

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

- Question 1.** A. opponent                      B. government                      C. interview                      D. agency  
**Question 2.** A. special                      B. secure                      C. certain                      D. scary

**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 3.** A. taught                      B. brought                      C. found                      D. thought  
**Question 4.** A. proposed                      B. increased                      C. promised                      D. reduced

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

**Question 5.** I wish I \_\_\_\_\_ to repair it. I only made it worse.

- A. didn't try                      B. wouldn't try                      C. hadn't tried                      D. don't try

**Question 6.** They're very angry. They \_\_\_\_\_ to see you for the last two or three hours.

- A. have been trying                      B. try                      C. had been trying                      D. are trying

**Question 7.** They didn't practice \_\_\_\_\_ English fluently before applying for the position.

- A. speaking                      B. speak                      C. to speak                      D. spoke

**Question 8.** When we reached the top of the hill, it was getting \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. darkest                      B. more and more dark                      C. darkest and darkest                      D. darker and darker

**Question 9.** My brother is angry with me. I didn't do some work that I \_\_\_\_\_ last week.

- A. would have done                      B. must have done                      C. should have done                      D. will have done

**Question 10.** It was \_\_\_\_\_ that he couldn't finish it alone.

- A. a so difficult work                      B. a so difficult job                      C. such a difficult job                      D. such a difficult work

**Question 11.** In May 2018, the WHO reported that nine of every ten people world-wide are breathing \_\_\_\_\_ air.

- A. pollution                      B. polluted                      C. pollutant                      D. polluting

**Question 12.** He was chosen for the post because of his keenness and \_\_\_\_\_ of responsibility.

- A. meaning                      B. way                      C. sense                      D. duty

**Question 13.** Many people now get a lot of their news on electronic devices, instead of \_\_\_\_\_ media, such as newspapers, television or radio.

- A. modern                      B. up-to-date                      C. new                      D. traditional

**Question 14.** The guitar cost me a lot of money, but I do get a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ out of it.

- A. entertainment                      B. knowledge                      C. information                      D. pleasure

**Question 15.** The manager wasn't very helpful, but I told him clearly that he should \_\_\_\_\_ responsibility for his staff's actions.

- A. do                      B. take                      C. make                      D. create

**Question 16.** Only five people came to the meeting and most of them \_\_\_\_\_ late.

- A. went up                      B. gave up                      C. turned up                      D. put up

**Question 17.** Let's go to the beach this weekend, \_\_\_\_\_?

- A. do we                      B. shall we                      C. will we                      D. don't we

**Question 18.** It was only \_\_\_\_\_ he told me his surname that I realized that we had been to the same school.

- A. then                      B. until                      C. as soon as                      D. when

**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 19.** Teachers nowadays are up to their ears in administration and don't have much time for teaching.

- A. not free from            B. very busy            C. so much interested            D. very tired

**Question 20.** In 2009, Cristiano Ronaldo was bought by Real Madrid for a world-record fee of £80 m.

- A. price            B. money            C. amount            D. number

**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 21.** His boss has had enough of his impudence, and doesn't want to hire him any more.

- A. respect            B. rudeness            C. obedience            D. agreement

**Question 22.** She was unhappy that she lost contact with a lot of her old friends when she went abroad to study.

- A. made room for            B. lost control of            C. put in charge of            D. got in touch with

**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 23.** Jane and Catherine are talking about Tom, Catherine's new boyfriend.

Jane: " \_\_\_\_\_ "

Catherine: "He's a friendly sort of man."

- A. How does Tom look like?            B. What's Tom like?  
C. How is he?            D. What does Tom look like?

**Question 24.** At the library, Carla sits in someone's seat by mistake:

Carla: "Oh, I'm really sorry. I didn't know this seat was occupied. I'll move."

Rob: " \_\_\_\_\_ "

- A. You're welcome.            B. Really? That's nice of you to say so.  
C. That's all right. I'm leaving anyway.            D. You're exactly right!

**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 from 25 to 29.**

In the 21st century, workaholicism will continue to be a fact of life for many workers. Workaholics are as (25) \_\_\_\_\_ to their work as other people are to drugs or alcohol. This sounds like a problem, but it isn't always. Some people overwork but they don't enjoy their work. They don't (26) \_\_\_\_\_ time for their family, friends, or leisure activities such as hobbies, sports and movies. These people become tired, angry, and depressed. The tension and stress often cause physical (27) \_\_\_\_\_ such as headaches and stomach ulcers. However, other people love their work and receive great pleasure (28) \_\_\_\_\_ it. These people appear to be overworking but are actually very happy. Psychologists tell us that the most successful people in the changing world of work are flexible, creative, disciplined, and passionate about their work. But they are also people who (29) \_\_\_\_\_ time for relaxing activities and for other people. They enjoy their work and enjoy time away from it, too.

- Question 25.**    A. addicted            B. abused            C. absorbed            D. engrossed  
**Question 26.**    A. own            B. preserve            C. spend            D. have  
**Question 27.**    A. phenomenon            B. looks            C. symptoms            D. signs  
**Question 28.**    A. for            B. from            C. about            D. with  
**Question 29.**    A. build            B. do            C. earn            D. make

**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 questions from 30 to 34.**

At the age of sixty-five, Laura Ingalls Wilder began writing a series of novels for young people based on her early experiences on the American frontier. Born in the state of Wisconsin in 1867, she and her family were rugged pioneers. Seeking better farm land, they went by covered wagon to Missouri in 1869, then on to Kansas the next year, returning to Wisconsin in 1871, and travelling on to Minnesota and Iowa before settling permanently in South Dakota in 1879. Because of this constant moving, Wilder's early education took place **sporadically** in a succession of one-room schools. From age thirteen to sixteen, she attended school more regularly, although she never graduated.

At the age of eighteen, she married Almanzo James Wilder. They bought a small farm in the Ozarks, where they remained for the rest of their lives. Their only daughter, Rose, who had become a nationally known journalist, encouraged her mother to write. Serving as agent and editor, Rose negotiated with Harper's to publish her mother's first book, *Little House in the Big Woods*. Seven more books followed, each chronicling her early life on the plains. Written from the perspective of a child, **they** have remained popular with young readers from many nations. Twenty years after her death in 1957, more than 20 million copies had been sold, and they had been translated into fourteen languages. In 1974, a weekly television series, "*Little House on the Prairie*," was produced, based on the stories from the Wilder's books.

**Question 30.** What is the main topic of the passage?

- A. American pioneer life
- B. Children's literature
- C. A weekly television series
- D. Wilder's career

**Question 31.** The author mentions all of the following as events in the life of Laura Ingalls Wilder Except \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. She went west by covered wagon
- B. She graduated from a one-room school
- C. She married Almanzo Wilder
- D. She had one daughter

**Question 32.** The word "**sporadically**" in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. with great success
- B. for a long time
- C. at irregular intervals
- D. in a very efficient way

**Question 33.** The word "**they**" in paragraph 2 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the plains
- B. many nations
- C. more books
- D. young readers

**Question 34.** It can be inferred from the passage that \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Laura Ingalls Wilder wrote the scripts for the television series
- B. the Wilder were not happy living in the Ozarks
- C. the Wilder's books have a universal appeal
- D. Wilder's daughter was not a successful writer

**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 questions from 35 to 42.**

It used to be that if you wanted to watch a sitcom or a sporting event, you'd have to watch it from your television. As Internet technology improves more and more shows and films are becoming available online. Broadcasting companies are putting their primetime shows directly on the Internet, and film rental shops are converting their DVD collections to digital libraries.

This is probably a good change – at least for viewers. People can now **pick** exactly what they want to watch, and decide when and how they want to watch. A study done by Harris Interactive found that more than half of Americans (56 percent) surf the Internet while "watching" television, and approximately 40 percent say that they read blogs or go on social networking sites at the same time. But this trend could not be a problem for television stations. Advertisers aren't getting a response from viewers, and they don't want to pay money if **their** commercials aren't being seen. In contrast, people who watch things online seem more engaged with what they watch. They

read and write comments on the show, they look up details about the show, and they are less likely to ignore commercials. For broadcasters, online viewers may turn out to be more loyal fans.

Changing people's habits takes time. Even though many people are interested watching television on the Internet, some may not want to make the switch completely. And some might be persuaded to, but only under certain circumstances. According to Harris, almost half of television viewers (44 percent) would cancel their cable television if they could get the same programmes for free online. However, the number fell to 16 percent when people were told they had to pay a small fee for online viewing. This is strange, since most households' monthly cable bills are the same or even more than what they would pay for the same shows online. It's possible that people have become so used to getting online entertainment free that they learn not to value it as much.

Even with growing interest in online entertainment, people still think it is important to watch television shows with their friends and family. People used to think that watching television make families spend less time together, but it actually brought families closer for a few hours each night. Now it's feared that viewing shows online could make people more isolated. Who knows? Perhaps as online programming become more popular, people will find a way to make it into a social activity.

**Question 35.** The writer put quote marks around watching in paragraph 2 to show viewers \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. are not happy watching shows on television
- B. are not paying attention on what they watch
- C. would prefer to watch shows on the Internet
- D. are not recognizing visual images

**Question 36.** The word "pick" in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. select
- B. buy
- C. see
- D. get

**Question 37.** Which is NOT mentioned as proof that online viewers are more loyal?

- A. They are willing to pay money to watch shows.
- B. They watch the commercials during the show.
- C. They want to find out more about the show.
- D. They write comments on the show.

**Question 38.** As Internet technology improves, people can \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. enjoy sitcoms or sporting events at the primetime
- B. watch DVD collections at any time
- C. watch more commercials
- D. choose to watch any show at any time

**Question 39.** The word "their" in paragraph 2 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. viewers
- B. advertisers
- C. people who watch things on line
- D. television stations

**Question 40.** Which evidence shows that changing people's habits takes time?

- A. More than half of Americans surf the Internet while watching TV.
- B. Almost half of TV viewers would cancel the cable TV.
- C. Only 16 percent of TV viewers watch paid online programmes.
- D. Most households' monthly cable bills are increasing.

**Question 41.** Which statement would the writer agree with most?

- A. Online viewing will make people more isolated.
- B. Online programmes will change so that they become a social activity.
- C. All people will switch from watching TV to viewing online entertainment.
- D. Families will get together to watch online programmes at the end of the day.

**Question 42.** The word "isolated" in the final paragraph is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. boring
- B. alone
- C. excited
- D. with many other people

**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 43.** When they lose their jobs, they also lose their self-confidence, or believe in their own ability.  
A B C D

**Question 44.** The popularity of soccer in the United States were increased significantly by the playing of the World Cup in cities throughout the country in 1994.  
A B C D

**Question 45.** In Japan, public schools are all both free and egalitarian; all students are considered equally and learn the same material.  
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 46.** We stayed in that hotel despite the noise.

- A. Because of the noise, we stayed in the hotel. B. Despite the hotel was noisy, we stayed there.  
C. Although the hotel was noisy, we stayed there. D. We stayed in that hotel where we like the noise.

**Question 47.** "If I were you, I wouldn't trust Neil," said my sister.

- A. My sister accused me of not trusting Neil. B. My sister advised me not to trust Neil.  
C. My sister encouraged me not to trust Neil. D. My sister apologized for me not trusting Neil.

**Question 48.** The weather was getting worse, so Joe was forced to give up his attempt to climb the summit.

- A. The weather was so bad that Joe wouldn't be able to climb the summit.  
B. But for such awful weather Joe managed to climb the summit.  
C. Joe wasn't encouraged to try to reach the summit because of the weather, which was extremely bad.  
D. Due to the worsening weather, Joe had no alternative but to give up his attempt to climb the summit.

**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 49.** I owed Bill a favor. I agreed to help him.

- A. I only agreed to help Bill because I owed him some money.  
B. If I hadn't owed Bill a favor, I would have agreed to help him.  
C. It was only because I owed Bill a favor that I agreed to help him.  
D. Although I owed Bill a favor, I agreed to help him.

**Question 50.** She wore a hearing-aid. However, she could hear the phone ring perfectly well.

- A. Wearing a hearing-aid prevented her from hearing the phone ring.  
B. She wasn't so hard of hearing that she couldn't hear the phone.  
C. She could hear the phone ring perfectly well because she wore a hearing-aid.  
D. She couldn't hear the phone unless she wore a hearing-aid.