

Read the following advertisement 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.

EXPLORE A RICH CULTURAL JOURNEY! 🌍

Are you interested in exploring diverse traditions from around the world? Our (1) _____ offers an (2) _____ journey, bringing you closer to local heritage and authentic experiences. (3) _____ part in this enriching adventure will deepen your understanding of global cultures!

Led by experienced local guides, our tours offer you the chance (4) _____ with communities, participating in traditional festivals and learning ancient customs. With memorable activities, you'll visit iconic cultural landmarks, taste traditional cuisine, and discover the beauty of regional arts, (5) _____ you a deeper connection to the local culture.

Ready to take your curiosity to new heights? Join us today to begin your cultural adventure, and let the world's wonders unfold before you. Whether you're passionate (6) _____ history, art, or folklore, our tour will leave you inspired and enriched.

Question 1: A. unique cultural program tour

C. unique cultural tour program

B. program unique cultural tour

D. tour programs cultural unique

Question 2: A. impressively

B. impression

C. impressive

D. impress

Question 3: A. Making

B. Doing

C. Paying

D. Taking

Question 4: A. to engaging

B. to engage

C. engaging

D. engage

Question 5: A. that give

B. which giving

C. giving

D. gave

Question 6: A. in

B. about

C. on

D. by

Read the following biography and mark the letter A, B, C, and D on your answer sheet to indicate the option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 7 to 12.

Festivals come with many traditions that bring happiness and joy. However, some of these customs may not be environmentally friendly, and may need to be changed for a (7) _____ future.

1. Balloons and sky lanterns

In countries such as China, India, and Japan, releasing balloons or sky lanterns provides (8) _____ spectacular sight. They are also flown for bringing good luck and sending wishes to the sky. However, the litter left behind the balloons and lanterns is hard to (9) _____. The frames of the lanterns can harm wild animals, and many animals mistake the balloons (10) _____ food. Lanterns also caused wildfires in the past.

2. Fireworks:

In Australia, the US, and many other countries, there are fascinating firework displays (11) _____ people won't want to miss. (12) _____, fireworks actually release a lot of harmful chemicals into the air. Like sky lanterns, they can also cause fires.

[Adapted from Global Success]

Question 7: A. fearful

B. greasy

C. imperative

D. sustainable

Question 8: A. a

B. Ø

C. the

D. an

Question 9: A. consume

B. decompose

C. reduce

D. deteriorate

Question 10: A. by

B. in

C. for

D. with

Question 11: A. where

B. that

C. who

D. whose

Question 12: A. But

B. However

C. Therefore

D. In addition

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best arrangement of utterances or sentences to make a meaningful exchange or text in each of the following questions:

Question 13:

a. **Jack:** Exactly, I think experiencing diverse cultures helps broaden our perspectives and enrich our understanding.

b. Jack: Have you ever experienced culture shock when visiting a completely new place?

c. Mai: Yes, the first time I visited Japan, I was overwhelmed by the cultural differences in cuisine and lifestyle. But gradually, I learned to appreciate the cultural diversity there.

A. b - c - a

B. b - a - c

C. a - c - b

D. c - b - a

Question 14:

a. Minh: This year, they're adding elements from African and South American cultures too. It's a beautiful way to showcase global unity.

b. Minh: Have you noticed how the Lantern Festival here blends traditions from various cultures?

c. Mai: Yes, it's fascinating! Last year, they had lantern designs inspired by several Asian and European countries.

d. Minh: Absolutely, and the food stalls are just as diverse. You can taste dishes from nearly every continent!

e. Mai: That sounds incredible. It's like a journey around the world in one evening.

A. e - b - c - a - d

B. b - a - d - e - c

C. b - c - a - e - d

D. b - a - c - e - d

Question 15:

Dear Grandma,

a. Around me, locals shared stories, their warmth making me feel welcomed and connected.

b. This morning in Hanoi, I found a bustling local eatery to try authentic Phở; its clear broth shimmered with tender slices of beef and vibrant herbs.

c. The first sip revealed why this dish is celebrated: a perfect blend of savory and sweet, enriched by its complex flavors.

d. It was not just a meal but a dive into Vietnamese culture, reminding me of our shared moments.

e. I hope this letter finds you in good health and high spirits.

Sending you all my love and a little taste of Hanoi through this story.

Warmest regards,

Nick

A. a - c - d - e - b

B. a - d - b - c - e

C. e - b - c - a - d

D. e - c - b - a - d

Question 16:

Multiculturalism in France

a. Some French don't recognize different rights or obligations of different cultures.

b. Like America, France has a large number of minority groups.

c. But an important difference is that the French, regardless of where they came from, are expected to act French and become French.

d. They welcome immigrants because they know the immigrants want to be like the French and want to respect the French way of life.

e. Thus, when immigrants don't assimilate into the main population, problems arise.

[Adapted from English Discovery]

A. b - a - c - e - d

B. e - a - c - d - b

C. b - d - a - c - e

D. b - c - a - d - e

Question 17:

a. Firstly, festivals are a great way to understand a nation's culture

b. Nowadays, more and more young people celebrate Western festivals in Viet Nam.

c. Taking part in celebrations can help young people learn more about other people's traditions and customs.

d. They give an opportunity for young people to relax and spend enjoyable time with their friends and family.

e. In conclusion, they can have fun, broaden their cultural knowledge and enjoy their school life more.

f. Secondly, festivals are special events that help bring fun, happiness and joy to young people's lives,

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

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

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

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

Read the following passage 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.

Fast food chains and international restaurants have become popular, offering a wide range of dishes and more food choices to local people. For example, here in Viet Nam, (18) _____. Moreover, some international dishes use local ingredients, which make them unique and more suitable to local tastes. On the other hand, Vietnamese specialties, such as pho and banh mi, (19) _____.

Thanks to globalisation, (20) _____. People nowadays enjoy listening to music from different countries and cultures, and in different languages. For example, American teens are captivated by K - pop music

and dance. There are also many music festivals around the globe (21) _____. In today's connected world, it is very common for musicians across the world to work on music TRUON projects and share ideas together.

Globalisation has also impacted fashion by opening it up to a variety of styles and influences from around the world. (22) _____. This presents opportunities for fashion designers to be creative and reflect the cultural richness of the world. It is now easier for people to keep up with fashion trends from different cultures and regions, and express their identities in new and exciting ways.

Question 18:

- A. we can enjoy Italian pizza or Japanese sushi, in addition, our traditional food
- B. in addition, we can enjoy Italian pizza or Japanese sushi and our traditional food
- C. in addition to our traditional food that we can enjoy Italian pizza or Japanese sushi
- D. we can enjoy Italian pizza or Japanese sushi, in addition to our traditional food

Question 19:

- A. are also gaining popularity worldwide.
- B. which are also gaining popularity worldwide.
- C. also gaining popularity worldwide.
- D. which is also gaining popularity worldwide.

Question 20:

- A. people who can quickly discover new music from all over the world
- B. new music from all over the world that people can quickly discover
- C. new music people can quickly discover from all over the world
- D. people can quickly discover new music from all over the world

Question 21:

- A. that bring artists and music fans together
- B. bring artists and music fans together
- C. whose artists and music fans are brought together
- D. which artists and music fans being brought together

Question 22:

- A. Cross – cultural styles, both traditional and modern elements' blending, are on the rise
- B. Cross – cultural styles that blend both traditional and modern elements are on the rise
- C. Cross – cultural styles to blend both traditional and modern elements are on the rise
- D. Whose cross – cultural styles, blend both traditional and modern elements, are on the rise

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

Culture is the lens with which we evaluate everything around us; we evaluate what is proper or **improper**, nonnal or abnormal, through our culture.

If we are immersed in a culture that is unlike our own, we may experience **culture shock** and become disoriented when we come into contact with a fundamentally different culture. People naturally use their own culture as the standard to judge other cultures; however, having our own judgment could lead us to discriminate other cultural values **which** are different from our own because we do not understand them.

Cultural diversity is important because our country, workplaces, and schools increasingly consist of various cultural, racial, and ethnic groups. We can learn from one another, but **first we must have a level of understanding about each other in order to facilitate collaboration and cooperation**. Learning about other cultures helps us understand different perspectives within the world in which we live and helps **dispel** negative stereotypes and personal biases about different groups.

In addition, cultural diversity helps us recognize and respect “ways of being” that are not necessarily our own, so that we interact with others, we can build bridges to trust, respect, and understanding across cultures. Furthermore, this diversity makes our country a more interesting place to live, as people from diverse cultures **contribute language skills, new ways of thinking, new knowledge, and different experiences**.

[Adapted from <https://www.purdueglobal.edu>]

Question 23: The word “improper” in paragraph 1 is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.

- A. conservative
- B. considerable
- C. ambiguous
- D. appropriate

Question 24: The word “which” in paragraph 2 refers to _____.

- A. standard
- B. other cultures
- C. cultural values
- D. judgment

Question 25: The word “dispe”l in paragraph 3 could be best replaced by _____.

- A. realize
- B. discuss
- C. remove
- D. contain

Question 26: Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 3?

A. To cooperate and collaborate effectively, it is essential to understand each other first.

B. It is only by collaborating and cooperating that we can understand each other.

C. Having mutual understanding is important, but it is not necessary for collaboration.

D. We must understand each other and collaborate at the same time to ensure a smooth process.

Question 27: According to the passage, all of the following are contributions of people from diverse cultures to a country EXCEPT _____.

A. new ways of thinking B. different experiences C. language skills

D. a more interesting place

Question 28: Which of the following is TRUE according to the passage?

A. Cultural diversity only brings challenges and difficulties to a society.

B. Understanding other cultures helps eliminate stereotypes and biases.

C. People from different cultures have fewer contributions to society than the locals.

D. Immersing in a different culture always brings about positive experiences.

Question 29: In which paragraph does the writer mention culture shock?

A. Paragraph 1

B. Paragraph 2

C. Paragraph 3

D. Paragraph 4

Question 30: In which paragraph does the writer discuss how cultural diversity makes our country a more interesting place to live?

A. Paragraph 1

B. Paragraph 2

C. Paragraph 3

D. Paragraph 4

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

In today's business world, international communication is widespread, but language and business etiquette can vary significantly across countries. Understanding cultural norms can help prevent misunderstandings and communication errors. Here are three basic aspects of differences in business etiquette worldwide.

Firstly, the use of personal titles can vary greatly. For example, in Germany, it is **customary** to use the title "Dr" on business cards to reflect respect for one's educational efforts and achievements. Conversely, in the UK, some believe that only medical doctors should be addressed as "Dr," and that others using this title can appear arrogant and self – important.

Secondly, the **perception of smiling** in business interactions differs across cultures. In Russia, an unprovoked smile can be seen as a sign of foolishness, whereas in countries like the **USA**, Australia, and the UK, smiling is viewed as a gesture of openness and respect. However, studies have shown that in places like India, Argentina, and the Maldives, smiling might be associated with **dishonesty**.

Lastly, the practice of making eye contact varies internationally. Americans and Britons might use direct eye contact to show attentiveness, but in Japan or Korea, **this** can be perceived as awkward or disrespectful. **In parts of South America and Africa, prolonged eye contact might be seen as a challenge to authority.** In the Middle East, cross – gender eye contact is considered inappropriate, while same – gender eye contact can denote honesty and truthfulness.

[I] However, it is crucial to remember that **cultural stereotypes can hinder building effective business relationships.** **[II]** Although national cultures influence our behaviors and perceptions, we are also shaped by regional backgrounds, community affiliations, age, gender, corporate culture, and personal experiences. **[III]** Awareness of potential differences should be maintained as a background consideration rather than a definitive guide to categorizing individuals. **[IV]**

[Adapted from <https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/>]

Question 31: Where in this passage does the following sentence best fit?

"Understanding these cultural differences can help avoid communication breakdowns."

A. [I]

B. [II]

C. [III]

D. [IV]

Question 32: The word "**customary**" in paragraph 2 is the **OPPOSITE** of which word

A. unusual

B. traditional

C. optional

D. modern

Question 33: The phrase "**prolonged eye contact**" in paragraph 4 refers to:

A. brief glances between people

B. extended periods of looking into someone's eyes

C. avoiding looking directly at someone

D. maintaining eye contact in a group

Question 34: The phrase "**this**" in paragraph 3 is **CLOSEST** in meaning to:

A. Americans

B. Eye contact

C. Japan or Korea

D. Attentiveness

Question 35: According to paragraph 4, which of the following is **NOT** a cultural perspective on eye contact?

- A. Eye contact between people of the same sex in the Middle East shows loyalty and sincerity.
- B. In South America and Europe, eye contact is a way of showing disrespect to another person.
- C. In the Middle East eye contact can be considered inappropriate between people of the opposite sex.
- D. In Japan eye contact is considered disrespectful and can cause embarrassment for both parties.

Question 36: Which of the following best summarises paragraph 3?

- A. The perception of smiling varies widely across cultures, from openness in the USA to dishonesty in India.
- B. The interpretation of smiling is universally recognized as genuine and respectful across all cultures.
- C. In most countries, smiling in business contexts is interpreted the same way, showing friendliness and approval.
- D. Smiling is often considered inappropriate in business interactions in most cultures due to its association with frivolity.

Question 37: Which of the following is TRUE according to the passage?

- A. Cultural norms in business etiquette are universal worldwide.
- B. Smiling is a universally positive gesture in business interactions.
- C. Eye contact is always a sign of attentiveness in all cultures.
- D. Germany respects academic titles more than the UK does.

Question 38: Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined part in paragraph 5?

- A. Stereotypes make business relationships easier to develop.
- B. Judging individuals by stereotypes improves communication.
- C. Preconceived notions about cultures complicate professional interactions.
- D. Cultural awareness is unnecessary in international business.

Question 39: Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?

- A. Cultural norms have little impact on international business practices.
- B. Titles like "Dr" are only relevant in medical professions worldwide.
- C. Cross – cultural awareness is essential for successful business communication.
- D. Businesses should avoid adapting to cultural differences.

Question 40: Which of the following best summarises the passage?

- A. Understanding cultural norms in business is critical to preventing misunderstandings and fostering professional relationships.
- B. Global business practices are consistent, making it easy to navigate international etiquette without misunderstanding.
- C. The main focus of business communication is on the correct use of titles to show respect and professionalism.
- D. Cultural differences in smiling and eye contact are minor and generally do not affect business interactions globally.

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