

PRACTICE TEST- UNIT 3 : PEOPLE'S BACKGROUND

Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the others.

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| 1. A. worked <u>ed</u> | B. pumped <u>ed</u> | C. watch <u>ed</u> | D. lov <u>ed</u> |
| 2. A. de <u>ath</u> | B. ea <u>se</u> | C. br <u>ea</u> th | D. le <u>a</u> ther |
| 3. A. de <u>te</u> rmine | B. to <u>ge</u> ther | C. re <u>pe</u> at | D. re <u>po</u> rt |

Choose the word whose stress pattern is different from that of the others.

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| 4. A. brilliant | B. mature | C. harbour | D. difficult |
| 5. A. impossible | B. determine | C. interrupt | D. atomic |

Identify the one underlined word or phrase - A, B, C or D that must be changed for the sentence to be correct.

6. After his death, she got the position which her husband has obtained at the university.
 A. after B. got C. has obtained D. at
7. I find Jenny an extreme interesting person to be with .
 A. find B. extreme C. interesting D. with
8. She was born in Warsaw, so her date of birth is Warsaw.
 A. was B. in C. so D. date

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

9. She passed all the exams with flying colors.
 A. with an average mark B. with a very high grade
 C. with great happiness D. with many difficulties
10. Computer models help to determine whether a particular area is likely to flood.
 A. make up B. find out C. take over D. put up

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best completes each of the following exchanges.

11. - Hung: "Thank you very much for a lovely party." - Hoa: "_____."
 A. Thanks B. Have a good day C. You are welcome D. Cheers
12. - "I've passed my driving test." - "_____"
 A. Congratulations! B. That's a good idea. C. It's nice of you to say so. D. Do you?

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

13. Miss Walker was a mature lady when she married.
 A. annoyed B. childish C. energetic D. sensitive
14. It's not a pleasant feeling to discover you've been taken for a ride by a close friend.
 A. given a lift B. treated with sincerity C. deceived deliberately D. driven away

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

15. The child _____ before the doctor arrived.
 A. died B. had died C. has died D. was dying
16. Mike _____ one hour ago.
 A. phoned B. was phoning C. had phoned D. has phoned
17. If the weather _____ worse, we'll have to cancel our camping trip.
 A. got B. would get C. will get D. gets
18. If she _____ with him, she would have spoken to him.
 A. hadn't been angry B. hadn't angried C. didn't angry D. weren't angried
19. She finally finished _____ at 6: 00 P. M. and served the dinner.
 A. being cooked B. cooking C. to cook D. to be cooked
20. Have you forgotten _____ me years ago .
 A. to meet B. meeting C. met D. meets

Read the passage and word best fits each space.

Alfred Nobel was born on October 21st, 1833 in Sweden. His important (21) _____ was dynamite – a powerful explosive. This dynamite (22) _____ made him a very rich man. One day Alfred read about his death in a newspaper (in fact, it was his brother's death). In that article, the reporter called him a salesman of death, “The dynamite king”. Nobel was very (23) _____. He had invented dynamite to save lives – lives were lost because other explosives that were dangerous to use. He hated (24) _____ and war. And he did not like the world to think of him as a man of war. He had thought of the best way for people to use his fortune for years. Finally, he knew what to do with it. Alfred Nobel (25) _____ the Nobel prize, an annual award to honour leaders of science, literature and world peace.

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| 21. A. discovery | B. invention | C. science | D. background |
| 22. A. literature | B. traveling | C. business | D. peasant |
| 23. A. excited | B. crowded | C. proud | D. upset |
| 24. A. schooling | B. peace | C. violence | D. talk |
| 25. A. took | B. established | C. finished | D. taught |

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer.

Personal computers, or PCs, are an important part of our everyday lives. Many people cannot imagine life without them. One of the most important people in making these machines work is Bill Gates.

Bill Gates was born in 1955 in Washington State. He grew up in a rich family. His parents sent him to a private school. There he met his business partner, Paul Allen. When they were in the eighth grade, they were writing programs for business computers and making money.

In 1973, Gates was accepted at Harvard University. His parents were happy. They thought he would get over his obsession with computers and become a lawyer like his father. Two years later, Gates dropped out of Harvard to work on a computer program with his friend Allen. They worked eighteen hours a day in a dormitory room at Harvard. They were writing the program that would run one of the first personal computers. In 1975, they created a company called Microsoft to sell their product.

Allen became ill with cancer and left Microsoft in 1983. He recovered a few years later and started his own company. Meanwhile, Microsoft became a giant company. By 1990, at the age of thirty-four, Gates was the youngest billionaire in the history of the United States. He was the “King of Software”. He achieved his success with a lot of hard work. For more than ten years, he worked sixteen-hour days, seven days a week. He had a dream and the will to succeed. By 2005, he was the richest man in the world.

26. Bill Gates's parents wanted him to become _____.
 A. a teacher B. a lawyer C. a doctor D. an engineer
27. Bill Gates left Harvard University to work on a computer program _____.
 A. in 1973 B. in 1990 C. in 1983 D. 1975
28. Bill and his friend, Paul Allen, started making money by writing programs for business computers when _____.
 A. they were at the university B. they left university
 C. they began to study at the university D. they were in the 8th grade
29. All Bill Gates's success was due to _____.
 A. his hard work B. good luck C. his parents' support D. his friend's help
30. The reason why Paul Allen left Microsoft was that _____.
 A. he disagreed with Bill Gates B. he wanted to start his own company
 C. he suffered from cancer D. he quarreled with Bill Gates

B. WRITING**I- Supply the correct tense or form of the verb in brackets.**

1. _____ she (write) _____ this letter last week ?
2. After they (eat) _____ all the food, they (pick) _____ up the bags and (leave) _____.
3. Please, don't forget _____ (post) the letter for me today ! It's urgent.
4. However, she did not plan _____ (be) a secretary all her life.

II- Fill in EACH blank with ONE suitable word.

1. She has ever been awarded a Nobel Prize _____ Chemistry .
2. She passed all the exams with _____ colors.
3. As a brilliant and mature student, Marie _____ the dream of a scientific career.
4. In 1906 , she took _____ the position which her husband had obtained at the Sorbonne.

III- Supply the correct form of the word in brackets.

1. _____ around the world are working for a better human life . (science)
2. Marie Curie received general _____ in local schools . (educate)
3. After the _____ death of Pierre Curie in 1906, Marie Curie took up her husband's position.(tragedy)
4. Everybody shows their deepest sympathy on the _____ of the flood victims. (die)

VI- Rewrite each of the these sentences so that its meaning will remain unchanged.

1. I'm too poor to help you with the money .
→ I am not
2. The flowers were so beautiful that he bought some for his wife.
→ They are such
3. When did they start to type their report ?
→ How long?
4. We haven't gone to the cinema for over a year .
→ It's
5. The students can't hear him well because he speaks very quickly.
→ If
6. If Mary doesn't try her best, she'll fail the exam .
→ Unless
7. Are you going to the museum this weekend ?
→ Have you planned.....?
8. Shall we go to Dalat this year ?
→ Do you consider ?

THE END

