

I. Listen and fill in each blank with the word you hear.



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A Nice Young Man

An old (1) _____ opens her window and looks out of it. The sun shines brightly. There is a young man in the (2) _____ in front of her house. The old lady looks at him and says, "He is (3) _____ grass for me!"

She goes out into the garden and says to the (4) _____ man, "Why are you cutting grass for me, young man?"

The young man says, "Today's my (5) _____. You're old and live (6) _____. I want to do something for you".

"It's so (7) _____ of you, my boy", says the old lady. "Come into my house and have a cup of tea".

"OK", answers the young man, "but I must (8) _____ the work first".

When the old lady goes out into the garden an hour later, the young man is not there. The garden looks (9) _____ and (10) _____.

"What a nice young man!" says the old lady.

II. Choose the word which is stressed differently from the rest.

Question 11.

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| A. reliable | B. variety |
| C. metropolitan | D. determine |

Question 12.

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| A. fabulous | B. urban |
| C. negative | D. multicultural |

III. Find the word with different sound in the underline part in each line.

Question 13.

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| A. <u>f</u> abulous | B. <u>v</u> ariety |
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C. affordable

D. negative

Question 14.

A. reliable

B. metropolitan

C. medium

D. determine

Question 15.

A. multicultural

B. conduct

C. stuck

D. fabulous

IV. Choose A, B, C, or D to complete the sentences.

Question 16. I love going to this place _____ it's the quietest place in the city,

A. so

B. though

C. so that

D. as

Question 17. She turned _____ the new job in New York because she didn't want to move.

A. on

B. down

C. off

D. up

Question 18. _____ she's young, she's the most famous artisan in the village.

A. When

B. Although

C. Whereas

D. In order to

Question 19. This laptop is much more user-friendly, but it costs _____ the other one does.

A. twice as much as

B. as many as

C. so much as

D. twice as many

Question 20. I've _____ the product catalogue and decided to buy this table.

A. found out

B. closed down

C. looked through

D. lived on

Question 21. After I found all the information I needed, I _____ the computer.

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A. turned off

B. switched on

C. looked for

D. put off

Question 22. Minh is _____ the most successful student in my class.

A. so long

B. by how

C. by far

D. so now

Question 23. An Australian boy named Sam _____ with Ba's family in Vietnam now.

A. living

B. is living

C. lives

D. lived

Question 24. While the front door _____, please use the side entrance.

A. repairs

B. is repairing

C. is repaired

D. is being repaired

Question 25. She has a good _____ as a skillful painter.

A. famous

B. voice

C. reputation

D. state

V. Read a passage about the Somerset Levels and do the exercise that follow. (0.8 points)

Last year I visited the Somerset Levels, a coastal plain and wetland area in Somerset, South West England. This area is home to one of Somerset's oldest traditional crafts - willow basket making. Basket making began in the area a long time ago. At the beginning of the 19th century, more than three thousand acres of willow trees were planted commercially there because the area provided an excellent natural habitat for their cultivation.

I'd seen willow baskets before I visited the Levels, but I was still amazed at the variety of products made by the basket makers there. They make lobster pots, bread trays, and even passenger baskets for hot air balloons.

Although the arrival of plastics in the 1950s caused the basket making industry to decline, willow growing and basket making have continued to play a significant role in Somerset's rural economy. Willow growers and basket makers have dealt with this challenge by finding new markets and innovative ways of

using willow. They make willow charcoal for artists, and bower seats for gardens. Some even weave willow coffins. Therefore, people here can still live on the craft that their great-grandparents passed down to them.

Answer the questions.

Question 26. When did the writer visit Somerset Levels?

⇒ _____

Question 27. Where are Somerset Levels situated?

⇒ _____

Question 28. What are some innovative products made in the area?

⇒ _____

Question 29. Is basket making passed down through generations?

⇒ _____

Decide if the sentences are T (true) or F (false).

Question 30. ____: Willow basket making is the oldest traditional craft in Somerset

Question 31. ____: Willows were not planted for commercial purposes because of the excellent cultivating conditions.

Question 32. ____: The growth of basket making industry in the area was not influenced by the presence of plastic products in the 1950s.

Question 33. ____: Willow growers and basket makers have found new ways to promote their industry.

VI. Rearrange the following words to make a meaningful sentence.

Question 34. the / time / forgot / because / I / missed / I / final / the / exam.

⇒ _____

Question 35. while / eating / was / Aisha / breakfast / began / to / she / sick / feel.

⇒ _____

Question 36. I / practiced / although / months / for / three / failed / I / driving / my / test.

⇒ _____

Question 37. misunderstood / the / clerk / store / I've / unless / package / arrive / should / the / next / Thursday.

⇒ _____

VII. Complete the second sentence in each pair so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence or using the word given.

Question 38. This performance is much more fascinating than the last one.

⇒ The last performance was not _____

Question 39. The teacher says that no student in the school is more careful than I am.

⇒ The teacher says that I'm _____

Question 40. This street food is the most delicious I've ever eaten.

⇒ I have never _____

Lời giải chi tiết

Question 1	lady	Question 21	A
Question 2	garden	Question 22	C
Question 3	cutting	Question 23	B
Question 4	young	Question 24	D
Question 5	holiday	Question 25	C
Question 6	alone	Question 26	
Question 7	kind	Question 27	
Question 8	finish	Question 28	
Question 9	clean	Question 29	
Question 10	tidy	Question 30	T
Question 11	C	Question 31	F

Question 12	D	Question 32	F
Question 13	A	Question 33	T
Question 14	B	Question 34	
Question 15	D	Question 35	
Question 16	D	Question 36	
Question 17	B	Question 37	
Question 18	B	Question 38	
Question 19	A	Question 39	
Question 20	A	Question 40	

Question 26. The writer visited Somerset Levels last year.

Question 27. They are situated in Somerset, South West England.

Question 28. Lobster pots, bread trays, passenger baskets for hot air balloons, charcoal for artists, and bower seats for gardens.

Question 29. Yes, it is.

Question 34. Because I forgot the time, I missed the final exam.

Question 35. While Aisha was eating breakfast, she began to feel sick.

Question 36. Although I practiced for three months, I failed my driving test.

Question 37. Unless I've misunderstood the store clerk, the package should arrive next Thursday.

Question 38. The last performance was not as fascinating as this performance

Question 39. The teacher says that I'm the most careful student in the school.

Question 40. I have never eaten a more delicious food than this street food.

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