

Choose the option A, B, C or D which indicates the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the rest.

Question 1. A. housing B. crisis C. cost D. custom

Question 2. A. watched B. cleaned C. stopped D. picked

Choose the option A, B, C or D which indicates the correct respond to each situation.

Question 3. What do you think about Steve Jobs?

- A. That's right!
- B. I doubt it. It is not true.
- C. Well, he is talented.
- D. I agree with you about him.

Question 4. Jenny: "I think higher living standard is one of the reasons that many people want to be a city dweller."

Mark: "_____"

- A. I couldn't agree more.
- B. It's nice of you to say so.
- C. That's quite all right.
- D. Why not?

Choose the option A, B, C or D which indicates the word whose stress part is different from the rest.

Question 5. A. biology B. environment C. geography D. scientific

Question 6. A. estimate B. prestigious C. proportion D. urbanity

Choose the option A, B, C or D which indicates the word or phrases that need correcting to each sentence.

Question 7. She was walking to the library to borrow some books when she was seeing a robbery.

A B C D

Question 8. Because of severe asthma attacks, the doctor suggested his patient to stop smoking.

A B C D

Question 9. People respected him because he was a honest man.

A B C D

Choose the option A, B, C or D which indicates the word which has OPPOSITE meaning to the underlined words/ phrases:

Question 10. The works Da Vinci did finish were often spectacular masterpieces, such as his paintings The Last Supper and The Mona Lisa.

- A. magnificent
- B. out of this world
- C. unimpressive
- D. remarkable

Question 11. Many people move to urban areas seeking for job opportunity as well as stable employment.

- A. durable
- B. long-lasting
- C. steady
- D. temporary

Choose the option A, B, C or D which indicates the sentences which has the CLOSEST meaning to the original one.

Question 12. He visited London three years ago.

- A. He hasn't visited London for three years.
- B. He was in London for three years.
- C. He didn't visit London three years ago.
- D. He has been in London for three years.

Question 13. Lam was so rude to them last night. Now he feels regretful.

- A. Lam regrets to have been so rude to them last night.
- B. Lam regrets having so rude to them last night.
- C. Lam wishes he hadn't been so rude to them last night.
- D. Lam wishes he weren't so rude to them last night.

Question 14. It isn't necessary for us to discuss this matter in great detail.

- A. We should discuss this matter in great detail.
- B. We might discuss this matter in great detail
- C. We needn't discuss this matter in great detail
- D. We mustn't discuss this matter in great detail.

Choose the option A, B, C or D which indicates the word which has CLOSEST meaning to the underlined words/ phrases:

Question 15. . She's a down-to-earth woman with no pretensions.

- A. ambitious B. creative C. idealistic D. practical

Question 16. Mother Teresa was a Roman Catholic nun who **devoted** her life to serving the poor and destitute around the world.

- A. committed B. dedicated C. committed D. attended

Choose the option A, B, C or D which indicates the sentences which has best combine the original ones.

Question 17. A car hit the fence of my garden. I was cleaning the swimming pool.

- A. While a car hit the fence I was cleaning the swimming pool.
 B. A car hit the fence and I was cleaning the swimming pool.
 C. I was cleaning the swimming pool when a car hit the fence.
 D. I was cleaning the swimming pool then a car hit the fence.

Question 18. My daughter asks for money every day. I am really annoyed by it.

- A. I am really annoyed by my daughter asks for money every day.
 B. My daughter is asking for money every day.
 C. I am really annoyed by it, my daughter asks for money every day.
 D. My daughter is always asking for money every day.

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

Question 19. It is impolite that you ____ there when he gets off the plane.

- A. be not standing B. been not standing
 C. not be standing D. not been standing

Question 20. Anna organized a few games to ____ the ice when the new students first arrived.

- A. break B. crack C. drill D. melt

Question 21. They hope to ____ a cure for the disease.

- A. catch up on B. come up with C. fill up with D. go out with

Question 22. Many people decide to live in a small city as the environment is less polluted _____ people are more friendly.

- A. and B. so C. or D. but

Question 23. These days, most young people would like to look for ____ jobs rather than secure ones.

- A. long-term B. well-paid C. fast-growing D. long-lasting

Question 24. This restaurant was highly recommended for good service, delicious food and _____ boss.

- A. kind-hearted B. interest-free C. weather-beaten D. well-paid

Question 25. It is necessary that you ____ able to come with us.

- A. are B. be C. being D. to be

Question 26. As well as being a successful actor, Clint Eastwood is a ____ film director.

- A. talent B. talented C. distinguish D. respectful

Question 27. We ____ the kittens carefully and sold them for a good profit.

- A. brought up B. grew up C. rose D. aroused

Question 28. Mr. Smith is ____ old customer and ____ honest man.

- A. An/ the B. the/ an C. an/ an D. the/ the

Question 29. She has lived with her aunt since her parents _____ 8 years ago.

- A. brought up B. passed away C. put off D. switched off

Question 30. People migrate _____ urban area on a massive scale due to lack of resources in rural area

- A. in B. onto C. to D. out

Question 31. ____ he was waiting for Sam outside the cinema, Jim realized that the street was funnily crowded.

- A. So B. While C. Unless D. Even though

Question 32. He _____ to his friend when he heard a noise.

- A. was writing B. wrote C. has written D. writes

Question 33. Has the interviewer ____ the date? Yes, it's on next Monday.

- A. amend B. fixed C. moved D. revised

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 from 31 to 35.

Sunlight is solar energy. Sunlight is needed for growing plants that you eat to get energy. Sunlight is also used to make clean electricity. Burning **fossil fuels** to make electricity pollutes our atmosphere and rivers. Fossil fuels are expensive and limited sources of energy.

Photovoltaic, or PV system use a type of material that **converts** sunlight into electricity. PV systems can power your air conditioner or a satellite like the International Space Station PV systems are also used to run a calculator, recharge cell phone, or even power lightweight cars.

Sunlight is also changed into electricity by concentrating solar power or CSP systems. CSP systems have mirrors that focus the sunlight. The concentrated sunlight turns water into steam **which** turns a turbine that is connected to an electric generator. A CSP system usually uses sunlight to make steam. CSP power plants can store large amount of heat.

Sunlight provides the energy needed to grow plants and make large amount of environmentally friendly heat and electricity. Solar energy can provide power today and for a long time in the future.

Question 34. This article is mainly about ____.

- A. Human using sunlight to stay warm
- B. The need to develop new technology for solar power system
- C. How the energy of sunlight is used
- D. How solar energy can provide power for transportation systems

Question 35. In the first paragraph, the word "**fossil fuels**" in line 2 means ____.

- A. fuels formed millions of years from the remains of animals and plants
- B. nuclear energy
- C. solar power
- D. fuel formed from the energy of the wind

Question 36. Which of the following statements is NOT true?

- A. Fossil fuel supplies are unlimited.
- B. Solar energy is the energy that comes from the sun.
- C. PV systems provide electricity for the International Space Station.
- D. A CSP power plant can produce steam even at night.

Question 37. In the third paragraph, the word "**convert**" is closest in meaning to ____.

- A. change form one religion to another
- B. transform
- C. exchange for something equal in value
- D. converse

Question 38. In the fourth paragraph, the word "**which**" refers to ____.

- A. water
- B. steam
- C. sunlight
- D. solar power

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

From the seeds themselves to the machinery, fertilizers and pesticides - The Green Revolution regimen depend heavily on technology. One alternative, however, depends much (1) ____ on technology - organic farming. Many organic farmers use machinery, but not chemical fertilizers or pesticides. (2) ____ chemical soil enrichers, they use animal manure and plant parts not used as food - natural, organic fertilizers that are clearly a renewable (3) _____. Organic farmers also use alternatives for pesticides, for example, they may rely on natural predators of certain insect pests. (4) ____ the need arises, they can buy the eggs and larvae of these natural predators and introduce them into their crop fields. They use other techniques to control pests as well, like planting certain crops together because one crop repels the other's pests. Organic farmers do not need a lot of land, in fact organic farming is perfectly (5) ____ to small farms and is relatively inexpensive. Finally, many organic farmers' average yields compare favorably with other farmers' yields.

Question 39. A. more B. less C. better D. worse

Question 40. A. In spite of B. On account of C. In favor of D. Instead of

Question 41. A. resource B. source C. matter D. substance

Question 42. A. Then B. If C. Because D. Thought

Question 43. A. suitable B. open C. likely D. suited

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 from 36 to 42.

Joyce Carol Oates published her first collection of short stories, **By The North Gate**, in 1963, two years after she had received her master's degree from the University of Wisconsin and become an instructor of English at the University of Detroit. Her productivity since then has been prodigious,

accumulating in less than two decades to nearly thirty titles, including novels, collections of short stories and verse, play and literary criticism. In the meantime, she has continued to teach, moving in 1967 from the University of Detroit to the University of Windsor, in Ontario, and, in 1978, to Princeton University. Reviewers have admired her enormous energy, but find a productivity of such magnitude difficult to assess.

In a period characterized by the abandonment of so much of the realistic tradition by authors such as John Barth, Donald Barthelme, and Thomas Pynchon, Joyce Carol Oates has seemed at times determinedly old-fashioned in her insistence on the essentially mimetic quality of her fiction. Hers is a world of violence, insanity, fractured love, and hopeless loneliness. Although some of it appears to come from her own direct observations, her dreams, and her fears, much more is clearly from the experiences of others. Her first novel **With Shuddering Fall** (1964), dealt with stock car racing, though she had never seen a race. In *Them* (1969) she focused on Detroit from the Depression through the riots of 1967, drawing much of her material from the deep impression made on her by the problems of one of her students. Whatever the source and however shocking the events or the motivations, however, her **fictive** world remains strikingly akin to that real one reflected in the daily newspapers, the television news and talk shows, and popular magazines of our day.

Question 44. What is the main purpose of the passage?

- A. To review Oates' *By the North Gate*
- B. To compare some modern writers
- C. To outline Oates' career
- D. To describe Oates' childhood

Question 45. Which of the following does the passage indicate about Joyce Carol Oates' first publication?

- A. It was not successful
- B. It was a volume of short fiction
- C. It was part of her master's thesis.
- D. It was about an English instructor in Detroit

Question 46. Which of the following does the passage suggest about Joyce Carol Oates in terms of her writing career?

- A. Most of her work is based on personal experience.
- B. Her style is imitative of other contemporary authors.
- C. She has produced a surprising amount of fictions in a relative short time.
- D. She has experienced long nonproductive periods in her writing.

Question 47. The word "**fictive**" in the passage is closest in meaning to ____.

- A. imaginary
- B. attractive
- C. helpful
- D. impressive

Question 48. What was the subject of Joyce Carol Oates' first novel?

- A. Loneliness
- B. Racing
- C. Teaching
- D. Insanity

Question 49. Which of the following would Joyce Carol Oates be most likely to write?

- A. A romance novel set in the nineteenth century
- B. A story with an unhappy ending
- C. A dialogue for a talk show
- D. A science fiction novel

Question 50. Why does the author mention Oates' book *Them*?

- A. It is her best piece of nonfiction
- B. It is an autobiography
- C. It is a typical novel of the 1960's.
- D. It is a fictional work based on another person's experiences.

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