

| Điểm của bài thi | Họ tên, chữ ký cán bộ chấm thi | SỐ PHÁCH |
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SECTION A. LISTENING (20 points)

Part I. Listen and complete the notes below. Write ONE WORD for each answer. Write your answers in the numbered spaces given below. (10 points)

| Easy Life Cleaning Services |
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| Basic cleaning package offered <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cleaning all surfaces• Cleaning the (1) _____ in every room• Cleaning shower, sinks, toilet etc. |
| Additional services agreed <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Every week<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Cleaning the (2) _____– Ironing clothes - (3) _____ only• Every month<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Cleaning the (4) _____ from the inside– Washing the (5) _____ |
| Other possibilities <ul style="list-style-type: none">• They can organise a plumber or an (6) _____ if necessary.• A special cleaning service is available for customers who are allergic to (7) _____. |
| Information on the cleaners <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Before being hired, all cleaners have a security check carried out by the (8) _____.• (9) _____ are required.• All cleaners are given training for two weeks.• Customers complete a (10) _____ after each visit.• Usually, each customer has one regular cleaner. |

Your answers:

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Part II. You will hear part of a radio interview in which television presenter and volcanologist Callum Gray is talking about his work with volcanoes. For questions 11-15, choose the answer (A, B, C or D) which fits best according to what you hear. Write your answers in the numbered spaces given below. (5.0 points)

11. How do many people react after hearing Callum is a volcanologist?
- They expect him to be boring in some way.
 - They are keen to learn more about his work.
 - They want to hear about dangerous incidents.
 - They are unwilling to show how little they know about volcanoes.
12. What does Callum say about his decision to become a volcanologist?
- It occurred spontaneously.
 - It was prompted by his father.
 - It had originated in his childhood.
 - It has caused him some slight regret.
13. How did Callum feel during the flight over the erupting Hawaiian volcano?
- fascinated by the force of the eruption
 - frightened that he was not going to survive
 - guilty because he had put the pilot in danger
 - annoyed there was no warning of bad weather
14. Which aspect of his job does Callum find most difficult?
- having to handle the media during an eruption
 - being constantly aware of danger while on an active volcano
 - assessing the risk to life that an eruption might cause
 - dealing with people who could be affected by an eruption
15. According to Callum, what surprises students about being a volcanologist?
- the time that is allocated to different aspects of the job
 - the need to have good communication skills
 - the difficulty in finding regular employment
 - the possibility of seeing an entire eruption take place

Your answers:

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| 11. | 12. | 13. | 14. | 15. |
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Part III. You will hear a conversation between a boy, Marcus, and a girl, Catherine, about their homework. For questions 16-20, decide if each sentence is correct or incorrect. Then, write A for YES (correct) and B for NO (incorrect) in the numbered spaces given below. (5.0 points)

| Statements | YES (A) | NO (B) |
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| 0. Catherine finds it hard to understand why Marcus has so much homework. | | ✓ |
| 16. Marcus agrees that he could change his weekend activities. | | |
| 17. Catherine thinks visiting the museum was a good experience for Marcus. | | |
| 18. Catherine offers to show Marcus the maths homework she has already done. | | |
| 19. Marcus worries that his teacher might be angry if Catherine helps him. | | |
| 20. After talking to Catherine, Marcus feels more confident about his homework. | | |

Your answers: Example: 0. B

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| 16. | 17. | 18. | 19. | 20. |
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SECTION B. PHONETICS (10 points)

Part I. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the rest. Write your answers in the numbered spaces given below. (5.0 points)

- supposedly
 - markedly
 - allegedly
 - determinedly
- nourish
 - flourish
 - courageous
 - southern
- recognize
 - opinion
 - adolescence
 - conflict
- champagne
 - champion
 - parachute
 - moustache
- graduate
 - education
 - individual
 - credulous

Your answers:

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Part II. Choose the word whose stress pattern is different from that of the others. Write your answers in the numbered spaces given below. (5.0 points)

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| 1. A. cashier | B. brochure | C. hygiene | D. concrete |
| 2. A. vacant | B. unique | C. wholesale | D. stagnant |
| 3. A. inhabit | B. argument | C. counterpart | D. average |
| 4. A. enthusiast | B. preferential | C. participant | D. infinitive |
| 5. A. spectacular | B. admirable | C. characterize | D. accuracy |

Your answers:

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SECTION C. LEXICO AND GRAMMAR (30 points)

Part I. Choose the word, phrase or expression which best completes each of the following sentences. Write your answers in the numbered spaces given below. (10 points)

- _____ any further information, please contact us at our office in Green Street.
A. Were you to require B. Should you require C. Required D. Had you required
- The teacher suspected the student _____ cheating in examination.
A. on B. about C. in D. of
- Although many people do not consider it harmful, alcohol is the _____ in the United States.
A. drug commonly abused most B. most commonly abused drug
C. most abused commonly drug D. commonly most abused drug
- The roof was damaged and water _____ from the ceiling in wet weather.
A. spilled B. dropped C. drained D. dripped
- He was so mean that he couldn't bear to _____ the smallest sum of money for the charity appeal.
A. pay off B. part with C. give in D. let out
- He was _____ devastated by the news.
A. utterly B. extremely C. deeply D. immensely
- Rosa was so _____ of coming first in the contest that she did not even train for it.
A. objective B. confident C. satisfied D. optimistic
- A(n) _____ decision has been made and there is nothing we can do about it now.
A. lock and key B. high and mighty C. on and off D. cut and dried
- We don't want him to suspect we're giving him a surprise party. Make sure you don't _____.
A. break the ice B. kick the bucket C. spill the beans D. sweep the board
- The election results reflected people's growing _____ with the government.
A. hostility B. negativity C. distrust D. disenchantment

Your answers:

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Part II. Give the correct form of the given words in the brackets to complete the sentences below. Write your answers in the numbered spaces given below. (5.0 points)

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| 1. As the storm clouds gathered, we _____ packed our bags and left the campsite. | HURRY |
| 2. The workers who were _____ during the recession badly need help from the government. | SIZE |
| 3. A renewable resource is one that may be replaced overtime by natural process or is _____. | EXHAUST |
| 4. The mining industry, one of the most important _____ of our economy, brings enormous profits to the country. | COMPOSE |
| 5. I don't care if you had had too much to drink. Your behavior last night was _____. | DEFEND |
| 6. We eventually began the _____ task of sorting through his papers. | LABOR |
| 7. The meeting has been _____ arranged for 3 p.m. next Friday. | PROVIDE |
| 8. They have _____ my name on this form: the first letter is L not R. | SPELL |
| 9. Alfred's irrational reactions may result from the inadequate _____ that he was given by his foster parents. | BRING |
| 10. The slight _____ in his left hand was corrected by surgery. | FORM |

Your answers:

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Part III. There are 10 mistakes in the following passage. Underline the mistakes and write the correct answers in the spaces provided. (5.0 points)

It was once believe that being overweight was healthy, but nowadays few people subscribe with this viewpoint. While many people are fighting the battle to reduce weight, scientists are conducting studies concerned the appetite and how it is controlled by both emotional and biochemical factor. Some of the conclusions of these studies may give insights into how dealing with weight problems. For example, when several hundred people were asked about their eating habits in times of stress, 44 percent said they reacted to stressed situations by eating. Further investigations with both humans and animals indicated that it is not food that relieves tension but rather the act of chewing.

A test in which subjects were blindfold showed that obese people have a keener sense of taste and crave for more flavorful food than non-obese people. When deprived of the variety and intensity of tastes, obese people are satisfied and consequently eat more to fulfill this need. Blood samples taken from people after they were shown a picture of food revealed that overweight people reacted with an increase in blood insulin, a chemical associated with appetite. This did not happen to averagely-weight people.

In another experiment, results showed that certain people have a specific, biologically induced hunger for carbohydrates. Eating carbohydrates raises the level of serotonin, a neurotransmission in the brain. Enough serotonin produces a sense of satiation, and hunger for carbohydrates subsides.

Your answers:

Example: believe → believed

| Mistakes | Corrections | Mistakes | Corrections |
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Part IV. Give the correct tense or form of the verbs in brackets to complete the following sentences. Write your answers in the numbered spaces given below. (5.0 points)

- It is expected that tax increases (announce) _____ in tomorrow's budget.
- Under the tree (some students/ stand) _____ now.
- We (cook) _____ all day for the party that evening and by 8 o'clock we still weren't ready.
- (Buy) _____ a very nice bunch of flowers, he went straight to her house.
- But for his help, her project (not complete) _____ so successfully.

Your answers:

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| 1. | 4. |
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Part V. Fill each of the sentences with one of the phrasal verbs given below. Make any changes if necessary. Write your answers in the numbered spaces given below. (5.0 points)

crack down on
see off

bring in
go over

die down
catch on

fall back on
track down

wear out
see through

1. The government is planning _____ a law banning hunting.
2. Remember _____ your test paper to check for grammar and spelling mistakes.
3. You should always have an alternative plan to _____.
4. The local authorities need to _____ illegal parking, in my opinion.
5. He said he would make me a rich man, but I _____ him immediately.
6. I've been wearing these shoes for years and they're beginning to _____.
7. Traditional chefs in China are hoping their local specialties will _____ worldwide.
8. Unless these strong winds _____, I'm afraid we'll have to postpone our barbecue.
9. The security forces hope to _____ the source of the information causing a political crisis.
10. Helen is going to the airport to _____ some friends.

Your answers:

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SECTION D. READING COMPREHENSION (20 points)

Part I. Fill in each numbered blank with one suitable word. Write your answers in the numbered spaces given below. (5.0 points)

Computer skills in the office

To be successful in the business market, it is vital for a company to (1) _____ up with all the latest technological development. Nowadays it is (2) _____ accepted that running a company without computers, in particular, is virtually impossible. This is (3) _____ businesses are so keen to hire the best people available for their technology departments.

Apart from the needs of the technology department, it is important that almost all employees have some (4) _____ of familiarity with personal or desktop computers. (5) _____ if this involves no more than the completion of a basic computer course. However, (6) _____ all new things, most people will only become comfortable with using computers after practical experience.

(7) _____ to computers, today's businesses are run and managed with far less difficulty than companies could hope to achieve in the past. For example, computers enable the organisation of huge amounts of information and greatly speed (8) _____ the preparation of documents and reports.

In short, (9) _____ the average businessperson has no need to be a technology expert, they are unlikely to get very far without at (10) _____ a basic knowledge of computers.

Your answers:

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Part II. Read the text below and decide which answer A, B, C or D best fits each gap. Write your answers in the numbered spaces given below. (5.0 points)

How to complain in shops

People love to complain. Moaning to friends can be a (1) _____ of relief from the stresses and strains of work, study or relationships. But when it comes to protesting to a retailer about (2) _____ goods and services, many of us find we don't have the nerve and choose to (3) _____ in silence.

By the time we do (4) _____ summon up the courage to make our point, we have generally already allowed the problem to get to us, and we are angry. In this (5) _____, we can all too easily become aggressive, gearing up for battle and turning what should be a rational discussion into a conflict.

To complain effectively, you need to be specific about your problem and communicate it clearly using words which are objective and fair. (6) _____ over the top with emotional language and unreasonable claims will get you nowhere. Good negotiators tend to be calm and logical. They start by explaining the situation and stating their requirements clearly, without threat. Most complaints prompt a defensive (7) _____ from the other person, but by being reasonable yourself, you (8) _____ more chance of achieving the positive outcome you want.

If you feel angry or upset about what has happened, by all means tell the company, but do so calmly, (9) _____ that you understand the situation from all points of view, but explaining what you will do if your complaint is ignored. Be sure to remember, however, that it is unwise to (10) _____ threats unless you are in a position to carry them out.

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| 1. A. source | B. well | C. cause | D. way |
| 2. A. faulty | B. inexperienced | C. improper | D. scruffy |
| 3. A. stick | B. suppress | C. stay | D. suffer |
| 4. A. essentially | B. especially | C. exceptionally | D. eventually |
| 5. A. manner | B. form | C. state | D. mode |
| 6. A. Being | B. Going | C. Getting | D. Feeling |
| 7. A. response | B. respect | C. revenge | D. regard |
| 8. A. spend | B. attract | C. stand | D. establish |
| 9. A. revealing | B. exhibiting | C. displaying | D. demonstrating |
| 10. A. make | B. bear | C. do | D. carry |

Your answers:

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Part III. Read the following passage and choose the correct answer to each of the following questions (A, B, C or D). Write your answers in the numbered spaces given below. (5.0 points)

Earth is richly supplied with different types of living organisms which co-exist in their environments, forming complex, interrelated communities. Living organisms depend on one another for nutrients, shelter, and other benefits. The extinction of one species can set off a chain reaction that affects many other species, particularly if the loss occurs near the bottom of the food chain. For example, the extinction of a particular insect or plant might seem **inconsequential**. However, there may be fish or small animals that depend on that resource for foodstuffs. The loss can threaten the survival of these creatures and larger predators that prey upon them. Extinction can have a ripple effect that spreads throughout nature.

In addition to its biological consequences, extinction poses a moral dilemma for humans, the only species capable of saving the others. The presence of humans on the planet has affected all other life forms, particularly plants and animals. Human lifestyles have proven to be incompatible with the survival of some other species. Purposeful efforts have been made to eliminate animals that prey on people, livestock, crops, or pose any threat to human livelihoods. Some wild animals have been decimated by human desire for meat, hides, fur, or other body parts with commercial value. Likewise, demand for land, water, and other natural resources has left many wild plants and animals with little to no suitable habitat.

Humans have also affected nature by introducing non-native species to local areas and producing pollutants having a negative impact on the environment. The combination of these human-related effects and natural obstacles such as disease or low birthrates has proven to be too much for some species to overcome. They have no chance of survival without human help.

As a result, societies have difficult choices to make about the amount of effort and money they are willing to spend to save imperiled species. Will people accept limits on their property rights, recreational activities, and means of livelihood to save a plant or an animal? Should saving such popular species as whales and dolphins take priority over saving obscure, annoying, or fearful species? Is it the responsibility of humans to save every kind of life form from disappearing, or is extinction an inevitable part of nature, in which the strong survive and the weak perish? These are some difficult questions that people face as they ponder the fate of other species living on this planet.

- The word "**inconsequential**" in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to _____.
A. unimportant B. unavoidable C. unexpected D. unrecognizable
- Which of the following can result from the loss of one species in a food chain?
A. There might be a lack of food resources for some other species.
B. Animals will shift to another food chain in the community.
C. Larger predators will look for other types of prey.
D. The connections among the creatures in the food chain become closer.
- In paragraph 2, non-native species are mentioned as _____.
A. an achievement of human beings B. a harmful factor to the environment
C. a kind of useful plants D. a kind of harmless animals
- According to the passage, which of the following statements is NOT true?
A. Some animals and plants cannot survive without human help.
B. No other species can threaten the survival of humans on Earth.
C. The existence of humans is at the expense of some other species.
D. Humans have difficult choices to make about saving endangered species.
- Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?
A. Animal and plant species which pose threats to humans will die out soon.
B. Humans will make changes in their lifestyles to save other species.
C. The dilemma humans face between maintaining their lives and saving other species remains.
D. Saving popular animal and plant species should be given a high priority.

Your answers:

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Part IV. You are going to read an article about a sailing race. Choose the most suitable heading from the list A - H for each paragraph from 1 - 5 of the article. There are two extra headings which you do not need to use. There has been an example for you. (5.0 points)

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| A. The consequences of poor performance | E. Benefiting from the power of nature |
| B. An unexpectedly demanding way of life | F. Cooperating to overcome the power of nature |
| C. A solution that seems to work | G. It's not what people think |
| D. The terrible consequences of making a mistake | H. No way out if you don't like it |

Paragraph 0 D Imagine for a moment, spending the night on board of a large yacht, being roughly woken in the pitch dark and ordered on deck. Every so often you will be totally drenched, very suddenly, in salt water. You will be sharing the same cramped space with 14 other people for a whole year. Your stomach, when not affected by seasickness, will be hit by the competitive tension and nervousness that afflicts all sportspeople. You will be obliged to concentrate without cease. The slightest loss of focus could cost someone their life.

Paragraph 1 _____ For the eight crews taking part in the Round-the-world yachting race, this has been daily life since they left Britain eleven months ago. Now, after racing 50,000 across kilometers of ocean, they are soon due home. While most of us have worked, slept, taken a holiday, these crews have sailed and sailed, day after day, night after night, in weather conditions that would test any human. This is the reality of ocean yacht racing, which bears little resemblance to the popular image of sailing - the quick sprint around a lake before returning ashore for a meal and a warm bath.

Paragraph 2 _____ Racing 20-metre yachts around the world is a story of unrelenting hard work, pushing yourself to the limits of endurance. But it is also a story of the vastness and beauty of the sea, of seeing the sun rise and set on hundreds of desolate horizons, and of the supreme satisfaction of arriving somewhere knowing that wind alone has taken you there.

Paragraph 3 _____ Unlike the captains, who are professional sailors, the crews all consist of amateur volunteers who have actually paid for the privilege of taking a year off from their work and enduring these difficult conditions. On board London Light the ages range from 21 to 65. For the youngest member, Susan Porter, the trip is about the excitement of both the racing and the elements "Being able to pitch yourselves as a team against a storm gives you a huge sense of achievement", she says.

Paragraph 4 _____ Jerry Wallace, a marketing director, found sailing a refreshing change from the selfish individualism of business. Although he was prepared for the discomfort, the mental stress of long distance racing was not what he has anticipated, "A grand Prix driver has a few hours of focus, a footballer 90 minutes, but we have been racing for 11 months. This is something I didn't really appreciate before I start."

Paragraph 5 _____ Inevitably, there are tensions. The kinds of people who choose to take part in races like this tend to be motivated and strong-willed. On a trivial level, there are the usual arguments about things like cleaning, tidying, personal hygiene, even the way people snore. Row on a boat must be addressed immediately. Left to develop, they get much worse. On London Light they have done this by having a meeting where problems can be discussed and resolved by majority vote. Cooperation is the key, and everyone can have their say. The London is one of the few boats that have never lost any crew early because of a personality clash.

Your answers:

| 1. Paragraph 1 | 2. Paragraph 2 | 3. Paragraph 3 | 4. Paragraph 4 | 5. Paragraph 5 |
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SECTION E. WRITING (20 points)

Part I. Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means exactly the same as the sentence printed before it. (5.0 points)

1. Success in the academic field depends on qualifications you amass.

The more _____

2. I'm sure it wasn't Mrs. Elton you saw because she's in Bristol.

It can't _____

3. It has been reported that children today expend approximately 600 kcal a day.

Children today _____

4. She didn't shed a tear when the story ended in tragedy.

Not a tear _____

It crossed _____

Part II. Use the word given in capital at the end of the original sentence to complete the second sentence so that it means exactly the same as the printed one before it. Do not change the given word. (5.0 points)

1. They're telling me that I must make a decision soon. (PRESSURE)

They are _____

2. The number of people out of work has been going down little by little. (GRADUAL)

There _____

3. Organic vegetables are said to be very healthy. (WONDERS)

Organic vegetables _____

4. Nobody listened to what the politician was saying last night. (EARS)

What the politician was saying _____

5. He seems to be more active because he has won a scholarship to study overseas. (LEASE)

That he has won _____

Part III. Paragraph writing. (10 points)

Many people think that young people should travel to have more experiences. Do you agree or disagree with this opinion?

Write a paragraph of about 180-200 words to give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

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