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Read the following advertisement and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 1 to 6.

**Fly Smarter, Travel Happier!**

**Long Flights? Make Them Memorable!**
 I took a (1) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to visit my family abroad last summer. The journey was exhausting, and I often found myself feeling (2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ during the hours spent in the air. To pass the time, I decided (3) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a book and watch a movie. However, the flight, (4) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by two hours, made everything feel even longer.

**Stay Informed During Delays**
 As we approached our destination, the captain came on the intercom to inform us (5) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the estimated arrival time. Unfortunately, he had to raise his voice over the noise in the cabin, which (6) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it difficult for everyone to hear him. Despite the challenges of the long journey, the excitement of seeing my family made it all worthwhile.

**Question 1:** A. long plane flight B. long flight plane
 C. plane long flight D. flight plane long

**Question 2:** A. bored B. boring C. bore D. boredom

**Question 3:** A. to reading B. read C. to read D. reading

**Question 4:** A. was delayed B. which delay C. delaying D. delayed

**Question 5:** A. to B. off C. with D. in

**Question 6:** A. paid B. got C. took D. made

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

**The Excitement of Competitions**

**Why Do People Join Competitions?**
Competitions can be exciting events that encourage people to do their best. A (7) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of people join competitions to show their skills and talents, hoping to (8) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ among other talented individuals. (9) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ recent challenges, organizers have changed the format to make sure everyone can take part safely.

**What Happens in a Competition?**
Those who do well can look forward to winning an award. However, not everyone will make it to the final round; some may be (10) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ before reaching the top.
The thrill of a competition often comes from wondering what will happen next. (11) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ challenges, like time limits and hard tasks, keep participants focused. (12) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ must learn how to handle pressure and stay on track with their goals.

**Question 7:** A. number B. quantity C. capacity D. proportion

**Question 8:** A. catch on B. look up C. put aside D. stand out

**Question 9:** A. Apart from B. In spite of C. In light of D. Rather than

**Question 10:** A. deleted B. abolished C. eliminated D. eradicated

**Question 11:** A. Every B. Other C. Much D. Another

**Question 12:** A. Rivals B. Enemies C. Counterparts D. Competitors

***Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentence to make a meaningful paragraph/letter in each of the following questions.***

**Question 13:**
a. Brian: Wow, congratulations, Jenna! You deserve it after all your hard work.
b. Jenna: Thank you! I can’t wait to start rehearsals.
c. Jenna: I got the lead role in the school play, and I’m so excited!

A. c-b-a B. c-a-b C. a-c-b D. b-c-a

**Question 14:**
a. Tuan: It was challenging but rewarding. The atmosphere was great!
b. Hoa: That’s fantastic, Tuan! How was the experience?
c. Tuan: Next time, let’s train together so you can participate!
d. Hoa: I wish I could have joined you!
e. Tuan: I just completed the 5K run for COVID-19 awareness!

A. a-d-c-e-b B. c-b-e-a-d C. e-b-a-d-c D. c-d-e-b-a

**Question 15:**
Hi Thoai,
a. I recently came across the announcement that director Ly Hai is holding auditions for *Lat Mat 8*, and I immediately thought of you and your incredible talent!
b. They are looking for fresh faces and creative individuals, and I know you have what it takes to shine in this role.
c. Let me know if you want to discuss this further, as I’m sure you would do an amazing job!
d. I would love to help you brainstorm ideas or even support you during the audition process if you’re interested.
e. Have you considered auditioning and showcasing your talent on TikTok? I believe it could open up exciting opportunities for you.

Cheers,
Long

A. b-b-a-c-e B. a-b-e-d-c C. a-e-c-b-d D. c-b-e-a-d

**Question 16:**
a. Selling products online can expose individuals to various risks and challenges that need to be addressed.
b. Additionally, the lack of face-to-face interaction in online transactions can result in misunderstandings about product quality and customer expectations.
c. Online sellers must also be cautious about sharing personal information, as this can lead to privacy breaches and identity theft.
d. One major concern is the potential for scams, where dishonest buyers or sellers may take advantage of trusting individuals.
e. In conclusion, while online selling can be profitable, it’s essential to stay vigilant and take precautions to mitigate the associated risks.

A. b-c-a-d-e B. c-a-d-b-e C. d-c-b-a-e D. a-d-c-b-e

**Question 17:**
a. To tackle this issue, developers and the government must collaborate to create more affordable housing options for residents.
b. In recent months, the prices of apartments in Vietnam have skyrocketed, causing concern among potential homebuyers and renters alike.
c. This rapid increase in housing costs is driven by factors such as limited supply, high demand, and rising construction expenses.
d. In conclusion, addressing the soaring apartment prices is essential for ensuring that all citizens have access to safe and affordable living conditions.
e. As a result, many families are finding it increasingly difficult to afford suitable housing in urban areas.

A. b-d-a-c-e B. e-a-d-b-c C. b-e-a-c-d D. b-c-e-a-d

***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 from 18 to 22.***

 Vietnamese people are gradually becoming more environmentally conscious, making choices that reflect a commitment to sustainability. Recently, many individuals (18) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to reduce their carbon footprint. This shift has been supported by various government initiatives that promote eco-friendly practices, like using renewable energy sources and reducing plastic waste. (19) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
 The increase in environmental awareness can be seen in many aspects of daily life. Many events focused on sustainability have been organized across cities, where people can learn about recycling and conservation. (20) \_\_\_\_\_\_. This change in mindset is helping to create a cleaner and healthier environment for future generations.

 Young people are at the forefront of this movement, (21) \_\_\_\_\_\_. They are leading initiatives, such as beach clean-ups and tree planting, which encourage everyone to take action. Adopting eco-friendly habits, (22) \_\_\_\_\_\_. Together, they are paving the way for a more sustainable Vietnam.

**Question 18:** A. who being encouraged to use public transport, such as buses and trains
B. having been encouraged to use public transport, such as buses and trains
C. have been encouraged to use public transport, such as buses and trains
D. of which encouragement to use public transport, such as buses and trains

**Question 19:**
A. As a result, more citizens are taking part in activities that protect the environment
B. Thus, fewer individuals are recognizing the significance of making environmentally-friendly choices
C. This has given rise to reduced pollution levels and a rise in waste management challenges across cities
D. Consequently, many residents are ignoring the importance of conserving natural resources

**Question 20:**
A. Increased pollution and environmental damage are seen in many urban areas across the country
B. More people are staying away from activities that promote sustainable living and reduce waste
C. Community groups are also working to educate residents about the importance of preserving nature
D. Many individuals are exaggerating the need for environmental conservation in their communities

**Question 21:**
A. that inspire others with innovative ideas and enthusiasm
B. whose innovative ideas and enthusiasm inspire others
C. of which innovative ideas and enthusiasm inspire others
D. gave rise to innovative ideas and enthusiasm others

**Question 22:**
A. making positive changes and contributing to a greener future has been a priority for many individuals
B. many individuals are making positive changes and contributing to a greener future
C. positive changes are being made, thereby contributing to a greener future
D. a greener future is very likely now that many individuals are making positive changes

 **Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions from 23 to 25.**

 Sir Sterling Moss, a much-loved and **celebrated** former racing driver, passed away at the age of 90. Moss, who was widely acknowledged as one of the greatest drivers never to have won the Formula One world title, died at his London home in the early hours of Sunday morning following a long illness. Born in 1929, Moss was highly admired for his skill behind the wheel, having a remarkably successful career in sports car racing at the same time as F1.

 Lewis Hamilton, a six-time Formula 1 world champion, was among many current and former drivers to pay tribute to the man. The three-time world champion Jackie Stewart, who collected Moss's autograph as a youngster and went on to become godfather to his son Elliot, said that Moss "walked like a racing driver should walk, he talked like a racing driver, he looked like a racing driver and he set a standard that I think has been unmatched since he retired."

Hamilton also added on Instagram: "I think it's important that we celebrate his incredible life and the great man he was. To be honest, it was such a unusual pairing, our friendship. Two people from massively different times and backgrounds, but we **clicked** and ultimately found that the love for racing we both shared made us comrades."

 Many people admired Moss as a racer who enjoyed life to the full and embraced every aspect of a racing driver's lifestyle. **He had a determination to take victory at every attempt, which he admitted was more important than titles.** His former team Mercedes said on Twitter: "Today the sporting world lost not only a true icon and a legend, but a gentleman. The team and the Mercedes Motorsport family have lost a dear friend. Sir Stirling, we'll miss you."

**Question 23:** The word ***celebrated*** in paragraph 1 is OPPOSITE in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_\_.
A. talented B. ordinary C. renowned D. competent

**Question 24:** The word ***his*** in paragraph 2 refers to \_\_\_\_\_\_.
A. Elliot's B. Hamilton's C. Stewart's D. Moss'

**Question 25:** According to the passage, all of the following are reasons why Sir Stirling Moss is admired EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_\_.
A. his racing driver's lifestyle B. his successful sports car career
C. his great driving skills D. his Formula One world titles

**Question 26:** The word ***clicked*** in paragraph 3 could be best replaced by \_\_\_\_\_\_.
A. found differences B. became friendly
C. accepted similarities D. argued intensely

**Question 27:** Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 4?
A. Moss claimed that enjoying the racing lifestyle was more significant to him than achieving any championship titles.
B. Moss preferred the honor of competing in races over the desire to win any single race.
C. Moss was dedicated to winning every race and believed that individual victories mattered more than championship titles.
D. Moss admitted that winning the Formula One title was his ultimate goal, even though he missed out on it.

**Question 28:** Which of the following is TRUE according to the passage?
A. Moss was best known for winning multiple Formula One world titles throughout his career.
B. Lewis Hamilton considered Moss a racing rival who shared a similar background.
C. Jackie Stewart described Moss as an unmatched example of a true racing driver.
D. Moss’s former team praised him as a highly skilled but controversial figure in racing.

**Question 29:** In which paragraph does the writer mention Sir Stirling Moss's dedication to winning each race over achieving titles?
A. Paragraph 1 B. Paragraph 2 C. Paragraph 3 D. Paragraph 4

**Question 30:** In which paragraph does the writer quote Jackie Stewart’s description of Sir Stirling Moss’s qualities as a racing driver?
A. Paragraph 1 B. Paragraph 2 C. Paragraph 3 D. Paragraph 4

 **Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions from 31 to 33.**

 [I] In 2013, when it bid for the 2020 Summer Games, Tokyo thought it would be spending $7.3 billion. [II] Specifically, by summer 2020, an Oxford economist reported in his research that Tokyo's total budget had already more than doubled to $15.84 billion. [III] And other estimates **contend** that it might actually be nearly $30 billion. [IV]

 What happened in Tokyo is part of a larger trend: a 2020 paper by Oxford economist Bent Flyvbjerg found that “every Olympics since 1960 has run over budget.” And it’s not just the costs – some of the supposed benefits of hosting the Olympics have been questioned by both locals and economists. **Like any major infrastructure project, the Games can provide a brief employment benefit and stimulate the economy, but nowhere near what you might expect***.* “Overwhelmingly, the studies show actual positive economic impacts are either near-zero or a fraction of that predicted prior to the event,” economists Victor Matheson and Robert Baade wrote in their research.

 The long-run economic benefits for improved infrastructure, which consists of facilities required for hosting the 35 Olympic sports, are not so significant either. Matheson explains that most cities simply do not have much use for **these** after the games. For instance, “many of the venues from the Athens Games in 2004 have fallen into disrepair. Beijing’s iconic ‘Bird’s Nest’ Stadium has rarely been used since 2008 and has been partially converted into apartments.”

 Cities are taking notice of **exorbitant** costs that accompany hosting the Olympics and fewer and fewer bids are being made for upcoming games. In 2018, during bidding for the 2026 Winter Games, four countries pulled out during the process, mainly citing local concerns about the financial commitments required. To address this issue, some have suggested a permanent location for the Olympics, as Smith College economist Andrew Zimbalist argues: “Why not build the required 35 sports venues, the Olympic village and the broadcasting and media center only once, instead of building them anew in a different city every four years?”

 But whatever is done in the future, one thing is certain for now: as the Tokyo Olympics plays out in empty stadiums and as the world watches from home, it’s the Japanese people who will inevitably have to deal with the financial consequences of this mega sporting event.

**Question 31:** Where in paragraph 1 does the following sentence best fit?
*However, unforeseen expenses and delays led to significant budget overruns.*
A. [I] B. [II] C. [III] D. [IV]

**Question 32:** The word ***content*** in paragraph 1 is OPPOSITE in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_\_.
A. endorse B. negate C. overlook D. confirm

**Question 33:** Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 2?
A. The Olympics lead to significant economic growth and job creation, although the benefits are short-lived.
B. Hosting the Olympics can create temporary jobs and boost the economy, but the impact is less than anticipated.
C. Major infrastructure projects like the Olympics generally lead to substantial employment opportunities and economic growth.
D. The economic advantages and job opportunities generated by the Games are far greater than what is usually expected.

**Question 34:** According to the passage, which of the following is **NOT** mentioned as a way to combat poaching?
A. temporary job creation during the Games B. significant long-term use of Olympic venues
C. improved facilities for future sporting events D. improvement in local infrastructure

**Question 35:** The word **these** in paragraph 3 refers to \_\_\_\_\_\_.
A. benefits B. facilities C. sports D. cities

**Question 36:** Which of the following best summarizes paragraph 3?
A. Economists propose a permanent Olympic location to reduce the financial burden on cities.
B. The 2026 Winter Games faced a lack of bids due to financial worries from participating countries.
C. Cities are increasingly hesitant to host the Olympics due to high costs and financial concerns.
D. The construction of Olympic venues has become a contentious issue for cities considering hosting.

**Question 37:** The word **exorbitant** in paragraph 4 could be best replaced by \_\_\_\_\_\_.
A. hopeless B. inadvisable C. prohibitive D. thoughtless

**Question 38:** Which of the following is **NOT TRUE** according to the passage?
A. Tokyo did not expect that its total budget would reach more than $15 billion.
B. Many venues from the 2008 Olympics in Beijing now serve purposes unrelated to sports.
C. Due to financial worries, 4 countries stopped bidding for the 2026 Winter Games in 2018.
D. Zimbalist believes there is no need to build Olympic venues again and again.

**Question 39:** Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?
A. Hosting the Olympics is the least economically advantageous major infrastructure project.
B. Countries will start destroying their venues right after the Olympics since they hold little value.
C. It is possible that less and less countries will want to host the Olympics if no changes are made.
D. Most Japanese people will not want the country to organize any sporting event ever again.

**Question 40:** Which of the following best summarizes the passage?
A. The Tokyo Olympics faced severe budget overruns, prompting a decline in interest from other cities to host the Games, which some economists believe should be relocated to a single permanent site.

B. The rising costs of hosting the Olympics are a major concern for cities, leading to increased scrutiny of the financial commitments involved and calls for a permanent Olympic venue.
C. Tokyo's experience with the 2020 Summer Games reflects a broader trend of increasing costs and limited benefits from hosting the Olympics, leading to fewer bids for future events and discussions about a permanent Olympic location.
D. The Tokyo Olympics demonstrated that hosting large-scale events can provide significant economic benefits, but cities must be wary of the associated financial risks and underutilization of facilities afterward.

**New Words and Phrases**

1. **destination** /ˌdɛstəˈneɪʃən/ - điểm đến, nơi mà ai đó đi tới (đi du lịch, giao hàng)
2. **catch on** /kætʃ ˈɒn/ - trở nên phổ biến, được chấp nhận (thường là xu hướng hoặc ý tưởng mới)
3. **look up** /lʊk ʌp/ - cải thiện (tình hình, trạng thái)
4. **put aside** /pʊt əˈsaɪd/ - để dành, tiết kiệm, hoặc gác lại một vấn đề để làm việc khác
5. **stand out** /stænd ˈaʊt/ - nổi bật, thu hút sự chú ý (so với những cái khác)
6. **delete** /dɪˈliːt/ - xóa bỏ (thông tin, dữ liệu)
7. **abolish** /əˈbɒlɪʃ/ - bãi bỏ, loại bỏ (luật, hệ thống, thói quen)
8. **eliminate** /ɪˈlɪməˌneɪt/ - loại bỏ, xóa bỏ (ai đó, cái gì đó không cần thiết)
9. **eradicate** /ɪˈrædɪˌkeɪt/ - loại bỏ hoàn toàn (thường là bệnh tật, vấn đề)
10. **rival** /ˈraɪvəl/ - đối thủ cạnh tranh (trong thể thao, kinh doanh)
11. **enemy** /ˈɛnəmi/ - kẻ thù, đối thủ
12. **counterpart** /ˈkaʊntəˌpɑːt/ - người đồng cấp (trong công việc hoặc mối quan hệ)
13. **competitor** /kəmˈpɛtɪtə/ - đối thủ cạnh tranh (trong cuộc thi hoặc kinh doanh)
14. **audition** /ɔːˈdɪʃən/ - buổi thử vai (cho diễn viên, nhạc sĩ)
15. **transaction** /trænˈzækʃən/ - giao dịch (mua bán, chuyển nhượng)
16. **celebrated** /ˈsɛlɪˌbreɪtɪd/ - nổi tiếng, được ca ngợi (do thành tích, đóng góp)
17. **background** /ˈbækˌɡraʊnd/
* nền tảng (về giáo dục, văn hóa)
* bối cảnh (trong một câu chuyện, sự kiện)
1. **click** /klɪk/
* nhấp chuột (trong công nghệ)
* tạo ra sự kết nối (khi giữa người với người)
1. **ultimately** /ˈʌltɪmətli/ - cuối cùng, rốt cuộc (sử dụng khi nói về kết quả cuối cùng)
2. **attempt** /əˈtɛmpt/
* nỗ lực, cố gắng (làm điều gì đó)
* sự thử nghiệm (trong một hành động)
1. **contend** /kənˈtɛnd/
* tranh luận (về một quan điểm)
* đấu tranh (để giành thắng lợi trong một cuộc thi hoặc trận đấu)
1. **infrastructure** /ˈɪnfrəˌstrækʧər/ - cơ sở hạ tầng (các hệ thống cơ bản phục vụ nền kinh tế và xã hội)
2. **brief** /briːf/
* ngắn gọn (thời gian)
* thông báo, hướng dẫn (cho ai đó biết thông tin cần thiết)
1. **stimulate** /ˈstɪmjʊˌleɪt/ - kích thích, khuyến khích phát triển, hoạt động
2. **exorbitant** /ɪɡˈzɔːbɪtənt/ - (giá cả) cao cắt cổ, đắt đỏ (quá mức cho phép)
3. **unforeseen** /ˌʌnfɔːˈsiːn/ - không lường trước được (tình huống, sự kiện bất ngờ)
4. **overrun** /ˈəʊvəˌrʌn/
* tràn ngập (khi nhiều người hoặc thứ khác xuất hiện)
* vượt quá (thời gian, ngân sách)
1. **economically** /ˌiːkəˈnɒmɪkli/ - về mặt kinh tế
2. **advantageous** /ˌædvænˈteɪʤəs/ - có lợi, thuận lợi (điều gì đó mang lại lợi ích cho ai đó)
3. **venue** /ˈvɛnjuː/ - địa điểm (tổ chức sự kiện, buổi hòa nhạc, hội thảo)