

ĐỀ KHẢO SÁT CHẤT LƯỢNG HỌC SINH GIỎI
MÔN TIẾNG ANH - LỚP 8
Năm học: 2024 - 2025

A. LISTENING (20 points)

Part 1. You will hear five short conversations (twice for each). There is one question for each conversation. Choose the right answer A, B, C or D. (5 points)

1. What doesn't the girl like about her photo?
A. her eyes B. her nose C. her dress
2. Which is the boy's next lesson?
A. Math B. Music C. Geography
3. What will the woman do first?
A. Paint the walls B. Clean the floor C. Clean the window
4. What do they need to buy for dinner?
A. Some pasta B. Some fish C. Some tomatoes
5. What did Joe get for her birthday?
A. The CD player B. The bike C. The CD

***Key:** 1. B 2. A 3. B 4. C 5. A

Part 2. Listen to a talk about Paper. Circle the correct answer. You will listen TWICE.

1. According to the audio, the paper that we use was first invented by _____.
A. foresters B. the Egyptian
C. ancient cultural D. the Chinese
2. What is the main ingredient in most paper?
A. resin B. cardboard C. plant fiber D. papyrus
3. According to the audio, the primary source of the plant fiber used in paper is _____.
A. trees B. rags C. fabric D. wastepaper
4. It can be inferred from the audio that recycling paper is _____.
A. detrimental to environment
B. wasteful
C. economical
D. good for the environment
5. According to the audio, recycling paper does all of the following except _____.
A. save forests B. reduce the need for ink
C. save energy D. reduce the air pollution

***Key:** 1D 2C 3A 4D 5B

Part 3. Listen to the tape and complete the following form. (NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS AND/OR A NUMBER)

SARAH'S HEALTH & FITNESS CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM

First name: Harry

Surname: (1) _____

Date of birth: Day: *11th*, Month: *December*, Year: (2) _____

Type of membership: (3) _____

Activities: Badminton and (4) _____

Payment details: Total: £450

To be paid (5) _____

***Key:**

1. S-Y-M-O-N-D-S 2. 1996 3. FULL - TIME
4. SWIMMING 5. MONTHLY

Part 4 Listen to the conversation twice then decide whether the statements are True (T) or False (F).

Statements	T/F
1. The girl's bag is brown.	
2. She lost her bag in her classroom.	
3. Her lunch is inside her bag.	
4. Jill's family's name is BOLL	
5. The girl is in class 11.	

*Key: 1. F 2. F 3. T 4. F 5. T

B. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR (20 points)

Part 1. Circle the word or phrase that best complete each sentence. (9 points).

1. An old woman was _____ the goats up the mountainside.
A. herding B. taking C. riding D. running
2. Either Peter or his brothers _____ the keys to the car.
A. has been taken B. has taken C. have taken D. have been taken
3. On Christmas Eve, most big cities, especially London are _____ with coloured lights across the streets and enormous Christmas trees.
A. made B. hang C. put D. decorated
4. The *xoe* dance is a _____ tradition of Thai ethnic people.
A. spiritual B. physical C. material D. practical
5. A village is often _____ than a city.
A. more densely populated B. less densely populated
C. more densely populating D. less densely populating
6. Next time, when my Australian friend comes _____, I will make him some spring rolls.
A. from B. into C. across D. over
7. Remember to do all your homework, _____ you?
A. will B. are C. don't D. haven't
8. Viet Nam is _____ multicultural country with 54 ethnic groups.

A. a

B. an

C. the

D. Ø

9. Which girl is Hoa? She is the one with _____ .

A. long curly black hair

B. curly long black hair

C. long black curly hair

D. curly black long hair

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

Part 2 .Read the following advertisement/school announcement 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 10 to 15. (6 points)

Describing the location

I promise you are going to enjoy your stay here in San Jose, Los Cabos. This is(10)_____ beautiful, quiet city where you can relax, sit(11)_____ the beach, enjoy great meals and feel very safe. You can walk into town and enjoy the fountains or take a moonlit walk along the water. Please do not swim here. This is not a safe place to swim because there is a strong undertow. Cabos San Lucas is the place to go if you want to enjoy swimming in the ocean. You can take a short bus ride from your hotel. There you will also enjoy (12)_____and dancing.

10. **A. the**

B. no article

C. a

D. an

11. **A. by**

B. on

C. with

D. in

12. **A. entertain**

B. entertaining

C. entertained

D. entertainment

Thanking winner

Let's give a big round of applause to our winners and all the participants of this contest. You have all done a great job and we are very proud of you.

We hope you enjoyed this contest and learned something new from it. We encourage you (13)_____up the good work and continue to pursue your passions and interests. We also invite you to check out our website and social media pages for more information and updates on our upcoming contests and events. Thank you again for being here today and have a wonderful day.

Next, I would like to thank our parents, for their (14)_____ love and support. You have raised us with values and virtues that have (15)_____us into who we are today. You have also welcomed each other into your families with open arms and hearts. We appreciate your sacrifices and blessings.

13. **A. to keep**

B. keep

C. keeping

D. kept

14. **A conditional**

B. unconditional

C. conditioninform

D. informatively

15. **A. made**

B. shaped

C. helped

D. created

***Key : 10.C 11.B 12.D 13.A 14.B 15.B**

Part 3. There are five mistakes in this passage. Find and correct them (5 points)

Last summer Tuan invited me to go to his village in Thai Binh Province with his father. It's harvest time, so all people there were very busy. The villagers got up very early and go to the field to cut rice, load it onto buffalo-drawn carts or tractor and drove it home. Tuan's father helped his parents on the farm work. Tuan and I followed his father to go to the fields. There was so many space and I love the vast open space, the fresh air and the feeling of freedom in the countryside. We would run around the fields and shout out loudly without disturbing anybody. I have never saw any interesting place like this. In the afternoon, some of Tuan's cousins took us to the fields to fly kites – It's was so exciting!

***Key:**

1. go -> to go

- 2.go-> went
- 3.on-> with
- 4.many->much
- 5.saw-> seen

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Part 4:

Give the correct form of the words in the brackets. (5 points).

1. Sometimes it is for people to travel in rural areas because there are not many different means of transport. **(convenience)**
2. I enjoy with friends and going out at the weekend. **(social)**
3. Everybody plays an important role in theof the cultural heritages of the group they belong to. **(preserve)**
4. Although the peoples in Vietnam are diverse, they live in the same nation. **(peace)**
5. The Internet is very....., it takes up a lot of our time. **(addict)**

*Key: 1. Inconvenient 2.socializing/ socialising 3.preservation 4.peacefully 5.addictive

C. READING (25 points)

Part 1: Complete the conversation, using the phrases/sentences (A-H) given.(5 points)

- A.** the fresh air and the open space
- B.** to make you fit and happy
- C.** It's really interesting
- D.** We can't enjoy social activities there, especially in the evening.
- E.** the traffic systems in the city

Nick: Hi, Mai. Have you just come back from your stay in the countryside?

Mai: Yes, I stayed on my uncle's farm for the weekend. (1) _____.

Nick: Do you really like the life in the countryside? Why?

Mai: First, you can enjoy (2) _____.

Nick: What do you mean, Mai?

Mai: In the countryside, we have the yard or the garden to play in. You can run around, kick a ball or chase butterflies. It's a real life, I think...

Nick: In my opinion, the countryside ... it's only nice if people are retired or they get old. (3)

_____.

Mai: But in the country, you are not in a hurry. You don't worry about delay or being late any

more. We can say “no” to traffic jams here.

Nick: Well, (4) _____ are becoming much better. Anyway, we can ride a bicycle around (5) _____.

Mai : I see. Maybe we can live in the town and go to the countryside at the weekend or during the summer holiday.

*Key:

1- C 2- A 3- D 4- E 5- B

Nick:	Hi, Mai. Have you just come back from your stay in the countryside?
Mai:	Yes, I stayed on my uncle’s farm for the weekend. (1) C. It’s really interesting.
Nick:	Do you really like the life in the countryside? Why?
Mai:	First, you can enjoy (2) A. the fresh air and the open space.
Nick:	What do you mean, Mai?
Mai:	In the countryside, we have the yard or the garden to play in. You can run around, kick a ball or chase butterflies. It’s a real life, I think..
Nick:	In my opinion, the countryside ... it’s only nice if people are retired or they get old. (3) D. We can’t enjoy social activities there, especially in the evening.
Mai:	But in the country, you are not in a hurry. You don’t worry about delay or being late any more. We can say “no” to traffic jams here.
Nick:	Well, (4) E. the traffic systems in the city are becoming much better. Anyway, we can ride a bicycle around (5) B. to make you fit and happy.
Mai:	I see. Maybe we can live in the town and go to the countryside at the weekend or during the summer holiday.

Part 2. Read the passage and choose the best answers to complete it by circling A, B, C, or D.

(10 points)

Vietnamese generally shake hands when greeting and parting. Using both hands shows respect as does a(1)_____ bow of the head. In rural areas, elderly people do not extend their hand are greeted with a bow. Women are more(2)_____to bow the head than to shake hands. Vietnamese names begin with the family name and are (3) _____by a given name. For example, in the name Nguyen Van Due, Nguyen is the family name. People address (4)_____by their given names, but add a title that indicates their perceived (5)_____ to the other person. These titles are family related rather than professional. Among colleagues, for example, the(6)_____ of the two might combine the given name with the title of Anh ("Older Brother"). A(n)(7)_____greeting combined with the given name and title is Xin chao ("Hello."). Classifiers for gender and familiarity are also combined with the greeting. In formal meetings, business cards are sometimes(8)_____ on greeting. Vietnamese people have a strong(9)_____ of hospitality and feel embarrassed if they cannot show their guests full respect by preparing for their arrival. Therefore, it(10)_____ to visit someone without having been invited. Gifts are not required, but are

appreciated. Flowers, incense, or tea may be proper gifts for the hosts. Hosts also appreciate a small gift for their children or elderly parents.

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| 1. A. light | B. slight | C. lightly | D. lighted |
| 2. A. possible | B. capable | C. probable | D. likely |
| 3. A. continued | B. chased | C. followed | D. taken |
| 4. A. each one | B. one other | C. one the other | D. one another |
| 5. A. relation | B. relationship | C. relation | D. relatives |
| 6. A. younger | B. most young | C. youngest | D. young |
| 7. A. easy | B. basic | C. fundamentally | D. elementary |
| 8. A. changed | B. transferred | C. reserved | D. exchanged |
| 9. A. sense | B. sensation | C. sensitivity | D. sensible |
| 10. A. inactive | B. inaccurate | C. inappropriate | D. inexact |
- *Key: 1B 2D 3C 4D 5B 6A 7B 8D 9A 10C

Part 3. Read the following passage and choose the best option to answer. Write your answers in the corresponding numbered boxes. (10 points)

Today we take electricity for granted and perhaps we do not realize just how useful this discovery has been. Steam was the first invention that replaced wind power. It was used to drive engines and was passed through pipes and radiators to warm rooms. Petrol mixed with air was the next invention that provided power. Exploded in a cylinder, it drove a motor engine. Beyond these simple and direct uses, those forms have not much adaptability.

On the other hand, we make use of electricity in thousands of ways. From the powerful voltages that drive our electric trains to the tiny current needed to work a simple calculator, and from the huge electric magnet in steel works that can lift 10 tons to the tiny electric magnet in a doorbell, all are powered by electricity. An electric current can be made with equal ease to heat a huge mass of molten metal in a furnace, or to boil a jug for a cup of coffee.

Other than atomic energy, which has not as yet been harnessed to the full, electricity is the greatest power in the world. It is flexible, and so adaptable for any task for which it is wanted. It travels so easily and with incredible speed along wires and conductors that it can be supplied instantly over vast distances.

To **generate** electricity, huge turbines or generators must be turned. In Australia they use coal or water to drive this machinery. When dams are built, falling water is used to drive the turbines without polluting the atmosphere with smoke from coal.

Atomic power is used in several countries but there is always the fear of an accident. A tragedy once occurred at Chernobyl, in Ukraine, at an atomic power plant used to make electricity. The reactor leaked, which caused many deaths through radiation.

Now scientists are examining new ways of creating electricity without harmful effects to the environment. They may harness the tides as **they** flow in and out of bays. Most importantly, they hope to trap sunlight more efficiently. We do not use solar heaters for swimming pools but as yet improvement in the capacity of the solar cells to create more current is necessary. When this happens, electric cars will be viable and the world will rid itself of the toxic gases given off by trucks and cars that burn fossil fuels.

1. What could be the best title for this passage?

A. Types of Power Plants	B. Electricity: Harmful Effects on Our Life
C. How to Produce Electricity	D. Why Electricity is So Remarkable
2. The author mentions the sources of energy such as wind, steam, petrol in the first paragraph to _____.
 - A. suggest that electricity should be alternated with safer sources of energy
 - B. emphasize the usefulness and adaptability of electricity
 - C. imply that electricity is not the only useful source of energy
 - D. discuss which source of energy can be a suitable alternative to electricity
3. The word “**generate**” in the passage is **CLOSEST** in meaning to _____.

A. invent	B. use	C. create	D. discover
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4. What does the author mean by saying that electricity is flexible?

A. It is cheap and easy to use	B. It is used to drive motor engines
C. It can be adapted to various uses	D. It can be made with ease
5. What do we call machines that make electricity?

A. Voltages	B. Electric magnets
C. Generators or Turbines	D. Pipes and radiators
6. The main forms of power used to generate electricity in Australia are _____.

A. atomic power and water	B. water and coal
C. sunlight and wind power	D. wind and gas
7. The word “**they**” in the last paragraph refers to _____.

A. harmful effects	B. the tides	C. scientists	D. new ways
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8. According to the passage, electric magnets are used in steel works to _____.

A. lift heavy weights up to ten tons	B. test the steel for strength
C. heat the molten steel	D. boil a jug of water
9. The advantage of harnessing the power of the tides and of sunlight to generate electricity is that they _____.

A. do not pollute the environment	B. are more reliable
C. are more adaptable	D. do not require attention
10. According to the passage, the following power sources cause no pollution to the environment **EXCEPT** _____.

A. Sunlight	B. Petrol	C. Water	D. Wind
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*Key: 1.D 2.C 3.C 4.C 5.C 6.B 7.B 8.A 9.A 10.B

D. WRITING (30 points)

Part 1. Finish the second sentence in such a way that it means the same as the sentence printed before.

(5 points).

1. Would you like to play tennis now?

=>Do you fancy _____

2. Despite his age, Mr. Thanh runs five kilometres every morning.

=>Even _____

3. The garage will repair my car next week.

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