

A. LISTENING (20pts)

I. Listen to five short conversations and choose the best answer. (5 pts)

1. How did the film end?

- A. a wedding B. the couple robs a bank C. the man gets caught

2. What time does the train to Rome leave?

- A. 2:55 B. 3:25 C. 3:35

3. What is broken?

- A. the table B. the lamp C. the plate

4. Where are the man's shoes?

- A. under the chair B. near the television C. near the door

5. What will Paul get at the shop?

- A. mushrooms, red pepper B. red pepper, carrots C. tomatoes, onions

II. You will hear an announcement about what's on television tomorrow. For each question, choose the correct answer (5 pts)

6. The Railway Princess is on television from _____

- A. 9.00 to 10.00 B. 9.00 to 10.30 C. 9.30 to 11.00 D. 10.30 to 12

7. There is a music programme for teenagers _____

- A. Early in the morning B. before lunch C. at lunchtime D. after lunch

8. You can see a football match between _____

- A. Ireland and Spain B. Brazil and Ireland
C. Spain and Italy D. Brazil and Italy

9. If the weather is bad, there will be no _____

- A. cycling B. skiing C. tennis D. football

10. What kind of film is *I Could Live Forever*

- A. a comedy B. a musical C. a thriller D. a drama

III. You will hear a radio announcer talking about Plymouth Sea Life Centre. For each question, fill in the missing information in the numbered space. (5 pts)

PLYMOUTH SEA LIFE CENTRE

--COST--

Adults (11) €....., children £2.00.

Special prices for over sixties and school groups.

-- OPENING TIMES—

Every day except 25 and 26 December

-- FOR CHILDREN –

Special quiz.

Animals are fed every (12) from 9.30 am.

Slide and (13) shows from 10.00 am.

-- GROUPS—

Guided tours available - ask at the (14).....

-- NEW ATTRACTION—

Walk through the big (15) made of glass.

IV. Look at the five sentences for this part. You will hear a conversation between a girl, Jane, and her brother, Michael, about a Spanish family who are coming to visit them in England. Decide if each sentence is True or False. If it is correct, write T. If it is not correct, write F.

- 16. This will be the Sanchez family's first trip to England.
- 17. Michael suggests sightseeing in London.
- 18. The Sanchez children are teenagers.
- 19. Jane has been to the car museum.
- 20. Jane and Michael have bought tickets for the tennis competition.

B. GRAMMAR-VOCABULARY (25 pts)

I. Choose the word or phrase A, B, C or D that best fits the blank space in each sentence. (9 pts)

- 21. She is wearing a _____.
A. short nice nylon skirt B. nice short nylon skirt
C. nylon short nice skirt D. nylon nice short skirt
- 22. I hung the picture _____ the fireplace.
A. on B. under C. between D. above
- 23. Older people rarely approve _____ habits of the younger generation.
A. for B. to C. of D. with
- 24. She had changed so much that _____ anyone recognized her.
A. almost B. hardly C. never D. no
- 25. Although he is my friend, I find it hard to _____ his selfishness.
A. keep up with B. come down with C. put up with D. catch up with
- 26. - Do you like pop music or jazz? - I don't like _____ of them. I prefer classical music.
A. any B. both C. either D. neither
- 27. My parents lent me the money. _____, I couldn't have afforded the trip.
A. However B. Therefore C. Only if D. Otherwise
- 28. This factory produced _____ motorbikes in 2008 as in the year 2006.
A. twice as many B. as twice as many C. as twice many D. as many as twice
- 29. I am considering _____ my job. Can you recommend a good company?
A. to move B. changing C. to change D. moving

II. Read and choose the correct option to complete the announcement. (3 pts)

OUTDOOR COURTS

All (30) _____ need to wear T-shirts, shorts, sun hats, and proper tennis shoes, apart from under-10s, who may (31) _____ their gym shoes instead.

No entry is allowed for students wearing the (32) _____ shoes.

Please meet Ms. Helen in Hall 2B, Room 202 for more details.

- 30. A. play B. player C. players D. playing
- 31. A. wear B. get C. put D. take
- 32. A. good B. proper C. right D. wrong

III. Read and choose the correct option to complete the advertisement. (3 pts)

ITALY – Paradise on Earth!

Come to sunny Italy! It is a country full of fascinating cities and beautiful (33) _____. Enjoy the delicious (34) _____ and explore shops full of bargains. (35) _____ your time sightseeing, shopping, or relaxing on the beaches. You are certain to have a most enjoyable holiday!

Call us at 006688 to book your vacation to holiday today!

33. A. landscapes B. scenes C. sights D. places
 34. A. air B. homestays C. souvenir D. cuisine
 35. A. waste B. spend C. take D. hunt

IV. Find 05 errors in the following passage. Write the errors and write the correction in your paper. (5 pts)

FIRST DAY AT WORK

Well, Trisha, that's my own first day at my new job out of the way. I wasn't sure what to expect, but it turned out okay. My management was really nice, much nicer than yours as you mentioned in your letter. No sooner I had arrived at work than he made me a cup of tea! It was a really pleasant surprise. Not only did he do that, but he was also enough kind to explain to me how everything worked. The office is really modern and comfortable. The other people all have their own desks, but mine desk still hasn't been delivered, so I am sharing with someone else for now. Little did I not realise when I took the job that I was going to enjoy it so much. I have finally found a job that I am happy in, and so will you, I'm sure. Hope tomorrow's as much fun!

	Line	Error	Correction
36			
37			
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V. Give the correct form of the words in brackets. (5 pts)

41. There are some musicbetween the two lectures. (**perform**)
 42. Theof Vietnamese trademarks has been remarkably increasing. (**popular**)
 43. It is important to create a safe,environment for children. (**threat**)
 44. He was ansuccessful mayor from 1981 to 1984. (**stand**)
 45. They wereto accept all of the conditions of the contract. (**prepare**)

C. READING (25 pts)

I. The text below has five spaces. Put a given sentence A, B, C, D, E, F or G into its correct space. There are two sentences that you do not need to use. (5 pts)

- A. There are websites where people can arrange to meet up.
 B. If your car is this old it may need replacing.
 C. Make sure you carry out basic maintenance like checking the tyre pressure regularly.
 D. Try making more use of public transport.
 E. These problems mainly affect the city centres.
 F. All that extra weight will put more pressure on the engine.
 G. But sometimes it's difficult for us to do the right thing.

How to Save Petrol and the Environment

We all know how important it is to protect the environment. (46) _____. For example, if you're a motorist jumping in the car to go somewhere is balanced against the knowledge of how harmful each journey can be. But did you know that making a few simple changes to your driving habits will not only do less damage to our world but will also save you money and could even be good for your health?

Do you really need to take the car? (47) _____. If the service is reliable you'll soon get used to using buses and trains. In fact, for shorter journeys why not take the opportunity to get into shape and go on foot.

Why not share the journey! How often do you see cars with just one occupant with the driver making the same journey as others living nearby? Why not car share and half the cost of the journey? (48) _____.

Try changing your habits. When you must use the car plan your journey so you can go to all the places you need to visit rather taking the car out again and again. If you get caught in a traffic jam switch off the engine when you're stationary for a long time. Try not to brake too sharply or accelerate too quickly as this will lead to you using up more fuel. On cold mornings don't warm up the engine before you start your journey and when you next put fuel in your car think about whether you really need to fill up the tank. (49) _____.

Taking care of your car is very important. (50) _____. And keep your car regularly serviced so that it runs as efficiently as possible.

Steps like this will save you money and help you do your bit to protect the environment.

II. Read the passage and decide which option A, B, C or D best fits each space. (10 pts)

Society has changed in many ways since the (51) _____ of computers, and people's lives at home and at the office have been (52) _____. Most people are working for fewer hours per week than they used to, and manufacturers and advertising agencies are becoming much more interested in how people spend this extra leisure time. One recent report stated that, (53) _____ the number of hobbies had not increased, each hobby had become much more specialized.

A second finding is that nowadays, many managers would (54) _____ spend time with their families than stay late in the office every day. Home life is seen (55) _____ as important as working. Some companies now make managers take their annual holidays (56) _____ they don't want to, because this leads to quite an improvement in their (57) _____ if they have some rest.

(58) _____ these changes, some people are working harder than (59) _____. The standard of exams is getting higher, and increased competition is making it harder to get into university than it was 20 years ago. Schoolchildren and students are now having to work (60) _____ hard that in many cases they work longer hours than their parents.

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| 51. A. existence | B. introduction | C. recommendation | D. manufacture |
| 52. A. damaged | B. changed | C. transferred | D. affected |
| 53. A. since | B. if | C. although | D. because |
| 54. A. like | B. rather | C. better | D. prefer |
| 55. A. be | B. being | C. to be | D. been |
| 56. A. unless | B. however | C. as | D. even if |
| 57. A. performance | B. rehearsal | C. display | D. expression |
| 58. A. In addition to | B. Instead of | C. In spite of | D. In place of |
| 59. A. ever before | B. lately | C. ever since | D. never before |
| 60. A. very | B. too | C. as | D. so |

III. Read the following passage and choose the best answer from A, B, C or D. (10 pts)

Lake Baikal, the world's largest lake, is located in southern Siberia, in Russia. It measures 395 miles long by 50 miles wide and it has 1,245 miles of coastline. The lake's rocky basin consists of three depressions, **which** hold a total volume of 14,656 cubic miles of water, 20 percent of the freshwater in the world. The lake is also very deep, with its deepest point at over 1 mile and an average depth of 2,066 feet. Furthermore, scientists have determined that Lake Baikal is the oldest lake in the world. From sediment obtained by drilling deep down below the lake, researchers estimate it to be at least 25 million years old.

To scientists, Lake Baikal is of particular interest because of its unique and isolated ecosystem. More than 1,000 species of plants and animals found at Lake Baikal exist nowhere else on earth and some can be dated to prehistoric times. Among its unique fauna is the Baikal

freshwater seal. This creature, which local people call nerpa, is the only mammal which inhabits the lake. Researchers speculate that these seals, which have been breeding at Lake Baikal for 22 million years, are the descendents of ocean-dwelling seals which migrated inland in search of food, when the lake was still connected to the sea. Another creature that is unique to this Siberian Lake is the omul, a fish, which is caught by local fisherman and is considered a great delicacy.

For centuries, the water in Lake Baikal was so clear that it was possible to see down to depths of 40 to 60 feet. Several factors contributed to keeping the water crystal clear. First, the lake contained certain small zoo plankton and small crustaceans that consumed waterweeds, bacteria, and other material that would otherwise cloud the water. Furthermore, the water in the lake consisted of rainwater and melted snow that flowed down from a mountain range in about 300 days and through uninhabited forest. Finally, most of the watershed has a rocky surface, so the water flowing into the lake did not accumulate mud or organic matter and had little mineral or chemical content.

- [illegible]

WRITING (30 pts)

I. Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means exactly the same as the sentence printed before it. (5 pts)

71. I would like you to help me to put these things away.

☞ Would _____?

72. Jack may be very intelligent, but he should be careful about this.

☞ No matter _____

73. I'd prefer you not to bring Andrew with you.

☞ I'd rather _____

74. I advise you to be patient in this situation.

☞ If I _____

75. "Don't leave the house until I get back, William," his mother said.

☞ William's mother told _____

II. This is part of a letter you have received from Jolie, your pen pal from Canada. In about 100 - 120 words, write a letter to answer her questions. (10.0 points)

I've just bought some new trousers. They're black and I really like them. Tell me about the clothes you like wearing. Do you enjoy shopping for clothes?

NOTE: You are required to sign your name as Lan Phuong!

III. Some people think that being able to communicate with others online is breaking down geographical barriers and enabling people, who would normally never have chance to meet, to communicate. To what extent do you agree or disagree? Write a paragraph about 150 - 170 words to give your opinion. (15 points).

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(Hướng dẫn chấm gồm có 02 trang)

A. LISTENING

Part 1. (5 points): 1.0 point for each correct answer

1. C 2. B 3. C 4. C 5. B

Part 2. (5 points): 1.0 point for each correct answer

6. B 7. C 8. B 9. C 10. B

Part 3. (5 points): 1.0 point for each correct answer

11. 3.70 12. Hour/hourly 13. video(s)
14. information desk 15. tunnel

Part 4. (5 points) : 1.0 point for each correct answer

16. T 17. T 18. F 19. T 20. F

B. GRAMMAR

Part 1. (9 points): 1 point for each correct answer

21. B 22. D 23. C 24. B 25. C 26. C
27. D 28. A 29. B

Part 2. (6 points) 1 point for each correct answer

30. C 31. A 32. D
33. A 34. D 35. B

Part 3. (5 points) 1 point for each correct answer.

36. management => manager 37. I had arrived => had I arrived
38. enough kind => kind enough 39. mine => my/ mine desk => mine
40. not realize => realize

Part 4. (5 points) 1 point for each correct answer

41. performances 42. popularity 43. non-threatening
44. outstandingly 45. unprepared

C. READING:

Part 1. (5 points): 1.0 point for each correct answer

46. G 47. D 48. A 49. F 50. C

Part 2. (10 points): 1.0 point for each correct answer

51. B 52. D 53. C 54. B 55. C
56. D 57. A 58. C 59. A 60. D

Part 3. (10 points): 1.0 point for each correct answer

61. D 62. C 63. B 64. A 65. B
66. D 67. A 68. C 69. B 70. D

D. WRITING

Part 1. (5 points): 1.0 point for each correct answer

71. Would you mind helping me to put these things away?
72. No matter how intelligent Jack may be, he should be careful about this.
73. I'd rather you didn't bring Andrew with you.
74. If I were you, I would be patient in this situation.
75. William's mother told him not to leave the house until she got back.

Part 2. (10 points)

1. Form:

- *Correct form of a letter (1 point)*

2. Task fulfillment:

- *Task completed with relevant information (2 points)*
- *Well- organized (2 points)*

3. Language:

- Accurate grammar (2 points)*
- Appropriate vocabulary (2 points)*
- Correct spelling and punctuation (1 points)*

Part 3. (15 points)

Score of 14-15: A paragraph at this level:

- shows very effective writing skills*
- is very well organized and well developed*
- uses details clearly and properly to support a thesis or illustrate ideas*
- displays consistent ability in the use of language*
- demonstrates variety in sentence structure and proper word choice*

Score of 11 - 13: A paragraph at this level:

- shows effective writing skills*
- is well organized and well developed*
- uses details clearly and properly to support a thesis or illustrate ideas*
- displays consistent ability in the use of language*
- demonstrates variety in sentence structure and proper word choice*

Score of 9 - 10: A paragraph at this level:

- may address some parts of the task more effectively than others*
- is generally well organized and developed*
- uses details to support a thesis or illustrate an idea*
- displays ability in the use of the language*
- shows some variety in sentence structure and range of vocabulary*

Score of 7 - 8: A paragraph at this level:

- addresses the writing topic adequately but does not meet all of the goals of the task*
- is adequately organized and developed*
- uses some details to support a thesis or illustrate an idea*
- shows adequate but possibly inconsistent ability with sentence structure*
- may contain some usage errors that make the meaning unclear*

Score of 5 - 6: A paragraph at this level may reveal one or more of the following weaknesses:

- inadequate organization or development*
- poor choice of details or does not provide enough details to support or illustrate generalizations*
- a noticeably improper choice of words or word forms*
- numerous errors in sentence structure and/or usage*

Score of 3 - 4: A paragraph at this level is seriously flawed by one or more of the following weaknesses:

- serious disorganization or underdevelopment*
- little or no detail, or irrelevant specifics*
- serious and frequent errors in sentence structure or usage*
- serious problems with focus*

Score of 1- 2: A paragraph at this level:

- may be incoherent*
- may be undeveloped*
- may contain severe and persistent writing errors*

Score of 0: A paragraph will be rated 0 if it:

- contains no response*
- merely copies the topic*
- is off-topic, written in a foreign language or consists only of keystroke characters*

=== THE END ===

TRANSCRIPT

PART 1

1. Man: and in this film a young man and his girlfriend try to rob a bank so they can afford to get married and go round the world together. But he gets caught outside the bank, and their dream never comes true.

2. Man: Excuse me - what time does this train leave?

Woman: This train leaves for Paris at five to three.

Man: Paris? Isn't it the Rome train?

Woman: No - that goes at twenty five past three from platform four.

3. Man: I'm terribly sorry. Mum - I've just broken something

Woman: Oh dear - what was it?

Man: Well, I got up too quickly from the table to answer the phone and knocked one of your plates on to the floor - at least it wasn't your new lamp!

Woman: Ah - I thought I heard a crash.

4. Man: Have you seen my old shoes? I thought they were under the chair by the television.

Woman: Not any more! They're by the door with the other rubbish. I've been fidyng the flat.

Man: Well, the living room looks very nice.. but you're not throwing my old shoes away, all the same.

5. Woman: ... Right, now what do we need for this sauce so Paul can get it for me ... let me see ... onions, tomatoes, one red pepper, mushrooms and two carrots... so what have I got ... onions ... I've always got those ... tomatoes... yes ... red pepper... no, I'll need one of those ... I've got mushrooms... oh dear ... no carrots ... Paul, could you go to the shop for me please?

PART 2

And that's the weather forecast. And now we know what the weather's going to be like, let's have a look at what we've got for you tomorrow on TV31.

Most of the morning is taken up with children's television. As it's Saturday, we've got programmes for children from the under fives to teenagers. We start the day at 7.00 with cartoons and programmes for the very young. These go on until 9.00 when we have a film specially made for television called The Railway Princess. It was first shown about six months ago and we've had lots of requests to show it again. The film is based on Jenny Johnson's best-selling children's book. Then from 10.30 until 12.00, we continue with a magazine programme for

5- to 12-year-olds. There's something for everyone - animals, art, sport, the countryside. At lunchtime, from 12.00 till 2.00, we have something for teenagers

- Here and Now - our music programme with all the latest groups and singers, and the results of last week's competition.

After lunch there's half an hour of news and that's followed at 2.30 by sport.

This afternoon you can watch the match between Brazil and Ireland. The winner of that match will go on to play Italy or Spain in the final next week.

Football is followed at 4 o'clock by tennis. We'll be watching part of the Macmillan Tennis Tournament. If the tennis is cancelled because of rain we'll be going over early to Japan to see some of the skiing. Let's hope Angus Burns has recovered from yesterday's fall. At 5 o'clock we'll be bringing you the end of the Round Britain Cycle Race.

At 6 o'clock it's time for our new quiz programme Your guess is as good as mine with Nigel Parsons. Each team is shown pictures of people who were in the news in one particular year, or important things that happened in that year. The teams guess when that was.

That's followed by more news and at 7.00 it's time for our Saturday evening film I Could Live Forever, a sad story with a happy ending. You'll recognise the songs, now well known, made famous by the film and sung by Julia Jones. And of course there's some wonderful dancing. Our evening carries on with plenty of entertainment for all the family. At nine o'clock there's a chance to see

PART 3

Man: ...and finally Mary James has been visiting the new Sea Life Centre at Plymouth. What can you tell us about it, Mary?

Woman: Well, it's an extremely exciting place. There are so many things to see and everything is enjoyable as well as educational. It costs £3.70 for adults, 22 for children and less for over sixties and school groups. It's open every day of the year except the 25th and 26th of December.

Special attractions for children include a quiz and hourly feeding times for all the different animals and fish, starting at 9.30. You can see everything here from the most enormous of sea creatures to the smallest.

Every morning from 10.00 there are slide and video shows for children in the sea life theatre, and someone is always there to answer questions about what you've seen. If you are in a group of six or more people, they can give you a special guided tour of the centre. But you need to arrange this at the information desk when you arrive.

The latest attraction at the centre is a big glass tunnel you can walk through; all around you, you will see enormous fish swimming - sometimes even over your head. You certainly have the clearest possible view of the world beneath the waves. Children love it and it's really amazing for adults too!

When you get hungry, there is a relaxed family dining area serving snacks, cold drinks and ice creams. Near the main entrance there is an excellent bookshop and there's also a souvenir shop selling all kinds of things connected with the sea.

I warmly recommend this visit; for more information phone 01743 564219.

PART 4

Jane: Michael, you know that Spanish family Mum and Dad met in Spain last year?

Michael: Yeah, the Sanchez family.

Jane: That's right. Anyway, they're coming to stay next month. They haven't been to England before, so Mum wants us to help plan a really good week for them. Can we give her some suggestions?

Michael: Well, they must spend a day in London seeing the famous places like Buckingham Palace and the Tower of London. Perhaps they could go on one of those open top buses and see everything from there.

Jane: That's a great idea. Do you think the children will like that?

Michael: How old are they?

Jane: One's 12 and the other's nine.

Michael: That should be okay then. What about a trip to the car museum at Beaulieu on another day?

Jane: Oh no, I found that car museum so boring. I don't think any of them would like that.

Michael: Well, I think most people find museums boring, but it's what people do when they visit another country, isn't it?

Jane: Not necessarily. They might want to do more outdoor activities or perhaps go to some shows or plays or something

Michael: I know, there's a big open air pop and jazz festival in Southampton. Do you think they'd like that?

Jane: That sounds better. What about taking the kids windsurfing as well? I think they might enjoy that, don't you?

Michael: Fine. And what about tennis? Do you think we could still get tickets for the Open Tennis competition in Bournemouth? There are some famous players there this year.

Jane: I'm sure we could, but I wonder if the family like tennis.