

SECTION A. PHONETICS

I. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the others.

1. A. measure                      B. occasion                      C. decision                      D. mission  
2. A. introduction                      B. suggestion                      C. renovation                      D. intervention  
3. A. hasty                              B. nasty                              C. tasty                              D. wastage  
4. A. monkey                              B. hunger                              C. hunter                              D. banker  
5. A. daughter                              B. laughter                              C. taught                              D. caught

II. Put a tick (✓) to the words which are stressed on the second syllable.

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|-------------|--|-------------|--|
| industry    |  | economy     |  |
| petroleum   |  | acupuncture |  |
| considerate |  | solemnity   |  |
| promise     |  | individual  |  |
| delicate    |  | advantage   |  |

SECTION B. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

I. Choose the best answer from A, B, C or D.

11. The soldier was punished for \_\_\_\_\_ to obey his commanding officer's orders.  
A. refusing                      B. regretting                      C. objecting                      D. resisting
12. She is \_\_\_\_\_ to leave as soon as possible.  
A. cautious                      B. anxious                      C. worried                      D. nervous
13. Nobody seems to be \_\_\_\_\_ control of those children.  
A. under                      B. over                      C. with                      D. in
14. She \_\_\_\_\_ her husband's job for his ill health.  
A. accused                      B. blamed                      C. caused                      D. claimed
15. I think he \_\_\_\_\_ all that is necessary.  
A. has done                      B. did                      C. had done                      D. would do
16. They'd like to move to London, but their children will never agree \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. with going                      B. to go                      C. with go                      D. going
17. To get a passport, he must send his birth \_\_\_\_\_ and to photos.  
A. certificate                      B. licence                      C. paper                      D. card
18. There was no \_\_\_\_\_ in waiting longer than half an hour, so we left.  
A. good                      B. use                      C. worth                      D. point
19. \_\_\_\_\_ you have no key, you'll have to get back before I go out.  
A. although                      B. provided                      C. as                      D. unless
20. Radar \_\_\_\_\_ pilots to land safely in difficult weather conditions.  
A. forces                      B. gets                      C. enables                      D. warns
21. You should consider the \_\_\_\_\_ carefully before you make a decision.  
A. pros and cons                      B. safe and sound                      C. spick and span                      D. odds and ends
22. Is he \_\_\_\_\_ enough to take on so much responsibility ?  
A. elderly                      B. ancient                      C. ripe                      D. mature
23. We have had the roof of our house \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. to replace                      B. replace                      C. been replaced                      D. replaced
24. Imagine you \_\_\_\_\_ a flight, would you have gone by train?  
A. haven't booked                      B. hadn't booked                      C. don't book                      D. won't book
25. Saturday or Sunday? \_\_\_\_\_ day is fine. Come whenever you like.  
A. Neither                      B. Both                      C. Either                      D. None
26. They had \_\_\_\_\_ ashtrays on the table.  
A. Two square glass                      B. glass square two                      C. square two glass                      D. two glass square
27. I went to Spain on holiday \_\_\_\_\_, but I made a lot of friends there.  
A. single                      B. alone                      C. lonely                      D. free

28. Tom said, "Please tell me about it. \_\_\_\_\_ if I've heard the story before."  
 A. I stopped you            B. I've stopped you            C. I'll stop you            D. I'm stopping you
29. In Britain it is \_\_\_\_\_ for children to attend school between the ages of 5 and 16.  
 A. enforced            B. obliged            C. compulsory            D. made
30. I'm not \_\_\_\_\_ to your plan but it needs modifying.  
 A. objected            B. opposed            C. disputed            D. conflicted

**II. Read the text below. Use the word given in bracket to form a word that fits in the space.**

Exercise is one of the best ways of keeping (31) \_\_\_\_\_ (**depressed**) away. It improves your body and your mind and (32) \_\_\_\_\_ (**able**) you to perform better in the work place and at home.

Proper (33) \_\_\_\_\_ (**breath**) is essential if you want to get the most from exercise and you should also take into (34) \_\_\_\_\_ (**consider**) your heart rate. It can be (35) \_\_\_\_\_ (**harm**) to do too much, which is why all good fitness instructors emphasise the (36) \_\_\_\_\_ (**important**) of "listening to your body".

When you first start you should use good (37) \_\_\_\_\_ (**judge**), because it's easy to make the mistake of using the equipment (38) \_\_\_\_\_ (**correct**) or doing too much at one time. Start slowly and build up gradually.

Exercise should not be seen as a (39) \_\_\_\_\_ (**demand**) task; it can be as easy as a quick walk. To increase your fitness (40) \_\_\_\_\_ (**steady**), exercise for 20 minutes a day, 4 to 6 times a week and you will notice a difference in your body and mind in a few weeks.

**SECTION C. READING**

**I. Read the following passage, and then choose the best answer from A, B, C or D.**

Noise, commonly defined as unwanted sound, is another environmental pollutant. Particularly in congested urban areas, the noise produced as a byproduct of our advancing technology causes physical and psychological harm, and detracts from the quality of life for those who are exposed to it.

Unlike the eye, the ear has no lid; therefore noise penetrates without protection. Loud noises instinctively signal danger to any organism with a hearing mechanism, including human beings. In response, heartbeat and respiration accelerate. In fact, there is a general increase in functioning brought about by the flow of adrenaline released in response to fear.

Because noise is unavoidable in a complex, industrial society, we are constantly responding in the same ways that we would respond to danger. Recently, researchers have concluded that noise and our response may be much more than an annoyance. It may be a serious threat to physical and psychological health and well-being, causing damage not only to the ear and brain but also to the heart and stomach. We have long known that hearing loss is America's number one nonfatal health problem, but now we are learning that some of us with heart disease and ulcers may be victims of noise as well.

41. What is the author's main point?  
 A. Loud noises signal danger.  
 B. Noise may pose a serious threat to our physical and psychological health.  
 C. Hearing loss is America's number one nonfatal health problem.  
 D. The ear is not like the eye.
42. What is the author's definition of noise?  
 A. A byproduct of technology.            B. Unwanted sound.  
 C. Physical and psychological harm.            D. Congestion.
43. According to the passage, people respond to loud noises in the same way that they respond to  
 A. annoyance            B. disease            C. damage            D. danger
44. It can be inferred from this passage that the eye  
 A. responds to fear.            B. increases functions.  
 C. enjoys greater protection than the ear.            D. is damaged by noise.
45. According to the author, which of the following is true?  
 A. Noise is not a serious problem today.  
 B. Noise is an unavoidable problem in an industrial society.  
 C. Noise is America's number-one problem.  
 D. Noise is a complex problem.

**II. Read the text below and choose the word from the box which best fits each space.**

|     |         |             |              |          |       |       |
|-----|---------|-------------|--------------|----------|-------|-------|
| OFF | REMAINS | ACCOMMODATE | NOW AND THEN | MADEHAVE | CURED | TASTE |
|-----|---------|-------------|--------------|----------|-------|-------|

**SEASIDE HOLIDAYS IN BRITAIN**

British families started going on holiday to the seaside around the middle of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. The invention of the railways (46) \_\_\_\_\_ this possible. The first holidaymakers were quite rich and went for their health and education. The seaside was a place to be (47) \_\_\_\_\_ of illness, and doctors recommended bathing in the sea and drinking sea water. Also to (48) \_\_\_\_\_ their knowledge, families attended concerts and read books from the library.

At that time, ordinary working people had very little time (49) \_\_\_\_\_ work. However, in 1871, the government (50) \_\_\_\_\_ four “Bank Holidays”- national holiday days. This (51) \_\_\_\_\_ people to have a day or two out, which (52) \_\_\_\_\_ gave them a (53) \_\_\_\_\_ for leisure and the seaside. At first, they went on day-trips, taking (54) \_\_\_\_\_ of special cheap tickets on the railways.

By the 1880s, rising incomes (55) \_\_\_\_\_ that many ordinary workers and their families could have a week’s holiday at the seaside. Rail fares were reduced and cheap hotels were built to (56) \_\_\_\_\_ them. Holidaymakers enjoyed being (57) \_\_\_\_\_, sitting on the beach, bathing in the sea, and eating ice-cream. Cheap entertainment was (58) \_\_\_\_\_ offer and holidaymakers went to (59) \_\_\_\_\_ fun.

Today, the English seaside (60) \_\_\_\_\_ popular, with more than 18 million holidays taken there each year.

**III. Fill in each numbered gap with one suitable word.**

Many species are now in (61) \_\_\_\_\_ of being extinct. Among the threats to endangered species are businesses that buy and (62) \_\_\_\_\_ animals for their skin and other (63) \_\_\_\_\_. Unfortunately, the people who run these businesses are not discouraged by fines, which they see as just another business expense. A (64) \_\_\_\_\_ way to control the problem would be to force (65) \_\_\_\_\_ is caught buying or selling products made from endangered (66) \_\_\_\_\_ to do community service. Their community service should require work that helps (67) \_\_\_\_\_ the animals they are harming.

Such a law should be quite effective. If people trafficking in (68) \_\_\_\_\_ animal products were forced to help endangered species, they might understand (69) \_\_\_\_\_ destructive their business is. Also, their community service tasks turn them into helpers rather (70) \_\_\_\_\_ destroyers.

**SECTION D. WRITING**

**I. Complete the second sentence so that it has similar meaning to the first one.**

- 71. An announcement of their engagement appeared in the local paper.  
Their engagement .....
- 72. The minister was interrupted just after starting his speech.  
Hardly .....
- 73. Allan regretted asking Arthur to lend him £20.  
Allan wished.....
- 74. Parking is not permitted here.  
You aren’t.....
- 75. John asked if it was the blue one or the green she wanted.  
“Which .....
- 76. If Mike hadn’t been interested, the trip would have been cancelled.  
But.....
- 77. It was so late that nothing could be done.  
It was too .....
- 78. Even though I admire his courage, I think he is foolish.  
Much .....
- 79. That meal was excellent !  
What.....
- 80. I’d prefer him not to have said all those embarrassing things about me.  
I’d sooner .....

**II. Write about 150-200 words on the following topic.**

“What changes have taken place in your province or neighborhood during the past years?”

**SECTION A. PHONETICS**

**I. (1p for 1 correct answer x 5 = 5 points)**

|      |      |      |      |      |
|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1. D | 2. B | 3. B | 4. C | 5. B |
|------|------|------|------|------|

**II. (1p for 1 correct answer x 5 = 5 points)**

|             |   |             |   |
|-------------|---|-------------|---|
| industry    |   | economy     | ✓ |
| petroleum   | ✓ | acupuncture |   |
| considerate | ✓ | solemnity   | ✓ |
| promise     |   | individual  |   |
| delicate    |   | advantage   | ✓ |

**SECTION B. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR**

**I. (1p for 1 correct answer x 20 = 20 points)**

|       |       |       |       |       |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 11. A | 15. A | 19. C | 23. D | 27. B |
| 12. B | 16. B | 20. C | 24. B | 28. C |
| 13. D | 17. A | 21. A | 25. C | 29. C |
| 14. B | 18. D | 22. D | 26. A | 30. B |

**II. (1p for 1 correct answer x 10 = 10 points)**

|                |                   |                |                 |               |
|----------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 31. depression | 33. breathing     | 35. harmful    | 37. judgement   | 39. demanding |
| 32. enables    | 34. consideration | 36. importance | 38. incorrectly | 40. steadily  |

**SECTION C. READING**

**I. (2p for 1 correct answer x 5 = 10 points)**

|       |       |       |       |       |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 41. B | 42. A | 43. D | 44. C | 45. B |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|

**II. (1p for 1 correct answer x 15 = 15 points)**

|              |                |                  |                 |             |
|--------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 46. made     | 49. off        | 52. now and then | 55. meant       | 58. on      |
| 47. cured    | 50. introduced | 53. taste        | 56. accommodate | 59. have    |
| 48. increase | 51. allowed    | 54. advantage    | 57. idle        | 60. remains |

**III. (1p for 1 correct answer x 10 = 10 points)**

|            |            |             |             |          |
|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|----------|
| 61. danger | 63. parts  | 65. whoever | 67. protect | 69. how  |
| 62. sell   | 64. better | 66. species | 68. illegal | 70. than |

**SECTION D. WRITING**

**I. (1p for 1 correct answer x 10 = 10 points)**

71. Their engagement was announced in the local paper
72. Hardly had the minister started his speech when he was interrupted.
73. Allan wished he had never / not asked Arthur to lend him £20.
74. You are not permitted / allowed to park here.
75. "Which one do you want, the blue or the green?" John said to her.
76. But for Mike's interest, the trip would have been cancelled.
77. It was too late for anything to be done. Or: It was too late to do anything.
78. Much as I admire his courage I think he is foolish.
79. What an excellent meal (it was)!
80. I'd sooner he hadn't said all those embarrassing things about me.

**II. (15 points)**

Grammar and vocabulary 30%

Style 40%

Content 30%