

## ĐỀ THI GIỮA HỌC KÌ 2 – ĐỀ SỐ 1

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## PART 1. LISTENING

Listen. Choose the correct answers.

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1. The people are \_\_\_\_\_.

A. a doctor and a patient

B. brother and sister

C. two friends

2. The people are \_\_\_\_\_.

A. at a relative's house

B. outside a store

C. at the park

3. Andy exercises because he wants to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. have more energy

B. feel younger

C. look younger

4. Sarah is \_\_\_\_\_.

A. an aromatherapist

B. a student

C. a massage therapist

Listen to the radio program and decide if the statements true (T) or false (F).

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5. If we want to learn from Bill Gates' achievements, we need to look at where he came from and the opportunities he had.

A. True

B. False

6. If you're going to be world-class at something, you need to have parents who are high achievers.

A. True

B. False

7. The Beatles played all-night concerts in Hamburg, and this helped them to master their craft.

A. True

B. False

8. To become a successful tennis player, you need a very talented teacher and enough money to pay for your lessons.

- A. True
- B. False

## PART 2. READING

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

When writing a job application letter, there are some important things to (9)\_\_\_\_\_ in mind. First, always start with a polite greeting, like "Dear Hiring Manager." Next, introduce (10) \_\_\_\_\_ briefly and state the job you are applying for. Make sure to mention where you found the job posting. Use clear and simple language to explain why you are (11)\_\_\_\_\_ in the job. Highlight your skills and experiences (12)\_\_\_\_\_ match the job requirements. Use action words like "managed," "organized," and "developed" to show what you have done. Keep your sentences short and to the (13)\_\_\_\_\_. Remember to be positive and confident. Thank the reader for considering your application, and express your eagerness to discuss your application in an interview. Finally, check your letter for any spelling or grammar (14)\_\_\_\_\_. Make sure your contact details are correct and sign off with "Sincerely" followed by your name.

9.

- A. bear
- B. hold
- C. remember
- D. carve

10.

- A. yourself
- B. himself
- C. herself
- D. themselves

11.

- A. keen
- B. interested
- C. absorbed
- D. engrossed

12.

- A. to
- B. who
- C. whose
- D. that

13.

- A. aim
- B. emphasis
- C. center
- D. point

14.

- A. wrongs
- B. faults
- C. mistakes
- D. inaccuracies

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

Anya, a health enthusiast, and Ben, a food lover, had vastly different dietary habits. Despite their differing (15) \_\_\_\_\_, both seemed healthy. Anya's energy levels were high, and she rarely got sick. Ben, on the other hand, seemed to have a resilient metabolism. (16) \_\_\_\_\_, a nutritionist advised that neither diet was optimal for long-term health. Anya's diverse diet lacked variety, potentially leading to nutrient deficiencies. Ben's (17) \_\_\_\_\_ choices could increase his risk of chronic diseases like heart disease and diabetes.

The nutritionist recommended a balanced diet (18) \_\_\_\_\_ include a variety of fruits, vegetables, whole grains, lean proteins, and healthy fats. Regular physical activity was also emphasized. Anya and Ben adopted these recommendations, leading to improved health and well-being. Over time, they realized the importance of a balanced approach to nutrition and exercise.

(19) \_\_\_\_\_, who followed similar dietary patterns as Anya and Ben, also experienced positive health outcomes when they adopted a balanced approach. These individuals found that a (20) \_\_\_\_\_ of nutritious foods and regular physical activity were key to maintaining overall well-being.

15.

- A. lifestyles
- B. hobbies
- C. appearance
- D. personalities

16.

- A. Therefore
- B. As soon as
- C. However
- D. Despite

17.

- A. indulgent

- B. satisfactory
- C. leisurely
- D. beneficial

18.

- A. whose
- B. whom
- C. where
- D. that

19.

- A. Others
- B. Another
- C. Other
- D. The others

20.

- A. number
- B. variety
- C. plenty
- D. large amount

**Mark the letter A, B, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks.**

Processed foods have become a significant part of modern diets, with an increasing number of people consuming them daily. (21) \_\_\_\_\_. Many nutritionists agree that consuming too many processed foods can lead to various health problems, (22) \_\_\_\_\_. In recent years, experts like Dr. Marion Nestle have highlighted the role of processed foods in the global rise of chronic diseases. As a result, more attention is being given to healthier food choices. In fact, (23) \_\_\_\_\_.

One of the main concerns about processed foods is their lack of essential nutrients. (24) \_\_\_\_\_, processed foods often contain artificial additives and preservatives to enhance flavor and extend shelf life. Studies show that people who consume a diet high in processed foods may miss out on vital nutrients necessary for maintaining good health.

In response to these concerns, some countries have implemented measures to limit the consumption of highly processed foods. For example, (25) \_\_\_\_\_. What's more, Chile has adopted warning labels for foods high in sugar, fat, and salt. Ultimately, the goal is to reduce the health risks associated with processed foods, these strategies aim to educate the public about the dangers of consuming too many processed foods and encourage healthier choices.

21.

- A. These foods are often high in unhealthy fats, making them dangerous to health.
- B. Unhealthy fats are often high in these foods and making them dangerous to health.
- C. These foods are often high in unhealthy fats, nutritionists make them dangerous to health.
- D. Nutritionists realizes the high level of unhealthy fats, making them dangerous to health.

22.

- A. included obesity, heart disease, and type 2 diabetes
- B. including obesity, heart disease, and type 2 diabetes
- C. which included obesity, heart disease, and type 2 diabetes
- D. includes obesity, heart disease, and type 2 diabetes

23.

- A. health organizations who have started promoting whole foods and balanced diets.
- B. health organizations having started promoting whole foods and balanced diets.
- C. whole foods and balanced diets which have been promoted by organizations.
- D. health organizations have started promoting whole foods and balanced diets.

24.

- A. If whole foods, which are rich in vitamins, minerals, and fiber
- B. As a result of whole foods, which are rich in vitamins, minerals, and fiber
- C. Unlike whole foods, which are rich in vitamins, minerals, and fiber
- D. Despite whole foods, which are rich in vitamins, minerals, and fiber

25.

- A. It is said that Mexico introduced a sugar tax in 2014 to reduce the intake of surgary drinks.
- B. Mexico introduced a sugar tax in 2014 to reduce the intake of sugary drinks
- C. A sugar tax was introduced in Mexico in 2014 to reduce the intake of sugary drinks.
- D. A reduction in the intake of sugary drinks was introduced in Mexico in 2014.

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

#### The Changing Nature of Careers in the 21st Century

In the 21st century, the concept of a "career" has undergone significant transformation. Traditional career paths, where individuals spent their entire professional life in one organisation, are becoming less common. Instead, contemporary career paths are characterised by greater flexibility, increased job mobility, and a continuous demand for skill development.

Technological advancement is a primary driver of this change. Automation, artificial intelligence, and digital technologies have reshaped industries, making some jobs **obsolete** while creating new ones. As a result, workers must acquire new skills to stay relevant in an evolving job market. For instance, careers in data science and cybersecurity have emerged in response to the growing reliance on digital infrastructure.

The rise of the gig economy is another significant factor. **Many individuals now opt for freelance or independent contract work instead of traditional full-time employment.** While this trend offers greater **autonomy** and flexibility, it also presents challenges, including income instability and the absence of standard employment benefits.

Additionally, the emphasis on soft skills has grown considerably. Employers increasingly prioritise attributes such as communication, adaptability, and emotional intelligence. These competencies, essential in diverse and dynamic workplaces, complement technical expertise and facilitate collaboration and innovation.

Finally, societal attitudes toward work-life balance have shifted. Employees now place a higher value on flexible working arrangements, including remote work options, to prioritise personal well-being alongside career advancement. Organisations that accommodate **these preferences** are often better positioned to attract and retain skilled talent.

In conclusion, navigating a career in the modern era necessitates adaptability, lifelong learning, and a balanced focus on both technical and interpersonal skills. While these changes present challenges, they also offer unprecedented opportunities for personal and professional growth.

26. Which of the following is TRUE about careers in the 21st century?

- A. Traditional career paths remain the dominant model in the workforce.
- B. Career paths now require greater flexibility and ongoing skill development.
- C. Most individuals work for a single organisation throughout their careers.
- D. Job mobility has decreased significantly compared to previous generations.

27. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a characteristic of contemporary career paths?

- A. Enhanced flexibility.
- B. Permanent job stability.
- C. Higher mobility.
- D. Need for skill enhancement.

28. Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 3?

- A. Many individuals avoid freelance work in favour of full-time employment.
- B. Most people are choosing full-time jobs over freelance and contract work.
- C. Freelance and contract work have become less popular than full-time jobs.
- D. Many people now prefer freelance or contract work to full-time jobs.

29. In which paragraph does the writer discuss the importance of soft skills?

- A. Paragraph 1
- B. Paragraph 2
- C. Paragraph 3
- D. Paragraph 4

30. The word "**autonomy**" in paragraph 3 is CLOSEST in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. independence

- C. restriction
- B. supervision
- D. control

31. The word "**obsolete**" in paragraph 2 is OPPOSITE in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. inconvenient
- B. outdated
- C. advanced
- D. essential

32. The phrase "**these preferences**" in paragraph 5 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. societal attitudes
- B. personal health benefits
- C. flexible working arrangements
- D. career advancement opportunities

33. In which paragraph does the writer discuss the shift in society's view on work-life balance?

- A. Paragraph 1
- B. Paragraph 2
- C. Paragraph 4
- D. Paragraph 5

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph/letter in each of the following questions.**

34.

- a. John: Really? I've been meaning to watch it this weekend.
- b. John: Hey, Mike! Have you seen the new movie that came out last week?
- c. Mike: Hi, John! Yes, I saw it yesterday. It was incredible!

- A. a – b – c
- B. b – c – a
- C. a – c – b
- D. b – a – c

35.

- a. Kate: I'm starting with landscapes, but I want to try portraits eventually.
- b. Kate: I've decided to take up painting as a hobby.
- c. Anna: That sounds like a lot of fun!
- d. Kate: Yeah, it helps me relax after work.
- e. Anna: What kind of painting are you doing?

- A. a – c – e – b – d
- B. b – c – d – e – a

C. a - d - c - e - b

D. a - b - d - c - e

36.

d. You: Good morning, Doctor. I had an accident while on holiday, and I've hurt my ankle quite badly.

a. Doctor: Good morning. I'm sorry to hear that. Could you describe the injury for me? Are you in pain?

e. You: Yes, it's quite painful, and my ankle is swollen and bruised. I twisted it while hiking and slipped on a steep, rocky path.

b. Doctor: I see. I'll take a closer look. It sounds like a possible sprain. For treatment, we'll need to reduce the swelling with ice and keep it elevated. I'll also give you a wrap for extra support.

c. You: Thank you. Should I come back for a follow-up visit to check on my recovery?

f. Doctor: Yes, I'd recommend coming in within a week so we can make sure it's healing well and adjust treatment if needed.

A. d - a - f - e - b - c

B. a - d - b - f - e - c

C. d - a - e - b - c - f

D. a - d - b - e - f - c

37.

a. For example, AI can handle tasks like answering phones, writing emails, and even driving cars.

b. Therefore, it's important for everyone to learn new skills to adapt to working alongside AI.

c. Artificial Intelligence, or AI, is becoming more common in many workplaces.

d. This can be good because it makes work easier and faster.

e. However, it also means that some people might lose their jobs and need to find new ones.

f. Because AI works very fast and doesn't get tired, it's starting to replace people in some jobs.

A. b - e - f - d - c - a

B. c - a - f - d - e - b

C. f - c - a - b - e - d

D. b - c - a - d - f - b

38.

a. Coffee is also linked to health benefits, like antioxidants that might help prevent some diseases.

b. Many enjoy having a cup of coffee in the morning, finding it a pleasant way to begin the day.

c. Coffee is a popular drink around the world, loved for its strong smell and energizing effects.

d. It is made from roasted coffee beans and contains caffeine, which helps people feel more awake and focused.

e. However, drinking too much coffee can cause problems like feeling anxious or having trouble sleeping, so it's best to drink it in moderation.

A. a - c - b - e - d



**B.** a – b – c – d – e

**C.** c – d – b – a – e

**D.** c – b – d – e – a

**39.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am excited to apply for the Operations Manager position at your company, as advertised on Thanh Nien newspaper.

a. As a recent graduate with a Bachelor's degree in business administration, I am eager to bring my academic background and enthusiasm for operations management to your team.

b. Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the opportunity to discuss how my academic achievements and internship experiences make me a strong candidate for this role.

c. I am particularly drawn to your innovative approach and I am eager to contribute my fresh perspective and drive for efficiency to your organisation.

d. During my studies, I developed a strong foundation in business administration, which I believe will complement the operational needs at your company.

e. I have also gained practical experience through internships where I honed my organisational skills and ability to adapt to dynamic environments.

Sincerely,

Hanh Nguyen

**A.** a – b – e – d – c

**B.** e – b – a – e – c

**C.** a – d – e – c – b

**D.** a – c – e – b – d

**40.**

a. Why did you choose to become a graphic designer?

b. That makes sense. Do you enjoy the work?

c. I do! It's a creative job, and I love solving design challenges.

d. I've always been interested in art and technology, so this career combines both.

e. Sounds like a great fit for you!

**A.** a – b – d – c – e

**B.** d – a – c – b – e

**C.** b – a – e – c – d

**D.** a – d – b – c – e

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