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

- Question 1. Nowadays, a lot of students become addicted \_\_\_\_\_ social media.  
A. for                      **B. to**                      **C. from**                      D. with
- Question 2.** He \_\_\_\_\_ his guitar when his friend arrived at the party last night.  
A. are playing              B. plays                      C. played                      **D. was playing** ✓
- Question 3. I think he is the most suitable \_\_\_\_\_ for the position.  
**A. candidate**                      B. examiner                      **C. employer**                      D. trainee
- Question 4. If you want to do well in this company, you have to keep your \_\_\_\_\_ to the grindstone.  
**A. nose**                      B. head                      C. hand                      **D. face**
- Question 5.** Children with \_\_\_\_\_ parents often do better at school than those without.  
A. support                      **B. supportive** ✓                      C. supportively                      D. supporter
- Question 6.** The students **took part** in the singing competition last week, \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. weren't they                      B. aren't they                      C. do they                      **D. didn't they** ✓
- Question 7. When they \_\_\_\_\_ for the beach the sun was shining, but by the time they arrived it had clouded over.  
**A. set off**                      B. carried out                      C. left out                      **D. went through**
- Question 8.** The company closed down because it couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ pace with rapidly changing technology.  
A. catch                      **B. keep** ✓                      C. look                      D. come
- Question 9.** \_\_\_\_\_, he will tell us about the results of the match.  
**A. When he arrives** ✓                      B. After he had arrived                      **C. Before he arrived**                      **D. Until he arrived**
- Question 10.** I don't mind \_\_\_\_\_ her to carry the heavy suitcase upstairs.  
**A. helping** ✓                      B. to help                      C. help                      D. to helping
- Question 11.** Students \_\_\_\_\_ with necessary skills for future career during this course.  
A. are equipping                      B. will equip                      **C. will be equipped** ✓                      D. equip
- Question 12.** Adults seem very interested in the environmental campaign \_\_\_\_\_ by a team of high school students.  
**A. promoted** ✓                      B. promoting                      C. to promote                      D. promote
- Question 13.** Creating something new for ourselves is \_\_\_\_\_ than duplicating it from someone else.  
A. the hardest                      **B. harder** ✓                      **C. hard**                      **D. hardest**
- Question 14.** A move towards healthy eating could help \_\_\_\_\_ heart disease.  
**A. prevent** ✓                      B. reverse                      C. remove                      D. terminate
- Question 15.** There's \_\_\_\_\_ good chance that he will win this match.  
A. the                      **B. a** ✓                      **C. an**                      D. Ø (no article)

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 16 to 20.

Today, many governments are promoting organic or natural farming methods (16) \_\_\_\_\_ avoid the use of pesticides and other artificial products. The aim is to show that they care about the environment and about people's health. But is this the right approach?

Europe is now the biggest (17) \_\_\_\_\_ for organic food in the world, expanding by 25 percent a year over the past 10 years. So, what is the attraction of organic food for some people? The really important thing is that organic sounds more 'natural'. Eating organic is (18) \_\_\_\_\_ way of defining oneself as natural, good, caring, different from the junk-food-scoffing masses. As a journalist puts it: "It feels closer to the source, the beginning, the start of things." The real desire is to be somehow close to the soil, to Mother Nature.

Unlike conventional farming, the organic approach means farming with natural, rather than man-made, fertilisers and pesticides. Techniques such as crop rotation improve soil quality and help organic farmers (19) \_\_\_\_\_ for the absence of man-made chemicals. As a method of food production, organic is, (20) \_\_\_\_\_, inefficient in its use of labour and land; there are severe limits to how much food can be produced.

(Adapted from <https://spiderum.com/Organic-food-why>)

- Question 16. A. why                      B. who                      C how                      D that  
 Question 17. A. basis                  B. site                      C place                      D market  
 Question 18. A. other                    B. much                    C many                      D one / 1/5  
 Question 19. A. concentrate          B. appreciate            C compensate            D apologise  
 Question 20. A because                B. although                C however                D moreover

Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best completes each of the following exchanges.

- Question 21. Nam is talking to Lan, his classmate about their plan for study.  
 - Nam: "Do you think that we should focus on learning a second language?"  
 - Lan: "\_\_\_\_\_". Those who are bilingual have more career opportunities."  
A Absolutely / B. Well, that's very surprising  
 C. Of course not. You bet                      D Yes, it's a silly idea 1/2

- Question 22. Sam and Linh are at a coffee shop.  
 - Sam: "Would you like to have some coffee or a glass of lemonade?"  
 - Linh: "\_\_\_\_\_". I'm thirsty."  
A Yes, I'd love to                      B. Either is fine                      C. No, I like both                      D. You're welcome

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.

- Question 23. Essential nutrients are important but our body can't make it in sufficient quantity.  
 A                      B                      C / D
- Question 24. The company had better develop more rapid and reliant systems for handling customers' complaints.  
 A                      B                      C / D
- Question 25. My former friend, together with his wife, pay a visit to my family last Sunday. 3/3  
 A                      B                      C / D

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 from 26 to 32.

For hundreds of years, giving flowers have been a social means of communication. In the United States, flowers are often given during rites of passage, for commemorating special occasions or as a heartfelt gift between loved ones and friends. Flower gifting also occurs in most countries around the world. However, the meanings and traditions often vary.

While students traditionally gave their favourite teacher an apple in past years, in China, teachers are given flowers. Peonies are by far the flower most often given in China. They are also quite popularly used for weddings. Strangely, potted plants are not considered a pleasant gift among Asian cultures. The people believe that like a plant confined by a pot, the gift symbolizes a binding or restriction.

In Russia, in lieu of giving birthday presents, the guest of honour receives a single flower or an unwrapped bouquet. Floral arrangements or baskets are not given. Russians celebrate a holiday known as Women's Day. Traditional gifts include red roses, hyacinths or tulips. When there is a funeral or other occasions where someone wishes to express sympathy, carnations, lilies or roses are given in circular configurations, which signify the transition of birth, life and death to rebirth. In this instance, the colour of choice is commonly yellow. For joyous occasions, arrangements and bouquets generally contain an odd number of flowers.

In the times of ancient Rome, brides carried flowers to scare away evil spirits and encourage fertility. The Dutch believed that flowers were food for the soul. When one is invited to someone's home in Great Britain, it is a tradition to bring a gift of flowers. All types are acceptable except white lilies, which are usually seen at funerals. Flowers are generally gifted in odd numbered increments regardless of the occasion. However, the Brits also have superstitions regarding the number 13, so the number is avoided.

In the southern region of the continent, flowers are traditionally given during Christmas. Egyptians are much more conservative and restrict flower gifting to funerals and weddings. While certain flowers may have significant meanings for some, flowers in Las Vegas and across the United States flowers are an accepted gift for any reason desired.

(Adapted from <http://www.flowersofthefieldlv.com/>)

- Question 26. What does the topic mainly discuss?  
A. The different meaning of flowers in different cultures.  
B. The comparison of giving flowers between Asian and European cultures.  
C. The fascinating traditions of giving flowers. /  
D. The kinds of flowers people often give others in different cultures.

Question 27. What does the word They in paragraph 2 refer to \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. Teachers       B. Peonies      C. Flowers      D. Students

Question 28. Why should not you give a potted plant to an Asian?  
 A. Since this gift is believed to symbolize a binding and limitation in Asia.  
B. As this gift is often given at weddings in Asia.  
C. Because the Asian prefer to be given flowers.  
D. Because the Asian students like to give an apple or flowers to others.

Question 29. According to the passage, the following flowers are given at Women's Day in Russia, EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. yellow roses       B. red roses       C. hyacinths       D. tulips

Question 30. What could the word fertility in paragraph 4 best be replaced by \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. happiness       B. fecundity       C. good spirit       D. loyalty

Question 31. The word superstitions in paragraph 4 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. deep-seated belief       B. unfounded belief      C. traditional belief      D. religious belief

Question 32. It can be inferred from the passage that \_\_\_\_\_.

A. People can give flowers to the American in any occasion  
 B. Flowers given in Britain are in even numbers in any case (- 13)  
 C. Egyptians are rather comfortable when receiving flowers at funerals and weddings  
D. At the funerals in any cultures, flowers are gifted in circular configurations

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

Question 33. The place has rapidly evolved from a small fishing community into a thriving tourist resort.  
A. increased      B. generated      C. created       D. developed

Question 34. Her graceful performance of this traditional art form was a real source of pleasure.  
 A. elegant       B. simple      C. negative (-)      D. harmful (-)

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the answer to each of the questions from 35 to 39.

Students who stay up all night to cram for an exam are doing themselves more harm than good, according to research into the link between sleep and memory published yesterday.

Scientists at Harvard Medical School discovered that people who deprive themselves of sleep so that they can study until the last minute are unlikely to remember anything that would improve their performance, while suffering the crippling effects of fatigue. The scientists found that the brain needs good-quality sleep immediately after practising a task if it is to learn to improve at it. Those who substitute study for sleep, particularly those who miss deep or "slow-wave" sleep will get little benefit from their extra effort.

The findings, published in Nature Neuroscience, add to a growing body of evidence that sleep is vital to the learning process. The results, Professor Stickgold said, suggest that a good night's sleep immediately after learning is "absolutely required" to embed new skills in the memory. "We think that the first night's sleep starts the process of memory consolidation," he said, "It seems that memories normally wash out of the brain unless some process nails them down. My suspicion is that sleep is one of those things that nails them down."

(Adapted from *Focus on IELTS* by Sue O'Connell)

Question 35. What could be the best title for the passage?

A. Tips to Succeed on Exam Day       B. Sleep Better than Midnight Oil on Eve of Exams  
C. How to Have a Good Sleep at Night?       D. Pressure among Students at School

Question 36. The word they in paragraph 2 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. people       B. minutes      C. scientists      D. effects

Question 37. The word fatigue in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. sadness       B. tiredness      C. boredom       D. happiness

Question 38. According to paragraph 2, what did the Harvard Medical School discover?

A. "Deep sleep" is not essential for studying and memory recollection.  
B. People will have a better memory if they sleep only 3 hours a day.  
C. Exhaustion is the biggest reason why students fail their exams.  
 D. Those who study instead of sleeping have little chance of improving their performance.

Question 39. Which of the following is NOT mentioned, according to the passage?

- A. The first night's sleep starts the process of memory consolidation.
- B. It's not a good idea for students to stay up late to study for their exams instead of sleeping.
- C. A good night's sleep is vital if a person wants to improve their memory.
- D. Sleep is the only thing that can help a learner process new information.

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.

- Question 40. A. event                       B. forest                       C. comment                      D. request
- Question 41. A. discharge                      B. poacher                       C. machine                      D. exchange

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

- Question 42. I haven't stayed in a hotel for 5 years.
- A. It's 5 years since I last stayed in a hotel.
  - B. I have stayed in a hotel for years.
  - C. I would stay in a hotel in 5 years.
  - D. I didn't stay in a hotel 5 years ago.

Question 43. "How long have you been working as a journalist?" she asked him.

- A. She asked him how long had he been working as a journalist.
- B. She asked him how long he had been working as a journalist.
- C. She asked him how long has he been working as a journalist.
- D. She asked him how long he has been working as a journalist.

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Question 44. It's possible that we will go camping this weekend.

- A. We should go camping this weekend.
- B. We may go camping this weekend.
- C. We must not go camping this weekend.
- D. We won't probably go camping this weekend.

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

- Question 45. A. system                       B. disease                      C. labour                      D. keenness
- Question 46. A. activate                       B. encourage                      C. sympathise                       D. beautify

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Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best combines each pair of sentences in the following questions.

Question 47. Minh doesn't pass the Competency Assessment Exam. His mother won't buy him a laptop.

- A. If Minh didn't pass the Competency Assessment Exam, his mother wouldn't buy him a laptop.
- B. If Minh passed the Competency Assessment Exam, his mother would buy him a laptop.
- C. Provided Minh passes the Competency Assessment Exam, his mother won't buy him a laptop.
- D. If Minh had passed the Competency Assessment Exam, his mother would have bought him a laptop.

Question 48. Nam spoke to his teacher. Then, he realised his mistake.

- A. Only after Nam had spoken to his teacher did he realise his mistake.
- B. Not until Nam realised his mistake did he speak to his teacher.
- C. Were Nam to speak to his teacher, he would realise his mistake.
- D. Had Nam spoken to his teacher, he wouldn't have realised his mistake.

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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.

Question 49. I was going to have a go at parachuting but lost my nerve at the last minute.

- A. lost my temper
- B. was discouraged from trying
- C. was determined to go ahead
- D. grew out of it

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Question 50. Today students are under a lot of pressure due to the high expectations from their parents and teachers.

- A. nervousness
- B. emotion
- C. relaxation
- D. stress

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Ghi chú: Thí sinh không sử dụng tài liệu. Cán bộ coi thi không giải thích gì thêm.

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