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(THANH HÓA)

PART A: PHONETICS

I. 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. hands B. answers C. begins D. lasts

2. A. coughed B. stopped C. influenced D. hated

3. A. breath B. smooth C. wealth D. growth

II. 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.

4. A. listen B. offer C. decide D. happen

5. A. occasion B. computer C. agreement D. family

PART B: VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

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

6. The company has built a strong _____ with its customers over the years.

- A. relationship B. decision C. improvement D. discussion

7. She is very experienced _____ dealing with difficult customers.

- A. about B. at C. in D. with

8. The company decided to _____ a new strategy to increase sales.

- A. perform B. implement C. complete D. cancel

9. He _____ admitted that he had made a mistake.

- A. reluctantly B. happily C. rarely D. completely

10. The manager gave a _____ speech at the annual meeting.

A. powerful

B. deep

C. heavy

D. sharp

IV. Supply the correct form of the words in capital.

11. The new student in my class is _____ good at both English and French.
(REASON)

12. There are some _____ tips on sharing important information at scale on social media. **(SPECIFY)**

13. Although he was _____, he agreed to play tennis with me. **(EXHAUST)**

14. As the drug took _____, the patient became quieter. **(AFFECT)**

15. In 1906, the earthquakes in San Francisco _____ many houses.
(DESTRUCTION)

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

16. He _____ a bachelor's degree in computer information systems in 1951.

- A. forced B. sent C. took D. gained

17. They decided to buy the house _____ they didn't really have enough money.

- A. in spite of B. however C. even though D. despite

18. Nikola Tesla is renowned _____ his pioneering contributions to alternating current (AC) electricity and wireless communication.

- A. in B. for C. to D. of

19. Yoga and meditation are often recommended for improving _____ health and reducing stress.

- A. cooperative B. dependent C. mental D. doubtful

20. I was invited by the professor _____ I met at the conference.

- A. whose B. where C. which D. whom

21. He was sentenced to ten years in prison on charges of drug _____.

- A. charging B. stealing C. trafficking D. trading

22. Van is _____ exchange student in the USA.

- A. a B. an C. the D. **x**

23. Loren said she had launched the campaign since _____.

- A. yesterday B. two days ago C. the day before D. the next day

24. She _____ completed the project before the deadline.

- A. quickly B. slowly C. carelessly D. happily

25. The Grand Suite Hotel is by far _____ hotel in Los Angeles.

- A. the most expensive B. the expensive

C. the more expensive

D. most expensive

PART C. READING

VI. Read the following passage and choose the most suitable from the ones given on the box to fill in each gap.

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The Paricutin Volcano is a remarkable natural wonder located in Mexico. It is considered one of the youngest volcanoes on Earth, as it suddenly emerged from a cornfield in 1943 and rapidly grew into a towering mountain. Paricutin is (26) _____ the nearby village where it appeared, located in the state of Michoacan, in central Mexico.

The volcanic eruption that gave birth to Paricutin began (27) _____ February 20, 1943. Over the following days, a small volcanic cone formed, and molten lava started to flow from the vent. The eruption continued for about nine years. During its peak, Paricutin reached a height of approximately 410 meters above the surrounding (28) _____.

Today, Paricutin is a dormant volcano, and its cone stands as a dramatic reminder of its explosive past. Visitors can (29) _____ the volcanic landscape, hike up the cone, and witness the remnants of the eruption. The area surrounding the volcano has become a protected natural reserve, known as the Paricutin Volcano National Park, safeguarding the (30) _____ geological and ecological features of the region.

VII. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

When dining in a typical Korean restaurant with locals, get ready to share your food! Doing it in the Korean way means eating from the (31) ____ bowl, since sharing and common dining are a big part of their culture. Sitting around the big round table, with (32) ____ small, different dishes called "banchan" on top of it and usually one big grill in the middle of the table to grill your own meat, is not a sign of a lazy chef but an opportunity (33) ____ the ritual.

Since the (34) ____ is to eat straight from the bowl without having your own plate, seeing other people's spoons dipped in the same pot shouldn't surprise you. So, feel free to stick your chopsticks in that kimchi shouting: my germs!

Compared with the western customs of consuming the food, the biggest difference is that you have your personal plate (35) ____ you place the food, which is not shared with the rest once it is on your plate. Also, the habit is to usually eat only one big, main dish, with possibly one or two side dishes, while Koreans have a variety of small bites.

31. A. similar B. different C. separate D. same

32. A. much B. lots of C. a D. any

33. A. enjoying B. to enjoy C. enjoy D. to enjoying

34. A. traditionally B. traditionalist C. tradition D. traditional

35. A. who B. which C. that D. where

VIII. 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.

Hanoi, the capital of Vietnam, is a city rich in culture and history. Influenced by Chinese, French, and traditional Vietnamese customs, Hanoi offers a unique blend of old and new. The city's Old Quarter, with its narrow streets and ancient houses, preserves the charm of the past, while modern buildings and businesses reflect its ongoing development. Cultural landmarks such as the Temple of Literature and Hoan Kiem Lake attract both locals and tourists, showcasing Hanoi's deep-rooted traditions.

One of the most distinctive aspects of Hanoi's culture is its cuisine. Famous dishes like **phở** (noodle soup), **bún chả** (grilled pork with noodles), and **bánh mì** (Vietnamese sandwich) highlight the city's culinary diversity. Street food is an essential part of daily life, with vendors selling delicious meals at affordable prices. Hanoi is also known for its strong coffee culture, with unique drinks like egg coffee that appeal to both locals and visitors.

Hanoi is also a hub for the arts and traditional performances. Water puppet theater, a unique Vietnamese art form, originated in the region and remains a popular attraction. The city is home to many theaters, museums, and cultural festivals that celebrate its artistic heritage. Despite modernization, Hanoi continues to honor its traditions, balancing its historical identity with contemporary influences.

36. What is the passage mainly about?

A. The economic growth of Hanoi

B. The cultural richness of Hanoi

C. The political history of Hanoi

D. The tourism industry in Hanoi

37. Which of the following is NOT true about Hanoi?

A. Hanoi's culture is influenced by different traditions.

B. The Old Quarter has a mix of modern and ancient buildings.

C. Hanoi's cuisine is limited to only a few traditional dishes.

D. Water puppet theater is a well-known cultural performance in Hanoi.

38. The word "**distinctive**" in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to ____.

A. unique

B. common

C. ordinary

D. unimportant

39. Why is Hanoi's Old Quarter important to its culture?

A. It is a modern business district.

B. It preserves the city's historical charm and traditions.

C. It is only visited by tourists.

D. It was built entirely during the French colonial period.

40. How does Hanoi maintain its cultural heritage while modernizing?

A. By removing traditional festivals to focus on business.

B. By banning foreign cultural influences.

C. By preserving historical sites and celebrating local traditions.

D. By replacing old buildings with modern skyscrapers.

PART E: WRITING

IX. Rewrite each of the following sentences beginning as shown, so that the meaning stay the same.

41. His legs were broken, but he managed to get out of the car.

→ Despite

42. “Why don’t you wear sunglasses, Anna?” said Bob.

→ Bob

43. He didn't eat anything but small pieces of bread and butter.

→ He only

44. Nobody in the hospital works more carefully than Mr. Johnson.

→ Mr. Johnson

45. I used to live in Ho Chi Minh City.

→ I no longer

X. Rewrite each of the following sentences using given words so that it keeps the same meaning. Do not change the form of the words given.

46. When did your friends eat that chocolate cake? (**WAS**)

→ When

47. I have never read such as interesting novel as The Little Prince. (**MOST**)

→ The Little Prince is

48. This is the first time I have heard about the tram system in Hanoi. (**NEVER**)

→ I have

49. Firefighters spent two hours releasing the driver from the wreckage. (**IT**)

→

50. There isn't enough petrol on the market. (**SHORTAGE**)

→ There is