**PRACTICE TEST 53**

***Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.***

1. A. approached B. supported C. noticed D. finished

2. A. threaten B. through C. thunder D. them

***Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word differs from the other three in the position of primary stress in each of the following questions.***

3. A. develop B. primary C. countryside D. optional

4. A. earthquake B. energy C. although D. forward

***Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.***

5. The president is going to pay a state visit to Hong Kong, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ he?

A. does B. doesn’t C. is D. isn’t

6. Remember \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the instruction carefully before you use it.

A. reading B. to read C. read D. for reading

7. If Hannah \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ here now, she would show you how to do that.

A. will be B. were C. would be D. is

8. This newspaper \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ every week.

A. is publishing B. publishes C. publish D. is published

9. Paper money in Viet Nam \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for a very long time.

A. has been used B. is used C. has used D. use

10. Many people share the opinion that Father’s Day should be celebrated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. nationwide B. national C. nationality D. native

11. Jenny completely ignored what I said and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on eating.

A. put B. tried C. went D. depended

12. Playing computer games all day is a bad habit \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ we get no exercise and eat unhealthy snacks.

A. but B. though C. because D. therefore

13. Jean cloth does not easily wear out because it is made of strong \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. pattern B. material C. fashion D. dress

14. Wearing uniforms helps students feel \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in many ways.

A. equally B. equal C. a same D. unsame

***Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.***

15. **Be careful**! The big tree is going to fall.

A. Look on B. Look up C. Look out D. Look after

16.The year 2000 can be considered as a milestone for the hearing-impaired as the Nippon Foundation **launched** a disability support project.

A. send B. carried out C. began D. gave

***Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.***

17. I prefer **secure** jobs because I don’t like keeping on moving and changing all the time.

A. challenging B. demanding C.stable D. safe

18. When Jack passes the entrance exam, his parents will **be walking on air**.

A. extremely happy B. extremely light

C. feeling extremely unhappy D. feeling extremely airy

***Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the most suitable response to complete each of the following exchanges.***

19. - Jane: “Shall we go out to choose a birthday gift for Mary?” - Tommy: “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”

A. Great idea! B. There’s no doubt about it.

C. Yes, please do. D. Ready?

20. - Ricky: “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_“ - Ben: “Why not?”

A. You should cook the meal now B. How about cooking the meal now?

C.Have you cooked the meal? D. We’d better be cooking the meal.

***Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.***

The Americans are keen to win the race to send human beings to Mars. In 1992, the new boss of NASA, Dan Goldin, called on the American people to be the first to send explorers to another planet in the solar system. He reminded them of the symbolic gift carried to the Moon and back by the Apollo 11 mission. It bears a message intended for the crew of the first spaceship to visit Mars. Goldin thinks it is time to begin the preparation for this historic journey. His speech echoed the words of the President, who promised that in 2019, 50 years after Neil Armstrong became the first man to set foot on the moon, the first astronaut would stand on Mars.

By the end of the twentieth century, various unmanned spaceships will have thoroughly investigated the surface of the planet. But, however clever a robot may be, it cannot match the type of information which can be gained from direct human experience. The first geologist on the Moon, Harrison Schmitt, was capable of interpreting the story of the landscape on the spot. Until humans walk on the deserts of Mars, we will not be able to determine the history of this frozen world in any detail.

21. Who called on the Americans to be the first to send explorers to another planet in the solar system?

A. The president B. Dan Goldin C.Neil Armstrong D. Harrison Schmitt

22. According to the American President, when would the first astronaut probably stand on Mars?

A. 1969 B. 1992 C.2019 D. 2050

23. According to the passage, by the end of the twentieth century, many will have thoroughly investigated the surface of the planet

A. manned spaceships B. astronauts

C.robots D. unmanned

24. According to the passage, which of the following statements is NOT true?

A. A clever robot and a human being can provide the same information from Mars.

B. The first geologist on the moon was Harrison Schmitt.

C. We will not be able to determine the history of Mars in any detail until humans walk on it.

D. The Americans are keen to win the race to send human beings to Mars.

***Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.***

In the past, people bought goods using (25) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. They rarely borrowed money from financial institutions and only when they had saved the money did they buy what they wanted.

Recently, however, there have been great changes in the way people purchase goods. To begin with, some people pay for things by cheque, (26) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ others prefer monthly installments rather than paying the whole amount at once. Most consumers, though, prefer to buy things using their credit cards. (27) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, it is thought that there are benefits to having a credit card. Apart from the fact that credit cards are handy, some stores offer bonus points to people making purchases, while others give discounts on certain products.

(28) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the other hand, credit cards must be used wisely because they can prove disastrous. In the long run, consumers find that they can’t (29) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ without their credit cards and constantly rely on them, as they are “easy money”. As a result, some people losing control of their finances and spending more than they should end up not being able to (30) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. So, they end up in debt and have difficulty in paying it back.

25. A. cash B. currency C.change D. notes

26. A. when B. while C. why D. what

27. A. Last but not least B. Every now and then C. One by one D. By and large

28. A. On B. Of C. Do D. In

29. A. be B. make C. do D. go

30. A. do business B. do their best C. make matters worse D. make ends meet

***Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.***

31. The Caspian Sea, a salt lake, is the largest than any other lakes in the world.

A. The B. a salt lake C. is the largest D. lakes

32. Kim said to her son that he can go out when he finished all his homework.

A. to B. can C.when D. all his homework

33. If you had any doubts about taking up running for health reasons, talk to your doctor and ask for his/her advice.

A. had B. taking up C.to D. advice

34. The Jacksons put away their trip because of bad weather.

A. The B. put away C.because of D. weather

***Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to the original sentence in each of the following questions.***

35. It’s the first time I’ve been to a bookshop.

A. I haven’t been to a bookshop before. B. I have been to a bookshop before.

C. I haven’t be to a bookshop before. D. I haven’t been a bookshop before.

36. I find his handwriting very hard to copy.

A. I have difficulty (in) copy his handwriting.

B. I have difficulty (in) copying his handwriting.

C.I haven’t difficulty (in) copying his handwriting.

D. I have difficulty (in) to copying his handwriting.

37. “If I were you, I wouldn’t accept his marriage proposal”, said Binz to Lan.

A. Binz advised Lan to accept his marriage proposal.

B. Binz advised Lan not to accepting his marriage proposal.

C.Binz advised Lan not to accept his marriage proposal.

D. Binz advised Lan not to accepted his marriage proposal.

38. Stephens often cried when he meets with difficulties.

A. Stephens is accustomed to crying when he meets with difficulties.

B. Stephens is accustom to crying when he meets with difficulties.

C.Stephens is accustomed crying when he meets with difficulties.

D. Stephens isn’t accustomed to crying when he meets with difficulties.

***Mark the letter A. B, C or D to indicate the sentence that is best written from the words/ phrases given.***

**39.** She / prefer / staying / at / home /going / a / walk.

A. She prefer staying at home to going for a walk.

B. She prefers staying at home than going for a walk.

C.She prefers staying at home to going for a walk.

D. She prefers staying at home to going for a walk.

**40.** It / rain / hard / the farmers *I* not / work / fields.

A. It was raining so hard that the farmers could not work in the fields.

B. It is raining hard. The fanners could not work in the fields.

C.It is raining so hard that the fanners could not work in the fields.

D. It was raining enough hard that the fanners could not work in the fields.