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**A. PHONETICS**

**I. Choose the word with different pronunciation of the underlined part (5 pts)**

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|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------|
| 1. A. r <u>e</u> cipient | B. r <u>e</u> creation | C. r <u>e</u> peat     | D. r <u>e</u> newable  | ..... |
| 2. A. n <u>a</u> rrow    | B. m <u>a</u> nage     | C. c <u>a</u> pable    | D. f <u>a</u> my       | ..... |
| 3. A. i <u>n</u> creased | B. r <u>e</u> leased   | C. b <u>a</u> sed      | D. e <u>n</u> couraged | ..... |
| 4. A. r <u>e</u> sident  | B. m <u>a</u> usoleum  | C. u <u>n</u> sociable | D. e <u>s</u> sential  | ..... |
| 5. A. b <u>o</u> oked    | B. l <u>a</u> ughed    | C. w <u>i</u> cked     | D. w <u>o</u> rked     | ..... |

**II. Choose the word with different stress pattern (5 pts)**

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|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|-------|
| 6. A. independent  | B. education    | C. impractical | D. entertainment | ..... |
| 7. A. important    | B. silently     | C. performance | D. permission    | ..... |
| 8. A. advantage    | B. chemical     | C. conception  | D. deposit       | ..... |
| 9. A. advisable    | B. reliable     | C. admirable   | D. acceptable    | ..... |
| 10. A. destination | B. presidential | C. economic    | D. comparison    | ..... |

**B. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR**

**I. Choose the word or phrase that best completes each sentence. Write the letter A, B, C or D in the box (15 pts)**

11. I thought that it was going to be a brilliant show because of the review, but it was only.....  
A. normal                      B. average                      C. usual                      D. common
12. Excuse me, I wonder if you could help me? Do you..... Business English courses at your school?  
A. arrange                      B. give                      C. study                      D. run
13. I hate..... oranges so I usually get my wife to do it for me since she has long nails.  
A. skinning                      B. slicing                      C. peeling                      D. cutting
14. Peter was near Mary's house yesterday so he dropped..... for a chat.  
A. over                      B. up                      C. on                      D. in
15. I should be able to fix your colour TV but I need some time to look..... the cause of the problem.  
A. round                      B. into                      C. for                      D. about
16. People know that David is a..... dangerous robber.  
A. highly                      B. totally                      C. largely                      D. greatly
17. It is widely..... that computers play an important role in our daily life.  
A. affirmed                      B. agreed                      C. accepted                      D. allowed
18. Over the centuries, the feet of many visitors have worn..... the steps to the castle.  
A. out                      B. down                      C. away                      D. off
19. My sister forgot..... the door when she left for work this morning so her house was broken into.  
A. to lock                      B. locking                      C. to be locking                      D. to be locked
20. The director was very pleased with the increased..... from the factory.  
A. outlet                      B. outcome                      C. outset                      D. output
21. At first, that terrible disease affected only his hand, but later, it..... to his arm.  
A. entered                      B. covered                      C. expanded                      D. spread
22. I got very nervous during the exam. When the examiner asked me what my name was, my mind went completely.....  
A. empty                      B. blank                      C. white                      D. void

23. The firemen succeeded in rescuing several people from the..... floor of the burning building.  
 A. high                                      B. top                                      C. basement                                      D. low
24. Mr. Blake is going to work by bus today because his car is being.....  
 A. stopped                                      B. broken                                      C. serviced                                      D. rented
25. That old man seldom goes fishing,..... he?  
 A. doesn't                                      B. does                                      C. didn't                                      D. did

11.....	12.....	13.....	14.....	15.....
16.....	17.....	18.....	19.....	20.....
21.....	22.....	23.....	24.....	25.....

**II. Fill in each blank with the appropriate form of a word picked out from the box (10 pts)**

<i>excess    joke    type    vary    convenience</i> <i>expansion    rent    contribute    increase    common</i>
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**THE VIDEO BOOM IN BRITAIN**

Far from killing the cinema industry, video film (26)..... has revived the public's interest in going to the cinema. As a result, multi-screen cinemas or multiple cinema complexes have appeared in the main towns. The cinemas can have up to 20 screens and show a great (27)..... of films. Renting films is an important pastime; in 1990 over 347 million video tapes were rented. People also buy tapes as presents. However, the (28)..... use of video recorders is to record programmes from the TV to watch at a more (29)..... time. Far from encouraging (30)..... TV watching, video recorders have been used mainly to control the time at which people watch. This also (31)..... to a decline in the number of TV people watch, because they watch videos instead. During the 1980s, there was an enormous boom in the number of people buying video recorders, and shops (32)..... to provide the video tapes they wanted. Video viewing became such a way of life, along with take-away food and an (33)..... interest in wine drinking, that the perfect night socialising at home has been (34)..... described as consisting of "a video, a wine box and a take-away curry." "Do you fancy coming over to my place to watch a video?" is a (35) ..... invitation.

26.....	27.....	28.....	29.....	30.....
31.....	32.....	33.....	34.....	35.....

**III. Underline and correct TEN mistakes in the following passage (10 pts)**

Dear Brenda,

Thanks for replying so quickly to my last letter. You must be surprised 36.....  
 when you received a letter from me! I'm glad you will be able to put me on 37.....  
 when I come to London. Could you give me some directions? I'm bound 38.....  
 to getting lost. Do I have to take a taxi to the station, or is it near enough to 39.....  
 walk? Perhaps I should buy a street map of London when I arrive. Is it all 40.....  
 right if I bring my little brother, Tim? On the way, congratulations on your 41.....  
 new job. You will be very happy. Do you think that you made the correct 42.....  
 decision, though? I think you should have to go to university like me. I'm 43.....  
 sure that you would enjoy it. I have done to study a lot, but with any luck I 44.....  
 should get a good job when I finish. I'd rather post this letter now. 45.....

Best wishes,  
 Sheila

**IV. Choose one verb in Column A and a preposition/ particle in Column B to complete each of the following sentences suitably. The correct forms of the verbs are required (10 pts)**

A	B
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send - bring - blow - fall - leave do - hold - hang - cut - carry	up - for - without - up - on for - off - up - out - up
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46. They..... the doctor and he came immediately.  
 47. The terrorists..... the bridge with dynamite recently.  
 48. She accidentally..... our talk when she pressed the wrong button.  
 49. After a short break, they..... with their work.  
 50. She..... six children on her own when her husband served in the army.  
 51. We..... tea and drank coffee instead.  
 52. He..... an important thing. He didn't tell us where we would meet.  
 53. Some robbers..... The National Bank at lunch time yesterday.  
 54. Mary..... David because he was so amusing.  
 55. Mr. Ford..... in the middle of our talk. Maybe, I said something wrong.

46.....	47.....	48.....	49.....	50.....
51.....	52.....	53.....	54.....	55.....

**C. READING**

**I. Fill in each blank with one suitable word (10 pts)**

Experts claim that progress is being made (56) ..... all scientific fields and in many cases they are right. In laboratories all round the world, scientists carry out many (57)..... and do important research into ways of improving technology. Machinery has already (58)..... large numbers of workers in many (59)....., and prices of electrical goods have been reduced by mass production. Many of us are now quite used to the convenience of getting stamps, snacks and soft drinks (60)..... vending machines, and we are able to use (61)..... domestic appliances to (62)..... housework easier. Perhaps the invention (63)..... has made the most dramatic difference to life in developed countries is the microchip in our computers. (64)....., we cannot call this progress if our quality of life suffers as (65)..... becomes more complicated.

56.....	57.....	58.....	59.....	60.....
61.....	62.....	63.....	64.....	65.....

**II. Read the following passage and choose the best answer (5 pts)**

**PLANET EARTH**

The planet Earth is 4,600 million years old. It is difficult for us to think about such an enormous length of time because it has little meaning for us. We can, however, simplify the idea to make it more understandable. We can compare the planet Earth to a person of forty six years of age.

Nothing is known about the first seven years of this person's life. Very little information exists about the middle period, either. It was only at the age of forty-two that the Earth began to flower.

Dinosaurs and great reptiles did not appear until one year ago, when the planet was forty-five. Mammals only arrived eight months ago. In the middle of last week, man-like apes became ape-like men and began to communicate with each other. Last weekend, the Ice Age covered the Earth.

Modern man has only been around for four hours. During the last hour man discovered agriculture. The Industrial Revolution and the rise of large cities began just six seconds ago.

During the short time, modern man has made a rubbish tip of the Earth. In one minute, he has increased his numbers to terrible proportions, and has caused the death of hundreds of species of animals. He has robbed and destroyed the planet in his search for fuels. Now he stands, like a violent, spoilt child, delighted at the speed of his rise to power, on the edge of the final mass destruction and of killing all the life which exists in the solar system.

66. The passage tells us that  
 A. a great deal is known about how the Earth was created.  
 B. life on Earth began relatively recently.  
 C. more is known about the first part of the Earth's life than the middle part.  
 D. scientists are well-informed about the middle part of the Earth's life.  
 67. We are informed by the author that  
 A. the dinosaurs appeared during the middle period.

- B. mammals and great reptiles both appeared at the same time.
  - C. there were more than forty-five kinds of great reptiles.
  - D. ape-like men appeared before the last Ice Age.
68. The author is mainly interested in
- A. the time when man first evolved from apes.
  - B. what has happened since the Industrial Revolution.
  - C. the effects of farming.
  - D. the period before the last Ice Age.
69. It would appear that the main danger ahead is that
- A. man will destroy everything on Earth.
  - B. man will use up all the fuels.
  - C. there will be a population explosion.
  - D. more species of animals may die out.
70. The author's general view of man seems to be that
- A. he has no right to be so destructive.
  - B. he has been the most successful animal.
  - C. he will be able to control the environment.
  - D. he has learned a lot from past mistakes.

66.....	67.....	68.....	69.....	70.....
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**D. WRITING**

**Rewrite the following sentences using the words given (10 pts)**

71. The refugees continued to feel unsafe until they had crossed the border.

→ Not until.....

72. The only thing that prevented the passing of the bill was the death of the Prime Minister.

→ Had it not.....

73. Tom was looking forward to being home again.

→ Tom couldn't.....

74. The passengers don't realise how lucky they have been.

→ Little .....

75. He didn't graduate from high school until he was 20.

→ It .....

76. Michael Jackson was known as the King of Pop.

→ It .....

77. His holiday is at exactly the same time as mine. (*coincides*)

→ .....

78. These books have been lent by the British Council library. (*loan*)

→ .....

79. Alex is very happy to look after handicapped people. (*devoted*)

→ .....

80. Many species of birds are threatened with extinction. (*verge*)

→ .....

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