

TEST 1

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.

Rock began in the USA in the early 1950s. At that time 'rhythm and blues' music was very (1)_____ with black Americans. 'R&B' was a mixture of black religious music and jazz. It had strong rhythms (2)_____ you could dance to and simple, fast music.

Noticing the success of R&B music, white musicians started to copy the same style. By the mid 1950s, this new while R&B music, called 'rock 'n' roll' had become very popular. Singers like Elvis Presley and Bill Haley attracted millions of teenage fans. Their music was fast and loud. (3)_____ older people thought that rock 'n' roll was very dangerous.

By the early 1960s, even rock 'n' roll had become old-fashioned. Many of the songs had begun to sound the same. It was at that time that a new group from England became popular: The Beatles.

The Beatles first started by singing American style songs, (4)_____ they soon developed their own style, with more complicated melodies. They also introduced different instruments, such as the Indian sitar. Groups like The Beatles had a very important influence on the style of popular music. By the (5)_____ 1970s, rock 'n' roll had developed into a new form of music. Electronics had replaced the amplified guitars and drums of rock 'n' roll. Rock had arrived.

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| Câu 1. A. accepted | B. popular | C. famous | D. common |
| Câu 2. A. who | B. what | C. that | D. whom |
| Câu 3. A. Little | B. Many | C. Few | D. Much |
| Câu 4. A. and | B. but | C. so | D. for |
| Câu 5. A. early | B. opening | C. first | D. advance |

Read the following advertisement/announcement and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

WE'RE HIRING Come join our team

Team members

- Help us create (6)_____ great shopping experience for our guests
- Help us keep the store looking great, clean and (7)_____
- Assist guests on their Target run

Benefits

- Market competitive pay
- A variety of schedules offered
- 10% discount at Target and Target.com + 20% off fruits and veggies, Simply Balanced and C9 merchandise

Interested? Apply online (8)_____ pink.com/careers or in store.

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| Câu 6. A. an | B. no article | C. the | D. a |
| Câu 7. A. organized | B. organizer | C. organization | D. organize |
| Câu 8. A. over | B. at | C. in | D. on |

EMPLOYEE POLICY ANNOUNCEMENT

H1N1 Flu (Swine Flu) Information

As you are likely aware, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has confirmed a growing number of H1N1 flu cases in the U.S.

(9)_____ you have flu symptoms, please contact your health care provider immediately. We recommend that any staff or faculty member with flu-like symptoms remain home until symptom-free (no fever for 24 hours). Please contact Human Resources at 617-879-2193 if you, or a member of your family, (10)_____ for flu. Normal sick leave policies will apply.

Symptoms of H1N1 flu are similar to regular flu and include:

- Sudden fever over 100 degrees
- Cough, sore throat, muscle aches, headache, chills, fatigue, and general weakness.
- These symptoms can range from mild to severe and may cause a worsening or underlying chronic medical (11)_____.

- Câu 9. A. Do B. Had C. Were D. Should
Câu 10. A. treating B. have treated C. are being treated D. treats
Câu 11. A. location B. condition C. position D. situation

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.

Grandparents are becoming the forgotten generation, with youngsters now too busy to listen to their stories from the olden days.

A study of 1,000 five- to 18-year-olds reveals just 21 per cent will visit their older relatives to hear about how their lives were different in the past; such as where they worked, how it was living in the war, and how they met the love of their life. More than half of youths have no idea what job their grandparent did before retirement. Sadly, one in ten admit they are simply not interested in their grandmother's or grandad's talents and interests, and a quarter only turn up to see them for pocket money. But 23 percent claim the reason they don't know anything about their older relatives is that they don't really get the chance to talk properly.

Researchers found that although 65 per cent of youngsters do see their grandparents every single week, 37 per cent claim this is only because their parents want them to. And while 39 per cent talk to their grandparents on the phone, Facebook or Skype at least once a week - 16 per cent once a day - conversation is rarely focused on what they are doing or have done in the past. Four in 10 kids have no idea what their grandparent's proudest achievements are, while 30 per cent don't know if they have any special skills or talents. And 42 per cent don't spend any time talking about their grandparent's history -and are therefore clueless about what their grandmother or grandad was like when they were younger. Perhaps due to this lack of communication and respect, just six per cent of children say they look up to their grandparents as a role model and inspiration.

Câu 12. Which of the following could be the main idea of the passage?

- A. Young people's tendency to neglect their grandparents
- B. Grandparents' loneliness in their old age
- C. Grandparents' attitudes towards youngsters
- D. Young people's disinterest in their grandparents' stories

Câu 13. According to the study in paragraph 2, which information is **NOT** true?

- A. Nearly a quarter of young people don't have suitable opportunities to talk to older relatives.
- B. Over 50% of the young don't know about their older relatives' past professions.
- C. Most of youths visit their grandparents to ask for pocket money.
- D. Merely one fifth of people in the survey keep asking about the bygone time of their grandparents.

Câu 14. According to the last paragraph, the proportion of the young voluntarily visiting their older family members every week is _____.

- A. 39% B. 27% C. 28% D. 65%

Câu 15. The word 'admit' in paragraph 2 is **CLOSEST** in meaning to _____.

- A. dissent B. refuse C. conceal D. confess

Câu 16. The word 'them' in paragraph 2 refers to _____.

- A. relatives B. youngsters C. talents D. grandparents

Câu 17. The phrase 'look up to' in paragraph 3 is **OPPOSITE** in meaning to?

- A. dread B. disrespect C. imagine D. admire

Câu 18. Which of the following can be inferred from the last paragraph?

- A. Youngsters nowadays are too indifferent to their grandparents' lives in the past.
B. Most young people use modern technology to keep in touch with their older generation.
C. Children's lack of communication with grandparents leads to mutual misunderstanding.
D. Grandchildren never care for their elderly relatives' special skills and talents.

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

Câu 19. We _____ in Ha Noi since 2000. We love living here.

- A. are living B. live C. have lived D. has lived

Câu 20. We should call Rita, _____?

- A. shouldn't we B. should not we C. should we D. shall we

Câu 21. The revised manuscript is _____ than the previous one.

- A. the simplest B. simpler C. simple D. simplest

Câu 22. Facebook is used _____ among the young.

- A. communicate B. communicating C. to communicating D. to communicate

Câu 23. The local council has decided to _____ a concert to raise money for cancer charities

- A. come up B. run through C. put on D. take up

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.

Câu 24. A. confidence B. location C. calculate D. benefit

Câu 25. A. support B. install C. upload D. strengthen

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

In 1977, Governor Raul Castro signed a paper suggesting that August 7, 1977 was American Family Day. One year later, Governor Bruce Babbitt signed the day into law as an official Arizona holiday. American Family Day is now celebrated across the United States on the first Sunday in August. (26)_____. Principally, the day encourages families to spend time with one another. Unlike some other family holidays, people do not give gifts on this day. Instead, they celebrate the day by focusing on family relationships. People believe that the best gift one can give their families is themselves. So on this day, people enjoy being with (27)_____ families. The most common activities family members often do together include playing games outdoors or going for a walk in the park, watching a movie, (28)_____ and bringing them a picnic lunch. Some families enjoy taking an art class together, visiting a museum or (29)_____ and getting the whole family involved in the cooking. (30)_____, the most important thing should be that they do it with their families. Americans love their Family Day because it reminds them to express their love to their family and (31)_____.

(Adapted from: <<https://nationaldaycalendar.com/american-family-day>> <<https://nationaldaycalendar.com/american-family-day>>)

Câu 26.

- A. What encourages people to enjoy the warming summer days with those dearest to them.
- B. Which encourages people to enjoy the warming summer days with those dearest to them.
- C. It encourages people to enjoy the warming summer days with those dearest to them.
- D. Encouraging people to enjoy the warming summer days with those dearest to them.

Câu 27.

- A. their
- B. our
- C. its
- D. your

Câu 28.

- A. grandparents' visiting
- B. visiting grandparents
- C. to visiting grandparents
- D. to visit grandparents

Câu 29.

- A. trying a new recipe out
- B. try out a new recipe
- C. to try a new recipe out
- D. trying out a new recipe

Câu 30.

- A. People do whatever
- B. Whatever people do
- C. To do whatever
- D. Having done whatever

Câu 31.

- A. helps strengthen their family bonds
- B. their family bonds are strengthened
- C. to help strengthen their family bonds
- D. help strengthen their family bonds

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

Câu 32.

- a, Finally, it makes our planet a better place to live for future generations.
- b, Moreover, by saving the environment, we are protecting our ecosystem and other natural resources.
- c, Also, the effects of climate change can also be reduced greatly.
- d, Firstly, when we protect the environment, we are saving ourselves from the problems that will arise in the future.
- e, It is important to save the environment for the survival of the planet and the living beings in it.
- f, In conclusion, it is vital to preserve and protect life on Earth.

- A. e-d-b-c-a-f
- B. e-d-c-b-f-a
- C. e-d-a-f-b-c
- D. e-d-c-a-f-b

Câu 33.

- a, Thank you for giving us the best gift. I would love to come and visit you one day in the North Pole!
- b, I have been writing to you every year since I was 4, and I want you to know that I have tried to be very good this year.
- c, Dear Santa,
My name is Windy and I am 16 years old.
- d, This year for Christmas I just want my family to be healthy and happy.
- e, I made my mommy, daddy, and sister feel better when they were sick and I also studied harder to have better results.
- f, And I wish you a very merry Christmas!
Love, Windy.

- A. c-e-a-d-b-f
- B. c-a-d-e-b-f
- C. c-b-e-d-a-f
- D. c-b-d-a-f-e

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.

- Câu 34.** A. charge B. chores C. cheerful D. character

Câu 35. A. adopt

B. apply

C. access

D. aware

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.

Have you ever felt that there aren't enough hours in the day? These days we have to do our jobs, look after our homes, save energy to help the environment, and do exercise to stay healthy! Like many of us, Alex Gadsden never had enough time. He **ran** a business and a home and needed to lose weight. So he decided to do something about it. He invented the cycle washer. The 29-year-old now starts each day with a 45-minute cycle ride. He not only feels healthier but he saves on his energy bills and does the washing too.

He said, "It gives the user a good workout. I've only used it for two weeks but I've already noticed a difference." "I tend to get up at around six-thirty now and get straight on the cycle washer. I keep **it** in the garden, so it's nice to get out in the fresh air. Afterwards, I feel full of energy. Then I generally have breakfast and a shower and I really feel ready to start the day." The green washing machine uses 25 litres of water a wash, and takes enough clothes to fill a carrier bag. He normally cycles for 25 minutes to wash the clothes, and then for another 20 minutes to dry them. And it doesn't use any electricity, of course.

Mr Gadsden, the boss of a cleaning company, believes his machine could become very popular. With an invention which cleans your clothes, keeps you fit and reduces your electricity bill, he may well be right.

(Adapted from *English Unlimited* by Alex Tilbury et al.)

Câu 36. What is the passage mainly about?

A. Ways to do the washing properly

B. Cycling makes you healthier

C. **A fascinating invention**

D. The importance of daily exercise

Câu 37. The word **ran** in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to _____.

A. **managed**

B. moved

C. allowed

D. changed

Câu 38. According to paragraph 1, what does Alex Gadsden achieve with the invention of the cycle washer?

A. He puts on weight.

B. He helps his wife with the washing-up.

C. He becomes more involved in recycling.

D. **His electricity bills are reduced.**

Câu 39. The word **it** in paragraph 2 refers to _____.

A. **the cycle washer**

B. workout

C. difference

D. the fresh air

Câu 40. Which of the following is NOT true, according to the passage?

A. **Alex's machine isn't effective in terms of cleaning the clothes.**

B. It doesn't require any electricity to run the cycle washer.

C. Alex Gadsden is positive about the success of the cycle washer.

D. The cycle washer can help you to remain strong and healthy.