

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. loved B. changed C. checked D. caused
2. A. sculpture B. treatment C. pottery D. lantern

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. method B. result C. correct D. improve
4. A. conditional B. technology C. co'ommunity D. educaton

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 stress in each of the following questions.

5. _____ the power outage, the entire neighborhood was in darkness.
A. Although B. Because C. In spite of D. **Because of**
6. Spanish is the _____ language of Mexico and many countries in Latin America.
A. regional B. foreign C. **official** D. bilingual
7. Good communication skills are essential _____ success in any profession.
A. in B. over C. out D. **for**
8. Sarah _____ listening to music while working.
A. **enjoys** B. wants C. admits D. needs
9. John is the most _____ person I know; he can strike up a conversation with anyone.
A. society B. socialize C. sociably D. **sociable**
10. The environmental club suggested _____ plastic waste from the beach to clean it up.
A. to collect B. collect C. collected D. **collecting**
11. After a long day of work, I'm too tired to cook, so let's _____ tonight.
A. find out B. bring out C. look out D. **eat out**
12. We should educate the public about wildlife, _____?
A. **shouldn't we** B. should we C. don't we D. do we

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that is CLOSEST In meaning to the underlined word(s) in the following sentence.

13. The couple tried to **converse** in the busy restaurant, but they couldn't hear themselves speak.
A. **talk** B. eat C. discuss D. write

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

20. A. amplified B. simplified C. quantified D. qualified

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best option that fits each of the numbered blanks from 21 to 25.

The USA is encouraging Americans to wear face masks. There has been a lot of talk about whether or not face masks are effective in helping slow down the (21) _____ of the COVID -19 coronavirus. The government is set to encourage Americans to use homemade face covering like cloth masks, bandanas and scarves. At first, the WHO and (22) _____ health organizations recommended that people (23) _____ were not sick didn't need to wear masks or cover their faces. (24) _____, it is now proved that face masks can work (25) _____. They point to countries like Singapore and South Korea, where people wear masks and reported infection rates are lower.

21. A. release B. widening C. lengthening D. spread
22. A. some B. any C. a D. much
23. A. which B. where C. why D. who
24. A. Moreover B. Although C. However D. Because
25. A. effect B. effectively C. effective D. effects

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.

Practical Stress Management

Stress is a natural part of life, but managing it effectively is essential for overall well-being. When stress becomes **overwhelming**, it can negatively affect physical and mental health. Practical stress management techniques help individuals stay balanced and improve their quality of life. Understanding how to control stress through simple daily habits can lead to long-term benefits.

One effective way to manage stress is through physical activity. Exercise releases endorphins, which improve mood and reduce tension. Activities like walking, yoga, and deep breathing can help relax the mind and body. Additionally, maintaining a healthy diet and getting enough sleep are crucial for stress management, as they support overall mental and physical health.

Another useful method is time management. Planning tasks, setting priorities, and taking breaks can prevent feelings of being overwhelmed. Practicing mindfulness and relaxation techniques, such as meditation and journaling, also helps people stay focused and calm. Spending time with loved ones and engaging in hobbies can further reduce stress and promote emotional well-being.

While stress is unavoidable, adopting practical strategies can make it more manageable. By incorporating exercise, good nutrition, relaxation techniques, and effective time management, individuals can lead healthier and happier lives. Managing stress effectively allows people to stay productive, maintain strong relationships, and enjoy a better overall sense of well-being.

26. What is the main topic of the passage?

- A. The causes of stress
- B. The importance of sleep
- C. Practical ways to manage stress
- D. The effects of stress on health

27. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a stress management technique?

- A. Exercising regularly
- B. Watching television
- C. Practicing mindfulness
- D. Getting enough sleep

28. The word "**overwhelming**" in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. Encouraging
- B. Exciting
- C. Intense
- D. Unimportant

29. Why is physical activity helpful for stress management?

- A. It releases chemicals that improve mood.
- B. It increases daily responsibilities.
- C. It helps people avoid social interactions.
- D. It reduces the need for relaxation.

30. How does time management help reduce stress?

- A. It eliminates all responsibilities.
- B. It helps people prioritize tasks and stay organized.
- C. It forces people to work longer hours.
- D. It replaces the need for social interactions.

31. What is the overall benefit of managing stress effectively?

- A. It leads to better health and well-being.
- B. It increases stress levels over time.
- C. It prevents all negative emotions.
- D. It makes work responsibilities disappear.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph in the following question.

32.

- a. One important step in this process is understanding the different categories of waste, such as recyclables, organic waste, and general trash, which can greatly impact how each type is disposed of correctly.
- b. Educating the community about the significance of waste classification can also foster a sense of responsibility and encourage everyone to participate actively in environmental conservation efforts.
- c. Proper waste sorting is essential for effective recycling and waste management, helping to reduce the amount of garbage that ends up in landfills.
- d. For instance, materials like plastic, paper, and glass should be separated from organic waste, as they can be processed and transformed into new products if collected and sorted properly.

e. In conclusion, by promoting the correct methods of waste sorting, we can contribute to a cleaner environment and ensure that valuable resources are reused instead of discarded.

A. b-c-a-d-e

B. c-a-d-b-e

C. d-c-b-a-e

D. a-d-c-b-e

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

33. Despite of (A) its general safety (B), acupuncture isn't (C) for everyone (D).

34. Look at (A) the dark clouds (B). I'm sure (C) it will rain (D) soon.

35. Acupuncture is one (A) of the oldest (B) medical treatment (C) in (D) the world.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to the given one.

36. No other student in his class is as successful as Pat.

A. The more successful his class is, the more success Pat gets.

B. Pat is the most successful student in his class.

C. His class is less successful than Pat is

D. Pat succeeded in beating all other students in his class

37. Although his living conditions were not good, he studied very well.

A. Because of his difficult living conditions, he studied very well.

B. Despite of his difficult living conditions, he studied very well.

C. Despite his difficult living conditions, he studied very well.

D. He studied very well just because he lived in difficult conditions.

38. "What is Steve doing in the garden now?" she asked.

A. She asked what Steve was doing in the garden then.

B. She asked what was Steve doing in the garden now.

C. She asked what is Steve doing in the garden then.

D. She asked what Steve is doing in the garden now.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best combines the two given ones.

39. She cannot go to work. She fully recovers from her illness.

A. She cannot go to work after she fully recovers from her illness.

B. She cannot go to work before she fully recovers from her illness

C. She cannot go to work if she fully recovers from her illness.

D. She cannot go to work because she fully recovers from her illness.

40. You need to study your vocabulary words. You can do well on the quiz.

A. You need to study your vocabulary words because you can do well on the quiz.

B. You need to study your vocabulary words before you can do well on the quiz.

C. You need to study your vocabulary words so that you can do well on the quiz.

D. If you need to study your vocabulary words, you can do well on the quiz.