

might be. Moreover, if you get bored with a conversation online, or if someone's messages are getting on your nerves, you can just ignore them. On the other hand, it may not be realistic to expect your online friends to give you real support when you need it - so a balance of online and real-world friends is probably ideal!

Question 8: Which best serves as the title for the passage?

- A. What are Friends for? B. Online Friends: Old but Gold!
 C. Is a Friend in Need a Friend Indeed? D. Fewer Friends, Less Satisfaction?

Question 9: Why did the author mention the Sanskrit poem in the first paragraph?

- A. To show changes in friendships over time.
 B. To tell us about what every friendship should have.
 C. To clarify the history of friendship.
 D. To emphasize that everyone needs a friend to survive.

Question 10: The word apt in paragraph 1 mostly means _____.

- A. clear B. ancient C. appropriate D. outdated

Question 11: The word them in paragraph 2 refers to _____.

- A. interests B. opinions C. acquaintances D. close friends

Question 12: The word miserable in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. different B. unhappy C. deceived D. unwilling

Question 13: Which of the following is NOT true, according to the passage?

- A. A closest friend is willing to lend a sympathetic ear when you have problems.
 B. A best friend doesn't necessarily mean a person that you meet regularly.
 C. People normally have at least 150 casual friends in a social group.
 D. You can opt to pay no attention to an online friend's messages if they annoy you.

Question 14: Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?

- A. If casual friends are invited to your parties frequently, they'll become your closest friends.
 B. You may not encounter difficulties when making friends online if you're not really confident.
 C. Online friends will only give you a hand in times of difficulties if you meet them in real life.
 D. The idea of having a friend of the opposite sex has become the norm today.

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 15 to 19.

In the past, to become famous you needed a talent: singing, playing an instrument, dancing or writing books. Nowadays, it is much easier to become famous. This is (15) _____ the internet. All you need is a camera or webcam, computer, internet connection and a bit of creativity.

First of all, you need to decide what you are going to write or speak about: hair and makeup, comedy, sport, news and current affairs, (16) _____ money for a charity or something specialist like keeping tropical fish. Then choose a site to post on. (17) _____ sites are international and some may be particular to one country, such as Weibo in China.

Facebook is a good platform for those who want to make money, but not for those who want to be famous. To earn money through Facebook, you need a very original and/or funny page, with interesting photos which can get you a few hundred thousand "likes". If you (18) _____ fame on Facebook, it probably won't last.

Twitter is a social media site (19) _____ people can communicate through short messages. It works well for those who want to be well-known but are not so interested in making money. If you want to become known on Twitter, you will need to post lots of entertaining content.

Question 15: A. though B. despite C. because of D. because

Question 16: A. raise B. change C. lend D. spend

Question 17: A. Much B. Every C. Some D. Little

Question 18: A. achieve B. reach C. create D. accept

Question 19: A. where B. which C. who D. when

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 primary stress in each of the following questions.

Question 20: A. useful B. boring C. unique D. lonely

Question 21: A. domestic B. invention C. expensive D. physical

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

Question 22: Styrofoam buoys _____ in Ha Long Bay and Bai Tu Long Bay have been collected by the authorities.

- A. discarding B. were discarded C. were discarding D. discarded

Question 23: It is easy to tell male and female lions apart as male ones are _____ than females.

- A. larger B. the largest C. largest D. large

Question 24: I will tell you the answer _____.

- A. once you came back B. after you had come back
C. when you come back D. by the time you came back

Question 25: Thai food is famous _____ its spiciness.

- A. at B. for C. in D. on

Question 26: The kids version of "My stupid heart" song is impressive, _____?

- A. didn't it B. doesn't it C. isn't it D. wasn't it

Question 27: In some areas of Tibet and India, _____ wife may have more than one husband.

- A. the B. a C. Ø (no article) D. an

Question 28: Automated notifications will be sent via _____ or text message.

- A. hardware B. website C. email D. software

Question 29: Today, the carnival is extremely popular with people eager to _____ and parade around the city in their masks and costumes.

- A. stand up B. put off C. go on D. dress up

Question 30: The college principal promised _____ into the matter.

- A. look B. looking C. to looking D. to look

Question 31: You need to wear a life jacket because there's always a chance that the boat could turn _____.

- A. cat B. turtle C. pages D. heads

Question 32: My brother _____ at 70 km per hour when a policeman stopped him.

- A. is driving B. was driving C. drove D. drives

Question 33: The coach _____ use of everyone on the team, so no one ever feels left out during a game.

- A. does B. keeps C. takes D. makes

Question 34: Serena Williams _____ by her father until she was 12.

- A. was coaching B. was coached C. will coach D. will be coached

Question 35: University life is quite _____ from life at school or college.

- A. differ B. differently C. different D. difference

Question 36: I think you have made a(n) _____ in calculating the total.

- A. fault B. error C. failure D. sin

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 37: The office phoned me. I found out about the meeting.

- A. Not until the office phoned me did I find out about the meeting.
B. Hardly had I found out about the meeting when the office phoned me.
C. No sooner had the office phoned me when I found out about the meeting.
D. Only after I found out about the meeting did the office phone me.

Question 38: The children are noisy. She can't concentrate on working.

- A. She wishes the children are not noisy and she can concentrate on working.
B. In case the children are not noisy, she can concentrate on working.
C. If the children were not noisy, she can concentrate on working.
D. If the children were not noisy, she could concentrate on working.

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.

Question 39: High prices are detering many young people from buying houses.

- A. preventing B. encouraging C. seeking D. forcing

Question 40: That's odd - I'm sure I put my keys in this drawer and yet they're not here.

- A. normal B. new C. local D. strange

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 41: A. there B. then C. those D. thin

Question 42: A. color B. ago C. told D. low

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 43 to 47.

The first Starbucks coffee shop opened in 1971 in downtown Seattle, Washington, in the United States. It was a small coffee shop that roasted its own coffee beans. The coffee shop's business did well, and by 1981 there were three more Starbucks stores in Seattle.

Things really began to change for the company in 1981. That year, Howard Schultz met the three men who ran Starbucks. Schultz worked in New York for a company that made kitchen equipment. He noticed that Starbucks ordered a large number of special coffee makers, and he was curious about the company. Schultz went to Seattle to see what Starbucks did, and he liked what he saw. He wanted to become part of the company. In 1982, the original Starbucks owner hired Schultz as the company's head of marketing.

In 1983, Schultz travelled in Italy. The unique atmosphere of the espresso bars caught his eye. To Schultz it seemed that Italians spent their daily lives in three places: home, work, and coffee bars. His experience in Italy gave Schultz a new idea for Starbucks back in Seattle.

Schultz created an atmosphere for Starbucks coffee shops that was comfortable and casual, and customers everywhere seemed to like it. Between 1987 and 1992, Starbucks opened 150 new stores – and that was only the beginning. As a matter of fact, by the year 2000, three new Starbucks stores opened somewhere around the world every day!

Today Starbucks has thousands of stores, including stores in twenty-six countries. One thing that helps make Starbucks succeed in cities outside the United States is the way Starbucks works with local stores and restaurants. By working together with a store already in the city, Starbucks gains an understanding of customers in the city. This understanding helps Starbucks open stores in the right locations for their customers.

Question 43: What is the main idea of the reading?

- A. What Starbucks makes.
- B. Who are Starbucks' customers.
- C. How Starbucks has grown.
- D. How Starbucks makes its coffee.

Question 44: Which is TRUE about Starbucks' first ten years of business?

- A. It grew very quickly.
- B. It was a small company.
- C. It was run by Howard Schultz.
- D. It made special coffee makers.

Question 45: What helps Starbucks succeed in places outside the United States?

- A. opening restaurants in just few locations each year
- B. only selling locally produced coffee beans
- C. working with the other major coffee-making companies
- D. learning about local customers

Question 46: The word their in paragraph 3 refers to _____.

- A. Italians'
- B. Schultz's
- C. bars'
- D. atmosphere's

Question 47: The word casual in paragraph 4 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. informal
- B. infamous
- C. legal
- D. spacious

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 48: U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken landed in Hanoi on April 14th to begin their three-day visit to Vietnam.

- A. three-day
- B. their
- C. landed
- D. of

Question 49: The 32nd SEA GAMES, a biennial multi-sport event, was held from 5 to 17 May 2023 in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

- A. in
- B. was held
- C. The
- D. biennial

Question 50: Children at an impressive age should be under close parental supervision since they may be led astray by their unsuitable friends.

- A. parental
- B. unsuitable
- C. astray
- D. impressive

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Hết

Thí sinh không được sử dụng tài liệu. Cán bộ coi thi không giải thích gì thêm!