

## ENGLISH PRACTICE 56

### I. Choose one word whose stress pattern is different from the others.

1. A. evaporate      B. temperature      C. impossible      D. experiment
2. A. gravity      B. professor      C. pyramid      D. remedy
3. A. abandon      B. discover      C. imagine      D. satisfy
4. A. activity      B. epidemic      C. philosopher      D. significance
5. A. picture      B. business      C. stranger      D. return

### II. Choose from the four options given (marked A, B, C and D) one best answer to complete each sentence.

6. He soon received promotion, for his superior realized that he was a man of considerable\_\_\_\_\_.  
A. opportunity      B. ability      C. possibility      D. future
7. Take the number 7 bus and get\_\_\_\_\_ at Forest Road.  
A. off      B. up      C. down      D. outside
8. Some people think it is\_\_\_\_\_ to use long and little-known words.  
A. sensitive      B. clever      C. intentional      D. skilled
9. Don't touch the cat, he may\_\_\_\_\_ you.  
A. scratch      B. kick      C. tear      D. scream
10. These old houses are going to be\_\_\_\_\_ soon.  
A. run down      B. knocked out      C. pulled down      D. laid out
11. The house is\_\_\_\_\_ at the corner of a busy street.  
A. put      B. stood      C. placed      D. situated
12. You must be careful when you wash this\_\_\_\_\_ silk blouse.  
A. delicate      B. weak      C. feeble      D. sensitive
13. The stolen jewels were\_\_\_\_\_ a lot of money.  
A. worth      B. priced      C. valued      D. cost
14. Would you be\_\_\_\_\_ to hold the door open?  
A. too kind      B. as kind      C. kind enough      D. so kind
15. He couldn't make the radio\_\_\_\_\_.  
A. work      B. to work      C. working      D. worked
16. I\_\_\_\_\_ do that if I were you.  
A. won't      B. don't      C. shan't      D. wouldn't
17. While studying he was financially dependent\_\_\_\_\_ his wife.  
A. of      B. to      C. from      D. on
18. He often\_\_\_\_\_ about his expensive car.  
A. boasts      B. shows      C. prides      D. praised
19. She isn't\_\_\_\_\_ well with the new manager.  
A. going on      B. getting on      C. keeping on      D. taking on
20. What do you mean, he's watching television? He's\_\_\_\_\_ to be washing the car.  
A. hoped      B. thought      C. supposed      D. expected

### III. Supply the correct form of the words in brackets.

Forests from an integral component of the (21. SPHERE)\_\_\_\_\_ are essential to the (22. STABILITY)\_\_\_\_\_ of global climate and the management of water and land. They are home for (23. COUNT)\_\_\_\_\_ plants and animals that are vital elements of our life-supporting systems, as well as for millions of forest (24. DWELL)\_\_\_\_\_. They provide goods for direct (25. CONSUME)\_\_\_\_\_ (including recreational activities) and land for food production. They also represent capital when converted to shelter and (26. FRASTRUCTURE)\_\_\_\_\_.

The two main types of forests are tropical, which are rich in (27. DIVERSITY)\_\_\_\_\_ and valuable tropical (28. WOOD)\_\_\_\_\_ and temperate, which serve as the world's primary source of industrial wood. The temperate forests (1.5 billion hectares) can be found mainly in developed countries, whereas the tropical forests (both moist and dry, (29. TOTAL)\_\_\_\_\_ about 1.5 billion ha each) stretch across the developing world. Two thirds of the tropical moist forests are in Latin America, with the (30. REMAIN)\_\_\_\_\_ split between Africa and Asia; three quarters of the tropical dry forests are in Africa.

**IV. Each sentence below has four underlined words or phrases marked A, B, C, D. Circle one underlined word or phrase that must be changed in order for the sentence to be correct.**

31. My father used to giving me some good advice whenever I had a problem.  
 A. a problem                      B. whenever                      C. some good                      D. giving
32. The woman of whom the red car is parked in front of the bank is a famous pop star.  
 A. is parked                      B. of whom the                      C. a famous pop star                      D. front of
33. The better you are at English, more chance you have to get a job with international organizations.  
 A. a job                      B. better                      C. are at                      D. more chance
34. There are differences and similarities between Vietnamese and American culture.  
 A. Vietnamese                      B. and similarities                      C. There are                      D. culture
35. Society will be having to change radically to keep pace with the technology available.  
 A. with                      B. Society                      C. available                      D. will be having

**V. Each of the numbered lines in the passage contains a mistake, find and correct it.**

Preparation is a key to a successful interview. Is the idea of going to a job interview make you feeling a little nervous? Many people find that it is the hardest part of the employing process. But it is not real true. The more you prepare and practice, the most comfortable you will feel. You should find out as much as possibly about the company before you go to the interview. Understand the products that they produce and the services that they provides. It is also good to know who the customers are and who the major competitors is. Practice makes perfect. It will also make you feel more confidently and relaxed. So, practice your answers to common questions. Made a list of questions to ask, too. Almost all interviewers will ask if you have questions. This is a great opportunities for you to show your keenness, enthusiasm, and knowledge.

36. \_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_  
 37. \_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_  
 38. \_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_  
 39. \_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_  
 40. \_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_  
 41. \_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_  
 42. \_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_  
 43. \_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_  
 44. \_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_  
 45. \_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_

**VI. Read the following passage then choose the best answer from the four options (marked A, B, C and D) to complete the numbered blanks in the passage.**

Several years ago while I was visiting Athens for a few weeks, I decided to spend a whole day on a nearby island. The weather (46)\_\_\_\_\_ had predicted that it would be a scorching hot day so (47)\_\_\_\_\_ off early in the morning.

Even though I arrived at the port in plenty of time, I was forced to sit on the top (48)\_\_\_\_\_ because other passengers who had got to the boat earlier filled the lower ones. Soon after the boat had departed, somebody came round with raffle tickets. There were, as far as I could make (49)\_\_\_\_\_ two prizes: a bag of fresh fish and several (50)\_\_\_\_\_ of chocolate. I bought a ticket, not expecting to win as I had never won anything in a raffle (51)\_\_\_\_\_.

Some time later the person who had sold the tickets announced the winning numbers. To my great surprise, I had won the chocolate. I was naturally delighted, but (52)\_\_\_\_\_ how I could prevent it from (53)\_\_\_\_\_ in the intense heat. Realizing that I could not possible eat it all myself, I (54)\_\_\_\_\_ it with the passengers sitting near me. In return, they offered me sandwiches and (55)\_\_\_\_\_ drinks.

All in all, it was a pleasant start to a memorable day with my new acquaintances.

46. A. prediction                      B. prophecy                      C. forecast                      D. foresight  
 47. A. went                      B. left                      C. departed                      D. set  
 48. A. deck                      B. layer                      C. floor                      D. storey  
 49. A. up                      B. out                      C. for                      D. over  
 50. A. bars                      B. slices                      C. cartons                      D. packets  
 51. A. again                      B. before                      C. since                      D. already  
 52. A. thought                      B. questioned                      C. wondered                      D. regarded  
 53. A. dissolving                      B. liquefying                      C. melting                      D. spreading  
 54. A. separated                      B. divided                      C. distributed                      D. shared  
 55. A. soft                      B. light                      C. bubbly                      D. sparkling

**VII. Read the following passage and then choose one word to fill in each blank.**

MTV stands for Music Television. It's a television (56)\_\_\_\_\_ dedicated to pop music. It was (57)\_\_\_\_\_ on 1<sup>st</sup> August 1981 in the United States. Because of MTV's instant success in the US, the company expanded into other (58)\_\_\_\_\_. MTV Europe (59)\_\_\_\_\_ operating on 1<sup>st</sup> August 1987. MTV Europe (60)\_\_\_\_\_ 24 hours a day from its London studios. It can be seen in 33 countries and reaches an estimated (61)\_\_\_\_\_ of 110 million viewers.

People of 19 different nationalities work at London headquarters, and they try to offer a (62)\_\_\_\_\_ of music from all over Europe. The channel broadcasts in (63)\_\_\_\_\_ but Germany provides the biggest number of viewers. Currently, one fifth of the (64)\_\_\_\_\_ is by German artists.

Most of TV output is video and concerts, but there is also a programme (65)\_\_\_\_\_ *Unplugged*, where major artists play live and acoustic in front of a small studio audience.

**VIII. Choose from A, B, C, or D the one that best answers each of the questions in the following passage**

The Stone Age was a period of history which began in approximately two million B.C and lasted until 3000 B.C. Its name was **derived** from the stone tools and weapons that modern scientists found. This period was divided into the Paleolithic, Mesolithic, and Neolithic Ages.

During the first period (2 million to 8000 B.C), the first hatchet and use of fire for heating and cooking were developed. As a result of the Ice Age, which evolved about one million years into the Paleolithic Age, people were forced to seek shelter in caves, wear clothing, and developed new tools.

During the Mesolithic Age (8000 to 6000 B.C), people made **crude** pottery and the first fish hooks, took dogs hunting, and developed the bow and arrow, which was used until the fourteenth century A.D.

The Neolithic Age (6000 to 3000 B.C) saw humankind domesticating sheep, goats, pigs, and cattle, being less **nomadic** than in previous **eras**, establishing permanent settlements, and creating governments.

66. Into how many periods was the Stone Age divided?

- A. two                                      B. three                                      C. four                                      D. five

67. The word "**derived**" is closest meaning to\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. originated                              B. destroyed                              C. inferred                              D. discussed

68. Which of the following was developed earliest?

- A. fish hook                              B. bow and arrow                              C. hatchet                              D. pottery

69. Which of the following developments is NOT related to the conditions of the Ice Age?

- A. farming                              B. clothing                              C. living indoors                              D. using fire

70. The word "**crude**" is closest meaning to\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. extravagant                              B. complex                              C. vulgar                              D. primitive

71. The author states that the Stone Age was so named because\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. it was very durable like stone                              B. there was little vegetation  
C. the stools and weapons was made of stone                              D. the people lived in stone caves

72. The word "**nomadic**" is closest meaning to\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. sedentary                              B. wandering                              C. primitive                              D. inquisitive

73. The word "**eras**" is closest meaning to\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. families                              B. periods                              C. herds                              D. tools

74. Which of the following best describes the Mesolithic Age?

- A. people were inventive                              B. people were warriors  
C. People stayed indoors all the time                              D. people were crude

75. With what subject is the passage mainly concerned?

- A. The Neolithic Age    B. The Stone Age                              C. The Ice Age    D. The Paleolithic Age

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

76. I left without saying goodbye as I didn't want to disturb the meeting.

→ Rather\_\_\_\_\_.

77. There aren't many other books which explain this problem so well.

→ In few other books\_\_\_\_\_.

78. I dislike it when people criticize me unfairly.

- I object\_\_\_\_\_.
79. Robert is sorry now that he didn't accept the job.  
→ Robert now wishes\_\_\_\_\_.
80. I am having a lot of trouble now because I lost my passport last week.  
→ If I\_\_\_\_\_.
81. When the police caught him, he was climbing over the garden wall.  
→ The police caught\_\_\_\_\_.
82. It's sad, but unemployment is unlikely to go down this year.  
→ Sad\_\_\_\_\_.
83. It is believed that the man escaped in a stolen car.  
→ The man is\_\_\_\_\_.
84. Since we had nothing else to do, we decided to go for a walk.  
→ Having\_\_\_\_\_.
85. "Nothing will persuade me to sleep in that haunted house," she said.  
→ She flatly\_\_\_\_\_.

**X. Writing an essay.**

***"Economic start-up projects among the young nowadays make us believe in a prosperous future for the nation".***

What do you think of that matter? Write an essay of about 280- 300 words to support your points.

\_\_\_\_\_ **THE END** \_\_\_\_\_

## KEYS – PRACTICE 56

I. (5pts) 1 point/correct answer.

1. B      2. B      3. D      4. B      5. D

II. 15pts: 1pt/ item

6. B    7. A    8. B    9. A    10. C    11. D    12. A    13. A    14. C    15. A  
16. D    17. D    18. A    19. B    20. C

III. 10pts: 1 point/correct answer.

21. *biosphere*      23. *countless*      25. *consumption*      27. *biodiversity*      29. *totally*  
22. *stabilization*    24. *dwellers*      26. *infrastructure*      28. *hardwood*      30. *Remainder*

IV. 5pts: 1 point/correct answer.

31. D                  32. B                  33. D                  34. D                  35. D

V. 10pts: 1 point/correct answer.

36. *Is* → *Does*      39. *most* → *more*      42. *is* → *are*      44. *Made* → *Make*  
37. *feeling* → *feel*    40. *possibly* → *possible*    43. *confidently* → *confident*    45. *opportunities* → *opportunity*  
38. *real* → *really*    41. *provides* → *provide*

VI. 15pts: 1 point/correct answer.

46. C    47. D    48. A    49. B    50. A    51. B    52. C    53. C    54. D    55. A

VII. 15pts: 1 point/correct answer.

56. *channel*      58. *areas*      60. *broadcast*      62. *mixture*      64. *music*  
57. *born*      59. *began/started*      61. *audience*      63. *English*      65. *called*

VIII. 15pts: 1 point/correct answer.

66. B    67. A    68. C    69. A    70. D    71. C    72. B    73. B    74. A    75. B

IX. (10pts) 1 point/correct answer.

71. → *Rather than disturb the meeting, I left without saying goodbye.*  
72. → *In few other books would one see this problem so well- explained.*  
73. → *I object to people criticizing me unfairly.*  
74. → *Robert now wishes (that) he had taken/accepted the job.*  
75. → *If I hadn't lost my passport last week, I wouldn't have been having so much trouble now.*  
→ *The police caught him (as he was) climbing over the garden wall.*  
76. → *Sad though/as it is, unemployment is unlikely to go down this year.*  
77. → *The man is believed to have escaped in a stolen car.*  
78. → *Having nothing else to do, we decided to go for a walk.*  
79. → *She flatly refused to sleep in that haunted house.*  
80.

X. (15pts) Students' own answers

**Content:** accounts for 50% of the total mark. To be given the maximum of 50% for the **content**, the candidates should provide all main ideas and details as appropriate.

**Language:** accounts for 30% of the total mark. To be given the maximum of 30% for **language**, the candidates should use variety of vocabulary and structures appropriate to the level of English language high school students.

**Presentation:** accounts for 20% of the total mark. To be given the maximum of 20% for **presentation**, the candidates should write with coherence, cohesion and can use appropriate styles and linking devices

\_\_\_\_\_THE END\_\_\_\_\_