

I. Choose the word, phrase, or sentence that best fits the space in each sentence or best answers the question.

1. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?
A. signs B. profits C. becomes D. survives
 2. Which word has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the others?
A. fishing B. middle C. picture D. find
 3. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?
A. raincoat B. enjoy C. allow D. prepare
 4. Which word has a different stress pattern from that of the others?
A. wonderful B. family C. attention D. decorate
 5. **Passenger 1:** I'm surprised the train is here already.
Passenger 2: I know, right? We didn't have to wait for it at all. It arrived _____ time.
A. in B. on C. at D. to
 6. Mistletoe, _____ is believed to have magic powers, is traditionally hung over doorways during the Christmas season.
A. who B. whose C. which D. that
 7. **Resident 1:** It's taking me longer and longer to get to work these days.
Resident 2: I know, the streets are getting too _____ because there are too many vehicles.
Resident 1: We need better public transportation options!
A. attractive B. congested C. complicated D. dangerous
 8. **Airport Staff:** Attention passengers for flight 345 to London, please proceed to gate 10 immediately.
Traveler: Oh no! Hurry up, the plane _____ in five minutes!
A. takes on B. takes up C. takes off D. takes away
 9. **John:** I'm starving. What do you feel like eating?
Mary: Would you like _____ to the new Italian restaurant for dinner?
A. that we go B. that you go C. going D. to go
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10. **News Reporter:** Despite rising energy costs, many households are still not taking steps to conserve power.
Guest: It's true. People know they should save energy, _____ they still waste it.
A. but B. then C. and D. so
 11. **Friend 1:** She's quite tall, isn't she?
Friend 2: Yes, she was fairly tall, taller than her friends, but not _____ tall _____ her boyfriend.
A. as - like B. similar - as C. as - as D. x - than
 12. **Neil:** "The astronauts communicated with Earth using a _____ system."
Buzz: "Of course! Radio waves can travel through the vast distances of space."
A. radio B. telescope C. capsule
D. radar
 13. **Terry:** "Is dinner ready yet?"
Jack: " _____ "
A. No problems. B. In a few more minutes. C. It's been too long.
D. Ten minutes.
 14. **Laura:** "I wish I could visit your house again someday, Martin."
Martin: " _____ "
A. Too true. B. What a day! C. You're always welcome! D. Yes, let's.

II. Look at the sign or the notice. Choose the best answer for questions 15 and 16. (0.5 pt)



15. What does the sign mean?
- A. You can see a lot of motor vehicles here.
 - B. Motor vehicles aren't allowed here.
 - C. You should drive motor vehicles.
 - D. Overtaking is prohibited.



16. What does the sign mean?
- A. Please give up your seat for elderly or handicapped
 - B. Elderly or handicapped people must leave their seats
 - C. This seat is not for elderly or handicapped people
 - D. You can reserve seats for elderly or handicapped people

III. Choose the word that best fits the blank space in the following passage. (1.5 pts)

Climate change

Climate change is the long-term alteration of temperature and typical weather patterns in a place. Climate change could refer to a particular location or the planet as a (17) _____. Climate change may cause weather patterns to be less predictable. These unexpected weather patterns can make it difficult to maintain and grow crops in regions that rely on farming (18) _____ expected temperature and rainfall levels can no longer be relied on. Climate change has also been connected with other (19) _____ weather events such as more frequent and more intense hurricanes, floods, downpours, and winter storms.

The cause of current climate change is largely human activity, like burning fossil fuels, like natural gas, oil, and coal. Burning these materials releases (20) _____ are called greenhouse gases into Earth's atmosphere. There, these gases trap heat from the sun's rays inside the atmosphere causing Earth's average temperature (21) _____. Throughout Earth's history, climate has continually changed. When occurring naturally, this is a slow process that has taken place over hundreds and thousands of years. The human influenced climate change that is happening now is occurring at a (22) _____ faster rate.

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| 17. A. all | B. sum | C. whole | D. completion |
| 18. A. so | B. because | C. although | D. however |
| 19. A. damaging | B. destroyed | C. terrific | D. glorious |
| 20. A. which | B. that | C. what | D. when |
| 21. A. rising | B. to rise | C. rose | D. risen |
| 22. A. many | B. by far | C. lot of | D. much |

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IV. Read the following passage. Decide if the statements from 23 to 26 are True or False. Choose the correct answer for questions 27 and 28. (1.5 pts)

Drought

A drought is a period of time when an area or region experiences below- normal precipitation. The lack of adequate precipitation, either rain or snow, can cause reduced soil moisture or groundwater, diminished stream flow, crop damage, and a general water shortage. Droughts are the second-most costly weather event after hurricanes.

Unlike with sudden weather events such as hurricanes, tornadoes, and thunderstorms, it is often difficult to pinpoint when a drought has started or when it has ended. The initial effects of a drought may be difficult to identify right away so it may take weeks or months to determine that drought has started. The end of a drought is hard to identify for the same reason. A drought may last for weeks, months, or even years. Sometimes, drought conditions can exist for a decade or more in a region. The longer a drought lasts, the greater the harmful effects it has on people.

23. Droughts happen when there is a shortage of water. _____
24. Droughts are the most costly weather event. _____
25. Droughts are easy to be predicted. _____
26. Droughts which last for decades usually cause lots of damage to people. _____

27. Which weather event according to the passage is not a sudden one?
 A. Hurricane B. Tornado C. Thunderstorm D. Drought
28. Which one is not the result of drought?
 A. Reduced soil moisture B. Increase stream flow
 C. Crop damage D. General water shortage

V. Use the correct form of the word given in each sentence. (1.5 pts)

29. After a brief _____ as a student teacher, Moore became a teacher at the school he had attended. (introduce)
30. What the _____ childhood! (memory)
31. David cannot understand why his sister wears her blonde hair _____ long. (fashion)
32. Countries with strong leaders are more successful in _____ education. (modern)
33. Old heating systems are being replaced because they are _____ and too environmentally polluting. (economy)
34. The famous singer thanks all her fans and _____ on her Facebook throughout the years. (follow)

VI. Look at the entry of the word “connection” in a dictionary. Use what you can get from the entry to complete the sentences with two or three words. (0.5 pt)

connection *noun*



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(also British English, old-fashioned **connexion**)
 [countable]

□ something that connects two facts, ideas, etc.

SYNONYM **link**

- **connection between A and B** *Scientists have established a connection between cholesterol levels and heart disease.*
- **connection with something** *a direct/close/strong connection with something*
- *His resignation must have some connection with the recent scandal.*
- **connection to something** *Consumers are more likely to buy something from a person or shop they feel a personal connection to.*
- *How did you make the connection* (= realize that there was a connection between two facts that did not seem to be related)?

35. Although they came from different backgrounds, they quickly _____ through their shared love of music.
36. I chose this university because I felt a _____ with the professors and the overall atmosphere of the campus.

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VII. Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means almost the same as the sentence printed before it. (1.0 pt)

37. We haven't seen such an outstanding natural landscape before.
 → This is the _____
38. Because there was a storm, students had to stay at home.
 → Because of _____
39. I'm too poor to afford a trip into space.
 → I'm not _____
40. I bought this air - conditioner because it consumes less electricity than the others.
 → This air - conditioner, which _____