**ENGLISH PRACTICE 14**

**I. Circle your choice A, B, C or D before the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the rest.**

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| 1 | A | season | B | feature | C | increase | D | threaten |
| 2 | A | necessary | B | approach | C | language | D | American |
| 3 | A | nearby | B | difficulty | C | healthy | D | documentary |
| 4 | A | university | B | use | C | understand | D | student |
| 5 | A | smoke | B | home | C | photo | D | fog |
| 6 | A | accept | B | accurate | C | success | D | accident  |
| 7 | A | further | B | furniture | C | purity | D | surgery  |
| 8 | A | importance  | B | difficulty | C | desire | D | determination |
| 9 | A | question | B | expectation | C | investigation | D | occupation |
| 10 | A | prepare | B | receive | C | expect | D | end |

**II. Circle your choice A, B, C or D before the best answer to complete each sentence**

1. He showed us the house....................he was born.

 A. which B. where C. in where D. in that

2. Mr. Smith was....................in a road accident.

 A. dropped B. wounded C. injured D. damaged

3. You can’t leave the country....................a passport.

 A. no B. without C. if not D. unless

4. New York is famous....................it skyscrapers.

 A. as B. with C. for D. of

5. The cost of the hotel room doesn’t usually....................the price of breakfast.

 A. include B. add C. contain D. share

6. If you want to have a pet, you must be ready to....................care of it for several years.

 A. have B. take C. look D. need

7. If I were you, ....................buy this house.

 A. I’d B. I’ll C. I’d have D. I

8. The villa is conveniently .................... about a mile from the shopping center.

 A. stationed B. placed C. located D. put

9. The first National Park was....................two years ago.

 A. set B. established C. located D. stationed

10. If I hadn’t drunk so much coffee, I....................better.

 A. would have slept B. slept C. will sleep D. sleep

11. The park has changed so much that I cannot....................

 A. realize B. recognise C. identify D. notice

12. We enjoy....................to classical music.

 A. to listen B. listening C. listen D. listened

13. The Eiffel Tower is still ...............man-made structures in the world.

 A. a very high one B. highest one C. the higher one D. one of the highest

14. The park...............hundred of species of endangered animals.

 A. contains B. consists C. composes D. holds

15. Is modern English different ....................old English?

 A. from B. of C. in D. on

16. Do you know who ................... the washing machine?

 A. discovered B. invented C. founded D. realized

17. What books ................................Mark Twain's best works?

 A. considered B. consider C. are considering D. are considered

18. It’s essential to....................the environment.

 A. care B. protect C. prevent D. restrict

19. Trees, grasses and other plant life......... an important part in the natural circulation of water

 and thus help conserve it.

 A. make B. play C. keep D. have

20. He asked me ......................... the book I borrowed from the library .

 A. if I found B. if I had found .

 C. whether I have found D. whether I found

**III. Choose the underlined part (A, B, C or D) that is incorrect.**

1 He invited me to having dinner with him and his family.

 A B C D

2. This is the school at which Uncle Ho used to studying when he was young.

 A B C D

3. Alike her elder sister, Jane prefers working as a model.

 A B C D

4. Tom apologized to the postman for being unpolite to him.

 A B C D

5. If the question were not so difficult I will be able to answer it.

 A B C D

6. He didn't get the job despite of his experience in the field.

 A B C D

7. He practises speaking English every day in order to he can speak it fluently

 A B C D

8. If I were you, I didn't buy that old building

 A B C D

9. His father was quite satisfied about his success.

 A B C D

10. The teacher asked her weather she knew how to solve the problem.

 A B C D

**IV. Read the following passages and circle the best answer A, B, C or D.**

**Passage A:**

English has for more than a century and a half (1) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ called a world language. The number of people who speak it as their mother tongue, has been estimated at between three hundred million (2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ four hundred million. It is recognised as an (3) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ language in countries (4) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 1.5 billion people live. In China, the importance (5) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to learning English is such that a televised teaching course drew audiences of (6) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to 100 million. But this spread of English throughout the world is relatively recent. In the late sixteenth century English was spoken by just (7) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ five million people. The arrival of English in North America was the key step in its (8) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ expansion. The United States is a huge commercial market and this has tended to promote the English language in many (9) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nations. About eighty per cent of the data stored on the world ‘s computers is believed (10) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in English and nowadays insufficient knowledge of English can be a problem in businesses.

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| 1 | A | being | B | been | C | is | D | be |
| 2 | A | to | B | or | C | and | D | with |
| 3 | A | official | B | office | C | original | D | main |
| 4 | A | which | B | who | C | that | D | where |
| 5 | A | attached | B | attaching | C | attach | D | which attach |
| 6 | A | having | B | on | C | up | D | down |
| 7 | A | below | B | beneath | C | less | D | under |
| 8 | A | nation– wide | B | world – wide | C | country – wide | D | world– through |
| 9 | A | others | B | another | C | other | D | various |
| 10 | A | is | B | to be | C | being | D | that  |

**Passage B**

Alfred Bernhard Nobel, a Swedish inventor and philanthropist, bequeathed most of his vast fortune in trust as a fund from which annual prizes could be awarded to individuals and organizations who had achieved the greatest benefit to humanity in a particular year. Originally, there were six classifications for **outstanding** contributions designated in Nobel’s **will**, including chemistry, physics, physiology or medicine, literature and international peace.

The prizes are administered by the Nobel Foundation in Stockholm. In 1969, a prize for economics endowed by the Central Bank of Sweden was added. Candidates for the prizes must be nominated in writing a qualified authority in the filed of competition. Recipients in physics, chemistry, and economics are selected by the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences; and physiology or medicine by the Caroline Institute; in literature by the Swedish Academy; and in peace by the Norwegian Nobel Committee appointed by Norway’s parliament. The prizes are usually in Stockholm on December 10, with the King of Sweden officiating, an **appropriate** tribute Alfred Nobel on the anniversary of his death. Each **one** includes a gold medal, a diploma, and a cash award of about one million dollars.

1: What does this passage mainly discuss?

A. The Nobel prizes B. Alfred Bernhard Nobel

 C. Swedish philanthropy D. Great contributions to mankind

2: Why were the prizes named for Alfred Bernhard Nobel?

 A. He won the first Nobel prize for his work in philanthropy

 B. He is now living in Sweden

 C. He left money in his will to establish a fund for the prizes

 D. He serves as chairman of the committee to choose the recipients

3: How often are the Nobel prizes awarded?

 A. Five times a year B. Once every two years

 C. Once a year D. Twice a year

4: The word “**outstanding**” in line 3 most closely means \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 A. recent B. exceptional

 C. unusual D. established

5: The word “**will**” in line 4 could best be replaced by \_\_\_\_\_.

 A. Nobel’s wishes B. a legal document

 C. a future intention D. a free choice

6: A Nobel prize would **NOT** be given to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 A. an author who wrote a novel B. a doctor who discovered a vaccine

 C. a diplomat who negotiated a peace D. a composer who wrote a symphony

7: The word “one” in paragraph 2 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

 A. tribute B. anniversary

 C. candidate D. prize

8: The word “appropriate” in the passage most closely means \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. prestigious B. suitable

C. customary D. transitory

9: Which individual or organization serves as administrator for the trust?

 A. The King of Sweden B. The Nobel Foundation

 C. The Central Bank of Sweden D. Swedish and Norwegian academies and institutes

10: Why are the awards presented on December 10?

 A. It is a tribute to the King of Sweden.

B. Alfred Bernhard Nobel died on that day.

C. That date was established in Alfred Nobel’s will.

D. The Central Bank of Sweden administers the trust

**Passage C: Choose the most suitable preposition to fill in the blank**

Last week I went to visit my friend Fred. Fred is a great guy but at times he can really go (1)………… about things. We were speaking about some of our friends and he came (2)………… this incredible story about Jane. It seems she had butted (3)………… while he was harping (4)………… his favorite complaint: Service in restaurants. Apparently, he had been running (5)………… for quite a while putting (6)………… almost every restaurant he had been to by rattling (7)………… a list of his visits to different restaurants in town. I guess Jane felt that he was talking at her and was fed up with it. She went off about what a rude person he was which shut him (8)………… pretty quickly! I thought about blurting (9)………… that maybe she was right, but decided to clam (10)………… in order to not upset him.

1. A. at B. in C. on D. up

2. A. out with B. down C. about D. under

3. A. in B. of C. off D. out

4. A. around B. up C. into D. on

5. A. to B. on C. out with D. in

6. A. down B. about C. after D. up

7. A. of B. off C. on D. outside

8. A. out of B. on C. into D. up

9. A. around B. up C. out D. at

10. A. at B. on C. up D. in

**Passage D: Use the correct form of the word given in capitals to complete the numbered spaces in the passage below.**

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| **1. synonym** | **3. hand** | **5. mathematics** | **7. own** | **9. stand** |
| **2. rely** | **4. front** | **6. position** | **8. reside** | **10. likely** |

**King of the Watchmakers**

For a period of its history, the city of Coventry had a considerable reputation as the main center of clock and watch-making in Britain, and Coventry timepieces made then were (1) ............ with both quality and (2) ........... Few people in the city today will have heard of Samuel Watson, but he almost (3) ............. paved the way for Coventry’s involvement in the clock and watch business. He was at the (4) ................ of the watch-making revolution in the 1680s, and although it is not known how Watson became involved in the trade, he was a trailblazer for others.

Watson made his name in 1682 when he sold a clock to King Charles IIand was invitedto be the King’s (5) ......................... . The following he began work on an astronomical clock for the King, complete with planets and signs of the zodiac, which took seven years to build. It not only told the time of day but also the (6) ......................... changes of the planets. Queen Mary acquired it in 1691 and it is still in the (7) ........... of the Royal Family.

He built several other clocks, and by 1690 the clamor for Watson’s clocks was such that he left Coventry and took up (8) ........... in London. He became Master of the London Clockmakers’ Company in 1692, which is testament to his (9) ............. in the growing industry.

In 1712, Samuel Watson’s name disappears from the records of the London Clockmakers’ Company, and the (10) ................ is that he died in that year.

**Passage E: Read the following passage and use ONE word to fill in each gap.**

The Great (1)………………of Giza was built as a (2)………..of Pharaoh Cheops in 2720 BC. (3)……………..it was built a long time ago, its (4)………………….makes it one of the true (5)…………..of the world. The four (6)…………….of the pyramid are put almost exactly on true north, south, east and west.

Explorations and detailed examinations of the base of the structure reveal many interesting lines. Further (7)……….. study indicates that (8)…………..represent a type of line of events-past, present and future. Many of the (9)………….have been interpreted and found to coincide with known facts of the past.

Was this super structure made by ordinary beings or one built by a race (10)…………superior to any known today?

**KEYS – PRACTICE 14**

**I. Circle your choice A, B, C or D before the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the rest. (10 points)**

 *1D 2C 3A 4C 5D 6B 7C 8C 9A 10D*

**II. Circle your choice A, B, C or D before the best answer to complete each sentence. (20 points)**

*1B 2C 3B 4C 5A 6B 7A 8C 9B 10A*

*11B 12B 13D 14A 15A 16B 17D 18B 19B 20B*

**III. Choose the underlined part (A, B, C or D) that is incorrect. (10 points)**

*1B 2C 3A 4D 5C 6B 7B 8B 9C 10B*

**IV. Read the 3 following passages and circle the best answer A, B, C or D. ( 20 points)**

***Passage A:***

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| *1. B**2. C* | *3. A**4. D* | *5. A**6. C* | *7. D**8. B* | *9. C**10. B* |

**Passage B**

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| **1** | **2** | **3** | **4** | **5** | **6** | **7** | **8** | **9** | **10** |
| **A** | **C** | **C** | **B** | **B** | **D** | **D** | **B** | **B** | **B** |

**Passage C: KEY:** 1. A 2. D 3. B 4. C 5. D 6. A 7. B 8. B 9. C 10. B

**Passage D: Use the correct form of the word given in capitals to complete the numbered spaces in the passage below.**

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| 1. synonymous | 3. single-handedly | 5. mathematician | 7. ownership | 9. standing |
| 2. reliability | 4. forefront | 6. positional | 8. residence | 10. likelihood |

**Passage E: Read the following passage and use ONE word to fill in each gap.**

**KEY:**

1. pyramid 2. tomb 3. Although 4. construction 5. wonders

6. sides 7. scientific 8. these 9. events 10. far