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ĐỀ THI GỒM 80 QUESTIONS (TỪ QUESTION 1 ĐẾN QUESTION 80)

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

Question 1: The police have begun an _____ into the accident which happened this afternoon.
A. investigating B. investigate C. investigatory D. investigation

Question 2: That cannot be a true story. He _____ it up.
A. must have made B. can have made C. would have made D. should have made

Question 3: Mary: "Do you mind if I sit here?"

Laura: "_____"

A. Yes, why not? B. Don't mention it. C. No, not at all. D. My pleasure.

Question 4: The teacher said that I would be able to speak English fluently _____ six months.
A. since B. in C. by D. till

Question 5: There is a good film _____ TV tonight. Will you watch it?
A. in B. on C. at D. from

Question 6: Parts of the mountain road have been washed _____ after the floods.
A. away B. out C. through D. off

Question 7: Susan, remember to apply this sun cream _____ two hours.
A. every B. several C. some D. each

Question 8: I hope you will _____ notice of what I am going to tell you.
A. gain B. get C. take D. keep

Question 9: How long ago _____ to learn French?
A. were you starting B. have you started C. would you start D. did you start

Question 10: Neither Tom nor his brothers _____ willing to help their mother with the housework.
A. is B. was C. are D. has been

Question 11: College students are becoming less dependent _____ their teachers.
A. on B. to C. of D. with

Question 12: No sooner _____ my car than the alarm went off.
A. touched the thief B. the thief touched
C. the thief had touched D. had the thief touched

Question 13: Nowadays, most students use _____ calculators in their studies and examinations.
A. electricity B. electronic C. electrical D. electric

Question 14: _____ he was tired, he still watched the final match on TV.
A. However B. Though C. Despite D. Because

Question 15: I'd rather you _____ to the English-speaking club with me this Sunday.
A. will come B. to come C. come D. came

Question 16: He gave _____ his job in order to go back to university.
A. away B. in C. up D. out

Question 17: Parts of the country are suffering water _____ after the unusually dry summer.
A. supply B. hunger C. thirst D. shortage

Question 18: Sarah: “Oh my God, I’ve missed my bus.”

Christ: “_____ . Another will come here in ten minutes.”

- A. Don’t worry B. Thank you C. I hope so D. Don’t mention it

Question 19: She was _____ angry that she could not say a word.

- A. so many B. such C. too much D. so

Question 20: Spain has won the championship, _____ is not surprising.

- A. how B. that C. what D. which

Question 21: Instead of staying around the house all day, you should be out there looking _____ a job.

- A. into B. after C. at D. for

Question 22: Jack: “What’s wrong with you?”

Jill: “_____.”

- A. Thank you very much B. I’m having a slight headache
C. No, I don’t care D. Yes, I was tired yesterday

Question 23: They are having their house _____ by a construction company.

- A. being painted B. painting C. painted D. to paint

Question 24: This carpet really needs _____. Can you do it for me, son?

- A. cleaned B. clean C. cleaning D. being cleaned

Question 25: My teacher reminded me _____ my essay carefully before handing it in.

- A. to have checked B. checking C. checked D. to check

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 from 26 to 35.

One of the factors contributing to the intense nature of twenty-first-century stress is our continual exposure to media – particularly to an overabundance of news. If you feel stressed out by the news, you are far from alone. Yet somehow many of us seem unable to prevent ourselves from tuning in to an extreme degree.

The further back we go in human history, the longer news took to travel from place to place, and the less news we had of distant people and lands altogether. The printing press obviously changed all that, as did every subsequent development in transportation and telecommunication.

When television came along, it proliferated like a population of rabbits. In 1950, there were 100,000 television sets in North American homes; one year later there were more than a million. Today, it’s not unusual for a home to have three or more television sets, each with cable access to perhaps over a hundred channels. News is the subject of many of those channels, and on several of **them** it runs 24 hours a day.

What’s more, after the **traumatic** events of September 11, 2001, live newscasts were paired with perennial text crawls across the bottom of the screen – so that viewers could stay abreast of every story all the time.

Needless to say, the news that is reported to us is not good news, but rather disturbing images and sound bytes alluding to disaster (natural and man-made), upheaval, crime, scandal, war, and the like. Compounding the problem is that when actual breaking news is scarce, most broadcasts fill in with scare stories about things that possibly might threaten our health, safety, finances, relationships, waistline, hairline, or very existence in the future. This variety of story tends to treat with equal alarm a potentially lethal flu outbreak and the bogus claims of a wrinkle cream that overpromises smooth skin.

Are humans meant to be able to process so much trauma – not to mention so much overblown anticipation of potential trauma – at once? The human brain, remember, is programmed to **slip** into alarm mode when danger looms. Danger looms for someone, somewhere at every moment. Exposing ourselves to such input without respite and without perspective cannot be anything other than a source of chronic stress.

(Extracted from The Complete Idiot’s Guide to Beating Stress by Arlene Matthews Uhl - Penguin Group 2006)

Question 26: According to the passage, which of the following has contributed to the intense nature of twenty-first-century stress?

- A. Our inability to control ourselves
- B. An overabundance of special news
- C. The degree to which stress affects our life
- D. Our continual exposure to the media

Question 27: In the past, we had less news of distant people and lands because _____.

- A. means of communication and transportation were not yet invented
- B. the printing press changed the situation too slowly
- C. printing, transportation, and telecommunications were not developed
- D. most people lived in distant towns and villages

Question 28: The pronoun “them” in paragraph 3 refers to _____.

- A. TV channels
- B. TV news
- C. cable access
- D. television sets

Question 29: The word “traumatic” in paragraph 4 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. exciting
- B. upsetting
- C. boring
- D. fascinating

Question 30: According to the passage, when there is not enough actual breaking news, broadcasts _____.

- A. are full of dangerous diseases such as flu
- B. send out frightening stories about potential dangers
- C. send out live newscasts paired with text across the screen
- D. are forced to publicise an alarming increase in crime

Question 31: As stated in the passage, a flu outbreak and the bogus claims of a wrinkle cream tend to _____.

- A. be warmly welcomed by the public
- B. be scarce breaking news
- C. be treated with equal alarm
- D. involve natural and man-made disasters

Question 32: Which of the following is NOT true, according to the passage?

- A. Many people are under stress caused by the media.
- B. The news that is reported to us is not good news.
- C. The only source of stress in our modern life is the media.
- D. Many TV channels supply the public with breaking news.

Question 33: The word “slip” in paragraph 6 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. bring
- B. fall
- C. fail
- D. release

Question 34: According to the passage, our continual exposure to bad news without perspective is obviously _____.

- A. a source of chronic stress
- B. the result of an overabundance of good news
- C. a source of defects in human brain
- D. the result of human brain’s switch to alarm mode

Question 35: What is probably the best title for this passage?

- A. Developments in Telecommunications
- B. More Modern Life – More Stress
- C. Effective Ways to Beat Stress
- D. The Media – A Major Cause of Stress

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word or phrase CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined *slip* in each of the following questions.

Question 36: A special exhibition of Indian art will be opened at the National Museum next month.

- A. show
- B. painting
- C. music
- D. programme

Question 37: Traffic began to flow normally again after the accident.

- A. with the same speed
- B. strangely and irregularly
- C. repeatedly in different modes
- D. in the usual or ordinary way

Question 38: Don’t be concerned about your mother’s illness; she’ll recover soon.

- A. embarrassed at
- B. worried about
- C. angry with
- D. surprised at

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that has the underlined part pronounced differently from the rest in each of the following questions.

- Question 39: A. faithful B. certain C. attain D. plain
Question 40: A. survived B. determined C. maintained D. started
Question 41: A. universal B. supply C. reserve D. sensitive
Question 42: A. weather B. repeat C. teaching D. treatment
Question 43: A. stimulate B. population C. documentary D. maximum

Read the following passage on climate change, and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 44 to 53.

Experts in climatology and other scientists are becoming extremely concerned about the changes to our climate which are taking place. Admittedly, climate changes have occurred on our planet before. For example, there have been several ice ages or glacial periods.

These climatic changes, however, were different from the modern ones in that they occurred gradually and, as far as we know, naturally. The changes currently being monitored are said to be the result not of natural causes, but of human activity. Furthermore, the rate of change is becoming **alarmingly** rapid.

The major problem is that the planet appears to be warming up. According to some experts, this warming process, known as global warming, is occurring at a rate unprecedented in the last 10,000 years. The implications for the planet are very serious. Rising global temperatures could give rise to such ecological disasters as extremely high increases in the incidence of flooding and of droughts. These in turn could have a harmful effect on agriculture.

It is thought that this unusual warming of the Earth has been caused by so-called greenhouse gases, such as carbon dioxide, being emitted into the atmosphere by car engines and modern industrial processes, for example. Such gases not only add to the pollution of the atmosphere, but also create a greenhouse effect, by which the heat of the sun is trapped. This leads to the warming up of the planet.

Politicians are also concerned about climate change and there are now regular summits on the subject, attended by representatives from around 180 of the world's industrialized countries. Of these summits, the most important took place in Kyoto in Japan in 1997. **There** it was agreed that the most industrialized countries would try to reduce the volume of greenhouse gas emissions and were given targets for this reduction of emissions.

It was also suggested that more forests should be planted to create so-called sinks to absorb greenhouse gases. At least part of the problem of rapid climate change has been caused by too **drastic** deforestation.

Sadly, the targets are not being met. Even more sadly, global warnings about climate changes are often still being regarded as scaremongering.

(From Read and Understand 2 by Betty Kirkpatrick & Rebecca Mok - Learners Publishing Pte Ltd 2005)

Question 44: According to the passage, in what way did the climate changes in the ice ages differ from the modern ones?

- A. They occurred naturally over a long period of time.
- B. They were fully monitored by humans.
- C. They were partly intended.
- D. They were wholly the result of human activity.

Question 45: The word "**alarmingly**" in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. surprisingly B. disappointingly C. disapprovingly D. worryingly

Question 46: According to the passage, agriculture could _____.

- A. make the global warming more serious
- B. be indirectly affected by the global temperature rises
- C. be directly damaged by the rises in global temperature
- D. give rise to many ecological disasters

Question 47: Greenhouse gases cause the warming up of the Earth because they _____.

- A. trap heat from the sun
- B. are unusual gases
- C. are emitted by car engines
- D. do not add to atmosphere pollution

Question 48: According to the passage, 1997 witnessed _____.

- A. the largest number of summits on the subject of climate change
- B. widespread concern about climate change
- C. the highest attendance by representatives from 180 industrialised countries
- D. the most important summit on climate change taking place in Kyoto, Japan

Question 49: It can be inferred from the passage that the countries which are mainly responsible for global warming are _____.

- A. the most industrialised countries
- B. developing countries
- C. countries with the warmest climate
- D. developed countries

Question 50: The word "**There**" in paragraph 5 refers to _____.

- A. the world's industrialised countries
- B. the 1997 summit in Kyoto, Japan
- C. the most industrialised countries
- D. regular summits on climate change

Question 51: Which of the following is NOT true, according to the passage?

- A. The so-called sinks created by forests can absorb greenhouse gases.
- B. Carbon dioxide is one of the gases that may cause the so-called greenhouse effect.
- C. The problem of rapid climate change has been caused mainly by deforestation.
- D. Politicians are among those who are concerned about climate change.

Question 52: The word "**drastic**" in paragraph 6 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. widespread
- B. obvious
- C. severe
- D. hard

Question 53: What is probably the writer's attitude toward global warming?

- A. Optimistic
- B. Positive
- C. Pessimistic
- D. Neutral

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word or phrase OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined part in each of the following questions.

Question 54: She was unhappy that she lost contact with a lot of her old friends when she went abroad to study.

- A. lost control of
- B. put in charge of
- C. got in touch with
- D. made room for

Question 55: His boss has had enough of his impudence, and doesn't want to hire him any more.

- A. respect
- B. obedience
- C. rudeness
- D. agreement

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

Question 56: _____, the less polluted the environment will be.

- A. The more polluted landfills will be
- B. The fewer landfills we have
- C. The less landfills are polluted
- D. The more landfills are there

Question 57: It is believed _____.

- A. why is Alice such a talented ballet dancer
- B. that Alice is a talented ballet dancer
- C. how is Alice a talented ballet dancer
- D. when Alice to become a talented ballet dancer

Question 58: I have two sisters, _____.

- A. both of whom are nurses
- B. one of them are nurses
- C. most of whom are nurses
- D. most of them are nurses

Question 59: Switch off all the lights _____.

- A. before you leave the room
- B. after you will leave the room
- C. by the time you enter the room
- D. until you enter the room

Question 77: Take this route and you will get to the village.

- A. Unless you take this route, you will get to the village.
- B. Although this route may lead you to the village, you cannot take it.
- C. There is no doubt that this route will never lead you to the village.
- D. Certainly, you will get to the village if you take this route.

Question 78: I think it is more enjoyable to play a sport than to watch it on TV.

- A. I think watching a sport on TV is more enjoyable than playing it.
- B. As far as I know, more people watch a sport on TV than they play it.
- C. In my opinion, to play a sport is more enjoyable than to watch it on TV.
- D. In my view, playing a sport is as enjoyable as watching it on TV.

Question 79: I have never used a more fascinating MP3 player than this one.

- A. I am very fascinated by the MP3 player I am using.
- B. This is the most fascinating MP3 player I have ever used.
- C. This MP3 player does not fascinate me much.
- D. Like the other MP3 players, this one is fascinating to me.

Question 80: “May I see your passport, Mrs Scott?” said the customs officer.

- A. The customs officer asked Mrs Scott to see his passport.
- B. The customs officer suggested seeing Mrs Scott’s passport.
- C. The customs officer asked to see Mrs Scott’s passport.
- D. The customs officer promised to show Mrs Scott his passport.

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