

PART I: LISTENING

You will hear a talk about protecting the environment. As you listen, get the missing words or phrases to complete the sentences. Write your answer on your answer sheet. (1,0 point).

You will listen to the talk twice.

- One of the crucial problems we face now is the (1) _____ problem.
- It's said that we live in a (2) _____ society.
- Recycling and (3) _____ can stop the (4) _____ of waste and can also help save energy.
- To stop using (5) _____ can help to save wildlife and habitats.
- It's suggested to buy (6) _____ goods for the kitchen and bathroom.
- Don't use (7) _____ that contain chemicals that do harm to the environment.
- (8) _____ or (9) _____ is a good way to save energy.
- Using public transportation can avoid (10) _____ problems.

PART II: VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

I. Choose the best word or phrase to complete the following sentences. Write your answer A, B, C or D on the answer sheet (1.5 points).

1. Most presenters dislike _____ so they are very skillfully exploit the resources of the language to avoid ambiguity and keep audience interest.
A. being interrupted B. to interrupt C. interrupting D. to be interrupted
2. _____ the results couldn't be better.
A. No matter what he tried B. Despite how hard he tried
C. Although very hard he tried D. No matter how hard he tried
3. We left New York when I was six, so my recollections of it are rather _____.
A. garbled B. muddled C. faint D. unintelligible
4. They're organizing a campaign to _____ people's attention _____ the environmentally harmful effects of using their cars.
A. pay – to B. draw – for C. pay – for D. draw – to
5. _____, I would have given up years ago.
A. If you didn't help me B. But your assistance for me
C. Had it not been for your help D. Were you not to give me your assistance
6. I wanted to put my stereo together, but I couldn't make _____ of the instructions.
A. sight B. understand C. reality D. sense
7. I can't stop eating chocolate. I've been _____ on it since I was about four years old.
A. hooked B. fixed C. addicted D. enslaved
8. Don't be late for the interview, _____ people will think you are a disorganized person.
A. if not B. unless C. or so D. otherwise
9. _____ into the US in 1977, this festival is celebrated with feasts and songs in the home for seven days and nights.
A. Africa introduced B. Africa introducing
C. Introducing from Africa D. Introduced from Africa
10. The old man wishes hetime when he was young.
A. wouldn't waste B. hadn't wasted C. hasn't wasted D. didn't waste
11. He's demanding a _____ apology _____ the newspaper for making untrue allegations about his personal life.
A. full – to B. complete – of C. full – from D. entire – from
12. Now I do apologize for what I said about you. It wasn't true and I _____ that.
A. should n't have said B. mustn't say
C. shouldn't say D. wouldn't have said
13. _____ I had met her did I understand the problem.
A. No sooner B. No longer C. Not until D. Hardly
14. Use illustrations where _____ but don't overdo it.
A. able B. certain C. appropriately D. appropriate

15. I would like to rent a house, modern, comfortable, and _____ in a quiet place.

- A. before all B. above all C. first of all D. after all

II. Choose the word or phrase that has similar meaning to the word or phrase underlined in the sentences. Write your answer A, B, C or D on the answer sheet (0.5 point).

1. The people in that village are very reserved.
A. ready to talk B. eager to express opinions
C. excited D. slow to show feeling
2. I prefer to talk to people face to face rather than to talk on the phone.
A. looking at them B. facing them C. in person D. seeing them
3. As she is new to the job, I would ask you to keep an eye on her for the time being.
A. look at B. observe C. check D. consider
4. We extinguished the lamp before we went to bed.
A. put out B. put off C. put away D. put on
5. He surprised every one by showing up in his mother's dress.
A. becoming visible B. appearing C. watching out D. standing out

III. Give the correct form of the given words to complete the sentences. Write your answers on the answer sheet (1.0 point).

1. If we don't _____ on electricity, there will be power cuts. (ECONOMY)
2. If you lose interest in the job soon, you are thought to lack _____.(CONSTANT)
3. We must learn how to keep our environment _____ (POLLUTE)
4. He examined the parcel _____, as he had no idea what it would be. (SUSPECT)
5. I'm sorry I haven't phoned. I've been _____ busy this week.(CREDIBLE)
6. The boy watch the performance of the tiger, _____ with amazement. (BREATH)
7. What is the most common way of _____ in your country?(SOCIETY)
8. It was highly _____ of him to leave the children on their own in the pool.(RESPONSE)
9. They all cheered _____ as their team came out. (ENTHUSIASM)
10. The Western people are very concerned with physical _____ when choosing a wife or a husband. (ATTRACT)

PART III : READING

I. Find a suitable word for each numbered blank. Write it on your answer sheet. (1.0 point)

Books play a very important part in our life. There is practically (1)_____ family that does not have books. We can learn many things from books. They help us in self-education and in (2)_____ problems in life.

In ancient times, books were all written by (3)_____ and few copies were made because it took a very long time to write a whole book with a pen. Sometimes several men were needed to copy a book as the work was slow. For many, many years the (4)_____ of books in the world was very small. Only a few people had copies of them to read and study. Most people could not even read.

Today there are more than 350 thousand public libraries in our country and everyone has the (5)_____ to use them. Each year about 2,000 titles of children's books appear. Every six books (6)_____ in our country (not counting textbooks) is a book for young readers. Writers come to schools and children's (7)_____. Here at reader's conferences they meet with young readers and hear (8)_____ the children have to say about their books. During Children's Book Week, exhibitions are (9)_____ in many places.

In our country there are also special radio and TV programmes about the work of well-known children's (10)_____ and illustrators; there are talks on the best books of the year.

II. Choose the best answer for each numbered blank. Write your answer A, B, C or D on the answer sheet. (1.0 point)

A long and happy marriage is something that many people wish for, but finding the right partner is much more difficult than you might imagine. A friend of mine, Susan, had not been very successful in her ___(1)___ to find the perfect partner, and she was beginning to lose heart and feel rather ___(2)____. One day, she happened to hear someone talking about a computer dating agency which could help you to find the ideal partner. The agency arranged a meeting with a 'suitable' partner at the local railway station a week later, although I ___(3)___ her not to go. My friend arrived a few minutes ___(4)___ but could see no one who matches the ___(5)___ of the man in the photograph she had been sent. She ___(6)___ a man waiting under the station clock and ___(7)___ a bunch of flowers, but there was no one ___(8)___ around. Suddenly the man started chatting to her and, after a while, asked her if she would like to go and have a coffee. Not ___(9)___ much later did they come to the conclusion that they had both been waiting for each other! When they had both ___(10)___ from the shock, they decided that the computer had been right after all.

1. A. work B. duty C. fight D. attempt

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| 2. | A. depressed | B. ashamed | C. embarrassed | D. bored |
| 3. | A. urged | B. advised | C. suggested | D. whispered |
| 4. | A. after | B. since | C. ago | D. early |
| 5. | A. look | B. appearance | C. gesture | D. manner |
| 6. | A. realized | B. considered | C. noticed | D. respected |
| 7. | A. fetching | B. wearing | C. holding | D. carrying |
| 8. | A. more | B. other | C. extra | D. else |
| 9. | A. until | B. when | C. then | D. after |
| 10. | A. returned | B. recovered | C. reviewed | D. realized |

III. Read this passage carefully and then choose the best answer to the questions below. Write your answer A, B, C or D on the answer sheet. (1.0 point)

Researchers in the field of psychology have found that one of the best ways to make an important decision, such as choosing a university to attend or a business to invest in, involves the utilization of a decision worksheet. Psychologists who study optimization compare the actual decisions made by people to theoretical ideal decisions to see how similar they are. *Proponents* of the worksheet procedure believe that it will yield *optimal*, that is, the best decisions. Although there are several variations on the exact format that worksheets can take, they are all similar in their *essential* aspects.

Worksheets require defining the problem in a clear and concise way and then listing all possible solutions to the problem. Next, the pertinent considerations that will be affected by each decision are listed, and the relative importance of each consideration or consequence is determined. Each consideration is assigned a numerical value to reflect its relative importance. A decision is mathematically calculated by adding these values together. The alternative with the highest number of points emerges as the best decision.

Since most important problems are multifaceted, there are several alternatives to choose from, each with unique advantages and disadvantages. One of the benefits of a pencil and paper decision-making procedure is that it permits people to deal with more *variables* than their minds can generally comprehend and remember. *On the average, people can keep about seven ideas in their minds at once.* A worksheet can be especially useful when the decision involves a large number of variables with complex relationships. A realistic example for many college students is the question "What will I do after graduation?" A graduate might seek a position that offers specialized training, pursue an advanced degree, or travel abroad for a year.

A decision-making worksheet begins with a *succinct* statement of the problem that will also help to narrow it. It is important to be clear about the distinction between long-range and immediate goals because long-range goals often involve a different decision from short-range ones. Focusing on *long-range goals*, a graduating student might *revise* the question above to "What will I do after graduation that will lead to a successful career?"

- What does the passage mainly discuss?
 - Research on how people make decisions.
 - A comparison of actual decisions and ideal decisions.
 - A tool to assist in making complex decisions.
 - Differences between long-range and short-range decision making.
- The word "*essential*" in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to
 - introductory
 - fundamental
 - beneficial
 - changeable
- Of the following steps, which occurs before the others in making a decision worksheet?
 - Writing down all possible solutions.
 - Calculating a numerical summary of each solution.
 - Listing the consequences of each solution.
 - Deciding which consequences are most important.
- According to decision-worksheet theory, an optimal decision is defined as one that
 - uses the most decision worksheets.
 - has the fewest variables to consider.
 - is agreed to by the greatest number of people.
 - has the most points assigned to it.
- The author organizes paragraph 2 by
 - explaining a theory.
 - classifying types of worksheets.
 - providing historical background.
 - describing a process.
- The author states that "*On the average, people can keep about seven ideas in their minds at once*" (paragrap 3) to explain that
 - most decisions involve seven steps.
 - some people have difficulty making minor as well as major decisions.
 - human mental capacity has limitations.

- D. people can learn to keep more than seven ideas in their minds with practice.
7. The word "*succinct*" in paragraph 4 is closest in meaning to
 A. concise B. satisfactory C. personal D. creative
 8. Which of the following terms is defined in the passage?
 A. Optimal (para. 1) B. Proponents (para. 1)
 C. Variables (para. 3) D. Long-range goals (para. 4)
 9. The word "*it*" in paragraph 4 refers to
 A. distinction B. worksheet C. problem D. decision
 10. The word "*revise*" in paragraph 4 is closest in meaning to
 A. predict B. change C. explain D. ask

PART IV : WRITING

I. Rewrite the following sentence starting with the given word, so that it has the same meaning as the original one. Write your answers on the answer sheet. (1.0 point)

1. He is not a university student now because he did not work hard last year.
 → If he
2. It's extremely difficult for us to make ends meet these days.
 → We find.....
3. I set foot in the house and at the same moment the fire alarm went off.
 → Scarcely.....
4. The best solution was thought of by Sally.
 → Sally came up.....
5. "It certainly wasn't me who took your laptop." Said Bob.
 → Bob denied
6. He took great advantage of his time there by learning a language.
 → He made
7. I'm sure it wasn't Mrs Elton you saw because she's in Bristol.
 → It can't
8. They had to wait for twelve hours before the flight left.
 → Only after a
9. The police let him leave after they had questioned him.
 → He was
10. You can eat as much as you like for \$7 at the new bar.
 → There is no.....

II. Rewrite the following sentences using the word in bracket (don't change the word). Write your answers on the answer sheet. (1.0 point)

1. He feels superior because he is so rich. (LOOKS)
2. I couldn't decide whether I preferred the blue shirt or the green one. (CHOICE)
3. Have you any objection to my sitting here for a few minutes? (MIND)
4. I'm going to make you responsible for today's programme.(CHARGE)
5. The firm is going to raise everybody's salary.(GIVEN)
6. Things are always going wrong in a job like this.(SORT)
7. We were just going to bed when the earthquake happened.(POINT)
8. We took the camera with us but we didn't use it in the end. (NEEDN'T)
9. That jumper you knitted for my daughter no longer fits her any more. (GROWN)
10. They continue to suggest that I was lying. (PERSISTED)

III. There are now more and more Vietnamese students going abroad to study. Write a discussion of about 150-200 words to express your opinion why students like to study abroad.(1.0 point)

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