

Họ, tên thí sinh:

Số báo danh:

Thí sinh làm bài phần trắc nghiệm trước, sau khi hết thời gian làm bài phần trắc nghiệm, thí sinh nộp phiếu trả lời trắc nghiệm. Khi có hiệu lệnh, thí sinh mới làm bài phần viết.

I. PHẦN TRẮC NGHIỆM (30 câu; 7,5 điểm)

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 1 to 5.

In Britain, greetings cards are sold in chain stores and supermarkets, in newsagents' shops, corner shops and, increasingly, in shops that specialize in the sale of cards and paper for wrapping presents in.

The most common cards are birthday and Christmas cards. Many Christmas cards are sold in aid of charity and special 'charity card shops' are often set up in temporary premises in the weeks before Christmas. A wide variety of birthday cards is available to cater for different ages and tastes. **Some**, especially ones for young children or for people celebrating a particular birthday, have the person's age on the front. Many have comic, often risqué, messages printed on them, and cartoon-style illustrations. Others are more sober, with reproductions of famous paintings or attractive original designs. The usual greeting on a birthday card is 'Happy Birthday', 'Many Happy Returns' or 'Best Wishes for a Happy Birthday'.

Some people also send special cards for Easter and New Year. Easter cards either portray images of spring, such as chicks, eggs, lambs, spring flowers, etc, or have a religious theme.

Cards are produced for every 'milestone' in a person's life. There are special cards for an engagement, a marriage, a new home, a birth, success in an examination, retirement, a death in the family, etc. Some are 'good luck' or 'congratulations' cards. Others, for example 'get well' cards for people who are ill, express sympathy.

(Extracted from The Oxford Advanced Learner's Encyclopedic Dictionary)

Question 1: What is the passage mainly about?

- A. Greetings Cards B. Easter Cards C. Birthday Cards D. Christmas Cards

Question 2: The word 'some' in paragraph 2 refers to _____.

- A. birthday cards B. ages and tastes C. card shops D. young children

Question 3: Which of the following is NOT the usual greeting on a birthday card?

- A. 'Happy Birthday' B. 'Good luck'
C. 'Many Happy Returns' D. 'Best Wishes for a Happy Birthday'

Question 4: The word 'milestone' in paragraph 4 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. an important event B. a convenient way C. a special gift D. a positive view

Question 5: It can be inferred from the passage that _____.

- A. greetings cards are used on many different occasions
B. greetings cards are not very popular in Britain
C. greetings cards are for children only
D. there are few choices of birthday cards

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

Question 6: We are worried _____ the current situation of environmental pollution in our country.

- A. about B. at C. on D. of

- Question 7:** I woke up when the alarm clock _____.
- A. turned off B. took off C. put off D. went off
- Question 8:** Scientists have proposed a possible _____ to the problem of global warming.
- A. result B. solution C. plan D. effect
- Question 9:** The money that I earn is enough to _____ my family's basic needs.
- A. give B. meet C. see D. take
- Question 10:** Candidates have to attach their birth _____ to their applications for this position.
- A. degrees B. diplomas C. certificates D. qualifications
- Question 11:** Peter would not have been late for the interview if he _____ the bus.
- A. doesn't miss B. hasn't missed C. hadn't missed D. didn't miss
- Question 12:** Jane is a(n) _____ girl so she finds it easy to make friends with other students.
- A. honest B. shy C. sociable D. kind
- Question 13:** She wrote her essay carefully to avoid _____ mistakes.
- A. making B. make C. being made D. to make
- Question 14:** It is becoming _____ challenging to find a good job nowadays.
- A. the better B. better and better C. more and more D. the more
- Question 15:** We will leave _____ the rain stops.
- A. during B. until C. while D. as soon as
- Question 16:** My students promised that they would hand in their assignments _____.
- A. tomorrow B. the previous day C. the following day D. yesterday
- Question 17:** Jack: 'Can I borrow your notes, please?'
- Jill: ' _____ '
- A. Yes, sure. B. Yes, I can. C. Well done! D. No, thanks.
- Question 18:** It is boring in here. Let's go _____ else for a change.
- A. nothing B. something C. nowhere D. somewhere
- Question 19:** This is the supermarket _____ you can buy almost everything.
- A. that B. when C. who D. where
- Question 20:** Harry Potter books, which _____ by J.K. Rowling, are very popular with children around the world.
- A. were written B. will be written C. will write D. wrote

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the rest in each of the following questions.

- Question 21:** A. maintains B. believes C. rejects D. confides
- Question 22:** A. laugh B. high C. enough D. cough
- Question 23:** A. bear B. hear C. clear D. near

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word for each of the blanks from 24 to 28.

Most people today take relatively little general exercise. Over the last 30 or 40 years lifestyles have changed considerably and many people now travel even (24) _____ shortest distances by car or bus. Lack of exercise combined with eating too many fatty and sugary foods has meant that many people are becoming too fat. Experts are particularly concerned that children (25) _____ a lot of their free time watching television or playing computer games instead of being physically active.

In recent years, however, there has been a growing (26) _____ in fitness among young adults and many belong to a sports club or gym. Membership of a sports club or gym can be (27) _____ and not everyone can afford the subscription. Local sports centres are generally cheaper. Evening classes are also cheap and offer a wide variety of fitness activities ranging (28) _____ yoga to jazz dancing. Some companies now provide sports facilities for their employees or contribute to the cost of joining a gym.

(Extracted from The Oxford Guide to British and American Culture - Oxford Advanced Learner's Compass)

- Question 24:** A. one B. the C. an D. a
Question 25: A. take B. spend C. make D. get
Question 26: A. interested B. interesting C. interest D. interestingly
Question 27: A. easy B. popular C. cheap D. expensive
Question 28: A. on B. at C. in D. from

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

Question 29: The woman decided to devote herself full-time to social work.

- A. determine B. dedicate C. bring D. help

Question 30: We should join hands to make our city green, clean and elegant.

- A. take action B. make decisions C. put together D. work together

II. PHẦN VIẾT (2,5 điểm)

Write a paragraph about the school subject that you like best.

You should write at least 80 words.

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