

Họ và tên thí sinh:.....

Số báo danh:.....

Read the following passage about remote work and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions from 1 to 8.

Working from home has become increasingly common, providing employees with greater flexibility and control over their work environments. Without the need for long commutes, people have more time for family, personal interests, or simply to rest. A personalized workspace at home can also lead to higher productivity, as individuals can **adjust** their surroundings to suit their needs. Many companies now support remote work, recognizing its benefits for both employee well-being and business outcomes.

However, working from home does bring certain challenges. For example, while remote work can boost productivity, some people find it hard to stay focused without the structure of an office setting. There's also a risk of isolation, as virtual meetings don't always fully replace face-to-face interactions. However, companies are increasingly devising creative strategies to **mitigate** these drawbacks, using sophisticated collaboration tools and arranging virtual social activities to preserve a sense of team cohesion.

Another difficulty with working from home is the blurred line between work and personal life. With workspaces merged into the home environment, the temptation to check emails or tackle tasks outside of regular hours can lead to an "always-on" mentality. Setting clear schedules and defining specific working hours is essential to ensure a healthy balance.

Looking forward, remote work is likely to remain a popular choice, supported by ever-advancing technology. Many companies are considering hybrid models, allowing employees to split **their** time between home and office. This flexible approach can balance the productivity of remote work with the social and collaborative benefits of in-person interactions. As remote work continues to evolve, it will reshape traditional work culture, requiring adaptation from both businesses and employees.

(Adapted from *BreakingNewEnglish*)

Question 1. According to the passage, which of the following is NOT an advantage of working from home?

- A. higher income B. greater flexibility C. higher productivity D. more time

Question 2. The word **mitigate** in paragraph 2 is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.

- A. fix B. notice C. extend D. overcome

Question 3. The word **their** in paragraph 4 refers to _____.

- A. benefits B. employees C. companies D. hybrid models

Question 4. The word **adjust** in paragraph 1 could be best replaced by _____.

- A. destroy B. adapt C. leave D. divide

Question 5. Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 3?

- A. Working from home allows for a better balance between work and personal life.
B. The main issue with remote work is the inability to complete tasks efficiently.
C. A major drawback of working remotely is the lack of communication with colleagues.
D. One challenge of remote work is the difficulty separating professional tasks from personal time.

Question 6. Which of the following is TRUE according to the passage?

- A. Working from home does not require any schedule management.
B. Companies are eliminating remote work due to its negative impact.
C. Virtual meetings completely replace the need for in-person interactions.
D. Technology is helping companies overcome remote work challenges.

Question 7. In which paragraph does the writer mention the benefit of remote work for both employees and businesses?

- A. Paragraph 3 B. Paragraph 1 C. Paragraph 2 D. Paragraph 4

Question 8. In which paragraph does the writer discuss the challenge of balancing work and personal life while working from home?

- A. Paragraph 3 B. Paragraph 2 C. Paragraph 4 D. Paragraph 1

Read the following passage about renewable energy and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 9 to 13.

As the world seeks sustainable solutions to energy needs, renewable energy sources such as wind, solar, and hydroelectric power are gaining popularity. Solar panels and wind turbines, which have been installed to reduce dependency on fossil fuels, are now common sights in many countries. (9) _____.

One of the key advantages of renewable energy is its minimal environmental impact. Unlike fossil fuels, (10) _____, renewable sources produce little to no emissions. This makes them a vital part of global efforts to reduce pollution, protect ecosystems, and promote a cleaner planet.

Another benefit of renewable energy is its potential to provide energy security. (11) _____. Since renewable sources are naturally replenished, they offer a stable and endless supply of power, unlike non-renewable resources that may eventually run out.

(12) _____. This has led to a rise in green jobs across various industries. These jobs include positions in manufacturing, installation, and maintenance, which contribute to local economies and provide opportunities for a

skilled workforce.

Governments globally are supporting the transition to renewable energy. Policies and incentives (13) _____. These measures reflect a commitment to sustainable development.

(Adapted from C21 Smart)

Question 9.

- A. Fossil fuels are still dominant so innovative technology for electricity generation is used to combat climate change.
- B. By generating electricity without producing greenhouse gas emissions using natural resources, we can help combat climate change.
- C. These technologies use natural resources to produce electricity without emitting greenhouse gases, helping to combat climate change.
- D. With electricity generated by using natural resources without releasing greenhouse gases, the effects of climate change will be reduced.

Question 10.

- A. which increase the demand for energy-saving solutions
- B. relying heavily on energy from the sun and wind
- C. known for their potential to reduce carbon footprint
- D. which contribute to air pollution and climate change

Question 11.

- A. Renewables prevent environmental damage caused by oil spills
- B. This security makes renewables a reliable energy option
- C. Many industries are investing in clean energy solutions
- D. Solar and wind power facilities can be built in remote areas

Question 12.

- A. Many multi-national companies still rely on non-renewable energy sources
- B. The shift to renewable energy decreases the demand for workers in the traditional energy sector
- C. Renewable energy also stimulates economic growth by creating new jobs
- D. Green jobs urgently require extensive training and expertise

Question 13.

- A. of which the development of green technology is gradually stimulated
- B. implemented can completely reverse the advancement in the green technology sector
- C. being carried out need to encourage green technology development
- D. are being implemented to foster the development of green technology

Read the following leaflet and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 14 to 19.

CAN YOU HELP SAVE OUR PLANET?

❧The Harm of Burning Waste

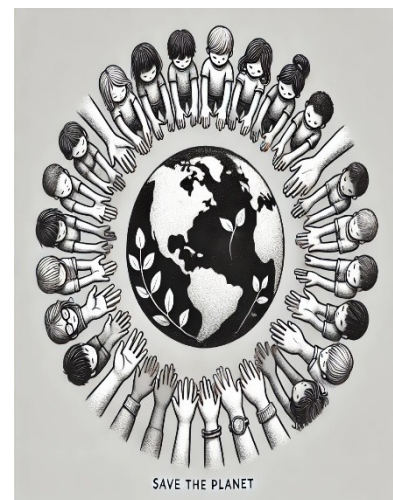
Burning rubbish and organic waste in open fires severely damages the environment, (14) _____ nearly a third of global black carbon emissions. The soot traps sunlight, releasing heat and contributing to global warming. Ban open waste burning!

❧The Dangers of Solid Fuels at Home

Many people still burn coal and wood for heating and cooking, but this releases black carbon and (15) _____ harmful pollutants. The tiny particles of indoor carbon (16) _____ from indoor stoves can enter the human body and cause serious health problems. Research shows that household air (17) _____ kills millions of people every year.

❧Renewable Energy: A Clean Future

Renewable energy is clean and free of black carbon and greenhouse gases, so it does not pollute the environment. It can replace fossil fuels (18) _____ its convenience and reliability. Fossil fuels are depleting rapidly while renewable energy will never (19) _____. Power the planet with renewable energy!



(Adapted from Global Success)

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|---------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| Question 14. | A. stabilizing | B. measuring | C. controlling | D. generating |
| Question 15. | A. other | B. others | C. few | D. another |
| Question 16. | A. reduced | B. absorbed | C. heated | D. released |
| Question 17. | A. component | B. pollution | C. current | D. substance |
| Question 18. | A. regardless of | B. in spite of | C. instead of | D. on account of |
| Question 19. | A. burn down | B. run out | C. light up | D. put out |

Read the following passage about parent-child relationships and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions from 20 to 29.

[I] In recent years, the relationship between parents and children has profoundly changed. The decision about whether or not to have children is voluntary. [II] **Adults who choose to be "child-free" are no longer dismissed as shallow or self-absorbed.** [III] As a result, for most adults, having a child is a deliberate and purposeful decision, representing a conscious choice to assume the responsibilities of parenting. [IV]

Parenting has become more complex compared to the past. Parents today are **bombarded with** conflicting advice about various aspects of child-rearing, such as breastfeeding, sleep arrangements, and toilet training. Without clear guidelines from experts like Dr. Benjamin, moms and dads must decide for themselves how to rear their children. Parenting labels like attachment parenting, natural parenting, and positive parenting further

complicate the decision-making process, leaving parents uncertain about the best way to raise their children.

At the same time, parents have grown more sensitive to the risks their children face, both physical and psychological. Anxiety defines modern parenting, from concerns about birth defects to children's safety. Media reports about the dangers of pedophiles, stranger abductions, bullying, and environmental hazards heighten these fears, leading to greater adult supervision and less freedom for children.

Finally, there has been a significant **reversal** in parental expectations. In the past, parents expected their children to love them, but today, parents seek to ensure that their children are happy and love them back. As work commitments increase, a sense of guilt often sours parent-child relationships, causing many parents to overcompensate by investing more time and resources in their children's development.

In conclusion, modern parenting has grown more complex due to shifting attitudes, conflicting advice, and heightened anxieties about children's well-being. Parents today face increasing pressures to balance guidance, independence, and emotional connection while navigating evolving expectations. Despite these challenges, **their** dedication to raising happy, well-adjusted children remains strong, shaping the future of parent-child relationships.

(Adapted from Explorer 3)

Question 20. Where in this passage does the following sentence best fit?

Electing not to have children is no longer stigmatized as it once was.

- A. [I] B. [II] C. [IV] D. [III]

Question 21. The word **bombarded with** in paragraph 2 could be best replaced by _____.

- A. shielded from B. provided with C. overwhelmed by D. criticized for

Question 22. According to paragraph 3, which of the following is NOT one of the risks children face?

- A. pedophiles B. bullying C. stranger abductions D. modern parenting

Question 23. Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 1?

- A. Many avoid being child-free so as not to be seen as superficial or selfish by virtue of feeling pressured.
B. Many people choosing to remain child-free are still occasionally perceived as self-centered or thoughtless.
C. Adults who are committed to raising their biological children are becoming more valued than "child-free" ones.
D. Society no longer automatically views adults who choose not to have children as superficial or self-centered.

Question 24. The word **reversal** in paragraph 4 is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.

- A. fixity B. turnabout C. mobility D. switch

Question 25. Which of the following is TRUE according to the passage?

- A. Modern parenting prioritizes material support and career success over emotional well-being as parent-child relationships evolve.
B. Changing societal views on having children make parents more intentional but increasingly uncertain due to conflicting advice.
C. Modern parents trust their experience and intuition over media reports on children's safety risks.
D. Despite choosing parenthood deliberately, modern parents prioritize children's independence over emotional closeness, unlike past generations.

Question 26. The word **their** in the last paragraph refers to _____.

- A. children B. parents C. challenges D. expectations

Question 27. Which of the following best summarizes paragraph 2?

- A. Constant conflicts about good parenting make child-rearing decisions increasingly complicated for parents.
B. Various approaches to child-rearing choices add complexity, leaving parents unsure about positive parenting styles.
C. With clear expert guidelines, parenting labels simplify decisions, making parents certain about the best child-rearing approach.
D. Parenting is now more complex due to conflicting advice, unclear expert guidance, and diverse parenting styles.

Question 28. Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?

- A. Parental guilt has gradually decreased as modern parents dedicate more time and resources to their children.
B. The media's influence has heightened parental fears, resulting in greater control and less independence for children.
C. Parenting is often an unplanned decision, with many individuals becoming parents without considering the responsibilities involved.
D. Parenting in the past was characterized by a greater emotional gap between parents and their children.

Question 29. Which of the following best summarizes the passage?

- A. Parenting today focuses less on maintaining strict control, as modern parents increasingly respond to growing societal pressures and expectations to prioritize their children's overall happiness.
B. Modern parenting is highly complex, requiring parents to manage conflicting advice, increased safety concerns, and evolving societal expectations that influence the dynamics of the parent-child relationship.
C. Despite the rise of media-driven anxieties, modern parents are more focused on ensuring their children's emotional stability than advertising concerns about physical safety or social expectations.
D. The choice to become a parent is more deliberate today, but abundant advice has eased parenting challenges, despite persistent concerns about children's overall well-being.

Read the following advertisements and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 30 to 35.

LANGUAGE EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Join the International Language Exchange Program and practice a new language with native speakers from across the globe! This program is excellent (30) _____ linguists who aim to enhance their language proficiency through authentic conversations. With both online and in-person meetings, it's an ideal (31) _____ to develop skills and forge new friendships.

Participants will be matched with native speakers (32) _____ by our experienced team to ensure compatibility in language learning. Whether you wish (33) _____ Spanish, French, Japanese, or another language, we have a partner for you. All sessions are available at flexible hours, allowing you to easily incorporate them into your schedule.

Expand your global network and (34) _____ confidence in speaking a foreign language. Register now and get ready to embark on an (35) _____ language journey with us!

(Adapted from *Global Success*)

- Question 30.** A. at B. for C. with D. on
Question 31. A. language learning environment B. environment language learning
 C. language environment learning D. environment learning language
Question 32. A. choosing B. who chosen C. are chosen D. chosen
Question 33. A. to practice B. practice C. to practicing D. practicing
Question 34. A. get B. make C. do D. gain
Question 35. A. excitement B. excite C. exciting D. excitingly

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best arrangement of utterances or sentences to make a meaningful exchange or text in each of the following questions from 36 to 40.

Question 36.

a. Hoa: Yes, it's been built with the aim of promoting our tourism to become an attractive spot for domestic and international tourists!

b. Hoa: Have you ever been to Hoa Lu Ancient Town?

c. Alex: I haven't been there myself, but I know that it's a beautifully designed cultural and tourist destination in Ninh Binh.

A. b – c – a

B. a – c – b

C. c – a – b

D. b – a – c

Question 37.

a. Mai: Try listening to English podcasts or audiobooks daily. Start with slow speech and gradually move to natural speed.

b. Lan: Thanks! I'll check those out!

c. Lan: How can I improve my English listening skills?

d. Lan: Any good websites for listening practice?

e. Mai: BBC Learning English, TED Talks, and ESL Lab are great for improving listening skills.

A. c – a – e – d – b

B. c – a – d – e – b

C. a – c – d – e – b

D. b – a – c – d – e

Question 38.

Dear Michael,

a. I'm really grateful for your feedback; it gave me a fresh perspective.

b. Thanks for reviewing the draft of my article on environmental issues.

c. I'm making the necessary edits now and hope to submit it by the end of the week.

d. If you have time, maybe we can discuss the revisions over coffee.

e. I look forward to your thoughts on the updated version once it's ready.

Best wishes,

Lily

A. b – a – d – c – e

B. b – c – d – a – e

C. b – c – a – e – d

D. d – a – c – b – e

Question 39.

a. The quick and easy nature of platforms like TikTok and Instagram often leads to decreased attention spans, as viewers become accustomed to rapid changes and instant gratification.

b. In conclusion, while short-form content can be entertaining and engaging, it is essential to be aware of its potential harms and to practice moderation in consumption to maintain a healthy balance in our lives.

c. This type of media can also contribute to feelings of anxiety and inadequacy, as individuals may find themselves comparing their lives to the highlights showcased by others.

d. In recent years, the rise of short-form content has become a significant trend, but its negative effects on viewers cannot be overlooked.

e. Furthermore, the addictive nature of short-form content can lead to excessive screen time, negatively impacting physical health and social interactions.

A. d – c – a – e – b

B. d – a – e – c – b

C. a – c – d – e – b

D. c – a – e – d – b

Question 40.

a. Artificial intelligence (AI) is transforming various industries, from healthcare to finance, by automating processes and improving efficiency in ways previously unimaginable.

b. AI technologies are now being used to diagnose diseases accurately, manage complex datasets, and even make predictive analyses in fields like epidemiology and economics.

c. Furthermore, advanced AI systems help automate repetitive tasks, which can save time, reduce costs, and allow human employees to focus on more creative and strategic work.

d. As the field of AI continues to advance, the role it plays in our lives will undoubtedly grow, impacting both personal and professional domains.

e. As a result, the demand for skilled AI professionals who can develop, maintain, and regulate these technologies is on the rise across industries.

A. d – e – b – a – c

B. d – a – c – b – e

C. a – b – c – e – d

D. a – c – e – b – d

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