

For questions 1 – 5, read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

Saturn is easy to recognize thanks to its beautiful rings, which make it unique in the solar system. Despite being the second largest planet, Saturn is so light that it would float on water if a large enough body existed. Saturn is the sixth planet from the Sun and was the farthest known planet in ancient times.

Saturn is a gas giant, like Jupiter, Uranus, and Neptune. It is made mostly of hydrogen and helium and has no solid surface. What looks like a surface in pictures are actually clouds. Its famous rings are thin, made mostly of ice and rocks, and extend up to 175,000 miles from the planet. Saturn also has more than 140 moons, with Titan being the largest. Titan is unique because it has a thick atmosphere and clouds, unlike any other moons in the solar system.

A year on Saturn lasts about 29 Earth years, while a day is much shorter — just 11 Earth hours. People have observed Saturn for centuries, but it was first viewed through telescope in 1610 by Galileo. NASA has sent several spacecrafts to study Saturn, including Pioneer 11, Voyager 1 and 2, and Cassini. Cassini orbited Saturn for 13 years and even dropped a probe on Titan, making it the first spacecraft to land on a moon in the outer solar system.

(Adapted from: <http://spaceplace.nasa.gov>)

1. What is the main idea of the passage?

- A. Saturn's size makes it unique in the solar system.
- B. Saturn is a gas giant which has many interesting features.
- C. Saturn's rings and moons make it special among planets.
- D. Saturn is the farthest planet ever known from the Sun.

2. Why would Saturn float on water?

- A. Because it has a very thin atmosphere.
- B. Because it is made mostly of solid materials.
- C. Because its rings are not very heavy.
- D. Because it is less dense than water is.

3. How long is one day on Saturn?

- A. About 24 hours in Earth time.
- B. About 16 hours in Earth time.
- C. About 11 hours in Earth time.
- D. About 29 hours in Earth time.

4. What was the first spacecraft to land on Titan?

- A. The Pioneer 11 mission.
- B. The Cassini mission probe.
- C. The Voyager 2 mission.
- D. The Voyager 1 mission.

5. What are Saturn's rings mostly made of?

- A. Ice and rocky particles.
- B. Rocks and metal particles.
- C. Clouds and thin gas layers.
- D. Hydrogen and helium gases.

For questions 6 – 7, mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the rest in each of the following ones.

- 6. A. publisheded B. weaved C. wandered D. informed
- 7. A. ancient B. replace C. shame D. abrupt

Hobbies are important, even when life gets busy. We should make time for them, just like we do for school or work, because hobbies make us happier and less stressed. One study shows that people who spend time (18) _____ fun activities have fewer bad feelings and feel less stressed. Today, trying a new hobby, like coloring, can be fun and relaxing. It might seem hard at first, (19) _____ it's worth giving it a try.

Being creative in your free time can help you in other parts of life too. A study found that doing something creative for just 45 minutes can (20) ____ your confidence and make you better at other tasks. You can color while watching TV, listening to music, or even when you are not doing anything else. Coloring quietly can help you focus and feel more mindful.

After trying coloring, it turned out to be a really enjoyable hobby. It was easy to do and didn't require too much thinking, but it still helped (21) ____ some creativity. Sometimes, it felt a little boring, especially when coloring without anything else going on. It was strange at first to sit quietly, but that's (22) ____ it might be a good hobby – it's different from what we're used to. Coloring could be the perfect hobby if you want to do something creative, need a break from too much screen time, or just love using your favorite crayon.

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| 18. A. in | B. on | C. of | D. at |
| 19. A. or | B. nor | C. so | D. but |
| 20. A. destroy | B. lose | C. increase | D. damage |
| 21. A. encourage | B. reduce | C. lack | D. discourage |
| 22. A. which | B. what | C. why | D. who |

Choose the correct answer (Questions 23 – 33):

23. You should have a dictionary to ____ the words that you don't know their meanings.
A. look for B. look into C. look up D. look after
24. If you don't start studying harder, you ____ repeat the course next year.
A. ought to B. will have to C. could D. should
25. Our listening skill is not good, so I suggest ____ it by listening to podcast or music.
A. improving B. improve C. to improving D. to improve
26. It's important to ____ in touch with your family, no matter where you are.
A. make B. come C. lose D. keep
27. The Internet brings us many benefits in life, but it has some ____
A. incomes B. advantages C. drawbacks D. profits
28. Rapid changes in society and lifestyle have made the ____ in many families wider.
A. experiences B. family values C. generation gap D. family relation
29. Jack asked me where ____ my holiday the following summer.
A. would I have B. I would have C. I will have D. I had
30. My sister and I are trying to ____ sweet food and soft drinks to stay healthy.
A. carry out B. come down with C. hand down D. cut down on
31. John always makes everyone laugh because he has a great sense of ____
A. taste B. direction C. humor D. achievement
32. The bus number 32 stops here to ____ passengers to the National Museum.
A. get off B. pick up C. get on D. take off
33. ____ there is much pollution in this city, it is an ideal place to live.
A. In spite of B. Despite C. Although D. Since
34. People in that village don't know how ____ the natural beauty of their region.
A. preserve B. preserving C. to preserve D. preserved
35. The city council announced a ____ to residents about the upcoming drought.
A. celebration B. complaint C. schedule D. warning
36. Could you recommend me a local tour guide ____ has good knowledge about the attractions in Dalat?
A. which B. who C. where D. whose

37. I must congratulate you _____ your very impressive show.
A. in B. for C. at D. on
38. My father hates living in the city centre because there is always _____ traffic at rush hour.
A. full B. heavy C. plenty D. crowded
39. The longer the talk about the matter is, _____.
A. the worse the situation seems. B. the worse seems the situation.
C. the situation seems worse. D. the situation seems the worse.
40. _____ Sun, which is one of millions of stars in the universe, provides us with heat and light.
A. An B. A C. The D. Ø
41. When I came in, the television was on, but nobody _____ it.
A. was watching B. had watched C. is watching D. watched
42. The stadium has _____ that the music can be heard clearly from every corner.
A. such a powerful sound system B. so a powerful sound system
C. so powerful a sound system D. such powerful sound system
43. My father has promised _____ us on a three-day trip to some historical places in Hue.
A. taking B. take C. to take D. taken
44. Ha Noi, _____ is the capital of Viet Nam, is famous for its culture and traditions.
A. who B. where C. that D. which
45. Before you ask someone for help, wait until he or she is in a good _____.
A. emotion B. mood C. feeling D. opinion
46. We have prepared for the test carefully, so now we feel _____.
A. friendly B. confident C. nervous D. confused
47. David finished _____ his homework and then he went to the party with George and Bill.
A. do B. doing C. to do D. to be done
48. I met a man _____ first language is Arabic at the conference in Paris yesterday.
A. who B. which C. whose D. that
49. He put on a large hat and glasses as a disguise and hoped no one would _____ him.
A. see B. watch C. realize D. recognize
50. I wish I _____ an electric bike. I'm tired of catching the bus to the school every day.
A. will have B. had C. have D. have had

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