

SECTION ONE. LISTENING

I. Part 1: (1.0 point)

You will hear an interview with a woman called Rachel who is talking about the shows she puts on for children. For each question, put a tick (✓) in the correct box.

1. Before her children were born, Rachel worked as
 - A. ☐ an art teacher.
 - B. ☐ a painter.
 - C. ☐ an actor.
2. Who first thought of doing a show at a party?
 - A. ☐ Rachel's husband.
 - B. ☐ Rachel's children.
 - C. ☐ Rachel's parents.
3. Rachel's neighbor, Lena, helps by
 - A. ☐ making some dolls for the shows.
 - B. ☐ performing in the shows.
 - C. ☐ writing the music for the shows.
4. When Rachel did a play about a lion
 - A. ☐ the children laughed too much.
 - B. ☐ the children's parents complained.
 - C. ☐ the children were frightened.
5. Rachel thinks her shows are successful because
 - A. ☐ she enjoys doing them so much.
 - B. ☐ she does a show daily.
 - C. ☐ they are suitable for all ages.

II. Part 2: (1.0 point)

You will hear a radio program about some historic places to visit. For each question, fill in the missing information in the numbered spaces.

HISTORIC PLACES TO VISIT

Black Rock Caves

- ◆ Over 2 million years old.
- ◆ For half a million years, people and animals, especially (1)_____ lived here.
- ◆ Special evening tours during the month of (2)_____ Salter House.
- ◆ Built in the year (3)_____.
- ◆ Made famous by the television series called *Aunt Dorothy*.
- ◆ All visitors want to see Dorothy's kitchen.

The Old Port

- ◆ Have a ride on an old tram to the (4)_____ village.
- ◆ In the factory, find out how people used to make (5)_____.

SECTION TWO. PHONETICS

III. Pronunciation: (1.0 point)

Choose the word which has the underlined part pronounced differently from that of the rest by circling the letter (A, B, C, or D).

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| 1. A. p <u>re</u> cious | B. p <u>re</u> paration | C. p <u>re</u> pare | D. r <u>e</u> petition |
| 2. A. pl <u>ou</u> ghed | B. a <u>d</u> vised | C. r <u>e</u> moved | D. s <u>a</u> cred |
| 3. A. m <u>o</u> nth <u>s</u> | B. y <u>o</u> th <u>s</u> | C. cl <u>o</u> th <u>e</u> s | D. m <u>o</u> th <u>s</u> |
| 4. A. a <u>d</u> jective | B. a <u>p</u> ply | C. a <u>d</u> vance | D. a <u>d</u> dition |
| 5. A. b <u>o</u> ok | B. g <u>oo</u> d | C. b <u>oo</u> t | D. f <u>oo</u> t |

IV. Stress: (1.0 point)

Choose the letter (A, B, C or D) next to the word whose main stress is placed differently from the others.

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| 1. A. ancestral | B. understand | C. overcome | D. employee |
| 2. A. interfere | B. referee | C. introduce | D. intolerant |
| 3. A. realize | B. midlands | C. mechanic | D. separate |
| 4. A. diversity | B. ecosystem | C. severe | D. courageous |
| 5. A. atmosphere | B. employment | C. insurance | D. interpreter |

SECTION THREE. LEXICO-GRAMMAR

V. Multiple choice: (4.0 points)

Choose the letter (A, B, C, or D) as the best answer to complete the following sentences. **There can be some more than one correct answer to some questions.**

- If we _____ to the path, we won't get lost.
A. follow B. keep C. on D. out
- He strongly denied _____ the new Australian car.
A. that he is stealing B. having stolen C. stealing D. to steal
- Do you remember _____ to help us when we were in difficulty?
A. once offering B. to offer C. being offered D. you offer
- Writing is a special kind of _____.
A. accomodation B. communication C. transportatin D. publication
- My girlfriend suggested _____ alone to a football match.
A. going B. went C. to go D. I go
- Dinosaurs are thought to _____ out millions of years ago.
A. die B. died C. have died D. dying
- You are late again, please try to be _____ in the future.
A. punctual B. accurate C. efficient D. reliable
- It was _____ I met Mr. Black in London.
A. before many years B. since many years ago
C. many years that D. for many years since
- John:** "I didn't pass my driving test." – **Anna:** "_____!"
A. Better luck next time B. So poor
C. Congratulations D. That was nice of you.
- If you _____ somebody else, who would you like to be?
A. will be B. can be C. could be D. would
- The winner of the competition was _____ with a cheque for 500 dollars.
A. awarded B. given C. offered D. presented
- When _____, the goods can be exchanged.
A. considering to be equal value B. considered to be equal value
C. considering equal value D. considered equal value

13. They seemed to be _____ to the criticism and just carried on as before.
A. disinterested B. indifferent C. sensitive D. uncaring
14. Her penknife came in very _____ when they were on their picnic.
A. hand B. useful C. convenient D. handy
15. "So long!" is another way of saying: _____.
A. I'm very happy! B. Goodbye! C. Cheer up! D. Hello!
16. Various societies define _____ in many rather complex ways.
A. that is successful B. that success is C. what success is D. what is success
17. All of us were _____ her success
A. surprise B. surprised at C. taking aback D. taken aback
18. His business is growing so fast that he must take _____ more workers.
A. up B. on C. in D. over
19. The bad weather _____ the plane being delayed.
A. resulted in B. caused C. made D. created
20. When Lien saw my new fashionable coat, she was _____ with envy.
A. blue B. green C. yellow D. white

VI. Error identification: (1.0 point)

From four underlined parts, choose the one that needs correction then correct it.

1. You're tired as you got up late too late to watch TV last night.
A B C D
2. These exercises look easy, but they are very relatively difficult for us.
A B C D
3. John's parents are very glad that he has done lots of progress this school year.
A B C D
4. It is much better that she learns English at her school.
A B C D
5. Jim's grandfather left him 50,000 dollars, this was too big a sum to him.
A B C D

Write your answers here:

Number	Error	Correction
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2		
3		
4		
5		

VII. Word form: (1.0 point)

Give the correct form of the words in CAPITAL to complete the following sentences.

1. When Jean made up for the play, she was _____. **RECOGNIZE**
2. Dolphins sometimes are killed when they are _____ **ACCIDENT** entrapped in fishing nets.
3. Students hate their classmates who have _____ **PREFER** treatment from their teacher.
4. She has too many children and they always cause her a lot of _____. **COMFORT**
5. Nowadays, chemicals, biological or physical materials _____ **GRADE** water quality.

VIII. Verb form: (1.0 point)

Give the correct form or tense of the verbs in brackets.

1. This was the second time I **(eat)** _____ this kind of food.
2. It's advisable that he **(arrive)** _____ before seven.
3. His book fell into the river and **(lose)** _____ forever.
4. It was our fault to keep you waiting so long. We **(inform)** _____ you in advance.
5. I don't know what the matter with him is. He has been acting funny since you **(be)** _____ away.

SECTION FOUR. READING

IX. Exercise 1: (2.0 point)

Read the following passage, then choose the letter (A, B, C, D) that best fits each of the blanks.

Mobile phones (1)_____, microwave radio emissions. Researchers are questioning whether exposure to these radio waves might (2)_____ to brain cancer.

So far, the data are not conclusive. The scientific evidence does not (3)_____ us to say with certainty that mobile phones are categorically (4)_____. On the other hand, current research has not yet demonstrated clear adverse (5) _____ associated with the prolonged use of mobile phones.

Numerous studies are now going (6) _____ in various countries. Some of the results are contradictory but others have shown an association between mobile phone use and cancer. (7) _____, these studies are preliminary and the issue needs further, long-term investigation.

(8) _____ the scientific data are more definite, it is prudent for people to try not to use mobile phones for long (9) _____ of time. Don't think that hands-free phones are any safer either. At the moment, research is in fact showing the opposite and they may be just as dangerous.

It is also thought that young people (10) _____ bodies are still growing may be at particular risk.

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| 1. A. send | B. give | C. emit | D. charge |
| 2. A. cause | B. lead | C. produce | D. bring |
| 3. A. enable | B. make | C. able | D. let |
| 4. A. risky | B. secure | C. unhealthy | D. safe |
| 5. A. affects | B. effects | C. impact | D. impression |
| 6. A. by | B. on | C. through | D. about |
| 7. A. Though | B. additionally | C. However | D. While |
| 8. A. Provide | B. As | C. When | D. Until |
| 9. A. amounts | B. periods | C. quantities | D. intervals |
| 10. A. their | B. that | C. which | D. whose |

X. Exercise 2: (1.0 point)

Read the text and questions below. For each question, mark the correct letter A, B, C or D in the numbered space.

The latest addiction to trap thousands of people is the Internet, which has been blamed for broken relationships, job losses, financial ruin and even one suicide. Psychologists now recognize Internet Addiction Syndrome (IAS) as a new illness that could cause serious problems and ruin many lives, special help groups have been set

up to offer suffers help and support. Psychologists have described many worrying examples, including one man who **took his own life** after borrowing more than 14.000 dollars to feed his addiction, and a teenager also had to receive psychiatric treatment for his 12-hour-a-day habit. “This illness is not a fake, and it must be taken seriously,” said an expert in behavioral addiction at Nottingham Trent University. “These are not bad people with serious personality defects; they are people who were fine before they found the Internet.”

IAS is similar to other problems like gambling, smoking and drinking: addicts have dreamed about the Internet; **they** need to use it first thing in the morning; they lied to their partners about how much time they spend online; they wish they could cut down, but are unable to do so. A recent study found that many users spend up to 40 hours a week on the Internet. Although they felt guilty, they became depressed if they were made to stop using it.

Almost anyone can be at risk. Some of the addicts are teenagers who are already hooked on computer games and who find it very difficult to resist the games on the Internet. Surprisingly, however, psychologists said that most victims are middle-aged housewives who have never used a computer before.

1. Which of the following can be the best title of the passage?
 - A. The last addiction
 - B. Hooked on the net
 - C. A new illness
 - D. Why is the victim?
2. According to the author, the Internet addicts
 - A. are users who spend up to 40 hours a week on the Internet
 - B. are users who are already hooked on computer games
 - C. are middle-aged housewives who have never used a computer
 - D. could be anyone
3. The phrase “**took his own life**” in paragraph 2 can be best replaced by which of the following?
 - A. to kill himself unintentionally
 - B. to commit manslaughter
 - C. to commit suicide
 - D. to kill someone else
4. The word “they” in the paragraph 3 refers to
 - A. Internet addicts
 - B. problems such as gambling, smoking and drinking
 - C. ISA
 - D. dreams
5. Which of the following is **NOT** true?
 - A. ISA is not a fake
 - B. It was found that many computer users became depressed if they were made to stop using computers.
 - C. All of the Internet addicts are middle-aged housewives who have never used a computer before.
 - D. The latest addiction to trap thousands people is the Internet

XI. Exercise 3: Gap-filling. (2.0 points)

Read the text below and think of **ONE** word which best fits each space.

On the night of March 8th, Malaysia Airlines flight 370 (1)_____ off from Kuala Lumpur with 239 people on board. More than nine months later, their fate remains a mystery.

A frantic search for the Boeing 777 began in the Gulf (2) _____ Thailand, not far from where the (3)_____ fell off radar screens about an hour into the flight to Beijing. Days (4)_____, after investigators had analyzed satellite transmissions, the search expanded by thousands of miles.

(5)_____ believe the plane was deliberately diverted by someone with deep technical knowledge of the aircraft. No suspects or suspected motives have emerged.

As investigators continued to refine their analysis of the so-called digital handshakes (6)_____ the plane and an Inmarsat PLC satellite, they narrowed the search area to a vast stretch of sea far off the coast of western Australia, (7)_____ they suspect the plane crashed after (8)_____ out of fuel.

Repeated scans of the water's surface and seabed have yielded nothing. It is a void that haunts the loved ones of the passengers and crew, many of (9)_____ are skeptical of the official investigation and feel unable to fully mourn their losses.

In October, a rebooted deep-sea search began, raising hopes for some resolution to one of the most confounding tragedies in the (10)_____ of aviation.

SECTION FIVE. WRITING

XII. Sentence transformation: (2.0 point)

Finish the second sentence so that it means the same as the first one.

1. If you worry, you will find it difficult to get to sleep.

☞ The more.....

2. Her ability to run a company really impresses me.

☞ What I.....

3. Her handwriting is so bad that I can't read.

☞ She writes.....

4. Letters of application must be handwritten.

☞ You must.....

5. She was so angry, so she broke all the dishes in the cupboard.

☞ So

6. He introduced me briefly to the school's teaching staff.

☞ He gave.....

7. English is easy to learn.

☞ What

8. Nguyen Du wrote "Kim Van Kieu Truyen or Truyen Kieu" himself.

☞ It was.....

9. Ugh! This cake has a rubbery taste.

☞ This cake tastes

10. We weren't surprised by his success.

☞ It came

XIII. Sentence building: 2.0 points

Use the prompts provided to write full sentences to make a complete letter.

Dear Sir,

1. I/ write/ complain/ condition/ cassette recorder/ which/ I buy/ shop/ 2nd February.

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2. Although/ outer box/ be/ perfect condition/ I find/ when / arrive home/ that / player/ itself/ obviously/ use/ before.

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3. Headphone cable/ badly twist/ and/ I not think/ it/ be/ long.

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4. Addition/ neither/ two free cassettes/ which/ come/ machine/ be/ the beginning.

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5. I/ sure/ they/ must/ play/ before/ by/ previous customer,

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6. or/ perhaps/ machine/ be use/ demonstration purposes.

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7. There / be/ nothing/ wrong/ sound quality/ player,

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8. but/ as/ I/ pay/ full price/ have/ right/ expect/ receive/ brand new equipment.

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9. I/ therefore/ grateful/ if/ you/ replace/ player/ new model/ same type.

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10. I/ look forward/ hear/ you/ soon.

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Yours faithfully,

_____ **THE END** _____