

ENGLISH TEST 99

I. PHONETICS.

Identify the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the others.

1. A. privacy B. flight C. recycle D. vivid
2. A. introduce B. huge C. flute D. cute
3. A. ballet B. B. inlet C. buffet D. stay

Identify the word that has the stress pattern different from that of the other words.

4. A. elegant B. array C. departure D. inherit
5. A. belief B. dinosaur C. argument D. challenge

II. VOCABULARY & GRAMMAR.

Choose the right word or phrase to complete the sentences.

6. There's a list of repairs as long as _____.
A. a mile B. a pole C. your arm D. your arms
7. The news was _____ to them that they were all dead silent.
A. such shock B. such a shock C. so shock D. too shock
8. In the United States _____ the states but Hawaii is an island.
A. none of B. neither of C. all of D. no of
9. What a _____! I have left the umbrella at home and now it starts raining.
A. complaint B. sorry C. shame D. regret
10. _____ are forms of carbon has been known since the late 18th century.
A. Diamonds B. Diamonds, which C. Because diamonds D. That diamonds
11. Dinosaurs _____ believed _____ out millions of years ago.
A. are/ to have died B. were/ to have died C. are/ to die D. were/ to die
12. "Which blouse do you like best?" "The one _____."
A. I tried it on first B. I tried on first C. I tried on it first D. I tried it on firstly
13. The Williams have three sons, _____ have become lawyers.
A. all of whom B. all of them C. they all D. of whom all
14. We would rather Helen _____ us all the information we needed. We should have been well informed.
A. sent B. send C. had sent D. have sent
15. Only because she had to support her family _____ to leave school.
A. that Alice decides B. so Alice decided C. Alice decided D. did Alice decide
16. Sorry, my father is out. Can I _____ a message?
A. leave B. take C. put D. make
17. _____ pollution control measures are expensive, many industries hesitate to adopt them.

31. "Do you mind if I ask you one or two questions?" "_____."

A. Not at all. Fire away.

B. That's quite all right.

C. Why not?

D. I'm sorry. I have no idea.

32. Their migration may be **halted** if fog, clouds, or rain hides the stars.

A. postponed

B. spoiled

C. stopped

D. endangered

33. This magazine is very good. If you like reading, you should _____ to it.

A. contribute

B. enroll

C. buy

D. subscribe

34. the Prime Minister stressed that lack of trained personnel would _____ the progress of Third Development Plan.

A. overcome

B. retard

C. increase

D. detect

35. We asked him to go back, but he insisted on watching the sun coming down at _____.

A. sunrise

B. dawn

C. dusk

D. twilight

Choose the underlined part (A, B, C or D) that is incorrect.

36. Hundred of scientists have been involved in the research.

A

B

C D

37. Automation reduces labour costs by cutting the number of workers needing to do a job.

A

B

C

D

38. He drove at full speed lest he was late for the meeting.

A B

C

D

39. A computer can store information such as the size and the shape of a steel beam, recipe for a

A

B

C

D

cake, and the amount of money in a bank account.

40. Many of the population in the rural areas is composed of manual labourers.

A

B

C

D

III. READING.

Read the following passage and choose the right answer to fill in each of the blanks.

Keeping fit and staying healthy have, not surprisingly, become a growth industry (41) _____ apart from the amount of money spent each year on doctors' (42) _____ and approved medical treatment, huge sums are now spent on health foods and (43) _____ of various kinds, from vitamin pills to mineral water, (44) _____ health clubs and keep-fit books and videos. We are more concerned than ever, it seems, (45) _____ the water we drink and the air we breathe, and are smoking less, though not yet drinking less alcohol. This does not appear to mean that (46) _____ and sneezes have been banished, or that we can all expect to live to a hundred. To give a personal example, one of my friends, who is a keep-fit (47) _____, a non-smoker and teetotaler, and who is very (48) _____ about what he eats, is at present languishing in bed with a wrist in (49) _____ and a badly sprained ankle. Part

of his healthy (50)_____ is to play squash every day after work, and that (51)_____ for the ankle. He also cycles everywhere, and if you have ever tried to cycle through the rush-hour traffic with a sprained ankle, you will understand (52) _____ he acquired the broken wrist. For (53) _____, it seems, is not just a matter of a good (54) _____ and plenty of exercise. Too much exercise can be harmful, as many joggers have discovered. Eating the right food can easily become an obsession, as can overworking, which you might have to do so as to be able to afford your (55)_____ _____ of the squash club, your mountain bike, your health food, and a few holidays in peaceful and healthy places.

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| 41. A. Poles | B. Far | C. Quite | D. So |
| 42. A. prescriptions | B. surgeries | C. hospitals | D. payments |
| 43. A. medications | B. cures | C. drugs | D. remedies |
| 44. A. beside | B. not to mention | C. saying | D. example |
| 45. A. than | B. about | C. for | D. hence |
| 46. A. colds | B. flu | C. fevers | D. coughs |
| 47. A. fanatic | B. follower | C. fad | D. person |
| 48. A. interested | B. varied | C. detailed | D. particular |
| 49. A. crutches | B. plaster | C. treatment | D. danger |
| 50. A. living | B. lifetime | C. lifestyle | D. liveliness |
| 51. A. is | B. caters | C. depends | D. accounts |
| 52. A. how | B. that | C. whenever | D. thus |
| 53. A. fit | B. this | C. health | D. all |
| 54. A. diet | B. eating | C. menu | D. recipe |
| 55. A. share | B. visit | C. membership | D. subscription |

Read the following passage and choose the right answer to each of the questions.

Are organically grown foods the best food choices? The advantages claimed for such foods over conventionally grown and marketed food products are now being debated. Advocates of ***organic foods***- a term whose meaning varies greatly- frequently proclaim that such products are safer and more nutritious than others.

The growing interest of consumers in the safety and nutritional quality of the typical North American diet is ***a welcome development***. However, much of this interest has been sparked by sweeping claims that the foods supply is unsafe or inadequate in the meeting nutritional needs. Although most of these claims are not supported by scientific evidence, the preponderance of written material advancing such claims makes it difficult for the general public to separate fact from fiction. As a result, claims that eating a diet consisting entirely of organically grown foods prevents or cures disease or provides other benefits to health have become widely publicized and formed the basic for folklore.

Almost daily the public is besieged by claims for “no-aging” diets, new vitamins, and other wonder foods. There are numerous unsubstantiated reports that natural vitamins are superior to synthetic ones, that fertilized eggs are nutritionally superior to unfertilized eggs, that untreated grains are better than fumigated grains, and the like.

One thing that most organically grown foods products seem to have in common is that they cost more than conventionally grown foods. But in many cases consumers are misled if they believe foods. So there is real cause for

concern if consumers, particularly those with limited incomes, distrust the regular food supply and buy expensive organic foods instead.

56. The “*welcome development*” mentioned in paragraph 2 is an increase in _____.

A. interest in food safety and nutrition among North Americans.

B. the nutritional quality of the typical North American diet.

C. the amount of healthy foods grown in North America.

D. the number of consumers in North America.

57. According to the first paragraph, which of the following is true about the term “**organic foods**”?

A. It is accepted by most nutritionists.

B. It has been used only in recent years.

C. It has no fixed meaning

D. It is seldom used by consumers.

58. The author implies that there is cause for concern if consumers with limited incomes buy organic foods instead of conventionally grown foods because_____.

A. organic foods can be more expensive but are often no better than conventionally grown foods.

B. many organic foods are actually less nutritious than similar conventionally grown foods.

C. conventionally grown foods are more readily available than organic foods.

D. too many farmers will stop using conventional methods to grow food crops.

59. According to the last paragraph, consumers who believe that organic foods are better than conventionally grown foods are often_____.

A. careless

B. mistaken

C. thrifty

D. wealthy

60. What is the author’s attitude towards the claims made by advocates of health foods?

A. Very enthusiastic

B. Skeptical

C. Neutral

D. Somewhat favorable

Read the following passage and choose the right answer to fill in each of the blanks.

One of the hottest topics on the international development agenda is how to harness the power of International Monetary Fund for the benefit of developing countries. What is sometimes called “the death of distance”, brought about by the (61)_____, allow professional services such as (62)_____ education and training to be provided easily and quickly to (63)_____ areas. Some of the gains can be seen in countries as diverse as India and Morocco, where innovations range from (64)_____ government announcements to local craftsmen selling their wares to a (65)_____ market. But already a huge and expanding (66)_____ divide is opening up between developed and developing nations. The major tasks facing world leaders at present is to (67)_____ everybody on the planet with clean water, basic education and the drugs needed to fight preventable diseases. Installing a (68)_____ in every classroom and linking us to (69)_____ must be a lesser (70)_____, for the time being at least.

61. A. computer

B. telephone

C. modern

D. internet

62. A. stationary

B. software

C. hardware

D. equipment

63. A. far

B. uninhabited

C. remote

D. secluded

64. A. programmed

B. broadcast

C. recorded

D. online

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| 65. A. global | B. technical | C. village | D. shrinking |
| 66. A. physical | B. digital | C. electrical | D. economical |
| 67. A. supply | B. give | C. donate | D. administer |
| 68. A. plug | B. video | C. mobile phone | D. modem |
| 69. A. the real world | B. cyberspace | C. virtual reality | D. outer space |
| 70. A. priority | B. advantage | C. importance | D. criteria |

IV. WRITING.

Choose the sentence which is closest in meaning to the given one in bold.

71. ***It may seem strange, but I enjoy hard work.***

- A. I feel strange about hard work.
- B. As it may seem strange, but I enjoy hard work
- C. Strange as it may seem, I enjoy hardwork.**
- D. Strange as it may seem, but I enjoy hard work.

72. ***Look out for falling rocks!***

- A. Let's look for falling rocks.
- B. Look out the window at those falling rocks.
- C. Look for falling rocks.
- D. Don't let those falling rocks hit you.**

73. ***I only called the police when I had tried everything else.***

- A. I didn't call the police because I had tried everything else.
- B. I only called the police after I have tried evrything else.
- C. I only called the police as a last resort.**
- D. Because I had tried everything else, I called the police.

74. ***Any correspondence from the London office must be dealt with before other matters.***

- A. Any correspondence from the London office must take priority of other matters.
- B. Any correspondence from the London office must be put off other matters.
- C. Any correspondence from the London office must be given priority over other matters.
- D. Both A & C are acceptable.**

75. ***I would rather you wore something more formal to work.***

- A. I'd prefer you to wear something more formal to work.**
 - B. I'd prefer you wear something more formal to work.
 - C. I'd prefer you wearing something more formal to work.
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D. I'd prefer you should wear something more formal to work.

From the given words, make meaningful sentences by choosing the most appropriate answer.

76. They/ leave/ early/ not catch/ traffic.

A. They left early so that not to catch in the traffic.

B. They left early to avoid being caught in the traffic.

C. They left early so as to not get caught in the traffic.

D. They left earlt in order to not get caught in the traffic.

77. It/ not easy/ remain/ tranquil/ events/ suddenly/ change/ life.

A. It is noy easy remain tranquil when events suddenly change life.

B. It is not easy to remain tranquil when events suddenly change your life.

C. It is not easy remaining tranquil when events suddenly change your life.

D. It is not easy to remain tranquil if events suddenly change life.

78. You/ should/ doctor/ see/ that cut.

A. You should have a doctor seen to that cut.

B. You should get a doctor seen to that cut.

C. You should have a doctor see to that cut.

D. You should ask a doctor see to that cut.

79. She/ urge/ her husband/ accept/ post.

A. She urged that her husband accept the post.

B. She urged her husband accept the post.

C. She urged her husband accepted the post.

D. She urged her husband should be accepted the post.

80. Committee members/ resent/ treat/ that.

A. The committee members resented to treat as that.

B. The committee members resented to be treated as that.

C. The committee members resented to treat like that.

D. The committee members resented beinng treated like that.
