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**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best completes each of the following questions.**

1. In an act of defiance he raised a ..... fist at the speaker.  
A. clenched      B. pressed      C. gripped      D. clasped
2. A special committee was set up to ..... on the problem of football hooliganism.  
A. research      B. investigate      C. inform      D. report
3. The diamond ring is just perfect. It is .....  
A. fake      B. flawless      C. mistake      D. error
4. The chemicals spilled over the road and left drivers ..... for breath.  
A. suffocating      B. inhaling      C. gasping      D. wheezing
5. People convicted of murder in Britain are no longer ..... to death.  
A. sent      B. punished      C. judged      D. sentenced
6. It was with a ..... heart that she said goodbye to all her colleagues.  
A. grim      B. solemn      C. dismal      D. heavy
7. In a money-oriented society, the average individual cares little about solving ..... problems.  
A. any other      B. any other's      C. anyone else's      D. anyone's else
8. ..... you tickle me, I won't tell you because it's a secret.  
A. Even though      B. Even if      C. Whatever      D. If only
9. He is our idol, ..... the man we all want to be.  
A. as it is      B. as things stand      C. as you can say      D. as it were
10. If you can win his attention ..... for you.  
A. the so much better      B. the better so much      C. so much the better      D. so the much better
11. ..... are hot is a common misconception.  
A. All deserts      B. That all deserts      C. All deserts which      D. Of all deserts
12. He remembered the day three months ..... he had walked into the showroom to order the car.  
A. previously when      B. previously since      C. previously then      D. previously as
13. I almost dropped ..... to sleep several times while the professor lectured about the painting.  
A. away      B. in      C. off      D. out
14. Parents should teach their children very early not to fool ..... with matches  
A. off      B. around      C. about      D. over
15. My mother always told me that I should ..... the thing I believe in, regardless of how others perceive them. A. put up with      B. get along with      C. come up to      D. stand up for
16. One of the most disappointing things in life is to be ..... by a friend when you truly need his or her support. A. stood for      B. backed out      C. let down      D. marked up
17. She has been taken to hospital suffering from a ..... disc



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C. It's nothing.

D. No, this is on me.

**Question 29.** Mary and Peter are having dinner at a restaurant. They have just finished the meal. What do you think Peter will respond to this situation?

Mary: "The food is great. I'll get the bill."

Peter: "\_\_\_\_\_"

A. Yes, speak to you soon.

B. No, this is on me.

C. It's nothing.

D. Don't mention it.

**Read the following advertisement/ announcement and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate**

**Mark the letter A, B, c, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks.**

We love smartphones so much that some of us sleep with them under the pillow, yet we are increasingly concerned that we cannot (30)\_\_\_\_\_. We use them to convey our most intimate secrets, yet we worry that they are a threat to our privacy. We rely on them more than the Internet (31)\_\_\_\_\_ modern life, yet many of us don't believe advertisements saying we need more advanced services.

(32)\_\_\_\_\_ that many people feel about the benefits of new third generations phones and fears over the health effects of phone masts, a recent report claims that the long-term effects of new mobile technologies will be entirely positive (33)\_\_\_\_\_ to make use of them. Research about users of mobile phones (34)\_\_\_\_\_ that the mobile has already moved beyond being a mere practical communications tool to become the backbone of modern social life, from love affairs to friendship to work.

The close relationship between user and phone is most pronounced among teenagers, the report says, who regard their mobiles (35)\_\_\_\_\_. This is partly because mobiles are seen as being beyond the control of parents. But the researchers suggest that another reason may be that mobiles, especially text messaging was seen as a way of overcoming shyness. The impact of phones, (36)\_\_\_\_\_, has been local rather than global, supporting existing friendship and networks, rather than opening users to a new broader (37)\_\_\_\_\_. Even the language of texting in one area (38)\_\_\_\_\_ from another area. Among the most important benefits of using mobile phones, the report (39)\_\_\_\_\_, will be a vastly improved mobile infrastructure, providing gains throughout the economy, and the provision of (40)\_\_\_\_\_ for users.

**Question 30:** A. reach their electronic escape

C. escape the reach of electricity

B. escape their electronic reach

D. escape electronic reach

**Question 31:** A. to cope with

B. to put up with

C. to catch up with

D. to hold with

**Question 32:** A. Laying aside the doubts

C. Giving away the doubts

B. Sweeping aside the doubts

D. Holding over the doubts

**Question 33:** A. so that the public can be convinced

C. as soon as the public can convince

B. so as the public be long convinced

D. so long as the public can be convinced

**Question 33:** A. illustrates

B. reveals

C. demonstrates

D. displays

**Question 35:** A. like an expression of their identity

C. as an expression of their identity

B. such as an expression for their identity

D. as an expression for their identity

**Question 36:** A. moreover

B. therefore

C. because

D. however

**Question 37:** A. communication

B. community

C. conversation

D. public

**Question 38:** A. can be incomprehensible to anybody

B. anybody won't be incomprehensible

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C. comprehends nobody

D. is comprehensive

Question 39: A. claims

B. definites

C. determines

D. exclaims

Question 40: A. the most sophisticated location-based services

B. a more sophisticated location-based services

C. a more sophisticatedly based-location services

D. the most sophisticatedly based-location services

Read the following advertisement/ announcement and mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blank.

### ADVERTISEMENT: Owning a franchise can be magical!

The expanding children's service market offers an excellent (41) \_\_\_\_\_ on your investment and puts a little .....(42) into your summer. Summer Magic Day Camps franchises provide ... (43) .....pick-up services for children (ages 6-13) and a wide variety of activities in parks and .....(44) locations. No need to invest in expensive camp facilities, as all activities are held off-premises.

You can (45) \_\_\_\_\_ the business part-time and from home. We provide all the know-how and direction needed for start-up and day-to-day operations.

Very reasonable franchise fees.

Question 41: A. outcome

B. return

C. result

D. money

Question 42: A. magic

B. mysterious

C. marvelous

D. magnificent

Question 43: A. door-to-door

B. back - door

C. screen door

D. fire door

Question 44: A. other

B. the other

C. another

D. others

Question 45: A. open

B. share

C. operate

D. offer

### ATTENTION TO ALL ESTEEMED GUESTS OF OUR HOTEL

We (46) \_\_\_\_\_ request your cooperation in ensuring the secure closure of all doors upon the conclusion of each day's activities. It has .....(47) our attention that there have been incidents of nocturnal .....(48).....by certain wildlife inhabitants, resulting in unfortunate damage to our esteemed establishment's furnishings and flooring. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated as we (49) \_\_\_\_\_ to maintain the utmost comfort and quality of our accommodations for all our (50) \_\_\_\_\_ guests. Thank you sincerely for your understanding and cooperation.

Question 46: A. kind

B. kindly

C. kind-heartedly

D. unkindly

Question 47: A. come to

B. jumped to

C. reached to

D. paid to

Question 48: A. intrusions

B. invasion

C. intervention

D. migrant

Question 49: A. talk

B. strive

C. cycle

D. compete

Question 50: A. value

B. expected

C. valued

D. arrogant

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions .

Millions of people are using cellphones today. In many places, it is actually considered unusual not to use one. In many countries, cellphones are very popular with young people. They find that the phones are more than a means of communication - having a mobile phone shows that they are cool and connected.

The explosion in mobile phone use around the world has made some health professionals worried. Some doctors are concerned that in the future many people may suffer health problems from the use of mobile phones. In England, there has been a serious debate about this issue. Mobile phone companies are worried about the negative publicity of such ideas. They say that there is no proof that mobile phones are bad for your health.

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On the other hand, medical studies have shown changes in the brain cells of some people who use mobile phones. Signs of change in the tissues of the brain and head can be detected with modern scanning equipment. In one case, a traveling salesman had to retire at young age because of serious memory loss. He couldn't remember even simple tasks. He would often forget the name of his own son. This man used to talk on his mobile phone for about six hours a day, every day of his working week, for a couple of years. His family doctor blamed his mobile phone use, but his employer's doctor didn't agree.

What is it that makes mobile phones **potentially** harmful? The answer is radiation. High-tech machines can detect very small amounts of radiation from mobile phones. Mobile phone companies agree that there is some radiation, but they say the amount is too small to worry about.

As the discussion about their safety continues, it appears that it's best to use mobile phones less often. Use your regular phone if you want to talk for a long time. Use your mobile phone only when you really need it. Mobile phones can be very useful and convenient, especially in emergencies. In the future, mobile phones may have a warning label that says they are bad for your health. So for now, it's wise not to use your mobile phone too often.

**Question 51:** . According to the passage, what makes mobile phones potentially harmful is .....

A. their radiant light    B. their power of attraction    C. their raiding power    **D. their invisible rays**

**Question 52:** According to the writer, people should .....

A. only use mobile phones in urgent cases    B. only use mobile phones in medical emergencies  
C. keep off mobile phones regularly    D. never use mobile phones in all cases

**Question 53:** The most suitable title for the passage could be .....

A. "The Reasons Why Mobile Phones Are Popular" B. "The Way Mobile Phones Work"  
**C. "Technological Innovations and Their Price"** D. "Mobile Phones: A Must of Our Time"

**Question 54:** According to the passage, cellphones are especially popular with young people because .....

A. they are indispensable in everyday communications    **B. they make them look more stylish**  
C. they keep the users alert all the time    D. they cannot be replaced by regular phones

**Question 55:** Doctors have tentatively concluded that cellphones may .....

A. damage their users' emotions    B. change their users' temperament  
**C. cause some mental malfunction**    D. change their users' social behaviours

**Question 56:** The man mentioned in the passage, who used his cellphone too often, .....

A. suffered serious loss of mental ability    B. could no longer think lucidly  
C. abandoned his family    **D. had a problem with memory**

**Question 57:** The changes possibly caused by the cellphones are mainly concerned with .....

A. the mobility of the mind and the body    B. the arteries of the brain  
**C. the smallest units of the brain**    D. the resident memory

**Question 58:** "**Negative publicity**" in the passage most likely means .....

A. information on the lethal effects of cellphones B. poor ideas about the effects of cellphones  
C. the negative public use of cellphones    **C. widespread opinion about bad effects of cellphones**

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In the 1980s the United States Department of Energy was looking for suitable sites to bury radioactive waste material generated by its nuclear energy programs. The government was considering burying the dangerous wastes in deep underground **chambers** in remote desert areas. The problem, however, was that nuclear waste remains highly radioactive for thousands of years. The commission entrusted with tackling the problem of waste disposal was aware that the dangers posed by radioactive emissions must be communicated to our descendants of at least 10,000 years hence. So the task became one of finding a way to tell future societies about the risk posed by these deadly deposits.

Of course, human society in the distant future may be well aware of the hazards of radiation. Technological advances may one day provide the solutions to this dilemma. But the belief in constant technological advancement is based on our perceptions of advances made throughout history and prehistory. We cannot be sure that society won't have slipped backward into an age of barbarism due to any of several catastrophic events, whether the result of nature such as the onset of a new ice age or perhaps mankind's failure to solve the **scourges** of war and pollution. In the event of global catastrophe, it is quite possible that humans of the distant future will be on the far side of a broken link of communication and technological understanding.

The problem then becomes how to inform our descendants that they must avoid areas of potential radioactive seepage given that they may not understand any currently existing language and may have no historical or cultural memory. So, any message indicated to future reception and decipherment must be as universally understandable as possible.

It was soon realized by the specialists assigned the task of devising the communication system that material in which the message was written might not physically endure the great lengths of time demanded. The second law of thermodynamics shows that all material disintegrates over time. Even computers that might carry the message cannot be expected to endure long enough. Besides, electricity supplies might not be available in 300 generations. Other media storage methods were considered and rejected for similar reasons.

The task force under the linguist Thomas Sebeok finally agreed that no foolproof way would be found to send a message across so many generations and have it survive physically and be decipherable by a people with few cultural similarities to us. Given this restriction, Sebeok suggested the only possible solution was the formation of a committee of guardians of knowledge. **Its** task would be to dedicate itself to maintaining and passing the knowledge of the whereabouts and dangers of the nuclear waste deposits. This so-called **atomic priesthood** would be entrusted with keeping knowledge of this tradition alive through millennia and developing the tradition into a kind of mythical taboo forbidding people to tamper in a way with the nuclear waste sites. Only the initiated atomic priesthood of experts would have the scientific knowledge to fully understand the danger. Those outside the priesthood would be kept away by a combination of rituals and legends designed to warn off intruders.

This proposal has been criticized because of the possibility of a break in continuity of the original message. Furthermore, there is no guarantee that any warning or sanction passed on for millennia would be obeyed, nor that it could survive with its original meaning intact. To counterbalance this possibility, Sebeok's group proposed a "relay system" in which information is passed on over relatively short periods of time, just three generations ahead. The message then to be renewed and redesigned if necessary for the

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following three generations and so on over the required time span. In this way information could be relayed into the future and avoid the possibility of physical degradation.

A second defect is more difficult to dismiss, however. This is the problem of social exclusiveness brought about through possession of vital knowledge. Critics point out that the atomic priesthood could use its secret knowledge to control those who are scientifically ignorant. The establishment of such an association of insiders holding powerful knowledge not available except in mythic form to nonmembers would be a dangerous precedent for future social developments.

**Question 59:** The word "chambers" in the passage is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. partitions      B. openings      C. cavities      D. fissures

**Question 60:** What problem faced the commission assigned to deal with the burial of nuclear waste

A. How to reduce the radioactive life of nuclear waste materials  
B. How to form a committee that could adequately express various nuclear risks  
**C. How to notify future generations of the risks of nuclear contamination**  
D. How to choose burial sites so as to minimize dangers to people.

**Question 61:** In paragraph 2, the author explains the possible circumstances of future societies \_\_\_\_\_.

A. to warn about the possible natural catastrophe    B. to question the value of advances  
C. to highlight humankind's inability to resolve problems  
**D. to demonstrate the reason nuclear hazards must be communicated**

**Question 62:** The word "scourges" in the passage is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. pressures      B. afflictions      C. worries      D. annoyances

**Question 63:** In paragraph 4, the author mentions the second law of thermodynamics \_\_\_\_\_.

A. to support the view that nuclear waste will disperse with time  
B. to show that knowledge can be sustained over millennia  
**C. to give the basic scientific reason behind the breakdown of material objects**  
D. to contrast the potential life span of knowledge with that of material objects

**Question 64:** The word "Its" in the passage refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. knowledge      B. committee      C. solution      D. guardians

**Question 65:** In paragraph 5, why is the proposed committee of guardians referred to as the "atomic priesthood"?

**A. Because they would be an exclusive group with knowledge about nuclear waste sites.**  
B. Because they would use rituals and legends to maintain their exclusiveness  
C. Because they would be an exclusive religious order  
D. Because they would develop mythical taboos surrounding their traditions

**Question 66:** According to the author, why did the task force under Sebeok propose a relay system for passing on information?

A. To show that Sebeok 's ideas created more problems than they solved  
B. To support the belief that breaks in communication are inevitable over time  
C. To contrast Sebeok's ideas with those proposed by his main critics  
**D. To compensate for the fact that meaning will not stable over long periods of time**

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**Question 67:** According to paragraph 7, the second defect of the atomic priesthood proposal is that it could lead to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the nonmembers turning knowledge into dangerous mythical forms
- B. the possible misuse of exclusive knowledge**
- C. the establishment of a scientifically ignorant society
- D. the priesthood's criticism of points concerning vital knowledge

**Question 68:** All of the following are mentioned in the passage as difficulties in devising a communication system with the future EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the failure to maintain communication link
- B. the loss of knowledge about today's civilization
- C. the inability of materials to endure over time
- D. the exclusiveness of priesthood**

*Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph/letter in each of the following questions.*

**Question 69:**

- a. I understand that ensuring the comfort and safety of students and staff is a priority for the school.
- b. I am writing to bring to your attention a concerning issue regarding the lack of air conditioning in classroom of 12A4.
- c. The absence of adequate cooling not only affects our concentration but also poses health risks, especially during warmer weather conditions.
- d. As the temperatures continue to rise, it has become increasingly uncomfortable and difficult for both students and teachers to focus and perform effectively in the learning environment.
- e. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and I look forward to a resolution soon.
- f. Therefore, I kindly request your prompt attention to this matter. Implementing a solution, such as repairing the existing air conditioning system or providing temporary cooling measures, would greatly alleviate the discomfort experienced by everyone in the affected area.

**A. b-d-a-c-f-e      B. b-d-e-a-c-f      C. b-d-c-a-f-e      D. d-b-a-c-f-e**

**Question 70:**

- a. Would it be possible to schedule a meeting sometime this week at your convenience?
- b. I hope this email finds you well.
- c. Please let me know a time that works best for you, and I will adjust my schedule accordingly.
- d. As we approach the final test, I would like to request a brief meeting to discuss any concerns or questions I may have regarding the test.
- e. Thank you for considering my request. I look forward to our meeting and appreciate your support.
- f. Your guidance throughout this course has been invaluable, and I believe that a discussion prior to the final test will help clarify any uncertainties I may have and ensure that I am adequately prepared.

**A. b-d-f-a-c-e      B. b-d-e-a-c-f      C. b-d-e-a-c-f      D. d-c-a-b-f-e**

**Question 71:**

- a. In light of this restructuring, we will be contacting all employees individually to arrange a meeting with each of you to discuss your position and future plans.
- b. Although we have yet to finalise the details of these changes, we can guarantee that there will be no redundancies and we will try to match your skills with the most appropriate job.
- c. Dear colleagues, further to recent discussions with the management team, it has now been decided to restructure the company.
- d. As you know, over the past two years the company has grown considerably but, along with higher turnover, there has also been increased employee turnover.
- e. In fact, we expect these changes to offer more opportunities for you to utilise your skills more effectively and for personal development.
- f. It is therefore obvious that we need to make some major changes in order to retain our most valuable asset – our employees.

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g. Yours sincerely,  
Mel Jackman

A. c - e - d - a - b - f - g  
C. c - d - f - b - e - a - g

B. c - a - f - b - d - e - g  
D. c - d - b - e - f - a - g

**Question 72:**

- a. Indeed, while junior employees typically focus on specific tasks, their senior counterparts are entrusted with shaping the strategic direction of a company, navigating complex challenges, and ensuring its long-term success.
- b. When companies encounter issues, boards of directors are often the first to be held accountable.
- c. The difference in the salaries of managers and other employees mostly arises from the stringent requirements of high-level positions.
- d. For a start, those working as senior executives in an organization usually bear more weighty responsibilities.
- e. Another point worth mentioning is that senior managers are required to possess a vast amount of experience and skills, because of which, a generous salary is totally worthwhile.
- f. In short, the higher remuneration for senior managers mirrors the value added by senior leadership as well as generate the necessary motivation in the workers.
- g. To attain a high-level position, it is not uncommon to encounter job descriptions requiring a minimum of five years of experience, in addition to the acquisition of multiple degrees and certifications to demonstrate competence.
- h. In society, the disparities in salary between senior executives and other employees within a company are significant.
- i. Such positions are not an easy role, so senior executives can earn significantly higher salaries than other workers.

A. c-h-a-d-i-b-e-g-f  
C. h-d-c-b-a-e-i-g-f

B. h-c-d-a-b-i-e-g-f  
D. d-c-a-b-e-i-h-g-f

**Question 73:**

Dear Sir or Madam,

- a. According to the website, the cost of the Accounting Diploma Program is listed as \$3,500. I would like to understand whether this tuition fee pertains to the entire course or is applicable only to one semester. Could you please make this point clear?
- b. Therefore, I would appreciate it if you could provide me with precise information regarding this matter.
- c. I look forward to your response. Thank you for considering my request.
- d. I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to express my keen interest in courses offered by your college and seek your assistance in clarifying some points.
- e. Honestly, I am eager to gain insight into the course content so I would like you to furnish me with an overview of the topics covered in this program.
- f. I am applying for the Accounting Diploma Program which I believe aligns with my previous qualifications and experience.
- g. It would greatly assist me in comprehending the scope and focus of the course
- h. However, upon visiting the college website, it seems that details of tuition fees, Course duration and

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course content are insufficient.

i. The website also mentions that the course runs from “Summer to Autumn”. Nevertheless, specific start and end dates are unavailable.

Kind regards, Lanna Nguyen

A. f-d-i-b-g-e-h-a-c

C. e-c-a-f-i-h-g-d-b

B. a-e-h-d-f-i-g-b-c

D. d-f-h-a-i-b-e-g-c

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best combines each pair of sentences in the following questions.**

**Question 74.** The warning was ignored. It was given to the players about their behavior on the pitch.

A. The warning given to the players about their behavior on the pitch was ignored.

B. The warning was ignored given the players about their behavior on the pitch.

C. The warning it was given to the players about their behavior on the pitch was ignored.

D. The warning giving to the players about their behavior on the pitch was ignored.

**Question 75.** You will have to tell him about it in the end. The longer you put off doing so, the harder it's going to be.

A. Surely it's better to let him know about it now than wait until he finds out for himself.

B. You can never keep things secret for long, so the best is to tell him about it soon.

C. You can't keep him in the dark about it forever, and telling him will get harder the longer you wait.

D. He will have to be notified about it, and the sooner the better.

**Question 76.** Making an attempt to bring Claire around to resigning from her job is pointless. She is as bold as brass.

A. Claire is so determined to give up her job that you can't convince her to change her mind.

B. It's no use trying to persuade such a determined girl as Claire to give up her job.

C. It was Claire who tried to stick to her job and no one can do anything about that.

D. You can't twist her arm in giving up her job as Claire knows exactly what to do.

**Question 77.** The Prime Minister felt sure that the voters would stand by him. In fact, he was defeated by a large margin.

A. It came as a great shock to the Prime Minister when people turned against him in such large numbers.

B. The Prime Minister was confident of the voters' support; however, by far the greater part voted against him.

C. The Prime Minister was expecting to win the elections by a great margin, but the difference in votes was not so great.

D. The Prime Minister had hoped that a great majority would vote for him, but he lost, though only by a small margin.

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.**

**78.** Impressed as we were by the new cinema, we found it rather expensive.

A. We were not impressed by the new cinema at all because it looked rather expensive.

B. We weren't as much impressed by the new cinema's look as its cost.

C. We were very impressed by the new cinema, but found it rather expensive.

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D.The new cinema was more expensive than we expected.

79. The personnel officer promised him that she wouldn't tell anyone that he had been in the prison.

- A.The personnel officer gave her promising that she wouldn't tell anyone that he had been in the prison.
- B.The personnel officer gave a preference to her that she wouldn't tell anyone that he had been in the prison.
- C.The personnel officer promised that she wouldn't have told anyone that he had been in the prison.

**D.The personnel officer gave him her word that she wouldn't tell anyone that he had been in the prison.**

80. "I wonder if you could possibly open the door for me?"

A.If you could open the door for me, it's a wonder. B.Is it possible for me to open the door for you?

**C.Would you mind opening the door for me? D.I ordered you to open the door.**

**The end**

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