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*Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.*

- Question 1:** A. improves B. lacks C. hopes D. neglects  
**Question 2:** A. crowded B. adopted C. appalled D. advocated

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

- Question 3:** A. potential B. colony C. attainment D. destruction  
**Question 4:** A. estimate B. injury C. treatment D. pioneer

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

- Question 5:** Ministers have dismissed the rumours of a bribery scandal as nonsense.  
A. nonprofit B. garbage C. rubbish D. non-believer  
**Question 6:** The Green Party is dedicated to protecting the environment.  
A. appealing B. committed C. specialized D. admitted

*Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.*

- Question 7:** Getting some work experience now will help you when you apply for a permanent job.  
A. temporary B. part-time C. full-time D. routine  
**Question 8:** To increase the number of female representatives, the selection committee decided to discriminate in favour of women for three years.  
A. on the grounds of B. on the basis of C. between D. against

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

- Question 9:** Moana and Jerome are talking about their holiday.  
- Moana: "You should have booked the earlier flight."  
- Jerome: "\_\_\_\_\_"  
A. Why not? B. Oh, I'm sorry to hear that.  
C. It was fully booked. D. Yes, you should.  
**Question 10:** Roger and Emily are talking about Roger's result at MasterChef cooking show.  
- Emily: "Your parents must be proud of you."  
- Roger: "\_\_\_\_\_"  
A. Of course. B. I'm glad you like it.  
C. Search me. D. Thanks. That's certainly encouraging.

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

- Question 11:** She stood there, \_\_\_\_\_ over whether or not to tell him the truth.  
A. hesitating B. devoting C. disappointing D. inspiring  
**Question 12:** We spent a week visiting the wonders of Ancient Greek \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. humanity B. civilization C. constitution D. philosophy

- Question 13:** The culture has been \_\_\_\_\_ with the arrival of immigrants.  
A. improved                      B. recognized                      C. adopted                      D. diversified
- Question 14:** The idea is to kill the animal as quickly as possible without causing unnecessary \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. relief                      B. suffering                      C. vision                      D. treatment
- Question 15:** By the mid-1960s most \_\_\_\_\_ had won their independence.  
A. thinkers                      B. advocates                      C. colonies                      D. initiators
- Question 16:** They were bitterly \_\_\_\_\_ of the fact that they had to work such long hours.  
A. resentful                      B. sympathetic                      C. impartial                      D. relieved
- Question 17:** \_\_\_\_\_, the ball was close to the line, but I'm sure it wasn't out.  
A. Admitted                      B. Admittedly                      C. Admission                      D. Admittance
- Question 18:** He was presented with a gold watch in \_\_\_\_\_ of his years as club secretary.  
A. recognizably                      B. recognizable                      C. recognition                      D. recognizing
- Question 19:** The company has made losses in both its \_\_\_\_\_ and international operations.  
A. domestic                      B. domesticate                      C. domesticity                      D. domesticated
- Question 20:** There is a relative lack \_\_\_\_\_ research into this medical condition.  
A. on                      B. in                      C. with                      D. of
- Question 21:** It's very difficult to integrate yourself \_\_\_\_\_ a society where culture is so different from your own.  
A. into                      B. on                      C. from                      D. down
- Question 22:** You \_\_\_\_\_ worry – I'm not going to mention it to anyone.  
A. wouldn't                      B. needn't                      C. mustn't                      D. can't
- Question 23:** Most of the beautiful buildings in our city \_\_\_\_\_ by exhaust gases from cars and factories.  
A. was destroyed                      B. have destroyed  
C. are being destroyed                      D. destroyed
- Question 24:** Many things that \_\_\_\_\_ by hand \_\_\_\_\_ by machine.  
A. used to be doing / are now doing                      B. used to do / are now doing  
C. used to do / are now done                      D. used to be done / are now done
- Question 25:** It gets \_\_\_\_\_ to understand what the professor has explained.  
A. the more difficult                      B. more difficult than                      C. the most difficult                      D. more and more difficult
- Question 26:** The Boeing 747 is twice \_\_\_\_\_ the Boeing 707.  
A. so big as                      B. as bigger as                      C. as big as                      D. much bigger as
- Question 27:** Planes were unable to \_\_\_\_\_ from Gatwick owing to high winds.  
A. turn on                      B. take off                      C. go away                      D. set up
- Question 28:** I can't believe how much John \_\_\_\_\_ his father. They look and act exactly the same.  
A. looks after                      B. takes after                      C. keeps up                      D. catches up
- Question 29:** I'm gaining weight so I'm trying to \_\_\_\_\_ fatty food.  
A. cut down on                      B. get over                      C. go in for                      D. do without
- Question 30:** Ann: "The book is by T.C.Smith." – Marie: "What does the T.C. \_\_\_\_\_?"  
A. stand for                      B. bring about                      C. set off                      D. look up
- Question 31:** After she \_\_\_\_\_ all the greetings cards, the singer \_\_\_\_\_ a short thank-you speech.  
A. has read / make                      B. was reading / made                      C. had read / made                      D. read / had made
- Question 32:** They \_\_\_\_\_ any junk mail since they \_\_\_\_\_ house.  
A. hadn't received / moved                      B. don't receive / had moved  
C. didn't receive / have moved                      D. haven't received / moved

**Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.**

- Question 33:** Reading cannot make your life longer, but reading really makes your life more thicker.  
A                      B                      C                      D
- Question 34:** While I am waiting at the bus stop, three buses went by in the opposite direction.  
A                      B                      C                      D

**Question 35:** We hope that this investment will lead for increased tourism in the area.

A B C D

**Question 36:** Has the Channel Tunnel improved the distributor of goods between the British isles and mainland Europe?

A B C D

**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.**

**Question 37:** It was a mistake for Tony to buy that house.

- A. Tony might not have bought that house.
- B. Tony can't have bought that house.
- C. Tony needn't have bought that house.
- D. Tony shouldn't have bought that house.

**Question 38:** A supermarket is more convenient than a shopping centre.

- A. A shopping centre is not as convenient as a supermarket.
- B. A shopping centre is more convenient than a supermarket.
- C. A supermarket is the most convenient place to go shopping.
- D. A shopping centre is the least convenient place to go shopping.

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

**Question 39:** I work harder than before. I get better grades.

- A. The work I do is harder, so I get better grades.
- B. I work harder than before even if I get better grades.
- C. The harder I work, the better grades I get.
- D. The work I do is better, so I work harder.

**Question 40:** The other passengers will get on the bus soon. Then we'll leave.

- A. We'll leave before the other passengers get on the bus.
- B. As soon as the other passengers get on the bus, we'll leave.
- C. Unless we don't leave, the other passengers will get on the bus.
- D. Before we'll leave, the other passengers will get on the bus.

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

Amy Tan was born on February 19, 1952 in Oakland, California. Tan grew up in Northern California, (41) \_\_\_\_\_ when her father and older brother both died from brain tumors in 1966, she moved with her mother and younger brother to Europe, where she attended high school in Montreux, Switzerland. She returned to the United States for college. After college, Tan worked (42) \_\_\_\_\_ a language development consultant and as a corporate freelance writer. In 1985, she wrote the story "Rules of the Game" for a writing workshop, which laid the early (43) \_\_\_\_\_ for her first novel The Joy Luck Club. Published in 1989, the book explored the (44) \_\_\_\_\_ between Chinese women and their Chinese-American daughters, and became the longest-running New York Times bestseller for that year. The Joy Luck Club received numerous awards, including the Los Angeles Times Book Award. It has been translated into 25 languages, including Chinese, and was made into a major motion picture for (45) \_\_\_\_\_. Tan co-wrote the screenplay. Tan's other works have also been adapted into several different forms of media.

**Question 41:** A. however

B. moreover

C. so

D. but

**Question 42:** A. for

B. as

C. with

D. at

**Question 43:** A. preparation

B. base

C. source

D. foundation

**Question 44:** A. relate

B. relative

C. relationship

D. relatively

**Question 45:** A. whom

B. that

C. what

D. which

**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 following questions.**

According to the best evidence gathered by space probes and astronomers, Mars is an inhospitable planet, more similar to Earth's Moon than to Earth itself - a dry, stark, seemingly lifeless world. Mars' air pressure is equal to Earth's at an altitude of 100,000 feet. The air **there** is 95 percent carbon dioxide.

Mars has no ozone layer to screen out the sun's lethal radiation. Daytime temperatures may reach above freezing, but because the planet is blanketed by the mere wisp of an atmosphere, the heat radiates back into space. Even at the equator, the temperature drops to -50C (-60F) at night. Today there is no liquid water, although valleys and channels on the surface show evidence of having been carved by running water. The polar ice caps are made of frozen water and carbon dioxide, and water may be frozen in the ground as permafrost.

Despite these difficult conditions, certain scientists believe that there is a possibility of transforming Mars into a more Earth-like planet. Nuclear reactors might be used to melt frozen gases and eventually build up the atmosphere. This in turn could create a "**greenhouse effect**" that would stop heat from radiating back into space. Liquid water could be thawed to form a polar ocean. Once enough ice has melted, suitable plants could be introduced to build up the level of oxygen in the atmosphere so that, in time, the planet would support animal life from Earth and even permanent human colonies. "This was once thought to be so far in the future as to be irrelevant," said Christopher McKay, a research scientist at NASA. "But now it's starting to look practical. We could begin work in four or five decades."

The idea of "terra-forming" Mars, as enthusiasts call it, has its roots in science fiction. But as researchers develop a more profound understanding of how Earth's ecology supports life, they have begun to see how it may be possible to create similar conditions on Mars. Don't plan on homesteading on Mars any time soon, though. The process could take hundreds or even thousands of years to complete and the cost would be staggering.

**Question 46:** What does the passage mainly discuss?

- A. The possibility of changing the Martian environment
- B. The challenge of interplanetary travel
- C. The advantages of establishing colonies on Mars
- D. The need to study Martian ecology

**Question 47:** The word "**there**" in paragraph 1 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. a point 100 miles above the Earth
- B. Earth's Moon
- C. Mars
- D. Earth

**Question 48:** The "**greenhouse effect**" mentioned in paragraph 3 is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the direct result of nuclear reactions
- B. the cause of low temperatures on Mars
- C. caused by the introduction of green plants
- D. a possible means of warming Mars

**Question 49:** According to Christopher McKay, the possibility of transforming Mars \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. could only occur in science fiction stories
- B. will not begin for hundreds, even thousands of years
- C. is completely impractical
- D. could be started in forty to fifty years

**Question 50:** According to the passage, the basic knowledge needed to transform Mars comes from \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the science of astronomy
- B. a knowledge of Earth's ecology
- C. data from space probes
- D. science fiction stories

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