



## ĐỀ KHẢO SÁT CHẤT LƯỢNG ĐẦU NĂM LỚP 12

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

1. Nam and his Dad are watching a football match at My Dinh stadium.

Nam : "What an interesting football match Vietnam has!" Dad: "\_\_\_\_\_"

- A. Nice to meet you. **B. I completely agree with you!**  
C. Do you mind if I take a photo? D. I can give you a drink.

2. Silas is talking to his roommate, Salah, about the Olympic Games.

Silas: "Do you think our country can host the Olympic Games some day in the future?"

Salah: "\_\_\_\_\_. We can't afford such a big event."

- A. No, I don't think so.** B. I can't agree with your more.  
C. You can say that again. D. Yes, you're right.

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3. Many people congratulated Luis Fonci \_\_\_\_\_ performing Despacito, which was viewed over four billion times on YouTube in 2018.

- A. among **B. on** C. in D. between

4. By cutting down trees, we \_\_\_\_\_ harm to the natural habitat of birds and animals.

- A. do** B. keep C. cut D. make

5. An acrobatic aerial performance titled Vietnamese Wings by two Vietnamese artists \_\_\_\_\_ the highest prize at the International Circus Festival Circuba 2017, held in Cuba between June 25 and July 2.

- A. had won **B. won** C. have won D. win

6. As I have put on weight recently, I have to get the tailor \_\_\_\_\_ my suit before my graduation ceremony.

- A. fixed **B. fix** **C. to fix** D. to fixing

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7. Domestic cats often show loyalty to their owners by leaving freshly killed prey such as birds for \_\_\_\_\_ to find.

- A. them                      B. he                      C. they                      D. their

8. If it hadn't been for the attendance of the pop star, the party \_\_\_\_\_ a great success.

- A. won't be                      B. couldn't be                      C. wouldn't have been                      D. wouldn't be

9. My favourite household chore in the family is to \_\_\_\_\_ the garbage because it doesn't cost much time.

- A. carry out                      B. turn up                      C. give up                      D. take out

10. The longest fish in the contest was eighteen inches long. It \_\_\_\_\_ by Thelma Rivers".

- A. caught                      B. was catching                      C. catch                      D. was caught

11. Do you mind \_\_\_\_\_ such a long way to work everyday?

- A. traveling                      B. travel                      C. to travel                      D. to have traveled

12. Steve Davis, \_\_\_\_\_ won the trophy last year, is already out of this year's competition.

- A. whom                      B. whose                      C. which                      D. who

13. The villagers are furious about the \_\_\_\_\_ to close the railway station.

- A. decisively                      B. decide                      C. decisive                      D. decision

14. Thanks to highly sophisticated technology, scientists have made many important \_\_\_\_\_ in different fields.

- A. discoveries                      B. attempts                      C. decisions                      D. progress

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

Today's cars are smaller, safer, cleaner, and more economical than their predecessors, but the car of the future will be far more pollution-free than those on the road today. Several new types of automobile engines have already been developed that run on alternative sources of power, such as electricity, compressed natural gas, methanol, steam, hydrogen, and propane. Electricity, however, is the only zero-emission option presently available.

Although electric vehicles will not be truly practical until a powerful, compact battery or other dependable source of current is available, transport experts foresee a new assortment of

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electric vehicles entering everyday life: shorter-range commuter electric cars, three-wheeled neighborhood cars, electric delivery vans, bikes and trolleys.

As automakers work to develop practical electrical vehicles, urban planners and utility engineers are focusing on infrastructure systems to support and make the best use of the new cars. Public charging facilities will need to be as common as today's gas stations. Public parking spots on the street or in commercial lots will need to be equipped with devices that allow drivers to charge their batteries while **they** stop, dine, or attend a concert. To encourage the use of electric vehicles, the most convenient parking in transportation centers might be reserved for electric cars.

Planners foresee electric shuttle buses, trains, buses and neighborhood vehicles all meeting at transit centers that would have facilities for charging and renting. **Commuters** will be able to rent a variety of electric cars to suit their needs: light trucks, one-person three-wheelers, small cars, or electric/gasoline hybrid cars for longer trips, which will no doubt take place on automated freeways capable of handling five times the number of vehicles that can be carried by freeway today.

(Source: TOEFL)

15. The word "commuters" in paragraph 4 refer to \_\_\_\_\_  
A. visitors    B. cab drivers    C. shoppers    **D. daily travelers**
16. In the second paragraph, the author implies that \_\_\_\_\_.  
**A. a dependable source of electric energy will eventually be developed.**  
B. everyday life will stay much the same in the future.  
C. a single electric vehicle will eventually replace several modes of transportation  
D. electric vehicles are not practical for the future
17. The passage would most likely be followed by details about \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. pollution restitutions in the future    B. the neighborhood of the future  
C. electric shuttle buses    **D. automated freeways**
18. The word "they" in paragraph 3 refers to  
**A. drivers**    B. devices    C. automakers    D. urban planners



19. The following electrical vehicles are all mentioned in the passage EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_

- A. vans                      B. planes                      C. trains                      D. trolleys

20. It can be inferred from the passage that \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the present cars are more economical than their future generation  
B. the present electric engines are the best option as being practical  
C. electricity is the best alternative source of power as it is almost free of pollution  
D. many new types of practical electric engines have been developed

21. The author's purpose in the passage is to \_\_\_\_\_

- A. support the invention of electric cars  
B. narrate a story about alternative energy vehicles  
C. criticize conventional vehicles  
D. describe the possibilities for transportation in the future

22. According to the passage, public parking lots in the future will be \_\_\_\_\_

- A. much larger than they are today                      B. as common as today's gas stations  
C. equipped with charging devices                      D. more convenient than they are today

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

23. Using their high-tech facilities, the police were able to locate the owners of the stolen property within hours of it being seized.

- A. mechanical                      B. advanced                      C. uncomplicated                      D. technical

24. Today the number of start-ups in Vietnam is mounting as the government has created favourable conditions for them to develop their business.

- A. varying                      B. decreasing                      C. peaking                      D. rising

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

25. The boy lost several of his fingers because of firecrackers. The doctors are operating on him.

- A. The boy was whom the doctors are operating on him lost several of his fingers because of

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firecrackers.

B. The doctors are operating on the boy who lost several of his fingers because of firecrackers.

C. The boy who lost several of his fingers because of firecrackers is being operating on.

D. The boy whom the doctors are operating on him lost several of his fingers because of firecrackers.

26. Kate completed her higher education. She then decided to travel the world before getting a job.

A. Without completing her higher education, Kate decided to travel the world before getting a job.

B. Having completed her higher education, Kate decided to travel the world before getting a job.

C. Kate had scarcely travelled the world before getting a job when she completed her higher education.

D. Given that Kate decided to travel the world before getting a job, she completed her higher education.

**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.**

27. A. promoted      B. decided      C. invited      D. watched

28. A. threat      B. seat      C. beat      D. meat

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to show the underlined part that needs correction**

29. Food prices have (A) risen so rapidly in the past few months (B) that some families have been (C) forced to alter (D) his eating habits.

30. Teenagers (A) is greatly influenced (B) by not only their (C) parents but also their (D) peers.



31. (A) Wealthy people have always desired and (B) wear precious stones because (C) their beauty is (D) lasting.

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that differs from the rest in the position of the main stress in each of the following questions**

32. A. graduation    B. understanding    C. accommodation    D. international

33. A. purpose    B. prepare    C. repeat    D. police

**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 loss of the jobs and persistent unemployment in the industrial countries is due mainly to changes in technology. It is thought to be misleading to blame job losses on the shift of corporations from the industrial countries to the Third World.

The present technological developments have been compared to a Third Industrial Revolution.

The first coming in the 19th century, was characterized by the steam engine and the use of coal. In the 1920s the second emerged with the use of oil and the electro-dynamo. The third, the present one, is driven by computers, biotechnology and information technology.

However, there can be seen weaknesses in the newest of industrial revolutions. The technology is advancing so fast and productivity is rising so fast that we are left with a big problem. Because of the loss in jobs, caused largely by this new, technology, there will not be enough people with money to buy all these products.

Technology has definitely **enhanced** our standard of living, even our quality of life. But as the capacity to produce expands and the lack of purchasing power and consequent demand diminish, there can be overproduction and recession, and what happens to our standard of living?

34. Which of the following is NOT a characteristic of one of the industrial revolutions?

A. The use of computer    B. The use of coal    C. The use of oil    D. The use of electricity

35. What is stated as being the main weakness of the Third Industrial Revolution?

A. There will be too few people who can afford to buy things.



- B. There won't be enough products for everyone to buy.  
C. There will not be enough money around.  
D. There will be too many machines in the factories.
36. What is the main point the author is making?  
A. That technology is the main cause of unemployment.  
B. That the industrial countries have more unemployment than the Third World.  
C. That corporations have shifted to the Third World.  
D. That the present situation is like in the Industrial Revolution.
37. When was the Second Industrial Revolution?  
A. At present      B. In the 1920s      C. In the 19th century      D. In the 21st century
38. Why does the author think that there won't be enough people to buy the products?  
A. Many people will be unemployed  
B. People will not be able to keep up with technology.  
C. There will be too many products.  
D. Productivity will not be high enough.
39. The word "enhanced" in the passage is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. released      B. emerged      C. intensified      D. reduced
40. What do we infer is the author's attitude to the technology?  
A. It has created more jobs      B. It has improved our quality of life.  
C. It is not responsible for the recession.      D. It has improved our purchasing power

**Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word(s) for each of the blanks.**

People have tried for over 2000 years to find a relationship (41)\_\_\_\_\_ people's physical features and their character, and even though there is a complete lack of evidence for such an idea, it is still popular.

The Ancient Greeks were interested in the idea of human personality although they did not link it with outward appearance. Later, during the Renaissance, some writers claimed that there was a direct connection between a person's character and their face, and they called

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this new science would (42)\_\_\_\_\_ you know a great deal about a person simply by analyzing their face. Kings and princes were interested in the science, as they thought it might allow them to be better judges of character, and they believed that these new skills would (43)\_\_\_\_\_ it more difficult for dishonest courtiers to take them in.

Despite the fact that nobody takes these theories seriously nowadays, scientists are still interested in the basic idea. They have shown that there is a link between a person's character and their build.

Extroverts and other confident, outgoing people are usually short and thick set, and in contrast, people who are shy and reserved tend to be (44)\_\_\_\_\_ and thin. There is some scientific basis to this theory because glands have such an important effect on both a person's build and their moods, so it is not (45)\_\_\_\_\_ to find a link between them.

41. A. with            **B. between**            C. among            D. from  
42. A. allow            B. permit            **C. let**            D. enable  
43. A. change            **B. make**            C. turn            D. have  
44. A. long            B. great            **C. tall**            D. high  
45. **A. surprising**    B. interesting            C. surprised            D. interested

**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.**

46. Alexa has not been to ballet classes before.

- A. It is the first time Alexa has been to ballet classes.**  
B. It was the first time Alexa has been to ballet classes.  
C. It was the first time Alexa had been to ballet classes.  
D. It is the first time Alexa had been to ballet classes.

47. "Don't forget to submit your assignments by Thursday," said the teacher to the students.

- A. The teacher allowed the students to submit their assignments by Thursday.  
**B. The teacher reminded the students to submit their assignments by Thursday.**  
C. The teacher ordered the students to submit their assignments by Thursday.  
D. The teacher encouraged the students to submit their assignments by Thursday.





48. They expect that recent changes bring about an overall improvement in the quality of the country's education.

A. It is expected that recent changes are caused by an overall improvement in the quality of the country's education.

B. It was expected that recent changes would result in an overall improvement in the quality of the country's education.

C. The quality of the country's education is expected to be the consequence of recent changes.

D. Recent changes are expected to lead to an overall improvement in the quality of the country's education.

**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.**

49. Oil spills are having a devastating effect on coral reefs in the ocean.

A. significant      B. disastrous      C. powerful      D. detectable

50. A school year in Vietnam, which is divided into two terms, usually lasts from August to May.

A. seasons      B. steps      C. semesters      D. timetables