

Unit 5

PRACTICE TEST 1

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the others.

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| 1. A. <u>a</u> ccountant | B. <u>a</u> rchitect | C. <u>a</u> greement | D. <u>a</u> pppearance |
| 2. A. add <u>r</u> ess | B. <u>e</u> vent | C. <u>s</u> ection | D. knowl <u>e</u> dge |

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word that has a stress pattern different from the others.

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| 3. A. surgeon | B. lifeguard | C. police | D. artist |
| 4. A. creative | B. confident | C. interested | D. flexible |

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the best option for each of the following questions.

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| 5. He looks very _____ so I think he's going to pass the interview. | A. creative | B. organized | C. confident | D. adaptable |
| 6. Do you think you're _____ enough to wait for your customer's response? | A. sociable | B. patient | C. reliable | D. knowledgeable |
| 7. His _____ job doesn't have flexible working hours, so it would be difficult to take care of his children. | A. nine-to-five | B. self-employed | C. part-time | D. seasonal job |
| 8. I don't think that Mark _____ in the field of construction. | A. won't work | B. couldn't work | C. wouldn't work | D. would work |
| 9. Some serious problems require the staff to think _____ creative solutions. | A. about | B. up | C. of | D. on |

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the options that best complete the two letters.

Hi Michelle,

How are things? I'm going to make (10)_____ important decision on my future career, but I'm not sure (11)_____ job is suitable for me. I hope you can give me some advice. I'm considering working as a software developer because I've always been interested in (12)_____ and coding. What do you think?

Write back soon,

David

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| 10. A. a | B. an | C. the | D. Ø |
| 11. A. which | B. what | C. who | D. whose |
| 12. A. education | B. finance | C. medicine | D. technology |

Hi David,

My new life in France is good. I (13)_____ you since we were six, so you can be a great software developer. But, you should be willing to spend hours dealing (14)_____ unexpected problems. Besides, you need to be more careful and patient enough to become a (15)_____ software developer.

Let me know your final decision soon,

Michelle

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| 13. A. know | B. knew | C. have known | D. will know |
| 14. A. at | B. with | C. to | D. over |
| 15. A. succeed | B. success | C. successful | D. successfully |

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph in each of the following questions.

16. a. Moreover, it's crucial to understand lots of regulations about accounting in different fields of business.
 b. I have to try hard to be good at math and tax laws.
 c. Apart from professional knowledge, I also need to have good organization and attention to detail.
 d. I want to be a competent accountant in a big corporation in the future.
 e. After all, working as an accountant requires lots of knowledge and skills.
- A. d-b-a-c-e B. c-d-b-a-e C. b-c-d-e-a D. a-e-c-b-d
17. a. First, a surgeon must be good at biology or chemistry, but I'm not interested in them.
 b. A job I think I would never be able to do is to work as a surgeon.
 c. Finally, it takes perfect concentration to carry out surgery because a mistake could cost someone's life.
 d. Second, a surgeon is required to stay updated with the latest medical developments in the world.
 e. The bottom line is that working as a surgeon is a stressful and demanding job.
- A. c-a-d-b-e B. b-a-d-c-e C. d-c-e-b-a D. b-e-c-d-a

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the options that best complete the passage.

Working outdoors offers many benefits, such as fresh air and a close connection to nature. However, (18) _____. One challenge of outdoor work is the weather elements. Unlike indoor work environments, outdoor workers are exposed to (19) _____, which makes indoor work unpleasant or even risky for some people (20) _____. Another challenge is the physical demands of outdoor work. Jobs that require outdoor labor often (21) _____, such as lifting heavy objects or working in awkward positions. This can lead to fatigue and even injury. (22) _____. Unlike indoor environments where conditions are controlled, outdoor conditions can change unexpectedly. This can make it difficult to plan and process tasks efficiently. Furthermore, outdoor workers may also face dangers such as exposure to harmful materials or dangerous wildlife. Those hazards can pose serious risks to workers' (23) _____. In short, outdoor work is challenging, but with proper training, people can deal with the negative aspects.

18. A. working outdoors comes with some unexpected challenges.
 B. working outdoors coming with some unexpected challenges.
 C. there are some challenges for unexpected outdoor jobs.
 D. unexpected jobs have some outdoor challenges.
19. A. the elements include rain, wind, and heat B. the elements, such as rain, wind, and heat
 C. the elements except rain, wind, and heat D. the elements involve rain, wind, and heat
20. A. who take improper precautions B. by taking improper precautions
 C. if proper precautions are not taken D. because of taking precautions improperly
21. A. have tasks demanding physics B. have physically demanding tasks
 C. have the demand for physics tasks D. demand physics task
22. A. On the contrary, outdoor work is unpredictable B. Similarly, outdoor work is predictable
 C. Additionally, outdoor work can be unpredictable D. However, outdoor work is more predictable
23. A. salaries and benefits B. workplaces and schedules
 C. promotion and raise D. health and safety

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the options that best complete the passage.

To achieve success in their profession, pilots must possess the following skills and characteristics.

- Pilots have to explain information precisely (34) _____ both the crew members and passengers.
- Confidence is essential in a pilot's role, as they are required to make swift (35) _____ that can determine the safety and well-being of their passengers.
- Pilots are tasked with managing a variety of (36) _____ simultaneously, including monitoring fuel levels, adjusting speed, getting updated with weather Forecasts and more.
- Quick and (37) _____ mathematical calculations are essential for pilots, particularly when making adjustments to speed or direction are necessary.
- The ability to stay calm is crucial, allowing pilots to _____ to various situations effectively.

Working as a pilot is challenging and demanding. If you have what it takes, consider training to be a pilot.

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| 24. A. with | B. about | C. on | D. to |
| 25. A. skills | B. decisions | C. actions | D. power |
| 26. A. troubles | B. advantages | C. responsibilities | D. benefits |
| 27. A. slow | B. accurate | C. interesting | D. huge |
| 28. A. adapt | B. deal | C. move | D. explain |

Read the passage and circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions.

Working as an accountant, Tracy is responsible for keeping track of her company's financial transactions. Tracy's traditional nine-to-five job has some advantages and disadvantages.

There are several notable advantages to Tracy's job. First, she receives a consistent monthly salary, allowing her to easily manage her budget and savings for the future. Second, the regulated working hours comply with the labor laws, so she can make arrangements for her personal matters. Additionally, her position offers various perks, including an annual company outing, social events like dinners and parties, comprehensive health insurance coverage, and even access to sports facilities provided by her company. Besides, she is sometimes required to work beyond the regular office hours, and her overtime pay is good. Furthermore, the work-life balance of a nine-to-five job is reasonable, as it typically allows for evenings and weekends off.

On the contrary, there are obvious drawbacks associated with working a standard nine-to-five job. Earning extra money can be challenging, as the salary remains fixed each month. To increase income, individuals often need to secure a promotion or seek employment elsewhere with a higher-paying position than their current job. Additionally, not all nine-to-five jobs offer desirable benefits. Lastly, some individuals may find the work-life balance of a nine-to-five job unsuitable, as it often involves a fixed 40-hour workweek with limited flexibility in working hours.

In summary, Tracy's office job, following a nine-to-five schedule, has certain advantages and disadvantages. While a stable income and various perks are appealing, some people may prioritize a more favorable work-life balance.

29. Which of the following can be the best title for the passage?

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| A. The advantages of a nine-to-five job | B. The disadvantages of a nine-to-five job |
| C. The work-life balance of a nine-to-five job | D. The benefits and the drawbacks of a nine-to-five job |

30. The word overtime pay in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.

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| A. extra salary from another job | B. extra money for working longer than usual |
| C. extra payment for office hours | D. extra bonuses for excellent tasks |

31. The word fixed in paragraph 3 mostly means _____

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| A. can be changed | B. can't be changed | C. can be repaired | D. can't be repaired |
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32. Which of the following is NOT mentioned according to the passage?

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| A. Tracy can use some sports facilities for free. |
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- B. Tracy is allowed to join some social events.
- C. Tracy is looking for a better-paid job than her current one.
- D. Not all nine-to-five jobs have the same benefits as Tracy's.

33. Which of the following can be inferred from the text?

- A. Nine-to-five jobs might not be for everyone.
- B. Working overtime is optional in Tracy's job.
- C. Tracy has to obey the labor laws.
- D. It's unusual for Tracy to have weekends off.

Read the passage and circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions.

Working as a salesperson has become one of the most attractive jobs in the past two decades. However, the job has its own challenges. In this essay, we'll talk about the bright and dark side of working in sales.

On the positive side, being a salesperson can provide opportunities for earning a commission or bonus based on performance. This means that hard work and dedication can lead to increased income. Additionally, sales positions often offer flexible working schedules, allowing individuals to balance work with other responsibilities. Furthermore, working in sales can enhance interpersonal skills because salespeople have to interact with customers frequently, which helps them develop other professional skills. Moreover, sales roles can provide a sense of achievement and satisfaction when meeting monthly targets or closing deals. This can boost confidence and motivation, leading to a fulfilling career. Additionally, sales positions often offer opportunities for **career advancement**, with the possibility of moving into management or specialized roles.

However, there are also drawbacks to working in sales. One significant disadvantage is the pressure to meet targets and quotas. This can create stress and anxiety, especially if performance is closely monitored and evaluated. Furthermore, sales positions may require extensive travel or long hours, which can impact employees' work-life balance. The unpredictable nature of sales can also lead to **unstable** income, with periods of high and low earnings, creating financial instability. Moreover, sales roles may involve high levels of competition, both internally with colleagues and externally with competitors. This can create a demanding and competitive work environment, which may not be suitable for everyone.

In conclusion, working as a salesperson offers positive aspects as well as negative ones. Those who consider a career in sales should carefully weigh those factors to determine if they are suitable for it.

34. Which of the following can be the best title for the passage?

- A. The Attractions of Working as a Salesperson
- B. The Rewards of Working as a Salesperson
- C. The Downside of Working as a Salesperson
- D. The Bright and Dark Side of Working as a Salesperson

35. The word **them** in paragraph 2 refers to _____

- A. customers
- B. salespeople
- C. interpersonal skills
- D. sales

36. The phrase **career advancement** in paragraph 2 mostly means _____

- A. efficiency
- B. salary
- C. promotion
- D. effect

37. The word **unstable** in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to _____

- A. fixed
- B. changeable
- C. low
- D. rewarding

38. According to paragraph 2, salespeople can acquire higher income if _____

- A. they earn more commission
- B. they take more responsibilities
- C. they have more interaction with customers
- D. they develop more professional skills

39. Which of the following is NOT true according to the passage?

- A. Salespeople are required to achieve targets.
- B. Salespeople can develop their careers in specialized roles.
- C. Salespeople have to compete against each other.
- D. Salespeople can boost their confidence thanks to other skills.

40. Which of the following could be inferred from the passage?
- A. Working in sales can help people become rich quickly.
 - B. Salespeople could have trouble achieving their work-life balance.
 - C. Working in a highly competitive environment might not be for everyone.
 - D. It's compulsory that salespeople travel long distances to meet customers.

PRACTICE TEST 2

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the others.

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| 1. A. mechan <u>i</u> c | B. <u>a</u> pprentice | C. re <u>a</u> ction | D. <u>s</u> alary |
| 2. A. reception | B. de <u>p</u> endence | C. conn <u>e</u> ction | D. <u>e</u> xcitement |

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word that has a stress pattern different from the others.

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| 3. A. benefit | B. advantage | C. computer | D. position |
| 4. A. encouragement | B. receptionist | C. developer | D. architecture |

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the best option for each of the following questions.

- 5. The young _____ is confident that he can design the new stadium efficiently.
A. doctor B. architect C. artist D. pilot
- 6. The _____ helped me book a room with a sea view, so I really enjoyed my stay there.
A. waiter B. nurse C. receptionist D. accountant
- 7. Because of the fast-changing technical world, the _____ must be highly adaptable in their daily jobs.
A. farmers B. writers C. shopkeepers D. software engineers
- 8. The content writer wasn't _____ enough to produce new advert ideas.
A. communicative B. creative C. old-fashioned D. organized
- 9. I think many vloggers _____ prefer creating more entertaining content to attract more viewers.
A. would B. should C. must D. will

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the options that best complete the job advertisement.

JOURNALIST WANTED

We're a growing media company dedicated to delivering engaging content. We're looking for a skilled journalist to join us in discovering and sharing captivating stories that connect (10)_____ our diverse readers.

- Responsibilities:

- Attend events, (11)_____ interviews, and listen to people to capture different perspectives.
- Generate creative and interesting story ideas that capture our audience's (12)_____
- Write clear, concise, and compelling articles following journalistic standards.

- Requirements:

- Strong written and verbal (13)_____ skills to convey information effectively.
- (14)_____ to unexpected news.
- Having a Bachelor's degree (15)_____ journalism, communication, or a related field.

Should you have any questions, please contact us at www.fastnews.com

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| 10. A. on | B. with | C. for | D. from |
| 11. A. take up | B. insist on | C. carry out | D. apply for |
| 12. A. attention | B. focus | C. interest | D. attitude |

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| 13. A. technical | B. critical-thinking | C. multitasking | D. communication |
| 14. A. Motivated | B. Adaptable | C. Accurate | D. Knowledgeable |
| 15. A. at | B. about | C. in | D. about |

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph in each of the following questions.

16. a. In other words, it is crucial to concentrate on the root cause before solving the problem.
 b. Once we locate the issue, we can work toward discovering practical solutions.
 c. This approach will enable us to cope with problems and create problem prevention.
 d. Our team must focus on identifying the cause of the problem first.
 e. Then, it's vital that we carry out the solution effectively as a team.
 A. a-d-c-b-e B. c-d-a-e-b C. d-b-e-a-c D. d-e-b-a-c
17. a. In other words, it is advantageous that IT engineers adapt to any future changes.
 b. IT engineers are widely expected to stay informed about the newest technological advancements.
 c. Being aware of new changes, IT engineers can boost their work productivity and meet new demands.
 d. For example, new products and services could appear and become advantages or disadvantages.
 e. Working as an IT engineer seems attractive, but it could be highly demanding.
 A. c-e-b-d-a B. a-d-c-e-b C. e-d-a-c-b D. e-b-d-c-a

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the options that best complete the letter.

Hi Sally,

I'm glad that you (18) _____. Choosing a future career is very difficult (19) _____.
 First, you need to know what job you desire to do and how you can train specifically to do that job. For example, try to find out (20) _____, college, or vocational school to do that job.
 Second, you should understand your strong and weak points. For example, if you are excellent at math and science, (21) _____, an architect, or an engineer could be a good idea.
 Thirdly, it's important to know what skills you need for your future job. For example, if (22) _____, communication skills, and teamwork skills will be crucial.
 You must consider those factors carefully to choose the most suitable career.
 (23) _____
 Your uncle,
 Jack

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| 18. A. passed all your exams | B. will pass all your exams |
| C. are going to pass all your exams | D. had to pass all your exams |
| 19. A. because of having to consider | B. because you must consider various factors |
| C. for considering various factors | D. since various factors are considered |
| 20. A. how you have to go to university | B. which university you have to go to |
| C. whether you have to go to university | D. who has to go to university |
| 21. A. to work with a doctor | B. working with a doctor |
| C. work as a doctor | D. working as a doctor |
| 22. A. working in marketing | B. you work in marketing |
| C. you worked in marketing | D. you will work |
| 23. A. I'm sorry for not being able to help you more | B. Whatever happens, don't give up |

- C. Let me know about your final decision soon D. I can't wait for your future success

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the options that best complete the passage.

To excel as an architect, one must possess a diverse set of knowledge and skills. Here are the necessary skills to become a successful architect.

To make sure that their instructions are clearly understood, architects are responsible (24)_____ creating precise blueprints and plans for buildings and landscapes, whether on paper or through computer-aided software.

Architects closely (25)_____ other teams of engineers and construction builders. Effective communication is vital as architects guide and coordinate these teams.

Architects often work on projects that involve various professionals, such as engineers and interior designers. Effective leadership ensures that team members are on the same page, working (26)_____ a common goal.

A construction process could come with complex challenges, and architects must employ innovative problem-solving skills to deal with (27) _____ issues.

If your ambition is to pursue a career (28)_____ architecture, the development of these competencies is essential.

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| 24. A. in | B. to | C. for | D. on |
| 25. A. go over | B. work with | C. look for | D. search for |
| 26. A. down | B. up | C. about | D. toward |
| 27. A. normal | B. daily | C. unexpected | D. common |
| 28. A. in | B. for | C. about | D. to |

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the options that best complete the passage.

In some countries, working as a mechanic doesn't require high academic qualifications. In fact, the job demands practical knowledge and different skills.

To be a good mechanic, you need to know a lot about cars and how to use a variety of tools. This means understanding engines, brakes, and other parts, as well as using special tools to figure out what's wrong with a vehicle. Mechanics also need to be good at fixing problems and paying close attention to details, so they don't miss anything important.

Being a mechanic isn't just about knowing how to fix things; it's also about being able to think through problems and **come up with** at least one solution. Sometimes a car has a tricky issue, and mechanics need to find out what's causing the problem and how to fix it. Moreover, mechanics need to be good with their hands and able to do physically demanding tasks. This could mean using tools to take things apart and put them back or working in tight spaces if necessary.

Communication is important too. Mechanics need to be able to talk to customers and explain what's wrong with their cars and how they're going to fix them. They also need to be able to work well with other mechanics if necessary.

Lastly, being a mechanic can be tough sometimes, so it's important to be patient and not give up easily. Cars can have complicated problems, and fixing them might take time and effort. But if you're willing to work hard and learn, being a mechanic can be a rewarding job.

29. Which of the following could be the best title for the passage?

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| A. Mechanic - a Stressful Job | B. Mechanic - a Practical Job |
| C. Mechanic - a Creative Job | D. Mechanic - an Easy Job |

30. The phrase come up with in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to _____

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| A. discuss | B. do | C. perform | D. create |
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31. The word it in paragraph 3 refers to _____

A. problem B. issue C. car D. solution

32. According to paragraph 2, competent mechanics must deal with problems by _____
- A. driving different vehicles B. learning about different vehicles
C. making best use of special tools D. understanding important details in a vehicle
33. Which of the following could be inferred from the passage?
- A. Mechanics shouldn't be surprised to deal with tricky issues.
B. Mechanics could win a reward for their hard work and skills.
C. Mechanics have lots of opportunities to improve their communication skills.
D. Mechanics should work hard and never stop learning to have a satisfactory job.

Read the passage and circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions.

The quick development of digital technology has enabled businesses to come up with new working schedules which are called flexible working hours. In reality, they offer lots of benefits and different drawbacks.

One of the key advantages of flexible working hours is the enhanced work-life balance it provides. Employees can **tailor** their schedules to accommodate personal commitments, such as family quality time, leading to improved overall well-being. This flexibility also allows parents to actively participate in their children's activities and helps maintain a healthy work-life integration. Additionally, flexible working hours can boost creativity and productivity. When employees have the freedom to choose their work hours, they are more likely to be motivated and engaged. They can align their working hours with their peak productivity times, resulting in better performance.

However, flexible working hours are not without their drawbacks. An inflexible work environment may still require some level of consistency, making it challenging for certain roles. Coordination could be difficult, leading to potential delays in a team's completion. Additionally, maintaining **consistent** communication within a team can be challenging when team members are working on different schedules, so **they** might have to wait for others to reply. Another drawback is the potential for employees to overwork themselves. In a flexible working environment, individuals might struggle to set boundaries and find themselves working longer hours than they should. This can lead to burnout, negatively impacting their health and productivity.

In conclusion, flexible working hours come with advantages and disadvantages. Striking a balance between flexibility and structure is essential for both employees and organizations to build a healthy workplace.

34. Which of the following can be the best title for the passage?
- A. The New Trend of Flexible Working Hours B. The Advantages of Flexible Working Hours
C. The Disadvantages of Flexible Working Hours D. The Bright and Dark Side of Flexible Working Hours
35. The word **tailor** in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____
- A. change B. follow C. interrupt D. fall behind
36. According to paragraph 2, flexible working hours _____
- A. help employees become physically healthier
B. shorten employees' working time
C. allow employees to work during their maximum productivity times
D. help employees look after their families
37. The word **consistent** in paragraph 3 is opposite in meaning to _____
- A. unachievable B. impractical C. inapplicable D. incompatible
38. The word **they** in paragraph 3 refers to _____
- A. schedules B. team members C. delays D. individuals
39. Which of the following could be inferred from paragraph 3?

- A. It's not difficult to coordinate all the team members that have flexible working hours.
 - B. Technology can keep all the team members online and help them respond to messages instantly.
 - C. Team members could have communication troubles because of their different working hours.
 - D. Employees are sometimes required to work longer hours than they should to keep up with others.
- 40.** Which of the following is NOT mentioned in the passage?
- A. Because of flexible working hours, some employees might work longer than necessary.
 - B. Different businesses should be extremely careful when carrying out flexible working hours.
 - C. Team members could miss their deadlines because of communication troubles.
 - D. Flexible working hour rules should become compulsory to increase a company's productivity.