

ĐỀ CHÍNH THỨC

ĐỀ THI MÔN: TIẾNG ANH CHUYÊN  
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LƯU Ý:

- Đề thi gồm 02 trang.
- Phần tự luận (SECTION ONE) làm vào phiếu trả lời tự luận (có kèm phách).
- Phần trắc nghiệm (SECTION TWO) làm vào phiếu trả lời trắc nghiệm.

SECTION ONE: CONSTRUCTED-RESPONSE TEST

PART ONE: LISTENING COMPREHENSION

I. You will hear a telephone conversation between a travel agent and a customer about some self - drive tours in the USA. For questions 1-5, listen and choose the correct answer A, B, C, or D. You will hear the recording TWICE. (5 pts)

1. What is the postcode and the phone number of the customer?

- A. BH5 2OP – 07786643091  
B. BH2 5OP – 07786430911  
C. BH5 2OP – 07766843091  
D. BH5 2OP – 07768843190

2. Where does the second trip start and end?

- A. It starts in Los Angeles and ends in Las Vegas.  
B. It starts in San Francisco and ends in Santa Monica.  
C. It starts in San Francisco and ends in San Diego.  
D. It starts in San Francisco and ends in Las Vegas.

3. The customer wants to include all of the following activities in the second trip EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. going shopping  
B. sunbathing  
C. swimming  
D. seeing the castle

4. What is the total distance of the first trip?

- A. 980 km  
B. 632 km  
C. 838 km  
D. 2020 km

5. How much does the second trip cost?

- A. £525 per person  
B. £100 per person  
C. £429 per person  
D. £980 per person

II. You will hear a woman called Angela Thomas, who works for a wildlife organization, talking about the spectacled bear. For questions 6-15, complete each of the sentences with ONE WORD OR A NUMBER taken from the recording. You will hear the recording TWICE. (10 pts)

SPECTACLED BEAR

6. Angela is especially concerned about wildlife conservation. She works with many organizations looking after animals both in captivity and in the wild.

7. The spectacled bear's markings vary greatly from one bear to another and can be found on its eyes as well as its cheeks and chest.

8. Angela is extremely pleased by evidence that spectacled bears have been seen in northern parts of Argentina and eastern Panama.

9. Spectacled bears' habitats can range from dry coastal deserts to high mountain areas, but the bears usually live in the forest.

10. What Angela finds surprising is that unlike many other types of bear, spectacled bears don't sleep during the winter.

11. Due to the fact that they are hunted by other animals and their habitats are destroyed, spectacled bears are endangered with only about 2400 ones still around.

12. Normally, the bears eat tree bark and berries as they are primarily vegetarian.

13. Spectacled bears are incredibly good climbers; they have been known to sit up a tree for days to wait for fruit to ripen.

14. When the bears eat meat, they much prefer small mice although they do eat other creatures.

15. Angela recommends that people should read the amusing diary of the man who spent a long time studying the bears to understand more the dangers facing the animals.



## PART TWO: VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

I. Give the correct form of the word in brackets to complete each of the following sentences. (10 pts)

- (BED) \_\_\_\_\_ patients are often given exercises to help prevent their muscles from becoming stiff.
- The author gave a very detailed description, which helped the readers to (VISUAL) \_\_\_\_\_ the scene.
- They emphasise that all information supplied must be treated with complete (CONFIDENCE) \_\_\_\_\_.
- Foreign language learning is (ARGUE) \_\_\_\_\_ an issue that attracts much attention.
- The old friends spent a lovely evening reminiscing their vibrant (GO) \_\_\_\_\_ days at university.
- The little boy dreams of being a (COMMENT) \_\_\_\_\_ on sports events for the TV station.
- I really believe that it would be a major mistake to (CRIME) \_\_\_\_\_ any drugs that are currently illegal.
- That the child behaved (DEAR) \_\_\_\_\_ made her parents satisfied.
- Robert decided to donate all his (EARN) \_\_\_\_\_ money to help tsunami victims.
- Prices may rise and consumption may fall as individuals refrain from purchasing new cars, computers and other (ESSENCE) \_\_\_\_\_.

II. Fill each blank with a suitable preposition or adverb particle to complete each of the following sentences. (10 pts)

- Peter has already left \_\_\_\_\_ foot, but if we take the car, maybe we can still head him \_\_\_\_\_ before he gets home.
- It's worrying that many rare animals native \_\_\_\_\_ this area are likely to die \_\_\_\_\_ soon.
- Miss Helena whiled \_\_\_\_\_ the hours playing old films \_\_\_\_\_ her video recorder.
- We have a written script to fall \_\_\_\_\_ if we run out of things to discuss.
- As soon as the food was brought \_\_\_\_\_, everyone dived \_\_\_\_\_ and helped themselves.
- Chad is \_\_\_\_\_ the opinion that his son is still prone \_\_\_\_\_ nerves for all his experience.
- Where were you bound \_\_\_\_\_ when you ran \_\_\_\_\_ a typhoon last month?
- It's \_\_\_\_\_ John why his brother put the cart \_\_\_\_\_ the horse in dealing with those complaints.
- I've bundled \_\_\_\_\_ the magazines and tied them \_\_\_\_\_ strings so that you can carry them more easily.
- It was only on the following day that the manager finally got \_\_\_\_\_ interviewing Henry about his expertise.

III. The following passage contains 10 mistakes. Identify the mistakes and write the corrections in the corresponding numbered boxes. (0) has been done as an example. (10 pts)

0. Line 1: *breakthrough* → *breakthroughs*

LINE	PASSAGE
1	Genetic engineering has played an important role in many scientific <u>breakthrough</u> . Researchers have
2	modified the genetic make-up of plants, for example, to create disease-resistant crops, and animals like
3	pigs to produce low-fat meat. They have even managed creating goats that can produce spider silk by
4	inserting the spider silk-making gene into goat embryos. The adult goats produce a protein in its milk that
5	can be extracted and transformed into a fibre identical with spider silk. This amazing substance is five
6	times stronger than steel, yet enough light to make protective clothing, coatings and adhesives.
7	However, increasing production by farming spiders is very difficult although they have a tendency to eat
8	each other, but now the silk can be produced artificial on a larger scale thanks to the transgenic goats,
9	as they are called. Researchers work with these goats claim that changing their DNA makes no harm
10	whatsoever to the animals. Nevertheless, questions have been risen as to how ethical it is to genetically
11	engineer living creatures in this way. Consequently, all the research is being carefully regulated.

## PART THREE: READING COMPREHENSION

Read the following passage and fill each of the numbered blanks with ONE suitable word. (5 pts)

### DEFINING WORK

Work has always (1) been the central focus of society, but as old as the idea of work itself is the question of what constitutes 'real work'. (2) \_\_\_\_\_ you to ask a miner what real work is, he would probably reply that it entails working with your hands. To the average blue collar worker, white collar workers are the people who sit in offices day (3) to day doing little or (4) \_\_\_\_\_ in the line of actual work. If you approached a white collar worker or professional of some



sort with (5) the same question, they would adamantly maintain (6) \_\_\_\_\_ the world would stop revolving without their invaluable intellectual contribution.

It's also illuminating to look at the vocabulary used to describe work and (7) \_\_\_\_\_ related subjects. Words like career, vocation and profession carry a (8) \_\_\_\_\_ elevated connotation than the simple term 'job'. The former three lexical items convey the idea of educated people sitting at desks and using their grey matter on things (9) \_\_\_\_\_ as financial, legal or medical matters, (10) \_\_\_\_\_ the latter one denotes the humble slaving away at some mundane task.

#### PART FOUR: WRITING

I. Finish the second sentence in such a way that its meaning is similar to that of the original one. (10 pts)

1. Every possible effort was made by the police to find the missing boy.

⇒ The police left no stone .....

2. Though he didn't want to pay such a high price, he had no choice.

⇒ Reluctant .....

3. They believe that the prestige of this school has improved immensely in the last few decades.

⇒ The prestige of this school is .....

4. Most people advised John to accept the offer of work in Barcelona.

⇒ It is advisable that John.....

5. "I'm so annoyed as they keep asking me to work overtime without pay," Daisy said.

⇒ Daisy resented .....

6. Alex had no idea how difficult the task would be until he was halfway through it.

⇒ Only when .....

7. The inevitability of unemployment was something nobody cared to admit.

⇒ The admission that.....

8. It was unnecessary for Nick to carry the heavy gas bottle on his back as the campsite had electric cookers.

⇒ Nick needn't .....

9. When the goods arrived at the shop, they were inspected carefully.

⇒ On arriving .....

10. It was such an impressive painting that I had an irresistible urge to buy it.

⇒ It was so.....

II. Rewrite each of the sentences below in such a way that its meaning is similar to that of the original one, using the word given in brackets. Do NOT change this word in any way. You must use NO MORE THAN SIX words. (5 pts)

1. We suppose the new models are about ten thousand dollars. (VICINITY)

⇒ The new models are supposed ..... of ten thousand dollars.

2. There are several categories of people who don't have to pay the new tax. (EXEMPT)

⇒ Several categories of people are .....the new tax.

3. I forgot my friend's birthday last week and do not know how to make it up to her. (AMENDS)

⇒ I do not know .....forgetting my friend's birthday last week.

4. Since his wife gave birth to twins, Steve has felt truly happy. (NINE)

⇒ Steve has ..... since his wife gave birth to twins.

5. They are having problems because they did not take out medical insurance. (COST)

⇒ They are ..... medical insurance was not taken out.

## SECTION TWO: SELECTED-RESPONSE TEST

### PART ONE: VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase to complete each of the following sentences. (10 pts)

1. The secretary has been working here long enough to know what's \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. when                      B. where                      C. what                      D. which
2. I don't mind \_\_\_\_\_ if you use my car while I'm away on holiday.  
A. at least                      B. least of all                      C. in the least                      D. to say the least
3. Rosy likes to travel \_\_\_\_\_ because she enjoys locations where there are few tourists.  
A. at the crack of dawn                      B. off the beaten track                      C. around the clock                      D. on a shoestring
4. Mr. Brown is a tough politician; he knows how to \_\_\_\_\_ the storm.  
A. ride out                      B. keep up                      C. run down                      D. push back
5. My friend is so \_\_\_\_\_; even when people are telling the truth, she never believes.  
A. cynical                      B. crucial                      C. erudite                      D. domestic
6. As the two seminars are running \_\_\_\_\_, Peter will have to make a choice on which one to attend.  
A. concurrently                      B. continually                      C. continuously                      D. currently
7. It was a long time before it \_\_\_\_\_ on me that Laura was your sister.  
A. dawned                      B. broke                      C. struck                      D. flashed
8. \_\_\_\_\_ with temperate climate, our city offers a wonderful holiday destination for anyone \_\_\_\_\_ to admire myriads of flowers.  
A. Blessing - wants                      B. Blessed - wanting                      C. Blessed - wanted                      D. Blessing - wanting
9. Jack's parents would \_\_\_\_\_ architecture at university, but his mind was set on becoming a photographer.  
A. rather have studied                      B. wish he had studied  
C. sooner he had studied                      D. prefer it if he has studied
10. \_\_\_\_\_ was unacceptable. He was so sorry for that.  
A. I did such a thing it                      B. That he did such a thing  
C. That he did such thing it                      D. He did such a thing
11. Although it was \_\_\_\_\_ early afternoon, all \_\_\_\_\_ lights in \_\_\_\_\_ restaurant were on.  
A. the - the - Ø                      B. Ø - the - the                      C. an - the - the                      D. Ø - Ø - the
12. Rarely have I visited \_\_\_\_\_ Paris, the capital of France.  
A. as beautiful as the city                      B. as beautiful a city as                      C. as a beautiful city as                      D. as a city as beautiful as
13. I don't think Mark's ever been there, \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. have I                      B. hasn't he                      C. do I                      D. has he
14. A special award was presented to the novelist, \_\_\_\_\_ have been adapted for the theatre.  
A. several of whose works                      B. several works by who                      C. of whom several works                      D. of whose several works
15. It's hard to believe that by the end of this year, we \_\_\_\_\_ at this company for 15 years straight.  
A. will all be going                      B. will all have been working  
C. have all been going                      D. are all going
16. The woman accused of shoplifting was found not guilty and was \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. liberated                      B. excused                      C. interned                      D. acquitted



17. The new \_\_\_\_\_ bus system will connect communities all across the country.
- A. intercity                      B. intercontinental                      C. transatlantic                      D. transcontinental
18. Bob and Angela are talking about some health tips.
- Bob: "Do you believe that drinking orange juice every day helps boost our immune system?"
- Angela: "\_\_\_\_\_."
- A. Indeed, I like orange juice                      B. Orange juice is my favorite drink
- C. I rarely drink orange juice                      D. I have no objection
19. We have got a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ on the mantelpiece.
- A. useful yellow gold Dutch clock alarm                      B. yellow useful Dutch gold clock alarm
- C. useful yellow Dutch gold alarm clock                      D. yellow useful Dutch gold alarm clock
20. There were so many people \_\_\_\_\_ me in the crowd yesterday that I couldn't hold my camera steady.
- A. jostling                      B. jerking                      C. agitating                      D. obstructing

## PART TWO: READING COMPREHENSION

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 21 to 30. (10 pts)

The late 1990s was a volatile time for the Internet entrepreneur. There were a large number of new high-tech and Internet-based businesses being started up, some based on little more than dreams. And, nearly any entrepreneur with a high-tech or Internet-based business plan could receive a large amount of money from investors to develop the business. These businesses were called "dot-coms" after the last part of their Internet addresses, and that time in business history has become known as the dot-com era. Most dot-com ventures failed as the inconsistencies between high-tech dreams and realities clarified, but a handful of entrepreneurs from that time remain successful today. Many people look back at the dot-com era with a certain amount of cynicism. Some charge that there were entrepreneurs who deliberately mislead investors about the potential of their business plans; that they had the ulterior motive of getting their hands on large amounts of cash before anything else - a ploy that some say was common in the dot-com era. By 2001, most of the dot-coms had disappeared and were sarcastically referred to as "dot-bombs." By the time the hype died down, incredible amounts of money had been lost. This is an unfortunate legacy of the dotcom era. Why did companies like Microsoft, Apple, and Google find success, whilst so many others disappeared? There is no concise answer, but one interesting coincidence is that many of them were started by two or more entrepreneurs working in conjunction with each other. At Microsoft, Bill Gates and Paul Allen complemented each other; Apple had Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak; and we owe Google to the rapprochement between founders Larry Page and Sergey Brin. Besides collaborating with others, today's entrepreneurs need to be able to think on their feet because the business situation changes so quickly. Entrepreneurs need to do constant research to keep track of changing trends. Today's entrepreneurs need to be hardworking and tenacious in a rapidly changing and highly competitive marketplace - the easy money of the dot-com era is history.

It seems that the mistakes of the dot-com era have shown the world what the high-tech economy truly is - and what it isn't. It isn't a place where anyone with a dream can get rich. It is, however, a powerful and flexible business environment where people with sound business ideas and effective business models can work together to produce successful business innovations - sometimes very successful ones indeed. But, as has always been true in the business world, there is no substitute for thorough planning and hard work.

21. What is the author's main purpose in writing this passage?
- A. to expose the negative side of the dot-com era
- B. to show how being an entrepreneur is easier today than ever before
- C. to explain the history and qualities of a type of entrepreneur
- D. to convince the reader to become an entrepreneur
22. What does the word "their" in paragraph 1 refer to?
- A. entrepreneurs                      B. businesses                      C. ventures                      D. investors



23. The word "rapport" in paragraph 3 closely means \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. bondage                      B. sympathy                      C. intimate relationship                      D. mutual understanding
24. Which quality of today's entrepreneurs is NOT mentioned in the passage?  
 A. They need to work in more than one company at a time.  
 B. They need to be hardworking and tenacious.  
 C. They need to do constant research.  
 D. They need to collaborate with others.
25. According to the passage, some people referred to dot-coms as "dot bombs" by 2001 probably because \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. most dot-com companies were short-lived failures                      B. some dot-coms became extremely successful  
 C. dot-com companies started up extremely quickly                      D. many people wished to eliminate dot-com businesses
26. According to the passage, many people look back on the dot-com era with criticism because \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. there were no true entrepreneurs in that era                      B. they are jealous of the success of dot-coms  
 C. many companies misled their investors                      D. the level of technology was so much lower then
27. The word "inconsistencies" in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. inconstancy                      B. contradictions                      C. incompatibilities                      D. changeability
28. What do Microsoft, Apple, and Google all have in common?  
 A. They all produced high-quality computers.                      B. They are all skeptical about dot-coms.  
 C. They all have a good rapport with each other.                      D. They were all developed by more than one person.
29. According to the passage, what have we learned from the dot-com era?  
 A. That sound business ideas and effective plans are needed for success  
 B. That most high-tech and Internet-based businesses will succeed F  
 C. That anyone with a dream can get rich in today's environment F  
 D. That investors should give money freely to new companies F
30. According to the passage, it was easy to get money from investors in the dot-com era because \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. investors didn't expect to get their money back in those days  
 B. investors were mainly Internet entrepreneurs  
 C. investors knew that any idea would succeed  
 D. investors were confused about the potential of high-tech business ideas

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. (5 pts)

Ancient texts refer to the wondrous works of architecture created by the great civilisations of old. One of these were the Hanging Gardens of Babylon, a structure of terraced gardens with trees, shrubbery, herbs and flowers, located in the midst of a desert city. Writers described with amazement the advanced equipment required to water them – a complex system of pumps and wheels that brought water up from the nearby river to the top of the Gardens in order to keep the plants alive in the dry climate.

Unfortunately, we know very little about the Gardens – including whether they really existed or were indeed in the ancient city of Babylon. It seems they might have been destroyed by earthquakes in the second century BCE; what little information we have about them today comes from sources written centuries afterwards. The location of the city of Babylon was identified in the 1800s. Since then, archaeologists have spent years searching for any sign of the Hanging Gardens, with little success.

For a while, it looked as though the Gardens were no more than a myth. Now, however, some researchers are showing a renewed interest. Based on evidence from stone inscriptions, a new theory suggests that the gardens existed not in Babylon, but in a different city altogether. Nineveh. Furthermore, excavations around Nineveh have revealed evidence of a system of water channels that would have brought water from the nearby mountains – enough to water an extensive garden.

Why then did so many ancient writers place the gardens in Babylon? It would not be the first time that people from later periods confused the early histories of these cities, which had become entwined with myth by that point. There are, for



example, geographical errors in many ancient accounts. To further confuse things, after 689 BCE, when both cities came under the same Assyrian king, Sennacherib, Nineveh was often referred to as the "New Babylon".

31. The word "entwined" in paragraph 4 is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. touched                      B. recorded                      C. provided                      **D. mixed**
32. What does the author suggest was particularly remarkable about the Gardens?  
A. the size of the terraced structures  
**B. their fame throughout the history**  
C. the wide variety of plants and flowers they contained  
D. the engineering they featured
33. What is the main purpose of this passage?  
**A. to examine new evidence found in Nineveh**  
B. to argue in favour of a new theory on the existence of Babylon  
C. to present a different possibility for the location of the Hanging Gardens  
D. to provide general information about the design of the Hanging Gardens
34. The author mentions the water channels at Nineveh \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. to point out where the stone inscriptions were found  
**B. to add further support to the Nineveh theory**  
C. to illustrate why Nineveh was a better environment for the Gardens than Babylon  
D. to explain where the Nineveh theory came from
35. What evidence is there for the Gardens' existence?  
A. Archaeological evidence has been found.  
B. They are mentioned in texts from later years.  
C. Writers described them in detail at the time they existed.  
D. Their location was discovered in the 1800s.

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase to complete each of the numbered blanks from 36 to 45. (5 pts)

#### CRITICISM

It can take a long time to become successful in your chosen field, however (36)\_\_\_\_\_ you are. One thing you have to be (37)\_\_\_\_\_ of is that you will face criticism along the way. The world is (38)\_\_\_\_\_ of people who would rather say something negative than positive. If you've made up your (39)\_\_\_\_\_ to achieve a certain goal, for instance, writing a novel, don't let yourself be (40)\_\_\_\_\_ by the negative criticism of others, and let constructive criticism have a positive effect on your work. If someone says you're totally (41)\_\_\_\_\_ in talent, ignore them. That's negative criticism. If, (42)\_\_\_\_\_, someone advises you to revise your work and gives you good reasons for doing so, you should consider their suggestions carefully. There are many film stars who were once (43)\_\_\_\_\_. There are many famous novelists who made a complete (44)\_\_\_\_\_ of their first novel - or who didn't, but had to keep on approaching hundreds of publishers before they could get it published. Being successful does (45)\_\_\_\_\_ luck, to a certain extent, but things are more likely to turn out well if you persevere and stay positive.

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| 36. A. workable      | B. talented  | C. practicable | D. confused    |
| 37. A. knowledgeable | B. conscious | C. alert       | D. indifferent |
| 38. A. overwhelmed   | B. packed    | C. full        | D. overflowing |

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| 39. A. idea        | B. brain           | C. thought        | D. mind             |
| 40. A. abetted     | B. hampered        | C. sanctioned     | D. emboldened       |
| 41. A. short       | B. missing         | C. absent         | D. lacking          |
| 42. A. nonetheless | B. furthermore     | C. more than that | D. into the bargain |
| 43. A. out of line | B. out of practice | C. out of work    | D. out of order     |
| 44. A. mess        | B. garbage         | C. trash          | D. rubbish          |
| 45. A. muse about  | B. look upon       | C. bank on        | D. take in          |

### PART THREE: PHONOLOGY

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose main stress position is placed differently from that of the others in each group. (2.5 pts)

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|-----------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 46. A. questionnaire  | B. heritage      | C. personnel      | D. bourgeoisie   |
| 47. A. responsibility | B. picturesquely | C. interpretation | D. antibiotic    |
| 48. A. authoritative  | B. recuperative  | C. initiative     | D. argumentative |
| 49. A. resource       | B. flourish      | C. moustache      | D. embrace       |
| 50. A. contraband     | B. competent     | C. conspiracy     | D. consequent    |

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 others in each group. (2.5 pts)

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|---------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 51. A. <u>h</u> eiress    | B. pharao <u>h</u>     | C. ex <u>h</u> ilarate   | D. carbo <u>h</u> hydrate |
| 52. A. <u>th</u> orough   | B. clo <u>th</u>       | C. wo <u>th</u> y        | D. <u>th</u> orny         |
| 53. A. dia <u>m</u> eter  | B. dia <u>g</u> onal   | C. dra <u>g</u> onfly    | D. dia <u>p</u> er        |
| 54. A. <u>a</u> ssessment | B. pa <u>s</u> sionate | C. pe <u>s</u> simism    | D. <u>a</u> ssociate      |
| 55. A. <u>s</u> uppress   | B. su <u>b</u> scribe  | C. su <u>b</u> conscious | D. su <u>b</u> urban      |

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