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THÀNH PHỐ HUẾ

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ĐỀ THI CHÍNH THỨC
 (Đề thi có 08 trang)

Thời gian làm bài: 120 phút, không kể thời gian phát đề

Điểm (Bảng số và bằng chữ)	Họ tên và chữ ký Giám khảo 1:	Mã phách
	Họ tên và chữ ký Giám khảo 2:	

*Ghi chú: - Thí sinh làm bài trên đề thi và không ghi gì vào phần trên;
 - Thí sinh không được sử dụng tài liệu. Giám thị không giải thích gì thêm.

KẾT QUẢ

I. Listening :
 II. Vocabulary and grammar :
 III. Reading :
 IV. Writing :
 TOTAL :

I. LISTENING (2,0 POINTS)

The listening test has TWO parts. You will hear each part TWICE. At the beginning of each part, you will have time to read the questions and at the end of each part, you will have time to complete your answers.

Part 1. You will hear a tourist, asking for information at a tourist office. Listen and do the tasks that follow. Write your answers in the numbered boxes provided. (1,0 point)

Questions 1-4. Complete the form below. Write NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS AND/ OR A NUMBER for each answer.

CITY BUS TOUR BOOKING FORM	
Number of passengers:	2
Passenger name(s)	Susan Field and James (1) _____
Contact telephone number:	(2) _____
Hotel:	(3) _____
Bus tour time:	(4) _____ p.m
Bus tour date:	14 th August

Questions 5-6. Choose the correct letter A, B or C.

5. Why does a ticket for the museum cost £10?

- A. The money is needed to fix parts of the building.
- B. The collection of Latin American art is unique.
- C. It is the only international art museum in Europe.

6. The tourist office assistant suggests going to the next town for a good restaurant because _____.

- A. a few restaurants tend to overlook the sea
- B. the restaurants near the harbour are bigger
- C. there are more restaurants to choose from



4. The volcano had been _____ for hundreds of years before the eruption last month.
A. dying B. fixed C. asleep D. dormant
5. I think I've got a cold coming _____; I'd better drink more orange juice.
A. in B. on C. over D. after
6. We printed the report in good _____ but have now learnt that it was incorrect.
A. hope B. dream C. idea D. faith
7. It's high time that he _____ to think about his career choice.
A. to begin B. began C. begin D. will begin
8. A meal in that restaurant costs the _____ but it is always packed.
A. world B. soil C. earth D. moon
9. _____ me clearer instructions, I wouldn't have made so many mistakes.
A. Had he given B. Had he not given C. If he had not given D. Unless he had given
10. Choose the word which is **CLOSEST** in meaning to the underlined and bold part:
Books are believed to be a primary means of **disseminating** knowledge so that it reaches many people.
A. classifying B. spreading C. acquiring D. demonstrating
11. We intend to do _____ with the old system as soon as we have developed a better one.
A. up B. away C. in D. down
12. She was chosen for the job _____ her qualifications and skills.
A. with a view to B. on the basis of C. for fear of D. in contrast to
13. The manager insisted that his assistant _____ the report before the end of the day.
A. is submitted B. submit C. will submit D. submitting
14. It _____ to reason that Jason passed the exam with flying colors on account of his constant effort.
A. lays B. comes C. gets D. stands
15. Choose the word which is **OPPOSITE** in meaning to the underlined and bold part:
Despite her **lucid** explanation, the students remained confused.
A. obvious B. illogical C. unclear D. rational
16. He was warned repeatedly, but he _____ chose to ignore the safety guidelines.
A. reluctantly B. deliberately C. randomly D. generously
17. I don't think there's so much as a _____ of truth in that rumour.
A. crumb B. speck C. grain D. stroke
18. In my opinion, the local authorities need to _____ down on illegal parking.
A. hit B. force C. move D. crack
19. The university is proud of their students, many of _____ earn national recognition.
A. who B. whom C. that D. them
20. There was a terrific noise last night. It _____ an explosion.
A. needn't have been B. can't have been C. should have been D. must have been
21. Imperfect merchandise will be sold at a _____ discount to secondhand stores where it may be advertised as new.
A. steepen B. steep C. steeply D. steepness
22. There was a _____ two-minute silence in remembrance of the victims of the terrorism attack last week.
A. respected B. respective C. respectful D. respectable
23. She _____ Spanish when she was living in Mexico.
A. picked up B. broke out C. put on D. dropped off
24. I wish I _____ the chance to explain myself during yesterday's meeting.
A. had B. have had C. had had D. was having

25. Her efforts to support disabled students are _____ to none; she genuinely cares about them.
A. first B. second C. third D. fourth
26. As a millionaire who liked to show off wealth, Mrs Smith paid four times _____ we asked.
A. as many as B. as much as C. much than D. much as
27. My brother objected _____ me with my homework.
A. to helping B. to help C. help D. have helped
28. As the drug took _____, the boy became quieter.
A. effect B. influence C. action D. movement
29. I'm sure he will be home and _____ in the interview because of his impressive performance.
A. jump B. shake C. squeeze D. dry
30. Not until the final results were announced _____ the importance of the initial phase of the experiment, which had previously been underestimated by many of the researchers involved.
A. they understood B. did they understand
C. they had understood D. had they understood

Your answers:

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.
11.	12.	13.	14.	15.	16.	17.	18.	19.	20.
21.	22.	23.	24.	25.	26.	27.	28.	29.	30.

III. READING (3,0 POINTS)

Part 1. Read the passage and think of the word which best fits each blank. Use only ONE word in each blank. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answers in the corresponding numbered boxes provided. (1,2 points)

CULTURE SHOCK

Many people dream (0) of living in a foreign country. It can be an amazing experience for those (1) _____ have the courage to leave their family and friends and settle (2) _____ in a new place. However, there's one potential problem you should be aware of: culture shock. Culture shock is the feeling we get from living in a place that is so different to where we grew up (3) _____ we are not sure how to deal with it. Societies are organized in many different ways, and some of the things we find in foreign countries can often (4) _____ us aback. Customs and traditions can be very different and that can sometimes make it difficult to (5) _____ on with local people and to make friends. They might not approve (6) _____ things you do or things you say. You might even be banned (7) _____ doing things in another country that are perfectly legal in (8) _____ own.

(9) _____ you were to move to a country such as Singapore, say, you might find some of the laws very strict. There, people can be forced to (10) _____ a large fine just for dropping litter. Eventually, though, most people who live abroad (11) _____ in love with their adopted country and learn to accept its differences. It does take real courage to make (12) _____ a big change to your life, but many people agree that it is worth it in the end.

Your answers:

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
7.	8.	9.			

part 2. Read the passage and choose the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions. Write your answers in the corresponding numbered boxes provided. (0,8 point)

A CHANGE OF LIFESTYLE

An allergy made Clare Hall give up her job training racehorses, but she has now created a new career for herself as a best-selling author. Jane Henman interviews her.

In the large field which would normally contain horses, there are three big dogs running wildly around. As I talk to Clare Hall and her husband, Daniel, he says, 'I'm not allowing Clare to have anything larger than those dogs.' It's said with a smile, but persuading one of Britain's most successful racehorse trainers to give up her work can't have been easy. Clare explains her situation: 'I'd been ill for some time, and then I discovered that I had actually developed an allergy to horses. Giving up training horses after so long was a horrible decision to take. But it wasn't as if I needed the money any more. And at least it allowed me to try writing on a full-time basis - I'd been scribbling away in my free time for years!'

Clare was brought up on a small farm. Her father couldn't afford to hire any farm workers so Clare was expected to take her share of the workload. 'One of my earliest jobs was to carry the lamp for my father when he went to feed the pigs at night. I remember feeling really grown up the day I was allowed to feed them on my own.' Sometimes Clare accompanied her father to the fields on her pony: 'I was little then and not confident on a horse. My father used to run alongside shouting, "Up, down, up, down." As soon as she could, Clare got a weekend job at the local racing stables to be with the horses. Then, after leaving school, she worked at the stables full-time. Her parents were always supportive: 'They were there if I needed them, but thankfully they took a back seat,' she says.

Clare's career as a trainer is legendary. She was not afraid of upsetting people and had a reputation for being outspoken. 'I have endless patience with horses - they respond to kindness and are prepared to work just as hard as you are - but I've no time for people who are in horse-racing purely for financial gain. The old, established trainers were helpful, but some of the rich newcomers were really spiteful and resented my success. I had my battles. But when everyone knew I was leaving, I was quite surprised by the number of people who said, "Clare - you can't go!"'

Since giving up racehorse training, Clare has made a new career as a novelist. She writes laboriously in longhand at the dining-room table. 'Writing is a challenge but also very isolating,' Clare says. 'When I started I had all the feelings I used to get before an important race - fear, apprehension, but that all disappears when you win or you're published!'

Clare says she is trying to put her life in horse-racing behind her, but in the next breath, she's talking about a young horse at her son's stables. There are compensations in her new lifestyle, however, such as more time to relax. 'My books are selling and I'm having golf lessons three times a week,' she says, smiling. 'We do need to sort things out better, though, so we have time to take holidays, and enjoy our hard-earned money!' However, as hard as she tries, there is obviously a huge gap in Clare's life that has yet to be filled.

13. What do we learn about Clare in the first paragraph?

- A. She is still worried about her financial security.
- B. She really likes to follow her husband's advice.
- C. She was immensely relieved to begin a less stressful job.
- D. She accepted that a change of career would be beneficial.

14. When Clare was a child, she _____.

- A. was annoyed by her father's advice
C. enjoyed taking on responsibility
- B. was keen to earn money
D. wanted to be more independent
15. The word **them** in paragraph 2 refers to _____.
A. horses B. pigs C. dogs D. ponies
16. What does Clare mean by **they took a back seat** in paragraph 2?
A. They gave her confidence.
C. They did not ask her for help.
B. They had high expectations of her.
D. They did not try to influence her.
17. The word **spiteful** in paragraph 3 is CLOSEST in meaning to _____.
A. unkind B. dishonest C. friendly D. truthful
18. How did Clare feel at the end of her career as a trainer?
A. upset by some people's personal criticism
C. relieved that the hard work was over
B. surprised at her colleagues' reactions
D. proud of her contribution to horse-racing
19. According to Clare, horse training resembles writing in terms of _____.
A. the amount of effort required
C. the loneliness of the activity
B. the experience needed to succeed
D. the extremes of emotion involved
20. In the final paragraph, the writer thinks that Clare _____.
A. plans to return to the horse-racing business
C. misses her involvement with horses
B. is exaggerating the size of her income
D. is concentrating too much on her hobbies

Your answers:

13.	14.	15.	16.
17.	18.	19.	20.

Part 3. Read the passage and choose the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word or phrase that best fits each blank. Write your answers in the corresponding numbered boxes provided. (1,0 point)

PAST MEMORIES

I was raised on a farm in a remote village in the 1950s. The winter months were endless and everything was covered in snow. I was always (21) _____ for the warmer weather to come.

When spring arrived, everything came alive - flowers would bloom and the animals would come out of hibernation. I'd follow the bear tracks and search for them. Once, however, I (22) _____ an angry mother bear who saw me as a threat. (23) _____ the sight of the bear, I did what my father had told me. I stood still until she stopped growling and walked away. The trick (24) _____, but looking back now, I realize that the situation was (25) _____ more serious than I thought at the time.

By the age of twelve, I had lots of camping experience, as I used (26) _____ camping with my dog on my school holidays. We would spend days (27) _____ the forest, catching fish for dinner, looking at the frogs and the (28) _____ of birds and the insects hopping up and down on the surface of the water.

Of course, this was on the (29) _____ only during the warm months. When autumn came, everything went quiet, which was quite usual in those parts. It wasn't long (30) _____ the animals disappeared, the birds flew south and the snow took over. The place became deserted once again.

21. A. willing B. keen C. eager D. enthusiastic
22. A. called for B. came across C. looked up D. set off
23. A. By B. At C. On D. In
24. A. went hot and cold B. was in the red C. turned a deaf ear D. was tried and true
25. A. very B. quite C. far D. so

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| 26. A. to go | B. going | C. go | D. to going |
| 27. A. investigating | B. detecting | C. researching | D. exploring |
| 28. A. sets | B. prides | C. bunches | D. flocks |
| 29. A. chairs | B. tables | C. cards | D. photos |
| 30. A. while | B. after | C. since | D. before |

Your answers:

21.	22.	23.	24.	25.
26.	27.	28.	29.	30.

IV. WRITING (2,0 POINTS)

Part 1. For each question, complete the second sentence in such a way that it is as similar in meaning as possible to the one printed before it. (0,5 point)

1. People are persuaded by adverts to spend more than they can afford.

Adverts tempt _____.

2. I suddenly realised that I had left my homework at home.

It dawned _____.

3. "You should have waited for us," the team leader said to Bill.

The team leader criticized _____.

4. I never thought that I would win that international dancing competition.

It never crossed _____.

5. The girl stopped working though the salary was very high.

No matter how _____.

Part 2. For each question, complete the second sentence in such a way that it has the closest meaning to the original one, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between **THREE** and **FIVE** words, including the word given. (0,5 point)

6. Ann found it difficult to get used to the fact that she'd lost her job.

Ann found it hard _____ the fact that she'd lost her job. (TERMS)

7. I don't usually sleep after work.

I'm _____ sleeping after work. (HABIT)

8. When I read his note, I realised he was about to resign.

When I read his note, I realised he _____ handing in his resignation. (POINT)

9. He respected his father and wanted to be like him.

He _____ his father. (MODELLED)

10. There's no doubt shopping around is a good idea.

There's no doubt _____ around. (PAYS)

Part 3. Write an essay on the following topic. (1,0 point)

"As long as you are in good health, nothing else matters."

To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement? Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

You should write between 200 and 250 words.