

ENGLISH PRACTICE 52

PART A: PHONETICS (5 pts)

Question I: *Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the rest in the same line. (2 pts)*

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| 1. A. ch <u>a</u> mber | B. <u>a</u> ncient | C. d <u>a</u> nger | D. <u>a</u> ncester |
| 2. A. look <u>e</u> d | B. learn <u>e</u> d | C. stop <u>p</u> ed | D. laugh <u>e</u> d |

Question II: *Find the word with the stress pattern different from that of the other three words in each question. (3 pts)*

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| 3. A. appropriate | B. expectation | C. accomplished | D. invaluable |
| 4. A. prohibit | B. separate | C. president | D. elephant |
| 5. A. assimilate | B. committee | C. tomorrow | D. relative |

PART B: VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR (45 pts)

Question I: *Choose the most suitable word or phrase to complete each sentence. (15 pts)*

6. Never _____ till tomorrow what you can do today .
A. put out B. put off C. put away D. put down
7. John's score on the test is the highest in the class; _____.
A. he should study last night B. he should have studied last night
C. he must have studied last night D. he must have to study last night
8. The company received _____ complaints about the quality of its products.
A. continual B. continued C. continuous D. continuing
9. Mai is _____ of the two sisters.
A. as beautiful as B. more beautiful
C. the more beautiful D. the most beautiful
10. Many lists of "Wonders of the World" _____ during the Middle Ages.
A. said to be existed B. are said to exist
C. said to exist D. are said to have existed
11. The weather is going to change soon; I feel it in my _____.
A. body B. legs C. skin D. bones
12. The workers have gone on strike. _____, all production has ceased.
A. So that B. Therefore C. Because D. Now that
13. Do you expect there will be a lot of _____ to the project from the local community?
A. rejections B. disapproval C. disagreement D. objections
14. _____ handball is fast becoming _____ popular sport worldwide.
A. The/ the B. Φ/ a C. A/ Φ D. Φ/ the
15. The size and shape of a nail depend primarily on the function _____ intended.
A. which it is B. for which it C. which it is for D. for which is
16. But for the fog, we _____ our destination ages ago.
A. would have reached B. would reach
C. reached D. had reached
17. **Nam:** "I'm having some friends over for lunch this Saturday. Would you like to join us?"
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Huong: “ _____ ”.

- A. Can I take a rain check? B. Come on. It's your turn.
C. Thanks, but I musn't D. As a matter of fact, I do.
18. Tom: “Wasn't it Mozart who composed Swan Lake?” Jane: “ _____.”
A. Yes, he wasn't B. It's out of question
C. I haven't a clue D. It's not my favourite
19. Water polo is played in a pool. It is played _____ a ball and people play it _____ a team.
A. by/ in B. in/with C. within/ by D. with/in
20. I wonder if they have that dress in my size. I _____ a size 10.
A. make B. have C. take D. get

Question II: The following passage contains 10 mistakes. Find and correct them (10 pts) (Questions 21-30)

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1	Once when I was a teenager, I had gone to my Aunt Leah's house. Aunt Leah collected pottery, and when I got there, she told me that she wants to show me her new bowl. She told she has just bought it. It was beautiful. When Aunt Leah went to answer the door; I picked up the bowl. It slipped from my hands
5	and smashed to pieces on the floor. When Aunt came back, I screamed and said what the cat had just broken your new bowl. Aunt Leah got this funny look on her face and told me that it isn't important. I didn't sleep at all that night, and the next morning, I called my aunt and confessed that I have broken her bowl. She said I had known that all along. I promised that I am going to buy her a
10	new one someday. We still laugh at the story today.

Question III: Put each verb in brackets into an appropriate form. (10 pts)

31. It is crucial that English (**teach**) _____ in a more practical way.
32. Without my parents' financial support, I (**not, be**) _____ so successful now.
33. My children enjoy (**allow**) _____ to stay up late when there is something special on television.
34. I didn't do the test well. I (**prepare**) _____ it very carefully at home.
35. The cowboy (**wound**) _____ by an arrow fell off the horse.
36. **Nam:** "The maintenance people didn't remove the chairs from the ballroom."
Huong: "Don't worry. They (**move**) _____ them before the dance begins."
37-38. It's high time the local government (**do**) _____ something about the sewage system which (**not upgrade**) _____ for years.
39- 40. Come on, Hoa. I want to show you something. - Oh how nice of you! I (**never think**) _____ you (**bring**) _____ me a gift.

Question IV: Put each word in brackets into an appropriate form. (10 pts)

41. All those foreign visitors can speak Vietnamese very well.
There will be a big _____ to have a translator here.
42. Katherine Curtis's water ballet club attracted both national and international _____.
43. The _____ of books were the hand-written books since centuries

USEFUL

PUBLIC

- BC, including clay tablets, wood or bamboo tablets tied with cord.
44. The doctor gave him an injection to _____ the pain.
45. According to Dr. Davis, the _____ population is mushrooming as our general health improves.
46. A century ago average life _____ in Europe was 45, today it is 70.
47. Because of the nuclear leakage, a large area of land needs _____.
48. If your luggage is very _____, you'll have to pay an excess charge.
49. If your terms are _____, we may consider placing regular orders.
50. He talked _____ of the past and his youth.

**RUN
DIE**

**CENTENARY
EXPECT
CONTAMINATE
WEIGH
SATISFY
ROMANTIC**

PART C: READING COMPREHENSION (30 pts)

Question I: Read the following passage and then choose the most suitable word or phrase for each space. (10 pts)

Reference books are not designed to be read from the first page to the last but rather to be consulted to answer the questions and provide both general and specific pieces of information. One of the most (51. _____) -used reference books is a dictionary, which provides information about words. It lists meanings and spellings, (52. _____) how a word is pronounced, gives (53. _____) of how it is used, may reveal its origins and also lists synonyms and (54. _____). To help you find the words faster, there are guide words at the top of each page showing the first and last words on that page - and of course it (55. _____) to know the alphabet!

There may be numerous special sections at the back with (56. _____) about famous people and places, lists of dates and scientific names, etc. There is usually a section at the front (57. _____) how to use the dictionary, which includes the special abbreviations or signs.

An atlas is also a reference book and (58. _____) charts, tables and geographical facts, as well as maps. Political maps locate countries and cities, physical maps show the formation of the land with its mountains and valleys, and economic maps show industries and agriculture. To find a specific place, you need to look in the (59. _____) at the back of the atlas and the exact position on the map. There are numerous map (60. _____) that you need to know in order to be able to read a map-almost like a special language-and these are explained at the front of the atlas.

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| 51. A. greatly | B. widely | C. mainly | D. largely |
| 52. A. speaks | B. tells | C. says | D. gives |
| 53. A. evidence | B. roof | C. examples | D. cases |
| 54. A. antonyms | B. closest | C. opposite | D. controversies |
| 55. A. assists | B. pays | C. helps | D. works |
| 56. A. events | B. stories | C. facts | D. materials |
| 57. A. explaining | B. interpreting | C. suggesting | D. presenting |
| 58. A. includes | B. contains | C. consists | D. composes |
| 59. A. index | B. preface | C. complement | D. foreword |
| 60. A. marks | B. signs | C. signals | D. symbols |

Question II: Supply the most suitable word for each blank. (10 pts)

I was reading an article last week in which the writer described ____61____ her children has changed as they grow up. When they were small she had to ____62____ up with noisy games in the house or join in interminable games of football in the garden which wore her out. If the house went quiet, she wondered what the monsters were getting up to, or what crisis she would have to ____63____ with next. She dreaded the fact that they might ____64____ after her husband, who admitted having ____65____ an uncontrollable child who ____66____ most of time showing off to his friends by breaking things or getting into fights. What was worse was that everyone else thought he was ____67____ sweet child, and he got away with the most terrible things. However, she had experienced an even greater shocked with her children. They had ____68____ out as chess and playing the piano. They never did anything ____69____ talking it over first, and coming to a serious decision. She had to face up to the fact that they made her feel rather childish as they got ____70____, and that in some ways she preferred them when they were young and noisy

Question III: Read the passage and choose the best answers to questions below. (10 pts)

Line 5 There is a common expression in English language referring to a blue moon. When people say that something happens **“only once in a blue moon”**, they mean that it happens only very rarely, once in a great while. This expression has been around for at least a century and a half. There are references to this expressions that date from the second half of the nineteenth century.

Line 10 The expression **“a blue moon”** has come to refer to the second full moon occurring in any given calendar month. A second full moon is not called a blue moon because it is particularly blue or is any different in the **hue** from the first full moon of the month. In stead, it is called a blue moon because it is so rare. The moon needs a little more than 29 days to complete the cycle from full moon to full moon. Because every month except February has more than 29 days, every month will have at least one full moon (except February, which will have a full moon unless there is a full moon at the very end of January and another full moon at the very beginning of March). It is on the occasion when a given calendar month has a second full moon that a blue moon occurs. This does not happen very often, only three or four times a decade.

Line 20 The blue moons of today are called blue moons because of their rarity and not because of their color; however, the expression **“blue moon”** may have come into existence in reference to unusual circumstances in which the moon actually appeared blue. Certain natural phenomena of gigantic proportions can actually change the appearance of the moon from the Earth. The eruption of the Krakatao volcano in 1883 left dust particles in the atmosphere, which clouded the sun and gave the moon a bluish tint. This particular occurrence of the blue moon may have **given rise to** the expression that we use today. Another example occurred more than a century later. When Mount Pinatubo erupted in the Philippines in 1991, the moon again took on a blue tint.

71. This passage is about_____.

A. an idiomatic expression

B. an unusual color

- C. a month on the calendar
D. a phase of the moon
72. How long the expression “once in a blue moon” been around?
A. For around 50 years
B. For less than 100 years
C. For more than 100 years
D. For 200 years.
73. A blue moon could best be described as _____.
A. a full moon that is not blue in color
B. a new moon that is blue in color
C. a full moon that is blue in color
D. a new moon that is not blue in color
74. The word “*hue*” in line 8 is closest in meaning to _____.
A. shape
B. date
C. color
D. size
75. Which of the following might be the date of a blue moon?
A. January 1st
B. February 28th
C. April 15th
D. December 31st
76. How many blue moons would there most likely be in a century?
A. 4
B. 35
C. 70
D. 100
77. According to the passage, the moon actually looked blue _____.
A. after large volcanic eruptions
B. when it occurred late in the month
C. several times a year
D. during the month of February
78. The expression “*given rise to*” in line 24 could be best replaced by _____.
A. created a need for
B. elevated the level of
C. spurred the creation of
D. brighten the color of
79. Where in the passage does the author describe the duration of a lunar cycle?
A. line 1- 3
B. line 6-7
C. line 9-10
D. line 13 – 15
80. In which paragraph does the author mention the two blue moons which were blue in color?
A. Paragraph 1
B. Paragraph 2
C. Paragraph 3
D. Paragraph 1 and 3.

PART D: WRITING (20 pts)

Question 1: *Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it is as similar as possible in meaning to the sentence printed before it. (5 pts)*

81. If I were you, I wouldn't tell anybody about the discovery.
→ You had _____.
82. It is thought that the Prime Minister is considering raising taxes.
→ The Prime Minister _____.
83. I was very annoyed by his refusal to listen to reason.
→ What _____.
84. The company have been reviewing their recruitment policy for the last three months.
→ The company's recruitment policy has _____.
85. I really like her voice but not her choice of songs.
→ Much _____.

Question II: *Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it is as similar as possible in meaning to the sentence printed before it. Do not change the form of the given word. (5 pts)*

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| 86. I am telling you this for you not to make a mistake.
→ _____. | FEAR |
| 87. I'd rather you didn't stay long at the party.
→ _____. | BETTER |
| 88. I now think differently about this matter.
→ _____. | MIND |
| 89. I am going to write and complain to the council.
→ _____. | COMPLAINT |
| 90. She was just as good as they had thought.
→ _____. | CAME |

Question III. *Essay writing (10 pts):*

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: “All children should learn at least one foreign language at school”?

Write an essay (about 150 to 200 words) to express your personal point of view.

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KEYS – PRACTICE 52

PART A: PHONETICS (5 điểm – Mỗi câu đúng 1 điểm)

1.D	2.B	3.B	4.A	5.D
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PART B: VOCABULARY & GRAMMAR (45 điểm)

(Mỗi câu đúng 1 điểm, riêng bài sửa lỗi, nếu tìm được lỗi mà sửa không đúng thì cho 0.5 điểm)

Question I.

6.B	7.C	8.A	9.C	10.D
11.D	12.B	13.D	14.B	15.B
16.A	17.A	18.C	19.D	20.C

Question II.

	MISTAKES	CORRECTIONS		MISTAKES	CORRECTIONS
21.	had gone	went	26.	isn't	wasn't
22.	wants	wanted	27.	have broken	had broken
23.	has	had	28.	I	she
24.	what	that	29.	am	was
25.	your	her	30.	at	about

Question III

31.	be taught/ should be taught	36.	will have moved
32.	would not be.	37.	did
33.	being allowed	38.	has not been upgraded
34.	should have prepared	39.	never thought
35.	wounded	40.	were going to bring/would bring

Question IV

41. uselessness	42. publicity	43. forerunners	44. deaden	45. centenarian
46. expectancy	47. decontaminating	48. overweight	49. satisfactory	50. romantically

PART C: READING COMPREHENSION (30 pts)

(Mỗi câu đúng 1 điểm)

Question I

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

Question II.

61. how	62. put	63. deal	64. take	65. been
66. spent	67. a	68. grown	69. without	70. older

Question III.

71.A	72.C	73.A	74.C	75.D
76.B	77.A	78.C	79.C	80.C

PART D: WRITING (20 pts)**Question I (5 điểm- Mỗi câu đúng 1 điểm)**

81.	You had better not tell anybody about the discovery.
82.	The Prime Minister is thought to be considering raising taxes.
83.	What really annoyed me was his refusal to listen to reason.
84.	The company's recruitment policy has been under review for the last three months.
85.	Much as I like her voice, I don't like her choice of songs.

Question II (5 điểm- Mỗi câu đúng 1 điểm)

86.	I am telling you this for fear that you might make a mistake.
87.	It would be better if you didn't stay long at the party.
88.	I've changed my mind about this matter.
89.	I intend to make a written complaint to the council.
90.	She came up to their expectations.

Question III. Essay: (10 điểm)**Marking criteria:****+ Task completion (4 điểm)**

Tuỳ theo khả năng hoàn thành về bố cục và những yêu cầu nội dung cho mỗi phần (mở bài, thân bài, kết luận) giám khảo có thể chấm từ 1-4 điểm.

+ Grammatical accuracy and spelling 3 điểm: bài viết không có lỗi chính tả và từ ba lỗi ngữ pháp trở xuống được cho 3 điểm tối đa. Cứ 4 lỗi chính tả hoặc ngữ pháp trừ 1 điểm (Trừ không quá 3 điểm).

- Coherence and cohesion (tính mạch lạc và sự liên kết câu, đoạn) – 3 điểm:

Tuỳ mức độ mạch lạc, liên kết câu, liên kết đoạn của bài viết, giám khảo có thể chấm 1-3 điểm.

B- HƯỚNG DẪN CHẤM:

Bài thi chấm theo thang điểm: 20

Điểm bài thi làm tròn đến 0,25

Điểm bài thi = $\frac{\text{Tổng số point thí sinh làm đúng}}{\text{-----}}$