

ĐỀ THI GIỮA HỌC KÌ 2 – ĐỀ SỐ 2**MÔN: TIẾNG ANH 12 ENGLISH DISCOVERY****BIÊN SOẠN: BAN CHUYÊN MÔN LOIGIAIHAY.COM****PART 1. LISTENING**

Listen to Jessica talking about the changes in her hometown and decide whether the following statements are T (True) or F (False).

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1. Nottingham has changed significantly over the past ten years.

A. True

B. False

2. The town's population has grown, which allows Jessica to make more friends.

A. True

B. False

3. New apartment buildings should be constructed to catch up with the housing needs.

A. True

B. False

4. Jessica prefers the new recreational options in her hometown.

A. True

B. False

Listen to a talk about Laotian traditional clothing and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions.

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5. What is the talk mainly about?

A. Laotian traditional clothing and its cultural significance.

B. The history of Laotian clothing changes over time.

C. Laotian clothing versus Southeast Asian countries'.

D. The influence of neighbouring countries on Laotian clothing.

6. What is the traditional skirt for Laotian women made of?

A. Linen or wool.

B. Wool or silk.

C. Wood or cotton.

D. Silk or cotton.

7. Which of the following is NOT expressed on the traditional clothing of Laotian men?

A. Local legends.

B. Religious beliefs.

C. Personal achievements.

D. Community values.

8. Which of Laotian men's traditional clothing is mentioned in the talk?

A. An embroidered long shirt.

B. A waist-wrapped cloth.

C. A shoulder-wrapped scarf.

D. A wrap-around skirt.

PART 2. READING

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

Youth Magazine - News brief

Back in October we asked teenagers: How do you (9) _____ news? Nearly 300 responded, and almost all of them mentioned that their main source of current events is social media. Following are two most representative voices:

Like most teens, I spend way too much time on social media. My main source of news happens to be Facebook and Instagram. These online spaces are an interesting place to stay on (10) _____ of latest events. But, I do see blatantly untrue posts, but instead of having them (11) _____, these platforms seem to promote anything viral and sensational. – *Nam Nguyen, Ha Noi*

I, along with many other young people, don't get my news from journals or news websites, but from social media. Much of the language in official channels like journals, mainstream newspapers is (12) _____ inaccessible to teens that we find them very off-putting. So we opt for lighter reads on social media, (13) _____ the news is bite-sized and more digestible. Also, a lot of information in journals is locked behind a paywall. However, (14) _____ between true and false information on social media can be extremely difficult. - *Ha Le, Ho Chi Minh City*

(Adapted from <https://www.nytimes.com/2024/10/23/learning/teenagers-tell-us-about-their-relationship-with-news.html>)

9.

A. access

B. gain

C. approach

D. update

10.

A. top

B. touch

C. edge

D. line

11.

- A. removed
- B. to remove
- C. removing
- D. to be removed

12.

- A. rather
- B. to
- C. such
- D. so

13.

- A. anywhere
- B. wherever
- C. where
- D. although

14.

- A. guessing
- B. predicting
- C. distinguishing
- D. wondering

Read the following passage and circle the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

The Internet in Viet Nam

Over the past 30 years, the Internet has changed the way people experience and create all media. Today, there are more than five (15) _____ Internet users in the world, which is more than 60 per cent of the global population. Current news, information and entertainment are readily available through websites and can be easily (16) _____ through search engines. The Internet has become the most exciting type of mass media.

In Viet Nam, there were 72.10 million Internet users in early 2022, which (17) _____ 73.2 per cent of the total population. The number of social media users in Viet Nam was (18) _____ to nearly 70 per cent of the total population. The number of Vietnamese on popular platforms was also impressive since it was reported that more than 70 million people used Facebook in Viet Nam and around 62 million Vietnamese were on YouTube. These users may not represent active or unique individuals (19) _____ some people may not check or post to their social media platforms. Besides, some accounts can belong to businesses or groups. However, these numbers still strongly indicate that the Internet has become one of (20) _____ popular types of mass media in Viet Nam today.

15.

- A. hundred
- B. million
- C. billion
- D. trillion

16.

- A. read
- B. accessed
- C. bought
- D. learnt

17.

- A. cared for
- B. looked for
- C. accounted for
- D. made for

18.

- A. same
- B. equivalent
- C. more
- D. less

19.

- A. as
- B. that
- C. although
- D. when

20.

- A. the more
- B. by far
- C. much as
- D. the most

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

Urbanization, the process of increasing urban population and the expansion of urban areas, is a significant global trend. (21) _____. As more and more people migrate to cities in search of opportunities, urban centers are growing at an unprecedented rate.

Urbanization can bring numerous benefits, such as economic growth, cultural exchange, and access to education and healthcare. (22) _____. Cities can serve as hubs of innovation, attracting talented individuals and fostering creativity.

However, rapid urbanization also presents challenges, including overcrowding, pollution, and social inequality. (23) _____. Inadequate infrastructure, such as transportation and sanitation systems, can strain urban resources.

To address these challenges, sustainable urban planning is essential. (24) _____. By creating green spaces, promoting public transportation, and investing in renewable energy, cities can reduce their environmental impact and improve the quality of life for their residents.

Ultimately, the success of urbanization depends on our ability to balance economic growth with social and environmental sustainability. (25) _____. By adopting sustainable practices and prioritizing the well-being of urban dwellers, we can shape cities that are both vibrant and resilient.

21.

- A. However, urbanization can also lead to negative consequences.
- B. Urbanization is a natural process that has been occurring for centuries.
- C. Many people are moving from rural to urban areas.
- D. Cities are becoming increasingly diverse.

22.

- A. Cities can provide a wide range of opportunities for individuals.
- B. Urbanization can lead to social isolation and loneliness.
- C. Cities can be overcrowded and stressful.
- D. Urbanization can contribute to climate change.

23.

- A. Urbanization can lead to increased economic inequality.
- B. Cities are often centers of culture and innovation.
- C. Urbanization can improve access to education and healthcare.
- D. Urbanization can reduce poverty and inequality.

24.

- A. Urban planners should prioritize economic growth.
- B. Cities should focus on attracting foreign investment.
- C. Urban planners should consider the environmental and social impacts of development.
- D. Cities should promote car ownership to improve mobility.

25.

- A. By embracing technology, cities can become more efficient and sustainable.
- B. Cities should focus on attracting businesses and industries.
- C. Urbanization is inevitable and should be embraced.

D. Cities should prioritize economic growth over environmental sustainability.

Read the following passage about a multicultural world and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions.

[I] In today's interconnected world, multiculturalism has become increasingly prevalent as people from diverse cultural backgrounds live and work together in the same communities. [II] Multiculturalism fosters cultural diversity, promoting understanding and tolerance among individuals with different perspectives and traditions (Banks, 2015). [III] However, while multiculturalism brings many benefits, it also poses certain challenges that need to be addressed to achieve a harmonious society (Parekh, 2000). [IV]

One of the key benefits of multiculturalism is the enrichment of society through diverse perspectives. Different cultural backgrounds contribute unique ideas, art forms, and traditions, which can lead to a more vibrant and innovative community. For instance, diverse viewpoints in the workplace often drive creativity and lead to better problem-solving solutions. Additionally, exposure to various cultures can increase people's awareness and acceptance of others, thus reducing discrimination and promoting social cohesion.

However, a multicultural society is not without its challenges. Language barriers, for example, can hinder communication and understanding among individuals. Miscommunication due to language differences can lead to misunderstandings or even conflicts. Furthermore, people may feel divided by their cultural identities, which can create a sense of "us versus them." Some argue that without efforts to bridge cultural differences, multiculturalism might unintentionally lead to social fragmentation (Modood, 2007).

To foster a successful multicultural society, it is essential to promote inclusive policies and encourage intercultural dialogue. Schools and workplaces can play a significant role by celebrating diversity and teaching cultural understanding. When people actively engage with different cultures, they are more likely to find common ground and develop mutual respect, which helps create a stronger, more unified community (Berry, 2011).

(Adapted from *Multiculturalism in Society* by Banks, Parekh, and others)

26. Where in paragraph I does the following sentence best fit?

People today can access a wider range of cultural experiences than ever before.

- A. [I]
- B. [II]
- C. [III]
- D. [IV]

27. The phrase "*social cohesion*" in paragraph 2 could be best replaced by _____.

- A. social conflict
- B. social unity
- C. cultural diversity
- D. cultural competition

28. The word "*they*" in paragraph 4 refers to _____.

- A. schools
- B. workplaces
- C. people
- D. policies

29. According to paragraph 2, which of the following is NOT an advantage of multiculturalism?

- A. Enhanced creativity
- B. Increased awareness of other cultures
- C. Encouragement of discrimination
- D. Better problem-solving skills

30. Which of the following best summarizes paragraph 3?

- A. Multiculturalism strengthens communication and understanding without any challenges.
- B. Multiculturalism creates a divide in society, making communication difficult.
- C. Multiculturalism faces language and identity barriers that may lead to social fragmentation.
- D. Multiculturalism allows seamless interaction across cultural and language differences.

31. The word "*fragmentation*" in paragraph 3 is CLOSEST in meaning to _____.

- A. unity
- B. division
- C. cooperation
- D. similarity

32. Which of the following is TRUE according to the passage?

- A. A multicultural society guarantees equal understanding among all cultural groups.
- B. Language differences in multicultural societies can sometimes cause misunderstandings.
- C. Schools should avoid addressing cultural differences to maintain harmony.
- D. Multiculturalism leads to isolation rather than promoting social connections.

33. Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 4?

- A. People engaging with different cultures can lessen cultural respect.
- B. Schools and workplaces should limit exposure to diverse cultures.
- C. Experiencing various cultures increases understanding and strengthens communities.
- D. Multicultural societies struggle with finding mutual understanding among people.

34. Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?

- A. Multiculturalism eliminates all societal conflicts by promoting tolerance.
- B. Without inclusive efforts, multicultural societies may experience social divides.
- C. Multicultural societies lack creativity and diversity in problem-solving.
- D. Multiculturalism hinders personal identity formation in most communities.

35. Which of the following best summarizes the passage?

A. Multiculturalism enhances society by bringing diversity and creativity, though it requires proactive measures to address language and identity challenges.

B. Multiculturalism complicates communication and brings little benefit to modern society.

C. Multiculturalism limits individuals' understanding of other cultures and increases social tension.

D. A multicultural society promotes complete unity and eliminates social barriers.

PART 3. SPEAKING & WRITING

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.

36.

a. Nice to meet you, Trang. Hoang has told me a lot about you and how chatting with you has really helped his English.

b. For sure! My English has improved a ton from our chats.

c. Nam, this is Trang, my cousin. She's a Vietnamese American. She's visiting us during her summer holiday.

d. Great to meet you, Hoang! Thanks, I appreciate it.

A. a – c – d – b

B. d – a – b – c

C. b – a – c – d

D. c – a – d – b

37.

a. Thank you for understanding. I hope it can be resolved soon.

b. I understand your frustration, and I apologise for that inconvenience. We've received several similar complaints recently.

c. We'll address the issue as quickly as possible and keep you updated on any progress.

d. Excuse me. I want to complain about the noise coming from the construction site next door. It's been keeping me up at night.

A. d – b – a – c

B. c – a – b – d

C. b – a – d – c

D. a – b – c – d

38.

a. Besides, they will have to take part in community services that help clean up the local beaches.

b. Therefore, anyone littering in public areas will be severely fined from \$20 to \$150.

c. The locals are legally responsible for keeping their neighborhood clean and neat.

d. To promote the local tourism, the local government has passed practical laws related to the environment.

e. The clean beaches will help improve the quality of life and attract more tourists.

A. e - a - d - b - c

B. c - b - a - d - e

C. d - a - e - c - b

D. d - c - b - a - e

39.

a. People who leave their hometowns want to look for better job opportunities.

b. In short, the root cause is unemployment, which could be solved if there were more businesses in the country.

c. One of the most effective solutions to city overpopulation includes preventing rural migration.

d. To work out the solution, the cause of rural migration should be understood properly.

e. Therefore, if there were enough job opportunities in the countryside, few people would leave for big cities.

A. a - c - d - b - e

B. c - d - a - b - e

C. c - d - a - e - b

D. e - d - a - c - b

40.

Dear Minh Anh,

a. These positive changes are greatly improving the health and well-being of the local residents. check-ups and treatments.

b. Recently, new health clinics have been established, providing better access to medical services for remote communities.

c. It's wonderful to see such progress in ensuring everyone has access to quality healthcare.

d. Additionally, mobile health units are now travelling to these areas, ensuring that people receive regular check-ups and treatments.

e. I hope this email finds you well as I want to share some exciting news about improvements in healthcare systems in our home town.

Have there been any changes in your home town recently? I'd love to hear about them.

Best regards,

Bao Minh

A. d - e - a - b - c

B. b - e - d - c - a

C. e - b - d - a - c

D. c - d - b - a - e

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