

PART A: LISTENING

Part 1:

You will hear a woman, called Sarah talking about a sport called free-diving. Choose the correct answer from A, B or C for each of the following questions.

1. What does Sarah say about the history of free-diving?

- A. It has always been an extreme sport.
- B. It was once a way of finding food.
- C. It's less than four hundred years old.

2. What does Sarah say about free-diving today?

- A. It requires special equipment.
- B. It's non-competitive.
- C. It has several different names.

3. How did Tanya Streeter spend a lot of her childhood?

- A. training to be a diver
- B. sailing and fishing
- C. playing in the sea

4. Tanya realized she was a talented free-diver after

- A. She'd entered her first free-diving competition.
- B. She'd had one lesson in free-diving.
- C. She'd been doing it for a while.

5. How does Tanya train?

- A. She exercises for five hours every day.
- B. She swims in the sea every day.
- C. She goes running every day.

Part 2:

Listen to the conversation between Linda and Matt. Complete the notes below. Write one word or a number for each answer.

Moving to Banford City	
<i>Example</i>	Linda recommends living in suburb of:..... Dalton :.....
Accommodation	
• Average rent: (6) £ a month	
Transport	
• Linda travels to work by (7)	
• Limited (8) in city centre	
• Trains to London every (9) minutes	
• Poor train service at (10)	

Advantages of living in Banford

- New (11) opened recently
- (12) has excellent reputation
- Good (13) on Bridge Street

Meet Linda

- Meet Linda on (14) after 5.30 pm
- In the (15) opposite the station

PART B: LEXICO-GRAMMAR

I. Choose the best answer (A, B, C or D) to complete the following sentences.

- I think he's from America, _____?
A. do I B. don't I C. isn't he D. is he
- This book is so interesting that I can't _____.
A. pick it up B. let it down C. open it up D. put it down
- The film was _____. There was so much blood in it.
A. horrify B. horrified C. horrifying D. being
- "You look nice today. I like your new hair style."
— "_____".
A. Shall I? Thanks. B. It's nice of you to say so.
C. I feel interesting to hear that. D. Oh, well done!
- They received _____ advice from their parents that they became successful.
A. so good B. such a good C. so good an D. such good
- The exam we did last week was a piece of _____.
A. bread B. cake C. sandwich D. hamburger
- Jane really enjoys _____ to dinner parties.
A. being invited B. inviting C. being inviting D. be invited
- My father used _____ me to school.
A. took B. taking C. take D. to take
- My brother is studying hard _____ pass the exam.
A. for B. in order to C. so to D. so that
- Are you proud _____ your country and its tradition?
A. about B. on C. of D. for
- Lucy answered the questions _____ than Sarah.
A. intelligent B. more C. most intelligent D. more intelligent
intelligently
- _____ the weather be nice tomorrow, my team will go trekking.
A. If B. Unless C. Should D. Were
- Lots of people _____ Yoga to relax.
A. take after B. take up C. give up D. take in
- _____ being tired, I went for a picnic with my family.
A. That B. Though C. Since D. Despite
- You _____ have told that joke. Everybody has heard it too often.
A. can't B. mustn't C. shouldn't D. needn't
- The first plant-like organisms probably _____ in the sea, perhaps three billion years ago.
A. life B. living C. lived D. it was living

17. I would rather _____ nothing than _____ that book.
 A. do - to read B. do - read C. doing – reading D. done - read
18. _____ the two sisters, Mary is _____.
 A. Of/ the prettier B. Between/ the prettiest C. Of/ prettier D. Between/ the prettier
19. There was nothing special about his clothes _____ from his flowery tie.
 A. but B. except C. other D. apart
20. A true friend will _____ when you are in troubles.
 A. stand by B. stand out for C. stand D. stand against

II. Give the correct forms of the words in brackets to complete the blank space. Write your answers on the answer sheet.

BUSINESS ETIQUETTE IN BRITAIN

Most (0) *foreigners* who visit Britain are surprised to find that its inhabitants are more informal than they had imagined. It is increasingly common to use first names in most situations even without any personal (1) _____. Handshaking is inappropriate except for first meeting, or when people see each other again after a long (2) _____. Also surprising is the British attitude towards punctuality. Business meetings frequently start ten minutes late and, on social occasions impolite to arrive on time. If you receive a dinner (3) _____, you should arrive ten to twenty minutes after the stated time. In conversation, politeness is valued, so British people avoid strong (4) _____ of opinion. This sometimes gives the impression that they are (5) _____ but is in fact just their way of avoiding arguments or confrontation.

FOREIGN

INTRODUCE

ABSENT

INVITE

STATE

DECIDE

III. Identify the underlined part in each sentence that is not correct and then get it right.

Example: The coal is the world's most abundant fossil fuel.

Answer: A Coal

A B C D

1. The town we visited was a four-days journey by bus from our hotel, so we took the train instead.

A B C D

2. The consume of soft drinks, especially coca cola, exceeds that of any other beverage.

A B C D

3. In the past few years, this area has become heavy industrialized.

A B C D

4. Although he was very hard-working, but he got a very low score in the final examination.

A B C D

5. The Department of Foreign Languages are located in the new building opposite the old one.

- A B C D
6. Of all mammals, dolphins are undoubtedly between the friendliest to humans.
- A B C D
7. The breakdown service where he had phoned five minutes before arrived right away.
- A B C D
8. After questioning for a while, he finally admitted having stolen the camera.
- A B C D
9. I find Jenny an extreme interesting person to be with.
- A B C D
10. We should have a medicine examination every six months.
- A B C D

PART C: READING

I. You are going to read a newspaper article about a man who works in the kitchens of a fast food restaurant. Five sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences A-E the one which fits each gap (1-5).

FAST WORK FOR FAST FOOD

When I graduated from cookery school, I could have applied for jobs in ski chalets or on board ships sailing around the Caribbean. Instead, I applied to work in a fashionable fast food restaurant and suddenly found myself working very long hours in hot, sweaty kitchens full of completely crazy characters. I thought that starting at the bottom of the food chain, as opposed to the high life of skiing and sailing, would be good training. I couldn't have been more wrong.

At 7.45 each morning I stagger into the kitchen with all the other cooks, exhausted from working a 10-hour shift the night before. **(1)** _____. Nothing is where it should be. Vegetables have been left on the floor and raw fish has been left uncovered in the fridge. A couple of dustbins have not been emptied and everything has to be cleaned before we can begin the day's work.

(2) _____. I fill a sink with water, throw in several box loads of the stuff and wash each leaf separately. My hands are so cold I can hardly feel them. Between 9 and 10, the line chefs start arriving. **(3)** _____. They swan around the kitchens shouting orders at the poor cooks like me whose job it is to prepare all the ingredients.

But if anything goes wrong once the customers' orders start coming in, you can guess who gets the blame. If they run out of sauce, then it's the cook's fault for not preparing enough in the first place. **(4)** _____. The chefs are only under pressure at particular point in the day. The cooks are under pressure all the time.

(5) _____. This is when the waiters get told what the day's special menus are. Then, no sooner are we back in the kitchen to start the lunch service than three deliveries of food and drink arrive all at the same time. This means I get sent to sort them out. I am faced with carrying boxes of frozen chips or bottles of fruit juice from the lorries down two flights of stairs to the store rooms. By mid-afternoon, the lunchtime rush is dying down. However, I don't get anything to eat until the end of my working day, at 6 that

evening. Then I am allowed to have my free staff “lunch”, by which time I’m too tired to eat.

- A. If the chicken goes cold, then it’s the cook’s fault for not keeping it in the oven longer
- B. These are the people who get all the glory
- C. Before we open at midday, all the staff meet in the restaurant.
- D. My first job of the day is shopping, and shredding leaves and lettuces for salads
- E. There’s been a break of just about four hours and the kitchen has not been tidied from last night

II. Read the following passage and choose the correct answer to fill in the numbered blanks.

FENG SHUI – POSITIVE FEELINGS CHINESE STYLE

Recently, the Feng Shui business has been booming as more and more people (1) _____ an interest in Asian culture and lifestyles. Whether people are (2) _____ Feng Shui experts or simply buying books and trying it out for themselves, there is no doubt that, in the West, in the last few years the idea of Feng Shui has really (3) _____ off.

So what exactly is Feng Shui? Well, it is a Chinese art form that is concerned (4) _____ the way you arrange the rooms and the furniture in your house. It is believed that organizing these things correctly will (5) _____ you happiness and good luck. In the UK there are currently about 300 Feng Shui consultants. They will come to your house or office and give you advice (6) _____ on your lifestyle and date of birth. According to one such expert, I (7) _____ install an aquarium with six black and one red goldfish in my living room in order to absorb bad vibes. He also told me to (8) _____ attention to one of my windows. He advised me to put plants on the window sill to prevent the loss of positive energy. The real ‘weak spot’ in my house, however, was the cooker. He reassured me that hanging some dried vegetables above it would solve the (9) _____. Whether you believe in the power of Feng Shui or not, it is certainly having a major (10) _____ on the way thousands of people organize their homes.

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| 1. A. take | B. do | C. make | D. give |
| 2. A. requesting | B. asking | C. consulting | D. advising |
| 3. A. made | B. driven | C. taken | D. started |
| 4. A. with | B. of | C. in | D. through |
| 5. A. carry | B. give | C. make | D. bring |
| 6. A. based | B. put | C. held | D. carried |
| 7. A. ought | B. need | C. have | D. must |
| 8. A. give | B. pay | C. have | D. put |
| 9. A. fault | B. error | C. mistake | D. problem |
| 10. A. affect | B. impact | C. consequence | D. power |

III. Fill in each numbered blank of the following passage with ONE suitable word.

Sometimes you know things about people the first (1) _____ you see them, for example, that you want to be friends with them (2) _____ that you don’t trust them. But perhaps this kind of intuition isn’t as hard to explain (3) _____ it may seem. For instance, people give out body (4) _____ signals all the time. The way you hold your body, head and arms tells people about your (5) _____. If you hold your arms tightly at your sides, or fold them across your (6) _____, people will generally feel that you are being defensive. Holding your head to one side shows interest in the

other, (7) _____ an easy, open posture indicates that you are self-confident. All this affects the way you feel about someone.

Also, a stranger may remind you (8) _____ a meeting with someone. This may be because of something as simple as the fact that he or she is physically similar to someone who (9) _____ you well or badly. Your feelings about a stranger could be (10) _____ by a smell in the air that brings to mind a place where you were happy as a child. Since even a single word can bring back a memory such as that, you may never realize it is happening.

PART D: WRITING

I. Rewrite the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first one.

1. It's 3 years since I last saw Nam.

=> I haven't _____.

2. I have never had an easier exam.

=> This is _____.

3. Study hard or you will fail the exam.

=> Unless _____.

4. The woman was very weak. She couldn't lift the basket.

=> The woman _____.

5. I don't think you should ring him now. It's rather late.

=> You'd better _____.

6. He failed the exam because of his laziness.

=> Because he _____.

7. I sent my friend a letter in London last week.

=> A letter _____.

8. This problem can't be solved instantly.

=> There is no _____.

9. Everyone was surprised to see Geoff leave the party early.

=> To _____.

10. I'd rather not see him tomorrow. (want)

=> I _____.

II. Write a paragraph of around 120 - 150 words to talk about your future job.

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Giám thị coi thi không giải thích gì thêm

Họ và tên thí sinh _____ Số báo danh _____

Bài thi chấm thang điểm: 20 điểm

Mỗi đáp án đúng được 0,2 điểm (có 85 câu); riêng bài viết luận tối đa được 3,0 điểm.

PART A: LISTENING

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

Part 2:

6. 850 7. bike / bicycle 8. parking 9. 30/ thirty 10. weekend(s)
11. cinema 12. hospital 13. dentist 14. Thursday 15. café/ cafe

PART B: LEXICO-GRAMMAR**I. Choose the best answer (A, B, C or D) to complete the sentences.**

1-C	2-D	3-C	4-B	5-D	6-B	7-A	8-D	9-B	10-C
11-B	12-C	13-B	14-D	15-C	16-C	17-B	18-A	19-D	20-A

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1. introduction	2. absence	3. invitation	4. statement(s)	5. indecisive
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III. Identify the underlined part in each sentence that is not correct and then get it right.

1. B-four-day	2. A-consumption	3. D-heavily	4. B-bỏ but	5. B-is
6. C-among	7. B- which	8. A-being questioned	9. B-extremely	10. B-medical

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1. E	2. D	3. B	4. A	5. C
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1. A	2. C	3. C	4. A	5. D
6. A	7. D	8. B	9. D	10. B

III. Fill in each numbered blank of the following passage with ONE suitable word.

1. time	2. or	3. as	4. language	5. mood/feeling
6. chest	7. while	8. of	9. treated	10. influenced

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- It's 3 years since I last saw Nam.
=> I haven't seen Nam for 3 years.
- I have never had an easier exam.
=> This is the easiest exam I have ever had.
- Study hard or you will fail the exam.
=> Unless you study hard, you will fail the exam.
- The woman was very weak. She couldn't lift the basket.

- => The woman was too weak to lift the basket.
 The woman was so weak that she couldn't lift the basket.
 The woman was not strong enough to lift the basket.
5. I don't think you should ring him now. It's rather late.
 => You'd better not ring him now as/since/because it's rather late.
6. He failed the exam because of his laziness.
 => Because he was lazy, he failed the exam.
7. I sent my friend a letter in London last week.
 => A letter was sent to my friend in London last week.
8. This problem can't be solved instantly.
 => There is no instant solution to this problem
9. Everyone was surprised to see Geoff leave the party early.
 => To everyone's surprise, Geoff left the party early.
10. I'd rather not see him tomorrow. (want)
 => I don't want to see him tomorrow.

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Bài viết đoạn văn: 3 điểm

- Viết đúng dạng đoạn văn, có câu chủ đề, phát triển ý, câu kết phù hợp: 2,0 điểm
- Có tính mạch lạc và thống nhất: 0.5 điểm
- Ngữ pháp, từ vựng chính xác: 0.5 điểm

TAPESCRIPT:

Hello, I'm Sarah Robinson and I'm going to talk to you about free-diving. Today free-diving is an extreme sport which is very popular all around the world. However, the origins of free-diving go a long way back in history, about 4,000 years in fact, when people used to dive for pearls and to catch fish to eat.

So what is modern free-diving exactly? Also called 'breath-hold' or 'apnea', it is the art of diving without any breathing equipment. It's a sport which sets records for the deepest dive and the longest time somebody holds their breath.

There are a lot of talented free-divers, but one of the world's most successful and most popular is Tanya Streeter. Tanya grew up in Grand Cayman, an island in the Caribbean Sea, so of course, she spent a lot of her childhood snorkelling and looking at the fish and other sea life. She used to love diving as deep as possible looking for rocks and shells.

Then in 1997, Tanya did an introductory class on free-diving. She found out that she was really good so decided to carry on with it. Within months, she started to enter competitions. In 1998, she set the World Women's No Limits Record with a dive of 113 metres off the coast of the Cayman Islands. She went on to set many more records after that. Although free-diving is a really exciting sport, it can also be very dangerous. Not breathing for a very long time can cause damage to your brain. Free-divers have to learn the right breathing techniques, but they also have to be extremely physically fit. Most free-divers have a very hard training schedule. Tanya, for example, spends two hours every day either running or riding a bike. She then dives and swims in the pool for another three hours. Of course, if you want take up free-diving, I'm not suggesting you take it quite so seriously at first. You may not ever want to enter any competitions and you certainly don't have to start off in the sea. The first thing you should do is to have professional classes to learn about safety. You'll need to find a swimming pool that offers these. You should also get as fit as possible. You'll then find out that free-diving is a really wonderful way to experience the underwater world.

II. Questions from 6 to 15.

TAPESCRIPT:

Linda Hello, Linda speaking

Matt Oh hi, Linda This is Matt Brooks Alex White gave me your number He said you'd be able to give me some advice about moving to Banford

Linda Yes, Alex did mention you How can I help?

Matt Well, first of all - which area to live in?

Linda Well, I live in Dalton, which is a really nice suburb - not too expensive, and there's a nice park.

Matt Sounds good. Do you know how much it would be to rent a two bedroom flat there

Linda Yeah, you should be able to get something reasonable for 850 pounds per month That's what

people typically pay. That doesn't include bills or anything

Matt No; That sounds alright. I'll definitely have a look there. Are the transport links easy from where you live?

Linda Well, I'm very lucky. I work in the city centre so I don't have to use public transport! go by bike

Matt Oh, I wish I could do that Is it safe to cycle around the city?

Linda Yes, it's fine And it keeps me fit. Anyway, driving to work in the city centre would be a nightmare because there's hardly any parking And the traffic during the rush hour can be bad

Matt I'd be working from home but I'd have to go to London one or two days a week

Linda Oh, that's perfect Getting to London is no problem There s a fast tram every 30 minutes which only takes 45 minutes

Matt That's good.

Linda Yeah, the train service isn't bad during the week And they run quite late at night. It s weekends that are a problem. They're always doing engineering work and you have to take a bus to Hadham and pick up the train there which is really slow. But other than that, Banford's a great place to live I've never been happier

Linda There are some nice restaurants in the city centre and a brand new cinema which has only been open a couple of months There's a good arts centre too

Matt: Sounds like Banford's got it all

Linda Yes! We're really lucky There are lots of really good aspects to living here The schools are good and the hospital here is one of the best in the country. Everyone I know who's been there's had a positive experience Oh. I can give you the name of my dentist too in Bridge Street, if you're interested I've been going to him for years and I've never had any problems

Matt Oh, OK Thanks!

Linda I'll find his number and send it to you

Matt Thanks that would be really helpful

Linda Are you planning to visit Banford soon?

Matt Yes My wife and I are both coming next week We want to make some appointments with estate agents

Linda I could meet you if you like and show you around

Matt Are you sure? We d really appreciate that

Linda Either a Tuesday or Thursday is good for me after 5 30 09

Matt Thursday's preferable - Tuesday I need to get home before 6 pmcafé... opposite the station.