

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. gallery B. arrange C. native D. tasteless
 2. A. breath B. smooth C. wealth D. growth

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.

3. A. release B. promote C. destroy D. happen
 4. A. negative B. accident C. discover D. columnist

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 stress in each of the following questions.

5. The new student in my class is _____ good at both English and French.
 A. reason B. reasoned C. reasonable D. reasonably
6. He _____ the championship trophy for his outstanding performance in the last tournament.
 A. wins B. won C. is won D. is winning
7. I strongly advised him _____ and drive to ensure his safety and the safety of others.
 A. not drink B. not drinking C. not to drink D. to drink
8. Many employees objected _____ the new company policy on overtime.
 A. about B. with C. to D. for
9. Yoga and meditation are often recommended for improving _____ health and reducing stress.
 A. cooperative B. dependent C. mental D. doubtful
10. The students need to improve their _____ during exams to perform their best.
 A. embarrassment B. concentration C. obesity D. severity
11. They decided to buy the house _____ they didn't really have enough money.

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

12. We heard the news as soon as we _____ the car radio.

A. went over B. switched on C. grew up D. turned down

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that is CLOSEST In meaning to the underlined word(s) in the following sentence.

13. Have they come up with any ideas to deal with the problem?

A. solve B. hide C. give up D. cause

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that is OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in the following sentence.

14. We need to increase the amount of fibre in our diet because it is good for our health.

A. reduce B. promote C. develop D. include

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful dialogue in each of the following questions.

15.

- a. Mia: Yes, it's really alarming. Many species are losing their habitats.
- b. Emma: Have you seen the news about the deforestation in the Amazon?
- c. Emma: I know! It's heartbreaking to think about how many animals are affected.

A. b-c-a B. a-c-b C. c-b-a D. b-a-c

16.

- a. I'm not sure, but it might rain later in the afternoon.
- b. Do you think we should bring an umbrella?
- c. Let's bring one, just to be safe.
- d. That's a good idea. Better to be prepared.

A. b-a-c-d B. a-d-b-c C. c-d-b-a D. d-b-c-a

17.

- a. Anna: I think we should reduce our carbon footprint by using less energy and supporting renewable sources.
- b. Anna: Hi Tom, have you heard about the latest reports on global warming? It's getting worse!
- c. Tom: Yes, I read that the ice caps are melting at an alarming rate. What do you think we can do to help?

- d. Anna: Definitely! Every little action counts in the fight against global warming.
e. Tom: That's a great idea! We could also raise awareness in our community about the importance of recycling and conserving resources.

A. b-a-c-d-e B. b-c-a-e-d C. b-d-c-a-e D. b-e-a-c-d

Read the following announcement and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best option that fits each of the numbered blanks from 18 to 20.

WHAT TO DO DURING A POWER OUTAGE

1. Stay calm and check if the outage (**18**) _____ only your home or the entire area. Stay informed using a battery-powered radio for updates.
2. Turn (**19**) _____ all electrical appliances to prevent power surges when power returns. Keep refrigerators and freezers closed to preserve food.
3. Use flashlights instead of candles to avoid fire risks. Avoid downed power lines and report them to the power company.
4. Take (**20**) _____ to regulate body temperature in extreme weather conditions. Limit opening doors and windows to maintain your home's temperature.

18. A. effects B. affects C. effective D. effectively

19. A. off B. up C. on D. down

20. A. safeguards B. defences C. precautions D. protections

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best option that fits each of the numbered blanks from 21 to 25.

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 (**21**) ____ bowl, since sharing and common dining are a big part of their culture. Sitting around the big round table, with (**22**) ____ 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 (**23**) ____ the ritual.

Since the (**24**) ____ 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 (**25**) ____ 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.

21. A. similar B. different C. separate D. same
22. A. much B. lots of C. a D. any
23. A. enjoying B. to enjoy C. enjoy D. to enjoying
24. A. traditionally B. traditionalist C. tradition D. traditional
25. A. who B. which C. that D. where

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.

A local community is a group of people who live in the same area and share common interests. Communities can be found in villages, towns, and cities, and they play an important role in people's lives. Members of a community often work together to improve their neighborhood, organize events, and support one another.

There are many ways in which people **contribute** to their local community. Some volunteer at schools, hospitals, or shelters, while others take part in environmental activities like tree planting or cleaning public spaces. Local businesses also help by providing jobs and services that benefit residents. Strong community involvement leads to a safer and more connected society.

Local communities often organize cultural festivals, sports events, and charity programs to bring people together. These activities encourage social interaction and create a sense of belonging. Public places such as parks, libraries, and community centers serve as gathering spots where residents can meet, learn, and enjoy recreational activities.

Despite their benefits, communities also face challenges such as pollution, crime, and lack of resources. To address these issues, residents and local authorities must work together. By promoting cooperation and active participation, communities can continue to grow and improve the quality of life for everyone.

26. What is the main topic of the passage?

- A. The importance and role of local communities
- B. The history of different communities
- C. How to start a business in a community
- D. The differences between rural and urban communities

27. The word "**contribute**" in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. Ignore B. Help C. Remove D. Avoid

28. Which of the following is NOT true about local communities?

- A. They bring people together through events and activities.

- B. Local businesses play no role in helping the community.
- C. Residents can volunteer to improve their neighborhood.
- D. Public places like parks and libraries provide spaces for interaction.

29. How do local businesses help a community?

- A. By providing jobs and services for residents
- B. By closing public spaces for private use
- C. By keeping people from working together
- D. By increasing pollution in the area

30. What are some common community activities?

- A. Organizing cultural festivals, sports events, and charity programs
- B. Closing down public spaces to reduce gatherings
- C. Avoiding any form of social interaction
- D. Stopping people from volunteering

31. What is one challenge local communities face?

- A. Pollution, crime, and lack of resources
- B. Having too many parks and libraries
- C. Too much cooperation between residents
- D. A complete absence of public events

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph in the following question.

32.

- a. Meeting my current partner was completely unexpected, as I had sworn off dating after my previous heartbreak.
- b. Slowly, I began to trust again, and we built a relationship based on open communication and shared values.
- c. At first, I was hesitant to open up and let someone new into my life, but they were incredibly patient and understanding.
- d. Now, several years later, I can confidently say that this is the healthiest and most fulfilling partnership I've ever had.
- e. I'm grateful every day for the love and support we share, and I'm excited to see what the future holds for us.

- A. a-d-b-c-e
- B. a-c-b-d-e
- C. a-d-c-b-e
- D. a-b-d-e-c

Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.

33. I really wish I have a laptop to replace this old-fashioned computer.

A. to replace B. really C. have D. old-fashioned

34. One of the most serious problem now is the spread of COVID-19.

A. the B. spread C. problem D. is

35. The bike he has just bought is more expensive as mine.

A. as B. is C. The bike D. just

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to the given one.

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

- A. Despite his broken legs, he managed to get out of the car.
- B. Because of his broken legs, he managed to get out of the car.
- C. As he was able to get out of the car, his legs were broken.
- D. He was able to get out of the car, so his legs were broken.

37. "Why don't you wear sunglasses, Anna?" said Bob.

- A. Bob suggested Anna should wear sunglasses.
- B. Bob advised Anna shouldn't wear sunglasses.
- C. Bob said that Anna didn't wear sunglasses.
- D. Bob wondered why Anna wore sunglasses

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

- A. I'm used to living in Ho Chi Minh City.
- B. I no longer live in Ho Chi Minh City.
- C. I have lived in Ho Chi Minh City.
- D. I'm still living in Ho Chi Minh City.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best combines the two given ones.

39. Susan didn't apply for the summer job in the bank. She now regrets it.

- A. Susan wishes that she applied for the summer job in the bank.
- B. Susan felt regret because she didn't apply for the summer job in the bank.
- C. If only Susan didn't apply for the summer job in the bank.
- D. Susan wishes that she had applied for the summer job in the bank.

40. She behaved in a very strange way. That surprised me a lot.

- A. Her behaviour was a very strange thing, that surprised me most.
- B. She behaved very strangely, which surprised me very much.
- C. What almost surprised me was the strange way she behaved.
- D. I was almost not surprised by her strange behaviour.