

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

Listen to five speakers talking about their lifelong learning habits. Choose the best answers (A, B or C).

1. What makes lifelong learning challenging?

- A. not finding anything interesting enough to learn
- B. not having time to learn anything new
- C. getting bored of learning and giving up

2. Which learning resource is NOT mentioned?

- A. online courses
- B. workshops
- C. apps

3. Why didn't the woman like lifelong learning at first?

- A. She didn't enjoy reading.
- B. She didn't like doing practical things.
- C. She didn't have any learning opportunities.

4. What is the next level of the man's lifelong learning?

- A. creating a forum
- B. teaching others
- C. writing articles about computer problems

5. What's the woman's problem?

- A. enrolling on an online course
- B. looking for a workshop
- C. finding what she really wants to learn

Listen to a dialogue about solutions to slums and fill in the gaps. Write NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS AND/OR A NUMBER for each answer.

6. People have to live in slums because they can't _____ housing.

7. More than _____ people are living in slums.

8. People in slums need basic things like clean water, _____ and waste management.

9. To deal with slum problems, the local community and _____ need to work together.

10. People living in slums also need education, healthcare and _____.

PART 2. LANGUAGE

Choose the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the others.

11. A. artistic B. violent C. indolent D. creative
 12. A. dyslexic B. bullying C. satisfy D. gymnastic

Choose the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word that has a stress pattern different from the others.

13. A. brilliant B. successful C. physical D. contribute
 14. A. professional B. engineering C. self-discipline D. development

PART 3. USE OF ENGLISH

Choose the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the best option for each of the following questions.

15. That businessman _____ an challenging career for ten years, so he had lots of work experience.
 A. pursued B. was pursuing C. has pursued D. had pursued
16. Jessica had become a director of a company before she _____ to John and had two children.
 A. swam with dolphins B. got married
 C. went on a safari D. slept under the stars
17. It's difficult to slow down the _____ from rural areas to urban ones.
 A. pollution B. urbanisation C. migration D. overpopulation
18. With the growth of social media, _____ people are interested in becoming influencers.
 A. more and more B. the more C. the less D. less and less
19. The forecast says there will be just ___ rain at the weekend.
 A. little B. a little C. a lot of D. few

PART 4. READING

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the options that best complete the advertisements.

Hi Henry,

I hope you're doing well. As I told you, I am going to travel to your country this autumn. I have never been there before, so I'm really (20) _____. What can I do for fun there? Will it be a good idea to trek in (21) _____ mountains?

I will be staying for two days in Karl City. I hope (22) _____ out with you soon.

John

20. A. excite B. excitement C. exciting D. excited
 21. A. a B. an C. the D. ø
 22. A. hang B. hanging C. to hang D. for hanging

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the options that best complete the passage.

ROYTON BRIDGE PROJECT

Construction will soon begin on a new bridge connecting Baston City and Royton Island. This project aims to (23) _____ traffic flow and reduce congestion. Please be aware (24) _____ temporary road closures and

detours during the construction period. We apologise for any (25) _____ and appreciate your patience as we work to enhance our community's transportation.

23. A. block B. stop C. prevent D. improve
 24. A. of B. in C. at D. over
 25. A. convenience B. inconvenience C. convenient D. conveniently

Select the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the options that best complete the passage.

Dear the Council of Roland City,

We, the residents of Roland City, would like to request the construction of a new public park within (26) _____. Currently, our community lacks (27) _____. We strongly believe that a well-designed park would improve the overall well-being of our residents significantly. First, it would offer a safe space for people to exercise and relax. (28) _____ and then leads to better health outcomes. Second, the park would promote social interaction, (29) _____. Finally, this park would be considered as a natural habitat for native trees and plants to improve air quality and become a habitat for different animals. We understand (30) _____. Our community is ready to contribute through volunteer efforts, fundraising and periodic maintenance.

We are looking forward to your response, and we are excited about the prospect of (31) _____.

Sincerely,

26. A. my city B. our city C. your city D. their city
 27.
 A. accessible green spaces recreate B. accessible green spaces recreating
 C. accessible green spaces that recreate D. accessible green spaces for recreation
 28.
 A. Encouraging physical activities B. What encourages physical activities
 C. This encourages physical activities D. To encourage physical activities
 29.
 A. and strengthens the sense of community B. which strengthens the sense of community
 C. that strengthens the sense of community D. who strengthens the sense of community
 30.
 A. the requirement committed to creating a park
 B. the committed requirement to create a park
 C. the commitment requires from the park creation
 D. the commitment required to create a park
 31.
 A. collaborating to construct the new park
 B. collaborating with the new construction parking
 C. the new park constructors and collaborators

D. the collaboration and construction with the new park

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

The genius

Leonardo da Vinci was one of the greatest painters, architects, and thinkers in his era. His works have influenced not only other artists and painters, but also people working in scientific fields.

He was born in 1452 in a small town near Vinci, Italy, where his surname comes from. Leonardo loved nature and spent a lot of time drawing pictures of animals and plants. He received little formal education, but his uncle and father soon discovered his talent, so **they** decided to send him to a workshop in Florence to apprentice with the master artist Verrocchio. Da Vinci not only improved his skills in drawing, painting, and sculpting, but he also **picked up** knowledge and technical skills in other areas including mechanics, carpentry, metalwork, and architecture.

In 1472, Leonardo qualified as a master artist and opened his own workshop. However, he still continued to work together with Verrocchio for the next five years. After that, he started working independently and completed a painting for the Duke of Milan. His work made a huge **impression** on the Duke who decided to offer him a position in his court. While in Milan, Da Vinci was invited to design innovative buildings, machines, and weapons. He would draw up plans for several inventions of the future such as tanks, submarines, and flying machines. He was also skilled at drawing detailed sketches of the human body. He left behind several notebooks filled with diagrams, drawings, observations, and notes of his studies, ideas, and inventions.

Unfortunately, his interests were so broad that he often changed his focus to a new project and rarely finished the works he had started. The Last Supper and Mona Lisa were two of the masterpieces he could finish during his lifetime. In 1495, he started The Last Supper, which took him nearly three years to complete. In 1503, he began painting the Mona Lisa and worked on it from time to time over several years until his death.

Da Vinci died in 1519, at the age of 67, but he is still considered as one of the greatest geniuses of all time. His paintings changed the world of art, and many inventions were carried out based on his ideas and sketches. His greatness lies in the depth and diversity of his knowledge, and 500 years after his death, his genius shines as bright as ever.

32. What is the purpose of the writer?

- A. To tell the story of Leonardo da Vinci's life.
- B. To describe the family of Leonardo da Vinci.
- C. To explain how Leonardo's achievements changed the world.
- D. To compare Leonardo da Vinci with other artists.

33. The word '**they**' in paragraph 2 refers to _____.

- A. Da Vinci's teachers
- B. Verrocchio's apprentices
- C. Da Vinci's uncle and father
- D. Da Vinci's sculptors

34. The phrase '*picked up*' in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. brought B. took up C. learnt D. raised

35. According to the passage, which of the following is NOT mentioned as something that Leonardo da Vinci designed?

- A. The human body. B. Military vehicles.
C. Machines that can fly. D. Ships that can stay underwater.

36. The word '*impression*' in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. artwork B. effect C. artist D. success

37. According to paragraph 4, which of the following was Leonardo da Vinci's weak point?

- A. Spending too much time on Mona Lisa
B. Inability to draw human bodies.
C. Having too many interests.
D. Inability to finish things.

38. What does the writer imply by saying his genius shines as bright as ever in paragraph 5?

- A. His creativity and forward thinking continue to amaze people.
B. He discovered how light shines.
C. His genius was made larger than it really is.
D. His invention of a bright light made him a genius.

PART 5. WRITING

Circle the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph in each of the following questions.

39.

- a. While everyone else was listening to the tour guide, I was busy taking selfies.
b. She was upset enough to take away my phone and keep it for the rest of the day.
c. Then, my mum came over and asked me what I thought about the bus tour.
d. On the first day, my family and some tourists went on a three-hour city bus tour.
e. I couldn't answer her question because I hadn't paid attention to the tour guide.
A. c – b – e – d – a B. a – e – c – b – d C. b – a – d – e – c D. d – a – c – e – b

40.

- a. Third, gender inequality further limits opportunities as girls are generally kept home to care for siblings.
b. First, poverty remains a significant barrier, preventing families from affording school fees or books.
c. Several factors contribute to the insufficient access to education across the countryside.
d. Consequently, the lack of access to education limits the potential of every rural resident.
e. Second, a lack of proper facilities means many children have limited access to modern education.
f. Finally, because of low awareness of educational values, many parents do not support their children's education.

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

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

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

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

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