

## ĐỀ THI HỌC KÌ 2 – ĐỀ SỐ 1

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## PART 1. LISTENING

Listen to the rest of the conversation. Select the best answers.

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1. What does Hans need to do every day to improve his English?

- A. listen to music
- B. read subtitles
- C. watch English movies
- D. listen to and speak in English

2. Why is Hans worried about his English-speaking skills?

- A. Because English isn't popular in his place
- B. Because it's expensive to learn English.
- C. Because nobody wants to speak with him.
- D. Because he think English speaking is difficult.

3. What can Hans do to improve his English-speaking skills?

- A. travel abroad
- B. join online classes
- C. take an English course
- D. connect with English speakers online

4. What does Mr. Ford talk about the online English exchange groups?

- A. They are useful.
- B. They are affordable.
- C. They are free.
- D. They are expensive.

Listen to the conversation between Alex and Emma and decide whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F).

Tải audio [tại đây](#)

5. Alex and Emma are talking about Emma's trip to the Grand Canyon.

- A. True
- B. False

6. One of the things that Emma couldn't forget was the limestone cliffs rising from the emerald waters.

- A. True
- B. False

7. Ha Long Bay is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

- A. True
- B. False

8. Alex thinks that tourism only benefits the economy.

- A. True
- B. False

## PART 2. LANGUAGE

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

9. The view from the mountain top was \_\_\_\_\_ breathtaking \_\_\_\_\_ we couldn't stop taking photos.

- A. too - that
- B. such - that
- C. as - as
- D. so - that

10. Having difficulty communicating with the locals, Kate wishes she \_\_\_\_\_ more fluent in the local dialect.

- A. will be
- B. is
- C. were
- D. had been

11. Since English can open a lot of job \_\_\_\_\_, you need to be good at it.

- A. careers
- B. centers
- C. descriptions
- D. opportunities

12. Whenever I visit a new place, I use \_\_\_\_\_ to get directions.

- A. trip itinerary
- B. guided tour
- C. package holiday
- D. Google Maps

*Read the advertisement 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.*

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13.

- A. of
- B. with
- C. for
- D. in

14.

- A. ice climbing
- B. rock climbing
- C. snowboarding
- D. paragliding

15.

- A. relief
- B. prescription
- C. remedy
- D. medicine

16.

- A. will spend
- B. spend
- C. spent
- D. had spent

Read the email 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.

Hey Sam!

Hope you're doing well. I'm excited (17) \_\_\_\_\_ you to my housewarming party next Saturday! We're planning to throw the party at 7 PM. I've already started to (18) \_\_\_\_\_ decorations to make the place look festive.

There will be music, food, and maybe even some small fireworks that (19) \_\_\_\_\_ in the backyard. It'll be fun!

Oh, and Jenny (20) \_\_\_\_\_ if you could bring your famous apple pie. Let me know if you can make it!

Looking forward to seeing you,

Việt Anh

17.

- A. inviting
- B. to invite
- C. invite
- D. invited

18.

- A. pick up
- B. put up
- C. stick in
- D. set off

19.

- A. bang
- B. buzz
- C. cheer
- D. crackle

20.

- A. asked
- B. told
- C. said
- D. requested

### PART 3. 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.

The young astronaut gazed out of the space station's window, observing the vast galaxy before her. She had always dreamed of (21) \_\_\_\_\_ from Earth to explore the cosmos. As a child, she'd spend hours with her (22) \_\_\_\_\_ father, peering through telescopes at distant planets. Now, she was part of a record-breaking mission to study a newly discovered planet 50 (23) \_\_\_\_\_ away.

As she prepared for her first spacewalk, she thought, "If I (24) \_\_\_\_\_ harder in space camp, I would have been more prepared for this moment." The spacecraft's sensors suddenly detected an unidentified object approaching. "It (25) \_\_\_\_\_ a comet," she deduced, reaching for her binoculars to get a better look.

Her mind raced with curiosity as she observed the object's path. Was it a meteorite? Or perhaps a satellite from an earlier mission? Whatever it was, it presented an exciting opportunity for an experiment in zero gravity. She quickly radioed the mission control to report her findings. Her ambition to (26) \_\_\_\_\_ groundbreaking discoveries fueling her every action.

21.

- A. getting away
- B. putting aside
- C. seeing off
- D. checking out

22.

- A. chemist
- B. astronomer
- C. astronaut
- D. pilot

23.

- A. light months
- B. bright years
- C. kilometers
- D. light years

24.

- A. had trained
- B. trained
- C. were to train
- D. could have trained

25.

- A. must be
- B. has to be
- C. should be
- D. could only be

26.

- A. make
- B. create
- C. do

D. take

**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.**

Could genes play a more important role than diet and exercise in living longer? Scientists have begun looking at the genes of small, isolated communities to understand the illnesses of old age and how they might be avoided.

In Italy, researcher Giuseppe Passarino met 106-year-old Salvatore Caruso. When asked about the reasons for his long life, the centenarian smiled and said in Italian, “No drinking, no smoking, no women.” **He** added that he’d hardly ever eaten any red meat. Passarino heard much the same from 103-year-old Domenico Romeo, who described his diet as “a little bit, but of everything.” Passarino is working out the reasons that Calabrians live such long lives. He found that their genes give them a taste for bitter foods like broccoli — vegetables that promote health and digestion.

In Ecuador, Laron people, who carry a gene that sometimes causes short stature, lived in an isolated area until the 1980s because of a lack of roads, phones, and electricity. As a result, the genetic **mutation** was passed down through the generations. Surprisingly, a 2006 study revealed that no one from **this group** developed diabetes, and only one person developed cancer.

However, genes alone are unlikely to explain all the secrets of living to 100. Passarino says genes are only about 25% responsible for a long, healthy life. The environment and luck also play important roles. For example, Caruso avoided going to war because of a broken leg, which may have saved his life.

*(Adapted from Reading Explorer 4, p. 171)*

27. What would be the best title for the passage?

- A. Healthy Diet is the Key to Longevity
- B. The Role of Genes in Living Longer
- C. A Long-Term Study of Italian Centenarians
- D. The Mystery of Centenarians Worldwide

28. In the first paragraph, what does **he** refer to?

- A. Giuseppe Passarino
- B. Any Italian man
- C. Salvatore Caruso
- D. Domenico Romeo

29. What does the gene that Passarino discovered in older Calabrians do?

- A. It allows them to taste things more than other people.
- B. It gives them a preference for bitter foods.
- C. It lets them eat large amounts of food and still be healthy.
- D. It makes it difficult to digest certain unhealthy foods.

30. What is NOT true about the Laron people?



- A. Because of a gene, some of them are smaller in size.
- B. They have a gene that helps protect them from certain diseases.
- C. They live in a separate area.
- D. Most of them came to Ecuador in the 1980s.

31. What does the word **mutation** in paragraph 3 mostly mean?

- A. disease
- B. factor
- C. feature
- D. diversity

32. Which of the following statements is the writer most likely to agree with?

- A. Living in small, isolated communities guarantees a long life.
- B. The answer to why centenarians live so long lies in genetics.
- C. A combination of factors influence how long a person will live.
- D. People who avoid eating red meat will live longer.

#### PART 4. 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 conversation/paragraph in each of the following questions.

33.

- a. Trang: Should we choose any particular type of books?
- b. Phong: Sure. The first tip is reading in English. When we learn a new word as part of a story, we can remember it better because it is in a context.
- c. Trang: I really admire that you know so much English vocabulary. Do you have any tips?

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

34.

- a. Kate: Can you give me an example?
- b. Mother: Simply speaking, tourism is a short trip people take to a different place for pleasure.
- c. Kate: Mum, could you explain the word ‘tourism’ to me?
- d. Mother: Sure. You live in Manchester. On your vacation, you go to London to visit some places of interest there.

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

35.

- a. Minh: How was the film?  
 b. Kate: Yes, I did.  
 c. Minh: Kate, did you go to see the new film with Mi last weekend?  
 d. Kate: It was a brilliant sci-fi and we were so thrilled to see the space exploration of the hero.

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

36.

Dear Lucy,

Last week, I went to Vũng Tàu for vacation.

- a. I swam in the sea, ate fresh seafood, and visited the lighthouse. The weather was sunny and perfect.  
 b. The city is very beautiful with blue sea and white sand.  
 c. The food was delicious, especially the seafood and bánh khọt.  
 d. I also walked on the beach and took many photos.

I had a great time and felt very happy. I hope you can visit Vũng Tàu one day too!

See you soon!

Vy

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

37.

Dear Kelly,

I hope you are doing well. I want to share some tips to keep fit and stay healthy. First, you should eat healthy food like fruits, vegetables, and fish. Drink a lot of water and avoid fast food. Second, do exercise every day.

- a. Also, sleep well and rest enough.  
 b. Try to avoid stress and stay happy.  
 c. A healthy life makes you feel good!  
 d. You can run, swim, or do yoga, which helps you stay strong.

Take care and stay healthy!

Phong

- A.** b – a – d – c  
**B.** d – a – b – c  
**C.** a – c – b – d



D. c - a - d - b

38.

Dear Minh,

I hope you are doing well! I am very happy because I have got mark 10 for my first midterm English test. Therefore, I want to share with you how I can improve my English.

- a. Additionally, don't be afraid of making mistakes because they are part of the learning process.
- b. I understand that learning English can be challenging at times, especially when it comes to new vocabulary and grammar.
- c. One helpful tip is reading English books or watching shows with subtitles.
- d. Finally, remember that practice makes perfect.

I look forward to hearing about your progress.

Best regards,

Hai Anh

A. b - c - a - d

B. a - d - c - b

C. c - b - d - a

D. a - c - b - d

39.

- a. That's cool! But isn't it bad for their bodies to be in zero gravity all the time?
- b. I wonder how astronauts actually survive up there in space.
- c. I see. Sounds challenging, but what an amazing experience it must be!
- d. You're right, it can be. That's why they have to exercise every day to keep their muscles strong.
- e. Well, they live in special spacecraft or space stations designed for long-term stays.

A. b - e - a - d - c

B. b - a - e - d - c

C. e - a - b - d - c

D. b - e - d - a - c

40.

- a. However, many people find the diversity of accents fascinating and enjoyable to listen to.
- b. This can sometimes lead to misunderstandings or difficulties in communication.
- c. The English language is spoken in many countries, resulting in a wide variety of accents.
- d. These accents can differ in pronunciation, intonation, and even vocabulary and grammar.
- e. Some learners of English worry about which accent they should try to adopt.
- f. Despite these differences, most English speakers can understand each other with a little effort.

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

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

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

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

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