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ĐỀ SỐ 13

Thời gian làm bài: 120 phút

PART A: LISTENING (10 pts)

Part I. Listen to Duncan talking to a friend about a tennis course, choose the correct answer.

1. How long was the tennis course?

- A. one day B. two days C. five days

2. Duncan stayed in a hotel _____.

- A. in a town B. near the sea C. in the mountains

3. Duncan's teacher was born in _____.

- A. England B. France C. Canada

4. How much did Duncan pay for the course?

- A. £ 185 B. £ 205 C. £ 265

5. Before the course, Duncan bought himself some new _____.

- A. shoes B. clothes C. balls

Part II. You will hear a conversation about an art club. Listen and complete.

MUSEUM ART CLUB	
Day:	North London Arts Cinema
Starts at:	(1) _____
Next week they will make:	(2) _____ to put on the wall
One meeting cost:	(3) £ _____
Place:	(4) in the _____
Need to bring:	(5) a (an) _____

PART B: PHONETICS

I. Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently.

1. A. flour	B. four	C. pour	D. course
2. A. ceased	B. decreased	C. caused	D. promised
3. A. carriage	B. voyage	C. massage	D. dosage
4. A. beloved	B. ploughed	C. learned	D. naked
5. A. breath	B. mother	C. father	D. breathe

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II. Pick out the word that stressed differently from the others.

1. communicate	A.	B. experience	C. inspiration	D. embroidery
2. A. banyan		B. blanket	C. exchange	D. gather
3. A. decorate		B. behave	C. expect	D. describe
4. A. realize		B. product	C. mechanic	D. separate
5. A. comment		B. garment	C. cement	D. even

PART C: VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR (30 pts)

I. Choose the correct answer A, B, C or D.

1. Listen to what I am saying, _____?
A. would you B. will you C. don't you D. do you
2. People don't like the way he shows off, _____?
A. don't they B. does he C. do they D. doesn't he
3. Let's wait for them here. I'm sure that they will _____ soon.
A. turn off B. turn up C. turn down D. turn over
4. I took someone else's coat from the restaurant by _____.
A. one's self B. mistake C. error D. hand
5. He is in a much _____ mood than usual.
A. best B. better C. good D. well
6. His father was working _____ at his desk.
A. industry B. industrial C. industrious D. industriously
7. Last Sunday was _____ that we decided to go on a picnic.
A. so beautiful a day B. such beautiful a day
C. so beautiful day D. such a beautiful day
8. Living organisms contain more water _____ substance.
A. than do any other B. other than do they any
C. than any other D. does than any other
9. _____ he loved her, he didn't forgive her for what she had done.
A. Much as B. Because C. No matter D. However
10. "Is it all right if I use your bike?" - " _____"
A. Sure, go ahead. B. Oh, forget it. C. I don't care. D. I accept it.
11. That wasn't a true story. He just _____ it up.
A. did B. made C. got D. put

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12. _____ happens, I'll stand by you.
A. Whatever B. What C. Which D. That
13. Our teacher asks us to write _____ compositions every other week.
A. two - thousand - word B. two - thousands - word
C. two - thousand - words D. two - thousands - words
14. 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
15. "Are they good pianists?" - "Malve's a good pianist _____."
A. but Somsri isn't too B. and Somsri is, too
C. but Somsri isn't either D. and Somsri is either

II. Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets.

1. On Christmas Day, I often send my friends _____ cards. (greet)
2. Paris is _____ for the Eiffel Tower. (fame)
3. He has been an active _____ in the contest. (participate)
4. Over 200 _____ entered the race. (compete)
5. Her father soon died of a _____ heart. (break)
6. Some of my _____ live in the countryside. (relate)
7. This knife needs _____. (sharp)
8. A fairy appeared and _____ changed her clothes. (magic)
9. She gets angry if you _____ with her ideas. (agree)
10. Stamp _____ can be a very expensive hobby. (collect)

III. Supply the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

1. I've decided (stop) _____ smoking.
2. How many times _____ you (be) _____ to London this year?
3. This house (build) _____ three years ago.
4. We are tired of (work) _____ for low salary.
5. This is the second time you (break) _____ a cup.
6. He (break) _____ his glasses when he (play) football.
7. I'll wait until he (write) _____ his next story.
8. He said he (be) _____ sorry as he (give) _____ me so much trouble.

IV. Each sentence below contains an error. Underline it and write the

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correct answer in the space provided.

1. The men told the children didn't play too noisily.

2. The company has been opened in 1999.

3. Mary asked me how did I go to school every day.

4. The amount of the money they took from the bank were very little.

5. I am going to have my car to repair in the garage.

PART D. READING (20 pts)

I. Read the passage and use only one suitable word to fill in each gap.

A pioneer in the field of telecommunications, Alexander Graham Bell, was (1) _____ in 1847 in Edinburgh, Scotland. He moved to Ontario, and then to the United States, setting in Boston, before beginning his career as an inventor. Throughout his life, Bell had been interested (2) _____ the education of deaf people. This interest led him to (3) _____ the microphone and, in 1867, his "electrical speech machine", which we now call a (4) _____. News of his invention quickly (5) _____ throughout the country, even throughout Europe. By 1878, Bell had set up the first telephone exchange in New Haven, Connecticut. By 1884, long distance connections were (6) _____ between Boston, Massachusetts and New York City.

Bell imagined great uses for his telephone, like the model from (7) _____ 1920s, but would he ever have (8) _____ telephone lines being used to transmit video images? Since his (9) _____ in 1922, the telecommunication industry has undergone an amazing revolution. Today, non-hearing people are able to use a special display telephone to communicate. Bell's "electrical speech machine" paved the way (10) _____ the information superhighway.

II. Read the following passage and choose the correct answer for each gap by circling it.

Most people think of computer as very modern inventions, products of our new age. But actually the idea for a computer was (1) _____ out over two centuries ago by a man (2) _____ Charles Babbage.

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Babbage was born in 1791 and (3) _____ up to be a brilliant mathematician. He drew up plans for several calculating machines (4) _____ he called “engines”. But despite the fact that he (5) _____ building some of these he never finished any of them.

Over the year people have argued (6) _____ his machines would ever work. Recently, however the Science Museum in London has finished building (7) _____ engine (8) _____ on one of Babbage’s designs.

It has taken six years to complete and more (9) _____ four thousand parts have been special made. Whether it worked or not, the machine will be on show at a special exhibition in the Science Museum to (10) _____ people of Babbage’s work.

1. A. invented	B. thought	C. turned	D. worked
2. A. known	B. recognized	C. called	D. written
3. A. grew	B. developed	C. brought	D. expected
4. A. there	B. who	C. which	D. whose
5. A. wanted	B. made	C. started	D. missed
6. A. until	B. whether	C. while	D. though
7. A. the	B. an	C. some	D. that
8. A. depended	B. based	C. insisted	D. influenced
9. A. than	B. therefore	C. when	D. then
10. A. encourage	B. say	C. inform	D. remind

PART E: WRITING

1. Rewrite each sentence, beginning as shown, so that the meaning stays the same.

1. “I think you should go by train.” he told us.

→ He advised

2. It was such a boring film that she felt asleep.

→ The film

3. We find it difficult to understand this question.

→ This question

4. Peter spent three hours repainting his house.

→ It

5. They’ve lived here for six years.

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→ They moved

6. I've never read a more romantic story.

→ It's the

7. Noone works harder than Barbara.

→ Barbara

8. I haven't met him for two years.

→ It's

9. It was my breakfast time when Susan rang.

→ I was

10. My advice for you is to get there on time.

→ I'd rather

II. Use the following sets of words and phrases to write complete sentences.

1. Learning/ foreign language/ necessary/ us/ get/job./

2. Video film/ interesting/I / see/ twice.

3. Boxing/ too/ dangerous/ her/ play,/ it?

4. He/ try/ stop/ smoking/ many times/ but/ he/ never/ succeed./

5. Tomorrow, parents/ come/ stay/ me/ few days/ so/I/ excited/ now.

6. Dear Nga,

a. I/ be/ sorry/I / not/ write/ you/ such/ long time/ but I/ be/ very busy./

b. as you know,/ we/ just/ move/ new flat/ center/ city/.
