

**Choose the best answer A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to the following questions.**

- 1.** London \_\_\_\_\_ an underground train system since the nineteenth century.  
A. have had      B. had      C. has had      D. has
- 2.** She went to the bookshop \_\_\_\_\_ she wanted to buy a comic book.  
A. although      B. because      C. despite      D. because of
- 3.** My friends are interested \_\_\_\_\_ art and architecture.  
A. up      B. in      C. from      D. for
- 4.** It's getting cold in here. Would you mind \_\_\_\_\_ the window?  
A. closing      B. to close      C. close      D. closed
- 5.** My school yard is \_\_\_\_\_ than yours.  
A. the larger      B. the largest      C. larger      D. large
- 6.** My friends were all extremely \_\_\_\_\_ when they heard I'd lost my job.  
A. tolerant      B. sympathetic      C. obedient      D. confident
- 7.** The book \_\_\_\_\_ my boyfriend bought last week is about traditional clothes of Vietnam.  
A. who      B. whom      C. whose      D. which
- 8.** A lot of \_\_\_\_\_ were built to solve the traffic jam problem at intersections.  
A. trams      B. flyovers      C. skytrains      D. tunnels
- 9.** The very first metro is being built to \_\_\_\_\_ the travel demands of Saigonese.  
A. solve      B. make      C. see      D. meet
- 10.** \_\_\_\_\_ gambling is a bad habit that is difficult to get rid of.  
A. Compulsion      B. Compulsivity      C. Compulsive      D. Compulsory
- 11.** We can \_\_\_\_\_ the problem of space by building an extension.  
A. take off      B. get round      C. put aside      D. do out
- 12.** Although \_\_\_\_\_, Facebook remains one of the most popular social media platforms worldwide.  
A. some people criticize it for privacy concerns  
B. it allows users to connect with friends easily  
C. many businesses use it for marketing

D. it has introduced new features recently

**Read the announcement and circle the correct answer A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to fill in each blank.**

### **Cellphone Use in the Classroom**

Dear Students,

We want to remind everyone about the policy regarding (13) \_\_\_\_\_ cellphones in the classroom. While technology can be useful for learning, excessive phone use can be (14) \_\_\_\_\_ distraction. Therefore, students are required to keep their phones on silent mode and avoid using them (15) \_\_\_\_\_ class time unless instructed otherwise by the teacher. Responsible phone use helps create (16) \_\_\_\_\_ productive learning environment for all students. We appreciate your cooperation in following this (17) \_\_\_\_\_.

Thank you for your understanding.

13. A. using                      B. use                      C. used                      D. uses

14. A. an                      B. a                      C. the                      D. x

15. A. at                      B. on                      C. over                      D. during

16. A. boring                      B. lazy                      C. productive                      D. careless

17. A. item                      B. point                      C. issue                      D. policy

**Read the advertisement and circle the correct answer A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to fill in each blank.**

### **Experience the Finest Art at Grand Vision Gallery!**

Step into (18) \_\_\_\_\_ art gallery in the city and immerse yourself in a world of creativity. Featuring breathtaking paintings and sculptures, this gallery is dedicated to (19) \_\_\_\_\_ talented artists from around the world. Every piece has been carefully (20) \_\_\_\_\_ to showcase the depth and beauty of artistic expression. Whether you're an art lover or a curious visitor, this exhibition is truly (21) \_\_\_\_\_, offering an unforgettable experience. Don't miss this opportunity to witness masterpieces (22) \_\_\_\_\_ will leave you inspired!

18. A. the most prestigious                      B. more prestigious

C. very prestigious                      D. too prestigious

19. A. showcase    B. showcased    C. showcasing    D. to showcase

20. A. select                      B. selects                      C. selecting                      D. selected

21. A. a piece of cake                      B. bite the bullet  
C. a feast for the eyes                      D. over the moon

22. A. that                      B. when                      C. where                      D. whose

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

Imagine a world (23) \_\_\_\_\_ air pollution is no longer a problem. Clean air is all around us. People don't have to worry (24) \_\_\_\_\_ polluting the air every time they drive their cars. Fuel shortages are no longer a problem either.

Although scientists have been trying for decades (25) \_\_\_\_\_ a new kind of car that does not need gasoline, they have been unsuccessful. (26) \_\_\_\_\_, automobile engineers have recently succeeded in creating a new kind of car that runs on gasoline and electricity. This is the famous "hybrid cars". This car gets its name from the fact that it has a gasoline engine and an electric motor inside. Hybrid cars are less (27) \_\_\_\_\_ to the environment and cost drivers less money because they require less fuel than ordinary cars.

Hybrid cars are becoming widely popular in the United States. They are soon expected to become widely used around the world. If scientists and engineers continue to work on car development, perhaps the world with clean air that we imagined earlier just might become a (28) \_\_\_\_\_ someday.

23. A. who                      B. where                      C. which                      D. that

24. A. about                      B. of                      C. in                      D. at

25. A. developing                      B. to develop                      C. to developing                      D. develop

26. A. Therefore                      B. Although                      C. However                      D. So

27. A. harms                      B. harmfully                      C. harmful                      D. harm

28. A. reality                      B. popularity                      C. recognition                      D. realisation

**Read the following passage and choose the best answer A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.**

### **The SAT Exam: A Key to College Admission**

The SAT (Scholastic Assessment Test) is a standardized test widely used for college admissions in the United States. It was first introduced in 1926 and has since undergone several changes to better assess students' academic abilities. The test is designed to measure a student's readiness for college, focusing on critical reading, writing, and mathematical skills. Many universities use SAT scores as part of their admissions process, though some institutions have recently made **it** optional.

The SAT consists of two main sections: Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (EBRW) and Mathematics. The reading section evaluates comprehension skills, while the writing section tests grammar and language proficiency. The math

section covers algebra, geometry, and some advanced topics. The total score ranges from 400 to 1600, with each section contributing equally. Additionally, there was once an optional essay section, but it was discontinued in 2021.

Preparing for the SAT requires effective study strategies. Many students take practice tests, enroll in preparation courses, or use online resources to improve their scores. Since the test is timed, managing time efficiently is **crucial**. Some test-taking strategies, such as eliminating wrong answer choices and understanding question patterns, can help students perform better.

Despite its long history, the SAT has been criticized for favoring students from wealthier backgrounds who have access to better preparation resources. In response, some colleges have adopted a test-optional policy, meaning applicants are not required to submit SAT scores. However, the SAT continues to be an important tool for assessing students' academic readiness and potential for success in higher education.

**29.** What is the passage mainly about?

- A. The history and importance of the SAT exam
- B. How to apply to colleges in the U.S.
- C. A comparison between the SAT and other exams
- D. The role of teachers in SAT preparation

**30.** Which of the following is NOT true about the SAT?

- A. The SAT measures students' academic readiness.
- B. The test consists of two main sections.
- C. The SAT essay is still a required section.
- D. Some universities no longer require SAT scores for admission.

**31.** What does the word "**it**" in paragraph 1 refer to?

- A. College
- B. The SAT
- C. The admissions process
- D. The reading section

**32.** What are the two main sections of the SAT?

- A. Science and Mathematics
- B. Writing and Speaking
- C. Evidence-Based Reading and Writing, and Mathematics
- D. History and Critical Thinking

**33.** Why do students need time management skills for the SAT?

- A. The test is very difficult to complete.
- B. Students need to answer questions within a set time limit.
- C. The SAT is an all-day exam with multiple breaks.

D. The test has unlimited time for each section.

**34.** Why have some universities adopted a test-optional policy?

A. They no longer accept standardized test scores.

B. The SAT has been discontinued.

C. They believe the SAT favors students from wealthier backgrounds.

D. They want students to focus only on school grades.

**35.** The word “**crucial**” in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_.

A. unimportant

B. optional

C. confusing

D. necessary

**Choose the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.**

**36.**

a. Jack: Why fast food?

b. Mia: I usually order some fast food for lunch.

c. Jack: What do you usually eat for lunch?

d. Jack: As for me, I think fast food is unhealthy for our health. If I were you, I wouldn't choose it.

e. Mia: It's convenient, quick, and sometimes a wise option for those preoccupied with their work.

A. d-e-a-b-c

B. c-e-d-b-a

C. d-b-a-e-c

D. c-b-a-

e-d

**37.**

Hi Micky,

a. Your tips made a noticeable difference in my cooking.

b. Thanks again for recommending those useful tips, I really appreciate them.

c. Let's catch up soon to exchange more tips and ideas for improving our cooking skills.

d. Since then, I've already started researching more about the topic and trying out some recipes.

e. I've been thinking a lot about what we discussed last time, especially about mastering new techniques in cooking.

Write back soon,

Rose

A. b-c-a-d-e

B. b-d-e-a-c

C. e-a-d-b-c

D. e-b-c-

a-d

**38.**

a. Upon arrival, a ride on the world-famous cable car, which offers panoramic

views of the lush forests below, is a must.

b. In addition, a walk across the iconic Golden Bridge, held up by giant stone hands, provides a breathtaking view of the surrounding mountains and valleys.

c. Visiting Ba Na Hills is an exhilarating experience that should be thoughtfully planned to make the most of this unique mountain retreat.

d. To begin your journey, travelers often start in the city of Da Nang, taking a scenic fifty- minute drive up to Ba Na Hills.

e. Finally, travelers should spend a day exploring the hilltop French Village, enjoying the cool mountain air and European-inspired architecture.

A. c-d-b-e-a

B. c-d-a-b-e

C. b-d-e-c-a

D. b-a-c-

d-e

**39.**

a. Despite the rapid development, Masterise Homes still faces a shortage of affordable housing, with many residents commuting over 40 miles to find suitable accommodations.

b. Once characterized by open green spaces and family-owned businesses, the Masterise Homes area has seen a surge in high-rise condominiums and commercial complexes, reflecting a trend toward urbanization.

c. The urban shift has also spurred new investment opportunities, from luxury apartments to retail outlets, revitalizing the local economy and making Masterise Homes increasingly attractive to potential investors.

d. Over the last five years, Masterise Homes has undergone remarkable changes, transforming from a quiet town into a bustling real estate hotspot.

f. This has resulted in a 30% increase in property values, creating challenges for long-term residents who struggle to keep up with rising rents and property taxes.

A. c-d-a-e-b

B. d-e-a-e-b

C. d-b-c-a-e

D. d-b-c-

e-a

**40.**

a. Sarah: That's a relief! I was worried about him.

b. Mary: The doctors said he needs a few more weeks of rest.

c. Sarah: Let me know if you need any help during this time.

d. Sarah: How's your dad doing after the surgery, Mary?

e. Mary: He's recovering well, thanks for asking.

A. d-b-a-e-c

B. c-b-a-e-d

C. d-e-a-b-c

D. c-d-e-

b-a

**Choose the best answer A, B, C or D to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to the original sentence in the following questions.**

**41.** "Let's help the homeless in the neighbourhood." Maria said.

- A. Maria suggested to help the homeless in the neighbourhood.
- B. Maria suggested help the homeless in the neighbourhood.
- C. Maria suggested helping the homeless in the neighbourhood.
- D. Maria suggested having helped the homeless in the neighbourhood.

**42.** He got up early in order to catch the plane.

- A. He got up early but he missed catching the plane.
- B. He got up early so that he could catch the plane.
- C. He wanted to catch the train but he couldn't get up early.
- D. He never caught the plane as he got up early.

**43.** We held Environment Day at our school last week.

- A. Environment Day was held at our school last week.
- B. Environment Day was hold at our school last week.
- C. Last week at our school, Environment Day is held.
- D. Last week at our school. Environment Day is hold.

**44.** She started using this washing machine last year.

- A. She has used this washing machine for a year.
- B. She has used this washing machine since a year.
- C. She used this washing machine for a year.
- D. She used this washing machine since a year.

**45.** She has a reputation for drunk driving.

- A. It is a well-known fact that she never drives drunk.
- B. She's infamous for driving.
- C. Nobody knows that she drives drunk.
- D. Everyone knows that she drives drunk.

**Choose the best answer A, B, C or D to indicate the sentence that best combines each pair of sentences in the following questions.**

**46.** Bill took a taxi. He still arrived late.

- A. In spite of having taken a taxi, Bill arrived late.
- B. Despite of having taken a taxi, Bill arrived late.
- C. Although of having taken a taxi, Bill arrived late.
- D. Though having taken a taxi, Bill arrived late.

**47.** Antony has decided to study English. He wants to get a good job in the future.

- A. Antony decides to study English in order to he can get a good job in the future.

- B. Antony decides to study English although he can get a good job in the future.
- C. Antony has decided to study English so that he can get a good job in the future.
- D. Antony decides to study English so as that he can get a good job in the future.

**48.** The driver in front stopped so suddenly. Therefore, the accident happened.

- A. If the driver in front didn't stop so suddenly, the accident wouldn't happen.
- B. If the driver in front hadn't stopped so suddenly, the accident would have happened.
- C. If the driver in front hadn't stopped so suddenly, the accident wouldn't have happened.
- D. If the driver in front had stopped so suddenly, the accident would have happened.

**49.** Beef contains vitamins. Generally, fish contains almost the same vitamins as beef.

- A. The vitamins content of beef is generally considered to come from fish.
- B. The vitamins content of fish may be considered in general as similar to beef.
- C. Generally, beef and fish may be considered to be a combination of vitamin content.
- D. What vitamin fish contains may be considered in general to be made from beef.

**50.** The man was shot in the bank robbery. The doctors are operating on him.

- A. The man was whom the doctors are operating on him shot in the bank robbery.
- B. The man whom the doctors are operating on him shot in the bank robbery.
- C. The man was shot in the bank robbery where the doctors are operating on him.
- D. The doctors are operating on the man who was shot in the bank robbery.