

ĐỀ CHÍNH THỨC

Thời gian làm bài: 180 phút (không kể thời gian giao đề)
Ngày thi: 7 tháng 12 năm 2020

LISTENING (20 POINTS)

Exercise 1 (10 points)

Questions 1-6

Complete the table using **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS AND/OR A NUMBER** for each answer.

Hostel	Price	Facilities	Extras
East Coast Backpackers	Example Bunkhouse \$ 5.90 / night Cabins at \$ 11.00 / night or 1..... with air conditioning	5 minutes to beach 2.	3. package
Emu Park Hostel	Weekly cost to share room 4.	Rooms overlooking beach have 5.	Good for 6.

Questions 7-10

Complete the notes using **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS** for each answer.

East Coast Backpackers' Hostel address: 7. Road.

Bus will have words 8. written on the front.

Computer access costs 9

Shop stocks things like 10. and

1.	6.
2.	7.
3.	8.
4.	9.
5.	10.

Exercise 2

You will hear people talking in 5 situations. For questions 1-5, choose the best answer, A, B or C. (5 points)

1. you hear a man talking about a football match. Why was the match cancelled?
 A. because of the bad weather B. because of football hooligans C. because of an accident
2. you hear someone talking on a mobile phone. Who is she talking to?
 A. a customer B. a colleague C. a relative
3. You overhear two people in a travel agent's arguing about a trip. What do they disagree about?
 A. how warm it will be B. how sunny it will be C. how humid it will be
4. You hear a weather forecast on the radio. What will the weather be like tomorrow in the North?
 A. wet B. windy C. bright
5. Listen to this news report about a flood. What was the probable cause of the flood?
 A. a river bursting its banks B. a broken pipe C. heavy rainfall

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
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Question 3. You are going to listen to a report from a local TV news program about the island of Samsø in Denmark and decide whether the following statements are True (T) or False (F) (5 points)

	Your answers	
	T	F
1. The major source of power on Samsø is oil.		
2. Samsø produces more electricity than it needs.		
3. Americans on average produce more carbon dioxide than Dutch citizens.		
4. The furnace is used for both heating and making fertilizer.		
5. Farmers on Samsø have lost money by changing to environmentally-friendly practices.		

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1. The 5% wage increases they propose are _____.
- A. all for one B. by and large C. top to borrow D. across the board
2. Sarah: "I want you to give me some money" - Paul: "_____"
- A. Oh you want, do you? B. Oh you'd like, would you?
C. Oh, you give, do you? D. Oh you do, do you?
3. She often appears not to care about her work, but appearances can be _____.
- A. cunning B. deceitful C. deceptive D. insincere
4. "Why are you mad at John?" "He's been making a lot of trouble _____ me lately."
- A. for B. to C. with D. by
5. "How should we do this?" "It should be done _____ we did it yesterday."
- A. the same way as B. as the same way as
C. as the same way than D. as the same way
6. _____ have made communication faster and easier through the use of email and the Internet is widely recognized.
- A. It is that computers B. That computers C. Computers that D. That it's computers
7. Ancient civilizations were not aware that the earth _____ a sphere
- A. is B. was C. had been D. has been
8. Not being able to pass his examination proved an _____ to his career.
- A. ease B. exchange C. obstacle D. opportunity
9. _____ dinner will be served.
- A. In three quarter of an hour time B. In three quarters of an hour time
C. In three quarters of an hour's time D. In three quarter's of an hour's time
10. Unless you give up smoking, you'll _____ the risk of damaging your health.
- A. bear B. suffer C. make D. run
11. In tennis, the score 15-0 is pronounced as _____.
- A. fifteen, zero B. fifteen, love C. fifteen, nil D. fifteen, nought
12. It's not easy to make Stanley furious, the boy is very gentle by _____
- A. himself B. personality C. reaction D. nature
13. The jury _____ her compliments on her excellent knowledge of the subject.
- A. paid B. gave C. made D. said
14. Next month I _____ Tom for 20 years.
- A. know B. will have known C. am knowing D. will have been knowing
15. On my birthday, my son presented me _____ a beautiful bunch of violets.
- A. for B. with C. by D. of

16. They sent a sample of the pottery they had found to the laboratory so that a date could be _____ on it.
 A. set B. placed C. fixed D. put
17. _____ everyone was at the village meeting, but the planning officer from the council was conspicuous by his absence.
 A. hardly B. nearly C. rarely D. completely
18. When the stock market crashed, the traders were _____ to beggary.
 A. collapsed B. reduced C. ruined D. inclined
19. "When did the lecture begin?" "When all the students _____, the professor began his lecture."
 A. seated B. were seated C. sit D. seat
20. The bad weather _____ the plane being delayed.
 A. caused B. made C. originated D. resulted in

Question 2. There are TEN mistakes in this paragraph. Write them down & give the correction. (5 pts.)

Although party invitations no longer frightened me, I found myself making carefully preparations for this particularly party. I got a haircut, laid out my best suit, selected a special shirt, a colourful tie, and cuff links. I had recently went on a diet, but because I didn't want I looked too thin, I discontinued it. What should I bring to my hosts? Flowers? wine? What kind of the wine? Port? Sherry? Or possibly even champagne? Meeting new people was still a major undertaking. It was schedule for this Saturday and I decided to take a cab to the suburb where it was being hold. It was early autumn and the weather was mild, but that morning it turned cold and rainy, and as I listened to the steam hissing in my radiator, it already fell like midwinter. From my newspaper, I learned that a hurricane which had already struck another state was in its way to New York, though it might veer out to sea.

Question 3. Fill in each blank in the sentences with a correct preposition or particle. (5 pts)

- Jack didn't expect to come up _____ such difficulties.
- We put _____ a sum of money each month for our summer holidays.
- She resembles her brother _____ looks
- Without a fridge, fresh food will go _____ very quickly.
- _____ the absence of the principal, Mr. Jones is in charge of the school.
- I made _____ for the lost time _____ working all night.
- Several of the employee _____ him complained of his bullying behavior.
- Peter has fallen _____ with his boss.
- Eating good food is good insurance _____ sickness.

Question 4. Give the correct form the word provided to fill each gap. (5 pts)

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| 1. Nowadays only a _____ of wild crocodiles remain here. | HAND |
| 2. Jim is one of the most _____ members of the committee. | SPEAK |
| 3. The headmistress commended her on her _____ behaviour. | EXAMPLE |
| 4. The old man collapsed after doing some _____ exercises. | STRAIN |
| 5. The fighter had to face many _____ before he became champion. | HARD |

6. Mary has no practical experience in treating sick animals. She only has _____ knowledge of the subject. **BOOK**
7. Will the Eurosport channel provide any _____ for the approaching Tour de France? **COVER**
8. These changes are likely to _____ single-parent families even further. **POOR**
9. The village residents remained _____ with terror, when the earth shook. **SPEAKER**
10. I always drink something _____ if I'm driving. **ALCOHOL**

Question 5. Read the text below and Fill in each blank with ONE suitable word. (5 pts.)

One of the most amazing marathon races in the world is the Marathon of the Sands. It takes (1)_____ every April in the Sahara Dessert in the south of Morocco, a part of the world where temperatures can (2)_____ fifty degrees centigrade. The standard length of the marathon is 42.5 kilometers but this one is 240 kilometers (3)_____ and takes seven days to complete. It began in 1986 and now attracts about two hundred runners, the majority of (4)_____ ages range from seventeen to forty-seven. About half of them come from France and the (5)_____ from all over the world. From Britain it costs £2,500 to enter, including return air fares. The race is rapidly getting more and more popular (6)_____, or perhaps because of, the hard conditions that runners must endure. They have to carry food and (7)_____ else they need for seven days in rucksack weighing no more than twelve kilograms. In addition to (8)_____, they are given a liter and a half of water every ten kilometers.

Runners do (9)_____ terrible physical hardships. Sometimes they lose toenails and skin peels on their feet. However, doctors are always (10)_____ hand to deal with minor injuries and to make sure that runners do not push themselves too far.

Question 6. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer for each of the questions. (10 pts)

Carnegie Hall, the famous concert hall in New York City, has again undergone a restoration. While this is not the first, it is certainly the most **extensive** in the building's history. As a result of this new restoration, Carnegie Hall once again has the quality of sound that it had when it was first built.

Carnegie Hall owes its existence to Andrew Carnegie, the wealthy owner of a steel company in the late 1800s. The hall was finished in 1891 and quickly gained a reputation as an excellent performing arts hall where accomplished musicians gained fame. Despite its reputation, however, the concert hall suffered from several detrimental renovations over the years. During the Great Depression, when fewer people could afford to attend performances, the directors sold part of the building to commercial businesses. As a result, a coffee shop was opened in one corner of the building, for which the builders replaced the brick and terra cotta walls with windowpanes. A renovation in 1946 seriously damaged the acoustical quality of the hall when the makers of the film *Carnegie Hall* cut a gaping hole in the dome of the ceiling to allow for lights and air vents. The hole was later covered with short curtains and a fake ceiling, but the hall never sounded the same afterwards.

In 1960, the violinist Isaac Stern became involved in restoring the hall after a group of real estate developers **unveiled** plans to demolish Carnegie Hall and build a high-rise office building on the site. This threat **spurred** Stern to rally public support for Carnegie Hall and encourage the City of New York to buy the property. The movement was successful, and the concert hall is now owned by the city. In the current restoration, builders tested each new material for its sound qualities, and they replaced the hole in the ceiling

with a dome. The builders also restored the outer walls to their original appearance and closed the coffee shop. Carnegie has never sounded better, and its prospects for the future have never looked more promising.

1. The passage is mainly about
A. Changes to Carnegie Hall
B. The appearance of Carnegie Hall
C. Carnegie Hall's history during the Great Depression
D. Damage to the ceiling in Carnegie Hall
2. What major change happened to the hall in 1946?
A. The acoustic dome was damaged
B. Space in the building was sold to the commercial business
C. The walls were damaged in an earthquake
D. The stages were renovated
3. The word **extensive** could be best replaced by
A. fabulous
B. thorough
C. devoted
D. continuous
4. Who was Andrew Carnegie?
A. a violinist
B. an architect
C. a steel mill owner
D. mayor of New York City
5. What was Isaac Stern's relationship to Carnegie Hall?
A. He made the movie "Carnegie Hall" in 1946
B. He performed on opening night in 1891
C. He tried to save the hall, beginning in 1960
D. He opened a coffee shop in Carnegie Hall in the Depression
6. What was probably the most important aspect of the recent renovation?
A. restoring the outer wall
B. expanding the lobby
C. restoring the plaster trim
D. repairing the ceiling
7. Which of the following is closest in meaning to the word "**unveiled**"
A. announced
B. restricted
C. overshadowed
D. located
8. The author uses the word "**spurred**" to show that Stern
A. predicted the result
B. probed the plans
C. was told in advance
D. was stimulated to act
9. How does the author seem to feel about the future of Carnegie Hall?
A. ambiguous
B. guarded
C. optimistic
D. negative
10. Which of the following would most likely be the topic of the next paragraph?
A. a scientific explanation of acoustics and the nature of sound
B. a description of people's reactions to the newly renovated hall
C. a discussion of the coffee shop that once was located in the building
D. further discussion about the activities of Isaac Stern in 1960

Question 7. There are 5 blanks in the passage below. From the words given in the box, choose the most suitable for each blank. There are more words than blanks, so you don't need all of them.(5 points).

The Life and Work of J. Tolkein.

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Many authors become masters of a particular genre of fiction. But very few can claim to have had such an effect that they virtually have created the genre for themselves. One such author is J R R Tolkein. From his

prolific imagination was created not only Middle Earth; the stage for his giant fantasy *The Lord of the Rings*, but also a whole genre of fantasy fiction which has since become known as "sword and sorcery".

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Before Tolkein's work was published, fantasy was set in what was very near to the present for the authors. Also, the genre was very close to horror, and authors such as Lovell and Bram Stoker moved easily between the two. The the great American writer Edgar Allen Poe had recently brought out a work of what we would today call horror stories, but he had entitled it *Tales of Mystery and Imagination*, suggesting that he thought of it as fantasy.

2

Tolkein's distinctive contribution was to create a pseudo-medieval world and to populate it with wise wizards, bold knights, and a massive cast of other characters, including dwarfs, elves, and most of the other creatures of our folk memory. He also created his own contribution, the hobbit. Hobbits were small people, who had distinctive hairy feet. They were characterised by honest common sense and rather complex social lives. In all his works, it is evidently the hobbits with whom Tolkein sympathizes the most.

3

What made Tolkein's work so compelling was that it was a perfectly realized work of fantasy. Every detail in his stories rings true. This is because Tolkein spent so much time working and thinking about Middle Earth that the actual part which we have on paper is only a fraction of his research. His later books show clearly to what extent he had created this entire world, complete with detailed maps and even the languages of the major protagonists.

4

However, although Middle Earth is a towering work of fantasy, it has roots in reality. The Middle Earth of Tolkein is close to his own native Oxfordshire, both in the landscape of the Shire, and above all in the reactions and behaviour of its characters. The ethos is that of pre-war England, possibly because Tolkein could conceive of no other mode of behaviour, but more probably because his book can be read on many levels, and in only the most basic of the levels is the great struggle between light and darkness completely.

5

It must be remembered that Tolkein was writing in a time when one Great War had just finished, and another was about to begin. In his book, he stresses the bravery, and endurance of the small people without whom victory is impossible. This was the lesson that Tolkein felt had to be learned from the horrors of the Great War - the decisions which shape the destiny of nations are taken by an elite group, but they are implemented by the common people of the country.

<p><i>A. How to make fantasy seem real.</i></p> <p><i>B. A new best-seller.</i></p> <p><i>C. Fantasy before Tolkein</i></p> <p><i>D. The Master of Middle Earth.</i></p>	<p><i>E. The real Middle Earth</i></p> <p><i>F. A new fantasy creature.</i></p> <p><i>G. The experience of war</i></p>
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Example: Paragraph

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Question 8. 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. (5 pts)

Who's Taking Care of the Children?

Around the world, more and more women are working outside home. In the United States, around 70 percent of women with children under 18 have another job besides that of mother and homemaker. Most are employed in traditional fields for females such as clerical, sales, education, and service. However, a (1)_____ number choose a career that necessitates spending many hours (2)_____ home. These women are engineers, politicians, doctors, lawyers, and scientists, and a few have begun to (3)_____ executive positions in business, government, and banking, breaking through the (4) _____ glass ceiling. Monetary factors (5)_____ woman to work. Some are employed full-time, some part-time, and some seek creative solutions such as flex-time work schedule and job sharing. But in most cases, one income in the household is simply not enough, so (6)_____ parents must work to support the family.

A backward glance from this side of the new millennium (7)_____ that the role of married women in the U.S has changed radically since the 1950s and 1960s, when it was taken (8)_____ that they would stay home and raise the children. This is still the image so often portrayed in American movies and advertising. In fact, traditional combination of the husband as exclusive (9)_____ and the wife as a stay-at-home mom caring for one or two children today (10)_____ only ten percent of the population in the United States.

Who, then, is taking care of the children?

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|---------------------|----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 1. A. growing | B. raising | C. increasing | D. developing |
| 2. A. inside | B. away from | C. at | D. running |
| 3. A. make | B. employ | C. do | D. occupy |
| 4. A. named | B. called | C. known as | D. so-called |
| 5. A. influence | B. take effect | C. have influence | D. help |
| 6. A. all | B. none | C. both | D. neither |
| 7. A. advises | B. reveals | C. told | D. agreed |
| 8. A. advantage | B. for granted | C. notice | D. up |
| 9. A. loaf of bread | B. homemaker | C. breadwinner | D. worker |
| 10. A. accounts for | B. explains | C. makes out | D. consists |

Question 9. Choose from the list A-H the best phrase to fill each gap. Use each correct phrase only once. There are more answers than you need. (5 pts)

GETTING TO SLEEP

If you suffer from insomnia, there are several natural remedies which makes you fall asleep the next day. Start with essential oils, (1) _____ or by diffusion in the lungs when you inhale them. A combination of lavender and geranium oil is highly recommended (2) _____ after travelling.

If you have an aversion to aromatherapy, why not try listening to soothing sounds? The right kind of sound can help you drop off (3) _____ to a sleep-ready state. Playing relaxing music or sounds from the natural world can facilitate the transition from alert, wakeful state to sleep mode.

Another solution is to sleep with a hop pillow under your head. The hop plant, (4) _____ for its use in beer, provides the stuffing for an aromatic pillow, (5) _____ for centuries.

A. by slowing down your bodies processes

B. by raising your heart rate

C. although better known

- D. who originally discovered*
- E. whose calming qualities have been known*
- F. which has incredible holistic value*
- G. for help with getting to sleep*
- H. which work either via skin absorption*

Question 10. Finish each of the sentences in such a way that it means exactly the same as the sentence printed before it. (5 pts)

1. We cannot see animals in a vast area after the forest fire.
There is an _____
2. My brother works better when he is pressed for time.
The less _____
3. The northwest of Britain has more rain each year than the southeast.
The annual _____
4. James insisted on being told the complete story.
Nothing but _____
5. The fate of the two climbers is unknown.
It is a mystery _____

Question 11. For each of the sentences below, write a new sentence as similar as possible in meaning to the original sentence using the word given. This word must not be altered in any way. (5 pts)

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| 1. Jack found it difficult to control his skis on the steep slope. | UNDER |
| 2. It wasn't clear to us at the time how serious the problem was. | LITTLE |
| 3. She worked very hard to earn just enough money to pay her bills. | ENDS |
| 4. I don't mind whether we have a meeting today or tomorrow. | MAKES |
| 5. The police believe the robber was wearing a dark-blue jacket. | BELIEVED |

Question 12. 15 (pts) Write a paragraph of 120-130 words about the following topic:

“How do outdoor or extra activities benefit high school students?”