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**A. LISTENING (YL2)**

**Part 1:**

Complete the form below. Write **NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS AND/OR A NUMBER** for each answer.

<b>REGISTRATION FORM</b>	
Type of crime reported:	robbery
Name:	Anna 1. _____
Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy):	2. _____
Address:	3. _____ St.
Post code:	4. _____
Nationality:	Grenadian
Number of previous burglaries:	5. _____
Time of apartment tenancy:	6. _____
Number of occupants:	7. _____
Entry point of burglar:	8. _____
Details of lost property:	
Serial number of lost computer:	9. _____
Material of stolen purse:	10. _____ cloth

**Part 2:**

**Question 11 to 14: Choose the correct letter, A, B or C.**

**Local council report on traffic and highways**

**11** A survey found people's main concern about traffic in the area was

- A** cuts to public transport.
- B** poor maintenance of roads.
- C** changes in the type of traffic.

**12** Which change will shortly be made to the cycle path next to the river?

- A** It will be widened.
- B** It will be extended.
- C** It will be resurfaced.

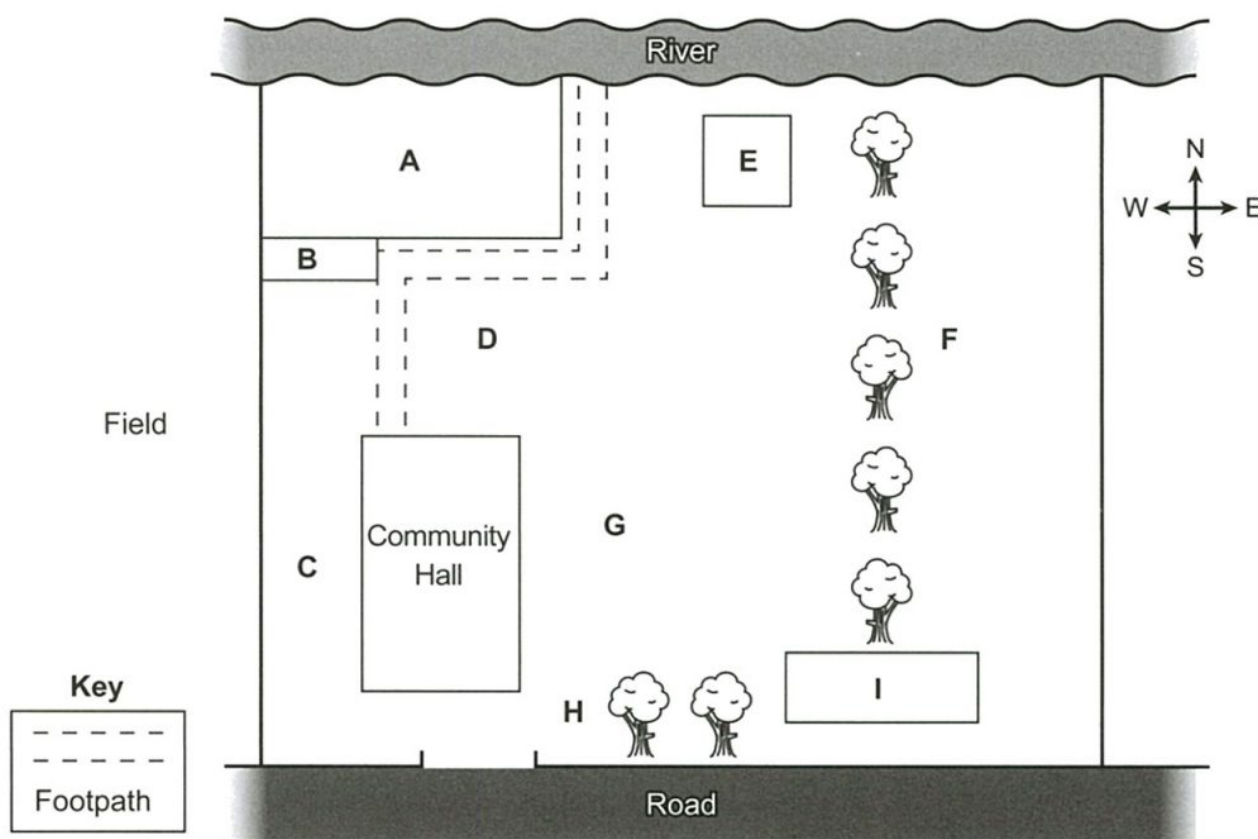
- 13** Plans for a pedestrian crossing have been postponed because
- A** the Post Office has moved.
  - B** the proposed location is unsafe.
  - C** funding is not available at present.
- 14** On Station Road, notices have been erected
- A** telling cyclists not to leave their bikes outside the station ticket office.
  - B** asking motorists to switch off engines when waiting at the level crossing.
  - C** warning pedestrians to leave enough time when crossing the railway line.

**Questions 15-20**

*Label the map below.*

*Write the correct letter, A-I, next to Questions 15-20.*

Recreation ground after proposed changes



- 15** New car park .....
- 16** New cricket pitch .....
- 17** Children's playground .....
- 18** Skateboard ramp .....
- 19** Pavilion .....
- 20** Notice board .....

**B. LEXICO-GRAMMAR**

**21.** One of my relatives is \_\_\_\_\_ to garlic.

- A.** stimulating
- B.** stressful
- C.** sensitive
- D.** allergic

22. Not only \_\_\_\_\_ to speak to him, but she also vowed never to see him again.  
A. she refused      B. did she refuse      C. She did refuse      D. does she refuse
23. We must \_\_\_\_\_ our pounds for dollars before going to New York.  
A. change      B. convert      C. turn      D. exchange
24. Many people were injured when the building \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. collapsed      B. destroyed      C. struck      D. erupted
25. He was so \_\_\_\_\_ in the book that he did not hear her footsteps.  
A. distracted      B. engrossed      C. gripped      D. attracted
26. This young tree could not have been damaged by accident. I believe it was done  
\_\_\_\_\_.  
A. in fact      B. on purpose      C. by appointment      D. by plan
27. Mark painted his bedroom black. It looks dark and dreary. He \_\_\_\_\_ a different color.  
A. must have been choosing      B. must have chosen  
C. should have chosen      D. can't have chosen
28. \_\_\_\_\_ the barrier on the road, we could arrive at the airport in time.  
A. But for      B. Unless      C. Apart from      D. Except for
29. Peter: "I think self-learning is facilitated by e-learning platforms"  
Mark : "\_\_\_\_\_"  
A. You can say that again      B. Don't worry, I disagree  
C. I can agree with you more      D. It was a very good thing
30. Can I \_\_\_\_\_ your brain for a moment? I can't do this crossword by myself.  
A. have      B. pick      C. mind      D. use
31. It is essential that we \_\_\_\_\_ informed as soon as there is any change in the schedule.  
A. informed      B. inform      C. be it informed      D. be informed
32. Luckily, the rain \_\_\_\_\_ so we were able to play the match  
A. gave out      B. got away      C. went away      D. held off
33. The party was already \_\_\_\_\_ by the time we arrived. Everyone was singing and dancing.  
A. in full swing      B. up in the air      C. over the moon      D. under the cloud.
34. \_\_\_\_\_ to the United States House of Representatives in 1791, Nathaniel Marco remained in office until 1815  
A. Election      B. Why he was elected      C. Elected      D. Who was elected
35. \_\_\_\_\_ you have watched, which film impresses you most ?  
A. Between many films      B. All of the films  
C. Of films all      D. Of all the films

### C. READING COMPREHENSION

**Part 1. Choose the correct answer to complete the following passage by writing the corresponding letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet.**

#### **WIND - The untamable weather machine**

On 15 October 1987, the southern counties of Britain were struck by the strongest winds they had experienced in 200 years. Gusts of over 130 kilometers per hour slammed across the region and £1.5- billion-worth of damage was (36)\_\_\_\_\_ in just a few hours.

Extreme weather events like this are dramatic (37)\_\_\_\_\_ of the power of the wind. It's one part of the weather we generally don't give a second thought to in Britain but it

plays a vital role in people's lives across the world. Without the formation and circulation of winds there would quite (38)\_\_\_\_\_ be no climate.

Some parts of the world seem to suffer more than others from the effects of 'ill winds', and links between particular winds and psychological problems (39)\_\_\_\_\_ back centuries. The Föhn, the hot dry wind that slides off the slopes of the Alps, is capable of boosting temperatures quite suddenly by 10°C or more. It affects as many as one in three people in its (40)\_\_\_\_\_, making them feel anxious, irritable and generally ill. In California, many people (41)\_\_\_\_\_ the arrival of the Santa Ana, which rushes down from the high Mojave desert. Lyall Watson, in his book *Heaven's Breath*, claims that when the Santa Ana blows, murder rates soar.

The wind may get into the headlines when it comes in the form of tornadoes and hurricanes, but for the (42)\_\_\_\_\_ part it goes about its job of shifting huge masses of air around the planet. Plants take (43)\_\_\_\_\_ of this free ride to send their pollen grains far and wide. Trees (44)\_\_\_\_\_ on it to remove old leaves and make way for new growth. Spiders have been caught (45)\_\_\_\_\_ a lift at altitudes of almost 4.5 kilometers.

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| 36. A. made      | B. caused        | C. destroyed | D. completed |
| 37. A. reminders | B. recollections | C. mementos  | D. memorial  |
| 38. A. easily    | B. rightly       | C. surely    | D. simply    |
| 39. A. last      | B. originate     | C. pass      | D. date      |
| 40. A. line      | B. road          | C. path      | D. bypass    |
| 41. A. despair   | B. respect       | C. dread     | D. warn      |
| 42. A. most      | B. maximum       | C. majority  | D. general   |
| 43. A. benefit   | B. chance        | C. occasion  | D. advantage |
| 44. A. need      | B. trust         | C. hope      | D. rely      |
| 45. A. traveling | B. hitching      | C. borrowing | D. making    |

**Part 2. Read the passage and fill in each numbered gap with ONE suitable word.**

The British are widely (46) \_\_\_\_\_ to be a very polite nation, and in (47) \_\_\_\_\_ respects this is true. An Italian journalist once commented of the British that they need (48) \_\_\_\_\_ fewer than four "thank you" merely to buy a bus ticket. The first, from the bus conductor means, "I'm here." The second accompanies the handing over of the money. The third, again from the conductor, (49) \_\_\_\_\_ "Here is your ticket.", and then the passenger utters a final one as he accepts the tickets. Such transactions in most (50) \_\_\_\_\_ parts of the world are usually conducted in total silence. In sharp contrast (51) \_\_\_\_\_ this excessive politeness with strangers, the British are strangely lacking in ritual phrases for social interaction. The exhortation "Good appetite", uttered in so (52) \_\_\_\_\_ other languages to fellow-diners before a meal, does not exist in English. The nearest equivalent – *Enjoy your dinner!* – is said only by people who will not be partaking of the meal in question. What's more, the British (53) \_\_\_\_\_ happiness to their friends or acquaintances only at the start of a new year and at (54) \_\_\_\_\_ such as birthdays, (55) \_\_\_\_\_ the Greeks routinely wish all and sundry a "good week" or a "good month".

The symptoms of hay fever include watery and itchy eyes and a runny, congested nose. People suffering from **hay fever** may experience occasional wheezing and repeated bouts of sneezing and may even lose their sense of smell. Some victims of hay fever may also have stopped-up ears. About 30 percent of those who suffer from hay fever may develop the symptoms associated with periodic asthma or a sinus infection. The allergen-antibody theory does not fully explain allergic reactions because the membranes and glands in eyes and ears are controlled by the independent nervous system, which keeps these organs in balance. But the independent nervous system itself is part of the emotional- response center and may cause the feelings of anger, fear, **resentment**, and lack of self-confidence in reaction to allergy-causing substances.

*(Resource: Toefl test strategies by Eli Hinkel, Ph.D)*

56. It can be inferred from the passage that the phrase “**hay fever**” refers to\_\_\_\_\_.
- A. fodder for cattle                                      B. a seasonal discomfort  
C. viral bacteria    D. a lung disease
57. According to the passage, the symptoms of the allergy are predominantly\_\_\_\_\_.
- A. abdominal            B. intestinal            C. respiratory            D. chronic
58. What can be inferred from the first paragraph?
- A. Hay fever may cause severe allergic reactions and even death.  
B. The cause of allergic reactions has not been determined.  
C. The nervous system balances allergic reactions.  
D. People should not have an emotional response to allergic reactions.
59. According to the passage, patients suffering from hay fever may also experience\_\_\_\_\_.
- A. hunger pains    B. mood swings  
C. nervous blockages                                 D. sensory perceptions
60. The word “**resentment**” is closest in meaning to\_\_\_\_\_.

A. relieve                      B. reprisal                      C. irritation                      D. grief

61. According to the passage, the irritants are transported by\_\_\_\_\_.

A. wind                      B. food                      C. travelers                      D. air passages

62. The word “**blockage**” in the passage is closest in meaning to\_\_\_\_\_.

A. obstruction                      B. bleeding                      C. enlargement                      D. dryness

63. According to the passage, to avoid incidents of hay fever, patients need to\_\_\_\_\_.

A. avoid interactions with other patients                      B. avoid exposure to pollen  
C. increase their self-confidence                      D. take doses of prescribed medicine.

64. Which of the following is NOT mentioned in the passage as a cause of allergies?

A. pollen                      B. mold                      C. flowers                      D. injections

65. A paragraph following this passage would most probably discuss\_\_\_\_\_.

A. how the nervous system alerts patients.  
B. how the immune system reacts to allergens.  
C. what other diseases can be relieved by vaccines.  
D. what flowers are harmless to hay fever patients.

#### **D. WRITING**

**Section 1. Rewrite each of the following sentences in such a way that it has a similar meaning to the original one.**

**66.** She's sorry that I didn't complete my project last night.

→ She wishes\_\_\_\_\_.

**67.** When he got to the office, everyone was discussing something.

→ On \_\_\_\_\_.

**68.** I realized how important health was until I got sick.

→ Not until\_\_\_\_\_.

**69.** Although Mike is patient with his students, he still gets angry sometimes.

→ Patient \_\_\_\_\_.

**70.** It is fairly unlikely that he will be convicted of the offence.

→ There \_\_\_\_\_.

**Section 2. Complete each second sentence using the word given, so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Write between TWO and SIX words in each gap.**

**71.** I never thought that we would have legal problems.

**CROSSED**

→ It never \_\_\_\_\_ that we'd have legal problems.

72. I've decided that teaching is not the right profession.

**CONCLUSION**

→ I 've \_\_\_\_\_ that teaching is not the right profession for me.

73. It would be so hard for them to finish the essay by the weekend.

**DIFFICULTY**

→ They \_\_\_\_\_ the essay by the weekend.

74. When the minister was asked about the strike, he declined to comment. **ON**

→ On \_\_\_\_\_, the minister declined to comment.

75. I've considered the advantages and disadvantages and decided not to go. **(WEIGHED)**

→ I've \_\_\_\_\_ and decided not to go.

.....**THE END**.....

*(Thí sinh không được phép sử dụng tài liệu. Cán bộ coi thi không giải thích gì thêm)*