

UNIT 4: ASEAN AND VIET NAM

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

- Question 1.** A. contribution B. compliment C. responding D. eye-opening
Question 2. A. cultural B. contribute C. celebrate D. current

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

- Question 3.** A. leader B. issue C. current D. correct
Question 4. A. contribute B. relations C. volunteer D. develop

Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the sentence that best completes each of the following exchanges.

5. To be _____ for youth volunteering programs, individuals must meet certain criteria and possess the necessary skills.

A. available B. eager C. qualified D. grateful

6. Singapore has made a huge _____ to scholarships for ASEAN's students

A. contributor B. contribute C. contribution D. contributory

7. Students with good _____ skills usually communicate well and manage teamwork effectively

A. analytical B. critical thinking C. problem-solving D. leadership

8. Being told about cultures from other countries annually is an _____ experience.

A. surprised B. eye-opening C. knowledge D. everyday

9. The _____ event allowed people worldwide to experience the celebration in real-time.

A. cultural B. eye-opening C. live-streamed D. current

10. The current _____ relating to the environment is being discussed now

A. exchange B. contribution C. knowledge D. issue

11. Cultural _____ is the best way for young people to understand other countries' values and ideas

A. change B. exchange C. values D. shock

12. We seek ways to strengthen cooperative _____ between our two countries.

A. relative B. relation C. relationship D. relations

13. The 28th and 29th ASEAN Summits will focus _____ efforts to build the ASEAN Community.

A. at B. for C. in D. on

14. My grandfather is used to _____ up early in the morning.

A. getting B. to get C. get D. got

15. She apologised _____ waiting so long.

A. for keeping me B. for me C. for me keeping D. to me for

16. They finished _____ and then they wanted _____ out for pleasure.

A. learn/ to go B. to learn/ go C. learnt/ goes D. learning/ to go

17. I suggest _____ some more mathematics puzzles.

A. do B. to do C. doing D. done

18. _____ a foreign language is an important life skill.

A. Learn B. Learning C. Learnt D. Being learnt

19. You should give up _____ your sister.

A. being bullied B. bullied C. bullying D. to bully

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

ASEAN –KOREA ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS

Please be informed that (20) _____ Announcement of the Essay Contest Winners, originally scheduled (21) _____ 7 August, has been moved to **9 August**.

We appreciate your understanding and thank you for your (22) _____.

- Question 20.** A. the B. Ø (no article) C. a D. an

- Question 21.** A. for B. to C. from D. in

- Question 22.** A. impatience B. patients C. patient D. patience

ASEAN –KOREA ACADEMIC ESSAY CONTEST

The ASEAN-Korea Centre (AKC) (23) _____ to call for proposals for the '2024 ASEAN-Korea Academic Essay Contest'! In collaboration with Pukyong National University and the Faculty of Economics and Business Management of the National University of Laos (TBC), AKC will host the '**2024 ASEAN-Korea Academic Essay Contest**' under the theme of 'Way Forward to Enhance ASEAN-Korea Relations in the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership (CSP) Era'. AKC (24) _____ graduate and undergraduate students of ASEAN and Korean nationalities to the Contest and looks forward to receiving proposals. You (25) _____ refer to attachments for more details and requirements:

1. AKC General Guidelines
2. AKC Proposal Guidelines
3. AKC Application & Consent Form
4. AKC Academic Recommendation Form

Question 23. **A.** is pleased **B.** pleases **C.** has pleased **D.** pleasing

Question 24. **A.** invites **B.** advises **C.** encourages **D.** demands

Question 25. **A.** do **B.** may **C.** had **D.** should

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

Question 26.

- a. Additionally, doing exercise may combat health conditions and diseases such as heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, depression, anxiety, many types of cancer, arthritis, and falls.
- b. Exercise has numerous benefits for people of all ages, genders, and physical abilities.
- c. Firstly, it controls your weight by burning calories and building muscle mass.
- d. Finally, exercise helps us promote better sleep by helping you fall asleep faster, get better sleep, and deepen your sleep.
- e. It also improves your mood by stimulating brain chemicals that leave you feeling happier, more relaxed, and less anxious.

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

Question 27.

- a. We really hope you will consider this proposal as we think that it will be beneficial to both local students and guests.
- b. The event will help our guests learn about our culture by watching and playing Vietnamese traditional games.
- c. Next month, a group of students from ASEAN countries will visit our school. We put out a call for ideas for activities to welcome our guests. One of the best ideas is holding a Vietnamese Traditional Games Festival.
- d. Taking part in fun games is also the best way to break the ice, make friends, and create bonds with people.
- e. The event will take place in the school stadium. It will start at 9 a.m. and will last for three hours. The event will be hosted by grade 11 students, who will make all the arrangements for the activities. These will include Vietnamese traditional games such as bamboo dancing, tug of war, and stilt walking.

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

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

ASG stands for ASIAN School Games. This event is organised every year by an ASEAN member state. The organisation (28) _____. ASSC promotes sports activities for school students in ASEAN member states. The ASG aims to establish and (29) _____. (30) _____ and cultural exchanges, the ASEAN youth have a chance to learn more about the culture and history of ASEAN and (31) _____. They also share information and experience, which promotes solidarity and (32) _____.

The first ASG took place in 2009 in Thailand. Thailand finished on top of the medal table with 72 gold medals. Viet Nam was second with 18 gold medals. The second ASG was organized in 2010 in Malaysia. Malaysia was first with 45 gold medals, followed by Thailand with 32. Singapore dominated the third ASG in 2011. Thailand won the Games with 29 gold medals. Singapore was second with 26. The fourth ASG was held in 2012 in Indonesia. Thailand dominated the Games again and won 38 gold medals. Indonesia was second with 33 gold medals.

The fifth ASG took place in Viet Nam in 2013. The host dominated the Games and (33) _____ with 50 gold medals. Malaysia was second with 25. None of the teams went home empty-handed. I have more detailed information about each ASG. Just come and talk to me if you are interested.

Question 28.

- A.** that supports the ASG is the ASEAN School Sports Council (ASSC)
- B.** it supports the ASG is the ASEAN School Sports Council (ASSC)
- C.** supporting the ASG is the ASEAN School Sports Council (ASSC)
- D.** which it supports the ASG is the ASEAN School Sports Council (ASSC)

Question 29.

- A.** to strengthen friendship among ASEAN students
- B.** friendship among ASEAN students is strengthened

C. we are strengthened friendship among ASEAN students **D. strengthen** friendship among ASEAN students

Question 30.

A. Participating in ASG sports events

B. When participating in ASG sports events

C. Having participated in ASG sports events

D. Participate in ASG sports events

Question 31.

A. our member states

B. their member states

C. its member states

D. these member states

Question 32.

A. mutual among young people understanding

B. among young people mutual understanding

C. mutual understanding among young people.

D. understanding among mutual young people.

Question 33.

A. finished on top of the medal table

B. to finish on top of the medal table

C. finishing on top of the medal table

D. finishing on top of the table medal

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks from 34 to 38.

The 22nd Southeast Asian Games were held in Vietnam from the 5th to 13th December, 2003. Although it was the first time Vietnam hosted (34) _____ a big sports event, the Games were a great success. The Games really became a festival that impressed sports enthusiasts with its spirit: solidarity, co-operation for peace and development.

Athletes from 11 participating countries (35) _____ in 32 sports, and 444 gold medals were won. Some teams such as table tennis, badminton, karate, volleyball, basketball and wrestling were composed of top competitors in the region. Many Games records were close to international (36) _____. Vietnam won 158 gold medals to finish at the top of the Southeast Asian Games medal standings. Thailand ranked second with 90 golds, and Indonesia was third with only 55 golds. Singapore and Vietnam were the two nations (37) _____ had participants who were presented with the Most Outstanding Athlete titles in the Swimming and Shooting events. The Vietnamese Women's Football team successfully defended the SEA Games title. Vietnam and Thailand played in the Men's Football Final. The Thai Team won the gold medal. In (38) _____ sports such as karate, athletics, bodybuilding and wushu, the young and energetic Vietnamese athletes performed excellently and won a lot of gold medals.

Question 34. A. either

B. nor

C. so

D. such

Question 35. A. entered

B. founded

C. competed

D. completed

Question 36. A. stages

B. levels

C. games

D. quantities

Question 37. **A. which**

B. what

C. who

D. where

Question 38. A. another

B. the others

C. other

D. others

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 39 to 43.

Vietnam maintains strong relationships with other Southeast Asian countries, fostering cooperation and mutual benefits across various areas. Bilateral relations between Vietnam and its Southeast Asian counterparts are characterized by shared historical, cultural, and geographical ties. The country shares borders with Cambodia and Laos, and maritime boundaries with Malaysia, Indonesia, and the Philippines. These geographical proximities have **facilitated** extensive people-to-people exchanges, trade, and cultural interactions throughout history. Vietnam's relationships with neighboring countries are built on principles of mutual respect, non-interference, and peaceful coexistence. The country places importance on maintaining peaceful and stable relationships to contribute to regional security and development. It actively seeks to resolve any disputes through diplomatic channels and regional frameworks.

Economically, Vietnam has forged robust trade and investment ties with its Southeast Asian partners. Bilateral and multilateral trade agreements, such as the ASEAN Free Trade Area (AFTA) and the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP), have facilitated greater market access and increased economic cooperation among member states. Vietnam also collaborates with other Southeast Asian countries in addressing common challenges and pursuing shared goals. Environmental conservation, disaster management, transnational crime prevention, and regional security cooperation are among the areas of collaboration. Through mechanisms such as ASEAN-led initiatives, joint military exercises, and cultural exchange programs, Vietnam actively contributes to building trust, fostering understanding, and strengthening cooperation among Southeast Asian nations. (*Adapted from Vietnam Economic Times*)

Question 39. Which of the following can be the best title for the passage?

A. Vietnam's Economic Relations with Southeast Asia

B. Cultural Exchange and Cooperation in Southeast Asia

C. Vietnam's Role in ASEAN and Regional Development

D. Bilateral Trade Agreements in Southeast Asia

Question 40. The word "**facilitated**" in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to _____.

A. promoted

B. impeded

C. obstructed

D. clarified

Question 41. According to the passage, how does Vietnam seek to resolve disputes with its neighboring countries?

A. Through the military intervention

B. Through diplomatic channels and regional frameworks

C. By imposing economic sanctions

D. By seeking help from international organizations

Question 42. Which of the following is not true according to the passage?

- A. Vietnam shares borders with Cambodia, Laos, Malaysia, Indonesia, and the Philippines.
- B. Vietnam emphasizes peaceful coexistence and non-interference in its relationships with neighboring countries.
- C. Economic cooperation among Southeast Asian nations is facilitated by trade agreements like AFTA and RCEP.
- D.** Vietnam is not actively engaged in addressing common challenges with other Southeast Asian countries.

Question 43. It can be inferred from the passage that _____.

- A.** Vietnam's geographic proximity has fostered historical and ongoing interactions with neighboring countries.
- B. Vietnam places less emphasis on economic integration and trade cooperation within Southeast Asia.
- C. Southeast Asian countries have a history of territorial disputes with Vietnam.
- D. Vietnam's participation in joint military exercises promotes regional competitiveness and rivalry.

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 44 to 50.

As a member of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), Vietnam has been actively involved in regional cooperation and integration. **Its** participation in ASEAN has played a crucial role in shaping the organization's agenda and fostering closer ties among member states.

Vietnam's engagement in ASEAN is **evident** in various areas, particularly in economic development and integration. According to researchers, Vietnam has actively contributed to promoting intra-ASEAN trade and investment. The country has embraced economic reforms, attracting foreign direct investment and creating **favorable** conditions for businesses to thrive. As a result, Vietnam has experienced significant economic growth, contributing to the overall prosperity of the region.

Furthermore, the country has actively participated in ASEAN-led initiatives and forums aimed at addressing political and security challenges. The Vietnamese government has been committed to maintaining peace, stability, and cooperation in the region. Vietnam's involvement in mechanisms like the ASEAN Regional Forum and the ASEAN Defense Ministers' Meeting has also provided a platform for dialogue and cooperation among member states, fostering mutual understanding and strengthening regional security.

Vietnam has also been actively collaborating with other ASEAN countries in promoting sustainable development and environmental conservation. The country recognizes the importance of protecting the environment and has made efforts to address climate change and environmental issues. Through initiatives such as the ASEAN Working Group on Climate Change, Vietnam actively contributes to regional efforts in mitigating the impacts of climate change and preserving natural resources. (*Adapted from Vietnam News Agency*)

Question 44. Which of the following can be the best title for the passage?

- A. Vietnam's Economic Growth and Environmental Initiatives in ASEAN
- B. The Importance of Environmental Conservation in Vietnam's ASEAN Engagement
- C. Vietnam's Active Engagement in ASEAN's Political and Security Forums
- D.** Vietnam's Active Role in Shaping ASEAN's Agenda and Promoting Cooperation

Question 45. According to the passage, Vietnam _____.

- A. has recognized the importance of the environment but yet to take action
- B. recognized the importance of the environment and took only a few actions
- C. has yet to recognize the actual importance of the environment but taken several actions
- D.** recognizes the importance of the environment and has taken many actions

Question 46. The word "**its**" in paragraph 1 refers to _____.

- A. ASEAN's
- B. regional cooperation's
- C. the Association's
- D. Vietnam's**

Question 47. The word "**evident**" in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. apparent**
- B. sensible
- C. vague
- D. unnoticeable

Question 48. The word "**favorable**" in paragraph 2 is opposite in meaning to _____.

- A. discouraging
- B. adverse**
- C. advantageous
- D. conspicuous

Question 49. Which of the following is NOT TRUE according to the passage?

- A. Vietnam actively participates in ASEAN-led initiatives and forums addressing political and security challenges.
- B. Vietnam's engagement in ASEAN is primarily focused on economic development and integration.
- C. Vietnam recognizes the importance of protecting the environment and has made efforts to address climate change.
- D.** Vietnam's participation in ASEAN has had a negligible impact on regional cooperation and integration.

Question 50. It can be inferred from the passage that _____.

- A. Vietnam has not actively collaborated with other ASEAN countries in environmental conservation.
- B.** Vietnam has experienced significant economic growth due to its participation in ASEAN.
- C. Vietnam's involvement in ASEAN has mainly focused on cultural exchanges.
- D. Vietnam has been a member of ASEAN for a relatively long period of time.

B. SPEAKING

I. List the skills and the experience a young person should have in order to become a volunteer in a different country

- can speak English well
- have teamwork skills

- have knowledge or understanding of current issues in that country
- understand different cultures
- have worked as a volunteer
- have been a leader at school, e.g. led a club or a sports team

II. Talk about the top two skills and the experience a young person should have in order to become a volunteer in a different country. Use the suggested ideas above or your own ideas. You can start your talk with the sentence: “I think the top two skills for a volunteer are ...”

I think the top two skills to become a volunteer in the different country are speaking English well and having knowledge or understanding of current issues in that country.

First, English is widely recognized as a global language and is often used as a common means of communication between people from different countries. Being able to speak English well, you can convey ideas, communicate, interact and work well with most people as well as build relationships with local community members and other volunteers.

Furthermore, having knowledge or understanding of current issues in the country where they will volunteer is an important skill for the young people. This provides volunteers with a deeper understanding of the challenges and opportunities that the local community faces to avoid culturally sensitive issues and tailor the project effectively. This also helps them engage in discussions, ask relevant questions, and offer solutions.

C. LISTENING

Listen to two people talking about the history of ASEAN.

Tuấn: So what have you found out about ASEAN for our project, Lin?

Lin: I looked at the history of ASEAN, it was started in 1967.

Tuấn: Which countries were the first members?

Lin: Malaysia, the Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia, and Singapore.

Tuấn: Hmm, so they had their first summit in 1967?

Lin: No, that was in 1976.

Tuấn: Where was it held?

Lin: In Indonesia.

Tuấn: I'm sure teachers are going to ask if ASEAN has had a Vietnamese Secretary General.

Lin: There was a Vietnamese Secretary General. His name is Lê Lương Minh.

Tuấn: Yep. Do you know when he was Secretary General?

Lin: Let me think. Oh, of course. It was from 2013 to 2017. What did you find out?

Tuấn: I looked at what ASEAN does to help its members.

Lin: So what do I see and do?

Tuấn: ASEAN helps its member economies through the ASEAN Free Trade Area agreement. It was signed in Singapore in 1992. It also organizes sporting events like the Sea games.

Lin: When were the first Sea Games held?

Tuấn: The first Sea Games were held in Malaysia in 1977. ASEAN also does a lot for young people.

Lin: What do they do?

Tuấn: The ASEAN creates chances for young people to travel and study and the ASEAN exchange students can go to different countries in the region. The ASEAN university network was started in 1995.

Lin: I think we both have enough here to make a good project about the ASEAN, Tuấn.

Tuấn: Me too.

Task 1: Listen and choose the correct answer

1. Which countries were the founders of ASEAN?

- ☒ A. Malaysia, the Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia, and Singapore
- ☐ B. Viet Nam, the Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia, and Singapore
- ☐ C. Viet Nam, Laos, Thailand, Indonesia, and Singapore.
- ☐ D. Myanmar, the Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia, and Singapore

2. When was the first ASEAN Summit held?

- ☐ A. 1967
- ☒ B. 1976
- ☐ C. 1992
- ☐ D. 1977

3. Lê Lương Minh was _____.

- ☒ A. a Vietnamese Secretary General
- ☐ B. a university student
- ☐ C. an ASEAN Secretary General
- ☐ D. an exchange student

4. The 1992 ASEAN Free Trade Area agreement was signed _____.

- ☐ A. in Thailand
- ☒ B. in Singapore
- ☐ C. in Indonesia
- ☐ D. in Malaysia

Task 2: Listen again and decide whether the statements are True or False.

1. Malaysia, the Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia, and Singapore were the first members of ASEAN (T/F)

2. There are no activities in ASEAN except for economic activities. (T/F)

3. The first Sea Games were held in Malaysia in 1966. (T/F)

4. ASEAN countries exchange their students, which helps them to study and travel in different countries in the region. (T/F)

D.WRITING

I.WORD FORM

1. She wanted to make a financial **contribution** to the family. (CONTRIBUTE)
2. All the nations of the world will be **represented** at the conference. (REPRESENT)
3. This programme tries to encourage **cultural** exchanges among ASEAN countries. (CULTURE)
4. What makes you think that you are **qualified** for this job? (QUALIFY)
5. He went **voluntarily** to the police to explain what he had done. (VOLUNTEER)

II. Write sentences, using the words given.

1. Why don't we buy some presents for her? → *He suggested buying some presents for her.*
2. Could you turn the radio down? → *Would you mind turning the radio down?*
3. It is very interesting to dance around the campfire → *Dancing around the campfire is very interesting*
4. I would like to do the laundry every day → *I am interested in doing the laundry every day*
5. It is necessary to check your health every six months → *Checking your health every six months is necessary*
6. Hoa managed to lose weights to keep in shape → *Hoa succeeded in losing weights to keep in shape*
7. My sister expects to meet me next summer in Hanoi.
→ *My sister looks forward to meeting me next summer in Hanoi.*
8. We want to play football with our close friends at weekends.
→ *We feel like playing football with our close friends at weekends*
9. It was wonderful to go on the ASEAN tour. → *Going on the ASEAN tour was a wonderful experience.*
10. She usually prepares the guest list for all conferences.
→ *She is responsible for preparing the guest list for all conferences.*

III. Writing a proposal

1. Work in groups. You want to organize an ASEAN festival at your school. Discuss and add more ideas to the following notes

Topic:	An ASEAN Day
Place:	...
Time:	...
Duration:	One day
Participants/Preparations:	...
Activities:	- ASEAN exhibition in the morning - traditional music or dance performances ...
Goals:	- to help students learn about ASEAN countries ...
Benefits:	- develop teamwork skills ...

2. Write a proposal (120-150 words) about organising an ASEAN festival at your school. Use the suggested ideas and the outline above to help you. You can also add your own ideas.

Title: An ASEAN Day

To: School Administrators

Date: 19 November 2024

Prepared by: 11th Grade

1. Introduction:

We would like to organise an ASEAN Day for all the students at our school on the 19 November 2024.

2. Details about the event:

The event will take place in the School Hall from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. The main activity in the morning will be an exhibition about ASEAN. Each class will prepare their posters of an ASEAN country and will display them in advance. We will also arrange for food stalls with dishes from different ASEAN countries so that participants can try new foods. In the afternoon, representatives from different classes will perform traditional dances or songs from ASEAN countries.

3. Goals and benefits:

The event will help students learn about ASEAN countries and their culture and traditions. Participants will have a chance to participate in a variety of extracurricular activities and develop teamwork skills. Students will also create more happy memories of their school days.

4. Conclusion:

We really hope you will consider our proposal as we think that this event will be beneficial to all students at our school.