\_\_ in Italy?- I think it’s pizza. |
|  | A. | communally | B. | communal | C. | common | D. | commonly |
| **15.** | \_\_\_\_\_\_ tablets bring many benefits, students should not use them too much before bedtime. |
|  | A. | Therefore | B. | Because | C. | However | D. | Although |

**ANSWER KEY**

**I. LISTENING**

**TASK 1**

1. C 2. A 3. B 4. C 5. B

***Script:***

Quang: Hello, I’m Quang, the new student.

Alice: I’m Alice. Welcome to our city and class! Mr Minh told me to pick you up, for I was also a new student here last year.

Quang: Really? You were a newcomer here last year too?

Alice: Yes, I used to live in the countryside. How about you?

Quang: I’m from an ethnic group in the Northern Highland.

Alice: Did you live in a stilt house?

Quang: Yes. But now I live in an apartment.

Alice: What do you think of the city?

Quang: The lifestyle here seems quite stressful, so I prefer the peaceful life in my hometown.

Alice: For me, I enjoy living in this city. With such a modern transport system, you can travel around faster and easier. Would you like me to show you around the city tomorrow?

Quang: That would be great. Thanks!

**TASK 2**

1. 13/ thirteen 2. largest 3. language

4. interact more 5. culture

***Script:***

Waya is a thirteen-year-old boy in the United States. He’s not a typical American teenager as he was born and raised in the Cherokee Nation, one of the largest native American tribes in the USA. There are many customs and traditions in his tribe, and he always tries to honour them. He's also learning the Cherokee language, his native tongue with only a few thousand speakers left. However, he wants to interact more with people outside his tribe. His plan for next fall is to attend a public school. Sharing his experience as a native teenager is important as he wants the outside world to understand more about his culture and way of life. In turn, he hopes to bring back new knowledge and improve life in his own community.

**II. READING**

**TASK 1**

1. C 2. A 3. A 4. B 5. B

**TASK 2**

1. celebrate 2. away 3. an

4. full 5. beginning

**III. WRITING**

**TASK 1**

1. playing badminton better/ more

2. will talk about

3. it rained heavily

4. however, this can

5. There is/ are

**TASK 2**

***Sample writing:***

Hi Jane,

It’s nice to know that you had a great weekend city tour.

As I’m preparing for my examination, I feel quite stressed. There are a lot of lessons and homework that my friends and I have to review. Because we have different after-school schedules, it is difficult for us to find the time for group revision. Finally, we decided to have an online discussion to save time. Things are better now! Also, I try some morning exercise at the park and it’s really helpful. I think we are now ready for the test!

Write to you soon.

Bye.

Chinh

**IV. LANGUAGE FOCUS**

**TASK 1**

1. C 2. B 3. A 4. D 5. A

**TASK 2**

| 1. doing/ to do | 6. doing | 11. watched |
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| 2. surfing | 7. took  | 12. having |
| 3. more fluently | 8. is unloading  | 13. will buy |
| 4. to travel | 9. feel | 14. better |
| 5. is … feeling | 10. worse | 15. building |

**TASK 3**

1. A 2. D 3. C 4. A 5. A

6. B 7. D 8. B 9. A 10. C

11. D 12. C 13. B 14. C 15. D