

**SỞ GIÁO DỤC VÀ ĐÀO TẠO ĐỀ THAM KHẢO KỶ THI TUYỂN SINH LỚP 10 THPT
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Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from that of the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

Question 1: A. watched B. cooked C. danced D. needed

Question 2: A. bear B. hear C. near D. clear

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

Question 3: A. advice B. service C. event D. machine

Question 4: A. elephant B. importance C. technical D. interesting

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best answer to each of the following questions.

Question 5: The company's profits _____ significantly since the new CEO took over.

A. increased B. increase C. have increased D. is increasing

Question 6: She had to leave early, _____?

A. didn't she B. hadn't she C. doesn't she D. isn't she

Question 7: He is looking forward to _____ his family after the long trip.

A. see B. seeing C. seen D. saw

Question 8: The athlete's _____ dedication to her sport has earned her global recognition.

A. remarkable B. remarkably C. remark D. remarks

Question 9: The old building was _____ to ensure safety for its residents.

A. renovated B. demolished C. restricted D. adjusted

Question 10: Scientists claim that they have _____ in finding a cure for cancer.

A. managed B. succeeded C. accomplished D. achieved

Question 11: She continued to perform well _____ the pressure from the audience.

A. although B. because of C. in spite of D. because

Question 12: Due to the severe storm, they decided to _____ the picnic until next weekend.

A. put out B. put off C. take down D. take off

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that is CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in the following sentence.

Question 13: The community organized an event to support local wildlife.

A. ignore B. help C. stop D. avoid

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that is OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in the following sentence.

Question 14: The building's interior design is very modern and innovative.

- A. outdated B. stylish C. updated D. creative

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

Question 15:

- a. That's great! Staying active is so important.
b. About three times a week.
c. How often do you go to the gym?

- A. a – b – c B. b – a – c C. a – c – b D. c – b – a

Question 16:

- a. Have you chosen a destination for your summer vacation?
b. That sounds fantastic! The beaches there are breathtaking, aren't they?
c. Yes, we've decided to go to Bali this summer.
d. Absolutely! I've seen photos, and the water is so clear and blue.

- A. a – c – b – d B. a – c – d – b
C. a – b – c – d D. b – d – a – c

Question 17:

- a. Have you tried the new Italian restaurant downtown?
b. Not yet, but I heard it's really popular.
c. You should definitely try their pasta. It's delicious! I think you'll love it!
d. Where did you hear about it?
e. I saw a review in the local paper, and it got a fantastic rating.

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

Read the following school announcement and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best option that fits each of the numbered blanks from 18 to 20.

ANNUAL SCHOOL SPORTS DAY ANNOUNCEMENT

All students (18)_____ by the school to participate in the Sports Day event scheduled for June 15.
Each class should prepare a cheerleading routine. Each routine must not be longer than 3 minutes.
Each class will (19)_____ two representatives for the relay race.
(20)_____ you have any questions, please contact your sports teacher.

Question 18: A. are expected B. have expected C. expected D. expect

Question 19: A. select B. motivate C. appoint D. participate

Question 20: A. Ought B. Should C. Would D. Could

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best option

that fits each of the numbered blanks from 21 to 25.

Exercising regularly is essential for maintaining good health. People (21)_____ exercise frequently have a lower risk of developing chronic illnesses. Regular physical activity strengthens the heart, improves circulation, and (22)_____ the immune system. It also helps control weight and reduces the risk of obesity. Besides, exercise is known to boost mental health by reducing stress and anxiety. It releases endorphins, which make people feel happier and more energetic. (23)_____ benefit of regular exercise is its role in improving sleep quality. When people exercise, they tend to fall asleep more easily and wake up feeling more refreshed. Moreover, physical activities can (24)_____ social bonds, as many people enjoy exercising with friends or in groups. All these factors contribute to a healthier and more (25)_____ lifestyle.

- Question 21:** A. who B. whose C. whom D. which
- Question 22:** A. reduces B. decreases C. boosts D. raises
- Question 23:** A. Another B. The others C. Others D. Other
- Question 24:** A. strong B. strengthen C. strength D. strongly
- Question 25:** A. active B. passive C. relaxed D. chaotic

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 26 to 31.

Thinking critically is really important. It means thinking carefully about information. It's like being a detective for your own thoughts! A good detective doesn't just accept everything they see or hear. Instead, they ask lots of questions, look for **clues** and think about different ideas.

Why is critical thinking so important? It helps you make good decisions. Imagine you want to buy a new phone. What should you do? A critical thinker will look at many different phones. They will read reviews and think about what they need before buying one. They won't just buy the first phone they see!

Critical thinking also helps you learn new things. When you read a book or listen to someone talk, critical thinking helps you understand the main ideas. It helps you decide what is important and what is not. It also helps you decide if the information is correct. You can even form your own opinions!

You can use critical thinking in many places. At school, it helps you understand new information and solve problems. At work, it helps you make good decisions and understand what other people think. In your personal life, it helps you make good choices about your health, your money and your friends.

How can you improve your critical thinking skills? It's easy! You can start by asking questions like "Why?" and "How?". Don't be afraid to ask questions about what you already believe. Look for answers to your questions. You can also try explaining your ideas to a friend. This helps you organize your thoughts and find any problems with your thinking.

Question 26: What is the main topic of the passage?

- A. The importance of critical thinking B. How to develop critical thinking skills
- C. How to solve problems like a detective D. The benefits of being a good decision-maker

Question 27: According to the passage, which of the following is **NOT** a benefit of critical thinking?

- A. Making good decisions B. Understanding new information
- C. Accepting everything you hear D. Forming your own opinions

Question 28: The word "**clues**" in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. hints B. questions C. signals D. tips

Question 29: Why does the author mention buying a new phone in the passage?

- A. To show how critical thinking can help make better choices
- B. To illustrate the importance of comparing options carefully

- C. To highlight common mistakes when making decisions
- D. To explain why critical thinking can be much more difficult

Question 30: Which of the following is recommended for improving critical thinking skills?

- A. Asking questions like "Why?" and "How?"
- B. Believing what you read without questioning
- C. Avoiding discussions with others about your ideas
- D. Focusing only on your existing beliefs

Question 31: What can be inferred about the relationship between critical thinking and personal life?

- A. Critical thinking is mainly useful for academic and work-related tasks.
- B. Critical thinking helps improve decisions about health and finances.
- C. Critical thinking can help people understand different perspectives in relationships.
- D. Critical thinking can improve communication skills in relationships.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the best arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph in the following question.

Question 32:

- a. Furthermore, eating healthy foods such as fruits, vegetables, and whole grains helps reduce the risk of chronic illnesses like heart disease and diabetes.
- b. For instance, a balanced diet helps maintain a healthy weight and provides the necessary nutrients for optimal body function.
- c. Developing healthy eating habits can significantly improve one's quality of life.
- d. In conclusion, making mindful food choices is essential for leading a healthier and more fulfilling life.
- e. As a result, by choosing foods which are rich in nutrients and low in harmful additives, people can support their long-term well-being.

A. a – b – d – c – e

B. a – b – c – d – e

C. b – a – d – e – c

D. c – b – a – e – d

Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.

Question 33: The police are seeking an old man for their alleged involvement in international terrorism.

A

B

C

D

Question 34: She is a writer as well as a distinguishable modern historian.

A

B

C

D

Question 35: His first book is published in association with British Heritage in 1990.

A

B

C

D

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to the given one.

Question 36: It is essential that all students attend the meeting.

A. All students don't have to attend the meeting.

B. All students must attend the meeting.

C. All students may attend the meeting.

D. All students could attend the meeting.

Question 37: The last time we met Peter was two years ago.

A. We haven't met Peter for two years.

B. We didn't meet Peter two years ago.

C. We haven't met Peter for the last time two years ago.

D. We have met Peter for the last time two years ago.

Question 38: My sister asked me, "When will you be back from your trip?"

- A. My sister asked me when I will be back from my trip.
- B. My sister asked me when will I be back from my trip.
- C. My sister asked me when I would be back from my trip.
- D. My sister asked me when would I be back from my trip.

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that best combines the two given ones.

Question 39: The job interview was difficult. She managed to pass it.

- A. Although the job interview was difficult, she passed it.
- B. She passed the job interview because it wasn't difficult.
- C. The job interview was difficult, so she didn't pass it.
- D. Despite the job interview being difficult, she failed it.

Question 40: The coffee was too hot. He waited before taking a sip.

- A. He waited to sip the coffee because it was too hot.
- B. Although the coffee was too hot, he drank it immediately.
- C. He drank the coffee immediately despite it being too hot.
- D. The coffee was so hot that he didn't wait to sip it.

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