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| **SỞ GD & ĐT QUẢNG NAM**  TRƯỜNG THPT CAO BÁ QUÁT  **ĐỀ THAM KHẢO** | **KIỂM TRA GIỮA HỌC KÌ I – NĂM HỌC 2024 - 2025**  **MÔN: TIẾNG ANH - KHỐI LỚP 12**  Thời gian:60 phút (không tính thời gian phát đề) |

**I. LISTENING (2.5 pts)**

**PART 1: Listen to the conversation and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions**. **You will listen TWICE.**

**Question 1:**  Which century did Nguyen Thi Due live in?

**A.** 18th **B.** 15th **C.** 17th **D.** 16th

**Question 2:**  What was she like when she was small?

**A.** Smart and attractive. **B.** Quiet and educated.

**C.** Beautiful but absent-minded. **D.** Talkative and short-sighted.

**Question 3:**  What is true about the test Nguyen Thi Due took?

**A.** It was international. **B.** It took place in 1974.

**C.** It was for men only. **D.** It was in Hai Duong.

**Question 4:**  What did Nguyen Thi Due do after the test?

**A.** She lived in a royal family. **B.** She worked with her teachers.

**C.** She worked as a teacher. **D.** She moved back to her town.

**Question 5:**  What happened to Nguyen Thi Due when the Mac Dynasty ended?

**A.** She was imprisoned. **B**. She moved to an island

**C.** She had to share a title. **D.** She was defeated.

**PART 2: Listen to a talk about some green initiatives and decide whether the statements are True (T) or False (F). You will listen TWICE.**

**Question 6:** There are five green initiatives mentioned in the talk.

**A.**  True **B.**  False

**Question 7:** In 2010, Sundrop Farms launched its first pilot site in South Austria.

**A.**  True **B.**  False

**Question 8:** Solar glass would be useful for architects when they design sustainable buildings.

**A.**  True **B.**  False

**Question 9:** AirCarbon helps reduce carbon emissions by capturing greenhouse gases and transforming them into plastic.

**A.**  True **B.**  False

**Question 10:** The Seabin is used to clean oceans near shorelines.

**A.**  True **B.**  False

**PART 2: Listen to a talk about some green initiatives and decide whether the statements are True (T) or False (F). You will listen TWICE.**

**Question 6:** Sustainable living is now rare, with many global initiatives promoting eco-friendly practices **A.**  True **B.**  False

**Question 7:** In 2010, Sundrop Farms launched its first pilot site in South Austria.

**A.**  True **B.**  False

**Question 8:** Solar glass would be useful for architects when they design sustainable buildings.

**A.**  True **B.**  False

**Question 9:** Air Carbon results in a carbon-negative product.

**A.**  True **B.**  False

**Question 10:** The Seabins can be placed along the coast.

**A.**  True **B.**  False

**II. LANGUAGE (2.5 pts)**

**Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the pronunciation in each of the following question.**

**Question** **11:** **A**. short**age**  **B**.teen**age C**. vill**age** **D**.cott**age**

**Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following question.**

**Question** **12:** **A**. tradition **B**. cultural **C**. military **D**. poetry

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

**Question** **13:** Albert Einstein is often regarded as a scientific\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ due to his groundbreaking theories in the field of physics.

**A**. hero **B**. filmmaker **C**. genius **D**. actor

**Question** **14:** Billions of trees are cut down every year, releasing carbon dioxide back into the air and contributing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ climate change.

**A**. to **B**. at **C**. of **D**. in

**Question** **15:** It is becoming worrying that rivers, lakes, and oceans are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by large farms and transport industries.

**A**. contaminated **B**. contamination **C**. contaminants **D**. contaminating

**Question** **16:** To avoid culture shock, learn about the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and behaviour of our local people in advance.

**A**. customs **B**. experiences **C**. cultures **D**. performances

**Question** **17:** He decided to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ college after the first semester because he felt unfulfilled by the courses.

**A**. drop out of **B**. come up with **C**. keep away from **D.** put up with

**Question** **18:** More and more people are becoming aware of saving energy, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is good for the environment.

**A**. whom **B**. when **C**. which **D**. who

**Question** **19:** While the teacher ­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the life story of Uncle Ho, everyone in our class \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ notes carefully.

1. was telling / was taking **B**. told / took

**C**. told / was taking **D**. was telling / took

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in the following question.**

**Question** **20:** Taking part in exchange programmes teaches students to respect the **diversity** of other cultures.

**A**. variety **B**. uniformity **C**. scarcity **D**. uniqueness

**III. READING (2.5 pts)**

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on the answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase for each of the blanks from 21 to 25.**

**Bill Gates**

Bill Gates is a renowned American entrepreneur, software developer, and philanthropist. He was born on October 28, 1955, in Seattle, Washington. Gates showed a passion for technology from an early age, and by the age of 13, he had already started programming computers. In 1973, Gates enrolled at Harvard University, **(21)** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ he later dropped out to pursue his dream of starting a software company. In 1975, he co-founded Microsoft with his childhood friend Paul Allen. The company’s breakthrough came when they developed the MS-DOS operating system for IBM's first personal computer. Microsoft soon dominated the personal computer software **(22)** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, making Gates one of the wealthiest individuals in the world.

Gates served as the CEO of Microsoft until 2000 when he stepped down to focus **(23)** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ his philanthropic work through the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The foundation, which he founded with his then-wife Melinda, is one of the largest private charitable foundations in the world. It has donated billions of dollars to various causes, including global health, education, and poverty elimination. Gates has also been a vocal advocate for technological innovation and **(24)** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ development, urging the world to tackle climate change and other pressing global issues. **(25)** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ his immense wealth and success, Gates is known for his modest lifestyle and commitment to giving back to society. Today, he continues to be actively involved in various initiatives aimed at improving the world for future generations, including economic development.

( https://www.biography.com/business-figure/bill-gates)

**Question 21**: **A.** what **B.** which **C.** when **D.** where

**Question 22: A**. industry **B.** industrial **C.** industrialism **D.** industrialise

**Question 23: A**. at **B.** on **C.** in **D.** for

**Question 24: A**. sustainable **B.** depletable **C.** temporary **D.** permanent

**Question 25: A.** Because **B.** Although **C.** Despite **D.** Because of

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on the answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 26 to 30.**

**Earth Hour**

Earth Hour is a global event organized by the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) to attract people’s attention to climate change and encourage people to take action to protect the environment. It began in Sydney, Australia, in 2007, and has since grown into a worldwide movement. On a designated day each year, participants are encouraged to turn off their lights and electrical appliances for one hour, from 8:30 to 9:30 PM local time. This symbolic gesture aims to highlight the impact of human activity on the planet and to promote energy conservation.

During Earth Hour, landmarks and iconic buildings around the world switch off their lights, creating a visual representation of collective commitment to sustainability. The event is not only about reducing energy consumption for one hour but also about inspiring long-term changes in behavior. By participating in Earth Hour, individuals and communities show **their** support for efforts to reduce carbon footprints and combat climate change.

Earth Hour also serves as a platform for discussions about environmental issues and encourages people to adopt more sustainable lifestyles. Through social media and community events, participants share their experiences and ideas for reducing environmental impact. The initiative has grown **significantly**, involving millions of people in over 180 countries. Its success demonstrates the power of collective action in addressing global environmental challenges.

(Adapted from https://www.earthhour.org/)

**Question 26:** Where and when did Earth Hour first begin?

**A.** New York City, 2005 **B.** Paris, 2009

**C.** Sydney, 2007 **D.** Tokyo, 2010

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| **Question 27:** What does the word “**their**” in paragraph 2 refer to? |

**A.** Long-term changes **B.** Efforts to combat climate change

**C.** Individuals and communities **D.** Lights turned off during Earth Hour

**Question 28:** What actions are participants encouraged to take during Earth Hour?

**A.** Replace their water taps and lights

**B.** Turn off their lights and electrical appliances

**C.** Plant trees and turn off electrical appliances

**D.** Use only solar power and save electricity.

**Question 29:** The word "**significantly**" in paragraph 3 is **OPPOSITE** in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**A.** slightly **B.** dramatically **C.** notably **D.** substantially

**Question 30:** What is the main idea of the passage?

**A.** To promote energy conservation and raise awareness about climate change.

**B.** To encourage people to switch to renewable energy sources.

**C.** To raise funds for environmental organizations.

**D.** To create a global network of environmental activists.

**IV. WRITING**: **(2.5 pts)**

**PART 1: Choose the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction. (0.5 pt)**

**Question 31.** Alexandre Fleming was working in his lab when he was discovering penicillin by

**A B C D**

accident.

**Question 32.** Sa Pa is a beautiful mountain town in a north of the country, near the border of China.

**A B C D**

**PART 2**: **(1pt)**

**Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the sentence printed before it.**

**Question 33.** My older sister surfed the Internet during her breakfast. (use “**while**”)

--> My older sister surfed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Question 34.** Many people have now started to pay attention to the environment (use “**care + a preposition**”)

->Many people have now started \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Combine the two sentences into a meaningful sentence.**

**Question 35.** Plastic takes hundreds of years to decompose in the ground. This explains why it is

harmful to the environment. (use **“which”**)

->Plastic takes hundreds of years to decompose in the ground\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Question 36.** The band was playing their first song. All the lights went out. (use “**when”**)

->The band\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**PART 3**: **(1pt)**

**Write a biography (180 words) of Pele. Select and combine information from the outline below**

Pele is one of the greatest football players of all the time.

**Childhood and Education**

-Early life in Tres Coracoes, Brazil, born 0ctober 23, 1940

-Humble background

-Learn to play football with a makeshift ball

-Be talented at a young age/ join the youth team of Bauru Athletic

**Achievements**

-Score his first professional goal for Santos FC at the age of 16

-Win 3 FIFA World Cups with the Brazilian national team in 1958, 1962 and 1970

-Be known for his extraordinary goal-scoring record, having scored over 1,000 career goals

**Family**

-Play a significant role in his life, with his father being a major influence on his early interest in football

**Later years and Death**

-Remain actively engaged in football in his later years.